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THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020





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GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The directors present their strategic report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2020.

BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Thatchers' range of ciders again outperformed the market and effectively gained further overall market share. The directors believe the company is well positioned to continue to grow the company on all measures.

The company continues with its established programme of investment in plant and machinery in line with its strategic plan. During the year a further £11m (2019: £18m) was invested in the production facility. The strategic direction of the company is continuously assessed by the directors to ensure that the company remains aligned with ever changing market and consumer expectations. The company prides itself on being able to develop new, innovative products whilst maintaining the Thatchers' reputation for quality premium ciders.

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

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The consequences of Brexit still remain relatively unknown however the directors believe that the procurement of predominantly British suppliers will help to mitigate any risks associated with the final agreement.

The environment and sustainability are at the forefront of the company's agenda. The directors continue to review and develop programmes to reduce energy consumption and the need for plastics and packing materials throughout the production process and supply chain.

FINANCIAL KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Turnover for the year has increased by 22% (£23m) and this turnover equates to £478,000 per headcount whilst growing and developing its employee base.

Operating profit percentage remains strong at 11% of turnover as a result of the additional volume of cider sold in the year.

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.

GROUP STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH DUTY TO PROMOTE THE SUCCESS OF THE GROUP

Thatchers Myrtle Farm Limited is a privately owned fourth-generation cider company established in 1904. It is the intension to develop and evolve the company into a fifth-generation business over the coming years.

During the year Covid-19 provided a significant challenge. However, the production facility remained open throughout. The flexibility of the workforce and production lines meant that the ever-changing demands of the customer base were able to be met. The dividend recommended and paid during the year was reduced to reflect the lower overall profitability of the company.

The Board receives regular updates and reports from all departments within the business. The reports focus on the key elements from within those departments. The Board regularly liaises with management, at all levels, to ensure it understands fully any issues and requirements in order that they can be addressed in a timely manner.

In order to maintain the well-being of its employees, customers and suppliers during the pandemic there was additional investment in IT to enable increased home working whilst still maintaining the service levels required. This investment significantly reduced the level of personal contact as well as adhering to the rules, both implemented and enforced, by all stakeholders on a regional and national basis.

Those employees who were retained under the Job Retention Scheme were offered the opportunity to undertake additional training and develop their core skills.

This report was approved by the board on

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and signed on its behalf.

Mr M Thatcher
Director

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2020.

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 £7,488,073 (2019: £9,581,050).

During the year dividends of £296,000 (2019: £488,000) 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

ENGAGEMENT WITH EMPLOYEES

Health & Safety remains a priority within Thatchers. Employees undertake a tailored training programme to ensure each employee understands the risks posed and the responses required within their respective departments.

Covid-19 placed additional focus on the well-being of Thatchers' employees. Employees were able to work from home where possible and at short notice. Those with medical conditions were also able to stay at home.

Leadership and Development is pivotal to the ongoing growth and success at Thatchers. Interactive training programmes were developed and delivered for employees who were working from home during the pandemic.

Thatchers remain committed to the Apprenticeship programme it started three years ago. A further thirteen apprentices were recruited across all departments during the year.

ENGAGEMENT WITH SUPPLIERS, CUSTOMERS AND OTHERS

The development of long-term relationships is critical to the success of Thatchers. Such relationships have enabled Thatchers to continue to focus on its targets, both short-term and long-term, whilst still maintaining the high levels of quality across the entire product range.

Suppliers are reviewed on a regular basis although site visits have been significantly reduced since March. However, direct communication has still been achieved through improved technology. Audits still form a significant part of the evaluation process and will be reintroduced when possible. Thatchers continues to recruit predominantly British suppliers and interacts with all elements of its supply chain to maximise efficiencies and performance.

