Spirit Pub Company (Holdco) Limited

**Report and Financial Statements** 

Period ended 17 August 2013

COMPANIES HOUSE



15/01/2014

#### DIRECTORS

P Gallagher

M Tye

R Godwin-Bratt

C Briscoe R Broadbridge

D Moore

A Morgan

C Welham

appointed 28 September 2012 appointed 28 September 2012 appointed 28 September 2012

resigned 1 February 2013

appointed 28 September 2012

appointed 28 September 2012

## **SECRETARY**

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

Registered No 7662211

The directors present their report and financial statements for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

#### **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The profit after taxation for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013 amounted to £12,151,000 (52 week period ended 18 August 2012 £9,379,000) During the period, the company paid interim dividends totalling £20,000,000 (2012 £4,600,000) and dividends of £8,200,000 in respect of the second interim dividend for the 52 week period ended 18 August 2012 (2012 £nil in respect of the 52 week period ended 20 August 2011) The directors do not propose the payment of a final dividend (2012 £nil)

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The principal activity of the company is that of an intermediate holding company

Spirit Pub Company manages its operations at a group level and the directors therefore believe that disclosure of key performance indicators for the company are not appropriate to understand the development, performance or position of the business. The performance of the Spirit Pub Company group is discussed in the Spirit Pub Company plc Annual Report and Financial Statements which are publicly available. The directors do not consider that there are any specific principal risks and uncertainties applicable to the company which need to be disclosed.

The directors of Spirit Pub Company (Holdco) Limited have concluded that the company has adequate resources to remain in operation for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the directors have continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

## **DIRECTORS**

The directors of the company who served during the period are listed on the previous page

A third party indemnity provision (as defined in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006) is in force for the benefit of the directors

#### POLITICAL AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

During the period, the company made no charitable contributions (2012 £nil) The company made no political contributions during the period (2012 £nil)

### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO THE AUDITOR

The directors confirm that, so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the auditor is unaware and that each director has taken all reasonable steps to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information

### **AUDITOR**

The company's auditor, KPMG Audit Plc, has instigated an orderly wind down of business. The company has approved the appointment of KPMG LLP as auditor with effect from 14 January 2014.

On behalf of the board

P Gallagher Director

9 December 2013

# 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)

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 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 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 AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SPIRIT PUB COMPANY (HOLDCO) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Spirit Pub Company (Holdco) Limited for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 15. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK Accounting Standards (UK 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 auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on the previous page, 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

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate

#### 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 17 August 2013 and of its profit for the 52 week period then ended.
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK 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

#### 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

**Greg Watts** 

Senior Statutory Auditor

for and on behalf of KPMG Audit Plc, Statutory Auditor

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9 December 2013

## **PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT**

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

		52 week period ended 17 August 2013	52 week period ended 18 August 2012
	Notes	0003	0002
Interest receivable	4	17,582	20,770
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		17,582	20,770
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(5,431)	(11,391)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	12	12,151	9,379

The profit and loss account relates to continuing activities

There are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above

Notes 1 to 15 form part of these financial statements

## **BALANCE SHEET**

as at 17 August 2013

	Notes	17 August 2013 £000	18 August 2012 £000
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	6	93,129	93,129
		93,129	93,129
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors (including £252,692,000 (2012 £268,508,000) due after more than	_		
one year)	7	311,822	317,416
Cash at bank and in hand	,	786	5,251
		312,608	322,667
CURRENT LIABILITIES	•	(47.004)	/40 00 A
CREDITORS amounts falling due in less than one year	8	(17,394)	(19,604)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		295,214	303,063
Due in less than one year		42,522	34,555
Due after more than one year		252,692	268,508
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		388,343	396,192
LONG TERM LIABILITIES			
CREDITORS amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(11,488)	(11,488)
NET ASSETS		376,855	384,704
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	10	61,000	61,000
Share premium	12	177,090	177,090
Profit and loss account	12	138,765	146,614
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	12	376,855	384,704
SHAREHOLDERG FUNDS	12	370,033	304,704

Notes 1 to 15 form part of these financial statements

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and signed on its behalf on 9 December 2013

P Gallagher Director

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

#### 1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation

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

In accordance with FRS 18 the directors have continued to review the accounting policies

There have been no changes to accounting policies during the year

### Group financial statements

The company is exempt, under s400 of the Companies Act 2006, from the obligation to prepare consolidated financial statements as the company is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of a parent company incorporated in the EU, which prepares consolidated financial statements. As such, these financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group

#### Cash flow statement

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 1 (revised) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the company is wholly owned and its ultimate parent company, Spirit Pub Company plc, publishes consolidated financial statements

#### Going concern

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

#### Fixed asset investments

Investments are stated at cost, less provision for impairment in value. The carrying value of investments is reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable

## Taxation

Current tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at 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.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

## 2 PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

Auditor's remuneration is paid by another company in the Spirit Pub Company group in the current and preceding periods

## 3 DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS AND STAFF COSTS

The directors received no emoluments from the company in respect of their services in the current or preceding periods

The company had no employees during the current or preceding periods

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 4 INTEREST RECEIVABLE

	52 week period ended 17 August 2013 £000	52 week period ended 18 August 2012 £000
Bank interest receivable	28	208
Interest receivable from group undertakings	17,554	20,562
	17,582	20,770

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 5 TAXATION

	52 week period ended 17 August 2013 £000	52 week period ended 18 August 2012 £000
The tax charge for the year comprises		
UK corporation tax		
- current year group relief receivable	4,771	5,236
- adjustments in respect of prior periods	660	6,155
	5,431	11,391
Total tax charge for the year	5,431	11,391

