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THE ROYAL BATH & WEST OF ENGLAND SOCIETY
(Company Limited by Guarantee)

**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2001**



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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Number: 1039397

Company Number: 2931640

Directors: H E M Barnes – Chairman (FC) (Resigned 10/7/01)
(FC: Member of Finance Committee) J Vincent (FC) (Appointed as Chairman 10/7/01)
A R Davies – Vice Chairman (FC)
R W Ash
J J Burke (FC) (Appointed 9/1/01)
R T Calver
M H Dare
R N F Drewett
G A Pitt- Rivers (FC)
R S R Sheldon (FC) (Resigned 10/7/01)
P G Snell
J R Speid-Soote
T R N Walford
E W White

Chief Executive: Brigadier S D A Firth (Resigned as Chief Executive 31/7/01)
Dr H J Guise (Appointed as Chief Executive 1/9/01)

Company Secretary: D H C Batten

Registered Office: The Showground
Shepton Mallet
Somerset BA4 6QN

Accountants: Tenon Limited
The Old Mill
Park Road
Shepton Mallet
Somerset BA4 5BS

Auditors: Blueprint Audit Limited
The Old Mill
Park Road
Shepton Mallet
Somerset BA4 5BS

Bankers: National Westminster Bank plc
25 High Street
Shepton Mallet
Somerset BA4 5AF

Solicitors: Battens
Mansion House
Princes Street
Yeovil
Somerset BA20 1EP

Investment Managers: Gerrard
40/42 Queens Square
Bristol BS1 4DU

THE ROYAL BATH & WEST OF ENGLAND SOCIETY
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2001

The directors of the Company for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2001. The directors have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in October 2000 in preparing the annual report and financial statements of the Company.

ORGANISATION AND OBJECTIVES OF THE CHARITY

The Company is a charitable Company Limited by Guarantee without share capital, the guarantors being the council members to the extent of £1 each. There were 144 (2000: 131) Council members at the balance sheet date.

The governing documents of the Company are the Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 23 May 1994 with subsequent amendments agreed on 18 November 1999. The accounts comply with these governing documents and current statutory legislation. These documents are supported by the Byelaws of the Company which govern the operation of the Company in more detail.

The charitable objective and principal activity of the Company is the promotion of agriculture, manufacture, commerce and rural crafts.

The business of the Company is managed by the directors who may exercise all the powers of the Company.

At every annual general meeting one third of the directors shall retire by rotation. Directors retiring by rotation may be re-elected but not for a fifth consecutive term of office.

The directors meet six times a year. The directors are appointed by the Company in general meeting or by the directors although if appointed by the directors the director can only hold office until the next annual general meeting. The annual general meeting comprises of full council members and vice presidents. The membership have three representatives on the council of the Company and have an annual members meeting. The members representatives are governed by the Byelaws.

Nominations for council membership have to be approved by the directors. Council members are admitted at any general meeting. General meetings are held three times a year. The Company must hold one general meeting as an annual general meeting in each calendar year. General meetings other than the annual meeting are called extraordinary general meetings.

The Finance Committee is made up of directors.

The Company may invest surplus cash resources in any investments, securities or property as may be thought fit.

RELATED PARTIES

The Company owns 100% of the share capital of the Bath and West Trading Co Limited, the principal activity of which is the commercial organisation of events and the provision of catering services. The directors, Mr Burke (Appointed 9/1/01 to the holding company and 2/2/01 to the subsidiary company), Mr Calver, Mr Pitt-Rivers, Mr Sheldon (Resigned 10/7/01 from both companies) and Mr Vintcent (Resigned 31/7/01 from the subsidiary company) are also directors of this company.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES, FINANCES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The 2000/2001 financial year has been particularly difficult for any organisation, which is associated with agriculture and the rural economy. The Foot and Mouth Disease outbreak in February led to the cancellation of the Company's flagship event in May, and the closure of the showground for all other events, which resulted in the Company's income for the Main Show being reduced by £1.3 million against 2000.

There were net outgoing resources for the year of £646,546 (2000: £8,079). The Company was able to draw on its reserves to largely finance the deficit. The Company's reserves are considered further below.

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
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REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES, FINANCES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS (continued)

As part of the management of the financial impact of the foot and mouth outbreak the directors reluctantly had to make a number of staff redundant. Tight cost control and careful cash management was achieved through the hard work of the staff. The directors realised half of the investment portfolio to provide cash funds. The remainder of the portfolio is being held pending recovery in the market. The realised and unrealised loss on investments was £83,485 from the previous valuation (2000: gain, £54,406).

