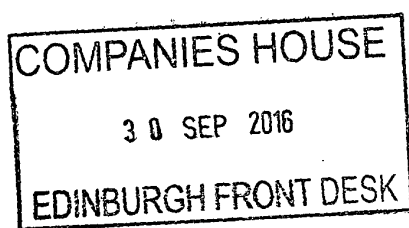


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McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP
Abbreviated Accounts
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015



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McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

General Information
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

DESIGNATED MEMBERS:	K A McEwan Mrs D E McEwan
REGISTERED OFFICE:	Claremont House East Claremont Street Edinburgh EH7 4LB
REGISTERED NUMBER:	SO304223 (Scotland)
SENIOR STATUTORY AUDITOR:	John F S Pratt
AUDITORS:	Whitelaw Wells Statutory Auditor 9 Ainslie Place Edinburgh EH3 6AT
BANKERS:	Clydesdale Bank plc Tollcross Branch 50 Lothian Road Edinburgh EH3 9AN

**Report of the Independent Auditors to
McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP
Under Section 449 of the Companies Act 2006**

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages three to eighteen, together with the full financial statements of McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP for the year ended 31 December 2015 prepared under Section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to LLPs by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008.

This report is made solely to the LLP, in accordance with Section 449 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to LLPs by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the LLP those matters we are required to state to it in a special 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 LLP, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of members and auditors

The members are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 445 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to LLPs by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the LLP is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts to the Registrar of Companies and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Regulations made under that Section and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/4 issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin we have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the LLP is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared.

Opinion

In our opinion the LLP is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Section 445(3) of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to LLPs by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008, and the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Regulations made under that Section.



John F S Pratt (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Whitelaw Wells
Statutory Auditor
9 Ainslie Place
Edinburgh
EH3 6AT

29 September 2016

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Abbreviated Income Statement
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
TURNOVER		11,332,309	9,142,803
Administrative expenses		<u>11,249,172</u>	<u>8,681,192</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	3	83,137	461,611
McEwan Fraser LLP loan written off		<u>152,403</u>	<u>-</u>
		235,540	461,611
Interest receivable and similar income		<u>13,386</u>	<u>9,179</u>
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR BEFORE MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND PROFIT SHARES		<u>248,926</u>	<u>470,790</u>
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR BEFORE MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND PROFIT SHARES		248,926	470,790
Members' remuneration charged as an expense	4	<u>(276,619)</u>	<u>(502,441)</u>
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR AVAILABLE FOR DISCRETIONARY DIVISION AMONG MEMBERS		<u>(27,693)</u>	<u>(31,651)</u>

The notes form part of these abbreviated accounts

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Other Comprehensive Income
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

Notes	2015 £	2014 £
LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR AVAILABLE FOR DISCRETIONARY DIVISION AMONG MEMBERS	(27,693)	(31,651)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	<u>(27,693)</u>	<u>(31,651)</u>

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Abbreviated Balance Sheet
31 December 2015

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Intangible assets	5	2,100,000	4,500,000
Tangible assets	6	<u>120,159</u>	<u>121,078</u>
		2,220,159	4,621,078
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	1,839,513	1,838,727
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>6,563,116</u>	<u>3,542,391</u>
		8,402,629	5,381,118
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>5,332,581</u>	<u>2,892,296</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>3,070,048</u>	<u>2,488,822</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		5,290,207	7,109,900
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	9	<u>1,550,000</u>	<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS		<u>3,740,207</u>	<u>7,109,900</u>
LOANS AND OTHER DEBTS DUE TO MEMBERS	12	3,617,900	7,141,551
MEMBERS' OTHER INTERESTS			
Other reserves		<u>122,307</u>	<u>(31,651)</u>
		<u>3,740,207</u>	<u>7,109,900</u>
TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS			
Loans and other debts due to members	12	3,617,900	7,141,551
Members' other interests		<u>122,307</u>	<u>(31,651)</u>
		<u>3,740,207</u>	<u>7,109,900</u>

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Abbreviated Balance Sheet - continued
31 December 2015

The abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied to LLPs by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008 relating to medium-sized LLPs.

