### **MWB** Serviced Office Holdings Limited

Directors' report and financial statements Registered number 4129282 31 December 2007

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## Directors' report and financial statements

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### Directors' report

The Directors present their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007

### Principal activities

The Company acts as the holding company for the Serviced Offices division of its group

#### Results

The results for the year ended 31 December 2007 are set out on page 5 The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2006 £nil)

#### **Directors and Directors' interests**

The Directors who held office during the year were as follows

RG Balfour-Lynn JW Harrison JS Shashou AF Blurton J Singh MA Bibring

None of the Directors had any interest in the share capital of the Company The interests of the Directors in the share capital of the ultimate holding company, MWB Group Holdings Plc (formerly Marylebone Warwick Balfour Group Plc), are disclosed in the financial statements of that company

#### 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

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG Audit Plc as auditors of the Company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

By order of the board

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Secretary

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# 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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

The financial statements are required by law to 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 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, 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 proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.



# Independent auditors' report to the members of MWB Serviced Office Holdings Limited

We have audited the financial statements of MWB Serviced Office Holdings Limited for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Reconciliation of Movements in Shareholders' Deficit and the 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 2

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.

# Independent auditors' report to the members of MWB Serviced Office Holdings Limited (continued)

### 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 Company's affairs as at 31 December 2007 and of its 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

**KPMG Audit Plc** 

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

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# Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 December 2007

	Note	Year ended 31 December 2007 £	Period ended 31 December 2006 £
Aborted sales transaction costs		(269,536)	-
Operating Loss Dividends received Interest payable		(269,536) 453,073 (1,609,172)	(2,413,758)
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation Taxation	2 3	(1,425,635)	(2,413,758)
Loss for the year	9	(1,425,635)	(2,413,758)

All amounts relate to continuing activities

There is no difference between losses as stated and losses on the historical cost basis

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the financial year

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements

# Balance Sheet at 31 December 2007

	Note	31 December 2007 £	31 December 2006 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	5	64,754,107	9,182,743
Current assets			
Debtors	6	2	2
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	7	(96,649,798)	(39,652,799)
Net current liabilities		(96,649,796)	(39,652,797)
Net liabilities		(31,895,689)	(30,470,054)
Capital and reserves		<del></del>	
Called up share capital	8	3	3
Share premium account	g	11,870,999	11,870,999
Profit and loss account	9	(43,766,691)	(42,341,056)
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Equity shareholders' deficit		(31,895,689)	(30,470,054)

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on signed on its behalf by

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AF Blurton Dixector

J Singh Director

### Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' deficit

for the year ended 31 December 2007

	Year ended 31 December 2007 £	Period ended 31 December 2006 £
Loss for the year and net reduction in shareholders funds	(1,425,635)	(2,413,758)
Opening shareholders' deficit	(30,470,054)	(28,056,296)
Closing shareholders' deficit	(31,895,689)	(30,470,054)

### **Notes**

### (forming part of the financial statements)

### 1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements

#### Basis of preparation

The Company has received an assurance from its holding company that it will provide such funds as necessary for the Company to meet its liabilities as they fall due. For this reason the financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis

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

The Company is exempt by virtue of s228 of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare group financial statements. These financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

Under FRS1 (revised 1996) the Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cashflow statement on the grounds that a parent undertaking includes the Company in its own published consolidated financial statements

As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Marylebone Warwick Balfour Group Plc, it has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group (or investees of the group qualifying as related parties)

### Investment in subsidiary undertakings

The interest of the Company in the shares of subsidiary undertakings is recognised at cost less any provision for impairment

### 2 Loss on ordinary activities before taxation

	Year ended 31 December 2007 £	Period ended 31 December 2006 £
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging		
Auditors' remuneration - as auditors	-	-
Audit fees borne by a parent company were as follows		
	Year ended	Period ended
	31 December	31 December
	2007	2006
		(restated)
	£	£
Fees for the audit of the Company	500	500
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Fees for the audit of the Company represent the amount receivable by the Company's auditors The 2006 disclosure has been restated using a consistent basis

Fees paid to the Company's auditors, KPMG Audit Plc, and its associates for services other than the statutory audit of the Company are not disclosed in these accounts since the consolidated accounts of the ultimate parent undertaking, MWB Group Holdings Plc (formerly MWB Group Plc), are required to disclose non-audit fees on a consolidated basis

### Notes (Continued)

### 3 Taxation

The tax credit on the losses on ordinary activities has been reduced from the amount that would arise from applying the corporation tax rate to the Company's losses as follows

	Year ended 31 December 2007 £	Period ended 31 December 2006 £
UK corporation tax at 30% on company losses before tax Net non-taxable differences Losses carried forwards for use in future years	(427,691) (55,061) 482,752	(724,127) - 724,127
Total corporation tax credited to the profit and loss account		<u> </u>

The Company has approximately £9 3m of excess interest costs available to carry forward (2006 £7 9m)

### 4 Directors and employees

None of the Directors received any emoluments from the Company for their services during the year (2006 £nil)

There are no employees other than the Directors (2006 none)

### 5 Investments

	Investment in subsidiary undertakings £
At 31 December 2006 Additional investment during the year	9,182,743 55,571,364
At 31 December 2007	64,754,107

During the year, the Company acquired further shares in MWB Business Exchange Plc, bringing its total shareholding in that company to 67.95%

The principal subsidiary undertaking of the Company at the period end, which was involved in the licensing or servicing of business accommodation, was

Subsidiary	Share capital held	Holding
Held by the Company		
MWB Business Exchange Plc	Ordinary shares	67 95%
175 Limited	Ordinary shares	93 25%

### Notes (continued)

6 D	Debtors		
		31 December 2007	31 December 2006 £
Amounts d	ue from group undertakings	2	2
7 0	Creditors		
		31 December 2007	31 December 2006 £
Amounts de	ue to group undertakıngs	96,565,743 84,055	39,652,799
		96,649,798	39,652,799
8 0	Called up share capital		
		31 December 2007 £	31 December 2006 £
Authorised	ary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
	shares of £1 each	3	3
9 F	Reserves		
		Share premium account	Profit and loss account £
At 31 Dece Loss for th	ember 2006 e period	11,870,999	(42,341,056) (1,425,635)
At 31 Dec	ember 2007	11,870,999	(43,766,691)

### Notes (continued)

### 10 Immediate and ultimate parent companies

The Company's immediate parent is Marylebone Warwick Balfour Holdings Limited The Company's ultimate parent company is MWB Group Holdings Plc (formerly Marylebone Warwick Balfour Group Plc) Both companies are registered in England and Wales

The only group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by MWB Group Holdings Plc (formerly Marylebone Warwick Balfour Group Plc) Copies of its accounts are available from the Company Secretary, City Group P L C, 30 City Road, London EC1Y 2AG