

Financial Statements 31 January 2000

Financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2000

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Chantrey Vellacott DFK

NOBLE HOUSE PROPERTIES LIMITED

Company information

Directors

R G Kilikita F Montanaro E Storey

Secretary

E Storey

Registered office

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Registered number

3200860

Auditors

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Directors' report for the year ended 31 January 2000

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2000.

Review of the business

The principal activity is that of purchase, development and resale of property.

The directors are satisfied with the results of the company for the year and look forward to continued growth and profitability.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are shown on page 5 of the financial statements.

Interim dividends of £12,000 (1999 : £33,600) were paid in the year. The directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend.

Directors

The directors who served during the year, none of whom had an interest in the share capital of the company, were:

R G Kilikita F Montanaro E Storey

Charitable contributions

During the year the company made charitable donations of £945.

Directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of its financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for the year then ended. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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 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 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.

Directors' report for the year ended 31 January 2000

Millennium

The directors are satisfied that they took sufficient steps to address the year 2000 issue and to date there has been no significant effect on the business operations and trading activities of the company as a result of the issue. The costs of addressing the issue were not significant and any future costs are also not anticipated to be significant.

Auditors

A resolution to reappoint Chantrey Vellacott DFK as auditors of the company will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

E STOREY Secretary

Approved by the Board on 15 June 2000

Auditors' report to the members of Noble House Properties Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 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 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 31 January 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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CHANTREY VELLACOTT DFK

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors

LONDON

15 June 2000

Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 January 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
Turnover	2	1,706,448	1,095,748
Cost of sales		1,405,307	898,302
Gross profit		301,141	197,446
Administrative expenses		202,258	152,608
Operating profit		98,883	44,838
Interest payable and similar charges	3	(4,163)	(12,743)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	4	94,720	32,095
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	12,218	6,500
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		82,502	25,595
Dividends paid to equity shareholders	8	12,000	33,600
Retained profit (loss) for the year	14	70,502 =	(8,005)

None of the company's activities was acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the profits above, and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

There is no difference between the profits shown above and their historical cost equivalents.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet as at 31 January 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
Fixed assets		2	~
Tangible assets	9	5,648	3,031
Current assets			
Stocks	10	1,317,159	644,495
Debtors	11	32,611	22,541
Cash at bank and in hand		192,718	815
		1,542,488	667,851
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(1,423,103)	(616,351)
Net current assets		119,385	51,500
Total assets less current liabilities		125,033	54,531
Capital and reserves			
Called-up share capital	13	99	99
Profit and loss account	14	124,934	54,432
Shareholders' funds	15	125,033	54,531

Approved by the Board on 15 June 2000 and signed on its behalf by:

E STOREY - Director

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 January 2000

1. Accounting policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting,.

(b) Depreciation of tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is not charged on expenditure on assets not yet in use. Depreciation on other tangible fixed assets is charged so as to write off their full costs less estimated residual value over their expected useful lives at the following rates:

Office equipment

- 25% per annum on reducing balance

Fixtures & fittings

- 25% per annum on reducing balance

(c) Stock and work in progress

Properties which are held as trading stock are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes direct expenditure and gross interest less net property income.

Sales are recognised on completion of contracts.

(d) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided under the liability method in respect of all material timing differences between the profits as computed for taxation purposes and the profits as stated in the financial statements, to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise. The rate of tax used is that which is expected to be applied when the liability or asset is expected to crystallise.

(e) Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

(f) Joint ventures

For unincorporated joint ventures in which the company participates in the management, the appropriate proportion of the assets, liabilities, profits and losses are consolidated. Other joint ventures and associates are dealt with by equity accounting, which requires that the financial statements reflect the company's proportion of the capital and reserves of the joint ventures and of their profit or loss.

2. Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts receivable for goods and services excluding VAT arising wholly within the United Kingdom.

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 January 2000

3.	Interest payable and similar charges	2000 £	1999 £
	On bank loans and overdrafts On other loans	97 4,066	243 12,500
		4,163 ———	12,743
4.	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2000 £	1999 £
	This is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation	1,883	1,010
	Directors' emoluments (note 5) Auditors' remuneration:	69,822	123,330
	In respect of audit services	13,145 	8,128
5 .	Directors' emoluments	2000 £	1999 £
	Emoluments for qualifying services Company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	59,000 10,822	112,501 10,829
`		69,822	123,330
6.	Employee information	2000 £	1999 £
	Staff costs:		
	Wages and salaries	81,432	129,725
	Social security costs Other pension costs	8,563 10,822	13,050 10,829
		100,817	153,604
	There were no employees during the year apart from the directors	S.	*****
7.	Tax on profit on ordinary activities	2000 £	1999 £
	United Kingdom corporation tax based on the profit for the year at 20% (1999 : 21.00%)	12,097	6,500
	Underprovision in prior years	12,097	-
		12,218	6,500

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8.	Dividends		2000 £	1999 £
	On equity shares: Interim of £121.21 (1999 - £339.39) per share paid	ordinary	12,000	33,600
9.	Tangible fixed assets	Office equipment £	Fixtures & fittings £	Total £
	Cost: At 1 February 1999 Additions	2,316 4,500	2,300	4,616 4,500
	At 31 January 2000	6,816	2,300	9,116
	Depreciation: At 1 February 1999 Provision for year At 31 January 2000	1,704 1,704	1,585 179 —————	1,585 1,883 3,468
	Net book value: At 31 January 2000	5,112	536	5,648
l	At 31 January 1999	2,316	715	3,031
10.	Stocks		2000 £	1999 £
	Work in progress		1,317,159	644,495
11.	Debtors		2000 £	1999 £
	Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors		18,628 13,983	19,800 2,741
			32,611	22,541

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12.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2000)	1999
		£		£
	Bank loans Other loans (unsecured)	833,639 417,840)	375,100 165,500
	Trade creditors	68,094		38,548
	Corporation tax	12,597		7,400
	Other taxes and social security costs	3,826		2,000
	Amounts due to group undertakings Directors' current account	82,381 1,726		12,525
	Accruals and deferred income	3,000		15,278
		1,423,103	- · <u>-</u>	616,351
	The bank loans are repayable on the disposal of related against them.	freehold	= properties	secured
13.	Called-up share capital	200 0)	1999 £
	Authorised	_		
	Equity shares:			
	1,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000) = ==	1,000
	Allotted, called-up and fully paid Equity shares:			
	99 Ordinary shares of £1 each	99) = =	99
1 4 .	Reserves		Pr	ofit and
				loss
			•	account £
	At 1 February 1999			54,432
	Profit retained for the year			70,502
	At 31 January 2000			124,934

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 31 January 2000

15.	Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds	2000 £	1999 £
	Profit for the financial year	82,502	25,595
	Dividends paid to equity shareholders	(12,000)	(33,600)
	Net addition to (depletion in) shareholders' funds	70,502	(8,005)
	Opening shareholders' funds	54,531	62,536
	Closing shareholders' funds	125,033	54,531

Shareholders' funds are fully attributable to equity interests.

16. Pension commitments

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme, the assets of which are held independently. The charge for the year is shown in note 6.

17. Control

The company is owned by Noble House Group Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.