Company Registration No: 2829703

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND GROUP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

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ROTHMAN PANTALL & CO Chartered Accountants

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

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J M Hunt

Secretary:

L J Hunt

Company Number:

2829703

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HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

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HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED GROUP CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

Sales & Lettings

The Central London residential property market increased in activity levels during 1999 in sales, lettings and short lets. This was fuelled by confidence in the economy both here and in the USA.

Foxtons has continued to build its market share and now has 170 sales personnel supported by a strong predominantly 'homegrown' and experienced management team. Although it is difficult to estimate due to a lack of statistics, we believe we have between 20-25% market share throughout our office spread in London.

We place under offer between £25 and £30 million of residential property per week (variant on seasonal fluctuations) and our lettings and short lets sector signs in excess of 90 tenancy agreements per week.

The Management Team's aim is to capture 40% of the London lettings and sales market through innovative marketing campaigns, carefully selected personnel, extensive training and an increased use of technology. Foxtons.com has seen its traffic increase (to in excess of 7 million hits per month).

Our interim target for the year 2000 is a 30% market share and we estimate a PBT of £11 million

Serviced Offices

The Serviced Office market is proving increasingly popular and is seen as a growth area for the company. Shakespeare House, the companies first Serviced Office located in Battersea, has experienced increasing occupancy levels and significantly increasing rent levels throughout the year and into 2000.

We anticipate the refurbishment of our second serviced office to be completed in October 2000. The Knightsbridge serviced office, located opposite Harvey Nichols Department Store, will be one of the most prestigious in London with 70 offices. It will command top rental rates and will quickly repay the significant investment put into the building by the company.

Once fully operational at 90% occupancy, the combined rental income of these two blocks together with the profit derived from additional services will produce £2.5m pa.

It is the intention of Management to expand this area of the business as and when suitable acquisition opportunities occur.

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

The director presents his report and financial statements of the group for the year ended 31 December 1999.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the company is that of holding company and property investment company. The principal activity of the group is that of estate and lettings agents.

The director is satisfied with the trading performance of the group and it's financial position as of the end of the year. Subsequent to the year end additional bank facilities have been arranged to assist with the working capital requirements of the group.

Results and dividends

The results for the period are set out on page 4.

An ordinary dividend of £4,200,000 was paid during the year (1998: £Nil).

Post balance sheet events

There have been no significant post balance sheet developments.

Year 2000

We have identified the key risks to the business and have developed a plan to minimise their impact. We have considered not only our own systems but also those of our major suppliers and customers. Although no organisation can guarantee that no year 2000 problems will arise, we believe that, having identified and removed the major risks to the business in accordance with the plan we have developed, it will be possible to quickly resolve any such problems as may arise without significant additional costs.

No group company has experienced any significant year 2000 problems.

Director

The following director has held office since 1 January 1999:-

J M Hunt

Directors' interests

The director's interests in the shares of the company, including spouse's interest as required by the Companies Act, were as stated below:-

Ordinary Shares of £1 each
31 December 1999 1 January 1999

J M Hunt 10,002 10,002

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Rothman Pantall & Co be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put Annual General Meeting.

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED DIRECTOR'S REPORT CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

Creditor payment policy

The company's current policy concerning the payment of trade creditors is to:-

- settle the terms of payment with suppliers when agreeing the terms of each transaction;
- ensure that suppliers are made aware of the terms of payment by inclusion of the relevant terms in contracts; and
- pay in accordance with the company's contractual and other legal obligations.

Director's responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the director is 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 inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The director is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable him to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. He is 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

L. I Hunt - Secretary

Date 8 9 00

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 22 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets) and the accounting policies set out on pages 10 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of director and auditors

As described on page 2 the company's director is 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 director 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 start of the group's affairs as at 31 December 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Date 18 September 2000

ROTHMAN PANTALL & CO

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors Clareville House

26/27 Oxendon Street

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HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
Turnover	2	24,798,133	14,160,953
Administrative expenses		(16,812,643)	(15,418,085)
Operating profit/(loss)	3	7,985,490	(1,257,132)
Other interest receivable and similar income	4	230,736	162,596
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(532,367)	(661,074)
Amounts written off investments	6	-	(92,129)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary			
activities before taxation		7,683,859	(1,847,739)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	7	(2,817,542)	241,097
Profit/(loss) on ordinary			
activities after taxation		4,866,317	(1,606,642)
Dividends	8	(4,200,000)	-
Retained profit/(loss) for the period	17	£ 666,317	£ (1,606,642)

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

GROUP STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
Profit/(loss) for the year		4,866,317	(1,606,642)
Revaluation of fixed assets	10	4,851,642	-
Total recognised gains/(losses) for t	he year	£ 9,717,959	£ (1,606,642)

The reported profit for the year is not materially different from the profit on an unmodified historical cost basis.