The financial statements were approved by the members of the LLP on 29 September 2016 and were signed by:



.....
K A McEwan - Designated member



.....
Mrs D E McEwan - Designated member

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Reconciliation of Members' Interests
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

	EQUITY Members' other interests	DEBT Loans and other debts due to members less any amounts due from members in debtors			TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS
	Other reserves £	Members' capital (classified as debt) £	Other amounts £	Total £	Total £
Amount due to members		6,414,999	726,552	7,141,551	
Amount due from members		-	-	-	
Balance at 1 January 2015	(31,651)	6,414,999	726,552	7,141,551	7,109,900
Members' remuneration charged as an expense, including employment and retirement benefit costs	-	-	276,619	276,619	276,619
Loss for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	(27,693)	-	-	-	(27,693)
Members' interests after loss for the year	(59,344)	6,414,999	1,003,171	7,418,170	7,358,826
Other divisions of loss	181,651	-	(181,651)	(181,651)	-
Repayments of debt (including members' capital classified as a liability)	-	(3,492,000)	-	(3,492,000)	(3,492,000)
Drawings	-	-	(126,619)	(126,619)	(126,619)
Amount due to members		2,922,999	3,617,900	6,540,899	
Amount due from members		-	-	-	
Balance at 31 December 2015	<u>122,307</u>	<u>2,922,999</u>	<u>694,901</u>	<u>3,617,900</u>	<u>3,740,207</u>

The notes form part of these abbreviated accounts

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Reconciliation of Members' Interests
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

	EQUITY Members' other interests	DEBT Loans and other debts due to members less any amounts due from members in debtors			TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS
	Other reserves £	Members' capital (classified as debt) £	Other amounts £	Total £	Total £
Amount due to members		7,014,999	-	7,014,999	
Amount due from members		-	-	-	
Balance at 1 January 2014	1,303,303	7,014,999	-	7,014,999	8,318,302
Members' remuneration charged as an expense, including employment and retirement benefit costs	-	-	502,441	502,441	502,441
Loss for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	(31,651)	-	-	-	(31,651)
Members' interests after loss for the year	1,271,652	7,014,999	502,441	7,517,440	8,789,092
Other divisions of profit	(1,303,303)	-	1,303,303	1,303,303	-
Repayments of debt (including members' capital classified as a liability)	-	(600,000)	-	(600,000)	(600,000)
Drawings	-	-	(1,079,192)	(1,079,192)	(1,079,192)
Amount due to members		6,414,999	7,141,551	13,556,550	
Amount due from members		-	-	-	
Balance at 31 December 2014	(31,651)	6,414,999	726,552	7,141,551	7,109,900

The notes form part of these abbreviated accounts

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Cash Flow Statement
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>3,915,430</u>	<u>3,763,410</u>
Net cash from operating activities		<u>3,915,430</u>	<u>3,763,410</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(39,471)	(87,208)
Sale of intangible fixed assets		1,200,000	-
Interest received		<u>13,386</u>	<u>9,179</u>
Net cash from investing activities		<u>1,173,915</u>	<u>(78,029)</u>
Transactions with members and former members			
Payments to members		<u>(3,618,619)</u>	<u>(1,679,192)</u>
Cash flows from other financing activities			
New loans in year		<u>1,550,000</u>	<u>88,763</u>
Net cash from financing activities		<u>(2,068,619)</u>	<u>(1,590,429)</u>
Increase in cash and cash equivalents		<u>3,020,726</u>	<u>2,094,952</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	2	<u>3,542,391</u>	<u>1,447,439</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	2	<u><u>6,563,117</u></u>	<u><u>3,542,391</u></u>

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McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Notes to the Cash Flow Statement
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

**1. RECONCILIATION OF LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR AVAILABLE FOR DISCRETIONARY DIVISION
AMONG MEMBERS TO CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATIONS**

	2015 £	2014 £
Loss for the financial year available for discretionary division among members	(27,693)	(31,651)
Members' remuneration charged as an expense	276,619	502,441
Depreciation charges	1,083,292	1,528,672
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	150,000	-
Finance income	<u>(13,386)</u>	<u>(9,179)</u>
	1,468,832	1,990,283
Increase in trade and other debtors	(786)	(606,637)
Increase in trade and other creditors	<u>2,447,384</u>	<u>2,379,764</u>
Cash generated from operations	<u><u>3,915,430</u></u>	<u><u>3,763,410</u></u>

2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

The amounts disclosed on the Cash Flow Statement in respect of cash and cash equivalents are in respect of these Balance Sheet amounts:

Year ended 31 December 2015

	31.12.15 £	1.1.15 £
Cash and cash equivalents	<u><u>6,563,117</u></u>	<u><u>3,542,391</u></u>

Year ended 31 December 2014

	31.12.14 £	1.1.14 £
Cash and cash equivalents	<u><u>3,542,391</u></u>	<u><u>1,447,439</u></u>

The notes form part of these abbreviated accounts

**Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", the Companies Act 2006 as applied to LLPs by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Turnover and revenue recognition

Turnover represents management services and estate agency fees excluding value added tax.

