# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

**HULL PROPERTY INVESTMENTS LIMITED** 

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#### **HULL PROPERTY INVESTMENTS LIMITED**

# **COMPANY INFORMATION** for the year ended 31 March 2010

**DIRECTORS:** 

A C Gallagher

G H Gosling

**COMPANY SECRETARY:** 

S A Burnett

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** 

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Stratford Road Hockley Heath

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**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

5438809 (England and Wales)

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS: PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

East Midlands

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

for the year ended 31 March 2010

The directors present their report with the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2010

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of property investment

#### **REVIEW OF BUSINESS**

The company holds a 50% investment in Hull Retail Limited and Worthing Retail LLP which controls a retail park

#### **DIVIDENDS**

No dividends were paid in the year ended 31 March 2010 (2009 £nil)

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 April 2009 to the date of this report

A C Gallagher

G H Gosling

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Report of the Directors 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 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,
- 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.

#### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) 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 in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued) for the year ended 31 March 2010

#### **AUDITORS**

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting

The Directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies under Section 415A of the Companies Act 2006

#### ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

G H Gosling - Director

Date 21st December 2010

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HULL PROPERTY INVESTMENTS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Hull Property Investments Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. 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)

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, 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 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

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

#### 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.

#### 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 March 2010 and of its loss 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 Report of the Directors for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HULL PROPERTY INVESTMENTS LIMITED

#### 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 prepare the directors' report in accordance with the small company regime

#### Emphasis of matter - going concern

In forming our opinion on the financial statements, which is not qualified, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in note 1 to the financial statements concerning the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The company is dependent on financial support from its parent company and the availability of this support from the parent company relies on the overall group funding provided by the parent company including any impact from the renewal of banking facilities in certain fellow subsidiary and joint venture undertakings. These facilities are currently under negotiation with the banks. While the outcome of these negotiations remains uncertain, the directors are confident that the facilities will be renewed on a basis that is acceptable to the group. These conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty which may cast significant doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern. The financial statements do not include the adjustments that would result if the company was unable to continue as a going concern.

Christopher Hibbs (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors

East Midlands

Date 23 December 2010

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 March 2010

	Notes	31 3 10 £	31 3 09 £
TURNOVER		-	-
Administrative expenses		(1,792)	(1,074)
OPERATING LOSS	3	(1,792)	(1,074)
Share of (loss) / profit of Limited Liability Partnership		(44,202)	33,137
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDIN BEFORE TAXATION	NARY ACTIVITIES	(45,994)	32,063
Tax on (loss) / profit on activities	ordinary 4	12,878	(8,978)
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE AFTER TAXATION	FINANCIAL YEAR	<u>(33,116</u> )	23,085

#### **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

All of the company's activities relate to continuing operations

#### TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the current year and the profit for the previous year

#### NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES

The difference between the results as disclosed in the profit and loss account and the results on an unmodified historical cost basis is not material

#### BALANCE SHEET 31 March 2010

		31 3 10	31 3 09
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS	_	10.606	(2.000
Investments	5	19,686	63,888
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	873,207	873,368
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CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(852,806)	(868,765)
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NET CURRENT ASSETS		20,401	4,603
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT			
LIABILITIES		40,087	68,491
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES	8	(29,490)	(24,778)
NET ASSETS		<u>10,597</u>	<u>43,713</u>
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES	0	2	2
Called up share capital	9	2	2
Profit and loss account	10	10,595	43,711
		10.505	40.510
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	5 11	<u>10,597</u>	43,713

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 21st December 2010 and were signed on its behalf by

G H Gosling - Director

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 March 2010

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 and applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom. The principle accounting policies are set out below

The company is exempt from the requirement to prepare consolidated accounts, as the company and its subsidiary qualify as a medium sized group

#### **Limited Liability Partnerships**

Where the company has an interest in a limited liability partnership, the company's share of the limited liability partnership's income is accounted for using the equity method. Its share of profit following acquisition is taken to the profit and loss account with a corresponding increase in the investment.

