HILSTONE CORPORATION LIMITED CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31 DECEMBER 2001



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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

A M Brookes M C T Bokenham

SECRETARY

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REGISTERED OFFICE

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COMPANY NUMBER

2906739 (England)

AUDITORS

HLB AV Audit plc 66 Wigmore Street London W1U 2HQ

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors present their Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2001.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activity of the Company is to own and manage the group.

The activities of the group are that of property trading and development.

The Directors are satisfied with the results for the year and will continue to pursue further acquisition and development opportunities.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The consolidated profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2001 is set out on page 7.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend (2000: £1,500,000).

FIXED ASSETS

The significant changes in fixed assets during the year are explained in notes 9 to 13 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS

The following Directors have held office since 1 January 2001.

A M Brookes M C T Bokenham

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The Directors' beneficial interests in the shares of the Company are as stated below:-

	31 December 2001 Ordinary Shares Of £1 each	1 January 2001 Ordinary Shares Of £1 each
A M Brookes	45,000 45,000	45,000 45,000
M C T Bokenham	45,000	45,000

DONATIONS

During the year the Group made no charitable donations of £2,087 (2000: £ Nil).

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

AUDITORS

A V Audit Limited acquired the audit practice of Levy Gee and in accordance with section 26 of the Companies Act 1989 has been appointed as auditors in succession. On 2 July 2002 AV Audit Limited changed its name to HLB AV Audit plc. In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that they be re-appointed will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

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 Group and of the profit or loss of the Group for that year. 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 Group 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 Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By Order of the Board

Director \

30 October 2002

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF HILSTONE CORPORATION LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Hilstone Corporation Limited on pages 6 to 23 for the year ended 31 December 2001. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities on page 4 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the group is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 group'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 and the group as at 31 December 2001 and of the profit of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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HLB AV Audit plc

Registered Auditor

Date 30 October 2002

66 Wigmore Street London W1U 2HQ

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended

31 DECEMBER 2001

	Note	2001 Total £	2000 Total £
Turnover of the Group including Share of Joint Ventures and Associat Share of Joint Ventures Share of Associates	es	6,490,855 (3,166,387)	65,316,499
Group Turnover	2	3,324,468	61,448,725
Cost of Sales	2	(1,916,886)	(53,650,751)
Gross Profit	2	1,407,582	7,797,974
Administrative Expenses		(1,366,326)	(663,736)
Group Operating Profit	3	41,256	7,134,238
Share of Operating Results in Joint Ventures Share of Operating Results in Associa	ates	1,787,954 -	1,555,310 67,292
Total Operating Profit	3	1,829,210	8,756,840
Interest Payable	4	(2,283,621)	(2,744,972)
		(454,411)	6,011,868
Interest Receivable	5	381,814	431,670
(Loss)/Profit on Ordinary Activities before Taxation		(72,597)	6,443,538
Taxation	6	(424,042)	(1,303,393)
(Loss)/Profit on Ordinary Activities after Taxation		(496,639)	5,140,145
Dividends	7	-	(1,500,000)
Retained (Loss)/Profit for the Year	19	(496,639)	3,640,145

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

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

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2001

		200		2000	
FIXED ASSETS	Note	£	£	£	£
Intangible Tangible Investment in Joint Ventures:	9 10 12		701,841 28,476		739,608 28,952
Share of Gross Assets Share of Gross Liabilities		23,974,982 (23,812,130)		26,410,824 (26,407,753)	
			162,852		3,071
Investments in Associates	13				154,968
CURRENT ASSETS			893,169		926,599
Stock Debtors: Due Within One Year	14 15	8,858,807 1,222,846		8,000,001 1,840,783	
: Due After One Year Cash at Bank	15	3,750,000 1,630,677		2,500,000 5,491,037 	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		15,462,330		17,831,821	
CREDITORS - Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	16	(8,744,823)		(5,465,174)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			6,717,507		12,366,647
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			7,610,676		13,293,246
CREDITORS - Amounts Falling Due After One Year	17	·	(3,814,069)		(9,000,000)
			3,796,607		4,293,246
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			_		
Called Up Share Capital Profit and Loss Account	18 19		90,000 3,706,607		90,000 4,203,246
Shareholders' Funds	20		3,796,607		4,293,246

These Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 30 October 2002.

