Financial Statements 1998



Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998

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Directors

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Company Number 2522705 (England and Wales)

Report of the Directors' for the year ended 27th September 1998

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 27th September 1998.

Results and dividends

The profit and loss account is set out on page 6 and shows the result for the year.

The directors recommend that no final dividend be paid for the year (1997: £Nil).

Principal activities, trading review and future developments.

The principal activity of the company continues to be that of a Fish and Chip Restaurant and Takeaway Facility. The company operates a franchise in the North West of England under the trading name "Harry Ramsden's".

Although the directors are disappointed with the results for the year they are satisfied with the financial position of the company at the year end, and expect profitable trading in the new financial year.

Fixed assets

Details of movements in fixed assets are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the directors' the value of the company's freehold land and buildings is not materially different from the book value included in these financial statements.

Directors

The directors of the company during the year and their interests in the ordinary share capital of the company were:

	Ordinary Shares of £1 ea	
	1998	1997
	No.	No.
J. Barnes	_	-
J.F. Mallinson *	174,900	174,900
G.T. Parr	158,470	158,470

* Including shares held by a connected company.

Report of the Directors' for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued.....)

Directors (Continued....)

Messrs. J. Barnes and G.T. Parr are also directors of Harry Ramsden's Plc. which owns 34% of the ordinary shares of the Company.

Employment of Disabled Persons

The company is committed to a policy of recruitment and promotion on the basis of aptitude and ability without discrimination of any kind. Management actively pursues both the employment of disabled persons whenever a suitable vacancy arises and the continued employment and retraining of employees who become disabled whilst employed by the company. Particular attention is given to the training, career development and promotion of disabled employees with a view to encouraging them to play an active role in the development of the company.

Employee Involvement

The flow of information to staff has been maintained by our staff newspaper. Management regularly visit branches and discuss with members of staff matters of current interest and concern to the business.

Auditors

Dale Pickard & Co. have expressed their willingness to continue in office, and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the next Annual General Meeting.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

Report of the Directors' for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued....)

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities (Continued....)

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the board

R. Taylor - Secretary

10th November 1998

Report of the Auditors to the Members of Kitevale Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 18 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the basis of accounting policies set out on page 9.

Respective Responsibilities of the Directors and Auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those financial statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at 27th September 1998 and of the result for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Dale Pickard & Co. Registered Auditors and Chartered Accountants

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10th November 1998

KITEVALE LIMITED

Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 27th September 1998

	Note	27 th Sept. 1998	28 th Sept. 1997 £
Turnover	1	4,222,327	4,400,723
Cost of sales		2,443,531	2,574,159
Gross profit		1,778,796	1,826,564
Administrative costs		1,653,878	1,771,334
Operating profit		124,918	55,230
Interest receivable		99,508	65,635
		224,426	120,865
Interest payable	2	271,339	219,368
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	3	(46,913)	(98,503)
Taxation	5	(104,437)	(46,006)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities after taxation for the year		57,524	(52,497)
Dividend	6	-	-
Retained profit/(loss) for the year Retained profit brought forward		57,524 845,577	(52,497) 898,074
		903,101	845,577

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

There were no recognised gains and losses other than those recognised in the profit and loss account.

The accounting policies and notes on pages 9 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

			1998	,	1997
Fixed Assets Intangible assets Tangible assets	Notes 7 8		£ 246,764 3,724,382	£	£ 274,871 3,830,872
Investment	9		7,300		7,300
Current Assets Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	10 11	135,475 142,512 272,454	3,978,446	139,996 164,061 1,122,839	4,113,043
Creditors Amounts falling due within one year	12	550,441 2,098,212		1,426,896 3,037,639	
Net current liabilities	-		(1,547,771)	 .	(1,610,743)
Total assets less current liabilities			2,430,675		2,502,300
Creditors Amounts falling due after more than one year Provisions for liabilities and charges	13 14	772,250 225,324		802,250 324,473	
			997,574		1,126,723
Net Assets			1,433,101		1,375,577
Capital and reserves Called up share capital Profit and loss account	15		530,000 903,101		530,000 845,577
Equity shareholders fund	17		1,433,101		1,375,577

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 10th November 1998.