There is no provided or unprovided deferred tax

The current tax charge for the period is higher (52 week period ended 18 August 2012 higher) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23 6% (2012 25 2%). The differences are explained below

## Reconcilition of tax charge

	52 week period ended 17 August 2013 £000	52 week period ended 18 August 2012 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	17,582	20,770
Profit on ordinary activities at standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23 6% (2012 25 2%)	4,153	5,236
Effects of UK UK transfer pricing and world wide debt cap adjustment Adjustments in respect of prior periods	618 660	- 6,155
Total current tax charge	5,431	11,391

## Factors affecting current and future tax charge

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 26% to 24% (effective from 1 April 2012) and to 23% (effective 1 April 2013) were substantively enacted on 26 March 2012 and 3 July 2012 respectively. Further reductions to 21% (effective from 1 April 2014) and 20% (effective from 1 April 2015) were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge accordingly.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

### **6 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS**

Shares in subsidiary undertakings \$000

Cost and net book value

As at 17 August 2013

93,129

As at 18 August 2012

93,129

Details of the principal wholly owned subsidiary undertakings, in which the shareholdings are in ordinary shares, are as follows

## Subsidiary undertaking

### Principal activity

Investment company

Pub operating company

Pub operating company

### Held directly

Spirit Pub Company (SGE) Limited

Intermediate holding company

### Held indirectly

Spirit Pub Company (Investments) Limited Spirit Pub Company (Leased) Limited Spirit Pub Company (Managed) Limited Spirit Pub Company (Services) Limited

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Management and administration company
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Procurement company

Spirit Pub Company (Supply) Limited Spirit Pub Company (Trent) Limited Spirit Pubs Debenture Holdings Limited

Pub operating company Intermediate holding company

Spirit Managed Funding Limited Financing company

Details of the principal joint venture, in which the indirect shareholding is 51% of ordinary shares, is as follows

#### Joint venture

Allied Kunick Entertainments Limited

Property management company

Exemption has been taken to exclude subsidiary undertakings from the above disclosure, whose results or financial position do not principally affect the financial statements

The above companies are incorporated in England and Wales

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

### 7 DEBTORS

	2013	2012
Amounts falling due in less than one year:	0003	0003
Amounts due from group undertakings	59,129	48,904
Prepayments and accrued income	1	4
	59,130	48,908
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	2013	2012
Amounts falling due after more than one year.	0003	£000
Loans due from group undertakings	252,692	268,508
	252,692	268,508

Included within loans due from group undertakings is a loan from fellow group company, Spirit Pub Company (SGE) Limited, of £248,041,000 (2012 £252,090,000) which accrues interest at such rate of interest (if any) as may be agreed between the parties from time to time. The interest rate agreed for the period was 7% per annum (2012 7%). On 10 July 2013, £4,049,000 of the loan was repaid by Spirit Pub Company (SGE) Limited During the year repayments of accrued interest totalling £29,321,000 were received and at 17 August 2013 this balance includes £3,651,000 of unpaid accrued interest (2012 £15,418,000).

Also included within loans due from group undertakings is a non-interest bearing loan to fellow group company, Spirit Parent Limited, of £1,000,000 (2012 £1,000,000)

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	Amounts owed to group undertakings	17,394 17,394	19,604 19,604
İ	CREDITORS amounts falling due after more than one year	2013 £000	2012 £000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	11,488	11,488

Amounts owed to group undertakings are non interest bearing funding balances

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

## 10 SHARE CAPITAL

	2013	2013	2012	2012
	No	£000	No	£000
Allotted, called up and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £1 each	61,000,006	61,000	61,000,006	61,000

## 11 DIVIDENDS

	52 week period ended 17 August	52 week period ended 18 August
	2013 £000	2012 £000
Interim dividends paid  Dividend paid in respect of second interim dividends resolved to be paid in the prior	20,000	4,600
period	8,200	

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the 52 week period ended 17 August 2013

## 12 RECONCILIATION OF SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS AND MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES

	Share Capital £000	Share Premium £000	Profit & Loss Account £000	Total Shareholders' Funds £000
At 20 August 2011	61,000	327,090	35	388,125
Profit for the period	-	-	9,379	9,379
Transfer from share premium to profit and loss account	-	(150,000)	150,000	-
Dividends paid	-	-	(4,600)	(4,600)
Dividends resolved to be paid	-	•	(8,200)	(8,200)
At 18 August 2012	61,000	177,090	146,614	384,704
Profit for the period	-	-	12,151	12,151
Dividends paid	-	-	(20,000)	(20,000)
At 17 August 2013	61,000	177,090	138,765	376,855

On 9 March 2012, the Company undertook a capital reduction, which resulted in share premium being reduced by £150,000,000 and the profit and loss account being increased by £150,000,000

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 13 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in paragraph 3(c) of FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties that are wholly owned subsidiaries of the Spirit Pub Company plc group. There were no other related party transactions during the period

#### 14 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

The directors do not propose the payment of a final dividend (2012 Enil)

### 15 ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Spirit Pub Company plc, a company registered in England & Wales

The company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Spirit Pub Company plc, a company registered in England & Wales

The parent undertaking of the only group of undertakings for which group financial statements are drawn up and of which the company is a member is Spirit Pub Company plc

Copies of the financial statements of Spirit Pub Company plc are available from Sunrise House, Ninth Avenue, Burton upon Trent, DE14 3JZ