FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

FOR

NO 5 CHAMBERS LIMITED

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COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

DIRECTORS: T McDaid

N Preston
D Mitchell
J Coughlan QC
D Mason QC
J Jones QC
A Keeling QC
C Bright QC
M K Zaman QC
R T Kimblin QC
P S P Goatley QC
M Islam-Choudhury

C E Ashley

M S Heywood QC

P D Rule
E W Pinnock
D Bazini
H Pitchers QC
R Hadley
A Mellis
O Ensaff
I Tullett
O Whitworth
D Oscroft
M Mulla
S Amin

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 02727465 (England and Wales)

AUDITORS: DNG Dove Naish LLP, Statutory Auditor

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BANKERS: The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc

79/83 Colmore Row

Birmingham B3 2AP

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

| - | | 202 | 21 | 2020 |) |
|---|-------|------------------|----------------|-----------|------------------|
| | Notes | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 4 | | 1,022,392 | | 1,238,201 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Debtors | 5 | 741,415 | | 1,051,504 | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 2,141,560 | | 1,309,217 | |
| | | 2,882,975 | • | 2,360,721 | |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 6 | <u>2,707,165</u> | | 2,422,052 | |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES) | | | <u>175,810</u> | | <u>(61,331</u>) |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT | | | 1 100 202 | | 4 470 070 |
| LIABILITIES | | | 1,198,202 | | 1,176,870 |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due after more than one | | | | | |
| year | 7 | | (411,176) | | (511,742) |
| | | | | | |
| PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES | | | (53,045) | | (64,568) |
| NET ASSETS | | | <u>733,981</u> | | 600,560 |
| CAPITAL AND RESERVES | | | | | |
| Called up share capital | 10 | | 252 | | 247 |
| Share premium | | | 85,919 | | 85,919 |
| Retained earnings | | | 647,810 | | 514,394 |
| SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS | | | 733,981 | | 600,560 |
| | | | | | |

The financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

In accordance with Section 444 of the Companies Act 2006, the Income Statement has not been delivered.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 23 June 2022 and were signed on its behalf by:

T McDaid - Director

I Tullett - Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

No 5 Chambers Limited is a private company, limited by shares, registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the Pound Sterling (\mathfrak{L}) .

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Significant judgements and estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed within the individual accounting policies below.

Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Long leasehold - over the life of the lease

Fixtures and fittings - 20% on cost and 15% on reducing balance

Computer equipment - 25% on cost

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each balance sheet date. The selection of these residual values and estimated lives requires the exercise of judgement. The directors are required to assess whether there is an indication of impairment to the carrying value of assets. In making that assessment, judgements are made in estimating value in use. The directors consider that the individual carrying values of assets are supportable by their value in use.

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Income Statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the statement of financial position date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs

The company makes contributions to a group personal pension plan on behalf of eligible employees. Contributions payable are charged in the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

Financial instruments

Cash and cash equivalents in the balance sheet comprise cash at banks and in hand and short term deposits with an original maturity date of three months or less.

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income under administrative expenses.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the entity after deducting all of its financial liabilities.

Where the contractual obligations of financial instruments (including share capital) are equivalent to a similar debt instrument, those financial instruments are classed as financial liabilities. Financial liabilities are presented as such in the balance sheet. Finance costs and gains or losses relating to financial liabilities are included in the profit and loss account. Finance costs are calculated so as to produce a constant rate of return on the outstanding liability.

Where the contractual terms of share capital do not have any terms meeting the definition of a financial liability then this is classed as an equity instrument. Dividends and distributions relating to equity instruments are debited direct to equity.

Government grants

Government grant income is recognised as it is receivable, to the extent that the grant has been expended by the end of the financial year. Unspent grants are shown on the balance sheet as liabilities.

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The average number of employees during the year was 74 (2020 - 91).

