# Barfair Limited and subsidiary companies

# Directors' report and consolidated financial statements Registered number 3552508 31 March 2007

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## Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2007

#### Principal activities

Barfair Limited principally acts as an investment holding company in relation to its subsidiaries and other affiliated companies. The activities of the principal subsidiary companies are detailed in note 12 and principally relate to investment management services, the distribution and sale of drinks, wholesaler of DVDs and sale of health and wellness reward programs. Other less significant activities of the subsidiaries and associated companies include the operation of radio stations and hotel operation.

#### **Business Review**

#### Management Services

The Group's subsidiary Virgin Management Limited continues to provide management services to its subsidiaries and other affiliated companies, and as such, its performance is a function of the activities of these companies. Turnover in the financial year has seen an 11% increase on the prior year to £6.3m, predominantly as a result of increased Group activity. This has also led to an increase in staff numbers from 97 to 100 in the year, and further increases are anticipated for the 2008 financial year as additional opportunities for the Group are pursued.

#### Media

The focus of the Group's subsidiary Sound and Media Limited (renamed Network Distributing Limited on 13 August 2008) had been the continued releases of titles from the Network label. The Bookends chain was sold to a third party on 5 May 2006.

The Network catalogue of titles has continued to expand during the year as products based on the Granada catalogue have come on stream. Additional licensing agreements have also been entered into during the year in the Netherlands and Germany. A new label called Network Two was launched during the year as a second channel for Network titles.

The subsidiary was subject to severe downwards price deflation in line with the DVD market as a whole, this has adversely affected not only the turnover but also the gross margin achieved. In March 2007 the company also changed its distributors to enable better stock control.

## Drinks

The Group's sub group, The Virgin Drinks Group Limited, continues to provide services in respect of soft drinks franchises and licensing agreements. Since the balance sheet date, restructuring of the group has begun in order to help lower costs in future years.

#### Hotel Operation

The Group's subsidiary Necker Island BVI Limited has continued to undertake capital investment on the island during the year to enhance and improve the product. This in conjunction with the opening of a New York regional sales office in July 2007 and a strong marketing strategy is hoped to increase bookings in the coming years.

## Health Care

The Group's sub-group Virgin Life Care Investments Limited develops and sells health and wellness reward programs for use predominantly in the insurance, education, health care, governmental and leisure industries, primarily in South Africa and the United States of America. The Group derives its revenue from program sponsorship and membership fees for the participation in the HealthMiles programs and from the lease of the Group's Health Zones.

## Directors' report (continued)

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The Board of Directors are responsible for setting financial risk management policies and objectives, and approves the parameters within which the various aspects of financial risk management are operated

#### Interest rate risk

The Company is exposed to interest rate risk, the majority of the Company's loans being floating rate. The Company's interest rate management policy aims to manage this risk by matching interest-bearing loans payable to those receivable.

#### Foreign currency risk

The Company has a significant US dollar exposure The Company did not have a significant exposure to any other individual currency in the financial year under review The Company seeks to reduce its foreign exchange exposure arising in various currencies through matching, as far as possible, receipts and payments in individual currencies

## Results for the year

The results for the year are set out on page 6 The loss for the year has been transferred to reserves

#### Post balance sheet events

On 29 February 2008, the Group's subsidiary 120 Campden Hill Road Limited entered into a sale and purchase agreement to sell the property at 120 Campden Hill Road for £8,770,000 On 5 March 2008 the buyer paid a 10% deposit of £877,000 into a treasury reserve account On completion of the transaction on 29 August 2008 the above deposit was released with total proceeds received being £8,678,997 These proceeds were used to repay bank loans

## **Employees**

In considering applications for employment from disabled people in the UK, the Group seeks to ensure that full and fair consideration is given to the abilities and aptitudes of the applicant against the requirements of the jobs for which he or she has applied Employees who become temporarily or permanently disabled are given individual consideration, and where possible equal opportunities for training, career development and promotions are given to disabled persons

Within the bounds of commercial confidentiality, information is disseminated to all levels of staff about matters that affect the progress of the Group and are of interest and concern to them as employees. The Group also encourages employees, where relevant, to meet on a regular basis to discuss matters affecting them

#### Working capital and cash flow

The Company is party to a group overdraft facility of £200 million (2006 £130 million), all of which is repayable on demand Cash is managed centrally across a number of group companies and therefore cash balances held by the company will fluctuate according to its immediate requirements

## Forward Strategy

The Company will continue to focus on providing management services to its subsidiaries and other affiliated companies in line with the Virgin Group's continued expansion

## Directors' report (continued)

## Environmental and ethical policies

The Company is fully committed to the Virgin Aware initiative to promote environmentally and ethically responsible business practices and managing the business in line with sound corporate government standards

### Proposed dividend

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2006 £Nil)

#### Political and charitable contributions

The group made no political contributions during the year Donations to UK charities amounted to £1,831,000 (2006 £1,304,000)

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during and since the year were as follows

GD McCallum

PCK McCall

WE Whitehorn

(resigned 1 October 2007)

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(appointed 1 October 2007)

## Disclosure of information to auditors

The directors who held office at the date of approval of this directors' report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information

#### Auditors

The members of the Company have passed elective resolutions in accordance with Sections 366A, 252 and 386 of the Companies Act 1985 dispensing with the previous statutory requirement of holding annual general meetings, laying accounts before the Company in general meetings and reappointing auditors annually

The last resolution will lead to the continuing appointment of KPMG LLP as auditors of the company until further notice

By order of the board

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Company Secretary

The School House
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September 2008

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Directors' report and the financial statements

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Group and Parent company financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and the parent company and of the profit or loss for that year

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group and the Parent company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Parent company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985 They have a general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities

## Independent auditors report to the members of Barfair Limited

We have audited the group and parent company financial statements (the "financial statements") of Barfair Limited for the year ended 31 March 2007 which comprise the primary statements such as the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, the Consolidated Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses, the Reconciliations of Movements in Shareholders' Deficit and related notes These financial statements have been prepared under 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 auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities on page 4

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

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 whether in our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 other transactions is not disclosed

We read the Directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

## Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 judgments 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, in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2007 and of the group's loss for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the Directors' report is consistent with the financial statements

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KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor 8 Salisbury Square London EC4Y 8BB September 2008