J.F. Mallinson Directors J. Barnes

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KITEVALE LIMITED Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 27th September 1998

		1998	1997
Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities	Notes	£	£
Operating profit		124,918	55,230
Depreciation charges		175,948	178,528
Amortisation charges		28,107	37,616
Decrease in stocks		4,521	27,481
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors		(2,485)	16,835
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors		73,932	(61,704)
Loss on sale of assets		10,286	4,033
Net cash inflow from continuing operations		415.007	259.010
- •		415,227	258,019
Cash flow statement			
Net cash flow from operating activities		415,227	258,019
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	18	(171,831)	(153,733)
Taxation		24,071	(16,454)
Capital expenditure	18	(79,743)	(31,526)
Management of liquid resources		187,724	56,306
Financing	18	(90,014)	487,812
Increase in cash	19	97,710	544,118
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt			
Increase in cash in the year		97,710	544,118
Cash inflow from increase in loan debt		27,710	(641,000)
Cash to repay lease financing		60,015	123,188
Cash to repay brewery loan		30,000	30,000
Change in net debt		187,725	56,306
Net debt at 28 th September 1997		(1,894,046)	(1,950,352)
Net debt at 27 th September 1998		(1,706,321)	(1,894,046)

The accounting policies and notes on pages 9 to 18 form part of these financial statements. 8.

Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

There have been no changes in accounting policy during the year.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and include the results of the company's operations, all of which are continuing.

Turnover

Turnover represents sales to outside customers at invoiced amounts less value added tax.

Depreciation

Freehold and long leasehold properties are not depreciated, it being company policy to maintain them to such a standard that the estimated residual value, based on prices prevailing at the time of acquisition or subsequent valuation, are at least equal to their book value. Any permanent diminution in the value of such properties is charged to the profit and loss account as appropriate.

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets, except freehold and long leasehold properties over their expected useful lives. It is calculated on the original cost of the assets at the following rates:

Short leasehold improvements	Period of Lease
Plant and Equipment	10.0%
Motor Vehicle	20.0%
Fixtures and Fittings	10.0%
Computer	33.3%

Intangible Assets

Pre-opening costs, categorised as pre-trading expenditure, are capitalised and amortised over a period of five years.

The franchise agreement, with associated legal costs, is capitalised and amortised over a period the lower of 21 years or the life of the franchise.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Accounting Policies (Continued....)

Leased Assets

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ("finance leases"), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable over the term of the lease. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as amounts payable to the lessor. Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged to the profit and loss account.

Lease payments are split between capital and interest using the actuarial method. The interest is charged to the profit and loss account. The capital part reduces the amounts payable to the lessor.

All other leases are treated as "operating leases". Their annual rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

Deferred Taxation

Provision is made for timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the company to the fund in respect of the year.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998

1. Turnover and results

Turnover and results are generated within the United Kingdom from the one continuing activity of the company, fish and chip restaurant and takeaway.

2.	Interest payable	1998	1997
	Loans wholly repayable within five years.	£	£
	Bank loan, not by instalments	144.000	
	Lease interest, by instalments	144,032	154,969
	ECSC loan, not by instalments	18,109	28,255
	Desc toan, not by instalments	100,542	24,991
		262,683	208,215
	Loans partly repayable after five years.	ŕ	,
	Brewery loan, by instalments	8,656	11,153
		271,339	219,368
		2.1,505	217,500
3.	Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		
		1998	1997
	This is arrived at after charging:	£	£
	Amortisation	28,107	37,616
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	·	,
	 owned by the company 	123,143	125,723
	- held under finance leases	52,805	52,805
	Auditors' remuneration	9,500	9,000
	Staff costs (Note 4)	1,248,575	1,295,187
	Loss on disposal of assets	10,286	4,033
	Directors' emoluments (Note 16)	38,848	39,668
	Hire of plant and machinery	28,589	27,352
4.	Employees		
	Q4-QC4	1998	1997
	Staff costs consist of:	£	£
	Wages and Salaries	1,167,016	1,210,231
	Social Security costs	77,492	80,070
	Other pension costs	4,067	4,886
		1,248,575	1,295,187
	The average monthly number of employees during the	year was as follows:	
		1998	1997
		Number	Number
	Part time	56	77
	Full time	118	113
			
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Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued....)

