

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017



THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

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Mrs A M Thatcher
Mr M Thatcher
Mr R Davis

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THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

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THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

The directors present their strategic report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2017.

BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Whilst the underlying apple cider industry was in decline the growth of the Thatchers' range of ciders again outperformed the market and effectively gained further overall market share. The directors believe the group is well positioned to continue to grow the company on all measures.

The group continues with its established programme of investment in plant and machinery in line with its strategic plan. During the year a further £9,000,000 was invested in the production facility. The strategic direction of the group is continuously assessed by the directors to ensure that the group remains aligned with ever changing market and consumer expectations. The group prides itself on being able to develop new, innovative products whilst maintaining the Thatchers' reputation for quality premium ciders.

The directors believe the group has established a strong market position and intend to continue to re-enforce the group's standing across all routes to market.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Economic risks remain a factor as the world economy continues to recover. Issues such as customer spending which remains restricted and the potential movement on interest rates are factors which the directors continue to monitor closely.

FINANCIAL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Turnover for the year has increased by 17.7% (£13m) and this turnover equates to £394,000 per headcount.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The group and its directors continue to actively participate in the furtherance of the cider industry whilst running their own core research and development project.

This report was approved by the board on



Mr M Thatcher
Director

31/8/18

and signed on its behalf.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2017.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activities of the group are those of manufacture and sale of cider, and the processing of fruit. The principal activity of the company was that of a holding company.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £1,775,186 (2016: £929,215).

During the year dividends of £576,200 (2016: £401,000) were recommended and paid.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year were:

Mr J Thatcher
Mrs A M Thatcher
Mr M Thatcher
Mr R Davis

DONATIONS

During the year, the company has made charitable donations of £500,000 (2016: £5,000) to the Thatchers Foundation, which aims to support the local community.

MATTERS COVERED IN THE STRATEGIC REPORT

The group has included mandatory directors' report disclosures within the strategic report as they are considered by the directors to be of strategic importance; as permitted by the Companies Act 2006 (Strategic Report and Directors' Report) Regulations 2013.

DISCLOSURE 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 the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company and the Group's auditors are unaware, and
- the director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company and the Group's auditors are aware of that information.

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Group since the year end.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

**DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

AUDITORS

The auditors, Bishop Fleming LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf.



Mr M Thatcher
Director

Date: 31/8/18

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THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

The directors are responsible for preparing the Group strategic report, the Directors' report and the consolidated 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 applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. 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 the Group and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the Group's financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments 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;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group 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 the Group and to 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 the Group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Thatchers (Myrtle Farm) Limited for the year ended 31 August 2017, set out on pages 8 to 34. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (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.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 August 2017 and of the Group's 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.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

CONCLUSIONS RELATING TO GOING CONCERN

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Group's or the parent company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

OTHER INFORMATION

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Auditors' report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED (CONTINUED)

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

OPINION ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Group strategic report and the Directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Group strategic report and the Directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group and the parent company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Group strategic report and the Directors' report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company 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.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS

As explained more fully in the Directors' responsibilities statement on page 4, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's and the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED (CONTINUED)

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. The description forms part of our Auditors' report.



Andrew Sandiford BCom FCA (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of

Bishop Fleming LLP

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditors

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Date:

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THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Turnover	4	86,280,348	73,252,850
Cost of sales		(46,181,011)	(39,618,356)
GROSS PROFIT		40,099,337	33,634,494
Distribution costs		(6,563,018)	(6,385,972)
Administrative expenses		(29,867,397)	(24,841,309)
Other operating income	5	1,112	3,171
OPERATING PROFIT	6	3,670,034	2,410,384
Interest receivable and similar income	10	274	1,267
Interest payable and expenses	11	(102,006)	(171,245)
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		3,568,302	2,240,406
Tax on profit	12	(1,793,116)	(1,311,191)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		1,775,186	929,215

There was no other comprehensive income for 2017 (2016 :£NIL).

The notes on pages 15 to 34 form part of these financial statements.