# Consolidated profit and loss account for the year ended 31 March 2007

for the year enaeu 31 March 2007	Note	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000 (Restated)
Turnover			
Continuing operations .	2	31,863	43,922
Discontinued operations	2	-	110,110
		31,863	154,032
Cost of sales		(8,320)	(103,945)
Gross profit		23,543	50,087
		(1.050)	((00)
Distribution costs		(1,950)	(688)
Administrative expenses (Includes exceptional expenditure of £183,380,000, 2006 exceptional income of £103,831,000)	3	(249,938)	13,236
Other operating income		2,400	3,400
Group operating (loss) / profit			
Continuing operations	2	(225,945)	67,555
Discontinued operations	2		(1,520)
		(225,945)	66,035
Share of operating profit of associate		-	6,779
Total operating (loss) / profit	4	(225,945)	72,814
Gain / (loss) on disposal of investments – continuing operations		277	(2,322)
Gain on disposal of investments – discontinued operations			108,315
Loss on disposal of fixed assets		(3)	(36)
		(225 (71)	179 771
(Loss) / profit before interest and taxation Dividends receivable		(225,671) 41	178,771 530
Other interest receivable and similar income	7	166,335	130,717
Interest payable and similar charges	8	(138,277)	(78,428)
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(Loss) / profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3	(197,572)	231,590
Tax credit / (charge) on loss on ordinary activities	9	5,714	(17,324)
(Loss) / profit on ordinary activities after taxation		(191,858)	214,266
Minority interest	20	1,307	1,944
(Loss) / profit for the financial year		(190,551)	216,210

The notes on pages 11 to 36 form part of these financial statements

# Consolidated balance sheet at 31 March 2007

	Note	31 March 2007		31 March 20 £000 £0	
		£000	£000	2000	£000 (Restated)
Fixed assets					(/
Intangible assets	10	8,992		9,937	
Negative goodwill	10	(205)		(205)	
Tangible assets	11	18,259		20,223	
Investments	12	16,671		18,445	
			43,717		48,400
Current assets					
Stocks	13	1,761		2,395	
Debtors	14	1,270,743		1,132,660	
Cash at bank and in hand		7,958		28,783	
		1,280,462		1,163,838	
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	15	(1,765,731)		(1,464,608)	
Net current liabilities			(485,269)		(300,770)
Total assets less current liabilities			(441,552)		(252,370)
Creditors amounts falling due after more than					
one year	16		(10,046)		(8,782)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	17		(5,050)		(5,281)
Net liabilities			(456,648)		(266,433)
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	18		2		2
Share premium	19		276,487		276,487
Other reserves	19		54,313		54,313
Profit and loss account	19		(787,450)		(597,998)
Equity shareholders' deficit			(456,648)		(267,196)
Minority interests	20		-		763
			(456,648)		(266,433)

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These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 26 September 2008 and were signed on its behalf by

Director

# Company balance sheet at 31 March 2007

	Note	31 March 2007		31 March 2006	
		£000	£000	£000	£000
Fixed assets Investments	12		110,984		110,984
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Current assets					
Debtors	14	484,390		615,929	
Cash at bank and in hand		81,199		17,391	
		565,589		633,320	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(1,309,001)		(1,200,876)	
Net current liabilities			(743,412)		(567,556)
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Net liabilities			(632,428)		(456,572)
			<del></del>		
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	18		2		2
Share premium	19		276,487		276,487
Profit and loss account	19		(908,917)		(733,061)
Equity shareholders' deficit			(632,428)		(456,572)

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# Consolidated cash flow statement

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yor me year enaca 32 maren 2007	Note	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000
Net cash flow from operating activities	25	(97,373)	(155,022)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Taxation	26	1,089 (226)	(673)
Capital expenditure and financial investment	26	127,807	(263,281)
		31,297	(418,976)
Acquisitions and disposals	26	(56)	(78,462)
Cash flow before financing		31,241	(497,438)
Financing	26	(153,958)	548,527
(Decrease) / increase in cash in the year		(122,717)	51,089

# Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt

for the year ended 31 March 2007

jor me year enaca or maren 2007	Note	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000
(Decrease) / increase in cash in the year		(122,717)	51,089
Cash inflow / (outflow) from increase in debt and lease financing		153,958	(548,527)
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows		31,241	(497,438)
Settlement of share options Other non cash items		(2,669)	-
New finance leases		(498)	-
Disposal of subsidiary		•	55,733
Accrued interest		(111,226)	(73,699)
Other non cash movements		(98,581)	-
Foreign exchange		3,020	4,075
Movement in net debt in the year		(178,713)	(511,329)
Net debt at the start of the year		(1,455,955)	(944,626)
Net debt at the end of the year	27	(1,634,668)	(1,455,955)

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# Consolidated statement of total recognised gains and losses for the year ended 31 March 2007

	Note	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000 Group	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000 Group (Restated)
(Loss) / profit for the financial year Group Associate profit		(190,551) - 	209,260 6,950
Unrealised gain on disposal of investment Currency translation differences on net foreign currency investments	19	1,099	216,210 19,812 1,103
Total recognised (losses) / gains relating to the year		(189,452)	237,125
Prior year adjustment due to adoption of FRS 20	19	(5,818)	<del></del>
Total recognised losses since last annual report		(195,270)	

# Reconciliations of movements in shareholders' deficit for the year ended 31 March 2007

Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000
Group	Company	Group	Company
(189,452)	(175,856)	237,125 (4,115) 91	(15,159)
(189,452)	(175,856)	233,101	(15,159)
(267,196)	(456,572)	(500,297)	(441,413)
(456,648)	(632,428)	(267,196)	(456,572)
	31 March 2007 £000 Group (189,452)  (189,452) (267,196)	31 March 2007 2007 2007 2000 Group Company  (189,452) (175,856)	31 March 2007 2007 2006

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## **Notes**

## 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the group's financial statements for the year under review

Financial Reporting Standard 20, Share Based Payments, has been adopted in these financial statements for the first time and the disclosures it requires have been presented for both the current and comparative period. The effects of its adoption are disclosed below

## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules

The holding company has taken advantage of section 230(4) of the Companies Act 1985, and a separate profit and loss account of the Company has not been published. The profit and loss attributable to the Company is disclosed in note 19

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis in view of the fact that the parent undertaking Virgin Group Holdings Limited has formally indicated that it is its present intention to provide sufficient funding to the Company, to enable it to meet its liabilities as they fall due, for at least the next twelve months

The directors have no reason to believe that the parent company will not be in a position to provide the support referred to above and, accordingly, they have prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the company and its subsidiary undertakings made up to 31 March 2007. For all other subsidiaries the acquisition method of accounting has been adopted. Under this method, the results of subsidiary undertakings acquired or disposed of in the year are included in the consolidated profit and loss account from the date of acquisition or up to the date of disposal.

An associate is an undertaking in which the group has a long-term interest and over which it exercises significant influence. A joint venture is an undertaking in which the group has a long-term interest and over which it exercises joint control. The group's share of the profits less losses of associates and of joint ventures is included in the consolidated profit and loss account and its interest in their net assets is included in investments in the consolidated balance sheet.

The consolidated financial statements have been compiled using the financial statements of Barfair Limited's subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates for accounting periods which are coterminous with Barfair Limited's own accounting reference date

#### Goodwill and investments

Purchased goodwill (representing the excess of the fair value of the consideration given over the fair value of the separable net assets acquired) arising on consolidation is capitalised. Positive goodwill is amortised to £nil by equal annual instalments over its estimated useful life. The directors consider each acquisition separately for the purposes of determining the appropriate amortisation period. All goodwill is currently amortised over 20 years.