The Company continued to invest in essential capital projects. Fixed asset additions for charitable use during the year were £272,601 (2000: £188,998).

The Trading Company has made an important contribution to the finances of the Company of £261,506 (2000: £189,924) despite the armlock imposed by closure of the showground during the most virulent phase of Foot and Mouth Disease. The success of the National Amateur Gardening Show, which resulted in a surplus in excess of the budgeted figure, provided a welcome uplift towards the end of the financial year.

Technical events that did not require the presence of animals were held in the autumn, and these too proved remarkably successful. The Dairy Show provided one of the earliest opportunities for farmers to gather, and despite the lack of showing classes the atmosphere was one of optimism that the worst was over. The Company conferences (some of which were rescheduled) were well attended. "Reviving Rural Britain" was particularly thought provoking, and several opportunities for diversification were presented to an audience of rural professionals charged with supporting farmers through this time of change.

The Company has responded to this disaster by using the opportunity to redefine its activities. Cancellation of the Main Show and the Winter Fair as a result of the animal movement restrictions has allowed a strategic review of operation to be initiated.

An important part of the strategic review of operations will include a study of how the facilities available to the Trading Company can be enhanced to fill gaps in the regional infrastructure and access different markets.

The 2002 Show will have many new attractions to lure the urban population (and children in particular) to visit the event. This will provide a valuable audience for some of the messages that need to be broadcast about the public's role in shaping the countryside using their purchasing power. There is an unusual tide of sympathy for those who make their living in the countryside, and it may be that consumers are more receptive to the important part the Company plays in education of the wider audience.

The budget for 2002 shows a return to a satisfactory surplus.

RESERVES

The reserves of the Company freely available to be spent in furtherance of its charitable objectives were as follows:

	2001 £	2000 £
Total Reserves	1,910,657	2,640,688
Less: Restricted Funds	(5,255)	(5,255)
Designated Funds	(3,253)	(7,824)
Fixed Assets used for Charitable Purposes	(2,111,311)	(2,057,107)
(Deficit)/Surplus on Free Reserves	<u>(209,162)</u>	<u>570,502</u>

The deficit on free reserves is the result of the adverse financial results for the year arising from the foot and mouth outbreak.

The directors have taken steps to reverse the deficit. However, it will take several years until the level of free reserves has built to a level in excess of £400,000 which the directors would consider satisfactory.

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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2001 (CONTINUED)**

RISK REVIEW

The directors are currently conducting a review of the major risks to which the Company is exposed. Steps are being taken to ensure that the Company's existing systems are sufficient to mitigate those risks. This work is not yet complete.

FIXED ASSETS

Information relating to the changes in fixed assets is given in Notes 9 and 10 to the financial statements. The directors estimate that the current market value of the freehold land, based on its agricultural value, is in the region of £600,000.


AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint Blueprint Audit Limited as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Signed on behalf of the directors



Honorary Treasurer



Chairman

Date: 08.01.02

**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE COUNCIL MEMBERS OF
THE ROYAL BATH AND WEST OF ENGLAND SOCIETY**
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We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 11 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 5 and 6.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND THE AUDITORS

The Companies Act 1985 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 surplus or deficit for the period. In preparing these 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 departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue its activities.

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.

As auditors of the Company it is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, 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 examination 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 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 and group's affairs as at 31 October 2001 and of the Company's and group's deficit together with their incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Blueprint Audit Limited

**Blueprint Audit Limited
Registered Auditor
Shepton Mallet**

Date: 8th January 2002

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2001

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2001 £	Total 2000 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Donations		5,416	-	5,416	4,270
Activities in furtherance of the Company's objects:					
Main Show		12,093	-	12,093	1,308,296
Other Shows and Events		117,551	-	117,551	262,300
Grants received		-	1,200	1,200	1,500
Subscriptions		63,036	-	63,036	72,744
Other		78	-	78	228
Activities for generating funds:					
Rents		11,150	-	11,150	9,044
Income of the trading subsidiary	2	880,715	-	880,715	1,240,818
Investment income	3	6,768	-	6,768	20,880
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		1,096,807	1,200	1,098,007	2,920,080
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds:					
Costs relating to					
Rents		-	-	-	-
Expenditure of trading subsidiary	2	559,209	-	559,209	1,010,894
Investment management fees		1,019	-	1,019	563
		560,228	-	560,228	1,011,457

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)
(Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2001