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED GROUP BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1999

		199	99	19	98
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	9		636,552		831,594
Tangible assets	10		19,415,171		11,596,097
Investments	11		761,734		893,268
					
			20,813,457		13,320,959
Current assets					
Debtors	12	3,661,777		2,087,974	
Cash at bank and in hand		12,412		2,516	
		3,674,189		2,090,490	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year	13	(12,642,721)		(9,187,820)	
Net current liabilities			(9.069.522)		(7,007,220)
Net current habilities			(8,968,532)		(7,097,330)
Total assets less current liabilities			11,844,925		6,223,629
Creditors: amounts falling due after					
more than one year	14		(2,821,567)		(2,747,122)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	15		(67,797)		(38,905)
			8,955,561		3,437,602
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	16		10,002		10,002
Revaluation reserve	17		7,736,635		2,884,993
Profit and loss account	17		1,208,924		542,607
TOTA WIG 1000 WOOMIL	1,				
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	18		8,955,561		3,437,602
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The financial statements were approved by the Board on 18 9 80

LM Hint - Director

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1999

		199	99	199	98
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10	,	13,558,147		8,495,393
Investments	11		2,645,383		2,115,167
			16,203,530		10,610,560
Current assets					
Debtors	12	10,000		<u>-</u>	
Cash at bank and in hand		2,484		2,516	
		12,484		2,516	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	(640,594)		(569,244)	
Net current liabilities			(628,110)		(566,728)
Total assets less current liabilities			15,575,420		10,043,832
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	14		(6,632,348)		(6,055,702)
			8,943,072		3,988,130
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	16		10,002		10,002
Share premium account	17		1,221,899		1,221,899
Revaluation reserve	17		7,631,811		2,780,169
Profit and loss account	17		79,360		(23,940)
Shareholders' funds - equity interests	18	4	8,943,072		3,988,130
_		18/0/2			

J M. Junt - Director

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

	1999		1998		
	£	£	£	£	
Net cash inflow from operating activities		8,093,658		3,296,460	
Returns on investments and servicing of finance					
Interest received Interest paid Interest element of finance lease rental payments Amounts written off investments	211,211 (359,183) (52,826)		156,992 (388,421) (86,098) (92,129)		
Net cash (outflow) for returns on investments and servicing of finance		(200,798)		(409,656)	
Taxation		(79,684)		(15,783)	
Capital expenditure and financial investment Payments to acquire tangible assets Payments to acquire investments Receipts from sales of tangible assets Receipts from sales of investments	(3,477,271) (297,152) 626,359 120,000		(1,921,890) (70,815) 759,542		
Net cash (outflow) for capital expenditure		(3,028,064)		(1,233,163)	
Acquisitions					
Purchase of investments in subsidiary undertakings Purchase of investments in joint ventures Cash acquired with subsidiary	(351,750)		(300,000)		
Net cash (outflow) for acquisitions		(341,822)		(300,000)	
Equity dividends paid		(4,200,000)		-	
Net cash inflow before management of liquid resources and financing		243,290		1,337,858	
Financing Repayment of long term bank loan Capital element of hire purchase contracts	(261,722) (179,517)		(671,796) (6,679)		
Net cash (outflow) from financing		(441,239)		(678,475)	
(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the year		£ (197,949)		£ 659,383	

