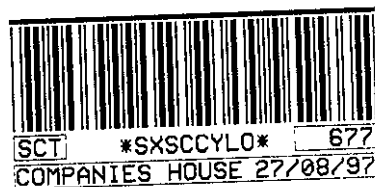


**A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE)
LIMITED**

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 MARCH 1997

Registered number: 90736



KIDSONS IMPEY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Glasgow

A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 March 1997

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AUDITORS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Auditors' report to
A Alexander & Son (Property Maintenance) Limited
pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8
to the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 together with the financial statements of the company prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 March 1997.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page 2 and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled under sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act, in respect of the year ended 31 March 1997, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

Other information

We reported, as auditors of the company, to the members on the financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 March 1997, and our audit report was as follows:

'We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

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A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) LIMITED
AUDITORS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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Auditors' report to
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Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 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 error or other irregularity. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 1997 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.'

Glasgow

21 August 1997

Kidsons Impey
Registered Auditors
Chartered Accountants

A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET


at 31 March 1997

	Note	1997		1996	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	2		55,876		64,525
Current assets					
Stocks		25,606		56,892	
Debtors	3	113,201		69,498	
Cash at bank and in hand		391		322	
		<u>139,198</u>		<u>126,712</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(107,958)</u>		<u>(99,507)</u>	
Net current assets			31,240		27,205
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>87,116</u>		<u>91,730</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	4		<u>(31,634)</u>		<u>(11,540)</u>
			<u>55,482</u>		<u>80,190</u>
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	5		100		100
Profit and loss account			55,382		80,090
Total shareholders' funds			<u>55,482</u>		<u>80,190</u>

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the basis that the company qualifies as a small company.

In the preparation of the company's annual financial statements, the directors have taken advantage of special exemptions applicable to small companies under Part I of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the grounds that, in their opinion, the company is entitled to those exemptions.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 5 were approved by the board of directors on 4 August 1997.



James K Alexander
Director

A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) LIMITED

NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 1997

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it is entitled to the exemptions available in Section 246 to 247 of the Companies Act 1985 for small companies.

Depreciation

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Heritable property	2% per annum on cost
Improvements	10% per annum on cost
Motor vehicles	25% per annum on cost
Fixtures and fittings	15% per annum on cost

Leases and hire purchase contracts

Tangible fixed assets acquired under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised at the estimated fair value at the date of inception of each lease or contract. The total finance charges are allocated over the period of the lease in such a way as to give a reasonably constant charge on the outstanding liability.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed on a first in first out basis. The cost of work in progress and finished goods includes all production overheads and depreciation and the attributable proportion of indirect overheads based on the normal level of activity. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less the estimated cost of disposal.

Long term contracts

Profit on long term contracts is taken as the work is carried out if the final outcome can be assessed with reasonable certainty. The profit included is calculated on a prudent basis to reflect the proportion of the work carried out at the year end by recording turnover and related costs as contract activity progresses. Turnover is calculated as that proportion of total contract value which costs incurred to date bear to total expected costs for that contract. Revenues derived from variations on contracts are recognised only when they have been accepted by the customer. Full provision is made for losses on all contracts in the year in which they are first foreseen.

A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) LIMITED

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31 March 1997

2 Fixed assets

		Tangible fixed assets £
Cost or valuation		
1 April 1996		97,863
Additions		9,371
Disposals		(3,200)
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31 March 1997		104,034
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Depreciation		
1 April 1996		33,338
Charge for year		15,620
Disposals		(800)
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31 March 1997		48,158
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Net book amount		
31 March 1997		55,876
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1 April 1996		64,525
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3 Debtors

	1997 £	1996 £
Amounts falling due within one year	113,201	69,498
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A ALEXANDER & SON (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) LIMITED

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31 March 1997

- 4 **Creditors:** amounts falling due after more than one year

1997	1996
£	£

Creditors include the following amounts:

Amounts falling due after more than five years:

Bank loans	29,284	-
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Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts:

In the next year	11,827	11,374
In the second to fifth year	5,476	11,540
	17,303	22,914

Secured creditors

Bank loan and overdraft	95,388	59,032
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- 5 **Called up share capital**

	1997		1996	
	Number of shares	£	Number of shares	£
Authorised				
Ordinary shares of £1	100	100	100	100
Allotted called up and fully paid				
Ordinary shares of £1	100	100	100	100

- 6 **Directors' interests and loans**

Mr A Alexander, Mr J K Alexander and Mrs M F Alexander are also directors of A Alexander & Son (Electrical) Limited.

During the year the company purchased services amounting to £71,877 from A Alexander & Son (Electrical) Limited. At the year end £506 was due from A Alexander & Son (Electrical) Limited.