#### Cash flow statement

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company qualifies as a small company

#### Deferred tax

Full provision is made on a non-discounted basis for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising due to timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and their recognition in the tax computation at the current rate of tax. Deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is considered more likely than not that they will be realised

#### Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the company has received confirmation of financial support from its parent company, Ashflame Properties Limited The directors have reviewed the position of those companies within the Ashflame Properties Group ('the group') which require support from the parent company and have concluded that it is appropriate to prepare the financial statements of those companies, and hence this company, on a going concern basis

In evaluating the Ashflame Properties Limited group overall and its ability to provide the support as a going concern, the directors have considered the cash flows for the Ashflame group arising from operations, investment and financing activities. In the ordinary course of business there are approximately £12 7m of loans which are currently being refinanced across the Ashflame group. In general, the market in which the Ashflame group is operating is currently subject to considerable change. The market has seen the costs associated with raising finance increasing and in some instances the availability of finance has become constrained. However, the directors are confident, based on information available to them, that the loans including the company's facility will be renewed on acceptable terms to the Ashflame group. While the directors recognise the material uncertainties which the companies are required to manage, the directors believe that the position of the Ashflame group is strong and the directors will be able to manage the position satisfactorily

#### 2 STAFF COSTS

There were no staff costs for the year ended 31 March 2010 nor for the year ended 31 March 2009

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2010

#### 2 STAFF COSTS - continued

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The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows	31 3 10	31 3 09
Directors	2	2
OPERATING LOSS		
The operating loss is stated after charging		
Auditors' remuneration	31 3 10 £ 1,791	31 3 09 £ 1,075
Directors' remuneration		

The directors are paid by J J Gallagher Limited, a company owned by the ultimate shareholder Mr A C Gallagher, and their emoluments are disclosed in the financial statements of that company

#### 4 TAX ON (LOSS) / PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

#### Analysis of the tax (credit)/charge

The tax (credit)/charge on the loss on ordinary activities for the year was as follows		
. , , -	31 3 10	31 3 09
	£	£
Current tax		
Group relief	(17,590)	3,088
Deferred tax	4,712	_5,890
T	(12.070)	0.070
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	<u>(12,878</u> )	<u>8,978</u>

The corporation tax charge / (credit) differs from the standard UK corporation tax rate of 28% applied to the (loss) / profit for the year The differences are

	£	£
(Loss) / profit on ordinary activities at the standard rate of 28%	(12,878)	8,978
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	(4,712)	(5,890)
	(17,590)	3,088

The Emergency Budget 2010 introduced a reduction in the rate of corporation tax from 28% to 27% from 1 April 2011. This legislation was substantively enacted on 21 July 2010 and as such will impact the company's tax charge from 1 April 2011. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at tax rates that are enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Accordingly, this reduction has not been taken into account when stating the deferred tax assets and liabilities at 31 March 2010 but will impact the company's deferred tax assets and liabilities in future periods.

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2010

#### 5 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Shares in group	Interest in joint	
	undertakings	venture	Totals
	£	£	£
COST			
At 1 April 2009	63,887	1	63,888
Share of LLP loss for the year	<u>(44,202)</u>		(44,202)
At 31 March 2010	19,685	1	19,686
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2010	<u>19,685</u>	1	19,686
At 31 March 2009	63,887	1	63,888

The investment in joint ventures, represents 50% of the ordinary shares in Hull Retail Limited, a property investment company, incorporated in England and Wales

The £44,202 decrease (2009 £33,137 increase) reflects the change in the net asset value of Hull Property Investments Limited's 50% interest in the Worthing Retail LLP

### 6 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

Amounts due from LLP VAT	31 3 10 £ 873,207 	31 3 09 £ 873,207 161 873,368
7 CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE		21.2.00
Trade creditors Amounts owed to group undertakings Corporation tax Accruals and deferred income	31 3 10 £ 1,236 850,099 1 1,470	31 3 09 £ 1,236 866,452
	852,806	868,765
8 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES		
Deferred tax	31 3 10 £ 29,490	31 3 09 £ 24,778

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued for the year ended 31 March 2010

#### 8 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES - continued

	Balance at 1 A				Deferred tax £ 24,778 4,712
	Balance at 31	March 2010			29,490
9	CALLED UP	SHARE CAPITAL			
	Allotted, issue Number	ed and fully paid Class	Nominal value	31 3 10 £	31 3 09 £
	2	Ordinary	£1	2	2
10	RESERVES				Profit and loss account £
	At 1 April 200 Loss for the fi				43,711 (33,116)
	At 31 March 2	2010			10,595
11	RECONCIL	IATION OF MOVEMENTS IN	SHAREHOLDERS' FUI	NDS	
				31 3 10 £	31 3 09 £
	(Loss) / profit	for the financial year		(33,116)	23,085
		n) / addition to shareholders' fu cholders' funds	unds	(33,116) 43,713	23,085 20,628
	Closing share	eholders' funds		10,597	43,713

#### 12 CONTROLLING PARTY

Hull Property Investments Limited is a wholly owned subsidiary of Ashflame Properties Limited, (incorporated in England and Wales), its ultimate parent undertaking, which prepares consolidated financial statements for the group

The ultimate controlling party of the company is Mr A C Gallagher by virtue of his ownership of the issued share capital of the ultimate parent undertaking