Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended

31 December 2010

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# Report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010

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#### **Directors**

The Honourable Angad Paul

D P Dancaster

D M O'Reilly

F S Scarbrough

## Registered office

Caparo House, 103 Baker Street, London, W1U 6LN

## Company number

5755850

#### Auditors

BDO LLP, 125 Colmore Row, Birmingham, B3 3SD

#### Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2010

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Caparo Vehicle Products Limited, a company registered in England and Wales

#### Principal activities

The company engages in the manufacture and supply of braking and actuation systems to the automotive sector

#### Review of the business and future developments

The company's profit and loss account is set out on page 8 and shows turnover for the year of £12,013,000 (2009 £9,797,000) Further details of turnover by geographical area are given in note 2 to the financial statements

An operating profit of £379,000 (2009 £51,000) was recorded in the year 2010 saw an increase in demand from vehicle manufacturers with improvements seen in both the automotive and motorsport markets Earlier re-structuring programmes helped to maintain the progress in financial performance supported by continued tight control of manufacturing overheads

After deducting interest and tax, the company's profit for the year amounted to £275,000 (2009 loss of £11,000)

No interim dividend was paid during the year (2009 £nil) and the directors do not recommend a final dividend for the year (2009 £nil)

The balance sheet as at 31 December 2010 shows total assets less current habilities of £614,000 (2009 £515,000) and shareholders' funds of £559,000 (2009 £284,000)

Trading conditions in the first half of 2011 have continued to show an improvement on the corresponding period in 2010 with increasing demand for both production components and spares

### Principal risks and uncertainties

There are a number of potential risks and uncertainties which could have an impact on the company's financial performance

Global, political and economic conditions

The company has either sales or sourcing arrangements with various other countries throughout the world Whilst the company benefits from the growth opportunities in these countries, it is similarly exposed to the economic, political and business risks associated with such international operations. Throughout its operations the company encounters different legal and regulatory requirements, including those for taxation, exchange control, environmental, operational and competitive matters

Management monitor such risks and conditions, maintaining insurance cover and amending business procedures as appropriate to attempt to mitigate any exposure whilst remaining in compliance with local and group requirements

#### Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

#### Principal risks and uncertainties (Continued)

#### Foreign exchange

The company makes sales to many countries, as such the company is exposed to movements in exchange rates between sterling and other world currencies, particularly the Euro, which could adversely or positively impact results

#### Raw material and energy prices

The company's products and services utilise a range of raw materials. The company also requires substantial quantities of electricity and natural gas. The pricing for these raw material inputs is largely determined by international or national factors beyond the company's control or influence. Short term volatility in the pricing of such inputs and any decrease in availability can significantly impact the company's financial performance.

The Caparo Group, of which the company is a subsidiary, has developed strong relationships with its suppliers and uses contractual means where possible to minimise the risk

#### Litigation

As with any business, the company is subject to the risk of litigation from third parties. The company seeks to address such claims proactively

In accordance with accounting requirements, a provision is made where required to address such litigation and the consequent costs of defence

#### Environmental liabilities

The company conducts its operations in such a manner as to ensure compliance with environmental laws and regulations. If events occur where actions are necessary to maintain compliance, the company will devote suitable resources to the issue in order to remedy the situation.

#### **Employees**

The company has a reliance on the management teams employed. The company recognises the importance of this resource and as such reviews its remuneration policy together with its recruitment policy on a regular basis in order to ensure the company continues to retain and attract the best possible management teams.

### Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

### Principal risks and uncertainties (Continued)

Future trading and liquidity risk

The directors regularly prepare profit and cash flow forecasts based on the likely levels of demand from key customers and suppliers

#### Key performance indicators

Key performance indicators within the Caparo Group are specific to the nature of the operations of each business. This data is reported to divisional and Caparo Group senior management on a monthly basis

The financial key performance indicators of the company include

- Gross profit percentage at 18 0% (2009 17 6%)
- Operating profit percentage at 3 2% (2009 0 5%)
- Working capital of £790,000 (2009 £678,000)
- Return on capital employed of 32 7% (2009 4 2%)

