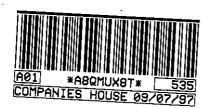
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DRAEFERN HOLDINGS PLC

ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 1997



PANNELL KERR FORSTER

Chartered Accountants

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COMPANY NUMBER

2836088

DIRECTORS

G R Wilson M S Thornton

SECRETARY

J S Hardy ACCA

REGISTERED OFFICE

Draefern House 39 Holywell Street Chesterfield S41 7SH

SOLICITORS

Rodney Shiers Chesterfield

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AUDITORS

Pannell Kerr Forster Sheffield

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc Chesterfield

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1. RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the financial year after taxation was	£ 450,645
An interim dividend of 800p per share was paid on 27 March 1997	400,000
para on 27 march 1997	400,000
Leaving a balance of profit for the year to be carried forward	50,645

2. REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company's principal activity during the year was that of a holding company.

The directors consider the level of activity and the year end financial position to be satisfactory.

3. DIRECTORS

The directors at the end of the year and their beneficial interest in the shares of the company were as follows:

	Ordinary 5: 4:97	shares 1: 4:96
G R Wilson M S Thornton	25,000	50

M S Thornton, who was appointed as a non executive director on 25 June 1996, being eligible is available for re-appointment.

Under the Articles of Association the directors are not required to retire by rotation.

4. 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 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;
- * 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 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.

5. STATUS

The company is a close company under the provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

6. AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint the auditors, Pannell Kerr Forster, will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

7. PAYMENT POLICY

The company does not follow any specific code or policy on payment to suppliers, but aims to settle balances with its suppliers on normal commercial terms.

Chesterfield

01/07/97

By order of the board

J S HARDY ACCA

Secretary

DRAEFERN HOLDINGS PLC

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 3, 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. 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 as at 5 April 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

2 July 1997

Sheffield

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors

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DRAEFERN HOLDINGS PLC

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 1997

		1997 	1996
	<u>Notes</u>	£	£
TURNOVER	2	250,000	240,000
Administrative expenses		181,524	209,875
		68,476	30,125
Income from shares in			
subsidiary undertaking		500,000	251,250
OPERATING PROFIT		568,476	281,375
Interest receivable and			
similar income	4	872	31
		569,348	281,406
Interest payable and			
similar charges	5	103	4
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVIT	IES		
BEFORE TAXATION	6	569,245	281,402
Tax on profit on ordinary			
activities	7	118,600	58,398
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL Y	EAR	450,645	223,004
Dividends	8	400,000	201,000
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE YE	AR	50,645	22,004

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above.

DRAEFERN HOLDINGS PLC

BALANCE SHEET

5 APRIL 1997

		1	997	19	996
	<u>Notes</u>	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	9		100		126
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	10	365,666		320,567	
Cash at bank and in hand		816		17,178	
		366,482		337,745	
CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year	11	230,818		252,752	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			135,664		84,993
NET ASSETS			135,764		85,119
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	12		50,000		100
Share premium account	13		20		20
Profit and loss account	13		85,744		84,999
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	14		135,764		85,119

Approved by the board on 0101/97

G R WILSON

Director

YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

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

Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account in the year in which they are incurred.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred tax, using the liability method, to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Turnover

Turnover represents sales at invoice value excluding value added tax.

Group accounts

These are the financial statements of the parent company only. The company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts as it qualifies as a medium—sized group.

Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution scheme providing benefits for employees additional to those from the state. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund in respect of the year.

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The company engages in only one class of business and all sales were within the United Kingdom.

		1997	1996
		£	£
3.	STAFF PARTICULARS Staff costs comprised:		
	Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	106,667 11,540 48,000	100,000 10,823 60,000
		166,207	170,823
		Number	Number
	Average number employed in the year: Directors	2	2
4.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME	£	£
	Interest receivable	<u>872</u>	31
5.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
	Interest payable on bank and other borrowings	103	4

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		1997	1996
6.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	£	£
	The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is after charging:		
	Auditors' remuneration Audit fee	700	200
	Other services Pension costs	48,000	300 800 60,000
	Directors' emoluments: Salaries and other emoluments including		
	pension contributions	158,711	162,577
	Compensation for loss of office	-	30,000
	Directors' emoluments, excluding pension contributions, were as follows:		
	Chairman and highest paid director	101,544	51,318
		Number	Number
	Emoluments of other directors fell within the following ranges: £ 5,001 - £10,000 £50,001 - £55,000	1 -	- 1
		1997	1996
7.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	£	£
	Corporation tax on the profit for the year at 25% Tax attributable to dividend income	18,600	8,148 50,250
		118,600	58,398
8.	DIVIDENDS		
	Ordinary: Interim of 800p per share (1996:£2,010) Paid on 27 March 1997	400,000	201,000

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9. FIXED ASSETS - INVESTMENTS

	1: 4:96	Additions	Disposals	5: 4:97
	£	£	£	£
Shares in group undertakings				
at cost	126	-	26	100

The company owned 100% of the equity capital of Draefern Limited, a company incorporated in Great Britain, throughout the year. The share capital of Draefern Limited was restructured during the year such that at the year end date there were 10,000 1p ordinary shares in issue. The cost of the investment in Draefern Limited was reduced by £20 by reason of a redemption of shares by the company.

During the year an investment in G.T. Office Furniture, a company incorporated in Great Britain, was written off as the company ceased trading and was struck off the Register of Companies. The cost of the investment was £6.

		1997	1996
10.	DEBTORS	£	£
	Due within one year: Amount owed by group		
	undertakings	365,666	119,567
	Dividends receivable	-	201,000
		365,666	320,567
		 	
11.	CREDITORS		
	Amounts falling due within one year:		
	Corporation tax	18,600	8,148
	Taxation and social security	13,537	12,204
	Recommended dividends	-	201,000
	Directors' current accounts	197,831	-
	Accruals and deferred income	850	31,400
		230,818	252,752

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12. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	Autho 5: 4:97	rised 1: 4:96	Allot fully 5: 4:97	
Ordinary shares of £1 each	£	£	£	£
	100,000	100,000	50,000	100

On 26 June 1996 49,900 fl ordinary shares were issued at par to the existing shareholders by way of a bonus issue to improve the capital base of the company.

13. RESERVES

	Share premium		Profit and loss account
	£		£
At 1 April 1996 Capitalisation of reserves Retained profit for the year	20		84,999 (49,900) 50,645
At 5 April 1997	20		85,744 =
		1997 ——	1996 —
14. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY	SHAREHOLDER	S' FUNDS	2
At 1 April 1996 Profit for the financial year Dividends Increase in share capital Capitalisation of revenue reserve		85,119 450,645 (400,000) 49,900 (49,900)	63,115 223,004 (201,000)
At 5 April 1997		135,764	85,119

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the company received management charges from Draefern Limited of £250,000 and received dividend income of £500,000 from the same company. At the year end date £365,666 was owing from Draefern Limited.

Draefern Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Draefern Holdings Plc and G R Wilson is a director of both companies.