5.	Taxation		1998	1997
	Based on profits for the year		£	£
	UK corporation tax at 21% (1997 : 24.5%) current year prior year		(5,288)	(25,339) 1,305
	Deferred taxation current year prior year change in rate		1,227 22,877 (123,253)	(1,407) 432 (20,997)
			(104,437)	(46,006)
6.	Dividend		1998 £	1997 £
	Dividends paid and payable		-	<u>-</u>
7.	Intangible assets	Franchise Agreement	Pre-trading Expenditure f	Total £
7.	Intangible assets Cost			Total £
7.		Agreement	Expenditure	£
7.	Cost	Agreement £	Expenditure £	£
7.	Cost At beginning and end of year	Agreement £	Expenditure £	£ 468,158
7.	Cost At beginning and end of year Amortisation At beginning of year	Agreement £ 285,333 42,553	Expenditure £ 182,825 ———	£ 468,158 193,287 28,107
7.	At beginning and end of year Amortisation At beginning of year Charge for the year	Agreement £ 285,333 42,553 8,004	Expenditure £ 182,825 —— 150,734 20,103	£ 468,158 ———
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Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued....)

8.	Tangible assets					·
	_	Freehold Land and Buildings		Short Leasehold		•
		£	<i>_</i> -	Improvemen	_	Total
	Cost	I.	£	£	£	£
	At beginning of year	1,413,623	1 102 051	570.015	1 204 100	4.511.500
	Additions	1,413,023	1,193,951	579,915	1,324,109	4,511,598
	Disposals	-	_	25,022	54,721	79,743
	- top o suit	-	_	(5,000)	(14,345)	(19,345)
	•					
	At end of year	1,413,623	1,193,951	599,937	1,364,485	4,571,996
	Depreciation					
	At beginning of year	_		135,178	545 540	690.706
	Charge for the year	_	_	34,508	545,548 141,440	680,726
	Disposals	_	_	(1,900)	(7,160)	175,948
	•			(1,500)	(7,100) ———	(9,060)
	At end of year	_	_	167,786	679,828	847,614
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	Net Book Value:					
	At 27 th September 1998	1,413,623	1 102 051	420 151	(04 (57	2 52 4 2 2 2
	a. Soptemon 1990	I, T IJ,023	1,193,951	432,151	684,657	3,724,382
	At 28 th September 1997	1 412 600				
	At 20 September 1997	1,413,623	1,193,951	444,737	778,561	3,830,872
						

The net book value of Plant and Equipment includes an amount of £259,099 (1997: £311,904) in respect of assets held under finance leases for which depreciation of £52,805 (1997: £52,805) has been charged during the year.

9.	Investment	1998 £	1997 £
	Investment, at cost	7,300	7,300

The company has a minor holding in Cyberdrome Enterprises Limited, which is incorporated in England and Wales.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued....)

O. Stocks	1998	1997
Goods for resale	£ 50,999	£ 59,097
Consumable stock	84,476	80,899
	135,475	139,996
I. Debtors	1998	1997
	£	£
Trade debtors	12,202	9,102
Other debtors	55,927	51,105
Prepayments	74,383	79,820
Corporation tax	-	24,034
	142,512	164,061
All amounts shown under debtors fall due for payment with	in one year.	
Craditars falling due within one weer	1998	1997
. Creditors failing due within one year		1221
. Creditors failing due within one year	£	£
Trade creditors	£ 545,518	
Trade creditors Other creditors	545,518 16,338	£ 353,799 17,312
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security	545,518 16,338 29,323	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901 173,108
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax Bank overdraft	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094 546,575	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901 173,108 1,494,670
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax Bank overdraft Brewery loan (Note 13)	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094 546,575 30,000	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901 173,108 1,494,670 30,000
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax Bank overdraft Brewery loan (Note 13) Obligations under finance leases (Note 13)	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094 546,575 30,000 29,950	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901 173,108 1,494,670 30,000 89,964
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax Bank overdraft Brewery loan (Note 13) Obligations under finance leases (Note 13) Accruals	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094 546,575 30,000	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901 173,108 1,494,670 30,000 89,964 245,635
Trade creditors Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax Bank overdraft Brewery loan (Note 13) Obligations under finance leases (Note 13)	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094 546,575 30,000 29,950	£ 353,799 17,312 27,901 173,108 1,494,670 30,000 89,964 245,635 5,250
Other creditors Creditors for taxation and social security Value Added Tax Bank overdraft Brewery loan (Note 13) Obligations under finance leases (Note 13) Accruals Corporation tax	545,518 16,338 29,323 161,094 546,575 30,000 29,950 139,414	£

The bank overdraft is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the company.