Negative goodwill arising on consolidation is included within fixed assets and released to the profit and loss account in the period in which the fair value of the non-monetary assets purchased on the same acquisition are recovered, whether through depreciation or sale

On the subsequent disposal or termination of a business the profit or loss on disposal or termination is calculated after charging (crediting) the unamortised amount of any related goodwill (negative goodwill)

In the company's financial statements, investments in subsidiary undertakings, associates and joint ventures are stated at cost less amounts written off

### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

## Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided to write off the cost less the estimated residual value of tangible fixed assets by equal instalments over their estimated useful economic lives as follows

Freehold buildings - 50 years
Leasehold land and buildings - life of lease
Plant and machinery - 3 to 5 years
Fixture and fittings - 2 to 10 years
Motor vehicles - 3 to 4 years

No depreciation is provided on freehold land

#### Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets purchased separately from a business are capitalised at their cost. Intangible assets acquired as part of an acquisition are capitalised at their fair value where it can be measure reliably. Concessions, patents, licences and trademarks purchased by the company are amortised to £nil by equal annual instalments over their useful economic lives, generally the respective unexpired periods.

#### Stocks

Stocks including stocks of tax free goods and catering supplies are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value

## Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction or, if hedged forward, at the rate of exchange under the related forward currency contract. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains or losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account

The assets and liabilities and profit and loss accounts of overseas subsidiary undertakings and associated undertakings are translated at the closing exchange rates. Gains and losses arising on these translations are taken to reserves, net of exchange differences arising on related foreign currency borrowings.

#### Leases

Where the company enters into a lease which entails taking substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of an asset, the lease is treated as a 'finance lease'. The asset is recorded in the balance sheet as a tangible fixed asset and is depreciated over its estimated useful life or the term of the lease, whichever is shorter. Future instalments under such leases, net of finance charges, are included with creditors. Rentals payable are apportioned between the finance element, which is charged to the profit and loss account, and the capital element which reduces the outstanding obligation for future instalments.

All other leases are accounted for as 'operating leases' and the rental charges are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the life of the lease

## Post retirement benefits

The group operates a number of defined contribution pension schemes The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the group in independently administered funds. The amount charged against profits represents the contributions payable to the schemes in respect of the accounting period.

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### **Taxation**

Deferred tax is recognised, without discounting, in respect of all timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes which have arisen but not reversed by the balance sheet date, except as otherwise required by Financial Reporting Standard 19

A net deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

#### **Turnover**

Turnover represents the amounts (excluding value added tax) derived from the provision of goods and services to third party customers

Turnover also comprises revenue from scheduled services, including passenger ticket sales and the sale of seat allocations under certain shared service agreements and charter services. Revenue is recognised on the date of flight departure. Revenue relating to flights or services performed after the accounting date, together with any commission thereon, is carried forward as deferred income. Commissions are accounted for on sales and marketing expenses within cost of sales.

### Share based payments

The share option programme allows certain employees to acquire options over the shares of certain group companies. All share based payments are treated as cash settled transactions as they either require full settlement in cash or where settlement in shares is envisaged the issuer has established the practice of buying out the option at the end of its term. The fair value of the amount payable to the employee is recognised as an expense with a corresponding rise in liabilities. The fair value is measured at grant date and spread over the period during which employees become unconditionally entitled to payment. The fair value is measured based on an option pricing model taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the instruments were granted. The liability is revalued at each balance sheet date and settlement date with any changes to fair value being recognised in the profit and loss account.

The effect of this adjustment has been a charge recognised in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 20 of £1,940,550 in administration expenses and a decrease in wages and salaries of £2,668,759 Liabilities at 31 March 2007 have increased by £5,090,186 Comparatives for 2006 have been restated accordingly. The effect of this adjustment on prior year results has been a charge recognised in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 20 of £1,703,309 in administration expenses and an increase in liabilities of £5,818,395 at 31 March 2006. Opening reserves as at 1 April 2005 were decreased by £4,115,086 with a corresponding increase in liabilities.

#### Comparative information

Corresponding amounts have been reclassified where necessary to ensure they are comparable with the figures for the current year

## 2 Analysis of continuing and discontinued operations

	Year ended 31 March 200		Aarch 2007		Year ended 31 March 2006		
	Discontinued £000	Continuing £000	Total £000	Discontinued £000	Continuing £000 (Restated)	Total £000 (Restated)	
Turnover Less share of joint venture turnover	- -	31,863 -	31,863 -	110,110	43,922	154,032	
	•	31,863	31,863	110,110	43,922	154,032	
Cost of sales	-	(8,320)	(8,320)	(88,439)	(15,506)	(103,945)	
Gross profit	-	23,543	23,543	21,671	28,416	50,087	
Distribution costs Administrative expenses Other operating income		(1,950) (249,938) 2,400	(1,950) (249,938) 2,400	(342) (27,181) 4,332	(346) 40,417 (932)	(688) 13,236 3,400	
Group operating (loss) / profit Share of operating profit of joint venture and associates	- - -	(225,945)	(225,945)	(1,520) 6,779	67,555	66,035 6,779	
Total operating (loss) / profit		(225,945)	(225,945)	5,259	67,555	72,814	

## Discontinued

On the 9 May 2005, the Group completed the sale of its 100% shareholding in Virgin Express SA for a consideration of £6 8million

On 20 September 2005, the company disposed of its investment in Virgin Active Investments Holdings Limited (formerly known as Showhall Limited) for a total consideration of £2

On 11 November 2005, the Company disposed of its investment in Virgin Books Limited to a fellow subsidiary of Virgin Group Investments Limited for a total consideration of £3

On 12 December 2005, the Group disposed of Cricket SA and its subsidiaries for a consideration of £470,017,702 which was left outstanding as intercompany loans

On 31 March 2006, the Company disposed of its investment in Motor Solutions Vehicle Management Limited for a total consideration of £9

#### Continuing

The Group company Virgin Radio France Holdings Limited held 60% of Oui FM On 31 August 2005, the group acquired the remaining 40% of Oui FM for a total consideration of €4 8m

The Group company Virgin Lifecare Investments Limited held 51 86% of Virgin Life Care (Pty) Limited On 1 December 2005, the Group acquired the remaining 48 14% of Virgin Life Care (Pty) Limited to becomes the 100% shareholder for a total consideration of £2,951,926