A M BROOKES

M C T BOKENHAM

Director

COMPANY BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2001

		200		200	
FIXED ASSETS	Note	£	£	£	£
Tangible Assets Investments	10 11		28,476 757,960		28,952 918,060
CURRENT ASSETS			786,436		947,012
Debtors Due Within One Year Debtors Due After One Year Cash at Bank and in Hand	15 15	441,481 3,750,000 1,207,496		1,518,543 2,500,000 4,827,650	
CREDITORS - Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	16	5,398,977 (2,854,897)		8,846,193 (7,290,661)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			2,544,080		1,555,532
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			3,330,516		2,502,544
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called Up Share Capital	18		90,000		90,000
Profit and Loss Account	19		3,240,516		2,412,544
Shareholders' Funds	20		3,330,516		2,502,544

These Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 30 October 2002.

A M BROOKE Director

M C T BOKENHÁM

Director

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended

31 DECEMBER 2001

		200	1	2000)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from	Note	£	£	£	£
operating activities	22(a)		(1,089,400)		35,226,334
Returns on investments and servicing of finance:					
Interest received Interest paid		249,682 (621,812)		361,642 (3,658,136)	
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance			(372,130)		(3,296,494)
Taxation:					
Corporation tax paid			(1,801,906)		(215,920)
Capital Expenditure:					
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(4,549)		-	
Net cash outflow from capital expenditure			(4,549)		-
Acquisitions and Disposals Payment to acquire Subsidiary Undertakings Net Cash acquired with Subsidiary Undertakings Sale of Investments		- - 160,000		(685,410) 31,592	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from acquisitions and disposals			160,000		(653,818)
Equity Dividends Paid			(1,500,000)		-
Cash (outflow)/inflow before Management of Liquid Resources and Financing			(4,607,985)		31,060,102
Financing:					
Repayment of loans New Loans		814,069		(30,593,006) 3,000,000	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing			814,069		(27,593,006)
(Decrease)/Increase in Cash	22(b),(c)		(3,793,916)		3,467,096

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies of the Company and Group are set out below.

a) Accounting Convention

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention, in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards.

b) Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the results of the Company and its subsidiaries, made up to 31 December, together with the Group's share of net profits and losses and reserves of associates and joint ventures. The results of subsidiaries acquired during the period are included from the effective date of acquisition. Profits and losses on intra-group transactions are eliminated in full. On acquisition of a subsidiary, all the subsidiary's assets and liabilities which exist at the date of acquisition are recorded at their fair values reflecting their condition at that date.

No profit and loss account of the parent company is presented as permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985. The Company's profit for the financial year is disclosed in note 20 to these financial statements.

c) Stock

Development and trading properties are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost includes directly attributable costs including improvements expenses. Purchase and sale of properties is recognised in the financial statements on legal completion of the transaction.

d) 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

15% reducing balance

e) Investments

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost less provision for impairment.

f) Turnover

Turnover, which is stated net of VAT, is derived from sale proceeds of trading and development properties, together with net rental income, recharges and fees receivable from operations in the United Kingdom.

g) Leasing

Rentals on operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term. Assets held under hire purchase agreements are recorded in the balance sheet as an asset and an obligation to pay future rentals. Depreciation is charged over the assets useful lives and finance charges accrue at a constant rate over the lease

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g) Leasing

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h) Goodwill

Goodwill arising from the acquisition of subsidiary undertakings, representing the difference between the purchase consideration and fair value of net assets acquired, has been capitalised in accordance with the requirements of FRS10 and is being amortised over the expected useful life in each case of 20 years.

i) Deferred Tax

The accounting policy in respect of deferred tax has been changed to reflect the requirements of FRS19 – Deferred Tax. Deferred tax is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

The above amounts to a change in accounting policy. The previous policy was to provide deferred tax only to the extent that it was probable that liabilities would crystallise in the foreseeable future.

The adoption of the standard has not required a prior period adjustment. If the new policy had been in place in the previous period no liability would been recognised as the conditions for recognition would not have been satisfied.

j) Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the year in accordance with SSAP 24.

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2 TURNOVER AND COST OF SALES

The group operates entirely within one geographical market, the United Kingdom. The turnover and cost of sales is analysed below.