As at 31 December 2010, the reported key performance indicators were in line with expectations. In addition to the above key performance indicators the company monitors other financial performance indicators on a monthly basis against forecasts and budgets including, but not limited to, material and contribution margins, working capital days and cash flows

#### Directors

The directors of the company during the year were

The Honourable Angad Paul

R G J Butler

D P Dancaster

F S Scarbrough

L G Stokes

Subsequent to the year end, R G J Butler resigned on 14 January 2011, L G Stokes resigned on 31 January 2011 and D M O'Reilly was appointed on 1 February 2011

#### Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

#### Directors' responsibilities

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 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,
- 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 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

#### Employment of disabled persons

The company is an equal opportunity employer and makes every effort to ensure disabled people are not discriminated against on the grounds of their disability. In the event of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment continues and that appropriate training is arranged.

#### **Indemnity** cover

Third party indemnity cover for the directors was in force during the financial year and at the year end

#### **Employee involvement**

Employees are kept informed regarding the company's affairs and are consulted on a regular basis wherever feasible and appropriate

#### Financial instruments

Details of the financial risk management objectives and policies and details of the use of financial instruments by the company are provided in note 23 to the financial statements

# Report of the directors for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

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#### Auditors

All of the current directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of the information needed by the company's auditors for the purposes of their audit and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information. The directors are not aware of any relevant audit information of which the auditors are unaware

BDO LLP, have expressed their willingness to continue in office and a resolution to re-appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting

By order of the Board

D M O'Reilly **Director** 

Date 29 June 2011

### Independent auditor's report

#### TO THE MEMBERS OF CAPARO AP BRAKING LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Caparo AP Braking Limited for the year ended 31 December 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)

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, 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 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

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 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 (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm">www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm</a>

#### **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 2010 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 matters 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 (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

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Thomas Lawton, (senior statutory auditor)
For and on behalf of BDO LLP, statutory auditor
Birmingham
United Kingdom

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2010

	Note	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Turnover	2	12,013	9,797
Cost of sales		(9,851)	(8,071)
Gross profit		2,162	1,726
Distribution costs Administrative expenses Other operating income		(27) (1,921) 165	(3) (1,727) 55
Operating profit	5	379	51
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	6 7	(22)	(36)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		357	16
Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	8	(82)	(27)
Profit/(loss) for the financial year	19	275	(11)

All amounts relate to continuing activities

All recognised gains and losses are included in the profit and loss account for the current and prior year

### Balance sheet at 31 December 2010

Company Number 5755850	Note	2010 £'000	2010 £'000	2009 £'000	2009 £'000
Fixed assets	_				
Goodwill	9		32		34
Intangible assets	9		9		23
Tangible fixed assets	10		369		551
			410		608
Current assets					
Stocks	11	1,263		1,257	
Debtors due within one year	12	1,927		1,647	
Debtors due after more than one year	12	818		348	
Cash at bank and in hand		248		203	
		4,256		2 455	
Creditors: amounts falling due		4,230		3,455	
within one year	13	(4,052)		(3,548)	
Net current assets/(liabilities)			204		(93)
Total assets less current liabilities			614		515
Creditors: amounts falling due					
after more than one year	14		(55)		(231)
Net assets			559		284
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Capital and reserves Called up share capital	18				
Profit and loss account	18		- 660		294
r fortt and 1058 account	19		559		284
Shareholders' funds	19		559		284
Shareholders lulius	17		———		

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 29 June 2011

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The Honourable Angad Paul

Director

D M O'Reilly Director

The notes on pages 10 to 22 form part of these financial statements

#### Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010

#### 1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards

The following principal accounting policies have been applied

#### Basis of preparation

The directors have prepared the accounts on the going concern basis. In preparing the accounts on this basis the directors have taken account of the following factors.

The overall cash requirements of the group are managed centrally and the company is party to cross guarantees as detailed in note 20. During the year discussions were concluded satisfactorily with the bankers to the principal UK companies of the Caparo Industries group, together with other stakeholders including minority shareholders and the UK Pension Scheme Trustee, and agreements were entered into on 30 July 2010 providing three year committed UK banking facilities to Caparo Industries Plc. The directors have prepared profit and loss and cash flow forecasts for the period to June 2012 which indicate that the group and company are expected to trade within these facilities during the forecast period.

