NEW ENGLAND PAINT COMPANY LIMITED REGISTERED NUMBER: 4056989 REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 JANUARY 2005



NEW ENGLAND PAINT COMPANY LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 29 JANUARY 2005

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 29 January 2005.

ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS

The company did not trade during the year ended 29 January 2005 or the year ended 31 January 2004.

DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors of the company at 29 January 2005, who held office throughout the year, and up to the date of approving these financial statements, unless otherwise indicated, were:

M Cutt

T Hartwell

D Tatton-Brown

(resigned 1 March 2004)

K Fleming

(appointed 1 March 2004)

None of the directors held any interest in the share capital of the company during the year.

The current directors are also directors of B&Q pic. Their interests in the shares of B&Q pic and the ultimate holding company, Kingfisher pic, are shown in the financial statements of B&Q pic.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

M Stokes Secretary

15 March 2005

NEW ENGLAND PAINT COMPANY LIMITED

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 29 JANUARY 2005

CURRENT ASSETS Debtors - Amount owing by holding company falling due after more than one year	Notes	2005 £	2004 £
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital	3	1	1
EQUITY SHAREHOLDER'S FUNDS		1	1

- (a) For the year ended 29 January 2005 the company was entitled to exemption under section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985.
- (b) Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 249B(2) of the Companies Act 1985.
- (c) The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:
 - (i) ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221; and
 - (ii) preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements on pages 2 and 3 were approved by the Board of Directors on 15 March 2005 and were signed on its behalf by:

K Fleming

DIRECTOR

NEW ENGLAND PAINT COMPANY LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 29 JANUARY 2005

1 BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements of the company are made up to the nearest Saturday to 31 January.

The financial statements are prepared on the break up basis, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The company is exempt under FRS1 (Revised) 'cashflow statements' from the requirement to publish a cashflow statement as it is a subsidiary undertaking where more than 90 per cent of the voting rights are controlled within the group, and the consolidated financial statements in which it is included are publicly available.

2 PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

The company has not traded during the year nor the prior period and accordingly has made neither a profit nor a loss. No profit and loss account has therefore been prepared.

None of the directors received any emoluments in respect of service to the company during the current or prior year. There are no employees of the company other than the directors.

3 CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2005 Number and £	2004 Number and £
Authorised: Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid: Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	1

4 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As a wholly owned subsidiary, the company has taken advantage of the exemptions conferred in Financial Reporting Standard 8 not to disclose related party transactions within the group.

5 ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANY

The company's immediate parent undertaking is B&Q plc.

The company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Kingfisher plc, a company registered in England and Wales. The Annual Report and Accounts of Kingfisher plc may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Kingfisher plc, 3 Sheldon Square, Paddington, London, W2 6PX.