Company Number 3768306

HAMMERSON BIRMINGHAM PROPERTIES LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 31 December 2011

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS Year ended 31 December 2011

The Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

1 PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Company is property investment in the United Kingdom. The Directors do not anticipate any significant change in the principal activity in the foreseeable future.

2 RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the year after tax was £58,000 (2010 £55,000) The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year (2010 £nil)

3 BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

The Company holds a one third share in Martineau Galleries (GP) Limited and Bull Ring (GP) Limited, which are the General Partners of The Martineau Galleries Limited Partnership and The Bull Ring Limited Partnership respectively. The principal businesses of these partnerships are to develop and hold for investment Martineau Galleries Shopping Centre and the Bullring Shopping Centre in Birmingham respectively. In addition, the Company holds a one third share in Martineau (GP) Limited, which manages the recovery of assets and the discharge of liabilities following the sale in 2004 of Martineau Place Shopping Centre, which was previously held as an investment property. The Directors do not anticipate any significant change in the principal activity in the foreseeable future.

The Directors have considered the use of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements in light of the net current liability position on the balance sheet as at 31 December 2011 and concluded that it was appropriate. More information is provided in note 1 to the financial statements

4 DIRECTORS

- a) Mr AJ Berger-North, Mr PWB Cole, Mr LF Hutchings and Mr AJG Thomson were Directors of the Company throughout the year
- b) Mr M C Jepson resigned as a Director of the Company on 31 July 2011
- c) Mr NAS Hardie resigned as a Director of the Company on 14 October 2011
- d) In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors are not required to retire by rotation
- e) No Director has any interests in contracts entered into by the Company

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS Year ended 31 December 2011

5 <u>SECRETARY</u>

- a) Mr S J Haydon resigned as Secretary of the Company on 22 September 2011
- b) Hammerson Company Secretarial Limited was appointed as Secretary of the Company on 23 September 2011

6 <u>INDEMNITY</u>

The Company's ultimate parent company, Hammerson plc, has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of the Company's Directors which were in place throughout the year and which remain in place at the date of this report

7 AUDITOR

Delotte LLP shall be deemed to be re-appointed as auditor for a further term under the provisions of section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006

Deloitte LLP have indicated their willingness to continue in office

8 PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR

Each of the persons who is a Director of the Company at the date of approval of this report has confirmed that

- (a) so far as he is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware, and
- (b) he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418(2) of the Companies Act 2006

By order of the Board

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RS Booth

For and on behalf of

Hammerson Company Secretarial Limited

acting as Secretary

Date 1 8 SEP 2012

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Registered in England and Wales No 3768306

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the Directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and accounting 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and 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 2006. 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SOLE MEMBER OF HAMMERSON BIRMINGHAM PROPERTIES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Hammerson Birmingham Properties Limited for the year ended 31 December 2011, which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the statement of total recognised gains and losses, the reconciliation of movements in shareholder's funds and the related notes 1 to 14 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the Company's sole member in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's sole member 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 sole member, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 December 2011 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SOLE MEMBER OF HAMMERSON BIRMINGHAM **PROPERTIES LIMITED (CONTINUED)**

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the Directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Directors' Report

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lan Waller (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP **Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor** London, United Kingdom 70 Se planter 2012

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 December 2011

| | Notes | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
|---|-------|---------------|---------------|
| Gross rental income Rents payable and other property outgoings | _ | 86 (12) | 88 (10) |
| Net rental income | | 74 | 78 |
| Administration expenses | 2 | (2) | (6) |
| Operating profit | | 72 | 72 |
| Net finance income/(costs) | 3 | 11 | (1) |
| Profit on ordinary activities before taxation | | 73 | 71 |
| Taxation | 4 | (15) | (16) |
| Profit for the financial year | 11 | 58 | 55 |

All amounts relate to continuing activities

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 2011

| | Notes | 2011 £'000 | £'000 | 2010 £'000 | £'000 |
|---|--------|---------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| Tangible fixed assets | _ | | | 2000 | |
| Investment properties | 5 | | 1,456 | | 1,376 |
| Current assets | _ | _ | | _ | |
| Investments | 6 7 | 3 | | 3 | |
| Debtors | 7 | 164 40 | | 171 38 | |
| Cash and deposits | _ | 40 | - | 30 | |
| Total current assets | | 207 | | 212 | |
| Current liabilities | _ | | | | |
| Creditors amounts falling due within one year | 8 _ | (559) | - | (605) | |
| Net current liabilities | | | (352) | _ | (393) |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | | 1,104 | | 983 |
| Provisions for liabilities & charges | | | | | |
| Deferred tax | 9 | | (21) | _ | (21) |
| Net assets | | | 1,083 | | 962 |
| | | | · | | |
| Capital and reserves | | | | | |
| Called up share capital | 10 | | - | | - |
| Revaluation reserve | 11 | | 629 | | 564 |
| Profit and loss account | 11 | | 454_ | _ | 398 |
| Shareholder's funds | | | 1,083 | | 962 |