#### **Turnover**

Turnover, stated net of value added tax, represents amounts invoiced to third parties. Turnover is recognised when the risks and rewards of owning the goods have passed to the customer, which is generally on delivery

#### Goodwill

Acquisitions are included from the date of acquisition and disposals excluded from the date of effective disposal. Goodwill, being the excess of purchase consideration over the fair value of the underlying net assets, is capitalised and is amortised over its estimated useful life of up to 20 years. Goodwill is subject to an impairment review where there is an indication of an impairment

### Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term. Assets acquired under finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The interest element is charged to the profit and loss account over the term of the agreement.

#### Research and development expenditure

Expenditure on research and development is charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which it is incurred with the exception of expenditure on the development of certain major new product projects where the outcome of those projects is assessed as being reasonably certain as regards viability and technical feasibility. Such expenditure is capitalised and amortised over a period of not longer than five years commencing in the year that sales of the product are first made.

## Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are re-translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. All differences are taken to the profit and loss account

## Deferred tax

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date except that the recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that the company anticipates to make sufficient taxable profits in the future to absorb the reversal of the underlying timing differences

Deferred tax balances are not discounted

#### Dividends

Dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. In the case of interim dividends to shareholders this is when paid by the company. In the case of final dividends this is when approved by the shareholders.

### Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets not acquired by a business combination are recorded at cost on acquisition. The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment if events or other changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life as follows

Plant and machinery

10% per annum

Computer equipment

20% per annum

Fixtures, fittings and tooling

10% - 33% per annum

Motor vehicles

25% per annum

Depreciation on second hand assets is provided at twice the rate applied to similar new assets

#### Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. For work in progress and finished goods manufactured by the company, cost is taken as production cost, which includes an appropriate proportion of attributable overheads.

### Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

# 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

Warranty

Warranty costs are accrued against income based on anticipated liabilities arising from sales made

Pension costs

The pension costs for defined contribution schemes are the contributions payable in the year

Financial risk management

Exposure to movements in rates of foreign exchange in relation to trading transactions between the date that a contractual obligation is entered into and the date of completion of the contract is hedged through the use of currency asset and liability matching, forward exchange contracts and other financial instruments

Exposure to movements in interest rates is reviewed regularly by the directors. The company utilises financial instruments to limit the company's exposure to movements in interest rates where in the opinion of the directors the expected benefits of such arrangements exceed the expected costs or at the request of the company's lenders

Further information is provided in note 23 to the financial statements

### Cash flow statement

Under Financial Reporting Standard 1 'Cash Flow Statements (Revised 1996)' (FRS 1), the company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement on the grounds that at least 90% of the voting rights in the company are controlled within the group headed by Caparo Group Limited and the company is included in the consolidated financial statements of Caparo Group Limited, which are publicly available Consequently, the company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 1

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

2	Turnover		
	The company's turnover is derived from its principal activity, an follows	analysis by geographic	al market is a
		2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	United Kingdom	10,736	8,979
	Rest of Europe	615	418
	North America	642	395
	Rest of the World	20	5
		12,013	9,797
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3	Employees		
		2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
	Staff costs consist of		
	Wages and salaries	2,921	2,676
	Social security costs	289	259
	Pension costs	154	129
		3,364	3,064
		<u></u>	
		2010	2009
		Number	Number
	The average number of employees during the year was		
	Production and sales	97	91
	Administration	18	22
		115	113

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

### 4 Directors' remuneration

No director received any remuneration during the current or previous year. The directors are remunerated by fellow subsidiary companies of Caparo Group Limited, the ultimate parent company

5	Operating profit		
		2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
	This has been arrived at after charging		
	Goodwill amortised	2	2
	Research and development amortised	14	14
	Research and development expensed	53	58
	Depreciation of owned assets	330	322
	Depreciation of finance leased assets	19	21
	Operating lease rentals		
	- plant	43	60
	- other	344	336
	Auditor's remuneration for audit services	7	11
	Exchange losses	-	3
6	Interest receivable and similar income		
U	Threfest receivable and similar income	2010	2009
		£,000	£'000
		2 000	* 000
	Other interest	_	1
	Culti interest		•
		<del></del>	
7	Interest payable and similar charges		
		2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
		10	22
	Bank loans and overdrafts	19	32
	Finance lease interest	3	4
		22	36
		22	30

