

Energy Cost Advisors Limited
Company Registration Number 02044326
Annual Report and Unaudited Accounts
Year ended 31 July 2020

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	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	4	261,355	275,264
Investments	5	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>
		261,366	275,275
Current assets			
Debtors	6	236,512	358,685
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>819,032</u>	<u>394,972</u>
		1,055,544	753,657
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(820,264)</u>	<u>(566,598)</u>
Net current assets		<u>235,280</u>	<u>187,059</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		496,646	462,334
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	7	(152,668)	(159,731)
Provisions for liabilities		<u>(10,019)</u>	<u>(11,629)</u>
Net assets		<u><u>333,959</u></u>	<u><u>290,974</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	5,177	5,177
Capital redemption reserve		1,233	1,233
Revaluation reserve		138,068	140,189
Profit and loss account		<u>189,481</u>	<u>144,375</u>
		<u><u>333,959</u></u>	<u><u>290,974</u></u>

For the year ended 31 July 2020 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476; and
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts and reports have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and the option not to file the profit and loss account has been taken.

These accounts were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 16/11/20 and signed on its behalf by:



S.G.W-Mellor
Director

1 General information

Energy Cost Advisors Limited is a private company limited by shares and incorporated in England and Wales under company number 02044326.

The address of its registered office and principal place of business is:

ECA House
1 Dronfield Court
Civic Centre
Dronfield
S18 1NQ

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards including Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention, modified to include certain items at fair value. The presentation currency is £ sterling.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these accounts are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Group accounts not prepared

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under section 399 of the Companies Act 2006 not to prepare consolidated accounts, on the basis that the group is a small group. The financial statements present information about the company as an individual entity and not about its group.

Turnover

Turnover is measured at fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added tax. Turnover includes revenue earned from the rendering of services.

Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the work undertaken. When cash inflows are deferred and represent a financing arrangement, the fair value of the consideration is the present value of the future receipts. The difference between the fair value of the consideration and the nominal amount received is recognised as interest income.

Government grants

Grants towards capital expenditure are released to the profit and loss account over the expected useful life of the assets. Grants towards revenue expenditure are released to the profit and loss account as the related expenditure is incurred.

Pension contributions

The company has a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension costs charged to the profit and loss account are the contributions payable in respect of the accounting period.

Taxation

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in profit or loss, except that a charge attributable to an item of income or expense recognised as other comprehensive income is also recognised directly in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is recognised for the amount of corporation tax payable in respect of the taxable profit for the year using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is calculated using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost less estimated residual value of all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, over their expected useful lives. The annual rates and methods of depreciation are as follows:-

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Freehold buildings	2% on cost
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	10% and 33% on cost
Computer equipment	10% and 33% on cost

Impairment of fixed assets

At the balance sheet date, if there is an indication of possible impairment, the recoverable amount of any affected asset is estimated and compared to its carrying amount. If the estimated recoverable amount is lower, the carrying amount is reduced to its estimated recoverable amount, and an impairment loss is recognised in the profit and loss account. The reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the profit and loss account.

Investments

Investments in equity shares which are publicly traded or where the fair value can be measured reliably are initially measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. Investments in equity shares which are not publicly traded and where fair value cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost less impairment.

Interest income on debt securities, where applicable, is recognised in income using the effective interest method. Dividends on equity securities are recognised in income when receivable.

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 subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprises cash on hand and call deposits, and other short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Leases

Operating leases rentals are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

3 Employees

The average number of persons employed by the company (including directors) during the year was as follows:

	2020 No.	2019 No.
Employees	<u>37</u>	<u>39</u>

4 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 August 2019	245,000	471,344	716,344
Additions	-	17,318	17,318
At 31 July 2020	245,000	488,662	733,662
Depreciation			
At 1 August 2019	33,892	407,188	441,080
Charge for the year	4,900	26,327	31,227
At 31 July 2020	38,792	433,515	472,307
Net book value			
At 31 July 2019	211,108	64,156	275,264
At 31 July 2020	206,208	55,147	261,355

5 Fixed asset investments

	2020 £	2019 £
Investments in subsidiaries	10	10
Investments in associates	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>
Subsidiary undertaking		£
Cost		
At 1 August 2019 and 31 July 2020		<u>10</u>
Carrying amount		
At 31 July 2020		<u>10</u>
At 31 July 2019		<u>10</u>
Associates		£
Cost		
At 1 August 2019 and 31 July 2019		<u>1</u>
Carrying amount		
At 31 July 2020		<u>1</u>
At 31 July 2019		<u>1</u>

Details of undertakings

Details of the investments in which the company holds 20% or more of the nominal value of any class of share capital are as follows:

Undertaking	Description of holding	Proportion of holding	Principal activity
Subsidiary undertaking			
ECA EPBD Services Limited	Ordinary	100%	Environmental consulting activities
Associate			
Dronfield Court Management Limited	Ordinary	25%	Property management

The aggregate amount of the total investment in the undertakings, by way of the equity method of valuation, is £11.

6 Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Trade debtors	219,559	308,083
Other debtors	265	20,715
Corporation tax	5,660	29,694
Prepayments	11,028	193
	<u>236,512</u>	<u>358,685</u>

7 Creditors:

Amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Bank loans	12,129	11,961
Trade creditors	200,760	189,647
Social security and other taxes	115,867	94,331
Amounts owed to group undertakings	52,267	59,983
Other creditors	12,191	5,862
Corporation tax	79,049	51,619
Accruals and deferred income	348,001	153,195
	<u>820,264</u>	<u>566,598</u>

Amounts falling due after more than one year

Bank loans	<u>152,668</u>	<u>159,731</u>
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Included in the above are the following amounts due after more than five years

After more than five years by instalments	<u>101,147</u>	<u>108,918</u>
	<u>101,147</u>	<u>108,918</u>

The bank borrowings of the company are secured by a legal charge over the freehold land and buildings owned by the company known as 1 Dronfield Court, Civic Centre, Dronfield, Derbyshire, S18 1NQ.

Additionally the directors have given personal guarantees in respect of such borrowings.

8 Share capital

Allotted, called up and fully paid shares

	2020		2019	
	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary share capital A of £0.10 each	12,500	1,250	12,500	1,250
Ordinary share capital B of £0.10 each	1,618	162	1,618	162
Ordinary share capital C of £0.10 each	30,849	3,085	30,849	3,085
Ordinary share capital D of £0.10 each	2,590	259	2,590	259
Ordinary share capital E of £0.10 each	2,590	259	2,590	259
Ordinary share capital F of £0.10 each	1,617	162	1,617	162
	<u>51,764</u>	<u>5,177</u>	<u>51,764</u>	<u>5,177</u>

The shares rank pari passu in all respects except that dividends may be declared at variable rates on the different classes of shares.

9 Leasing commitments

Operating leases

The total of future minimum operating lease payments is as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Within one year	56,830	54,196
Between one and five years	<u>37,102</u>	<u>81,797</u>
	<u>93,932</u>	<u>135,993</u>

10 Related party transactions

There was an amount due to ECA EPBD Services Limited at the year end of £52,267 (2019: £59,983). During the year expenses were recharged to ECA EPBD Services Limited amounting to £Nil (2019: £16,985).