Grainger (Hadston) Limited
Annual report
for the year ended 30 September 2002

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Directors and advisors for the year ended 30 September 2002

Directors

R J Dickinson

S Dickinson

A R Cunningham

G J Davis

Secretary and registered office

G J Davis

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Independent auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP 89 Sandyford Road Newcastle upon Tyne NE99 1PL

Solicitors

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Bankers

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Directors' report for the year ended 30 September 2002

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2002.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is property development and trading.

Review of business developments and prospects

The directors consider the level of activity of the company to be satisfactory and no material changes are envisaged in the coming year.

Results

The results for the year are set out on page 5.

Dividende

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2001: £nil).

Directors

The directors who served during the year and to the date of this report were:

R J Dickinson

S Dickinson

A R Cunningham

G J Davis

The directors have no beneficial interest in the share capital of the company. The beneficial interests of Mr S Dickinson, Mr R J Dickinson and Mr A R Cunningham in the shares of the ultimate holding company, Grainger Trust plc, are shown in the annual report of Grainger Trust plc.

The beneficial interests of the other director in the shares of Grainger Trust plc were as follows:

30 September	30 September
2002	2001
Number	Number
40,553	39,865
	2002 Number

Directors' share options at 30 September 2002

	D. () 11	•	ares of 25p each
Option price	Date exercisable	Mr (G J Davis
		2002	2001
		Number	Number
SAYE scheme			
214p	5 Aug 2002 to 5 Feb 2003	-	8,060
818p	8 Aug 2005 to 8 Feb 2006	1,161	
Total number of sl	nare options	1,161	8,060

During the year Mr GJ Davis exercised options on 8,060 shares at an option price of 214p. At the date of exercise the mid-market price per share was 992.5p.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that 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 year. The directors are required to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently with the exception of the changes arising on the adoption of FRS 19 "Deferred Taxation" in the year as explained in the accounting policies on page 7. They also confirm that reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in preparing the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2002 and that applicable accounting standards have been followed.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent auditors

Following the conversion of our auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers, into a limited liability partnership (LLP) from I January 2003, PricewaterhouseCoopers resigned on 13 January 2003 and the Directors appointed its successor, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, as auditors. A resolution to reappoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as auditors to the Company will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

By order of the Board

G J Davis Secretary

28 April 2003

Independent auditors' report to the members of Grainger (Hadston) Limited

We have audited the financial statements which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the statement of accounting policies and the related notes.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. This report, including the opinion has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or in to whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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 if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if 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 transactions is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the annual report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. The other information comprises only the directors' report.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 30 September 2002 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Newcastle upon Tyne

28 April 2003

Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 September 2002

	Note	2002	2001
		£	£
Turnover		30,785	43,331
Gross rentals	•	30,412	43,331
Other income		373	-
Less:		30,785	43,331
Property expenses		(6,381)	(2,815)
Administration expenses		(504)	-
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2	23,900	40,516
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	3	(7,169)	(13,155)
Retained profit for the financial year	8	16,731	27,361

All of the activities of the company are continuing.

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

There is no difference between the profit on ordinary activities before taxation and the retained profit for the financial year stated above, and their historical cost equivalents.

Balance sheet as at 30 September 2002

	Note	2002	. 2001
		£	£
Current assets	•		
Stocks	4	1,367,900	1,301,960
Debtors	5	6,956	19,453
		1,374,856	1,321,413.
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(1,330,763)	(1,294,051)
Net assets		44,093	27,362
Capital and reserves			
Called up equity share capital	7	1	1
Profit and loss account	8	44,092	27,361
Equity shareholders' funds	9	44,093	27,362

The financial statements on pages 5 to 11 were approved by the board of directors on 28 April 2003 and were signed on its behalf by:

A R Cunningham

Director

Statement of accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom. A summary of the more important accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

FRS 19 'Deferred tax' has been adopted during the period. There is no impact on the accounts.

Cash flow

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Grainger Trust plc and the cash flows of the company are included in the consolidated cash flow statement of Grainger Trust plc. Consequently, the company is exempt under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from publishing a cash flow statement.

Turnover

Turnover comprises gross rentals, gross sale proceeds of trading properties and land, and sundry other income.

Sales of land and properties are only accounted for when the cash proceeds are received in full or the company has entered into a legally binding undertaking.

Stocks

Trading properties are stated at the lower of cost to the company and net realisable value. Cost to the company includes legal and surveying charges incurred during acquisition plus improvement costs. Net realisable value is the net sale proceeds which the company expect to receive on the sale of a property with vacant possession.

Repairs and improvements

Repairs are expensed to the profit and loss account as incurred. Improvement costs are capitalised.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised on all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is measured at the rate expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted, or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non discounted basis.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2002

1 Segmental reporting

All of the activities of the company fall into the principal activities as stated within the directors' report. The activities arise solely in the United Kingdom.

2 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

There are no persons holding service contracts with the company.

None of the directors received any remuneration from the company during the year or in the previous year.

The audit fee has been included in the overall audit fee for the Grainger Trust group, which has been paid for by Grainger Trust plc.

3 Tax on profits on ordinary activities

	2002	2001
	£	£
Analysis of charge in year		
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax on profits for the period	7,169	13,155
Tax charge	7,169	13,155

Factors affecting the tax charge for the year

The differences between the tax assessed for the period and the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (30%) are explained below:

	2002	2001
	£	£
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	23,900	40,516
Profit on ordinary activities before tax at a rate of 30%	7,169	12,155
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	-	1,000
Total current tax	7,169	13,155

4 Stocks

	2002	2001
	£	£
Trading properties	" "	1,301,960

5 Debtors

	2002	2001
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	2,255	19,338
Other debtors	4,701	115
	6,956	19,453

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2002	2001
	£	£
Trade creditors	11,323	734
Amounts due to the group undertakings	1,318,099	1,280,162
Corporation tax	-	13,155
Accruals and deferred income	1,341	-
	1,330,763	1,294,051

7 Called up equity share capital

	2002	2001	
·	£	£	
Authorised			
100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100	
Allotted, called up and fully paid			
1 ordinary share of £1 each	1	1	

8 Reserves

	Profit and loss account £
At 1 October 2001	27,361
Profit for the financial year	16,731
At 30 September 2002	44,092

9 Reconciliation of movement in equity shareholders' funds

	2002 £	2001 £
Profit for the year	16,731	27,361
Issue of share capital		1
Net addition to equity shareholders' funds	16,731	27,362
Opening equity shareholders' funds	27,362	-
Closing equity shareholders' funds	44,093	27,362

10 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption available under Financial Reporting Standard No.8 and has not disclosed transactions with companies that are part of the Grainger Trust plc group.

11 Ultimate parent undertaking

The directors regard Northumberland & Durham Property Trust Limited, a company registered in England and Wales, as the immediate controlling party and parent company by virtue of its 100% shareholding in the company.

The directors regard Grainger Trust plc, a company registered in England and Wales, as the ultimate controlling party, being the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate these financial statements. Copies of the parent's consolidated financial statements may be obtained from The Secretary, Grainger Trust plc, Citygate, St James' Boulevard, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 4JE.