Thatchers are committed to working with their customers to deliver the highest quality product range through its investment in its production facilities. The hosting of customers was stopped in March but the Sales team in 2020 has renewed its focus and mitigated the impact. The Account Management teams continue to liaise with their customers on a regular basis to ensure demands are being met and service levels maintained. Trade shows were also stopped during the pandemic and will be reintroduced when possible.

During the pandemic Thatchers has sought to recognise key workers by delivering its new alcohol-free cider into local hospitals. It also continues to support its local clubs and associations even though they are not currently operating as normal. It remains a proactive member of the National Association of Cidermakers and joined the Portman Group during the year.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ACTION

The Group's greenhouse gas emissions and energy consumption for the year was 27,948,999 kWh. It is estimated that Company produced 4,061 tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO2) in the year.

These amounts have been calculated using the GHG Reporting Protocol – Corporate Standard and using the guidance set out in Environmental Reporting Guidelines: Including streamlined energy and carbon reporting guidance – HM Government (March 2019). As this is the first year of reporting there are no prior year comparisons.

The Group continues to focus on its energy consumption and its environmental responsibilities. Purchases of green electricity (backed by Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin) accounted for 93% of all electricity purchased during the year, therefore reducing net carbon emissions by 28%.

During the year solar panels were installed in order to generate some of the Group's own electricity and the biomass system was expanded to additional site locations. Aged plant was replaced with more efficient machinery improving site control. Automated energy efficiency metrics were also implemented.

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 Director's 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.

AUDITORS

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

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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

Mr M Thatcher

Director

Date: 214 (21

Myrtle Farm Station Road Sandford Winscombe Somerset BS25 5RA

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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 judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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.

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

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Thatchers (Myrtle Farm) Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'Group') for the year ended 31 August 2020, which comprise the Group Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Group and company Statements of Financial Position, the Group Statement of Cash Flows, the Group and company Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. 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).

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 2020 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 other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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.

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

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 or 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 6, 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.

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. This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

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

USE OF OUR REPORT

This report is made solely to the company's shareholders 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 shareholders 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 shareholders for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Andrew Sandiford BCom FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of Bishop Fleming LLP Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors 10 Temple Back

Bristol BS1 6FL Date:

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

· ·	·	2020	2019
	Note	£	£
Turnover	4	129,977,555	106,638,411
Cost of sales		(79,413,556)	(58,963,700)
GROSS PROFIT		50,563,999	47,674,711
Distribution costs		(10,050,517)	(10,196,173)
Administrative expenses		(31,000,428)	(25,557,872)
Other operating income	5	1,112	1,112
OPERATING PROFIT	6	9,514,166	11,921,778
Interest receivable and similar income	10	4,293	23,309
Interest payable and expenses	11	(91,967)	(122,443)
PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		9,426,492	11,822,644
Tax on profit	12	(1,938,419)	(2,241,594)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		7,488,073	9,581,050

There was no other comprehensive income for 2020 (2019: £NIL).

The notes on pages 18 to 35 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 2020

	Note		2020 £		2019 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	15		159,913		194,230
Tangible assets	16		47,743,018		47,240,956
			47,902,931		47,435,186
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	18	10,411,627		6,680,643	
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	19	31,333,783	•	26,389,097	
Cash at bank and in hand	20	13,653,473		3,257,740	
		55,398,883		36,327,480	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21	(43,206,979)		(29,449,312)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			12,191,904		6,878,168
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			60,094,835		54,313,354
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	22		(768,049)		(1,692,883)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES			(, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		(.,002,000)
Deferred taxation	24	(196,914)		(682,672)	
			(196,914)		(682,672)
NET ASSETS EXCLUDING PENSION ASSET			59,129,872		51,937,799
NET ASSETS			59,129,872		51,937,799
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	25		9,816,001		9,816,001
Share premium account	26		25,184,000		25,184,000
Profit and loss account	26		24,129,871		16,937,798
EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT COMPANY			59,129,872		51,937,799
			59,129,872		51,937,799