TURNOVER

	2001 £	2000 £
Rental Income	~	-
Group Joint Venture Associate	1,287,946 2,403,460 -	897,661 2,802,111 307,330
Sale of Trading Properties		
Group Joint Venture Associate	270,000 -	43,822,394 - 758,333
Other Income		
Group Joint Venture	2,036,522 492,927	16,728,670 -
	6,490,855	65,316,499
COST OF SALES	2001 £	2000 £
Costs of Trading Properties Sold Other Costs	1, 916,886	38,302,573 15,348,178
	1,916,886	53,650,751

The split of acquired and existing operations for the year ended 31 December 2000 is analysed below:

analysed below.	Existing £	Acquisitions £	Total £
Turnover of the Group including Share of Joint Ventures and Associates	64,791,583	524,916	65,316,499
Share of Joint Ventures Share of Associates	(2,802,111) (1,065,663)		(2,802,111) (1,065,663)
Shale of Associates	(1,005,005)		(1,000,000)
Group Turnover	60,923,809	524,916	61,448,725
Cost of Sales	(53,603,573)	(47,178)	(53,650,751)
Gross Profit	7,320,236	477,738	7,797,974
Administrative Expenses	(531,423)	(132,313)	(663,736)
Group Operating Profit	6,788,813	345,425	7,134,238

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3 OPERATING PROFIT

3	OPERATING PROFIT		
	The operating profit is stated after charging:-	2001	2000
		£	£
	Auditors' Remuneration	40,000	60,000
	Depreciation	5,025	5,109
	Operating Lease Rentals	140,266	63,171
	Amortisation	37,767	15,736
4	INTEREST PAYABLE		
•		2001	2000
		£	£
	Group: Bank Loans and Overdrafts	619,769	723,166
	Group: On Overdue Tax	2,043	4,245
	Joint Venture – Bank Loans and Overdrafts	1,661,809	1,730,444
	Joint Venture – Other Loans	-	113,196
	Associates – Bank loans and Overdrafts	-	27
	Associates – Other Loans	-	173,894
		2,283,621	2,744,972
5	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
		2001	2000
		£	£
	Group: Bank	200,915	238,327
	Group: Other	148,767	123,315
	Joint Venture - Bank	32,132	57,850
	Associates – Bank	-	12,178
		381,814	431,670
			
6	TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
		2001	2000
		£	£
	Corporation Tax at 30% (2000: 30%) based on the Group		4 070 000
	Profit for the Year	3,300	1,379,000
	Joint Venture Associates	-	(66,500) (1,036)
	Associates		(1,030)
	Driv Van	3,300	1,311,464
	Prior Years UK Corporation Tax on Group	422,246	(7,420)
	UK Corporation Tax on Joint Venture	(1,504)	•
	UK Corporation Tax on Associates	· -	(651)
		424,042	1,303,393
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7	DIVIDENDS	2001 £	2000 £
	Final Ordinary Proposed	-	1,500,000
8	DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES INFORMATION	2001	2000
	Directors' Emoluments	£	£
	Aggregate Emoluments	48,000	48,000
	Emoluments of Highest paid Director	2001 £	2000 £
	Aggregate Emoluments	24,000	24,000
	Employees Information (Including Directors)	2004	2000
	Staff Costs:	2001 £	2000 £
	Wages and Salaries Social Security Costs Pension	91,210 10,060 10,000	66,250 6,621 -
		111,270	72,871
	Numbers of Employees (Excluding Directors):	2001	2000
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was:	2	1
9	INTANGIBLE ASSETS		Goodwill
	Group		£
	Cost at 1 January 2001 and at 31 December 2001		755,344
	Amortisation at 1 January 2001 Charge for the Year		15,736 37,767
	Amortisation at 31 December 2001		53,503
	Net Book Value At		
	31 December 2001		701,841
	31 December 2000		739,608

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10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Fixtures, Fittings and
Group and Company	Equipment £
Cost	
At 1 January 2001 Additions	50,592 4,549
At 31 December 2001	55,141
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2001 Charge for the Year	21,640 5,025
At 31 December 2001	26,665
Net Book Value	
At 31 December 2001	28,476
At 31 December 2000	28,952
11 INVESTMENTS Company	£
Cost at 1 January 2001 Disposals in Year	918,060 (160,100)
Cost at 31 December 2001	757,960
Subsidiaries	Shares Held %
Hilstone Midtown Plc Hilstone Harmsworth Plc Hilstone Northcliffe Limited Hilstone (Birmingham) Limited	100 100* 100* 100

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11 INVESTMENTS (Continued)

	Shares Held
Joint Ventures	%
Hilstone Asset Management Limited	50
Hilstone (Aldershot) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Clacton) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Colchester) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Harrow) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Liverpool) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Luton) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Sheffield) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Swindon) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Wood Green) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Merit House) Limited	50*
Hilstone (Sale) Limited	50*
Hilstone (19/21 Grove Street Wilmslow) Limited	50*
Hilstone (30/32 Grove Street Wilmslow) Limited	50*
Hilstone (35/37 Grove Street and	
Grove Arcade) Limited	50*

All the above named companies are registered in England and are property companies, apart from Hilstone Northcliffe Limited and Hilstone Harmsworth Plc which are non-trading companies.

