Directors' report and accounts for the year ended 28 February 2005

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Company information

Directors	E Belcher N Pearson
Secretary	E Belcher
Registered office	Glenburn Road Prestwick Ayrshire KA9 2NS
Auditors	Henderson Loggie Chartered Accountants Royal Exchange Dundee DD1 1DZ

Bankers Clydesdale Bank plc

Main Street Prestwick KA9 1AD

Registered number SC076842

Director's report

The directors present their annual report and accounts for the year ended 28 February 2005.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is the manufacture of frozen and cooked meat products.

Results for the year

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 7. The directors consider the company's results for the year, and prospects for the future, to be satisfactory.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

Fixed assets

In the opinion of the directors, the market value of the land and buildings is not less than the book value stated in the accounts.

Directors and their interests

The directors of the company at the date of this report are shown on page 1.

The Director's shareholdings in the ordinary shares of £1 each were:

	28 February 2005	1 March 2004
E Belcher	29,998	29,998
N Pearson (appointed 1 September 2004)	•	-
		====

E Belcher is a trustee of the E Belcher IV Trust which holds 10,000 shares of £1 each (2004 - 10,000) and the E Belcher II Trust which holds 10,000 shares of £1 each (2004 - 10,000).

On 31 January 2005 and 28 February 2005, the company purchased a total of 2 ordinary shares of £1 each in the capital of the company for a total consideration of £5,000.

Post balance sheet event

On 16 March 2005, the company purchased a total of 20,000 ordinary shares of £1 each in the capital of the company for a total consideration of £6,000,000.

Political and charitable contributions

During the year the company contributed £4,398 (2004 - £21,950) to local charities.

Director's report (continued)

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the re-appointment of Henderson Loggie as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board

E Belcher Secretary

14 September 2005

Statement of Director's responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts 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 accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Belcher Food Products Limited

We have audited the accounts of Belcher Food Products Limited for the year ended 28 February 2005 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the cash flow statement and the related notes. These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the statement of Directors' responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' report is not consistent with the accounts, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding Directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the accounts.

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Belcher Food Products Limited (continued)

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 28 February 2005 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Henderson Loggie

Chartered Accountants

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Registered Auditors

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14 September 2005

Profit and loss account for the year ended 28 February 2005

	Note	2005 £	2004 £
Turnover		24,427,211	29,157,731
Cost of sales		(17,268,414)	(19,924,408)
Gross profit		7,158,797	9,233,323
Operating expenses		(4,506,483)	(5,408,797)
Operating profit	2-4	2,652,314	3,824,526
Interest receivable	5	389,756	263,329
		3,042,070	4,087,855
Interest payable	6	(35,385)	(63,716)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		3,006,685	4,024,139
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(979,646)	(1,149,403)
Profit for the financial year		2,027,039	2,874,736 ======

A statement of movements on reserves is given in note 15.

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the financial year of £2,027,039 (2004 - £2,874,736). Such profits represent the only movement in shareholders' funds.

Balance sheet at 28 February 2005

	Note		2005		2004
	Note	£	2005 £	£	2004 £
Fixed assets			-	-	
Tangible assets	8		11,037,251		12,571,316
Current assets					
Stocks	9	2,597,765		1,163,382	
Debtors	10	2,864,276		3,165,130	
Cash at bank and in hand		9,373,698		7,498,043	
		14,835,739		11,826,555	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	11	2,639,013		3,325,933	
Net current assets			12,196,726		8,500,622
Total assets less current liabilities			23,233,977		21,071,938
Provisions for liabilities and charges	12		(1,128,000)		(988,000)
Net assets			22,105,977		20,083,938
			======		*======
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	13		49,998		50,000
Capital redemption reserve	14		2		- 00 000 000
Profit and loss account	15		22,055,977		20,033,938
Shareholders' funds	16		22,105,977		20,083,938
			========		========

These accounts were approved by the director on 14 September 2005 and were signed on his behalf by:

