THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT BOARD

(a company limited by guarantee)

Report and Financial Statements

31 March 2000

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2000

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REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2000

OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

DIRECTORS

Muhammed Afzal	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Joseph B Baldwin	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Peter Chalke CBE	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Chris Clarke	(resigned 8 July 1999)
William J Flanagan	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Elizabeth Graham	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Joan Hanham CBE	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Stan Henig	(resigned 6 May 1999)
Gerard Heywood	(resigned 6 May 1999)
John R Horrell CBE	(resigned 6 May 1999)
Sir Harry G Jones CBE	(Chair)
David Lloyd-Williams	(resigned 6 May 1999)
Tom Middlehurst	(resigned 8 July 1999)
William O'Rourke	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Linda Short	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Hilda Sterry	(resigned 6 May 1999)
Ian C F Swithenbank	
Rita Taylor	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Patrick Watters	(resigned 8 July 1999)
Brian Briscoe	(appointed 8 July 1999)
Ronald Gee OBE	(appointed 8 July 1999)
Lord Paul Hanningfield	(appointed 8 July 1999)
Sir David Reeve Williams CBE	(appointed 8 July 1999)

SECRETARY

John Rees

REGISTERED OFFICE

Layden House 76-86 Turnmill Street London EC1M 5QU

BANKERS

HSBC Plc

SOLICITORS

Beachcroft Wansboroughs

AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche Chartered Accountants Verulam Point Station Way St Albans Hertfordshire AL1 5HE



DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

ACTIVITIES

The Local Government Management Board (a company limited by guarantee) from the 1 April 1999 is a property company renting its premises to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers' Organisation who are engaged in the provision of publications, advice and other services to Local Authorities in England and Wales.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS

The previous trading activities of the company were transferred on 1 April 1999 to two new companies: The Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers' Organisation for Local Government. The new companies continue to provide servies to Local Authorities from the premises owned by the company for an agreed rental.

DIVIDENDS

The articles of the company do not permit the payment of a dividend.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

The company will retain the freehold premises at Layden House, charging a rental to the new trading companies. It will also continue to pay and review rents in respect of other leased properties until those leases expire.

DIRECTORS

The names of the directors who served during the year are set out on page 1. Directors become members of the company on appointment and provide a guarantee of £1 each during the period of their appointment.

DONATIONS

No donations were made during the year (1999: £Nil).

AUDITORS

A resolution for the reappointment of Deloitte & Touche as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

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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 the group as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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 1985. 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.

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT BOARD

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 18 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on pages 11.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements which are required to be prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 circumstances of the company and the group, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

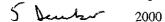
We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity 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 and the group as at 31 March 2000 and of the deficit of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Deloure & Come





Authorised by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales to carry on investment business.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT Year ended 31 March 2000

	Note	2000 £000	1999 £000
INCOME	2	908	20,324
Administrative expenses		(1,130)	(20,330)
Loss from interest in related companies		(29)	(3)
OPERATING DEFICIT	6	(251)	(9)
Interest receivable and similar income		15	215
Interest payable and similar expenditure	5	(206)	(210)
DEFICIT OF INCOME OVER			
EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR	16	(442)	(4)

All income and expenses in the current financial year have been derived from continuing operations.

A Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has not been prepared as there have not been any recognised gains or losses other than the deficit for the year and the preceding year.

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Year ended 31 March 2000

2000 £000	1999 £000
(442)	(4)
2,704	2,708
2,262	2,704
	£000 (442) 2,704

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET 31 March 2000

	Note	2000 £000	1999 £000
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	9	4,794	5,038
Investments	10		29
		4,794	5,067
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	11	-	241
Debtors	12	138	1,526
Investments – money market deposits		118	1,662
Cash at bank and in hand		126	2,102
		382	5,531
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	(785)	(5,082)
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS		(403)	449
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,391	5,516
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	14	(1,929)	(2,143)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	15	(200)	(669)
		2,262	2,704
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	16	2,262	2,704

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

Director

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PARENT COMPANY BALANCE SHEET 31 March 2000

