

# **Askham Bryan College Estates Limited**

**Directors' report and financial statements**  
**For the year ended 31 July 1998**

**Registered number 2800266**



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## **Directors' report and financial statements**

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## Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 1998.

## Principal Activities

The principal activity of the Company is the running of a 430 acre farm with both arable crops and livestock. During the year the company took the decision to cease commercial beef production and commercial pig production.

## Business Review

The results for the year are shown on page 4.

## Proposed dividend

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

## Directors and directors' interests

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

P A Smith

J C Cooke

Resigned 31 March 1998

J N Craddock

R Bennett (employed by College)

F K Kendall (employed by College)

R T J Leather

Appointed 24 September 1998

None of the directors who held office at the end of the financial year had any disclosable interest in the shares of the Company.

According to the register of directors' interests, no rights to subscribe for shares in, or debentures of the company were granted to any of the directors or their immediate families, or exercised by them, during the financial year.

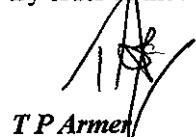
## Political and charitable contributions

The Company made no political contributions or charitable donations during the year.

## Auditors

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board.



T P Armer  
Company Secretary

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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 of the profit or loss 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, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- \* 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

# **Askham Bryan College Estates Limited**

## **Auditors' report to the members of Askham Bryan College Estates Limited**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 13.

### *Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors*

As described on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. 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 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 information and explanations which we considered necessary 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 the company's affairs as at 31 July 1998 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

KPMG

**KPMG**  
Chartered Accountants  
Registered Auditors  
Leeds

19 November '98

# Askham Bryan College Estates Limited

## Profit and loss account

For the year ended 31 July 1998

	Note	1998 £	Continuing operations 1997 £
<b>Turnover</b>			
Cost of sales	2	483,743 (303,984)	621,336 (362,272)
<b>Gross Profit</b>			
Administrative expenses		179,759 (265,932)	259,064 (299,097)
<b>Trading Loss</b>			
Other operating income		(86,173) 207	(40,033) 4,842
<b>Operating Loss</b>		(85,966)	(35,191)
Other interest receivable and similar income	6	3,131	17,007
<b>Loss on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		(82,835)	(18,184)
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	4,682	0
<b>Retained loss for the financial year</b>		(78,153)	(18,184)

There is no difference between the historical cost loss for the year, and the loss on ordinary activities for the year as stated above.

The company has no gains or losses other than those recognised through the profit and loss account for the accounting year.

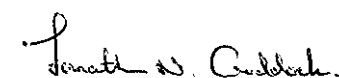
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## Balance sheet

at 31 July 1998

		1998		1997	
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	8		35,646		125,644
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stocks	9	232,231		322,778	
Debtors	10	37,269		40,879	
Cash at bank and in hand		113,912		15,880	
		<u>383,412</u>		<u>379,537</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	11	(30,254)		(38,224)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>353,158</u>		<u>341,313</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>388,804</u>		<u>466,957</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	12		(422,703)		(422,703)
<b>Net (liabilities)/assets</b>			<u>(33,899)</u>		<u>44,254</u>
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	13	15,001		15,001	
Profit and loss account		(48,900)		29,253	
<b>Shareholders funds</b>			<u>(33,899)</u>		<u>44,254</u>
<b>Analysis of shareholders funds</b>					
Equity interests			(48,899)		29,254
Non-equity interests			15,000		15,000
			<u>(33,899)</u>		<u>44,254</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 19th November 1998 and were signed on its behalf by:



**J N Craddock**  
Director

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## Cash flow statement

for the year ended 31 July 1998

	Note	1998		1997	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash flow from operating activities</b>					
Operating loss			(85,966)		(35,191)
Depreciation charges			17,282		18,823
Decrease in stock			90,547		4,553
Decrease in debtors			3,610		15,339
Decrease in creditors			(7,970)		(1,149)
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>			<b>17,503</b>		<b>2,375</b>

## Cash Flow Statement

Cash flow from operating activities		17,503	2,375
Return on investments and servicing of finance	16	3,131	1,267
Taxation		4,682	-
Capital expenditure and financial investment	16	72,716	(54,081)
Management of liquid resources	16	-	15,740
<b>Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period</b>		<b>98,032</b>	<b>(34,699)</b>

**Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds** 17

<b>Increase in cash in the period</b>	<b>98,032</b>
Net funds at 1 August 1997	15,880
<b>Net funds at 31 July 1998</b>	<b>113,912</b>



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	1998	1997
<b>Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds</b>		
<i>for the year ended 31 July 1998</i>		
	£	£
<b>Loss for the financial year</b>	(78,153)	(18,184)
Recognised gains and losses relating to the year after dividends	(78,153)	(18,184)
<b>Net deduction from shareholders' funds</b>	(78,153)	(18,184)
Opening shareholders' funds	44,254	62,438
<b>Closing shareholders' funds</b>	<u>(33,899)</u>	<u>44,254</u>

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## **Notes**

*(forming part of the financial statements)*

### **Accounting policies**

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

### ***Basis of preparation***

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules.

### ***Fixed assets and depreciation***

Depreciation is provided by the Company to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows:

Farm Buildings	15 - 40 years
Plant and Machinery	8 - 10 years
Computer equipment	3 years

### ***Leases***

All leases are accounted for as "operating leases" and the rental charges are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the life of the lease.