## 3 (Loss) / profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	Year ended 31 March	Year ended 31 March
	2007 £000	2006 £000
(Loss) / profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging / (crediting)	2000	2000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,326	2,135
Amortisation of negative goodwill on intangible fixed assets	-	(1,699)
Amortisation of positive goodwill and other intangible fixed assets	945	709
Impairment of tangible fixed assets	39	47
Amortisation of goodwill on fixed assets investments	-	1,584
Hire of plant and machinery – rentals payable under operating leases	8	33
Hire of other assets – operating leases	2,007	5,384
Exchange differences	920	363
Rent receivable	(694)	(711)
Auditors' remuneration		
Audit of these financial statements	28	19
Amounts receivable by the auditors and their associates in respect of		
Audit of financial statements of subsidiaries pursuant to legislation	294	344
Other services pursuant to such legislation	7	
Total auditors' remuneration	329	391
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The following exceptional items have been charged / (credited) to administration expenses		
	£000	£000
Provision against amounts due from related undertakings	218,997	65,674
Provision write-backs against amounts due from related undertakings	(35,617)	(169,505)
	192 290	(102 921)
	183,380	(103,831)

## 4 Analysis of turnover, operating (loss) / profit and net liabilities

The Group's turnover, operating (loss) / profit and net liabilities are analysed by geographical destination and activity, as follows

		Year ended 3	l March 2007		Year ended 3	1 March 2006
By geographical	Turnover	Operating	Net	Turnover	Operating	Net
destination		loss	liabilities		profit	liabilities
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
					(Restated)	(Restated)
UK and Ireland	16,247	(210,410)	(857,053)	105,943	(77,595)	(675,651)
Rest of Europe	3,585	(658)	2,765	33,467	(3,753)	4,272
Rest of the world	12,031	(14,877)	397,640	14,622	154,162	404,946
	31,863	(225,945)	(456,648)	154,032	72,814	(266,433)
Less share of	31,603	(223,343)	(430,040)	134,032	72,014	(200,433)
associate revenue/operating	-	-	-	-	(6,779)	•
(profit)						
	31,863	(225,945)	(456,648)	154,032	66,035	(266,433)
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By activity	Turnover	Year ended 31 Operating loss	March 2007 Net liabilities	Turnover	Year ended 3 i Operating profit	March 2006 Net Itabilities
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Discontinued						
Cars	-	-	-	73,197	(2,522)	-
Trademark licensing	•	-	-	8,058	4,745	-
Travel	-	-	-	28,855	3,036	1,602
Less share of associate	-	-		110,110	5,259	1,602
revenue/operating (profit)	-	-		-	(6,779)	-
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## 4 Analysis of turnover, operating (loss) / profit and net liabilities (continued)

		Year ended 31 March 2007			Year ended 31 March 2006	
By activity	Turnover	Operating loss	Net liabilities	Turnover	Operating profit	Net Irabilities
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000 (Restated)	£000 (Restated)
Continuing						
Wholesale and retail Clubs and hotels	11,523 5,493	(210) (475)	(161,354) (1,544)	21,519 6,465	(3,773) 922	(153,117) 307
Merchandising and event management	-	-	-	-	(240)	(5,952)
Balloons and airships	-	-	-	-	(3)	(3,104)
Management services and other	14,847	(225,260)	(293,750)	15,938	70,649	(106,169)
Less share of associate	31,863	(225,945)	(456,648)	43,922	67,555	(268,035)
revenue/operating (profit)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	31,863	(225,945)	(456,648)	43,922	67,555	(268,035)

Management services and other includes provisions against amounts due from related parties and a charge for the impairment of goodwill as described in note 9 below

#### 5 Remuneration of directors

Remainer attors of diffectors		
	Year ended	Year ended
	31 March	31 March
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
		(Restated)
Directors' emoluments	6,215	2,619
Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	113	111
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	6,328	2,730
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The aggregate of emoluments and amounts receivable under long term incentive schemes of the highest paid director was £2,265,146 (2006 £947,859) Company pension contributions of £28,892 (2006 £53,338) were made on his behalf

## Number of directors

	Year ended 31 March 2007	Year ended 31 March 2006
Retirement benefits are accruing to the following number of directors under		
Money purchase schemes	3	3

## 6 Staff numbers and costs

The average number of persons employed by the group (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows

	Number of employees	
	Year ended	Year ended
	31 March	31 March
	2007	2006
Management and administration	176	443
Selling and distribution	41	149
Operations and other	158	210
	375	802
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The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000 (Restated)
Wages and salaries	30,348	30,725
Social security costs	2,312	3,850
Other pension costs	493	519
Other	179	1,045
Share based payments (see note 23)	1,941	1,703
	35,273	37,842

7	Other interest receivable and similar income		
		Year ended	Year ended
		31 March	31 March
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	Bank interest	845	1,613
	Other interest	4,099	676
	Net foreign exchange gains	-	16,070
	Interest receivable from related parties	161,391	109,946
	Interest receivable from associates	-	2,412
		166,335	130,717
8	Interest payable and similar charges		**
		Year ended	Year ended
		31 March	31 March
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	On bank loans and overdrafts	3,788	2,824
	Other interest	82	116
	Finance charges payable in respect of finance leases and hire purchase contracts	25	22
	Net foreign exchange losses	23,506	•
	Interest payable to related parties	110,876	72,952
	Interest payable to associate	-	2,514
		138,277	78,428
9	Taxation		
		Year ended	Year ended
		31 March	31 March
		2007	2006
		£000	£000
	UK corporation tax		
	Current tax on income for the year	1,116	7,530
	Adjusted in respect of prior years	(1,851)	2,182
		(735)	9,712
	Foreign tax	604	3,889
	Total current tax	(131)	13,601
	Deferred tax for year	(2,481)	127
	Adjusted in respect of prior year	(3,083)	3,225
	Non-UK deferred tax	-	352
	Effect of increased / decreased tax rate	(19)	19
	Tax on (loss) / profit on ordinary activities	(5,714)	17,324
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## 9 Taxation (continued)

Factors affecting the tax charge for the current year

The current tax charge/ (credit) for the year is lower (2006 lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 30% (2006 30%) The differences are explained below

	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000 (Restated)
Current tax reconciliation		` ′
(Loss) / profit on ordinary activities before tax	(197,572)	231,590
Current tax at 30% (2006 30%)	(59,271)	69,477
Effects of		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	80,932	59,148
Income not taxable	(27,692)	(123,930)
Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation	717	(133)
UK tax losses not utilised or recognised	2,934	1,415
Non-UK tax losses not utilised or recognised	2,021	3,341
Other timing differences	2,057	143
Exchange differences	-	18
CFC tax	54	2,062
Foreign tax suffered	387	47
UK tax on overseas dividend	14	36
High/low tax rates on overseas earnings	(71)	250
Utilisation of UK tax losses bought forward	(324)	(127)
Utilisation of non-UK tax losses bought forward	(133)	(405)
Chargeable gains	95	_
Adjustment in respect of prior years	(1,851)	2,259
	(131)	13,601

## Factors that may affect future tax losses

As at 31 March 2007, the group had tax losses and other timing differences available to carry forward of approximately £172 million (2006 £186 million) against which no deferred tax asset has been recognised. A deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