The European Coal and Steel Community Loan (ECSC) was due for repayment on 31st July 1998 but has not yet been demanded. Additional bank facilities have been arranged to meet this demand. Interest is currently charged at 8.13% per annum. The loan is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the company.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued...)

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13. Creditors falling due after more than one year	1998 £	1997 £
Brewery loan ECSC loan	131,250 641,000	161,250 641,000
	772,250	802,250

Two brewery loans are outstanding at the year end. The first is for ten years, with monthly capital repayments of £1,250, expiring in July 2002. The second is also for ten years with monthly capital repayments of £1,250, expiring in February 2005. Both loans bear interest at 6% per annum.

The finance leases are secured on the assets concerned. The future minimum payments to which the company is committed under finance leases are as follows:

	1998 £	1997 £
Within one year Between one and two years Between two and five years	38,000 - -	114,172 - -
Interest included above	38,000 8,050	114,172 24,208
	29,950	89,964
Obligations payable within one year	29,950 	89,964
Obligations payable after one year	-	-

The European Coal & Steel Community Loans (ECSC) is due to be repaid on 15th February 2002, interest is charged at 9.29% per annum. The loans provide a rebate on the interest charge depending on the number of jobs created and is secured by a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the company.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued...)

14. Provision for liabilities and charges	1998 Total potential liability and	1997 Total potential liability and	
Deferred taxation	£	amount provided £	
Accelerated capital allowances Other timing differences	182,827 42,497	267,820 56,653	
	225,324	324,473	
15. Share capital		sed, Issued illy paid 1997	
	£	£	
Ordinary shares of £1 each	530,000	530,000	
	<u> </u>		

16. Transactions with directors

During the year the company purchased the following services at normal commercial terms, with the following connected businesses (including connected persons):

	Mr. G.T. Parr £	Harry Ramsden' Plc. £	All Age s Leisure Limited £	Fast Food Premium £
Management services	30,000	558,958	33,150	-
Amounts due (to)/from connecte businesses as at 27 th September 1				
included within - trade creditor		(271,886)	_	-
- accruals (no	ote 12) -	(42,021)	-	_
- trade debtor	s (note 11) -	7,687	-	31,801

Mr. J. Barnes and Mr. G.T. Parr are also directors of Harry Ramsden's Plc. which itself, owns 34% of the ordinary share capital of Kitevale Limited.

Mr. G.T. Parr and Mr. J.F. Mallinson have a 100% interest in the ordinary share capital of Fast Food Premium.

Mr. J.F. Mallinson is a director of All Age Leisure Limited.

Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued....)

17. Reconciliation of movement in shareholders funds	1998 £	1997 £
Shareholders funds at beginning of year Profit/(loss) for the year	1,375,577 57,524	1,428,074 (52,497)
Shareholders funds at end of year	1,433,101	1,375,577
18. Gross cash flows Returns on investments and servicing of finance	1998 £	1997 £
Interest received Interest paid including interest on finance lease and hire purchase rental payments	99,508	65,635
	(271,339)	(219,368)
	(171,831)	(153,733)
	27.3.410	
Investing activities		
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets excluding those on finance leases and hire purchase contracts Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets	(79,743)	(35,457) 3,931
	(79,743)	(31,526)
Financing		
Brewery loan Capital nayments of finance lease and hire purchase	(30,000)	(30,000)
Capital payments of finance lease and hire purchase rental payments	(60,014)	(123,188)
European Coal & Steel Community Loans	-	641,000
	(90,014)	487,812

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Notes forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 27th September 1998 (Continued....)

19. Analysis of changes in net debt	At 28 th Sept. 1997 £	Cash Flows £	Other Changes £	At 27 th Sept. 1998 £
Cash at bank and in hand Overdrafts	1,122,839 (1,494,670)	(850,385) 948,095	-	272,454 (546,575)
	(371,831)	97,710	-	(274,121)
Debt due within one year				
Finance lease and hire purchase				
agreements	(89,965)	60,015	-	(29,950)
ECSC loan	(600,000)	· -	-	(600,000)
Brewery loan	(30,000)	-	-	(30,000)
Debt due after one year				
Brewery loan	(161,250)	30,000	_	(131,250)
ECSC loan	(641,000)	· 	~	(641,000)
	(1,894,046)	187,725	-	(1,706,321)