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

1.	Reconciliation of operating profit/(loss) to net cash inflow from operating activities			1999 £	1998 £
	Operating profit/(loss) Depreciation of tangible assets Amortisation of intangible assets Profit on disposal of tangible assets Increase in debtors Increase in creditors			7,985,490 1,253,434 216,609 (111,266) (1,531,307) 280,698	(1,257,132) 987,377 367,009 (208,785) (526,366) 3,934,357
	Net cash inflow from operating activities			8,093,658	3,296,460
2.	Analysis of net debt				
		1 January 1999 £	Cash flow	Acquisition of subsidiary £	31 December 1999 £
	Net cash: Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdrafts	2,516 (82,975)	(32) (207,845)	9,928	12,412 (290,820)
		(80,459)	(207,877)	9,928	(278,408)
	Debt: Finance leases Bank loans falling due within one year Bank loans falling due after one year	(812,447) (411,146) (2,482,811)	179,517 - 261,722	(115,451) (419,185)	(632,930) (526,597) (2,640,274)
	Net debt	(3,786,863)	233,362	(524,708)	(4,078,209)
3.	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement	in net debt	·	1999 £	1998 £
	(Decrease)/Increase in cash in the period Cash (outflow)inflow from decrease/increase			(197,949)	659,383
	in debt and lease financing			(93,397)	678,475
	Movement in net debt in the year Opening net debt			(291,346) (3,786,863)	1,337,858 (5,124,721)
	Closing net debt			(4,078,209)	(3,786,863)

£

300,000

351,750

651,750

HEVEN HOLDINGS LIMITED NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1999

Net assets acquired Tangible fixed assets 1,250,000 **Debtors** 22,971 Cash at bank and in hand 9,928 Bank loans (534,636)Creditors (50,283)Provisions for liabilities and charges (67,797)630,183 Goodwill 21,567 Satisfied by 651,750

The purchase of the subsidiary undertaking took place on the 15 December 1999. The trading results of the subsidiary (formerly joint venture) have not been consolidated as the group share is not material to the group financial statements in either year.

See also note 11 to the financial statements.

Purchase of subsidiary undertakings

Payment to purchase investment in joint venture in prior year

Payment for remainder of share capital

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1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention modified for revaluations of certain tangible fixed assets.

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

1.3. Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.4. Goodwill

Purchased goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life. Currently goodwill is being written off over 10 years.

1.5 Development expenditure

The expenditure associated with the initial development of new offices is capitalised and amortised over a period of two years. No such expenditure was incurred in the current year.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Freehold buildings Short-term leasehold property Fixtures, fittings & equipment Motor vehicles 2% straight line Over the term of the lease 20%-25% straight line 25% straight line

1.7 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.8 Investment properties

Investment properties are revalued annually and the aggregate surplus or deficit is transferred to a revaluation reserve.

Investment properties are included in the balance sheet at their open market value. Depreciation is provided only on those investment properties which are leasehold and where the unexpired lease term is less than 20 years.

Although this accounting policy is in accordance with the applicable accounting standard, SSAP 19, Accounting for Investment Properties, it is a departure from the general requirement of the Companies Act 1985 for all tangible assets to be depreciated. In the opinion of the director compliance with the standard is necessary for the financial statements to give a true and fair view. Depreciation or amortisation is only one of many factors reflected in the annual valuation and the amount of this which might otherwise have been charged cannot be separately identified or quantified.

1.9 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

1.10 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

1.11 Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

1.12 Group accounts

The accounts present information about the company and its subsidiary companies. In accordance with Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985, the company has not presented its own profit and loss account.

2. Turnover

The total turnover of the group for the year has been derived from its principal activities wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

3. O _j	Operating profit/(loss)	1999	1998	
		£	£	
	Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging:-			
	Amortisation of intangible assets	216,609	370,159	
	Depreciation of tangible assets	1,253,434	970,142	
	Operating lease rentals	360,000	400,635	
	Auditors' remuneration	15,100	13,675	
	Remuneration of auditors for non-audit work	41,219	46,500	

4.	Other interest receivable and similar income	1999 £	1998 £
	Bank interest Other interest	230,736	159,263 3,333
		£ 230,736	£ 162,596
5.	Interest payable and similar charges	1999 £	1998 £
	On bank loans and overdrafts Other interest Hire purchase interest On overdue tax	208,770 17,301 52,826 253,470	360,963 18,000 86,098 196,013
		£ 532,367	£ 661,074
6.	Amounts written off investments	1999 £	1998 £
	Amounts written off current asset investments	£ -	£ 92,129
7.	Taxation	1999 £	1998 £
	UK current year taxation UK corporation tax at 30%/31% (1998 - 31%) Deferred taxation	2,856,447 (38,905)	40,249 (74,137)
	Prior years UK corporation tax	2,817,542	(33,888) (207,209)
		£ 2,817,542	£ (241,097)

Group relief was surrendered by Heven Holdings Limited to its 100% subsidiary, Foxtons Limited, in the year. The tax benefit of the loss surrendered was £243,553 which is to be paid for in full by Foxtons Limited.