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| 4. | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS | | | | |
|----|--|------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| | | | Fixtures | | |
| | | Long | and | Computer | |
| | | leasehold | fittings | equipment | Totals |
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| | COST | | | | |
| | At 1 October 2020 | 2,409,787 | 635,084 | 437,682 | 3,482,553 |
| | Additions | - | - | 114,152 | 114,152 |
| | Disposals | (368,169) | (350,395) | (7,305) | (725,869) |
| | At 30 September 2021 | 2,041,618 | 284,689 | 544,529 | 2,870,836 |
| | DEPRECIATION | | | | |
| | At 1 October 2020 | 1,521,829 | 365,005 | 357,518 | 2,244,352 |
| | Charge for year | 129,465 | 47,125 | 33,101 | 209,691 |
| | Eliminated on disposal | (299,483) | (302,156) | (3,960) | (605,599) |
| | At 30 September 2021 | 1,351,811 | 109,974 | 386,659 | 1,848,444 |
| | NET BOOK VALUE | | | | · · · · · · |
| | At 30 September 2021 | 689,807 | 174,715 | 157,870 | 1,022,392 |
| | At 30 September 2020 | 887,958 | 270,079 | 80,164 | 1,238,201 |
| | , | | | | 1,===,=== |
| 5. | DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN | ONE YEAR | | | |
| | | | | 2021 | 2020 |
| | | | | £ | £ |
| | Trade debtors | | | 172,178 | 318,840 |
| | Provision for doubtful debts | | | (102,833) | (20,833) |
| | Other debtors | | | 127,596 | 105,518 |
| | Directors' current accounts | | | 975 | 10,695 |
| | Tax | | | 13,658 | 13,341 |
| | Prepayments | | | 529,841 | 623,943 |
| | • • | | • | 741,415 | 1,051,504 |
| | | | | | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
| 6. | CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHI | N ONE YEAR | | | |
| | | | | 2021 | 2020 |
| | | | | £ | £ |
| | Bank loans and overdrafts | | | 115,611 | 115,611 |
| | Trade creditors | | | 440,352 | 636,059 |
| | Tax | | | 102,213 | 773 |
| | Social security and other taxes | | | 80,540 | 76,091 |
| | VAT | | | 384,259 | 615,555 |
| | Other creditors | | | 381,509 | 309,897 |
| | Accruals and deferred income | | | 1,202,681 | 668,066 |
| | The state of the s | | | 2,707,165 | 2,422,052 |
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| 7. | CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR | | |
|-----|--|--------------------|----------------|
| | | 2021 | 2020 |
| | | £ | £ |
| | Bank loans - 1-2 years | 115,611 | 115,611 |
| | Bank loans - 2-5 years | 295,565 | 396,131 |
| | | 411,176 | 511,742 |
| 8. | LEASING AGREEMENTS | | |
| | Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follow | /s: | |
| | | 2021 | 2020 |
| | | £ | £ |
| | Within one year | 549,881 | 889,589 |
| | Between one and five years | 1,160,089 | 1,209,797 |
| | In more than five years | 530,180 | 2,265,314 |
| | = | 2,240,150 | 4,364,700 |
| 9. | SECURED DEBTS | | |
| | The following secured debts are included within creditors: | | |
| | | 2021 | 2020 |
| | | £ | £ |
| | Bank loans | <u>526,787</u> | <u>627,353</u> |
| | The bank borrowings are secured by a debenture including a first fixed charge over | r all assets of th | e company. |
| 10. | CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL | | |
| | | | |

Allotted, issued and fully paid:

| Number: | Class: | Nominal | 2021 | 2020 |
|---------|--------|---------|------------|------------|
| | | value: | £ | £ |
| 243 | Α | £1 | 248 | 243 |
| 4 | В | £1 | 4 | 4 |
| | | | <u>252</u> | <u>247</u> |
| | | | | |

DISCLOSURE UNDER SECTION 444(5B) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2006 11.

The Report of the Auditors was unqualified.

Robyn Liddell FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of DNG Dove Naish LLP, Statutory Auditor

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12. TRANSACTIONS WITH DIRECTORS

The following advances and credits to a director subsisted during the years ended 30 September 2021 and 30 September 2020:

| | 2021 £ | 2020 £ |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| T McDaid | · · | |
| Balance outstanding at start of year | 10,695 | 9,887 |
| Amounts advanced | 1,774 | 808 |
| Amounts repaid | - | - |
| Amounts written off | (11,494) | - |
| Amounts waived | - | - |
| Balance outstanding at end of year | <u>975</u> | <u>10,695</u> |

There is no interest charged and no fixed terms of repayment.

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