The deferred tax assets recognised and unrecognised are set out below

The deterred tax assets recognised and unrecogn	isca are set out below			
	31 March	31 March	31 March	31 March
	2007	2007	2006	2006
	Recognised	Unrecognised	Recognised	Unrecognised
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Accelerated capital allowances	649	(1,938)	848	(1,263)
Short term timing differences	(8,888)	(306)	(3,895)	(198)
UK tax losses	(118)	(39,159)	(106)	(37,507)
Non-UK tax losses	-	(10,157)	(110)	(16,731)
	(8,357)	(51,560)	(3,263)	(55,699)
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## 10 Intangible fixed assets

Group	Negative goodwill £000	Goodwill £000	Other Intangible assets £000	Total positive goodwill and other intangible assets £000
Cost	2000	2000	2000	2000
At 1 April 2006	(702)	72,601	743	73,344
At 31 March 2007	(702)	72,601	743	73,344
Amortisation and impairments				
At I April 2006 Charged in year	(497) -	62,870 897	537 48	63,407 945
At 31 March 2007	(497)	63,767	585	64,352
Net book value At 31 March 2007	(205)	8,834	158	8,992
At 31 March 2006	(205)	9,731	206	9,937
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The directors consider each acquisition separately for the purpose of determining the amortisation period of any goodwill that arises

Where evidence of goodwill impairment has arisen, the impairment charge was taken to the profit and loss account

1	1	Tangi	ble	fixed	assets

B	Freehold and leasehold land	Plant and	Fixtures, fittings and office	Motor	
Group	and buildings	equipment	equipment	vehicles	Total
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cost or valuation					
At 1 April 2006	17,908	8,386	4,683	458	31,435
Additions	636	1,239	353	293	2,521
Disposals	-	(721)	(1,414)	(59)	(2,194)
Exchange differences	(1,507)	(814)	(321)	(59)	(2,701)
	48.035		2.201		20.061
At 31 March 2007	17,037	8,090	3,301	633	29,061
Depreciation	<del></del>				
At 1 April 2006	2,535	4,944	3,416	317	11,212
Charge for year	544	1,231	359	192	2,326
Impairment	•	· -	39	-	39
Disposals	-	(691)	(1,028)	(83)	(1,802)
Exchange differences	(250)	(434)	(249)	(40)	(973)
At 31 March 2007	2,829	5,050	2,537	386	10,802
Net book value					
At 31 March 2007	14,208	3,040	764	247	18,259
At 31 March 2006	15,373	3,442	1,267	141	20,223
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Included in the total net book value of Fixtures & Fittings is £17,000 (2006 £17,000) in respect of assets held under finance leases (and similar hire purchase contracts) Depreciation for the year on the assets was £nil (2006 £9,000)

Included in the net book value of Plant & Equipment is £688,000 (2006 £134,000) in respect of assets held under finance lease (and similar hire purchase agreements) Depreciation for the year on the assets was £43,000 (2006 £7,000)

During the year the group entered into finance lease and hire purchase agreements in respect of assets with a total capital value at the inception of the leases of £597,000 (2006 £142,000)

The split between freehold and leasehold land and buildings is shown below

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	31 March	31 March
	2007	2006
	£000	£000
Net book value		
Freehold land and building	14,126	15,287
Leasehold land and buildings	82	86
	14,208	15,373
Depreciation charged in the year		
Freehold land and building	540	516
Leasehold land and buildings	4	5
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	544	521

#### 12 Fixed asset investments

Group	Listed investments £000	Unlisted investments £000	Total investments £000
Cost	4000		
At 1 April 2006	4,025	15,384	19,409
Additions	-	106	106
Disposals	•	(2,724)	(2,724)
At 31 March 2007	4,025	12,766	16,791
Impairments			
At 1 April 2006	-	964	964
Disposals	•	(844)	(844)
At 31 March 2007		120	120
At 31 March 2007			
Net book value At 31 March 2007	4,025	12,646	16,671
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At 31 March 2006	4,025	14,420	18,445
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On 1 April 2006 the group wrote off its investment in LoveSac Corporation, as the company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy on 30 January 2006

On 7 December 2006 the group sold its investment in Portman Film and Television Limited for the consideration of £47,819 The loss on disposal was £2,181

During the year the group subscribed to 8,694 units of membership interest in SAC Acquisition LLC for a total investment of 17.4%

During the year the group wrote off its investment in Convergent Networks Inc, as the company was dissolved The investment was fully provided for

## 12 Fixed asset investments (continued)

Company	Shares in group undertakings £000
Cost At 1 April 2006	111,372
At 31 March 2007	111,372
Provisions At 1 April 2006	(388)
At 31 March 2007	(388)
Net book value At 31 March 2007	110,984
At 31 March 2006	110,984

On 6 October 2006 the company capitalised loans with Virgin Cars Limited, already fully provided for The funding was provided for the purpose of placing the company in solvent liquidation as soon as reasonably practical As a result, Virgin Cars Limited was placed into members' voluntary liquidation on 31 July 2008

## 12 Fixed asset investments (continued)

The principal undertakings in which the group's interest at the year end is more than 20% are as follows

	Country of Registration	Principal Activity	Holding	Type of share
Subsidiary undertakings				
Voyager Investments (BVI) Limited*	British Virgin Islands	Holding company	100%	Ordinary £0 01 shares
The Virgin Trading Group Limited*	England & Wales	Investment holding company	100%	A ordinary £0 0001 shares
Vanson Developments Limited	England & Wales	Investment holding company	100% 100%	Ordinary £1 shares Ordinary US\$0 0001 shares
The Virgin Drinks Group Limited	England & Wales	Wholesaler of Drinks	100% 100%	Ordinary £1 shares £1 redeemable preference shares
The Virgin Drinks Company Limited	England & Wales	Wholesaler of Drinks	100%	Ordinary £1 shares
Virgin Management Limited	England & Wales	Investment and management services company	100%	Ordinary 10p shares
Virgin Bride Limited	England & Wales	Bridal services	100%	Ordinary £1 shares
Virgin Group Limited	England & Wales	Investment holding company	100%	Ordinary 10p shares
Voyager Group Limited	England & Wales	Investment holding company	100%	Ordinary 10p shares
			100%	£1 Redeemable Preference shares
Virgin Projects Limited	England & Wales	Investment holding company	95 24%	Ordinary 1p shares
Virgin Radio France Holdings Limited	England & Wales	Investment holding company	100%	Ordinary £1 shares
120 Campden Hill Road Limited	England & Wales	Property company	100%	Ordinary £1 shares
S L Insurance Limited	Guernsey	Insurance and reinsurance business	100%	Ordinary US\$ shares of no par value
Necker Island (BVI) Limited	British Virgin Islands	Hotel Operator	100%	Ordinary US\$1 shares
Network Distributing Limited	England & Wales	Wholesaler of DVDs	99 79%	Ordinary £1 shares
(formerly Sound and Media Limited)			100%	Convertible, redeemable £1 preference shares
Virgin Life Care Investments Limited	England & Wales	Health & wellness	79 69%	Ordinary £0 0001 A1
viight Life Care investments Enfined	England & Wales	rewards provider	,, ,,,	shares
		•		Ordinary £0 0001 A2
Virgin Limousines (California) LLC	USA	Limousine service	65%	shares US\$1 LLC units
Oui FM SAS	France	Radio Station	100%	Ordinary €1 shares
Virgin Mobile Holdings Pte Limited	Singapore	Mobile phones	100%	Ordinary S\$1A class shares Ordinary S\$1 B class shares
Virgin USA Inc	USA	Investment and management services company	100%	Common stock
VML 2 Limited	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding company	100%	Ordinary US\$ 1 shares
Virgin Voyager Limited	England & Wales	Investment holding company	100%	A ordinary £0 10 shares
Virgin Management Asia Pacific Pty Limited	Australia	Investment and management services company	100%	Ordinary A\$1 shares