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# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

8	Taxation on profit on ordinary activities	2010 £'000	2010 £'000	2009 £'000	2009 £'000
	The taxation on profit on ordinary activities comprises				
	Current tax				
	Corporation tax on profits of the year Adjustment in respect of previous	192		110	
	years	(110)		(83)	
	Total current tax charge		82		27
	Deferred tax				
	Movement in deferred tax provision		<del>-</del>		<u>-</u>
	Taxation on profit on ordinary		0.0		
	activities		<b>82</b>		<u> </u>
	The current tax on ordinary activities for the the UK. The differences are explained below		t from the stand	ard rate of corpo	ration tax in
	•			2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax			357	16
	Profit on ordinary activities at the standard	rate			<del></del>
	of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2009)			100	5
	Effect of			_	_
	Permanent differences Capital allowances for the year less than de	nreciation		7 92	6 90
	Other timing differences	prociation		92 (7)	90
	Adjustment to current tax charge in respect	of previous years	5	(110)	(83)
	Current tax charge for the year			82	27

Factors that may affect future tax charges

The company has unprovided UK deferred tax assets of £432,000 (2009 £351,000) (note 17)

Based on current capital investment plans, the company expects depreciation to exceed capital allowances in future years

Caparo AP Braking Limited

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

9	Intangible fixed assets			
			Development	
		Goodwill £'000	expenditure £'900	Total £'000
	Cost			
	At 1 January and 31 December 2010	42	42	84
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	Amortisation			
	At 1 January 2010	8	19	27
	Amortised in the year	2	14	16
	At 31 December 2010	10		42
	At 51 December 2010	<del></del>		
	Net book value			
	At 31 December 2010	32	9	41
			<del></del>	<del></del> _
	At 31 December 2009	34	23	57

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

10	Tangible fixed assets			
		Plant,	Motor	
		machinery,	vehicles	
		fixtures	and mobile	Т-4-1
		and fittings £'000	plant £'000	Total £'000
	Cost			
	At 1 January 2010	1,546	99	1,645
	Additions	50	58	108
	Inter company transfers	290	-	290
	Disposals	•	(8)	(8)
	At 31 December 2010	1,886	149	2,035
	ACOI December 2010			
	Depreciation			
	At 1 January 2010	1,051	43	1,094
	Charge for year	319	30	349
	Inter company transfers	230	-	230
	Disposals	-	(7)	(7)
	At 31 December 2010	1,600	66	1,666
	Net book value			
	At 31 December 2010	286	83	369
	At 31 December 2009	495	56	551
		<del></del>	<del></del>	

Included in the total net book value of vehicles and mobile plant are assets held under finance leases with a net book value of £35,000 (2009 £54,000)

# 11 Stocks

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Raw materials and consumables	805	734
Work in progress	298	379
Finished goods and goods for resale	160	144
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	1,263	1,257

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# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

12	Debtors		
		2010	2009
		£'000	£'000
	Amounts falling due within one year		
	Trade debtors	1,691	1,535
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	21	9
	Other debtors	52	3
	Prepayments and accrued income	163	100
	Amounts falling due after more than one year	1,927	1,647
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	470	_
	Prepayments and accrued income	348	348
		818	348
	Total debtors	2,745	1,995
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The amounts owed by group undertakings have no fixed repayment date and are non-interest bearing

# 13 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Bank loans, overdrafts and similar finance (note 15)	1,347	1,157
Trade creditors	1,648	1,348
Amounts owed to group undertakings	115	43
Corporation tax	192	110
Other taxation and social security	283	461
Finance lease and hire purchase obligations (note 16)	19	21
Accruals and deferred income	448	408
	4,052	3,548
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# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

14	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Bank loans and similar finance (note 15) Finance lease and hire purchase obligations (note 16)	41 14	199 32
		55 	231
15	Bank loans, overdrafts and similar finance  Bank loans, overdrafts and similar finance are repayable as follows	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	In one year or less In one to two years	1,347 41	1,157 199
		1,388	1,356

