Hilstone Corporation Limited

Directors' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 June 1997

2906739 (England and Wales)



Company Information

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Directors' Report for the year ended 30 June 1997

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 1997.

Principal Activities

The principal activity of the company is that of property trading and development.

Share Capital

Details of changes in issued share capital are given in note 9 to the accounts.

Directors and their Interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company were as stated below.

	Class of share	Number of shares 1997 1996
M.C.T. Bokenham	Ordinary shares	45,000 25,000
A.M. Brookes	Ordinary shares	25,000 25,000

M.G. Smith resigned as a director on 1 July 1996.

Subsequent to the year end, a further 20,000 Ordinary shares were issued to A.M. Brookes.

Auditors

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

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 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

A.M. Brookes Director

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Auditors' Report to the shareholders of Hilstone Corporation Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 10 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 5.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1 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 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 the company's affairs as at 30 June 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Morley & Scott

8 April 1998

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor London

Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 30 June 1997

	Notes	1997 £	1996 £
Turnover		135,900	149,250
Cost of sales		(15,167)	(27,000)
Gross profit		120,733	122,250
Administrative expenses Other operating income		(116,525) 1,250	(112,050)
Operating profit	2	5,458	10,200
Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	3	10 (3,266)	185 (1,784)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		2,202	8,601
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	216	(2,091)
Retained profit for the year	10	£ 2,418	£ 6,510

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

Balance Sheet as at 30 June 1997

		199	97	199	96
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets Investments	5 6		15,356 160,100		17,511
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			175,456		177,513
Current Assets					
Debtors	7	309,186		102,158	
Cash at bank and in hand		26,723		767	
		335,909		102,925	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year	8	(427,199)		(218,690)	
Net Current Liabilities			(91,290)		(115,765)
Total Assets Less Current					
Liabilities		£	84,166 ————	f	61,748
Capital and Reserves					
Called up share capital	9		70,000		50,000
Profit and loss account	10		14,166		11,748
Shareholders' Funds	11	£	84,166	£	61,748
(equity interests)					

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board on ... 1998

A.M. Brookes

Directo

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 1997

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and include the results of the company's operations as indicated in the directors' report, all of which are continuing.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents income receivable from joint venture participation fees and commissions on property development transactions.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

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

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 20% Reducing balance

1.4 Leasing

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

1.5 Investments

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

2.	Operating Profit	1997	1996
	Operating profit is stated after charging:	£	£
	Depreciation of tangible assets Hire of plant and machinery	3,839	4,378
	Operating lease rentals	3,449	4,191
	- Land and buildings	25,000	12,500
	Auditors' remuneration	2,000	2,000
3.	Other Interest Receivable and Similar Income	1997	1996
		£	£
	Bank interest received	10	185
			

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 1997

4.	Taxation		1997 £	1996
	U.K. Current year taxation		£	£
	U.K. Corporation tax at 24% (1996 - 25%) Prior years		-	3,150
	U.K. Corporation tax		(216)	(109)
	Transfer from deferred taxation		-	(950)
		£	(216)£	2,091
		£	(216)£	2,

5. Tangible assets

	Plant and machinery etc £
Cost	£
At 1 July 1996	21,889
Additions	1,684
At 30 June 1997	
AC 30 Julie 1997	23,573
Depreciation	,
At 1 July 1996	4,378
Charge for year	3,839
At 30 June 1997	9 217
	8,217
Net book values	
At 30 June 1997	£ 15,356
At 30 June 1996	£ 17,511

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 1997

Fixed Asset Investments 6.

Shares in group undertakings and participating interests

Cost	£
At 1 July 1996 Additions	160,002 98
At 30 June 1997	160,100
Net Book Values	
At 30 June 1997	£ 160,100
At 30 June 1996	£ 160,002

In the opinion of the directors the aggregate value of the company's investment in subsidiary undertakings and participating interests is not less than the amounts included in the balance sheet.

Holdings of more than 10%

The company holds more than 10% of the share capital of the following companies:

Company Subsidiary undertaking		ry of registration	n Shares he Class	ld %
Aqua Properties Limited	Great	Britain	Ordinary	100
Participating interests Gemcrest Developments Limited	Great	Britain	'B' Ordinary	100

'B' Ordinary 100

The principal activity of both companies is property trading and development.

The aggregate amount of capital and reserves and the results of these undertakings for the last relevant financial year were as follows:

Cap	ital and reserves	Profit for the year
Aqua Properties Limited	£(7,690)	£(7,790)
Gemcrest Developments Limited	£494,480	£14,480

Gemcrest Developments Limited has a year end of 30 May whilst that of Aqua Properties Limited is coterminous with Hilstone Corporation Limited.

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 1997

7.	Debtors	1997 £	1996 £
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Others	101,869 200,000 7,317	
	•	309,186	£ 102,158
8.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	1997 £	1996 £
	Bank loans and overdrafts Amounts owed to group undertakings Corporation tax	1,300	4,113
	Other creditors	425,899	3,150
	£	427,199	£ 218,690
9.	Share Capital	1997	1996
	Authorised	£	£
	250,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	250,000	250,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	70,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	70,000	50,000
	On the 18th December 1996 the company issued 20,000 par for cash.	ordinary	shares at
10.	Profit And Loss Account	1997 £	1996 £
	Retained profits at 1 July 1996 Retained profit for the year	11,748 2,418	5,238 6,510
	Retained profits at 30 June 1997 £	14,166	£ 11,748

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 1997

11. Reconciliation of Movements in Shareholders' Funds

	1997	1996
	£	£
Profit for the financial year	2,418	6,510
Proceeds of issue of equity shares	20,000	-
Net addition to shareholders' funds	22,418	6,510
Opening shareholders' funds	61,748	55,238
Closing shareholders' funds	£ 84,166 £	61,748
		

12. Contingent Liabilities

Details of guarantees given by the company in respect of Aqua Properties Limited, the subsidiary undertaking, are given in note 14 to the financial statements.

13. Financial Commitments

At 30 June 1997 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Land and buildings	
	1997	1996
Expiry date:	£	£
Between two and five years	25,000	25,000
· ·	£ 25,000 £	25,000

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 1997

14. Controlling Party and Related Party Transactions

The company was controlled throughout the year by M.C.T. Bokenham, a director and majority shareholder.

Included in other creditors is £310,220 due to M.C.T. Bokenham and £88,543 due to A.M. Brookes, the directors of the company. These loans are interest free and unsecured.

M.C.T. Bokenham and A.M. Brookes have also provided personal guarantees, for a maximum of £50,000 each, to the company's bankers, in respect of bank borrowings.

Turnover includes £105,500 in respect of property management fees received from Gemcrest Developments Limited, the associated undertaking, of which £62,500 is included within trade debtors.

The company has advanced monies to, and paid expenses of, the subsidiary undertaking, Aqua Properties Limited. Part repayment of these amounts was made during the year. The balance arising from time to time on the inter company account is secured by a second charge over that company's property. The balances at the year end between the two companies are given in notes 7 and 8 to the financial statements.

The company has guaranteed the performance of Aqua Properties Limited in respect of certain commercial transactions. The outstanding financial liability on the transactions at the balance sheet date amounted to £81,000.