All equity held is ordinary share capital.

The * above indicates investments held by undertakings of Hilstone Corporation Limited.

12 INVESTMENT IN JOINT VENTURES

	Group 2001 £
At 1 January 2001 Share of Profit for the Year	3,071 159,781
At 31 December 2001	162,852

Hilstone Asset Management Limited

Hilstone Asset Management Limited (HAM) is a property company in which Hilstone Corporation Limited hold 50% of the share capital. The information herein and the group's share of the joint venture results is based on audited accounts made up to 31 December 2001. The address of its principal place of business is Suite 3, 6th Floor Berkeley Square House, Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6BR.

Hilstone Corporation Limited hold £250,000 4% loan stock in Hilstone Asset Management Limited.

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12 INVESTMENT IN JOINT VENTURES (Continued)

The summarised aggregate financial statements of Hilstone Asset Management Limited are as follows:

	Profit and Loss Account	2001 £	2000 £
	Turnover Operating Profit Net Interest Payable Taxation	6,332,774 3,575,907 (3,259,353) 3,007	4,566,160 3,110,620 (3,571,582) 133,000
	Retained Profit/(Loss) for the Year	319,561	(327,962)
	Group Share	159,781	(163,981)
	Balance Sheet	A10	
	Current Assets Liabilities Falling Due Within One Year Liabilities Falling Due After One Year	47,949,963 (2,362,530) (45,261,729)	
		325,704	6,142
	Group Share	162,852	3,071
13	INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES		
			2001 Group £
	At 1 January 2001 Disposal in Year		154,968 (154,968)
	At 31 December 2001		-

Gemcrest Developments Limited

Hilstone Corporation Limited held 100% of the ordinary "B" shares in Gemcrest Developments Limited, this represented 33% of the total share capital. Gemcrest Developments Limited ceased trading and Hilstone Corporation Limited received its share of the liquidation proceeds.

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14 STOCK

	Gr	oup	Cor	npany
	2001 £	2000 £	2001 £	2000 £
Properties	8,858,807	8,000,001	•	-

15 **DEBTORS**

	Gro	up	Com	pany
Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	2001 £	2000 £	2001 £	2000 £
Trade Debtors Amounts owed by Group Undertakings	727,288	197,365	16,477 285,047	153,461
Amounts owed by Joint Ventures	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Other Debtors	1,609,719	1,503,012	1,389,957	1,346,326
Prepayments and Accrued Income	135,839	140,406	-	18,756
				
	4,972,846	4,340,783	4,191,481	4,018,543

Amounts Falling Due After One Year

Group and Company

Included in Amounts owed by Joint Ventures is £2,500,000 (2000: £2,500,000) which represents 4% loan stock issued by Hilstone Asset Management Limited redeemable November 2009 or after October 2004 at the option of Hilstone Asset Management Limited.

Included on other debtors is £1,250,000 (2000: £ Nii) which represents 4% loan stock issued by Hilstone Portfolio Management Limited redeemable January 2011 or after January 2006 at the option of Hilstone Portfolio Management Limited.

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16 CREDITORS

	Gro	up	Comp	oany
	2001	2000	2001	2000
Amounts Falling Due Within One Year	£	£	£	£
Bank Loans and Overdrafts	6,000,000	66,444	-	66,444
Trade Creditors	30,393	125,567	30,393	-
Amounts Owed to Group Undertakings	-	· <u>-</u>	1,195,264	5,356,157
Corporation Tax	3,300	1,379,660	-	323,000
Other Taxes and Social Security Costs	6,969	58,430	6,969	9,043
Dividends Payable		1,500,000	-	1,500,000
Other Creditors	2,296,234	1,849,695	1,607,271	7,017
Accruals and Deferred Income	407,927	485,378	15,000	29,000
	8,744,823	5,465,174	2,854,897	7,290,661

The bank loan is secured by a first legal charge over certain assets of the group.

17 CREDITORS

	Gro	up	Com	pany
Amounts Falling Due After One Year	2001 £	2000 £	2001 £	2000 £
Other Loans	3,814,069	9,000,000	-	-
	Gro	oup	Con	npany
	2001	2000	2001	2000
Analysis of Loans	£	£	£	£
Wholly Repayable Within Five Years	3,814,069	9,000,000	-	-
	2001	2000	2001	2000
Loan Maturity Analysis	£	£	£	£
Between One and Two Years	-	6,000,000	-	-
Between Two and Five Years	3,814,069	3,000,000	-	-

The other loan is secured by a second legal charge over certain assets of the group.