<sup>\*</sup> Direct investment held by Barfair Limited

## 13 Stocks

	Group			31 March 2007 £000	31 March 2006 £000
	-				
	Raw materials and consumables Finished goods and goods for resale			228 1,533	234 2,161
				1,761	2,395
14	Debtors				
		Group	Company	Group	Company
		31 March	31 March	31 March	31 March
		2007	2007	2006	2006
		£000	£000	£000	£000
	Trade debtors	4,080	-	3,209	-
	Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	-	139,983	•	108,546
	Amounts owed by related undertakings	1,153,773	335,085	1,108,947	503,260
	Other debtors	97,404	16	9,723	250
	Group relief debtor	2,781	-	2,781	-
	Tax and other social security	26	0.000	415	2 072
	Deferred tax asset	8,357	8,889	3,263	3,873
	Prepayments and accrued income	4,322	417	4,322	
		1,270,743	484,390	1,132,660	615,929
15	Creditors amounts falling due within one	<del></del> year			
	•	Group	Company	Group	Company
		31 March	31 March	31 March	31 March
		2007	2007	2006	2006
		£000	£000	£000	£000
				(Restated)	
	Bank loans and overdrafts	107,810	-	5,933	
	Finance lease obligations	174	-	75	-
	Trade creditors	5,287	-	7,760	-
	Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings	-	192,408	•	262,309
	Amounts owed to related undertakings	1,610,395	1,080,505	1,387,305	903,216
	Corporation tax	11,276	35,879	12,030	35,208
	Group relief creditor	4,645	-	4,645	-
	Other tax and social security	1,331	-	1,430	-
	Other creditors	17,104	-	38,525	•
	Accruals and deferred income	7,709	209	6,905	143
		1,765,731	1,309,001	1,464,608	1,200,876
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# 16 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

31	March	31 March
	2007	2006
Group	£000	£000
Bank loans	6,620	7,529
Other creditors	2,703	688
Finance lease obligations	677	287
Accruals and prepaid income	46	278
	10,046	8,782
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Analysis of bank loans and overdrafts as falling due		
	March	31 March
	2007	2006
Group	£000	£000
Olvup.	2000	2000
Loans can be analysed as falling due		
	107,810	5,933
Between one and two years	455	468
Between two and five years	2,016	1,640
In five years or more	4,149	5,421
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	114,430	13,462
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Analysis of finance leases as falling due:		
31	March	31 March
	2007	2006
Group	£000	£000
Finance leases can be analysed as falling due		
In one year or less, or on demand	174	75
Between one and two years	182	73
Between two and five years	495	214
	851	362
-		

## 17 Provisions for liabilities and charges

Group		Provision for closure costs £000	Other provisions £000	Total £000
At 1 April 200	6	147	5,134	5,281
Further provis	ions and write backs	169	723	892
Utilised in yea		-	(1,050)	(1,050)
Amounts relea	sed unused	•	(9)	(9)
Adjustments in	respect of prior year	-	(64)	(64)
At 31 March 2	2007	316	4,734	5,050
18 Called up sha	re capital			
			31 March	31 March
			2007	2006
			£000	£000
Authorised				
2,000 Ordinary	shares of £1 each		2	2
Allotted, called	up and fully paid			
2,000 Ordinary	shares of £1 each		2	2
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## 19 Share premium and reserves

Group	Share premium £000	Merger reserve £000	Profit and loss account £000 (Restated)
At 1 April 2006	276,487	54,313	(592,180)
Effect of adoption of FRS 20 at 1 April 2006	-	-	(5,818)
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Adjusted balance at 1 April 2006	276,487	54,313	(597,998)
Loss for the year	-	-	(190,551)
Exchange movements	-	-	1,099
At 31 March 2007	276,487	54,313	(787,450)
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Company	Share premium £000	Profit and loss account £000
At 1 April 2006 Loss for the year	276,487	(733,061) (175,856)
At 31 March 2007	276,487	(908,917)

## 20 Minority interests

	31 March	31 March
	2007	2006
Group	0003	£000
At 1 April 2006	763	4,281
Share of loss for year	(1,307)	(1,944)
Dividends received by minorities	-	(177)
Purchase of MI	-	(1,928)
Disposal of subsidiary	675	475
Foreign exchange	(131)	56
At 31 March 2007	-	763

No adjustment has been made for minority interest in subsidiaries with net liabilities unless the minority shareholders are formally required to fund those net liabilities in proportion to their share of the equity of the company concerned

### 21 Contingent liabilities

The company is party to a group overdraft facility of £200 million, all of which is repayable on demand

The Group provides guarantees for other group and related party undertakings. A number of these guarantees cover operating lease commitments in relation to 19 properties owned by Virgin Active Group Limited, Virgin Clubs Limited, and Virgin Cars Limited. No provision has been made in relation to these guarantees which the directors do not expect to give rise to any liability

Sabena (in bankruptcy), Sabena Technics, SSES (now Snecma Services Brussels or SSB, hereinafter referred to as "SSB"), Sabena Interservice Center (in liquidation) (hereinafter referred to as "SIC") and Brussels Airlines Fly (previously denominated Virgin Express) were involved in legal proceedings following the demise of Sabena in 2001. They were mostly related to wet lease and code share agreements with Sabena and agreements about the maintenance and technical support by Sabena Technics. Mutual liabilities and claims were indicted whereas in December 2003 the Commercial Court in Brussels combined the various legal cases. In 2004 Brussels Airlines Fly agreed to settle the cases with Snecma and Sabena Technics. Brussels Airlines Fly NV and the curators of the bankrupt Sabena reviewed the mutual claims and agreed to compare each others liabilities against the pending claims. A similar proposal was submitted to the SIC, on which no objections were brought forward.

Network Distributing Limited (formerly Sound and Media Limited) has given a guarantee to the bank for the indebtedness of the company and its subsidiary undertakings. The contingent liability of the company was £3 3 million as at 31 March 2007 (2006 £3 3million).