8.	Dividends	1999 £		1998 £
	Ordinary paid	£ 4,200,000	£	-

9. Intangible fixed assets - Group

Development		
Costs	Goodwill	Total
£	£	£
,		
426,000	911,089	1,337,089
	21,567	21,567
(426,000)	-	(426,000)
	· ·	•
-	932,656	932,656
		
300 500	204 995	505,495
· ·	20.,222	(426,000)
• •	91.109	216,609
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	250,101	250,10-1
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-	636,552	636,552
125,500	706,094	831,594
		
	Costs £ 426,000 (426,000) - 300,500 (426,000) 125,500 - -	Costs £ 426,000 911,089 21,567 (426,000) - - 932,656 300,500 204,995 (426,000) - 125,500 91,109 - 296,104 - 636,552

10. Tangible fixed assets - Group

Tangible fixed assets	Investment property	Freehold land and buildings	Short-term leasehold property £	Fixtures fittings & equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost or valuation			•			
At 1 January 1999	-	8,569,341	2,006,151	1,430,421	1,748,304	13,754,217
Additions	-	-	1,282,942	467,446	1,726,883	3,477,271
On acquisition						
of subsidiary	1,250,000	-	-	-	-	1,250,000
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(734,414)	(734,414)
Revaluations	-	4,893,451	(41,809)	<u>-</u>	-	4,851,642
At 31 December 1999	1,250,000	13,462,792	3,247,284	1,897,867	2,740,773	22,598,716
Depreciation						, m-
At 1 January 1999	-	229,655	464,160	814,595	649,710	2,158,120
On disposals	-	-	-	-	(228,009)	(228,009)
Charge for the year		171,387	107,908	333,164	640,975	1,253,434
At 31 December 1999	-	401,042	572,068	1,147,759	1,062,676	3,183,545
Net book value					***************************************	
At 31 December 1999	1,250,000	13,061,750	2,675,216	750,108	1,678,097	19,415,171
At 31 December 1998		8,339,686	1,541,991	615,826	1,098,594	11,596,097

Freehold and leasehold properties of the group and company were revalued in the year by the director on the basis of open market value. The valuations as at the year end are based on a subsequent professional valuation carried out in April 2000.

10.	Tangible fixed assets (continued) - Company	Freehold land and buildings £	Leasehold land and property	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	Cost or valuation				
	At 1 January 1999	8,569,341	-	155,707	8,725,048
	Additions	-	450,825	112,839	563,664
	Disposals	-	-	(111,839)	(111,839)
	Revaluations	4,893,451	(41,809)		4,851,642
	At 31 December 1999	13,462,792	409,016	156,707	14,028,515
	Depreciation	=======================================			
	At 1 January 1999	229,655	_		229,655
	Charge for the year	171,387	9,016	60,310	240,713
	Charge for the year	1/1,30/			240,713
	At 31 December 1999	401,042	9,016	60,310	470,368
	Net book value	-			
	At 31 December 1999	13,061,750	400,000	96,397	13,558,147
					
	At 31 December 1998	8,339,686	-	155,707	8,495,393
	Comparable historical cost for land and				
	buildings included at valuation			Group £	Company £
	Cost			-	-
	Historical cost at 1 January 1999			6,044,017	5,938,841
	Additions			450,825	-
	At 31 December 1999			6,494,842	5,938,841
					
	Depreciation based on cost			200 500	212.561
	At 1 January 1999			388,500	313,561
	Charge for the year			133,052	118,777
	At 31 December 1999			521,552	432,338
	Net book values				====== =
	At 31 December 1999			5,973,290	5,506,503
					==
	At 31 December 1998			5,655,517	5,625,280
					