N Pearson Director

Cash flow statement for the year ended 28 February 2005

	Note		2005		2004
Net cash inflow from		£	£	£	£
operating activities	17		2,819,129		2,041,133
Returns on investments and servicing of finance					
Interest received Interest paid		391,979 (2,028)		249,127 (78,887)	
Net cash inflow from returns on					
investments and servicing of finance			389,951		170,240
Taxation paid			(1,049,646)		(589,213)
Capital expenditure					
Proceeds from sales of tangible fixed assets		36,200		22,000	
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(314,979)		(1,422,804)	
Net cash outflow from capital expendit	ure	 	(278,779)		(1,400,804)
Financing					
Redemption of share capital			(5,000)		-
Increase in cash	18		1,875,655		221,356
			======		======

Notes to the accounts

1 Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's accounts.

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Fixed assets and depreciation

The cost of tangible assets is depreciated from the month of acquisition to estimated residual value on the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Freehold buildings
Plant and equipment

20 years

- 3 to 15 years

Leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account in the period in which they become payable.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost, including appropriate labour and manufacturing overhead costs, and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Provision is made in full for deferred tax.

Turnover

Turnover represents amounts invoiced in respect of goods provided during the year excluding value added tax.

Pension costs

Pension contributions are made to an external, insured fund and are charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which payment is due.

2	Operating profit		
		2005	2004
		£	£
	Operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	Depreciation	1,826,544	1,824,100
	Auditors' remuneration - audit	6,500	6,500
	- other services	4,283	5,945
	Operating rentals for plant and machinery	26,001	19,794
	(Gain)/loss on sale of assets	(13,700) ======	4,801 ======
3	Staff numbers and costs		
	The average number of persons employed by the company (including the director) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:		
		Number	Number
	Office and management	19	15
	Manufacturing	184	164
			
		203	179
			====
	The aggregate payroll costs of these persons		
	were as follows:		
		£	£
	were as follows:		
	were as follows: Wages and salaries	3,289,527	2,879,928
	were as follows:		

Notes to the accounts (continued)

4	Remuneration of directors	2005 £	2004 £
	Emoluments Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	137,858	211,831 999,999
		137,858	1,211,830

The aggregate of emoluments of the highest paid director amounted to £98,410 (2004 - £130,565) and company pension contributions of £Nil (2004 - £999,999) were made to a money purchase scheme on his behalf. No pension contributions were unpaid at the year end (2004 - £Nil).

Retirement benefits are no longer accruing to any director (2004 - none).

5	Interest receivable	2005 £	2004 £
	Income from short-term deposits	389,756 ======	263,329 ======
6	Interest payable		
	On Directors' loan account balance Other interest	33,357 2,028	63,445 271
		35,385	63,716

7	Taxation		
,	Taxauon	2005	2004
		2005 £	2004 £
		•	~
	UK corporation tax		
	Current year	845,000	1,240,000
	Prior year	(5,354)	(18,947)
		839,646	1,221,053
	Deferred tax		
	Current year	82,319	(19,900)
	Prior year	57,681	(51,750)
		979,646	1,149,403
			=======
	Factors affecting the tax charge:		
	Profit for the year before tax	3,006,685 ======	4,024,139
	Tax thereon @ 30%	902,006	1,207,242
	Effects of:		
	Expenses not deductible for tax	23,750	4,825
	Pension costs not deductible for tax	-	150,000
	Pension costs deductible for tax	(150,000)	(27,540)
	Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	68,047	(111,047)
	Adjustments in respect of prior periods	(5,354)	(18,947)
	Margin	1,197	16,520
		839,646	1,221,053
			======