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2001 £	Total 2000 £
CHARITABLE EXPENDITURE					
Costs of activities in furtherance of the Company's objects:					
Main Show		50,310	-	50,310	702,612
Other Shows and Events		65,231	-	65,231	138,118
Grants awarded		25,971	1,500	27,471	42,168
Support costs	5	979,033	-	979,033	975,463
Management and administration costs	6	62,280	-	62,280	58,341
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		1,182,825	1,500	1,184,325	1,916,702
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TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	4	1,743,053	1,500	1,744,553	2,928,159
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NET OUTGOING RESOURCES		(646,246)	(300)	(646,546)	(8,079)
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Net (loss)/gain on investment assets		(83,485)	-	(83,485)	54,406
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NET MOVEMENT IN FUND BEFORE TRANSFERS		(729,731)	(300)	(730,031)	46,327
TRANSFERS	13	(300)	300	-	-
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NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(730,031)	-	(730,031)	46,327
Fund balances brought forward		2,635,433	5,255	2,640,688	2,594,361
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Fund balances carried forward	13	1,905,402	5,255	1,910,657	2,640,688
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All of the above results are derived from continuing activities. All gains and losses recognised in the year are included above. The deficit for the year for Companies Act purposes comprises the net outgoing resources for the year of £646,546 (2000: £8,079) plus realised losses on investments and losses on disposals of fixed assets held for charitable purposes totalling £27,798 (2000: realised gains £8,376).

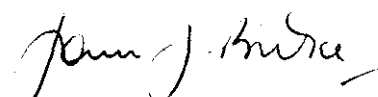
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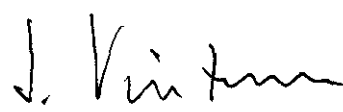
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CONSOLIDATED AND COMPANY BALANCE SHEETS
AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2001

	Note	Group 2001 £	Group 2000 £	Company 2001 £	Company 2000 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	9	2,111,311	2,057,107	2,111,311	2,057,107
Investments	10	111,408	291,147	111,410	291,149
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		2,222,719	2,348,254	2,222,721	2,348,256
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CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		37,688	46,518	34,398	44,283
Debtors	11	263,352	330,253	249,593	372,733
Cash at bank and in hand		158,390	483,209	-	166,082
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		459,430	859,980	283,991	583,098
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Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year					
Bank Overdraft		(177,048)	-	(177,048)	-
Other	12	(594,444)	(567,546)	(419,807)	(291,466)
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		(771,492)	(567,546)	(596,855)	(291,466)
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NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS		(312,062)	292,434	(312,864)	291,632
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NET ASSETS		1,910,657	2,640,688	1,909,857	2,639,888
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Funds:					
Unrestricted Funds					
General Funds	13	1,909,302	2,529,019	1,908,502	2,528,219
Revaluation Reserve	13	(7,153)	98,590	(7,153)	98,590
Designated Funds	13	3,253	7,824	3,253	7,824
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		1,905,402	2,635,433	1,904,602	2,634,633
Restricted Funds	13	5,255	5,255	5,255	5,255
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TOTAL FUNDS		1,910,657	2,640,688	1,909,857	2,639,888
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The financial statements on pages 3 to 11 were approved by the directors on JAN. 8TH 2002 and signed on their behalf by:


Honorary Treasurer


Chairman

The notes on pages 5 to 11 form an integral part of these financial statements.

ROYAL BATH AND WEST OF ENGLAND SOCIETY
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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a. Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value, and applicable accounting standards. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" published in October 2000 and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

The statement of financial activities (SOFA) and balance sheet consolidate the financial statements of the company and its subsidiary undertaking. The results of the subsidiary are consolidated on a line by line basis. Adjustments are made to exclude the results of transactions between the Company and the subsidiary.

The Company has taken advantage of Paragraph 3 (3) of Schedule 4 of the Companies Act and adapted the Companies Act formats to reflect the special nature of the Company's activities. No separate SOFA has been presented for the Company alone as permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 and paragraph 304 of the SORP

b. Company Status

The Company is a registered charity and a Company Limited by Guarantee, without share capital. The guarantors are the Council members to the extent of £1 each. There were 144 (2000: 131) members at the Balance Sheet date.

c. Fund Accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the Company's objectives and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the directors for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes.

The revaluation reserve is required by the Companies Act 1985 and represents the amount by which investments exceed their historical cost.

d. Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the SOFA when the Company is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. Annual subscriptions are accounted for on an accruals basis. Life subscriptions are received and credited to the SOFA on a straight line basis over fifteen years.