	Note	2000 £000	1999 £000
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	9	4,794	5,038
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors Investments – money market deposits Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	91 100 86 277	241 1,505 1,474 2,102 5,322
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	(727)	(5,063)
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS		(450)	259
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,344	5,297
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	14	(1,929)	(2,143)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	15	(200)	(669)
		2,215	2,485
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	16	2,215	2,485

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CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT Year ended 31 March 2000

	Note	2000 £000	1999 £000
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	i	(3,136)	126
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Net capital expenditure	ìì iii	(191)	5 (113)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from returns on investment and servicing of finance Net cash (outflow)/inflow before the		(191)	(108)
management of liquid resources and financing		(3,327)	18
Management of liquid resources Financing	iv v	1,544 (193)	1,647
(Decrease)/increase in cash		(1,976)	1,665

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT Year ended 31 March 2000

i. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING DEFICIT TO NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

		2000 £000	1999 £000
	Operating deficit Depreciation	(251) 244	(9) 317
	Expenditure from interest in related companies Decrease/(increase) in current assets:	29	3
	stocksdebtors(Decrease)/increase in current liabilities	241 1,388	113 (261)
	and provisions: - creditors - provisions	(4,318) (469)	275 (312)
	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities	(3,136)	126
ii.	RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		
		2000 £000	1999 £000
	Interest paid Interest received	(206)	(210) 215
		(191)	5
iii.	CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		
	Payments to acquire tangible fixed	2000 £000	1999 £000
	assets Receipts from the sale of tangible fixed assets	-	(137) 24
	asscis		(113)
iv.	MANAGEMENT OF LIQUID RESOURCES		
		2000 £000	1999 £000
	Cash inflow from decrease in money market deposits	1,544	1,647

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT Year ended 31 March 2000

v.	FINA	NCING

v.	FINANCING				
				2000 £000	1999 £000
	Repayment of borrowings			193	-
vi.	RECONCILIATION OF NET CASHFLOW TO	NET FUNDS			
			·	2000 £000	1999 £000
	(Decrease)/increase in cash in year Repayment of borrowings			(1,976) 193	1,665
	Cash from reduction in liquid resources			(1,544)	(1,647)
	Change in net debt Net funds at start of year			(3,327) 1,364	18 1,346
	Net funds at end of year			(1,963)	1,364
vii.	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS				
		At 1 April 1999 £000	Other changes £000	Cashflows £000	At 31 March 2000 £000
	Cash at bank Debt due within one year	2,102 (257)	(21)	(1,976)	126 (278)
	Debt due after one year Current asset investments	(2,143) 1,662	21	193 (1,544)	(1,929) 118
		1,364		(3,327)	(1,963)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention

Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the company and its subsidiaries and related undertakings for the year ended 31 March 2000.

Related party transactions

During the year the company made charges to related undertakings for accounting and other administrative services of £Nil (1999: £1,113) and made payments to related parties of £Nil (1999: £6,725) in respect of consultancy services provided by them.

Also during the year the company rented premises to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers' Organisation who are under the common control of the Local Government Association. Rent receivable is shown in note 2. In addition, on 1 April 1999, the company transferred certain assets and liabilities relating to its previous trading activities at book value to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers' Organisation. In addition, a contribution of £240,000 (1999: £Nil) was made to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers' Organisation.

The previous trading activities of the company were transferred, together with related trading balances, to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers' Organisation on 1 April 1999.

At 31 March 2000, the company owed £286,520 to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government (1999: £Nil) and £1,137 (1999: £Nil) to the Employers' Organisation.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided on cost in equal annual instalments over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The rates of depreciation are as follows

Freehold land and buildings 2% per annum
Computer equipment 33% per annum
Furniture and fittings 10% per annum

Investments

Except as stated below, investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for any permanent diminution in value.

In the consolidated accounts, shares in related companies are accounted for using the equity method of accounting. The consolidated income and expenditure account includes the group's share of the deficit of the related companies based on audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000. In the consolidated balance sheet, the interest in related companies is shown at the group's share of the net assets of the related companies.

Income

Income represents the amount receivable as rents and services provided (excluding Value Added Tax). Note 2 gives further analysis of income.

Leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to income in equal annual amounts over the lease term.

2. INCOME

	2000 £000	1999 £000
Rents received	865	86
Government grants	-	13,172
Local Authority subscriptions	-	1,728
Services recharged	43	3,896
Sales of books and publications	-	821
Examination fees	-	409
Other income	<u> </u>	212
	908	20,324

3. DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS

None of the directors received any emoluments in respect of their services to the company and its subsidiaries (1999: £Nil). There were no retirement benefits accruing to the directors in respect of qualifying services to the company.

4. STAFF COSTS

	2000	1999
	No	No
Average number of persons employed:		
Administration	-	103
Advisory	-	67
Negotiating	-	26
Surveys	-	20
Examinations		18
	-	234
	€000	£000
Staff costs during the year		5 024
	-	5,834
	-	495
Pension costs		1,399
	-	7,728
	= =	
INTEREST PAYABLE		
	2000	1999
	€000	£000
Bank loans	206	210
	Advisory Negotiating Surveys Examinations Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs INTEREST PAYABLE	Average number of persons employed: Administration Advisory Negotiating Surveys Examinations - Staff costs during the year Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs INTEREST PAYABLE 2000 £000

6. OPERATING DEFICIT

	2000 £000	1999 £000
Operating deficit is after charging:		
Depreciation and amortisation	244	317
Rentals under operating leases		
- plant and equipment	-	389
- other operating leases	371	385
Staff costs (note 4)	-	7,728
Auditors' remuneration		
- audit fee	3	20
- non audit fees	-	4

The amount charged to the profit and loss account of the company in respect of audit fees was £600 (1999: £18,000).

7. TAXATION

The Local Government Management Board is exempt from Income Tax and Corporation Tax by virtue of its status as a Local Authority Association under Sections 19(2) and 19(3) of the Taxes Act 1988. It is exempt from Capital Gains Tax under Section 271 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992. The subsidiaries and related companies are exempt by virtue of their status as Registered Charities or as Local Authority Associations.

8. DEFICIT OF PARENT COMPANY

As permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985, the income and expenditure account of the parent company is not presented as part of these accounts. The parent company's deficit for the year amounted to £269,762 (1999: surplus of £103,575) all of which was transferred to accumulated funds (note 16).

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

(The Group and the Company)

	Freehold land and buildings £000	Computer equipment £000	Furniture and fittings £000	Total £000
Cost				
At 1 April 1999	4,793	851	469	6,113
Additions	~	-	-	-
Disposals		(130)		(130)
At 31 March 2000	4,793	721	469	5,983
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 April 1999	240	708	127	1,075
Charge for the year	96	101	47	244
Disposals	-	(130)		(130)
At 31 March 2000	336	679	174	1,189
Net book value				
At 31 March 2000	4,457	42	295	4,794
At 31 March 1999	4,553	143	342	5,038

10. FIXED ASSETS INVESTMENTS

	The Group	The Company
Shares in subsidiary undertakings	£	£
Cost and net book value at 31 March		
1999 and 31 March 2000	-	101
		
Interest in associate companies		
At 1 April 1999	29,417	50
Losses from interest in related party	(29,367)	
At 31 March 2000	50	50
		

Shares in subsidiary undertakings:

Local Government Training and Research Services Limited, a company registered in England and Wales, is a registered charity engaged in the provision of training and research in all aspects of local government activity. The Local Government Management Board owns 100% of the issued ordinary share capital.

The Local Government Information House Limited, a company registered in England and Wales, is engaged in the provision of geographical information services on behalf of Local Government. The Local Government Management Board owns 100% of the issued ordinary share capital.

Interest in related companies:

Joint Initiative for Community Care Limited, a registered charity and company registered in England and Wales, is engaged in research into the 'Care in the Community' policy of local government social services. The Local Government Management Board owns 50% of the ordinary share capital of the company. The company ceased trading during 2000.

	2000 £	1999 £
Cost of investment Group share of undistributed surpluses	50	50 29,367
At 31 March	50	29,417

All of the above companies are unlisted.

