Chartwell Investment Management Limited
Report and Financial Statements
Year Ended
31 December 2003

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Blueprint Audit Limited Registered Auditor

Annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003

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Directors

C A Wetton Mrs C A Wetton S M P Brady

Secretary and registered office

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Company number

3122913

Accountants and business advisers

Tenon Limited, Clifton House, Bunnian Place, Basingstoke, Hampshire, RG21 7JE

Auditor

Blueprint Audit Limited, Clifton House, Bunnian Place, Basingstoke, Hampshire, RG21 7JE

Bankers

HSBC Bank plc, 4 Strand, Torquay, Devon, TQ1 2AB

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2003

The directors present their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003.

Results and dividends

The profit and loss account is set out on page 6 and shows the result for the year.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Principal activity, trading review and future developments

The principal activity of the company is that of independent financial advisers.

Donations

Charitable contributions made by the company during the year totalled £435 (2002 £nil).

Directors

The directors of the company during the year were:

C A Wetton
Mrs C A Wetton
D A Johnstone (resigned 31 January 2003)
S M P Brady
P C Connolly (resigned 28 November 2003)
Miss S Whitbread (resigned 13 July 2004)

No director had any beneficial interest in the shares of the company or the parent company at either 31 December 2003 or 2002. In addition, no director had any beneficial interest in the shares of any group company at either date.

Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period 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; and
- 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.

Auditor

Blueprint Audit Limited have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

By order of the Board

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C A Wetton **Director**

Report of the auditor

Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Chartwell Investment Management Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Chartwell Investment Management Limited for the year ended 31 December 2003, which comprise of the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement, and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This Report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities.

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 company is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Annual Report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. This other information comprises only the Directors' Report. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

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 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 consider 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.

Report of the auditor (continued)

Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Chartwell Investment Management Limited (continued)

Fundamental uncertainty

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in the financial statements concerning the possible outcome of the claims against the company regarding advice given by the company recommending clients investment in certain zero dividend preference shares (zeros). The future settlement of any successful claims could result in additional liabilities which are not provided in the financial statements and which could lead to the closure of the business. Details of the circumstances relating to the fundamental uncertainty are described in note 17. Our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2003, and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Blueprint Audit Limited
Registered Auditor

13/8/2004

Clifton House Bunnian Place Basingstoke Hampshire RG21 7JE

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2003

	Note		
		2003	2002
		£	£
Turnover	1, 2	1,034,963	1,413,651
Cost of sales		(229,276)	(351,757)
Gross profit		805,687	1,061,894
Administrative expenses Other operating charges	3	(1,001,169)	(1,113,928)
Other operating income		986	1,171
Operating profit/(loss)	4	(194,496)	(50,863)
Investment income	5	4,407	1,525
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation		(190,089)	(49,338)
Taxation on loss on ordinary activities	6	2,164	150,000
(Loss)/profit for the year	12	(187,925)	100,662

All amounts relate to continuing activities.

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account.

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statement.

Balance sheet at 31 December 2003

	Note	Note 2003 20		20	002
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible assets	7		70,474		132,410
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8	112,949 260,100		202,057 194,914	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	373,049 (373,412)		396,971 (269,181)	
Net current assets			(363)		127,790
Total assets less current liabilities			70,111		260,200
Provisions for liabilities and charges	10		-		(2,164)
Net assets			70,111		258,036
Capital and reserves - equity Called up share capital Profit and loss account	11 12		50,000 20,111		50,000 208,036
Shareholders' funds	16		70,111		258,036
					

These financial statements were approved by the Board on 6th August 2004.

C A Wetton

Director

S M P Brady Director

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Cash flow statement for the year ended 31 December 2003

	Note	20	003	20	002
		£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	g 13	·	60,900	·	(57,448)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid Interest element of hire purchase rental payments		4,407 - -		1,525 - -	
Net cash inflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance			4,407		1,525
Taxation Corporation tax paid			_		(38,461)
Capital expenditure Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets		(787) 666		(27,361)	
Net cash outflow from capital expenditure			(121)		(27,361)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) before financi	ng		65,186		(121,745)
Financing Capital element of hire purchase payments		-		-	
Net cash outflow from financing			-		-
Increase/(decrease) in cash	14		65,186		(121,745)

The notes on pages 9 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003

1 Accounting policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies during the year.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

Turnover

Turnover represents commission and fees (including fees in lieu of commission) receivable in respect of deals undertaken on behalf of client and other services provided. Income is recognised in the profit and loss accounts as follows:

Fees

- when invoice is raised

Initial commission

- when investment is made by client

Renewal commission

- when payment is received from investment company

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost, less estimated residual values, of all fixed assets, evenly over their expected useful lives. It is calculated at the following annual rates:

Leased assets

- over the period of the lease

Computers Fixtures and fittings

- 20%

- 33%

Motor vehicles

- 25%

Deferred taxation

Current tax: Corporation tax is charged on the taxable profits of the company at the current rate. Group relief is provided for at an appropriate rate if losses can be claimed from or surrendered to a fellow subsidiary company.