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

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Mr M Thatcher Director

THATCHERS (MYRTLE FARM) LIMITED REGISTERED NUMBER:08473484

COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note		2020 £		2019 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Fixed asset investments			35,100,001		35,100,001
			35,100,001		35,100,001
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	19	25,424,000		21,424,000	
Cash at bank and in hand	20	986		499	
		25,424,986		21,424,499	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	21	(2,264,773)		(1,968,273)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			23,160,213		19,456,226
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			58,260,214		54,556,227
NET ASSETS			58,260,214		54,556,227
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	25		9,816,001		9,816,001
Share premium account	26		25,184,000		25,184,000
Profit and loss account	26		23,260,213		19,556,226
			58,260,214		54,556,227

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 4 7

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Called up share capital £	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account	Total equity £
At 1 September 2019	9,816,001	25,184,000	16,937,798	51,937,799
Profit for the year Dividends: Equity capital	-	· ·	7,488,073 (296,000)	7,488,073 (296,000)
AT 31 AUGUST 2020	9,816,001	25,184,000	24,129,871	59,129,872

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

Called up share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss account	Total equity
£	£	£	£
9,816,001	25,184,000	7,844,748	42,844,749
-	-	9,581,050	9,581,050
-	-	(488,000)	(488,000)
9,816,001	25,184,000	16,937,798	51,937,799
	share capital £ 9,816,001 - -	Called up premium share capital account £ £ 9,816,001 25,184,000	Called up share capital account loss account £ £ £ £ 9,816,001 25,184,000 7,844,748 9,581,050 (488,000)

COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Called up share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss account	Total equity
•	£	£	£	£
At 1 September 2019	9,816,001	25,184,000	19,556,226	54,556,227
Profit for the year	-	-	3,999,987	3,999,987
Dividends: Equity capital	•	-	(296,000)	(296,000)
AT 31 AUGUST 2020	9,816,001	25,184,000	23,260,213	58,260,214
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COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

Called up share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss account	Total equity
£	£	£	£
9,816,001	25,184,000	15,044,250	50,044,251
-	-	4,999,976	4,999,976
-	-	(488,000)	(488,000)
9,816,001	25,184,000	19,556,226	54,556,227
	share capital £ 9,816,001 - -	Called up premium account £ £ £ 9,816,001 25,184,000	Called up share capital account loss account £ £ £ £ 9,816,001 25,184,000 15,044,250 4,999,976 - (488,000)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	_	
Profit for the year ADJUSTMENTS FOR:	7,488,073	9,581,050
Amortisation of intangible assets	34,317	34,280
Depreciation of tangible assets	6,141,151	5,388,867
Loss on disposal of tangible assets	4,321,169	(5,439)
Interest paid	91,967	122,443
Interest received	(4,293)	(23,309)
Taxation charge	1,938,419	2,241,594
(Increase) in stocks	(3,730,984)	(2,112,214)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(4,536,015)	162,201
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	12,149,893	(1,344,138)
Corporation tax (paid)	(3,447,512)	(2,713,616)
NET CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	20,446,185	11,331,719
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		 ,
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(11,060,494)	(18,261,248)
Sale of tangible fixed assets	96,112	9,489
Interest received	4,293	23,309
HP interest paid	(21,056)	(30,171)
NET CASH FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	(10,981,145)	(18,258,621)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayment of other loans	(300,000)	-
Repayment of/new finance leases	(925,263)	(859,977)
Dividends paid	(296,000)	• • •
Interest paid	(70,911)	(92,272)
NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(1,592,174)	(1,440,249)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	2020 £	2019 £
INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	7,872,866	(8,367,151)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	2,740,357	11,107,508
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF YEAR	10,613,223	2,740,357
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF YEAR COMPRISE:		
Cash at bank and in hand	13,653,473	3,257,740
Bank overdrafts	(3,040,250)	(517,383)
	10,613,223	2,740,357

