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**Evermore Investment Trust Plc** 

Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended 5 April 2010



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# **DIRECTORS AND OTHER INFORMATION**

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**DIRECTORS** 

Patrick Richard Evershed Sheena Anne Evershed Howard Boardman Knott Jonathan Paul Kingsland Tillett

SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE

Sheena Anne Evershed 29 Earlsfort Terrace Dublin 2

**AUDITORS** 

Deloitte & Touche Chartered Accountants Deloitte & Touche House Earlsfort Terrace Dublin 2

**BANKERS** 

Brown, Shipley & Co Limited Founders Court

Lothbury

London EC2R 7HE

**FUND MANAGERS** 

Hargreave Hale Limited 9-11 Neptune Court Hallam Way Blackpool FY4 SLZ

**COMPANY NUMBER** 

30106

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present herewith their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 5 April 2010

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The company is an investment holding company which, during the year concerned, continued to invest mainly in listed companies

#### **RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

The directors have identified a fluctuation in the market value of the company's investments as a possible business risk

#### LOSS AND DIVIDENDS

The loss for the year is disclosed on page 9

A dividend of Stg£0 04 per share was paid on 18 November 2009 (2008 Stg£0 035)

#### **DIRECTORS**

The persons listed below acted as directors of the company during the entire year covered by the financial statements and this report

Patrick Richard Evershed Sheena Anne Evershed Howard Boardman Knott Jonathan Paul Kingsland Tillett

In accordance with the Articles of Association, Howard Boardman Knott retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election

# **DIRECTORS' AND SECRETARY'S INTERESTS IN SHARES**

The following directors and secretary held shares in the company at 5 April 2009 and 5 April 2010

	Number
Patrick Richard Evershed Sheena Anne Evershed Howard Boardman Knott Jonathan Paul Kingsland Tillett	15,000 10,000 500 7,000

Shares

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)**

#### **BOOKS OF ACCOUNT**

To ensure that proper books and accounting records are kept in accordance with Section 202 Companies Act, 1990, the directors have employed appropriately qualified accounting personnel and have maintained appropriate accounting systems. The books of account are located at the company's registered office

#### **AUDITORS**

In accordance with Section 160(2) of the Companies Act, 1963, Deloitte & Touche, Chartered Accountants, continue in office

Signed on behalf of the Board

Patrick Richard Evershed

Director

30 November 2010

Sheena Anne Evershed

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Director

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping proper books of account which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in Ireland and comply with Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Deloitte & Touche Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EVERMORE INVESTMENT TRUST PLC

We have audited the financial statements of Evermore Investment Trust PIc for the year ended 5 April 2010, which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes 1 to 7 These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out in the statement of Accounting Policies

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 193 of the Companies Act, 1990. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

# Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible, as set out in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and accounting standards issued by the Accounting Standards Board and published by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland)

Our responsibility, as independent auditor, is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland)

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, and are properly prepared in accordance with Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009. We also report to you whether in our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the company, whether, at the balance sheet date, there exists a financial situation requiring the convening of an extraordinary general meeting of the company, and whether the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements. In addition, we state whether we have obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purpose of our audit and whether the company's balance sheet and profit and loss account are in agreement with the books of account

We also report to you if, in our opinion, any information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and directors' transactions is not disclosed and, where practicable, include such information in our report

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatement within it. Our responsibilities do not extend to other information

### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EVERMORE INVESTMENT TRUST PLC

#### Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland, of the state of the affairs of the company as at 5 April 2010 and of its loss for the year then ended, and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009

We have obtained all the information and explanations we considered necessary for the purpose of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the company. The company's balance sheet and its profit and loss account are in agreement with the books of account.

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements

The net assets of the company, as stated in the balance sheet, are more than half the amount of its called-up share capital and, in our opinion, on that basis there did not exist at 5 April 2010 a financial situation which, under Section 40(1) of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 1983, would require the convening of an extraordinary general meeting of the company

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors Dublin

30 November 2010

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **BASIS OF PREPARATION**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in Ireland and Irish statute comprising the Companies Acts, 1963 to 2009

#### **ACOUNTING CONVENTION**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland

#### **REVENUE**

Income from investments includes all dividends and interest on securities, the dates of payment of which fell within the year. It includes the imputed tax credit relating to the dividends and this tax is written off within the taxation charge to the extent that it is not recoverable

#### **FOREIGN CURRENCIES**

While the company was incorporated in Ireland, the financial statements have been expressed in sterling as almost all assets and liabilities are denominated in that currency

#### **INVESTMENTS**

Investments are stated at cost less any permanent diminution in value

#### **TAXATION**

Taxation is based on the loss for the year

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less, tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised if it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered.

