Registered number: 6190450

WHITBREAD RESTAURANTS LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012



COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS

PJA Dempsey PC Flaum AD Pellington

COMPANY SECRETARY

DC Lowry RW Fairhurst

REGISTERED NUMBER

6190450

REGISTERED OFFICE

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AUDITORS

Ernst & Young LLP Statutory Auditor Apex Plaza Forbury Road Reading Berkshire RG1 1YE

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 1 March 2012

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW OF BUSINESS

The Company operates pub restaurants

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The loss for the year, after taxation, amounted to £16,388,000 (2011 - profit £30,286,000)

During the year the company proposed and paid a dividend of £30,000,000 (2011 - £nil)

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

For further information on future likely developments please see the business review included in the Annual Report and Accounts of Whitbread PLC (the ultimate parent company) for the year ended 1 March 2012

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Risk: There is a serious health or provenance issue relating to food

Mitigation. The quality of expertise of members of the procurement, food development and safety and security teams mitigates the risk of serious food safety or provenance issues. The Company monitors media reports to help it predict future issues and has stringent food safety polices and a detailed sourcing policy. CMI, an independent company, is commissioned to carry out health and safety checks at all of our outlets to measure their performance against set critical standards. Regular updates of this are given to the directors.

Risk. Consumer spending is adversely affected by the macro-economic climate

Mitigation. Commercial action plans have been developed in order to ensure that, in the challenging consumer economy, we continue to offer excellent value to our customers and that our brand is the number one choice in its market. Trading results and economic indicators are monitored to allow for speedy action when required and reviewed by the directors as part of the strategic planning process.

Risk: There is a change in the market or competitor activity adversely affecting trading

Mitigation: Actions to outperform the competition are developed on a strategic and tactical basis. Significant customer research is carried out and the customer insight is used to develop action plans. Consumer trends both in the UK and overseas, are analysed and competitor activity is monitored. Relative market share information and timely trading performance data is produced and monitored by the directors.

Risk: There is a third-party failing and consequently breaching the terms of a significant contract

Mitigation Credit control checks are carried out on parties to significant contracts, along with the continued auditing and monitoring of those contracts. Regular reviews of the debtors register is undertaken

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year were

PJA Dempsey PC Flaum AD Pellington

All fees paid to the directors as remuneration are borne by the parent company and it is not practical to allocate the amount for services in respect of this company

EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT

All employee services are provided to the Company by Whitbread Group PLC For further information on employee involvement please refer to the accounts of Whitbread Group PLC for the year ended 1 March 2012

DISABLED EMPLOYEES

All employee services are provided to the Company by Whitbread Group PLC For further information on the Company's policy on the employment of disabled persons please refer to the accounts of Whitbread Group PLC for the year ended 1 March 2012

QUALIFYING THIRD PARTY INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

A qualifying indemnity provision (as defined in Section 236 (1) of the Companies Act 2006) is in force for the benefit of the directors

PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' Report is approved has confirmed that

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the Company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information

AUDITORS

The auditors, Ernst & Young LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006

This report was approved by the board on 19 NOVEMBER 2012 and signed on its behalf

Secretary

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DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

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 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,
- 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WHITBREAD RESTAURANTS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Whitbread Restaurants Limited for the year ended 1 March 2012, 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 Auditors' 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 Directors' Responsibilities Statement, 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 Ethical Standards for Auditors.

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. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

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 1 March 2012 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 Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WHITBREAD RESTAURANTS 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

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Debbie O'Hanlon (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of **Ernst & Young LLP** Statutory Auditor Reading

Date 20 November 2012

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

	Note	Year ended 1 March 2012 £000	Year ended 3 March 2011 £000
TURNOVER	1,2	325,237	326,535
Cost of sales		(93,585)	(90,095)
GROSS PROFIT		231,652	236,440
Distribution costs		(170,795)	(170,845)
Administrative expenses		(27,348)	(17,342)
OPERATING PROFIT	3	33,509	48,253
EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS			
Net loss on sale of tangible fixed assets	8	(11,967)	-
Other exceptional items	8	<u>-</u>	1,278
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INTEREST		21,542	49,531
Interest receivable and similar income	6	14,823	-
Interest payable and similar charges	7	(61,617)	(11,206)
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE			
TAXATION		(25,252)	38,325
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	9	8,864	(8,039)
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD		(16,388)	30,286

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2012 or 2011 other than those included in the Profit and Loss Account

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements

WHITBREAD RESTAURANTS LIMITED REGISTERED NUMBER: 6190450

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 1 MARCH 2012

Note 11 12 13	2,867	1 March 2012 £000 715,127		3 March 2011 £000 739,683
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13			3,356	
	231,294		243,264	
	3,274		3,725	
•	237,435	-	250,345	
14	(920,395)		(911,340)	
•		(682,960)		(660,995)
3	•	32,167	-	78,688
10		(11,593)		(11,726)
		20,574		66,962
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The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on NNEMBER 2012

Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Authorisation

The financial statements of Whitbread Restaurants Limited for the year ended 1 March 2012 were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on A NORMAN 2012

1.2 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

1.3 Going concern

The financial position of the Company is set out in the following accounts. The Company has considerable financial resources and, as a consequence, the directors believe that the Company is well placed to manage its business risks

As at 1 March 2012, the Company's current liabilities exceeded its current assets by £ 682,960. The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis on the grounds that the parent company has undertaken to provide continuing support for the foreseeable future.

1.4 Cash flow

The Company, being a subsidiary undertaking where 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available, is exempt from the requirement to draw up a cash flow statement in accordance with FRS 1

1.5 Turnover

Turnover comprises revenue recognised by the Company in respect of goods and services supplied during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax and trade discounts

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Fixtures & fittings

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases.

Freehold property
Leasehold premises where the
lease has less than 20 years to
run

over period of up to 50 years over the remaining term of the lease

over the shorter of 6 years or the remaining term of the lease

The carrying value of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying values may not be recoverable

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.7 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Profit and Loss Account on a straight line basis over the lease term

Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are recognised on a straight line basis over the period until the date the rent is expected to be adjusted to the prevailing market rate

1.8 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

1.9 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse, using rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted

1.10 Pensions

Employees of the company are entitled to participate in a contracted-in defined contribution pension scheme operated by Whitbread Group PLC. Contributions to the scheme are charged in the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme. The assets of the scheme are invested and managed independently to the finances of the Company.

2. TURNOVER

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the operation of restaurants

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

3. OPERATING PROFIT

The operating profit is stated after charging

	Year ended	Year ended
	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	0003	2000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets		
- owned by the company	14,406	20,922
Operating lease rentals - plant and machinery	2,450	2,584
Operating lease rentals - property	1,187	1,736

During the year, no director received any emoluments (2011 - £NILI)

All products and services are supplied exclusively by Whitbread Group PLC

4. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Audit fees for the year were paid by a parent company, Whitbread Group PLC Information about the total audit fees paid by the Group can be found in the Whitbread PLC report and financial statements for the year ended 1 March 2012

5. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows

	Year ended	Year ended
	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	0003	£000
Wages and salaries	95,247	92,797
Social security costs	6,896	8,289
Other pension costs	566	608
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	102,709	101,694
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Employees are entitled to participate in a defined contribution scheme which was established by Whitbread Group PLC as a section of the Whitbread Group Pension Fund with effect from 1 April 2002. The scheme is funded, and contributions by both employees and the Company are held in externally invested trustee administered funds. Members of the scheme are contracted in to the State Earnings Related Pension Scheme. Pension contributions are based on costs across all companies within the schemes. The pension charge in the accounts is equivalent to the contributions payable to the schemes.

All fees paid to directors as remuneration are borne by the parent company and it is not practical to allocate the amount for services in respect of this company

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

6.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE		
		Year ended 1 March 2012 £000	Year ended 3 March 2011 £000
	Interest receivable from group companies	14,823	<u>-</u>
7.	INTEREST PAYABLE		
		Year ended 1 March 2012 £000	Year ended 3 March 2011 £000
	Interest payable to group companies	61,617	11,206
8.	EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS		
		Year ended 1 March 2012 £000	Year ended 3 March 2011 £000
	Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment Impairment reversal	11,967 -	- (1,278)
		11,967	(1,278)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

9. TAXATION

	Year ended 1 March 2012 £000	Year ended 3 March 2011 £000
Analysis of tax (credit)/charge in the year		
Current tax (see note below)		
UK corporation tax (credit)/charge on (loss)/profit for the year Adjustments in respect of prior periods	(8,657) (74)	7,488 998
Total current tax	(8,731)	8,486
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences Adjustments in respect of prior periods Change in UK tax rate to 25% (2011 - 28 00%)	(1,014) 1,809 (928)	(435) 422 (434)
Total deferred tax (see note 10)	(133)	(447)
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	(8,864)	8,039

Factors affecting tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than (2011 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26 17% (2011 - 28 00%). The differences are explained below

	Year ended 1 March 2012 £000	Year ended 3 March 2011 £000
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before tax	(25,252)	38,325
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26 17% (2011 - 28 00%)	(6,608)	10,731
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes, other than goodwill amortisation and impairment Capital allowances for year in excess of depreciation Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods Transfer pricing adjustments Depreciation not in deferred tax	3,018 603 (74) (5,954) 284	(520) 435 998 (5,449) 2,291
Current tax (credit)/charge for the year (see note above)	(8,731)	8,486

