Company Number 2954341

Grendon Garage (Car Sales) Limited

Directors' Report and

Financial Statements

for the year ended 30 September 1997



### Company Information

Directors

G.C. Cox

Mrs J.R. Cox

Secretary

Mrs J.R. Cox

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## Directors' Report for the year ended 30 September 1997

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

#### Principal Activities

The company's principal activity continues to be as a retailer of new and used vehicles.

#### Directors and their Interests

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

		Number of shares
	Class of share	1997 1996
G.C. Cox	Ordinary shares	1 1
Mrs J.R. Cox	Ordinary shares	1 1

G C Cox has an interest in 413 Ordinary Shares and Mrs J R Cox has an interest in 337 Ordinary Shares of Grendon Garage Limited.

G C Cox and Mrs J R Cox hold 1 Ordinary Share each in Brenid Limited.

#### Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Haines Watts 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.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors,

G.C. Cox#

#### Auditors' Report

#### to the shareholders of Grendon Garage (Car Sales) Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 9 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 September 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

In our opinion the company is entitled to the exemption from preparing group accounts conferred by Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985.

Date: 17/7/98

Haines Watts

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
Sterling House
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### Profit and Loss Account

# for the year ended 30 September 1997

	Notes		1996
Turnover		648,423	537,477
Cost of sales		(614,925)	(510,020)
Gross profit		33,498	27,457
Administrative expenses		(17,833)	(17,354)
Operating profit	2	15,665	10,103
Interest payable and similar charges	3	(251)	(118)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		15,414	9,985
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	(1,500)	
Retained profit for the year	11	£ 13,914	£ 9,985

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial periods.

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

The profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit have been calculated on the historical cost basis.

# Balance Sheet at 30 September 1997

	Notes			19	96
Fixed Assets		·			
Tangible assets Investments	5 6		17,321 225,000 242,321		13,849 225,000 
Current Assets			242,321		230,043
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	7	145,949 1,761 -		129,613 914 21,614	
		147,710		152,141	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	(386,144)		(401,017)	
Net Current (Liabilities)		<del></del>	(238,434)		(248,876)
Net (Liabilities)		å	£ 3,887		£ (10,027)
Capital and Reserves					
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	10 11		2 3,885		2 (10,029)
Shareholders' Funds (equity interests)	12	ŧ	3,887		£ (10,027)

G.C. Cox Director

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention 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 cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

#### 1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the UK net of VAT and trade discounts.

#### 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 - 15% Reducing balance Motor vehicles - 25% Reducing balance

### 1.4 Investments

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

#### 1.5 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### 1.6 Pensions

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

#### 1.7 Deferred taxation

Provision is made for taxation deferred as a result of material timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounts purposes 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 near future.

2.	Operating Profit		£	1996 £
	Operating profit is stated after	charging:	~	~
	Depreciation of tangible assets Auditors' fees Pension costs		5,528 1,500 227	4,325 1,200
3.	Interest Payable			1 <u>9</u> 96
	On bank loans and overdraft	+	£ 251	£ 118
4.	Taxation			1996
	U.K. Current year taxation			
	U.K. Corporation tax at 21/24%		£ 1,500	£
5.	Tangible Assets	Fixtures fittings & equipment	vehicles	Total
	Cost			
	At 1 October 1996 Additions Disposals	2,528 - -	21,000 21,000 (21,000)	23,528 21,000 (21,000)
	at 30 September 1997	2,528	21,000	23,528
	Depreciation			
	At 1 October 1996 On disposals Charge for year	679 - 278	9,000 (9,000) 5,250	9,679 (9,000) 5,528
	At 30 September 1997	957	5,250	6,207
	Net book values	<u></u>	-	
	At 30 September 1997	£ 1,571	£ 15,750	£ 17,321
	At 30 September 1996	£ 1,849	£ 12,000	£ 13,849

### 6. Fixed Asset Investments

Shares in group undertakings and participating interests

#### Cost

At 1 October 1996 & at 30 September 1997	225,000
Net Book Values	
At 30 September 1997	£ 225,000
At 30 September 1996	£ 225,000

In the opinion of the directors the aggregate value of the company's investment in subsidiary undertakings is not less than the amount 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 Participating interests	Country of registration or incorporation	Shares he Class	eld Z
Grendon Garage Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary	25
Icham Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary	100
Brenid Limited	England and Wales	Ordinary	98

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

	Capital and reserves	Profit for the year
Grendon Garage Limited	£ 288,376	£ (68,460)
Icham Limited	£ 240,239	£ 50,649
Brenid Limited	£ 100	£ 50

7.	Debtors		1996
	Trade debtors		761 302
	Others		- 612
		£ 1,	761 £ 914

8.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		1996
	Bank loans and overdrafts	1,811	_
	Trade creditors	956	1,494
	Amounts owed to group undertakings and undertakings	3	
	in which the company has a participating interest	365,771	385,189
	Corporation tax	1,500	-
	Other taxes and social security	1,512	_
	Directors' loan account	998	998
	Other creditors	13,596	13,336
	<b>1</b>	386,144	£ 401,017

#### 9. Pension Costs

The company makes contributions to the MAA pension scheme for an employee. The contribution for the year amounted to £ 227 (1996 - Nil).

10.	Share Capital	1996
	Authorised	•
	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£ 100 £ 100
	Allotted, called up and fully paid	
	2 Ordinary shares of £1 each	£ 2 £ 2
11.	Profit And Loss Account	1996
	Accumulated losses at 1 October 1996 Retained profit for the year	(10,029) (20,014) 13,914 9,985
	Retained profits at 30 September 1997	£ 3,885 £ (10,029)

#### 12. Reconciliation of Movements in Shareholders' Funds

1996

Profit for the financial year
Opening shareholders' funds

13,914 9,985
(10,027) (20,012)

Closing shareholders' funds

£ 3,887 £ (10,027)

### 13. Contingent Liabilities

The company has entered into an unlimited guarantee in connection with the bank overdrafts of its associated companies. At 30 September 1997 the amount of these overdrafts was £68,913 (1996: £42,427).

#### 14. Transactions With Directors and Related Parties

For the whole year, the company was under the control of G C Cox, the managing director of the company.

The directors have an interest in Icham Limited and Grendon Garage Limited. At the year end the company owed £4,512 to Icham Limited (1996: £4,512) and £361,259 to Grendon Garage Limited (1996: £380,676)