CONSOLIDATED ANALYSIS OF NET DEBT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	At 1 September 2019 £	Cash flows £	At 31 August 2020 £
Cash at bank and in hand	3,257,740	10,395,732	13,653,472
Bank overdrafts	(517,383)	(2,522,867)	(3,040,250)
Debt due within 1 year	(300,000)	300,000	-
Finance leases	(2,589,543)	925,264	(1,664,279)
	(149,186)	9,098,129	8,948,943

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Thatchers (Myrtle Farm) Limited is a company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 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 unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies 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 preparation of financial statements in compliance with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires Group management to exercise judgement in applying the Group's accounting policies (see note 3).

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 1 September 2014.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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.

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued) 2

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.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property

- 5% straight line

Plant and machinery

- 20% reducing balance - 25% reducing balance

Motor vehicles Fixtures and fittings

- 25% straight line

Kegs & casks (included within - 3 years straight line, with a full year of

plant and machinery)

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 profit or loss.

2.5 VALUATION OF INVESTMENTS

Investments in subsidiaries are measured at cost less accumulated 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.

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 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.

2.9 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.10 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 profit or loss 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 profit or loss within 'other operating income'.

2.11 FINANCE COSTS

Finance costs are charged to profit or loss 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.

2.12 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 accruals as a liability in the Statement of financial position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Group in independently administered funds.

2.13 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.14 LEASED ASSETS: THE GROUP AS LESSEE

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts 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 profit or loss so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

2.15 OPERATING LEASES: THE GROUP AS LESSEE

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss 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 lease term, unless another systematic basis is representative of the time pattern of the lessee's benefit from the use of the leased asset.

2.16 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 ten years.

The estimated useful lives range as follows:

Goodwill - 5 years Trademarks - 10 years

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.17 CURRENT AND DEFERRED TAXATION

The tax expense for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss 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. JUDGEMENTS 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

4.	TURNOVER		
	An analysis of turnover by class of business is as follows:		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Cider sales	127,182,302	103,286,431
	Fruit processing	1,835,722	1,596,786
	Property rental and sundry	59,113	178,690
	Public house	900,418	1,576,504
	ı	129,977,555	106,638,411
5.	OTHER OPERATING INCOME		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Other operating income	1,112	1,112
		1,112	1,112
6.	OPERATING PROFIT		
	The operating profit is stated after charging:		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	6,141,151	5,388,867
	Amortisation of intangible assets, including goodwill	34,317	34,280
	Exchange difference	(172,200)	(72,952)
	Defined contribution pension cost	301,241	261,759
7.	AUDITORS' REMUNERATION		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Fees payable to the Group's auditor and its associates for the audit of the Group's annual financial statements	33,650	32,700
	Fees payable to the group's auditor in respect of tax compliance and related services	4,650	4,500

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

8. EMPLOYEES

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

Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £
8,825,530	8,914,811
965,766	954,453
301,241	261,760
10,092,537	10,131,024
	2020 £ 8,825,530 965,766 301,241

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

	2020 No.	2019 No.
Production	76	81
Distribution	115	111
Office and administration	27	32
Orchard	7	8
Railway Inn	47	52
		284

9. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

	2020 £	2019 £
Directors' emoluments	7,297	-
	7,297	

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 1 director (2019: 1) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes.

The highest paid director received remuneration of £229,266 (2019: £214,621).