All amounts relate to continuing operations.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED
REGISTERED NUMBER:08473484

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Intangible assets	14	2,760,239	7,075,845
Tangible assets	15	35,438,042	29,377,689
		<u>38,198,281</u>	<u>36,453,534</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	18	3,718,170	3,565,126
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	19	20,176,422	16,823,789
Cash at bank and in hand	20	5,910,079	1,955,827
		<u>29,804,671</u>	<u>22,344,742</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21	(25,712,133)	(20,406,289)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>4,092,538</u>	<u>1,938,453</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>42,290,819</u>	<u>38,391,987</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	22	(5,238,961)	(2,644,613)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			
Deferred taxation	26	(612,117)	(506,619)
NET ASSETS		<u>36,439,741</u>	<u>35,240,755</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	27	9,816,001	9,816,001
Share premium account	28	25,184,000	25,184,000
Profit and loss account	28	1,439,740	240,754
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT COMPANY		<u>36,439,741</u>	<u>35,240,755</u>
		<u>36,439,741</u>	<u>35,240,755</u>

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

31/8/18


Mr M Thatcher
Director


The notes on pages 15 to 34 form part of these financial statements.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED
REGISTERED NUMBER:08473484

COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments	16	35,100,001	35,100,001
		<u>35,100,001</u>	<u>35,100,001</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	19	11,424,000	9,424,120
Cash at bank and in hand	20	563	302
		<u>11,424,563</u>	<u>9,424,422</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21	(992,273)	(415,893)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>10,432,290</u>	<u>9,008,529</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>45,532,291</u>	<u>44,108,530</u>
NET ASSETS		<u><u>45,532,291</u></u>	<u><u>44,108,530</u></u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	27	9,816,001	9,816,001
Share premium account	28	25,184,000	25,184,000
Profit and loss account	28	10,532,290	9,108,529
		<u>45,532,291</u>	<u>44,108,530</u>

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



Mr M Thatcher
 Director

Date: 21/8/18

The notes on pages 15 to 34 form part of these financial statements.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

	Called up share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£	£	£	£
At 1 September 2016	9,816,001	25,184,000	240,754	35,240,755
Profit for the year	-	-	1,775,186	1,775,186
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(576,200)	(576,200)
AT 31 AUGUST 2017	9,816,001	25,184,000	1,439,740	36,439,741

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2016**

	Called up share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss account	Total equity
	£	£	£	£
At 1 September 2015	9,816,001	25,184,000	(287,461)	34,712,540
Profit for the year	-	-	929,215	929,215
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(401,000)	(401,000)
AT 31 AUGUST 2016	9,816,001	25,184,000	240,754	35,240,755

The notes on pages 15 to 34 form part of these financial statements.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

	Called up share capital £	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £	Total equity £
At 1 September 2016	9,816,001	25,184,000	9,108,529	44,108,530
Profit for the year	-	-	1,999,961	1,999,961
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(576,200)	(576,200)
AT 31 AUGUST 2017	9,816,001	25,184,000	10,532,290	45,532,291

**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2016**

	Called up share capital £	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £	Total equity £
At 1 September 2015	9,816,001	25,184,000	6,010,169	41,010,170
Profit for the year	-	-	3,499,360	3,499,360
Dividends: Equity capital	-	-	(401,000)	(401,000)
AT 31 AUGUST 2016	9,816,001	25,184,000	9,108,529	44,108,530

The notes on pages 15 to 34 form part of these financial statements.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

	2017 £	2016 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit for the financial year	1,775,186	929,215
ADJUSTMENTS FOR:		
Amortisation of intangible assets	4,315,606	4,315,551
Depreciation of tangible assets	4,032,996	3,841,983
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	84,010	95,142
Interest paid	102,006	171,245
Interest received	(274)	(1,267)
Tax charge	1,793,116	1,311,191
(Increase) in stocks	(153,044)	(7,382)
(Increase) in debtors	(3,352,634)	(1,835,452)
Increase in creditors	3,654,522	3,172,500
Corporation tax paid	(1,432,077)	(1,154,522)
NET CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	10,819,413	10,838,204
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(5,666,498)	(9,629,128)
Sale of tangible fixed assets	106,498	30,215
Interest received	274	1,267
HP interest paid	(23,882)	(37,807)
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(5,583,608)	(9,635,453)

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

	2017 £	2016 £
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayment of loans	(477,914)	(232,516)
Other new loans	-	(20,000)
Repayment of other loans	(280,000)	-
Repayment of/new finance leases	(849,393)	(347,095)
Dividends paid	(576,200)	(401,000)
Interest paid	(78,124)	(133,438)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(2,261,631)	(1,134,049)
INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	2,974,174	68,702
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,835,867	1,767,166
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF YEAR	4,810,041	1,835,868
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF YEAR COMPRISE:		
Cash at bank and in hand	5,910,079	1,955,827
Bank overdrafts	(1,100,038)	(119,959)
	4,810,041	1,835,868

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Thatchers (Myrtle Farm) Limited is a company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office of Myrtle Farm, Station Road, Sandford, Winscome, Somerset, BS25 5RA.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

The consolidated financial statements present the results of the company and its own subsidiaries ("the Group") as if they form a single entity. Intercompany transactions and balances between group companies are therefore eliminated in full.