Deferred tax: In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 19, deferred tax liabilities are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except where the timing difference is permanent. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that they are regarded as recoverable. Where appropriate, a discounted tax rate has been used to take account of the time value of the amount of tax deferred until future periods.

Hire purchase contracts

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts which give rights approximating to ownership are treated as if the assets had been purchased outright and are capitalised at the cost of the assets before finance charges and depreciated in accordance with the above policy. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of finance charges allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payments is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the hire purchase contract so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the outstanding balance of the net obligation in each period.

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

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

2 Turnover

The turnover for the period was wholly attributed to the company's principal activity. The whole of the turnover is attributable to the UK market.

3 Employees and directors

Staff costs, including the directors, consist of:	2003 £	2002 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs	563,312 55,757	695,488 64,171
	619,069	759,659
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	Number	Number
Consultancy Administration	7 17	7 25
	24	32
Directors' emoluments consist of:	£	£
Remuneration for management services Compensation for loss of office	224,406	223,388 6,972
	224,406	230,360
Emoluments disclosed above include the following amounts Paid to the highest paid director:	£	£
Emoluments for qualifying services	84,878	66,182

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

4	Operating loss	2003 £	2002 £
	This is stated after charging/(crediting):		L.
	Depreciation of owned assets	61,941	47,805
	Auditors' remuneration	4,500	4.191
	Loss on disposal of fixed assets	116	-
	Rentals under operating leases	58,428	121,781
	Management charge to fellow subsidiary company	(152,455)	(23,140)
	Exceptional item	-	(231,094)

The exceptional item relates to a loan waiver by the ultimate parent company during 2002 of £231,094.

5 Interest receivable

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Bank interest receivable	4,407	1,525
		

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

3	Tax	ation on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	2003	2002
	(a)	Analysis of charge in year Current tax:	£	£
		UK corporation tax on profit/(loss) of the year Group relief – current year Group relief – prior year Adjustment in respect of previous years	- - -	(150,000) -
		Total current tax (note 7 (b))	-	(150,000)
		Deferred tax: Origination and reversal of timing differences	2,164	_
		Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	2,164	(150,000)
	(b)	Factors affecting tax charge for year		
		The tax assessed for the year is different than the expected rate of corporation tax. The differences are explained below:		
		Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	(190,089)	(49,338)
		Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by expected rate of corporation tax of 0% (2002: 0%)	-	
		Effects of:- Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Depreciation for year in excess of capital allowances Tax losses carried forward Group relief claimed in excess of corporation tax rate Adjustment to group relief charge in respect of previous year	-	- - - (150,000)
			~	(150,000)

(c) Factors that may affect future tax charges

The company has estimated tax losses of £185,000 (2002: £270,000) available to carry forward.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

7	Tangible assets		Fixtures	••	
	Cost	Computers £	and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	At 1 January 2003 Additions Disposals	120,654 - (5,494)	100,788 787 (21,133)	14,911 - -	236,353 787 (26,627)
	At 31 December 2003	115,160	80,442	14,911	210,513
	Depreciation				
	At 1 January 2003 Provided for the year Disposals	48,008 39,413 (5,312)	48,206 19,800 (20,533)	7,729 2,728 -	103,943 61,941 (25,845)
	At 31 December 2003	82,109	47,473	10,457	140,039
	Net book value				
	At 31 December 2003	33,051	32,969	4,454	70,474
	At 31 December 2002	72,646	52,582	7,182	132,410
8	Debtors			0000	0000
				2003 £	2002 £
	Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings			51,417	92,298 8,755
	Prepayments Other debtors			35,032 26,500	30,404 70,600
				112,949	202,057

Other debtors includes an amount of £26,500 due for payment after one year (2002 £26,500).

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

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9	Creditors: amounts falling due within one y	ear		2003	2002
				£	£
	Trade creditors Commission rebates Amounts owed to group undertakings Creditors for taxation and social security Accruals and deferred income			15,238 7,254 13,221 35,126 302,573	36,014 19,836 13,221 37,555 162,555
				373,412	269,181
10	Provisions for liabilities and charges				
	Deferred taxation:			2003 £	2002 £
	Accelerated capital allowances Other timing differences			-	2,164 -
				-	2,164
					£
	At 1 January 2003 Transfer to profit and loss account (note 6)				2,164 (2,164)
	At 31 December 2003				-
11	Share capital				
		Auth 2003 £	orised 2002 £		called up Illy paid 2002 £
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000	50,000	50,000

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

12	Profit and loss account			
	Balance at 1 January 2003 Loss for the year			£ 208,036 (187,925)
	Balance at 31 December 2003			20,111
13	Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash inflo	w/(outflow) fr	om operating act	ivities
			2003 £	2002 £
	Operating loss Depreciation charges Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets Decrease in debtors Increase/(decrease) in creditors		(194,496) 61,941 116 89,108 104,231	(50,863) 47,805 - 269,472 (323,862)
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities		60,900	(57,448)
14	Analysis of net funds			
		2002 £	Cashflow £	2003 £
	Net cash: Cash at bank and in hand	194,914	65,186	260,100
	Net funds	194,914	65,186	260,100