All other income is shown on an accruals basis, net of value added tax where applicable.

e. Resources Expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Company. Management and administration costs are those incurred in connection with the administration of the Company and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Certain expenditure is apportioned to cost categories based on the estimated amount attributable to that activity in the year. These estimates are based on staff time or the floor area as appropriate.

All expenditure is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay.

f. Tangible Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £1,000 are capitalised and included at cost (including any incidental expenses of acquisition).

Depreciation, calculated on the straight line method, is provided to write off the cost less estimated residual value of the fixed assets over the course of their useful lives, except for freehold land which is not depreciated. The rates during the year were as follows:

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f. Tangible Fixed Assets (continued)

Showground Buildings	- Timber and Concrete	10%
	- Edmund Rack Pavilion	4%
	- Other buildings	2%
Improvements	- Over the remaining life of the building	
Plant and Implements		25%
Office Furniture and Fixtures		25%
Motor Vehicles		25%

The Company has various inalienable assets which have been donated over the years such as cups and trophies, paintings and a library. These assets have not been capitalised as the directors consider it impractical to obtain reasonable estimates of their original cost.

g. Investments

Investments are stated at their market value at the year end. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are included at cost.

h. Stock

Stock consists of consumable items and goods for resale. Consumable stocks are valued at cost. Stocks of goods for resale are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

i. Operating Leases

Charges under operating leases are charged to the SOFA on a straight line basis over the lease term.

j. Pension Costs

The Company contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme, the assets of which are held separately from those of the Company. The scheme is independently administered. Contributions are charged to the income and expenditure account as they fall due in accordance with the scheme rules.

2. TRADING SUBSIDIARY

The Company holds 100% of the share capital in its trading subsidiary, The Bath and West Trading Co Limited, a company registered in England. The subsidiary is used for non primary charitable purpose trading activities namely the commercial organisation of events and provision of catering services.

	2001	2000
	£	£
Trading Income	880,715	1,240,818
Cost of Sales	413,411	842,538
Administrative Expenses	145,798	168,356
Trading Expenses	559,209	1,010,894
Rent payable to Holding Company	60,000	40,000
	619,209	1,050,894
Surplus donated to Company by Gift Aid	261,506	189,924

The rent payable to the Holding Company has been eliminated on consolidation in the SOFA on page 3.

The aggregate of the assets, liabilities and funds were:

Assets	261,971	466,809
Liabilities	(261,169)	(466,007)
Funds	802	802

Funds represent 2 ordinary shares of £1 each (2000: £2) and the balance on the profit and loss account of £800 (2000: £800).

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3. INVESTMENT INCOME	2001	2000
	£	£
Interest Receivable	3,149	15,510
Dividends Receivable from Equity Shares	3,619	5,370
	<u>6,768</u>	<u>20,880</u>

4. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Staff Costs	Other Direct Costs	Depreciation	Total 2001	Total 2000
	£	£	£	£	£
Expenditure of Trading Subsidiary	123,658	435,551	-	559,209	1,010,894
Investment Management Fees	-	1,019	-	1,019	563
Main Show	6,754	43,556	-	50,310	702,612
Other Shows and Events	-	65,231	-	65,231	138,118
Grants Awarded	-	27,471	-	27,471	42,168
Support Costs	444,881	333,849	200,303	979,033	975,463
Management and Administration Costs	49,421	11,668	1,191	62,280	58,341
	<u>624,714</u>	<u>918,345</u>	<u>201,494</u>	<u>1,744,553</u>	<u>2,928,159</u>

5. SUPPORT COSTS

	2001	2000
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	444,881	483,982
Rates, Insurance and Power	80,445	68,902
Repairs and Planned Maintenance	73,358	83,307
Postage, Printing and Stationery and Telephone	57,998	62,446
Travel and Transport	24,040	29,400
Training and Health and Safety	25,761	22,460
Depreciation	200,303	175,098
Operating Lease Rentals	17,807	16,002
Miscellaneous	54,440	33,866
	<u>979,033</u>	<u>975,463</u>

6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION COSTS

	2001	2000
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	49,421	47,000
Office Costs	3,024	3,024
Directors' Liability Insurance	2,835	1,517
Audit and Accountancy	7,000	6,800
	<u>62,280</u>	<u>58,341</u>

Group audit costs were 2001 £7,000 (2000: £6,800)