The value of the company's contributions paid to a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the highest paid director amounted to £8,275 (2019: £12,000).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

11.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR EXPENSES	· .	
		2020 £	2019 £
	Bank interest payable	33,532	17,282
	Other loan interest payable	37,379	74,990
	Finance leases and hire purchase contracts	21,056	30,171
		91,967	122,443
12.	TAXATION		
		2020 £	2019 £
	CORPORATION TAX		~
	Current tax on profits for the year	2,729,277	2,250,167
	Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(305,100)	(221,733)
		2,424,177	2,028,434
	TOTAL CURRENT TAX	2,424,177	2,028,434
	DEFERRED TAX	<u> </u>	
	Origination and reversal of timing differences	(641,832)	131,825
	Adjustments in respect of prior periods	94,774	81,335
	Effect of tax rate change on opening balance	61,300	-
	TOTAL DEFERRED TAX	(485,758)	213,160
	TAXATION ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1,938,419	2,241,594

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

12. TAXATION (CONTINUED)

FACTORS AFFECTING TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2019: higher than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2019: 19%). The differences are explained below:

	2020 £	2019 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	9,426,492	11,822,644
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2019: 19%) EFFECTS OF:	1,791,033	2,246,302
Fixed asset differences	241,146	118,840
Non tax-deductable expenditure	20,412	31,427
Chargeable gains/(losses)	4,658	1,144
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	(305,314)	(221,733)
Adjustments in respect of prior periods - deferred tax	94,994	81,335
Adjust deferred tax to average rate	91,490	(15,721)
TOTAL TAX CHARGE FOR THE YEAR	1,938,419	2,241,594

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 2020 has been assesed based on these rates.

13. DIVIDENDS

	2020 £	2019 £
Dividends paid on equity capital	296,000	488,000
	296,000	488,000

14. 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 £3,999,987 (2019: £4,999,976).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

15. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Group and Company

	Trademarks £	Goodwill £	Total £
COST			
At 1 September 2019	354,646	21,405,817	21,760,463
At 31 August 2020	354,646	21,405,817	21,760,463
AMORTISATION			
At 1 September 2019	160,416	21,405,817	21,566,233
Charge for the year on owned assets	34,317	-	34,317
At 31 August 2020	194,733	21,405,817	21,600,550
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 August 2020	159,913	-	159,913
At 31 August 2019	194,230	-	194,230

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

16. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Group

	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings	Total £
COST OR VALUATION					
At 1 September 2019	25,769,476	49,051,665	2,189 <u>,</u> 502	802,257	77,812,900
Additions	3,660,955	6,776,377	436,683	186,479	11,060,494
Disposals	(151,231)	(4,855,691)	(357,315)	-	(5,364,237)
At 31 August 2020	29,279,200	50,972,351	2,268,870	988,736	83,509,157
DEPRECIATION					
At 1 September 2019	4,524,616	24,356,044	961,362	729,922	30,571,944
Charge for the year on owned assets	1,013,351	4,697,776	358,419	71,605	6,141,151
Disposals	(34,108)	(662,950)	(249,898)	-	(946,956)
At 31 August 2020	5,503,859	28,390,870	1,069,883	801,527	35,766,139
NET BOOK VALUE					
At 31 August 2020	23,775,341	22,581,481	1,198,987	187,209	47,743,018
At 31 August 2019	21,244,860	24,695,621	1,228,140	72,335	47,240,956

Freehold land and buildings includes £5,253,307 (2019: £10,097,483) of land and buildings that are not depreciated. Freehold land and buildings also includes assets under the course of construction amounting to £5,676,063 (2019: £7,258,749) on which depreciation has not been charged.

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

	2020 £	2019 £
Plant and machinery	3,031,292	3,804,969
	3,031,292	3,804,969

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

17. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Company

	Investments in subsidiary companies £
COST OR VALUATION	
At 1 September 2019	35,100,001
At 31 August 2020	35,100,001
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 August 2020	35,100,001
At 31 August 2019	35,100,001

SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the company:

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

The aggregate of the share capital and reserves as at 31 August 2020 and the profit or loss for the year ended on that date for the subsidiary undertakings was as follows:

Name	Profit/(Loss)
	£
Thatchers Holdings Limited	4,263,632
John Thatcher Farming Limited	91,339
Thatchers Railway Inn Limited	(133,202)
Thatchers Cider Company Limited*	7,266,320

^{*}Held indirectly through Thatchers Holdings Limited

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

18.	STOCKS		
		Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £
	Cider, concentrate, juices and ingredients	9,289,846	5,814,334
	Containers and packaging	900,385	572,399
	Equipment	221,396	293,910
	,	10,411,627	6,680,643

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 £36,000,089 (2019: £23,291,418).

