

ASHS LIMITED
ABBREVIATED
ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31ST DECEMBER 2001



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO ASHS LIMITED

UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 5 together with the accounts of ASHS LIMITED for the year ended 31st December 2001 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the accounts, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.



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26th September 2002

ASHS LIMITED

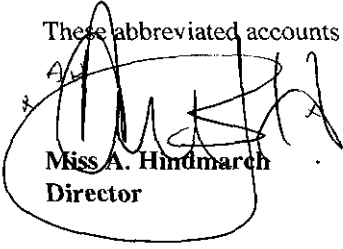
ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2001

	Notes	£	2001 £	£	2000 £
Fixed assets	2				
Tangible fixed assets			328,841		209,434
Fixed asset investments			1		-
			<u>328,842</u>		<u>209,434</u>
Current assets					
Stock		659,275		250,328	
Debtors		886,718		133,673	
Cash at bank and in hand		522,112		190,491	
			<u>2,068,105</u>	<u>574,492</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	4		<u>(1,788,007)</u>	<u>(352,038)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>280,098</u>		<u>222,454</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>608,940</u>		<u>431,888</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year			<u>(166,315)</u>		<u>(150,000)</u>
			<u>442,625</u>		<u>281,888</u>
Capital and reserves					
Share capital	5		50,000		50,000
Profit and loss account			392,625		231,888
Shareholders' funds			<u>442,625</u>		<u>281,888</u>

The abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

These abbreviated accounts were approved by the board on 26th September 2002 and signed on its behalf.


Miss A. Hindmarch
Director

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2001

1 Accounting policies**Basis of accounting**

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Cash flow statement

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

Consolidation

The accounts contain information about ASHS LIMITED as an individual company and do not contain consolidated financial information as the parent of a group. The company is exempt under section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare consolidated financial statements as the group it heads qualifies as a small group.

Turnover

Turnover comprises the value of sales excluding value added tax and trade discounts.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation has been provided at the following rates in order to write down the cost or valuation, less estimated residual value, of all tangible fixed assets, with the exception of freehold land, by equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives:

Leasehold properties	over period of lease
Motor vehicles	25% reducing balance basis
Furniture and equipment	25% reducing balance basis

Investments

Investments are included at cost less amounts written off. Profits or losses arising from disposals of fixed asset investments are treated as part of the result from ordinary activities.

Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation using the liability method to take account of timing differences between the incidence of income and expenditure for taxation and accounting purposes except to the extent that the directors consider that a liability to taxation is unlikely to crystallise.

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Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Where exchange differences result from the translation of foreign currency borrowings raised to acquire foreign assets they are taken to reserves and offset against the differences arising from the translation of those assets. All other exchange differences are dealt with through the profit and loss account.

Hire purchase and leased assets

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet at their fair value and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

All other leases are regarded as operating leases and the payments made under them are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

2 Fixed assets

	Tangible fixed assets £	Fixed asset investments £	Total £
Cost			
At 1st January 2001	296,503	-	296,503
Additions	257,605	1	257,606
Disposals	(63,333)	-	(63,333)
At 31st December 2001	490,775	1	490,776
Depreciation and amortisation			
At 1st January 2001	87,069	-	87,069
Charge for the year	87,532	-	87,532
On disposals	(12,667)	-	(12,667)
At 31st December 2001	161,934	-	161,934
Net book value			
At 31st December 2001	328,841	1	328,842
<i>At 31st December 2000</i>	<i>209,434</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>209,434</i>

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3 Shares in group undertakings

Name of company and registered office	Country of incorpora'n	Details of investments	Proportion held by company	Proportion held by subsidiary	Nature of business
A.S.H.S. USA Limited	UK	£1 Ordinary shares	100%	-	Retailer of luxury handbags and fashion accessories

4 Secured creditors

The bank overdrafts are secured by a fixed and floating charge over all of the company's assets.

5 Share capital

	2001 £	2000 £
Authorised		
50,000 Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Allotted		
50,000 Allotted, called up and fully paid ordinary shares of £1.00 each	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>

6 Related parties

Mrs A. Hindmarch has a controlling interest in the company. At 31st December 2001 the credit to her current account was £93,616 (2000: £59,610).

During the year the company sold goods in the normal course of business to A.S.H.S USA Limited a company wholly owned by A.S.H.S Limited, at a cost of £95,000. Amounts owed by A.S.H.S USA Limited amounted to £281,782 at the year end.