7. STAFF COSTS

	Group 2001	Group 2000	Company 2001	Company 2000
	£	£	£	£
Wages and Salaries	544,745	620,852	427,945	514,634
Social Security Costs	46,451	53,585	39,593	44,972
Pension Costs	30,695	31,512	30,695	31,512
Pensions Paid to Former Employees	2,823	2,823	2,823	2,823
	<u>624,714</u>	<u>708,772</u>	<u>501,056</u>	<u>593,941</u>
Benefits in Kind	5,908	7,071	5,908	7,071
	<u>630,622</u>	<u>715,843</u>	<u>506,964</u>	<u>601,012</u>

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7. STAFF COSTS (continued)

The average number of employees, calculated on a full-time equivalent basis analysed by function was:

	Group 2001 £	Group 2000 £	Company 2001 £	Company 2000 £
Charitable Activities	24	32	24	32
Cost of Generating Funds	6	7	6	7
Management and Administration	5	5	-	-
	<u>35</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>39</u>

No expenses were paid or reimbursed to the directors.

There is directors' and officers' liability insurance totalling £2 million (2000: £1 million). The premium charged in the financial statements for this cover is £2,835 (2000: £1,517).

8. TAXATION STATUS

The Company is exempt from taxation due to its charitable status.

**9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS
COMPANY AND GROUP**

	Freehold Land £	Freehold Showground Buildings & Improvements £	Plant & Implements Office Furniture & Fixtures £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
COST					
As at 1 November 2000	208,283	2,901,015	486,519	35,194	3,631,011
Additions	-	254,541	18,060	-	272,601
Disposals	-	-	(18,179)	(26,245)	(44,424)
As at 31 October 2001	<u>208,283</u>	<u>3,155,556</u>	<u>486,400</u>	<u>8,949</u>	<u>3,859,188</u>
DEPRECIATION					
As at 1 November 2000	-	1,253,269	288,191	32,444	1,573,904
Charge for the year	-	139,981	60,138	1,375	201,494
On Disposals	-	-	(1,276)	(26,245)	(27,521)
As at 31 October 2001	<u>-</u>	<u>1,393,250</u>	<u>347,053</u>	<u>7,574</u>	<u>1,747,877</u>
NET BOOK VALUE					
As at 31 October 2001	<u>208,283</u>	<u>1,762,306</u>	<u>139,347</u>	<u>1,375</u>	<u>2,111,311</u>
NET BOOK VALUE					
As at 31 October 2000	<u>208,283</u>	<u>1,647,746</u>	<u>198,328</u>	<u>2,750</u>	<u>2,057,107</u>

The net book value at 31 October 2001 represents fixed assets used entirely for Charitable Purposes. The Company, over a considerable number of years, acquired assets by way of donations. The directors consider it impractical to obtain reasonable estimates of their original cost and so have not capitalised such items. The items involved are cups and trophies together with paintings and other articles of value which have a combined insurance valuation of £266,100 (2000: £193,094). The Company also has a specialist library which is held at Bath University and is valued in the region of £64,800 (2000: £61,700).

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10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENT

	2001 £	2000 £
Group		
Market Value as at 1 November 2000	270,212	216,764
Additions	9,862	57,480
Disposals at Market Value	(118,757)	(50,062)
Net Investment (Losses)/Gains	(55,684)	46,030
Market Value as at 31 October 2001	105,633	270,212
Cash held in Investment Portfolio	5,775	20,935
Market Value as at 31 October 2001	<u>111,408</u>	<u>291,147</u>
Historical cost as at 31 October 2001	<u>118,561</u>	<u>192,560</u>

UK listed investments are represented by equities.

Share Holdings which individually represent more than 5% of the Company's Investments are:-

No. of Shares	Investments	Market Value £
1,200	Unilever 0.14 Ordinary	5,994
1,900	Cable and Wireless 0.25 Ordinary	5,909
950	Glaxo SmithKline 0.25 Ordinary	17,575
2,200	BP Amoco 0.25 Ordinary	12,210
1,358	Compass Group 0.10 Ordinary	6,810
4,000	Legal and General 0.025 Ordinary	6,040
1,475	Lloyds TSB Group 0.25 Ordinary	10,237
3,750	Centrica	8,213
7,500	City of Oxford	8,775

Charity

Investments held by the Company also include an additional £2 (2000: £2) investment in the subsidiary company at cost (see note 2).

Subsidiary Company

The Bath & West Trading Co Limited has a 100% subsidiary, Westex Events Limited. The Company is registered in England and its principal activity is the commercial organisation of events but has not traded since its incorporation. The Royal Bath and West of England Society has a 100% indirect interest in the company.