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the results of business combinations using the purchase method. In the Statement of financial position, the acquiree's identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities are initially recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date. The results of acquired operations are included in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income from the date on which control is obtained. They are deconsolidated from the date control ceases.

In accordance with the transitional exemption available in FRS 102, the group has chosen not to retrospectively apply the standard to business combinations that occurred before the date of transition to FRS 102, being 01 September 2014.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 TURNOVER

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes. The following criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- the Group has transferred the significant risks and rewards of ownership to the buyer;
- the Group retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the Group will receive the consideration due under the transaction; and
- the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Rendering of services

Revenue from a contract to provide services is recognised in the period in which the services are provided in accordance with the stage of completion of the contract when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the Group will receive the consideration due under the contract;
- the stage of completion of the contract at the end of the reporting period can be measured reliably; and
- the costs incurred and the costs to complete the contract can be measured reliably.

2.4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

At each reporting date the company assesses whether there is any indication of impairment. If such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (CONTINUED)

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the methods described below.

The estimated useful lives range as follows:

Freehold property	- 5% straight line
Plant and machinery	- 20% reducing balance
Motor vehicles	- 25% reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	- 25% straight line
Kegs & casks (included within plant and machinery)	- 3 years straight line, with a full year of depreciation in the year of purchase.

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

2.5 VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated impairment.

Investments in unlisted Group shares, whose market value can be reliably determined, are remeasured to market value at each balance sheet date. Gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the period. Where market value cannot be reliably determined, such investments are stated at historic cost less impairment.

2.6 STOCKS

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, being the estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost is based on the cost of purchase on a first in, first out basis. Work in progress and finished goods include labour and attributable overheads.

At each reporting date, stocks are assessed for impairment. If stock is impaired, the carrying amount is reduced to its selling price less costs to complete and sell. The impairment loss is recognised immediately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.7 DEBTORS

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

2.8 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

In the Consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.9 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group only enters into basic financial instruments transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors, loans from banks and other third parties, loans to related parties and investments in non-puttable ordinary shares.

Debt instruments (other than those wholly repayable or receivable within one year), including loans and other accounts receivable and payable, are initially measured at present value of the future cash flows and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Debt instruments that are payable or receivable within one year, typically trade debtors and creditors, are measured, initially and subsequently, at the undiscounted amount of the cash or other consideration expected to be paid or received. However, if the arrangements of a short-term instrument constitute a financing transaction, like the payment of a trade debt deferred beyond normal business terms or financed at a rate of interest that is not a market rate or in case of an out-right short-term loan not at market rate, the financial asset or liability is measured, initially, at the present value of the future cash flow discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument and subsequently at amortised cost.

Investments in non-convertible preference shares and in non-puttable ordinary and preference shares are measured:

- at fair value with changes recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income if the shares are publicly traded or their fair value can otherwise be measured reliably;
- at cost less impairment for all other investments.

Financial assets that are measured at cost and amortised cost are assessed at the end of each reporting period for objective evidence of impairment. If objective evidence of impairment is found, an impairment loss is recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. If a financial asset has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate determined under the contract.

For financial assets measured at cost less impairment, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and best estimate of the recoverable amount, which is an approximation of the amount that the Group would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Statement of financial position when there is an enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Derivatives, including interest rate swaps and forward foreign exchange contracts, are not basic financial instruments. Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. Changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognised in profit or loss in finance costs or income as appropriate. The company does not currently apply hedge accounting for interest rate and foreign exchange derivatives.

2.10 CREDITORS

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.11 GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Grants are accounted under the accruals model as permitted by FRS 102. Grants relating to expenditure on tangible fixed assets are credited to the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income at the same rate as the depreciation on the assets to which the grant relates. The deferred element of grants is included in creditors as deferred income.