8	Tangible assets	Freehold		
		r reenold land and	Plant and	
		buildings	equipment	Total
	_	£	£	£
	Cost			
	At 1 March 2004	9,200,915	18,361,228	27,562,143
	Additions	112,988	201,991	314,979
	Disposals	-	(174,034)	(174,034)
	At 28 February 2005	9,313,903	18,389,185	27,703,088
	Depreciation			
	At 1 March 2004	3,356,927	11,633,900	14,990,827
	Charge for year	459,093	1,367,451	
	On disposals	-	(151,534)	(151,534)
	At 28 February 2005	3,816,020	12,849,817	16,665,837
	Net book value			
	At 28 February 2005	5,497,883 =========	5,539,368 =======	11,037,251
	At 29 February 2004	5,843,988	6,727,328	12,571,316
		±=====	======	
9	Stocks			
			2005	2004
			£	£
	Raw materials		796,588	524,827
	Finished goods		1,801,177	638,555
			2,597,765	1,163,382

10	Debtors		2005 €	2004 £
	Trade debtors		2,379,295	2,862,660
	Other debtors		218,552	62,329
	Prepayments and accrued income		266,429	240,141
			2,864,276 =====	3,165,130 =======
11	Creditors			
	Amounts falling due within one year:			
	Trade creditors		1,456,299	1,715,970
	Corporation tax		445,000	655,000
	Other taxes and social security		65,429	81,49
	Accruals Directors' loan account		113,963 558,322	202,679 670,783
	Directors toan account		336,322	
			2,639,013	3,325,933
12	Provisions for liabilities and charges			
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	Deferred taxation	Accelerated		
		capital		
		allowances	Pension	Total
		£	£	£
	At 1 March 2004	1,138,000	(150,000)	988,000
	Transfer to profit and loss account	(10,000)	150,000	140,000

12	Called an above conital				
13	Called up share capital	2005	2004		
		£	£		
	Authorised				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	50,000	50,000		
		=====			
	Allotted, called up and fully paid				
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	49,998	50,000		
		=====	=====		
	On 31 January 2005 and 28 February 2005, the company pure shares of £1 each in the capital of the company for a total consideration.				
14	Capital redemption reserve	2005	2004		
		£	£		
	Arising on share redemption	2	-		
		===	===		
15	Profit and loss account				
	At 1 March 2004	20,033,938	17,159,202		
	Shares repurchased and subsequently cancelled	(5,000)	-		
	Profit for the financial year	2,027,039	2,874,736		
	At 28 February 2005	22,055,977	20,033,938		
			========		
	he distributable profits of the company are £22,055,977 (2004 - £20,033,938).				
16	Shareholders' funds	2005	2004		
		£	£		
	At 1 March 2004	20,083,938	17,209,202		
	Shares repurchased and subsequently cancelled	(5,000)	17,203,202		
	Profit for the financial year	2,027,039	2,874,736		
			_,,		
	At 28 February 2005	22,105,977	20,083,938		

17	Reconciliation of operating profit to net cas	h inflow from o	operating activ	ities
			2005 £	2004 £
	Operating profit Depreciation		2,652,314 1,826,544	3,824,526 1,824,100
	(Gain)/loss on sale of asset		(13,700)	4,801
	(Increase)/decrease in stocks		(1,434,383)	
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors		298,631	•
	Decrease in creditors		(510,277)	(3,463,288)
	Net cash inflow from operating activities		2,819,129	2,041,133
18	Analysis of changes in net funds			• •
		At 1 March	Cash	At 28 February
		2004	flows	2005
		£	£	£
	Cash in hand, at bank	7,498,043	1,875,655 ======	9,373,698 ======
19	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement	in net funds		***
			2005 £	2004 £
	Increase in cash in the year		1,875,655	221,356
	Net funds at 1 March 2004		7,498,043	7,276,687
	Net funds at 28 February 2005		9,373,698	7,498,043
			======	======
20	Capital commitments			
	Capital expenditure			
	Contracted for but not provided		Nil =====	Nil

Notes to the accounts (continued)

21 Commitments under operating leases

The company has commitments for payments in the next year under operating leases as follows:

	2005 £	2004 £
Plant and equipment	~	~
Operating leases which expire:		
Within one to two years	7,593	-
Within two to five years	17,641	14,122
	25,234	14,122
	====	=====

22 Post balance sheet events

On 16 March 2005, the company purchased a total of 20,000 ordinary shares of £1 each in the capital of the company for a total consideration of £6,000,000.