11. DEBTORS

	Group 2001 £	Group 2000 £	Company 2001 £	Company 2000 £
Trade Debtors	191,771	232,967	91,482	85,523
Other Debtors	14,584	26,830	14,584	26,830
Prepayments and Accrued Income	56,997	70,456	56,997	70,456
Amounts due from Group Undertakings	-	-	86,530	189,924
	<u>263,352</u>	<u>330,253</u>	<u>249,593</u>	<u>372,733</u>

12. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	Group 2001 £	Group 2000 £	Company 2001 £	Company 2000 £
Trade Creditors	210,407	342,318	82,834	96,378
Other Taxation and Social Security	70,176	59,352	25,112	31,012
Other Creditors	3	3	-	-
Accruals and Deferred Income	313,858	165,873	311,861	164,076
	<u>594,444</u>	<u>567,546</u>	<u>419,807</u>	<u>291,466</u>

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13. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	As at 1 November 2000 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Investment Losses £	As at 31 October 2001 £
General Funds	2,529,019	1,096,807	(1,717,082)	28,356	(27,798)	1,909,302
Revaluation Reserve	98,590	-	-	(50,056)	(55,687)	(7,153)
Designated Funds:						
Scholarship Fund	2,582	-	(9,751)	7,500	-	331
Bath & West Grants Scheme	5,242	-	(16,220)	13,900	-	2,922
Total Designated Funds	7,824	-	(25,971)	21,400	-	3,253
Total Unrestricted Funds	2,635,433	1,096,807	(1,743,053)	(300)	(83,485)	1,905,402
Restricted Funds:						
Wilfrid Cave Trust Scholarship Fund	-	1,200	(1,500)	300	-	-
The Bishop Henderson Appeal Fund	5,255	-	-	-	-	5,255
Total Restricted Funds	5,255	1,200	(1,500)	300	-	5,255
Total Funds	2,640,688	1,098,007	(1,744,553)	-	(83,485)	1,910,657

Designated Funds

Scholarship Fund

The Company allocated funds from general reserves of £7,500 (2000: £6,000) to the scholarship fund to cover personal and special scholarships amounting to £7,500 (2000: £14,500). The scholarships are used to fund the scholars travel costs to allow for the studying of agriculture and allied industries. The fund also covers the costs of administering the scholarship awards made by the Company. Awards are made to candidates selected from applications received.

Bath & West Grants Scheme

The Company allocated funds from the general reserves of £13,900 (2000: £20,000) to the Bath & West Grants Scheme. This scheme covers support for projects carried on by third parties which are identified as coming within the Company's charitable objectives. Eleven (2000: eighteen) Bath & West Grants Scheme awards were made during the year amounting to £16,123 (2000: £26,310). The balance of expenditure, £97, represents sundry costs.

Restricted Funds

Wilfrid Cave Trust Scholarship Fund

The fund received grants of £1,200 (2000: £1,500) from the Wilfrid Cave Trust which is then administered by the Company as the Wilfrid Cave Scholarship. One award of £1,500 (2000: £1,500) was made. The balance of £300 was paid from unrestricted funds.

The Bishop Henderson Appeal Fund

The fund exists to assist a nominated school from the Diocese of Bath and Wells to visit the Main Show.

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14. ANALYSIS TO GROUP NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	General Funds (including Revaluation Reserve) £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £
Fund balances at 31 October 2001 are represented by:				
Tangible Fixed Assets	2,111,311	-	-	2,111,311
Investments	111,408	-	-	111,408
Net Current (Liabilities)/Assets	(320,570)	3,253	5,255	(312,062)
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Total Net Assets	1,902,149	3,253	5,255	1,910,657
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There are sufficient resources available, held in an appropriate form to enable restricted and designated funds to be applied in accordance with restrictions imposed.

15. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Capital

At 31 October 2001, the group had authorised and contracted capital commitments totalling £32,500 (2000: £242,335). The group had authorised but not contracted capital commitments of £88,000 (2000: £nil). The projects relate to showground improvements.

Obligations under Non-cancellable Leases

At 31 October 2001, the group has annual commitments under non-cancellable leases as follows:

	2001 Land and Buildings £	Other £	2000 Land and Buildings £	Other £
Expiry date:				
Within one year	-	-	-	-
Two to five years	-	12,992	-	12,992
Over five years	-	5,336	-	5,336
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	-	18,328	-	18,328
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