The bank loans, overdrafts and similar finance are secured by a charge over certain assets of the company, with interest being charged at commercial rates

### 16 Leasing

The company was committed to the following net obligations under non-cancellable finance leases and hire purchase agreements as set out below

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
In one year or less	19	21
In one to two years	14	17
In two to five years	-	15
		<del></del>
	33	53

Finance leases are secured on the assets to which they relate and are repayable within five years

# Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

17	Provisions for liabilities				Deferred taxation
	At 1 January and 31 December 2010				£'000 -
	Deferred tax comprised the following asso	ets			
		Provided 2010 £'000	Unprovided 2010 £'000	Provided 2009 £'000	Unprovided 2009 £'000
	Accelerated capital allowances Short term timing differences	-	(417) (15)	-	(335) (16)
	At 31 December 2010	-	(432)	-	(351)
18	Called up share capital				
		2010 Number	Author 2010 £'000	ised 2009 Number	2009 £'000
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1	1,000	1
		2010 Number	Allotted, called up 2010 £'000	and fully paid 2009 Number	1 2009 £'000
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	·	<u> </u>	-
9	a) Reserves				
					Profit and loss account £'000
	At 1 January 2010 Profit for the financial year				284 275
	At 31 December 2010				559

#### Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

19	b) Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
	Opening shareholders' funds Profit/(loss) for the financial year	284 275	295 (11)
	Closing shareholders' funds	559	284

### 20 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

- (i) As at 31 December 2010, the company had no capital commitments which were contracted but not provided for (2009 £nil)
- (11) Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows

Operating leases which expire	Land and Buildings 2010 £'000	Other 2010 £'000	Land and Buildings 2009 £'000	Other 2009 £'000
Within one year	-	_	-	4
Within two to five years	-	34	_	42
Over five years	343	-	343	-
	343	34	343	46

(iii) The company is liable under cross guarantee arrangements, together with other group companies, for bank and certain loan facilities entered into by the companies At 31 December 2010, this liability amounted to £39,761,000 (2009 £11,945,000)

#### 21 Pension schemes

The company contributes to the Caparo Stakeholder Pension Plan, a UK defined contribution scheme invested through Investment Solutions Limited The pension charge in respect of this arrangement was £154,000 (2009 £129,000) At 31 December 2010, no employee contributions were payable to the Caparo Stakeholder Pension Plan (2009 £nil)

#### Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2010 (Continued)

#### 22 Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions granted under Financial Reporting Standard 8 'Related Party Transactions', from disclosing transactions entered into between two or more members of a group provided that any subsidiary undertaking which is a party to the transaction is wholly owned by a member of that group

Transactions between two or more members of the group where any subsidiary undertaking party to those transactions is not wholly owned by a member of the group, are considered immaterial and have not, therefore, been disclosed

#### 23 Financial instruments

The company holds or issues financial instruments to finance its operations and enters into contracts to manage risks arising from those operations and its sources of finance in accordance with its accounting policies

Various financial instruments such as trade debtors and trade creditors arise directly from the company's operations

The company performs rigorous credit checks for all customers, and credit insurance is obtained, where available, to minimise bad debt risk. Where credit insurance is not available, the company undertakes detailed credit evaluations of prospective customers, which are subject to group review and approval before supplies can be made.

Operations are financed by a mixture of retained profits, short term bank borrowings and term loans Acquisitions, in general, and working capital requirements are funded principally out of short and longer term banking facilities and retained profits

#### 24 Ultimate parent company and controlling parties

The immediate parent company is Caparo Vehicle Products Limited and the ultimate parent company is Caparo Group Limited, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom

The largest group in which the results of the company are consolidated is that headed by Caparo Group Limited The smallest group in which they are consolidated is that headed by Caparo Industries Plc Copies of the consolidated accounts of Caparo Group Limited and Caparo Industries Plc are available from Companies House, Cardiff

The Right Honourable The Lord Paul of Marylebone, The Honourable Ms Anjli Paul, The Honourable Ambar Paul, The Honourable Akash Paul and The Honourable Angad Paul, directors of Caparo Group Limited, are jointly and indirectly interested in the whole of the issued share capital of Caparo Group Limited through shareholdings registered in the name of Caparo International Corporation, a company registered in the British Virgin Islands