Grants of a revenue nature are recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the same period as the related expenditure.

2.12 FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Functional and presentation currency

The company's functional and presentational currency is GBP.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income except when deferred in other comprehensive income as qualifying cash flow hedges.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income within 'finance income or costs'. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income within 'other operating income'.

2.13 FINANCE COSTS

Finance costs are charged to the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income over the term of the debt using the effective interest method so that the amount charged is at a constant rate on the carrying amount. Issue costs are initially recognised as a reduction in the proceeds of the associated capital instrument.

2.14 DIVIDENDS

Equity dividends are recognised when they become legally payable. Interim equity dividends are recognised when paid. Final equity dividends are recognised when approved by the shareholders at an annual general meeting. Dividends on shares recognised as liabilities are recognised as expenses and classified within interest payable.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.15 PENSIONS

The group operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the group pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the group has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in other creditors in the Statement of financial position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the group in independently administered funds.

2.16 LEASED ASSETS: THE GROUP AS LESSEE

Assets obtained under hire purchase contract and finance leases are capitalised as tangible fixed assets. Assets acquired by finance lease are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Assets acquired by hire purchase are depreciated over their useful lives. Finance leases are those where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership are assumed by the company. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

2.17 OPERATING LEASES: THE GROUP AS LESSEE

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

2.18 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

GOODWILL

Goodwill represents the difference between amounts paid on the cost of a business combination and the acquirer's interest in the fair value of the Group's share of its identifiable assets and liabilities of the acquiree at the date of acquisition. Subsequent to initial recognition, Goodwill is measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is amortised on a straight line basis to the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income over its useful economic life.

OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

All intangible assets are considered to have a finite useful life. If a reliable estimate of the useful life cannot be made, the useful life shall not exceed 5 years.

The estimated useful lives range as follows:

Goodwill	-	5	years
Trademarks	-	10	years

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.19 CURRENT AND DEFERRED TAXATION

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income, except that a charge attributable to an item of income and expense recognised as other comprehensive income or to an item recognised directly in equity is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

The current income tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date in the countries where the company and the Group operate and generate income.

Deferred tax balances are recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the Statement of financial position date, except that:

- The recognition of deferred tax assets is limited to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits;
- Any deferred tax balances are reversed if and when all conditions for retaining associated tax allowances have been met; and
- Where they relate to timing differences in respect of interests in subsidiaries, associates, branches and joint ventures and the Group can control the reversal of the timing differences and such reversal is not considered probable in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax balances are not recognised in respect of permanent differences except in respect of business combinations, when deferred tax is recognised on the differences between the fair values of assets acquired and the future tax deductions available for them and the differences between the fair values of liabilities acquired and the amount that will be assessed for tax. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

**3. JUDGMENTS IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION
UNCERTAINTY**

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the balance sheet date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year. However, the nature of estimation means that actual outcomes could differ from those estimates.

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The following judgments (apart from those involving estimates) have had the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

Lease commitments

The Company has entered into commercial leases as a lessee for the use of property, plant and equipment. The classification of such leases as operating or finance lease requires the Company to determine, based on an evaluation of the terms and conditions of the arrangements, whether it retains or acquires the significant risks and rewards of ownership of these assets and accordingly whether the lease requires an asset and liability to be recognised in the Statement of Financial Position.

There are no critical accounting estimates adopted by management applicable to the Company.

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4. TURNOVER

An analysis of turnover by class of business is as follows:

	2017 £	2016 £
Cider sales	83,101,809	70,371,337
Fruit processing	1,712,017	1,399,472
Property rental and sundry	110,024	20,576
Public house	1,356,498	1,461,465
	<u>86,280,348</u>	<u>73,252,850</u>

5. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

	2017 £	2016 £
Other operating income	1,112	3,171
	<u>1,112</u>	<u>3,171</u>

6. OPERATING PROFIT

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	2017 £	2016 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	4,032,996	3,841,983
Amortisation of intangible assets, including goodwill	4,315,606	4,315,551
Exchange difference	433,810	60,979
Defined contribution pension cost	194,293	180,378
	<u>9,976,705</u>	<u>9,400,901</u>

7. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

	2017 £	2016 £
Fees payable to the Group's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Group's annual financial statements	30,810	27,055
Fees payable to the group's auditor in respect of tax compliance and related services	4,195	12,415
	<u>35,005</u>	<u>39,470</u>