The Virgin Drinks group is party to an overdraft facility of up to £1 0 million, repayable on demand, subject to an unlimited group guarantee and set off arrangement

A claim has been filed in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court by G&G, a creditor of The LoveSac Corporation ("LoveSac"), against Millevere Holdings Limited and other investors in LoveSac The claim is in relation to a revolving line of credit of US\$2,800,000 provided by G&G to LoveSac The law firm appointed by Millevere and the other investors has estimated that the chances of the claim succeeding are less than 50% Millevere would be liable for 17 4% of any successful claim. It has also been estimated that 50% of the legal costs incurred in conjunction with the claim are likely to be covered by insurance. As at the end of May 2008 legal costs of US\$367,500 had been incurred and Millevere will be liable to pay 17 4% of this amount before any insurance cover.

#### 22 Commitments

Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

31 March 2007 Land and buildings	31 March 2007 Other	31 March 2006 Land and Buildings	31 March 2006 Other
£000	£000	£000	£000
1,352	27	102	83
253	279	1,765	288
1,031		1,339	
2,636	306	3,206	371
		31 March	31 March 2006
			£000
		2000	2000
		4,050	-
	2007 Land and buildings £000  1,352 253 1,031	2007 Land and buildings £000  1,352 253 279 1,031 - 2,636  2007  2	2007 2007 2006 Land and buildings £000 £000 £000  1,352 27 102 253 279 1,765 1,031 - 1,339

### 23 Pension scheme

The group operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension cost charge for the year represents contributions payable by the group to the fund and amounted to £493,000 (2006 £519,000). There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

#### 24 Share based payments

The share option programme allows certain employees to acquire options over the shares of certain group companies, namely Bluebottle USA Mobile Inc, Virgin Mobile Holdings (UK) Limited (formerly Virgin Mobile Holdings (UK) Plc), Virgin Rail Group Holdings Limited and Trainline Holdings Limited There is also a group employer share scheme in operation, the Long Term Incentive Plan, based on the increase in value of Corvina Holdings Limited over certain thresholds

All share based payments are treated as cash settled transactions as they either require settlement in cash or where settlement in shares is envisaged the issuer has established the practice of buying out the award at the end of the term. The fair value of the payment payable to the employee is recognised as an expense with a corresponding increase in liabilities. The fair value is measured at grant date and spread over the period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to payment. The fair value is measured based on an option pricing model taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the instruments were granted. The liability is revalued at each balance sheet date and settlement date with any changes to fair value being recognised in the profit and loss account.

Awards typically vest over a period of between 12 and 36 months

## 24 Share based payments (continued)

The number and weighted average exercise of share options in the above named companies are as follows

## Bluebottle USA Mobile Inc

2004

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Financial year granted	Outstanding as at 1 April 2006	Granted in year	Exercised in year	Outstanding at 31 March 07	Exercisable at 31 March 2007	Weighted average exercise price US\$
2004	4,636,362	-	-	4,636,362	4,636,362	0 50
2006	584,964	-	-	584,964	5,84,964	0 10
	5,221,326	•	•	5,221,326	5,221,326	

All share options granted in 2004 are exercisable before the tenth anniversary of grant date. The share options granted in 2006 are exercisable before 31 December 2007

## Virgin Mobile Holdings (UK) Limited (formerly Virgin Mobile Holdings (UK) Plc)

Financial year granted	Outstanding as at 1 April 2006	Granted in year	Exercised in year	Outstanding at 31 March 07	Exercisable at 31 March 2007	Weighted average exercise price £
2005	1,058,083	-	1,058,083	-	-	1 71
Virgin Rail Grou	p Holdings Limite	ed				
Financial year granted	Outstanding as at 1 April 2006	Granted in year	Exercised in year	Outstanding at 31 March 07	Exercisable at 31 March 2007	Weighted average exercise price £
2004	11	-	11	-	-	0 10
Trainline Holding	gs Limited					
Financial year granted	Outstanding as at 1 April 2006	Granted in year	Exercised in year	Outstanding at 31 March 07	Exercisable at 31 March 2007	Weighted average exercise price £

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### 24 Share based payments (continued)

#### **Group Share Scheme**

Long Term Incentive Plan

At the end of 2006 entitlements were granted to certain members of the plan giving them the right to receive a cash payment on exercise based on the growth in value of shares in Corvina Holdings Limited The entitlements do not give a right to receive shares in the Company Subject to the Rules of the Scheme, the entitlements may be exercised between 31 October 2009 and 30 November 2009

The entitlements give the members the right to receive 2 67% of the growth in the value of Corvina Holdings Limited above an annual threshold of 5 00%. The members of the plan did not pay any consideration for the options received.

#### Financial Impact of the Group Share Schemes

A valuation of Corvina Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries was determined as at 11 August 2006 using various methods, including quoted share prices, net assets, discounted cash flows and/or multiple of earnings

The market value of the initial interests in the Group Share Schemes was calculated using a Binomial model, based on the following assumptions

Risk free rate	4 90%
Volatility	29 00%
Expected dividend yield	0 00%

The volatility was arrived at by identifying appropriate volatilities for the key businesses within the Group by reference to listed comparator companies and then weighting these across the Group based on the estimated relative value of the constituent businesses

On this basis the interests in the Group Share Schemes were estimated to be valued at £12,490,196. This cost is being spread over the vesting period, which is 36 months. A charge of £1,387,800 (2006 £nil) has arisen during the year of which £nil (2006 £nil) relates to an increase in the fair value of the liability during the year.

#### Effect of share based payment transactions

The total expenses recognised for the year, including those relating to the Group Share Schemes, arising from share based payments together with the associated liabilities are as follows

	Year ended 31 March	Year ended 31 March
		2006
	2007	
	£000	£000
Cash settled share based payments	1,941	1,703
	•	
Liabilities falling due within one year	3,702	5,818
Liabilities falling due after one year	1,388	•
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Total carrying amount of liabilities	5,090	5,818
Total intrinsic carrying amount of liabilities in respect of vested benefits	3,702	2,309

Various directors are members of Executive Share Ownership Plans which have been established via contracts they hold with Virgin Group Holdings Limited and Gamay Holdings Limited A charge of £3,733,000 (2006 £nil) is included in Virgin Group Holdings Limited's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2007 in respect of directors of Virgin Management Limited in relation to these arrangements

## 25 Reconciliation of operating profit to operating cash flows

	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000 (Restated)
Group operating (loss) / profit	(225,945)	72,814
Executive share options	1,941	1,703
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment charges	5,145	1,267
Provision against bad debts	218,997	65,674
Decrease in stocks	634	9,574
Increase in debtors	(92,606)	(293,520)
Decrease in creditors	(5,308)	(16,959)
(Decrease) / increase in provisions	(231)	4,386
Increase in foreign exchange	•	39
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Net cash flow from operating activities	(97,373)	(155,022)