Revenue is recognised in line with performance, to the extent that a right to consideration arises.

Other intangible fixed assets

Other intangible fixed assets, being the right acquired in 2013 to trade as McEwan Fraser, is being amortised evenly over its estimated useful life of five years.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Improvements to property	- 10% on cost
Fixtures and fittings	- 20% on cost

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to profit or loss on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Members' remuneration

Remuneration that is paid under an employment contract or under the LLP agreement, which represents a debt of McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP, is expensed to the profit and loss account and disclosed as "Members' remuneration charged as an expense".

Taxation

The taxation payable on the partnership profits is the personal liability of the members year and, consequently, neither taxation nor related deferred taxation is accounted for in the financial statements. Amounts retained for tax are treated in the same way as other profits, so are included in "Loans and other debts due to members" or "Members' interests" depending on whether or not division of profit has occurred.

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Financial instruments

Financial instruments comprise financial assets and financial liabilities which are recognised when the company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Financial instruments are classified as "basic" in accordance with FRS102 and are accounted for at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash flows over the life of the financial assets or liability to the net carrying amount on initial recognition. Discounting is not applied to short-term receivables and payables, where the effect is immaterial.

Financial assets at cost comprise cash, amounts owed by related parties and accrued income. Financial liabilities comprise trade creditors, accruals and amounts owed to related parties.

2. EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

	2015 £	2014 £
Wages and salaries	2,555,139	1,935,051
Social security costs	<u>216,160</u>	<u>162,706</u>
	<u>2,771,299</u>	<u>2,097,757</u>

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

2015	2014
<u>137</u>	<u>115</u>

3. OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT

The operating loss (2014 - operating profit) is stated after charging:

	2015 £	2014 £
Other operating leases	35,511	41,487
Depreciation - owned assets	33,292	28,672
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	150,000	-
Other intangible fixed assets amortisation	1,050,000	1,500,000
Auditors' remuneration	3,000	3,000
Auditors' remuneration for non audit work	<u>10,563</u>	<u>8,838</u>

4. INFORMATION IN RELATION TO MEMBERS

	2015 £	2014 £
Members' remuneration charged as an expense		
Partners' salaries	<u>276,619</u>	<u>502,441</u>

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

4. INFORMATION IN RELATION TO MEMBERS - continued

	2015 £	2014 £
The amount of profit attributable to the member with the largest entitlement was	<u>65,353</u>	<u>781,982</u>

	2015	2014
The average number of members during the year was	<u>9</u>	<u>14</u>

5. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Other intangible fixed assets £
COST	
At 1 January 2015	7,500,000
Disposals	<u>(2,250,000)</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>5,250,000</u>
AMORTISATION	
At 1 January 2015	3,000,000
Amortisation for year	1,050,000
Eliminated on disposal	<u>(900,000)</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>3,150,000</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 December 2015	<u>2,100,000</u>
At 31 December 2014	<u>4,500,000</u>

**Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Improvements to property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 January 2015	38,170	124,275	162,445
Additions	<u>18,548</u>	<u>13,825</u>	<u>32,373</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>56,718</u>	<u>138,100</u>	<u>194,818</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2015	4,749	36,618	41,367
Charge for year	<u>5,672</u>	<u>27,620</u>	<u>33,292</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>10,421</u>	<u>64,238</u>	<u>74,659</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2015	<u>46,297</u>	<u>73,862</u>	<u>120,159</u>
At 31 December 2014	<u>33,421</u>	<u>87,657</u>	<u>121,078</u>

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2015 £	2014 £
Amounts owed by related parties	1,702,174	1,678,243
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>137,339</u>	<u>160,484</u>
	<u>1,839,513</u>	<u>1,838,727</u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2015 £	2014 £
Trade creditors	20,126	15,454
Social security and other taxes	-	55,353
VAT	563,268	415,721
Amounts owed to related parties	-	148,763
Accruals and deferred income	<u>4,749,187</u>	<u>2,257,005</u>
	<u>5,332,581</u>	<u>2,892,296</u>

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued
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9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2015 £	2014 £
Amounts owed to related parties	<u>1,550,000</u>	<u>-</u>

The above loan balance is interest free.

10. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2015 £	2014 £
Within one year	1,097	59,479
Between one and five years	<u>-</u>	<u>142,250</u>
	<u>1,097</u>	<u>201,729</u>

During the year the rental premises were acquired by a new landlord. As a result, the lease in force during the previous year was renounced and replaced by a lease with a lower commitment.

11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Included in the Statement of Financial Position are the following financial instruments:

	2016 £	2015 £
Financial assets: loans and receivables measured at amortised cost	<u>8,402,630</u>	<u>5,371,513</u>
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	<u>6,319,313</u>	<u>2,688,180</u>

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

12. LOANS AND OTHER DEBTS DUE TO MEMBERS

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amounts owed to members in respect of profits	694,901	726,552
Capital account	<u>2,922,999</u>	<u>6,414,999</u>
	<u>3,617,900</u>	<u>7,141,551</u>
 Falling due within one year	 <u>3,617,900</u>	 <u>7,141,551</u>

In accordance with the SORP "Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships" all amounts due to members are classified as a liability.

Loans and other debts due to members rank after secured and ordinary creditors in the event of a winding up.

There are no restrictions on the ability of members to reduce the amount of 'Members' other interests'.

13. RESERVES

	Other reserves
	£
At 1 January 2015	(31,651)
Unallocated profit	<u>153,958</u>
At 31 December 2015	<u>122,307</u>

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

McEwan Fraser (UK) Limited

A company also controlled by Mr K McEwan and Mr S Fraser.

During the period management fees of £9,532 (2014: £268,746) were charged by the company to the LLP.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amount due to related party at the balance sheet date	<u>-</u>	<u>87,186</u>

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 31 December 2015

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES - continued

McEwan Fraser LLP

A LLP also controlled by Mr K McEwan and Mr S Fraser.

McEwan Fraser LLP is a member of McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP. During the period the McEwan Fraser LLP received a share of profits of £52,465 (2014: £159,757) from McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP.

Additionally, McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP received a loan of £Nil (2014: £88,763) from McEwan Fraser LLP.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amount due to related party at the balance sheet date	-	152,403
Amounts written off during the year	<u>152,403</u>	<u>-</u>

McEwan Fraser Legal

A partnership which has contracted to use the McEwan Fraser name.

During the period the LLP raised service fees of £10,026,782 (2014: £7,862,602) and estate agency fees of £63,807 (2014: £176,621) to the partnership.

Additionally, survey fees of £791,248 (2014: £721,617) were incurred by the LLP on behalf of the partnership's conveyancing clients.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amount due from related party at the balance sheet date	<u>1,702,174</u>	<u>1,678,243</u>

McEwan Properties Limited

A company controlled by Mr K McEwan

During the period management fees of £Nil (2014: £2,041,931) were charged by the company to the LLP.

Additionally, McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP received a loan of £1,550,000 (2014: £Nil) from McEwan Properties Limited.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amount due to related party at the balance sheet date	<u>1,550,000</u>	<u>2,041,931</u>

McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP

**Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2015**

14. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES - continued

McEwan Fraser Legal (Scotland) LLP

A LLP controlled by Mr K McEwan

McEwan Fraser Legal (Scotland) LLP is a member of McEwan Fraser Legal Services LLP. During the period management fees of £Nil (2014: £54,000) and rent of £25,556 (2014: £Nil) were charged by the LLP to the LLP.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amount due to related party at the balance sheet date	<u>55,666</u>	<u>54,000</u>

McEwan Contract Furniture Limited

A company controlled by Mr K McEwan

During the period management fees of £4,608,384 (2014: £Nil) were charged by the company to the LLP.

	2015	2014
	£	£
Amount due to related party at the balance sheet date	<u>4,608,384</u>	<u>-</u>

Ivan Ralph

A partner in McEwan Fraser Legal

During the year a consultancy fee of £Nil (2014: £550,000) was paid to Ivan Ralph.

15. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The LLP was under the joint control of Mr K A McEwan and Mr S Fraser throughout the current and prior period.