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8. EMPLOYEES

Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows:

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
Wages and salaries	6,597,450	6,010,376	-	-
Social security costs	694,247	614,243	-	-
Cost of defined contribution scheme	194,293	180,378	-	-
	<u>7,485,990</u>	<u>6,804,997</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the year was as follows:

	2017 No.	2016 No.
Production	60	52
Distribution	76	64
Office and administration	26	26
Orchard	7	8
Public House	50	45
	<u>219</u>	<u>195</u>

9. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

	2017 £	2016 £
Directors' emoluments	285,437	237,065
Contributions to defined contribution pension schemes	24,000	24,000
	<u>309,437</u>	<u>261,065</u>

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 1 director (2016: 1) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes.

The highest paid director received remuneration of £186,000 (2016: £194,334)

The value of the company's contributions paid to a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the highest paid director amounted to £24,000 (2016: £24,000).

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10. INTEREST RECEIVABLE

	2017 £	2016 £
Other interest receivable	274	1,267
	<u>274</u>	<u>1,267</u>

11. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	2017 £	2016 £
Bank interest payable	69,632	112,494
Other loan interest payable	8,492	6,792
Finance leases and hire purchase contracts	23,882	37,807
Other interest payable	-	14,152
	<u>102,006</u>	<u>171,245</u>

12. TAXATION

	2017 £	2016 £
CORPORATION TAX		
Current tax on profits for the year	1,703,505	1,300,057
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(15,887)	-
TOTAL CURRENT TAX	<u>1,687,618</u>	<u>1,300,057</u>
DEFERRED TAX		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	72,588	117,541
Adjustments in respect of prior periods	64,647	(55,289)
Effect of tax rate change on opening balance	(31,737)	(51,118)
TOTAL DEFERRED TAX	<u>105,498</u>	<u>11,134</u>
TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	<u>1,793,116</u>	<u>1,311,191</u>

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12. TAXATION (CONTINUED)

FACTORS AFFECTING TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2016: higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.58% (2016: 20%). The differences are explained below:

	2017 £	2016 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	<u>3,568,302</u>	<u>2,240,406</u>
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.58% (2016: 20%)	700,355	448,081
EFFECTS OF:		
Fixed asset differences	147,723	114,595
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	889,971	881,327
Non-taxable income	(218)	(222)
Other tax adjustments, reliefs and transfers	49,429	(2,125)
Tax credits	(44)	-
Adjustment in respect of prior periods	(15,869)	(10,997)
Adjustments in respect of prior periods - deferred tax	64,647	(55,289)
Adjust closing deferred tax to average rate	(93,049)	(64,179)
Adjust opening deferred tax to average rate	50,171	-
TOTAL TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR	<u>1,793,116</u>	<u>1,311,191</u>

FACTORS THAT MAY AFFECT FUTURE TAX CHARGES

Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 20% to 19% (effective from 1 April 2017) and 18% (effective from 1 April 2020) were substantively enacted on 26 October 2015. An additional reduction to 17% (effective from 1 April 2020) was substantively enacted in the Finance Act 2016.

Deferred tax at 31 August 2017 has been assessed based on these rates.

13. PARENT COMPANY PROFIT FOR THE YEAR

The company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own Statement of comprehensive income in these financial statements. The profit after tax of the parent company for the year was £1,999,961 (2016: £3,499,360).

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	Trademarks £	Goodwill £	Total £
COST			
At 1 September 2016	354,646	21,405,817	21,760,463
At 31 August 2017	354,646	21,405,817	21,760,463
AMORTISATION			
At 1 September 2016	57,312	14,627,306	14,684,618
Charge for the year	34,443	4,281,163	4,315,606
At 31 August 2017	91,755	18,908,469	19,000,224
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 August 2017	262,891	2,497,348	2,760,239
At 31 August 2016	297,334	6,778,511	7,075,845

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15. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group