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2010

		2010	2009
	Notes	Stg£	Stg£
INCOME			
Income from investments		25,614	22,684
Deposit interest received		2,528	1,043
		28,142	23,727
EXPENSES			
Loss on sale of investments		17,199	4,524
Accounting and secretarial charges		8,472	4,298
Auditor's remuneration		2,250	2,250
Bank interest		3,236	1,199
Miscellaneous		2,221	4,440
		33,378	16,711
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			<del></del>
BEFORE TAXATION	1	(5,236)	7,016
Taxation	2	(1,784)	(7,822)
LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	7	(7,020)	(806)

All recognised gains and losses for both the current year and the previous year are included in the profit and loss account All results for the period derive from continuing activities

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 30 November 2010 and signed on its behalf

Patrick Richard Evershed

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Sheena Anne Evershed

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Director

# **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 5 APRIL 2010**

	Notes	2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
FIXED ASSETS			
Financial assets	4	614,429	516,224
CURRENT ASSETS			
New Star Asset Management Client account		-	48,152
Hargreave Hale Limited Client account		59,869	-
Corporation tax recoverable		20	-
		59,889	48,152
CREDITORS (Amounts failing due within one year)			
Bank overdraft	5	161,415	27,318
Sundry creditors and accrued expenses	•	7,658	11,744
Corporation tax		-	7,189
		169,073	46,251
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES)/ASSETS		(109,184)	1,901
NET ASSETS		505,245	518,125
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called-up share capital	6	144,452	144,452
Capital conversion reserve fund	_	2,048	2,048
Share premium account	7	15,041	15,041
Profit and loss account	7	343,704	356,584
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		505,245	518,125

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Patrick Richard Evershed

Director

Sheena Anne Evershed

Director

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# CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2010

	Note	2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES (see below)		(3,840)	95,274 ———
TAXATION AND DIVIDENDS PAID			
Corporation tax paid Tax credits applicable to dividends received Dividends paid in year	3	(7,189) (1,804) (5,860) ————————————————————————————————————	(3,925) (633) (5,110) (9,668)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of quoted investments Receipts from sales of quoted investments		(396,094) 280,690	(195,714) 112,364
		(115,404)	(83,350)
(Increase)/decrease in bank overdraft (see below	w)	(134,097)	2,256
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING (LOSS)/F TO NET CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW FROM O		s	
Operating (loss)/profit		(5,236)	7,016
(Increase)/decrease in fund manager's balance		(11,717)	82,251
(Decrease)/increase in creditors Loss on sale of investments		(4,086) 17,199	1,483 4,524
		(3,840)	95,274
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN CASH AND BAN	K DURING THE YEAR		<u> </u>
Balance 6 April 2009 (overdrawn)		(27,318)	(29,574)
Paramos o Abril 2003 (OACINICANII)		(134,097)	2,256
Net cash (outflow)/inflow (see above)		(104,031)	-,

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2010

1.	(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION  The (loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging	2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
	Directors' remuneration Auditor's remuneration	2,250	2,250
2.	TAX ON (LOSS)/ PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge for the year:		
	The taxation charge on the loss on ordinary activities for the year was as follows  Corporation tax on the loss for the year	1,784	7,822
	(b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the year:		
	The differences are explained below (Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	(5,236)	7,016
	(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of tax in the United Kingdom 28% (2009 28%)	(1,466)	1,964
	Effects of		
	Indexation relief: Surplus on sale of investments Franked investment income Capital losses not yet allowable for tax purposes	(1,565) 4,815	(1,994) (1,488) 9,340
		1,784	7,822
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3.	DIVIDENDS	2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
	Ordinary Shares Stg£0 04 per share (paid 19 November 2009) (2008 Stg£0 035)	5,860	5,110 ———

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2010

4.	FINANCIAL ASSETS		2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
	Cost: At 6 April 2009 Additions Disposals		516,224 396,094 (297,889)	437,398 195,714 (116,888)
	At 5 April 2010		614,429	516,224
	Market Value of quoted investments at	5 Aprıl	704,296	285,543
	The quoted investments are dealt on a	recognised stock exc	change	
5.	BANK OVERDRAFT		2010 Stg£	2009 Stg£
	Bank overdraft		161,415	27,318
	The bank overdraft is repayable on der	nand		
	The bank overdraft is secured by a gua of investments held by Hargreave Hale		ctor Patrick R Evershed, to	gether with a portfolio
6.	SHARE CAPITAL		2010 €	2009 €
	Authorised: 200,000 Ordinary shares of €1 25 each	1	250,000	250,000
	Allottod collection and fully noted		Stg£	Stg£
	Allotted, called-up and fully paid. 146,500 Ordinary shares of €1 25 each	ı	144,452	
			<del></del>	144,452
				144,452
7	RESERVES	Share Premium Stg£	Profit & Loss Account Stg£	144,452  Total Stg£
7	RESERVES  At 6 April 2009 Loss for the year after taxation Dividends paid	Premium	Loss Account	Total