### ***Stocks***

Livestock, crops, fertilisers and sundry stock are valued as at the end of the financial year by Messrs. Tomlinsons based on total input costs plus maturity value.

### ***Taxation***

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Provision is made for deferred tax only to the extent that it is probable that an actual liability will crystallise.

### ***Turnover***

Turnover represents the amounts (excluding value added tax) derived from the provision of goods and services to customers during the year.

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## Notes (continued)

### Analysis of turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation

The whole of the turnover and profit before taxation arose in the UK and resulted from the company's main activity.

### Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

<i>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated</i>	1998	1997
<i>after charging</i>		
Auditors' remuneration:	£	£
Audit	1,100	1,100
Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets:		
Owned	17,282	18,823
Hire of plant and machinery - rentals payable under operating leases	354	1,782
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### Remuneration of Directors

None of the directors received any remuneration in respect of their position in the company.

### Staff numbers and costs

The Company does not have any employees. All staff are employed by the parent organisation, Askham Bryan College.

The average number of persons employed by the College (including directors) on farming activities during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

	1998	1997
Farm Workers	6	8
Administration	1	2
Directors	1	1
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The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	£	£
Wages and salaries	133,478	141,890
Social security costs	7,694	10,082
Other pensions costs (see note 15)	10,228	14,146
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	151,400	166,118

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## Notes (continued)

	1998	1997
Other interest receivable and similar income		
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	3,131	1,267
Capital gain	-	15,740
	<u>3,131</u>	<u>17,007</u>

## Taxation

	£	£
Refund of tax paid relating to previous years	4,682	-
Charge per accounts	<u>4,682</u>	<u>-</u>

## Tangible fixed assets

	Farm Buildings	Equipment	Total
	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>			
At 1 August 1997			
Additions	95,970	135,256	231,226
Disposals	0	12,468	12,468
At 31 July 1998	<u>(95,970)</u>	<u>(15,758)</u>	<u>(111,728)</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>131,966</u>	<u>131,966</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
At 1 August 1997			
Charge for period	11,696	93,886	105,582
Disposals	2,031	15,251	17,282
At 31 July 1998	<u>(13,727)</u>	<u>(12,817)</u>	<u>(26,544)</u>
	<u>0</u>	<u>96,320</u>	<u>96,320</u>
<b>Net book value</b>			
At 31 July 1998	<u>0</u>	<u>35,646</u>	<u>35,646</u>
At 31 July 1997	<u>84,274</u>	<u>41,370</u>	<u>125,644</u>

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## Notes (continued)

	1998	1997
<b>Stocks</b>	£	£
Growing crops & residual values	66,488	69,868
Livestock	126,730	209,851
Produce, manure, consumable stores, fertilisers and feeding stuffs	39,013	43,059
	<u>232,231</u>	<u>322,778</u>

## Debtors

	£	£
Trade debtors	243	229
Due from parent company	2,732	-
Other debtors	19,837	11,321
Prepayments and accrued income	14,457	29,329
	<u>37,269</u>	<u>40,879</u>

## Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	1998	1997
	£	£
Trade creditors	22,966	22,805
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,842	1,467
Accruals and deferred income	5,446	13,952
	<u>30,254</u>	<u>38,224</u>

## Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	1998	1997
	£	£
Amounts due to group undertakings	<u>422,703</u>	<u>422,703</u>

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## Notes (continued)

	1998	1997
<b>Called up share capital</b>		
<b>Authorised</b>	£	£
Equity: Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
Redeemable preference shares of £1 each	15,000	15,000
	<u>15,100</u>	<u>15,100</u>
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
Equity: Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	1
Redeemable preference shares of £1 each	15,000	15,000
	<u>15,001</u>	<u>15,001</u>

The ordinary shares and redeemable shares rank pari-passu in all respects for the payment of any dividends.

The holders of the redeemable shares have the right, pursuant to Section 160 of the Companies Act 1985 to redeem at par the whole or any part of the redeemable shares on 1 April and 1 October in each or any year from 1 October 1993 upon giving to the Company not less than three months notice in writing of such intention to do so. In any event all redeemable shares which may from time to time be in issue and which have not previously been redeemed in the manner aforesaid shall be redeemed at a date no later than twenty-five years from their issue thereof.

## Commitments

Capital commitments were as follows:

Contracted	<u>14,250</u>	<u>-</u>
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## Pension scheme

All staff are employed by Askham Bryan College, the Company's parent organisation.

All staff members are entitled to join the pension scheme of the College, details of which are shown in that organisation's accounts.

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## Notes (continued)

	1998	1997
<b>Analysis of cash flows</b>	£	£
<b>Returns on investment and servicing of finance</b>		
Interest received	<u>3,131</u>	<u>1,267</u>
<b>Capital expenditure and financial investment</b>		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(12,468)	(54,081)
Disposal of tangible fixed assets	<u>85,184</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>72,716</u>	<u>(54,081)</u>
<b>Management of liquid resources</b>		
Proceeds on disposal of shares	<u>-</u>	<u>15,740</u>
<b>Analysis of net funds</b>		
<b>Cash in hand, at bank</b>		£
Balance at beginning of year		15,880
Net cash inflow		98,032
Balance at end of year		<u>113,912</u>

## Related party disclosures

The company is controlled by Askham Bryan College, for which the company runs a 430 acre farm.

## Ultimate parent body

The company is a subsidiary undertaking of Askham Bryan College, which is registered as a charitable trust in England.