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

9. TAXATION (continued)

Factors that may affect future tax charges

The Finance Act 2011 reduced the main rate of UK corporation tax to 26% from 1 April 2011 and to 25% from 1 April 2012

In his budget of 21 March 2012, the Chancellor of the Exchequer announced an additional 1% reduction in the rate of corporation tax, with effect from 1 April 2012 Further changes to corporation tax are also proposed, to reduce the main rate by 1% per annum to 22% by 1 April 2014 These changes had not been substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and consequently, in accordance with UK accounting standards, are not reflected in these financial statements

The additional 1% reduction in the rate of corporation tax, with effect from April 2012, was enacted on 26 March 2012 by virtue of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968. If the change had been enacted before the Company's balance sheet date, the effect would have been to reduce the deferred tax liability by £0.5m.

The effect of the remaining changes, if enacted, will be to reduce the deferred tax liability by a further £0.8m. The rate change will also impact the amount of the future cash tax payment to be made by the Company

Further UK tax changes are a reduction from 1 April 2012 in the rate of capital allowances applicable to plant & machinery and to integral features from 20% to 18% and from 10% to 8% respectively

10 DEFERRED TAXATION

	1 March 2012 £000	3 March 2011 £000
At beginning of year Charge for/(released during) year Change in UK tax rate to 25%	11,726 795 (928)	12,173 (13) (434)
At end of year	11,593	11,726
The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows		
	1 March 2012 £000	3 March 2011 £000
Accelerated capital allowances	11,593 	11,726

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Cost	Land & buildings £000	Fixtures & fittings £000	Total £000
At 4 March 2011 Additions Transfers intra group Disposals Transfer between classes	689,479 2,228 1,037 (27,767) 2	100,299 13,364 (335) (2,490)	789,778 15,592 702 (30,257)
Assets written off At 1 March 2012 Depreciation	664,979	103,027	768,006
At 4 March 2011 Charge for the year Transfers intra group On disposals Assets written off	34,604 406 (1,164) (2,108)	15,491 14,000 26 (979) (7,397)	50,095 14,406 (1,138) (3,087) (7,397)
At 1 March 2012	31,738	21,141	52,879
Net book value At 1 March 2012	633,241	81,886	715,127
At 3 March 2011	654,875	84,808	739,683

Capital expenditure commitments for which no provision has been made are £4,586,021 (2011 £5,460,974)

12. STOCKS

	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	€000	£000
Finished goods and goods for resale	2,867	3,356

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

13. DEBTORS

	1 March 2012 £000	3 March 2011 £000
Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income Tax recoverable	2,192 220,364 7 - 8,731	2,376 240,870 7 11
	231,294	243,264

In line with the intercompany indebtedness agreement dated 31 January 2012, all intercompany balances above are due from Whitbread Group PLC

14. CREDITORS.

Amounts falling due within one year

	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	0003	£000
Trade creditors	112	203
Amounts owed to group undertakings	920,283	902,651
Corporation tax	-	8,486
	920,395	911,340

Amounts owed to group undertakings above relates to the purchase of tangible assets from other Whitbread Group companies to facilitate a proposed bond issue

15 SHARE CAPITAL

	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	3	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
500 Ordinary shares shares of £1 each	500	500

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

16	RESERVES	;
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	Profit and loss account £000
At 4 March 2011 Loss for the year Dividends paid	66,961 (16,388) (30,000)
At 1 March 2012	20,573

17. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	0003	£000
Opening shareholders' funds	66,962	36,676
(Loss)/profit for the year	(16,388)	30,286
Dividends paid (Note 18)	(30,000)	<u>-</u>
Closing shareholders' funds	20,574	66,962
		

18 DIVIDENDS

	Year ended	year ended
	1 March	3 March
	2012	2011
	2000	£000
Dividends paid	30,000	-

19 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 1 March 2012 the Company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows

	Land	Land and buildings	
	1 March	3 March	
	2012	2011	
	0003	£000	
Expiry date:			
After more than 5 years	1,900	1,666	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 1 MARCH 2012

20 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Whitbread PLC, the ultimate controlling entity of the group, and has taken advantage of the exemption given in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 not to disclose transactions with other group companies

21. ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The immediate parent undertaking is Whitbread Pub Restaurants Business Ltd. The ultimate parent undertaking is Whitbread PLC

The parent undertaking of the smallest group of undertakings for which group accounts are drawn up and of which the company is a member is Whitbread Group PLC, registered in England and Wales Copies of their accounts can be obtained from Whitbread Court, Houghton Hall Business Park, Porz Avenue, Dunstable, Bedfordshire LU5 5XE

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