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on authorised for issue on 1 8 SEP 2012 and

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

ANDREW THOMSON Director

Company Number: 3768306

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

| For the year ended 31 December 2011 | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| | 2011 | 2010 |
| | £'000 | £'000 |
| Profit for the financial year | 58 | 55 |
| Unrealised surplus on revaluation of properties | 65 | 244 |
| Total recognised gains and losses for the year | 123 | 299 |
| RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS For the year ended 31 December 2011 | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
| Profit for the financial year | 58 | 55 |
| Distributions to General Partners | (2) | (4) |
| Unrealised surplus on revaluation of properties | 65 | 244 |
| Net increase in shareholder's funds | 121 | 295 |
| Shareholder's funds at 1 January | 962 | 667 |
| Shareholder's funds at 31 December | 1,083 | 962 |

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2011

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following principal accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the current and preceding year

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of investment properties and other fixed asset investments in accordance with all applicable law and United Kingdom accounting standards, with the exception of the depreciation of investment properties as explained below

b) Going concern

The current economic conditions have created a number of uncertainties which are likely to affect the Company's future performance. The key risks relate to tenant default and property valuations which are closely monitored by the Directors. The financial position of the Company is as set out in the Balance Sheet.

The Company has net current liabilities as at 31 December 2011 and is reliant on the support of its ultimate parent company, Hammerson plc, to be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due. The Directors consider that the Company is an integral part of Hammerson plc's structure and strategy and this is evidenced by a letter of support from Hammerson plc, which states its intent to provide the necessary financial support to ensure that the Company is a going concern for at least twelve months from the date of signing of these financial statements. After making enquiries and taking account of the factors noted above, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company will have access to adequate resources to continue in existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

c) Cash flow statement

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary it has taken exemption under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996) from preparing a cash flow statement, as its cash flows are included in the consolidated financial statements of Hammerson plc, which are publicly available

d) <u>Joint arrangements</u>

The financial statements include the financial statements of the Company together with the Company's share of results, assets, liabilities and cash flows arising from its interest in Martineau (GP) Limited, Martineau Galleries (GP) Limited and Bull Ring (GP) Limited, which are accounted for as joint arrangements and measured according to the terms of those arrangements. These companies are the General Partners of The Martineau Limited Partnership, The Martineau Galleries Limited Partnership and The Bull Ring Limited Partnership respectively and have an interest of 0.46% in the profits, assets, liabilities and cash flows of these entities. The Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary of Hammerson plc. The Company's results are included in the group accounts of Hammerson plc, a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2011

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

e) Net rental income

Rental income from property leased out under an operating lease is recognised in the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Contingent rents, such as turnover rents, rent reviews and indexation are recorded as income in the periods in which they are earned. Rent reviews are recognised when such reviews have been agreed with tenants.

Lease incentives and costs associated with entering into tenant leases are added to the costs of property and are amortised over the period to the first break option or, if the probability that the break option will be exercised is considered low, over the lease term

Property operating expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis and any property operating expenditure not recovered from tenants through service charges is charged to the profit and loss account

f) Taxation

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates applicable at the balance sheet date, together with any adjustment in respect of previous years

In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 19 "Deferred Tax", deferred tax is provided in respect of all timing differences that may give rise to an obligation to pay more or less tax in the future

g) Profits on sale of properties

Profits on sale of properties are taken into account on completion of contract, and are calculated by reference to the carrying value at the end of the previous year, adjusted for subsequent capital expenditure

h) <u>Investment properties</u>

Investment properties are stated at fair value, being market value determined by professionally qualified external valuers, and changes in fair value are taken to the revaluation reserve

All costs directly associated with the purchase and construction of a development property are capitalised

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2011

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

i) <u>Depreciation</u>

In accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No 19, no depreciation is provided in respect of freehold properties or leasehold properties with over twenty years to expiry. This is a departure from the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, which requires all properties to be depreciated. Such properties are not held for consumption, but for investment, and the Directors consider that to depreciate them would not give a true and fair view. Depreciation is only one amongst many factors reflected in the annual valuation of properties and accordingly the amount of depreciation, which might otherwise have been charged, cannot be separately identified or quantified. The Directors consider that this policy results in the accounts giving a true and fair view.

j) <u>Current asset investments</u>

Investments are held at cost less provision for impairment

2. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES

The average number of employees during the year, excluding directors, was nil (2010 nil)