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

15	Reconciliation of net cashflow to movement in net funds	2003 £	2002 £
	Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year	65,186	(121,745)
	Change in net funds resulting from cashflows and movement in debt in the year Net funds at start of year	65,186 194,914	(121,745) 316,659
	Net funds at end of year	260,100	194,914
16	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2003	2002
		£	£
	(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities after taxation Opening shareholders' funds	(187,925) 258,036	100,662 157,374
	Closing shareholders' funds	70,111	258,036

17 Contingent liabilities

The company have received complaints about advice the company gave, recommending clients invest in zero dividend preference shares (zeros). At the time of signing the 2003 audited accounts, losses arising from complaints received by the company represent a net contingent liability of £338,000. It is not possible to be certain of the outcome of any particular complaint, although the Company believes that their defences to the various complaints are sound and a vigorous defence is being made against each complaint. The Company has provided £150,000 for legal costs it might reasonably expect to incur in defending the complaints received.

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003 (Continued)

18 Commitments under operating leases

As at 31 December 2003, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases for land and buildings as set out below:

	2003 £	2002 £
Operating leases which expire: - In one year	**	
- In one to two years	-	-
In two to five yearsAfter five years	45,000	45,000
	45,000	45,000

As at 31 December 2003, the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases for plant and equipment as set out below:

	2003 £	2002 £
Operating leases which expire: - In one year	2,326	2,157
In one to two yearsIn two to five years	<u>-</u>	2,326
- After five years	-	-
	2,326	4,483

19 Related party transactions

The voting rights of the company are controlled by Newday Group Limited and advantage has been taken of the exemption from the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 8 concerning the disclosure of information on related party transactions.

During the year certain directors undertook investment transactions through the company. The company's normal regulatory and compliance controls were applied to these transactions and charges were levied on them at the same rates as are applied to all transactions undertaken by staff.

20 Ultimate parent company

The ultimate parent company is Newday Group Limited. Copies of the financial statements of Newday Group Limited may be obtained by application to the Secretary, Newday Group Limited, Tringham House, Deansleigh Road, Bournemouth, BH7 7DT.

The pages which follow do not form part of the statutory financial statements of the company

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Trading and profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2003

	200 £	03 £	£	2002 £
Turnover				
Commissions and fees Accountancy and taxation fees		1,030,192 4,771		1,392,009 21,642
		1,034,963		1,413,651
Cost of sales				
Salaries, sub contract, bonuses and commission				
Discount service Consultants Client services Taxation services	(86,606) (82,153) (58,996) (1,521)		(179,264) (79,158) (87,349) (5,986)	
		(229;276)		(351,757)
Gross profit		805,687		1,061,894
Other operating income				
Sundry income	986		1,171	
Management charge to Chartwell Asset Management Limited Loan waiver	152,455 -		23,140 231,094	
	Marie y	153,441		255,405
		959,128		1,317,299
Administrative expenses	(1,153,624)		(1,368,162)	
Interest payable	-		-	
	<u> </u>	(1,153,624)		(1,368,162)
Net trading loss for the year		(194,496)		(50,863)
Other income				
Bank deposit interest		4,407		1,525
Net loss for the year before taxation		(190,089)		(49,338)

Trading and profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2003 (continued)

	2003	2002
Administrative expenses	£	£
Administrative salaries and sub contract	187,221	234,782
Staff costs	5,021	9,663
Recruitment costs	6,040	18,440
Staff welfare	6,078	9,805
Travel, subsistence and entertainment	4,937	5,585
Motor expenses	2,972	5,441
Telephone and fax	16,485	28,885
Website	19,448	32,355
Printing, postage and stationery	83,404	215,070
Archiving	5,942	7,814
Advertising	17,199	175,961
Subscriptions and library	1,524	4,839
Sundry expenses	405	30
Provision for refunds, rebates and indemnity commission	125,265	27,973
Input VAT recovered	(12,048)	(14,721)
Directors' emoluments	224,406	227,949
Heating and lighting	3,803	4,620
Repairs and renewals	19,942	20,217
Computer support and maintenance	34,090	46,016
Equipment rental and maintenance	7,580	8,469
General insurance	2,412	2,489
Rent	50,848	113,312
Rates	18,473	25,657
Service charge, water and waste	16,477	19,252
Bank charges	4,697	11,711
Bad debts	9,468	19,351
FSA fees	7,161	4,048
PI insurance	39,849	11,770
Legal and professional fees	167,999	33,833
Directors' and Keyman insurance	2,318	1,188
Audit and accountancy fees	12,151	8,553
Depreciation - motor vehicles	2,728	2,728
Depreciation - computers	39,413	26,080
Depreciation - fixtures and fittings	19,800	18,997
Loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	116	
	1,153,624	1,368,162