19. DEBTORS

	Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £	Company 2020 £	Company 2019 £
Trade debtors	29,578,872	24,538,334	-	-
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	-	25,424,000	21,424,000
Other debtors	520,847	79,929	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	1,234,064	1,770,834	-	-
	31,333,783	26,389,097	25,424,000	21,424,000

Included within trade debtors is a provision for doubtful debts of £253,224 (2019: £199,328) and a provision for credit notes of £59,761 (2019: £130,899).

20. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Group 2020	Group 2019	Company 2020	Company 2019
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	13,653,473	3,257,740	986	499
Less: bank overdrafts	(3,040,250)	(517,383)	-	-
	10,613,223	2,740,357	986	499

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

21. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £	Company 2020 £	Company 2019 £
Bank overdrafts	3,040,250	517,383	-	-
Other loans	-	300,000	-	-
Trade creditors	15,883,818	12,346,653	-	-
Amounts owed to group undertakings	•	.	2,264,773	1,968,273
Corporation tax	117,079	731,736	-	-
Other taxation and social security	6,725,927	2,590,451	-	-
Obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts	904,015	905,556	-	-
Other creditors	5,849,845	3,078,394	-	-
Accruals and deferred income	10,686,045	8,979,139	•	-
	43,206,979	29,449,312	2,264,773	1,968,273

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 2020 £	Group 2019 £
Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts Other creditors	760,265 7,784	1,683,987 8,896
	768,049	1,692,883

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.

23. HIRE PURCHASE AND FINANCE LEASES

Minimum lease payments under hire purchase fall due as follows:

	Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £
Within one year	916,468	927,321
Between 1-2 years	763,724	1,700,088
Less: interest	(15,912)	(37,865)
	1,664,280	2,589,544

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

24. DEFERRED TAXATION

Group	
	2020
	£
At beginning of year	(682,672)
Charged to profit or loss	485,758
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AT END OF YEAR	=	(196,914)
	Group 2020 £	Group 2019
Accelerated capital allowances	(429,202)	(899,983)
Short term timing differences	232,288	217,311
	(196,914)	(682,672)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

25. SHARE CAPITAL

ALLOTTED, CALLED UP AND FULLY PAID	2020 £	2019 £
9,816,000 (2019: 9,816,000) Ordinary shares of £1.00 each 1 (2019: 1) Deferred share of £1.00	9,816,000 1	9,816,000 1
	9,816,001	9,816,001

26. 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.

27. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

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

28. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2020 the Group and company had capital commitments as follows:

Group	Group
2020	2019
£	£
100,000	7,532,000
100,000	7,532,000
	2020 £ 100,000

29. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31 August 2020 the Group and the company had future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Group 2020 £	Group 2019 £
Not later than 1 year	63,280	176,040
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	25,000	88,250
	88,280	264,290

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30. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the group was charged rent of £54,255 (2019: £55,755) by its directors. At the year end, these directors were owed £1,000 (2019: £Nil).

At the year end, loans to the group from directors of £Nil (2019: £Nil) were outstanding. Interest of £29,017 (2019: £54,759) was charged on these loans during the year.

During the year, the group paid consultancy fees of £35,675 (2019: £58,942) to its directors.

During the year the group made sales of £1,690 (2019: £622) to its directors. At the year end these directors owed the group £517 (2019: \pm Nil).

During the year the group made sales of £138,179 (2019: £198,791) to, and purchases of £16,000 (2019: £18,000) from other related parties. At the year end these related parties owed the group £40,598 (2019: £28,238).

31. CONTROLLING PARTY

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