# 26 Analysis of cash flows

	Year ended 31 March 2007 £000	Year ended 31 March 2006 £000
Returns on investment and servicing of finance		
Interest received	4,636	2,289
Interest paid	(3,588)	(2,962)
Dividends received	41	
	1,089	(673)
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Capital expenditure and financial investment		
Purchase of fixed assets	(2,020)	(4,318)
Sale of fixed assets	389	257
Funding to related undertakings	(526,984)	(475,371)
Repayments from related undertakings	656,422	216,151
	127,807	(263,281)
Acquisitions and disposals		
Cash acquired with subsidiaries	-	499
Cash disposed with subsidiaries	-	(68,436)
Purchase of investment in subsidiary	(106)	(9,335)
Disposal of investments	50	277
Purchase of minority interests	-	(1,967)
Disposal of minority interests		500
	(56)	(78,462)
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Financing Decrease in bank loans	(737)	(729)
Increase in other borrowings	•	280,958
Finance lease repayments	(9)	-
Funding from related undertakings	123,258	373,983
Repayments to related undertakings	(273,801)	(105,685)
Settlement of share options	(2,669)	-
	(153,958)	548,527
	(553,200)	

## 27 Analysis of net debt

	1 April 2006 £000	Cash flow £000	Share options £000	Non-cash £000	31 March 2007 £000
Cash at bank and in hand Overdrafts	28,783 (5,500)	(20,825) (99,223)	(2,669)	•	7,958 (107,392)
	23,283	(120,048)	(2,669)	-	(99,434)
Bank loans Obligations under finance leases Group funding	(7,962) (362) (1,470,914)	737 9 150,543	- - -	187 (498) (206,974)	(7,038) (851) (1,527,345)
Total	(1,455,955)	31,241	(2,669)	(207,285)	(1,634,668)

## 28 Related party disclosures

At 31 March 2007 the company's ultimate parent company was Virgin Group Holdings Limited whose principal shareholders are certain trusts, none of which individually has a controlling interest in Virgin Group Holdings Limited. The principal beneficiaries of those trusts are Sir Richard Branson and/or his immediate family. The shareholders of Virgin Group Holdings Limited have interests directly or indirectly in certain other companies, which give rise to related party disclosures under Financial Reporting Standard No 8

	Companies	31 March 2007	.007 Companie		31 March 2006	
related by virtue of common control or ownership £000	Companies related by virtue of being associates of the Group £000	Companies related by virtue of being investors in the Group £000	related by virtue of common control or ownership £000	Companies related by virtue of being associates of the Group £000	Companies related by virtue of being investors in the Group £000	
Turnover	5,660	47	-	17,642	-	-
Purchases	1,531	-	-	2,954	•	-
Other income	1,836	-	-	50	-	-
Interest receivable	161,391	-	-	109,946	-	-
Interest payable	110,876	-	_	72,952	-	-
Debtors	1,153,773	31	-	1,108,947	-	•
Creditors < 1 year	1,610,395	-	-	1,386,591	•	714
Dividends receivable	-	41	-	-	-	-

## 28 Related party disclosures (continued)

Intercompany funding balances due to and from related undertakings attract a variety of interest rates

The companies related by virtue of common control or ownership with which the group transacted during the year are as follows

Bluebottle Mobile Canada Inc, Bluebottle Investment Inc, Bluebottle Investments (UK) Limited, Bluebottle Investments SA, Bluebottle UK Limited, Bluebottle USA Holdings Inc, Bluebottle USA Holdings LP, Bluebottle USA Investments LP, Bluebottle USA Mobile Inc, Carola Holdings Limited, Charter Air Limited, China Holdings (Wireless) Limited, Cricket SA, Dragonfly SA, Exitium Limited, Ivanco (No 3) Limited, Mayfly SA, Newstart Investments Limited, Package Holidays Direct Limited, Rapido TV Investments Limited, SA Mauritius Investments Limited, Stem Cells Holdings Limited, Trainline Holdings Limited, VBV LLC, Victory Corporation Limited, Virgin Active Group Limited, Virgin Radio Asia Holdings UK Limited, Virgin Atlantic Limited, Virgin Audio Limited, Virgin Books Limited, Virgin Cars Limited, Virgin Cars (Holdings) Limited, Virgin Cinemas Group Limited, Virgin D3 Limited, Virgin Enterprises Limited, Virgin Entertainment Asia Limited, Virgin Entertainment Global Limited, Virgin Entertainment Holdings Inc, Virgin Entertainment Japan KK, Virgin Fitness Limited, Virgin Galactic Limited, Virgin Galactic LLC, Virgin Group Finance LP, Virgin Group Holdings Limited, Virgin Group Investments Limited, Virgin Health Bank Limited, Virgin Holdings Limited, Virgin Holdings SA, Virgin Home Limited, Virgin Hotels Group Limited, Virgin Investments SA, Virgin Leisure Limited, Virgin Limobike Limited, Virgin Mobile Australia (Pty) Limited, Virgin Mobile Holdings (UK) Limited (formerly Virgin Mobile Holdings (UK) Plc), Virgin Mobile South Africa (Pty) Limited, Virgin Mobile USA Holdings Limited, Virgin Mobile USA, LP (formerly Virgin Mobile USA LLC), Virgin Money (Australia) Pty Limited, Virgin Money Holdings (UK) Limited, Virgin Money Investment Group Limited, Virgin Money Investment Holdings Limited, Virgin Money Overseas Limited, Virgin Money (South Africa) Pty Limited, Virgin Performance Limited, Virgin Property Limited, Virgin Pulse Holdings LLC, Virgin Pulse (UK) Limited, Virgin Radio Asia Holdings UK Limited, Virgin Rail Group Holdings Limited, Virgin Retail Espana SL, Virgin Retail Europe Limited, Zavvi Group Limited (formerly Virgin Retail Group Limited), Virgin Retail Investment Holdings Limited, Zavvi Retail Limited (formerly Virgin Retail Limited), Virgin Travelstore Limited, Virgin Ventures Limited, Virgin Wings Limited, Virgin com Limited, VMUI Inc and Zinfandel Holdings Limited

The companies related by virtue of being associates and/or joint ventures of the group with which the group transacted during the year are as follows

Virgin Blue Holdings Limited

The companies related by virtue of being investors in the group with which the group transacted during the year are

Sir Richard Branson and the Trusts

## 29 Post balance sheet events

On 29 February 2008, the Group's subsidiary 120 Campden Hill Road Limited entered into a sale and purchase agreement to sell the property at 120 Campden Hill Road for £8,770,000 On 5 March 2008 the buyer paid a 10% deposit of £877,000 into a treasury reserve account On completion of the transaction on 29 August 2008 the above deposit was released with total proceeds received being £8,678,997 These proceeds were used to repay bank loans

#### 30 Ultimate parent undertaking

As at 31 March 2007, the ultimate parent company was Virgin Group Holdings Limited, a company registered in the British Virgin Islands