10. Tangible fixed assets - (continued)

Included in fixed assets are assets held by a subsidiary company under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:-

	contracts as follows:-		,	Motor Vehicles 1999 £	Motor Vehicles 1998 £
	Net book value at the year end			765,187	925,815
	Depreciation charge for the year		·	345,916	353,322
11.	Investments - Group		Unlisted investments £	Shares participating interests £	Total £
	Cost or valuation At 1 January 1999 Additions at cost Disposals Reclassification		593,268 297,152 (128,686)	300,000 351,750 - (651,750)	893,268 648,902 (128,686) (651,750)
	At 31 December 1999		761,734	-	761,734
	Investments - Company	Unlisted investment £	Shares participating interests	Shares Subsidiary undertakings £	Total £
	At 1 January 1999 Additions at cost Disposals Reclassification	583,268 297,152 (118,686)	300,000 351,750 - (651,750)	1,231,899 - - 651,750	2,115,167 648,902 (118,686)
	At 31 December 1999	761,734	-	1,883,649	2,645,383

The company holds 100% of the issued share capital of Foxtons Limited and Newtopic Limited. The principal activities of the two subsidiary companies throughout the year were estate and letting agents, and real property investment and development respectively. The company increased its investment in Newtopic Limited from 50% to 100% on 15 December 1999. The trading results of Newtopic Limited have not been consolidated as the group share is not material to the group financial statements in either year. Both subsidiary companies are registered in England and Wales.

Also see note 4 to the cashflow statement.

4.0	T 1 4
. ,	Debtors
12.	Dentars

13.

	1999		1998	
	£	£	£	£
	Group	Company	Group	Company
Trade debtors	3,095,505	-	1,607,001	
Other debtors	78,757	-	96,826	-
Prepayments and accrued income	487,515	10,000	384,147	-
	2 ((1 777	10.000	2.097.074	
	3,661,777	10,000	2,087,974	-
	*			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
	19	999	199	8
	£	£	£	£
	Group	Company	Group	Company
Bank loans and overdrafts (note 14)	817,417	411,146	494,121	411,146
			•	,
Net obligations under finance lease and			ŕ	,
Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	451,637	-	548,136	-
hire purchase contracts	451,637 1,162,213	-	·	-
hire purchase contracts Trade creditors	•	- - 136,486	548,136	- - 136,486
hire purchase contracts Trade creditors Corporation tax	1,162,213	- 136,486 -	548,136 716,518	- -
hire purchase contracts Trade creditors Corporation tax Other taxes and social security costs	1,162,213 4,206,652	- 136,486 - 64,479	548,136 716,518 1,383,869	- -
Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts Trade creditors Corporation tax Other taxes and social security costs Other creditors Accruals and deferred income	1,162,213 4,206,652 2,886,690	-	548,136 716,518 1,383,869 2,962,277	- -

14. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	1999		1998	
	£ Group	£ Company	£ Group	£ Company
Bank loans Net obligations under finance leases and hire	2,640,274	2,221,089	2,482,811	2,482,811
purchase agreements repayable between one and five years	181,293	_	264,311	_
Amounts due to subsidiary undertakings	-	4,411,259	-	3,572,891
	2,821,567	6,632,348	2,747,122	6,055,702
				
Analysis of bank loans Not wholly repayable within				
five years by instalments	2,632,235	2,632,235	2,893,957	2,893,957
Repayable within five years by instalments	419,185	-	-	-
Included in current liabilities	(411,146)	(411,146)	(411,146)	(411,146)
	2,640,274	2,221,089	2,482,811	2,482,811
				
Loan maturity analysis				
Between one and two years		411,146		411,146
Between two and three years		1,233,430		1,233,438
In five years or more		576,513		838,227
				
		2,221,089		2,482,811

Bank loans and overdrafts are secured by fixed and floating charges over group assets.

Bank loans and overdrafts includes loans repayable on monthly instalments up to May 2010. Interest payable is either fixed at 9.25% or variable at 2% over the National Westminster Bank Plc base rate.