The company has no right to receive dividends from its investments, nor to participate in any distribution of assets following a winding up.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 March 2000

STOCKS 11.

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			The Group and the Company	
			2000 £000	1999 £000
Raw materials and consumables Goods for resale			-	138 103
			-	241
DEBTORS				
	The Group 2000 £000	The Group 1999 £000	The Company 2000 £000	The Company 1999 £000
Trade debtors Amounts administered for other public	97	928	50	907
bodies	-	30	_	30
Amounts owed by related undertakings	-	28	-	28
Other debtors	-	242	-	242
Prepayments and accrued income	41	298	41	298
	138	1,526	91	1,505
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WIT	THIN ONE YEAR	t		
	The Group 2000	The Group 1999	The Company 2000	The Company 1999

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	The Group 2000 £000	The Group 1999 £000	The Company 2000 £000	The Company 1999 £000
Trade creditors Amounts administered for other public	328	4,045	287	4,045
bodies	-	77	-	77
Loans	278	257	278	257
Other taxes and social security	1	202	-	199
Other creditors	178	501	162	485
	785	5,082	727	5,063

14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	The Group and the Company	
	2000 £000	1999 £000
Bank loans	1,929	2,143
Loan is repayable by instalments:		
Due within one year	278	257
Between one and two years	303	343
Between two and five years	1,083	1,029
After more than five years	543	771
	2,207	2,400
Amounts falling due within one year	278	257
Amounts falling due after one year	1,929	2,143
	2,207	2,400
Between one and two years Between two and five years After more than five years Amounts falling due within one year	303 1,083 543 2,207 278 1,929	343 1,029 771 2,400 257 2,143

The loan is secured on the freehold premises of the company at Turnmill Street. The loan bears interest at a rate of 8.75% per annum fixed over the term of the loan. The loan is repayable in equal quarterly instalments, starting in September 1999.

15. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

The Group and the Company	Relocation costs £000	Major repair and redecoration £000	Car lease termin- ation £000	Total £000
Balance at 1 April 1999	389	200	80	669
Charged/(credited) to income and				
expenditure account	-	-	~	_
Utilisation during the year	=	=	-	-
Transferred to new company	(389)		(80)	(469)
Balance at 31 March 2000	-	200	•	200

The provision for relocation covers the estimated future costs of staff changes and travel and has been taken over by the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government.

The provision for major repair and redecoration was established to spread these costs over the years in which the liabilities arise.

The car lease termination provision was established to provide for one-off costs associated with the company's employee car scheme, principally penalties for early termination of leases and has been taken over by the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government.

16. STATEMENTS OF MOVEMENTS ON ACCUMULATED FUNDS

	£000	The Group £000	£000	The Company £000
Balance at 1 April 1999		2,704		2,485
Deficit of income over expenditure for				
the year: The Company	(270)		(270)	
Subsidiary undertakings	(143)		(270)	
Related companies	(29)		<u>.</u>	
		-		
		(442)		(270)
Balance at 31 March 2000		2,262		2,215
				

The accumulated funds are not distributable to the members by way of dividend. The accumulated funds of the subsidiary undertakings and related companies may only be used for charitable purposes. The accumulated funds of the company are allocated as follows:

	£000£
Funding of assets, less move costs	2,055
Building repair reserve	150
Contingency allowance	10
	2,215

17. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Operating Leases

At 31 March 2000 the group was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases.

	Land and buildings 2000 £000	Land and buildings 1999 £000
Leases which expire:		
Within one year	-	-
Within 2 to 5 years	357	357
After 5 years	14	14
	371	371

18. PENSION SCHEME

The employees of the company are transferred to the Improvement and Development Agency for Local Government and the Employers Organisation for Local Government together with all liabilities under this pension scheme. The total pension cost for the group in 1999 was £1,399,000 of which £350,000 related to the cost of increases in pensions to former employees.

19. CONTROLLING ENTITY

The controlling entity is the Local Government Association.

20. MEMBERS

The company is incorporated as a company limited by guarantee having no share capital and, in accordance with the Memorandum of Association, every member is liable to contribute a sum of £1 in the event of the company being wound up. At 31 March 2000 there were 6 members.