18 SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised	2001 £	2000 £
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	250,000	250,000
Issued, Called Up and Fully Paid		
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	90,000	90,000

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19	STATEMENT OF MOVEMENT ON RESERVES		
.0		Group Profit and Loss Account £	Company Profit and Loss Account £
	Balance at 1 January 2001 Retained (Loss)/Profit for the Year	4,203,246 (496,639)	2,412,544 827,972
	Balance at 31 December 2001	3,706,607	3,240,516
20	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLD	DERS' FUNDS	
	Group	2001 £	2000 £
	(Loss)/Profit for the Financial Year Dividends	(496,639)	5,140,145 (1,500,000)
	Net Addition to Shareholders' Funds	(496,639)	3,640,145
	Opening Shareholders' Funds	4,293,246	653,101
	Closing Shareholders' Funds	3,796,607	4,293,246
	Company	2001 £	2000 £
	Profit for the Financial Year Dividends	827,972 -	3,538,257 (1,500,000)
	Net Addition to Shareholders' Funds	827,972	2,038,257
	Opening Shareholders' Funds	2,502,544	464,287
	Closing Shareholders' Funds	3,330,516	2,502,544

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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21 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

Group

At 31 December 2001 the Group was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases:

	2001	2000
	Land and Buildings	
Leases which expire:	£	£
One to Two Years	-	-
Within Two to Five Years	77,500	-
After Five Years	63,171	63,171
		
	140,671	63,171

Company

At 31 December 2001 the Company was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases:

, ,	_	2001	2000
		Land and E	3uildings
		£	£
After Five Years		63,171	63,171

22 NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

a) Reconciliation of Operating Profit to Net Cash Outflow from Operating Activities

	2001 £	2000 £
Operating Profit	141,256	7,134,238
Depreciation Charges	42,792	20,845
(Increase)/Decrease in Stock	(858,806)	29,782,093
Increase in Debtors	(632,063)	(861,410)
Increase/(Decrease) in Creditors	222,453	(849,432)
Profit on Disposal of Investment	(5,032)	
		
Net Cash (outflow)/inflow from Operating Activities	(1,089,400)	35,226,334

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22 NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Continued)

b) Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow to Movement in Net Debt

	£
Decrease in Cash in the Year Cash Inflow from Increase in Debt	(3,793,916) (814,069)
Movement in Net Debt in the Year	(4,607,985)
Net Debt at 31 December 2000	(3,575,407)
Net Debt at 31 December 2001	(8,183,392)

c) Analysis of Net Debt

· ·	At 1 January 2000 £	Cash Flow £	Other Non- Cash Changes £	At 31 December 2001 £
Cash in Hand and at Bank Bank Overdrafts	5,491,037 (66,444)	(3,860,360) 66,444	-	1,630,677
	5,424,593	(3,793,916)	-	1,630,677
Debt Due Within One Year	-	-	(6,000,000)	(6,000,000)
Debt Due After More Than One Year	(9,000,000)	(814,069)	6,000,000	(3,814,069)
	(3,575,407)	(4,607,985)	-	(8,183,392)
				

23 PENSION COSTS

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administrated fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £10,000 (2000: £ Nil).

24 CONTROL

The Company is jointly controlled by Mr A M Brookes and Mr M C T Bokenham both being directors and shareholders.

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25 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred by Financial Reporting Standard 8 that transactions between Group companies do not need to be disclosed.

Related party transactions with Directors and other companies are as follows:

During the year, consultancy and accounting services were received from Amberley Enterprises Limited, a company in which Mr A M Brookes is a director and majority shareholder. The cost of these services amounted to £627,333 (2000: £172,500). No amounts remain unpaid at the year end (2000: £ Nil).

Also consultancy fees of £603,333 (2000: £150,000) were paid to Mr M C T Bokenham. No amounts remain unpaid at the year end (2000: £ Nil).

Rent, management and administrative fees totalling £88,333 (2000: £50,000) were charged to Collier and Madge Plc, a company in which Mr A M Brookes is a director and shareholder. No amounts remain unpaid at the year end (2000: £ Nil).

Interest totalling £100,000 (2000: £113,196) was received on the 4% loan stock Hilstone Corporation Limited holds in Hilstone Asset Management Limited.

Interest totalling £48,767 (2000: £ Nil) was received on the 4% loan stock Hilstone Corporation Limited holds in Hilstone Portfolio Management Limited, a company in which Mr A M Brookes and Mr M C T Bokenham are directors and shareholders.

At the year end the directors had the following current account balances, disclosed within other creditors:

Mr A M Brookes £5,053 2000: £4,299 Mr M C T Bokenham £2,219 2000: £2,719