15. Provisions for liabilities and charges

Deferred taxation

	Group £	Company £
Balance at 1 January 1999	38,905	-
Profit and loss account	(38,905)	-
Amount provided for in subsidiary acquired in year	67,797	-
		
Balance at 31 December 1999	67,797	-
		-

15. Provisions for liabilities and charges (continued)

Deferred tax is provided at 30% (1998-30%) analysed over the following timing differences:-

the following timing differences	1999 £	1998 £
Revaluation reserve Other timing differences - fully provided	67,797 - ———	38,905
	67,797	38,905
		

The full potential group deferred tax liability not provided for, in respect of the revaluation of freehold land and buildings, is £2,320,990 (1998 £865,498).

16.	Share capital	1999	1998
	Authorised	£	T.
	Ordinary Shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000
	Ordinary States of 21 each	100,000	100,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid	 	
	10,002 Ordinary shares of £1 each	10,002	10,002
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17. Statements of movements on reserves - group

Statements of movements on reserves- company

2 .	Revaluation reserve £	Profit and loss account
Balance at 1 January 1999 Retained profit for the period	2,884,993	542,607 666,317
Surplus on revaluation	4,851,642	-
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Balance at 31 December 1999	7,736,635	1,208,924

	premium account £	Revaluation reserve £	Profit and loss account
Balance at 1 January 1999	1,221,899	2,780,169	(23,940)
Retained profit for the period	-	-	103,300
Surplus on revaluation	-	4,851,642	-
Balance at 31 December 1999	1,221,899	7,631,811	79,360

Share

18. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	1999		1998	
	£	£	£	£
	Group	Company	Group	Company
Profit/(Loss) for the financial period	4,866,317	4,303,300	(1,606,642)	(114,929)
Dividends	(4,200,000)	(4,200,000)	-	-
Surplus on revaluation	4,851,642	4,851,642	-	-
		_ -		-
Net addition to/(depletion in)				
shareholders' funds	5,517,959	4,954,942	(1,606,642)	(114,929)
Opening shareholders' funds	3,437,602	3,988,130	5,044,244	4,103,059
Closing shareholders' funds	8,955,561	8,943,072	3,437,602	3,988,130
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19. Contingent liabilities

At the year end the company had given a guarantee in respect of the bank borrowings of its subsidiary undertaking. At 31 December 1999 these borrowings amounted to £290,820 (1998 £82,975).

20. Financial commitments

At 31 December 1999 the subsidiary companies had the following annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases (Company £Nil):-

	1999		1998	
	Land and		Land and	0.4
	buildings £	Other £	Buildings £	Other £
Expiry date: Within one year	_	_	_	20,581
In over five years	360,000	-	349,000	-
			-	
	360,000	-	349,000	20,581
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21. Capital commitments

At 31 December 1999 the group had capital commitments as follows:-

	1999		1998	
	£ Group	£ Company	£ Group	£ Company
Contracted for but not provided				
in the financial statements	2,846,000	-	572,152	297,152
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The capital commitments at the year end refer to a contract for office refurbishment and the update of the group's motor vehicle fleet.

22. Directors' emoluments

	1999 £	1998 £
Emoluments for qualifying services	767,799	3,778,333

23. Transaction with directors

The following directors had interest free loans during the year. The movement on these loans are as follows:-

	Amount o	Amount outstanding	
	1999	1998	in year
	£	£	£
Mr J M Hunt	-	-	1,034,094
			

24. Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees of the Group (including directors) during the period was:-

	1999 Number	1998 Number
	202	177
Employment costs	£	£
Wages and salaries Social security costs	8,237,797 995,468	8,656,121 863,431
	9,233,265	9,519,552

25. Control

The ultimate controlling party is Mr J M Hunt, a director of the company.

26. Related party transactions

During the year the group made arms length transactions with related parties as follows:-

Rent of £50,000 (1998 - £50,000) was charged to Alexander Hall Associates Limited, a company of which J M Hunt is a director and shareholder.

Sales income of £23,638 (1998 - £56,700) was charged to Jellybean Limited, a company in which J M Hunt is a director and shareholder.

Expenditure totalling £13,763 (1998 - £71,416) was transacted with Octagon Academy Limited, a company in which Mr J M Hunt is a director and shareholder. The group also received rental income at arms length from Octagon Academy Limited of £180,000 (1998 - £165,000).

At the year ended there were no material balances outstanding in respect of the above transactions.