	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
COST					
At 1 September 2016	15,728,641	29,534,754	1,077,190	696,024	47,036,609
Additions	1,504,313	8,167,732	506,480	105,332	10,283,857
Disposals	-	(482,499)	(152,767)	(11,930)	(647,196)
At 31 August 2017	17,232,954	37,219,987	1,430,903	789,426	56,673,270
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 September 2016	2,421,350	14,490,712	427,394	319,464	17,658,920
Charge for the year on owned assets	668,152	2,457,214	214,030	231,864	3,571,260
Charge for the year on financed assets	-	461,736	-	-	461,736
Disposals	-	(356,714)	(95,236)	(4,738)	(456,688)
At 31 August 2017	3,089,502	17,052,948	546,188	546,590	21,235,228
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 August 2017	14,143,452	20,167,039	884,715	242,836	35,438,042
At 31 August 2016	13,307,291	15,044,042	649,796	376,560	29,377,689

The net book value of assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts, included above, are as follows:

	2017 £	2016 £
Plant and machinery	4,155,623	952,065
	<u>4,155,623</u>	<u>952,065</u>

Freehold land and buildings includes £3,020,064 (2016: £2,482,571) of land that is not depreciated. Freehold property also includes assets under the course of construction amounting to £1,431,570 (2016: £502,062) on which depreciation has not been charged.

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	Investments in subsidiary companies £
COST AND VALUATION	
At 1 September 2016	35,100,001
At 31 August 2017	35,100,001
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 August 2017	35,100,001
At 31 August 2016	35,100,001

17. SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the company:

Name	Class of shares	Holding	Principal activity
Thatchers Holdings Limited	Ordinary	100 %	Holding company
John Thatcher Farming Limited	Ordinary	100 %	Management and farming of apple orchards
Thatchers Railway Inn Limited	Ordinary	100 %	Operation of a public house
Thatchers Cider Company Limited*	Ordinary	100 %	Manufacture and sale of cider

*Held indirectly through Thatchers Holdings Limited.

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18. STOCKS

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
Cider, concentrate, juices and ingredients	3,226,005	3,008,948	-	-
Containers and packaging	297,434	387,624	-	-
Equipment	194,731	168,554	-	-
	<u>3,718,170</u>	<u>3,565,126</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The difference between purchase price or production cost of stocks and their replacement cost is not material.

Stock recognised in cost of sales during the year as an expense was £19,550,940 (2016: £17,677,855).

An impairment loss of £1,862 (2016: £55,551) was recognised in cost of sales against stock during the year due to slow-moving and obsolete stock.

19. DEBTORS

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
Trade debtors	19,210,887	16,179,489	-	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	11,424,000	9,424,000
Other debtors	28,346	68,533	-	120
Prepayments and accrued income	937,189	575,767	-	-
	<u>20,176,422</u>	<u>16,823,789</u>	<u>11,424,000</u>	<u>9,424,120</u>

Included within trade debtors is a provision for doubtful debts of £65,875 (2016: £54,227) and a provision for credit notes of £413,313 (2016: £553,530).

20. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
Cash at bank and in hand	5,910,079	1,955,827	563	302
Less: bank overdrafts	(1,100,038)	(119,960)	-	-
	<u>4,810,041</u>	<u>1,835,867</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>302</u>

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21. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
Bank overdrafts	1,100,038	119,960	-	-
Bank loans	175,666	235,618	-	-
Other loans	100,000	180,000	-	-
Trade creditors	9,520,958	6,525,420	-	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	-	-	992,273	415,893
Corporation tax	849,202	593,661	-	-
Taxation and social security	2,351,113	2,994,700	-	-
Obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	905,899	350,243	-	-
Other creditors	2,708,513	2,653,882	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	8,000,744	6,752,805	-	-
	<u>25,712,133</u>	<u>20,406,289</u>	<u>992,273</u>	<u>415,893</u>

The bank loans are secured on the freehold property or assets to which they relate. Repayment terms remaining of loans vary between 7 and 9 years. Loans are subject to interest rates between 1.16% and 1.9% variable over the Bank of England base rate.

Other loans represent unsecured loan notes, on which interest of 2% per annum is charged.

Amounts due on hire purchase contracts are secured upon the assets to which they relate.

22. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
Bank loans	1,479,667	1,897,629	-	-
Other loans	200,000	400,000	-	-
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	3,559,294	346,984	-	-
	<u>5,238,961</u>	<u>2,644,613</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The bank loans are secured on freehold property to which it relates and is repayable between 7 and 9 years. They are subject to interest rates between 1.16% and 1.9% fixed variable over the Bank of England base rate.

Other loans represent unsecured loan notes, on which interest of 2% per annum is charged.

Amounts due on hire purchase contracts are secured upon the assets to which they relate.