The Directors did not receive any remuneration for services to the Company in either the current or preceding financial year

Another group company has paid the auditor's fees for the audit of the Company's annual accounts in both the current and preceding financial year. Fees for the audit of the Company were £2,700 (2010 £2,225)

3. NET FINANCE INCOME(COSTS)

| | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Bank interest receivable Bank interest payable | 1 | (1) |
| | 1 | (1) |

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2011

4. TAXATION

| | a) | Tax charge o | n profit on ordinary | / activities |
|--|----|--------------|----------------------|--------------|
|--|----|--------------|----------------------|--------------|

| Tax charge on pront on ordinary activities | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Current year corporation tax Deferred tax charge | 15 | 15 1 |
| Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities | 15 | 16 |

b) Factors affecting current tax charge

The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26 5% (2010 28%) The differences are reconciled below

| | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Profit on ordinary activities before tax | 73 | 71_ |
| Profit multiplied by UK corporation tax rate of 26 5% (2010 28%) | 19 | 20 |
| Effects of Small companies' rate | (4) | (5) |
| Current tax charge for the year | 15 | 15 |

The above profits represent the Company's one-third shareholding in the companies that act as General Partner of the partnerships forming the Birmingham Alliance For tax purposes these profits are taxable in the General Partner companies and not in Hammerson Birmingham Properties Limited

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2011

5 **INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**

| (a) | The movements in the year on properties were | Long leasehold £'000 |
|-----|--|----------------------------|
| | At 1 January 2011 Additions | 1,376 15 |
| | Surplus arising on revaluation | 65 |
| | At 31 December 2011 | 1,456 |

- Properties are stated at market value at 31 December 2011, valued by professionally qualified external valuers, DTZ Debenham Tie Leung, Chartered Surveyors The valuations (b) have been prepared in accordance with the Appraisal and Valuation Standards of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (the Standards) and with IVA 1 of the International Valuation Standards The surplus arising on revaluation has been transferred to the revaluation reserve
- The historical cost of investment property at 31 December 2011 was £827,000 (2010 (c) £812,000)
- (d) Should the properties be disposed of at the valuation above, no tax liability is anticipated to arise (2010 £nil)

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| INVESTMENTS | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Current asset investments Shares in companies listed on recognised stock exchanges in the United Kingdom | 3 | 3 |
| Market value of listed investments at 31 December | 3 | 3 |
| The historic cost of shares held is £5,000 | | |
| DEBTORS | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
| Trade debtors Amounts owed by The Martineau Galleries LP Other debtors and prepayments | 8 123 33 | 9 123 39 |
| | 164 | 171 |

All amounts shown under debtors fall due for payment within one year

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 2011

| 8. | CREDITORS: FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR | | |
|-----|--|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
| | Amounts owed to ultimate parent company Corporation tax Other creditors Accruals and deferred income | 14 13 505 27 | 14 28 534 29 |
| | | 559 | 605 |
| 9 | PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES | 2011 £'000 | 2010 £'000 |
| | Deferred tax | | |
| | At 1 January 2011 Charge for the year | 21 | 20 |
| | At 31 December 2011 | 21 | 21 |
| | The deferred tax provision is made up as follows | | |
| | Accelerated capital allowances | 21 | 21 |
| 10. | SHARE CAPITAL | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
| | Allotted, called up and fully paid: 2 ordinary shares of £1 each | 2 | 2 |
| 11 | RESERVES | | Profit and |
| | | Revaluation reserve £'000 | loss account £'000 |
| | At 1 January 2011 Surplus on revaluation of properties Distributions to General Partners Profit for the financial year | 564 65 - - | 398 (2) 58 |
| | At 31 December 2011 | 629 | 454 |

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
Year ended 31 December 2011

12. ADVANCES, CREDIT AND GUARANTEES

The Company did not grant any credits, advances or guarantees of any kind to its Directors during the year

13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE

The Company has taken advantage of the exemption available to wholly owned subsidiary undertakings under Financial Reporting Standard 8, "Related Party Disclosures", not to disclose details of all of its related party transactions with other group companies. In the opinion of the Directors there are no other related party transactions to be disclosed in the current or preceding financial year.

14. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY AND CONTROLLING PARTY

At 31 December 2011, the Company's ultimate parent company was Hammerson plc, which is registered in England and Wales and is the largest and smallest group to consolidate these financial statements At 31 December 2011, the Company's immediate parent company was Hammerson UK Properties plc

The consolidated financial statements of the ultimate parent company, Hammerson plc, are available from that company's registered office, 10 Grosvenor Street, London W1K 4BJ

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