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23. LOANS

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR				
Bank loans	175,666	235,618	-	-
Other loans	100,000	180,000	-	-
	275,666	415,618	-	-
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE 2-5 YEARS				
Bank loans	702,667	851,213	-	-
Other loans	200,000	400,000	-	-
	902,667	1,251,213	-	-
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN 5 YEARS				
Bank loans	777,000	1,046,417	-	-
	777,000	1,046,417	-	-
	1,955,333	2,713,248	-	-

24. HIRE PURCHASE AND FINANCE LEASES

Minimum lease payments under hire purchase fall due as follows:

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £
Within one year	946,836	337,188
Between 1-2 years	946,836	249,916
Between 2-5 years	2,682,701	138,182
Less: interest	(111,180)	(52,124)
	4,465,193	673,162

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25. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £	Company 2017 £	Company 2016 £
FINANCIAL ASSETS				
Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	25,121,133	18,203,845	44,524,564	44,524,302
	<u>25,121,133</u>	<u>18,203,845</u>	<u>44,524,564</u>	<u>44,524,302</u>
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES				
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	(25,003,023)	(18,540,784)	(992,273)	(415,893)
	<u>(25,003,023)</u>	<u>(18,540,784)</u>	<u>(992,273)</u>	<u>(415,893)</u>

Financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise investments in subsidiary companies, trade debtors, amounts owed to group companies, other debtors and cash at bank and in hand.

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost comprise bank overdrafts, bank loans, other loans, trade creditors, obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts, amounts owed to group companies and accruals.

26. DEFERRED TAXATION

Group

	2017 £	2016 £
At beginning of year	(506,619)	(495,485)
Charged to profit or loss	(105,498)	(11,134)
AT END OF YEAR	<u>(612,117)</u>	<u>(506,619)</u>
	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £
Accelerated capital allowances	(509,449)	(526,568)
Short term timing differences	(102,668)	19,949
	<u>(612,117)</u>	<u>(506,619)</u>

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	2017 £	2016 £
SHARES CLASSIFIED AS EQUITY		
ALLOTTED, CALLED UP AND FULLY PAID		
9,816,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	9,816,000	9,816,000
1 Deferred share of £1	1	1
	<u>9,816,001</u>	<u>9,816,001</u>

28. RESERVES**Share premium account**

Includes amounts received in excess of the nominal value of shares issued.

Profit and loss account

Includes all current and prior period retained profits and losses. All are available for distribution.

29. DIVIDENDS

	2017 £	2016 £
Dividends paid on equity capital	576,200	401,000
	<u>576,200</u>	<u>401,000</u>

30. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

An unlimited multilateral guarantee dated 4 September 2008 has been granted by Thatchers Cider Company Limited and Thatchers Holdings Limited.

31. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2017 the Group and company had capital commitments as follows:

	Group 2017 £	Group 2016 £
Contracted for but not provided in these financial statements	1,769,302	2,545,134
	<u>1,769,302</u>	<u>2,545,134</u>

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32. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The group operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Group to the fund and amounted to £194,293 (2016: £180,378). Contributions totalling £35,778 (2016: £31,481) were payable to the fund at the reporting date.

33. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 August 2017 the Group and the company had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group 2017 £
Not later than 1 year	900,000
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	925,000
	<hr/> <hr/> 1,825,000

34. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the group was charged rent of £54,755 (2016: £55,255) by its directors. At the year end, these directors were owed £Nil (2016: £13,564).

At the year end, loans to the group from directors of £Nil (2016: £169,943) were outstanding. Interest of £8,492 (2016: £6,526) was charged on these loans during the year.

During the year, the group paid consultancy fees of £62,067 (2016: £29,250) to its directors.

During the year the group made sales of £1,174 (2016: £687) to its directors. At the year end these directors owed the group £40 (2016: £78).

During the year the company made sales of £177,627 (2016: £105,280) to, and purchases of £35,014 (2016: £39,457) from, other related parties. At the year end these related parties owed the group £42,265 (2016: £30,089).

The company is the parent company of Thatchers Holdings Limited, Thatchers Cider Company Limited, John Thatcher Farming Limited and Thatchers Railway Inn Limited and as such has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS 102 from disclosing transactions and balances with them.

35. CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate controlling party of the company is its directors who jointly own 100% of the share capital.