# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST MARCH 2001

**Company Registration Number 2150087** 

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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# ASSET MANAGEMENT INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISERS LIMITED OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

R H Carne Mrs N J Carne G J Race G Craig R Badley

**COMPANY SECRETARY** 

Mrs N J Carne

**REGISTERED OFFICE** 

40 Victoria Road Woolston Southampton SO19 9DX

**AUDITORS** 

Hopper Williams & Bell Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditor Abacus House 1 Spring Crescent Portswood Southampton

**BANKERS** 

Lloyds Bank plc 1 Victoria Road Woolston Southampton

#### THE DIRECTORS' REPORT

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31st March 2001.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The principal activity of the company during the year was the provision of independent financial advice.

There were no significant developments in the company's business during the year and no major changes are planned for the coming year.

The directors are of the opinion that the company was in a satisfactory position at the year end.

#### RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The trading results for the year, and the company's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

The directors have recommended the following dividends:

	2001	2000
	£	£
Proposed dividends on ordinary shares	-	13,000
Dividends paid on ordinary shares	14,719	56,764
Dividends paid on preference shares	-	1,800
	14,719	71,564
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#### THE DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS IN SHARES OF THE COMPANY

The directors who served the company during the year together with their beneficial interests in the shares of the company were as follows:

	Class of share	At 31 March 2001	At 1 April 2000 or later date of appointment
R H Carne	Ordinary	2,360	5,001
t)	Redeemable Preference	· -	30,000
Mrs N J Carne	Ordinary	2,359	4,999
G J Race	Ordinary	2,500	
II .	Redeeemable Preference	7,500	-
G Craig	Ordinary	1,250	-
Н	Redeemable Preference	3,750	-
R Badley	Ordinary	1,531	-
11	Redeemable Preference	18,750	-
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#### THE DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

G J Race was appointed as a director on 1st July 2000.

G Craig was appointed as a director on 1st July 2000.

R Badley was appointed as a director on 1st November 2000.

#### **DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

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 at the end of the year and of the profit or loss for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to select suitable accounting policies, as described on page 9, and then apply them on a consistent basis, making judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable. The directors must also 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 accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The directors 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.

#### **AUDITORS**

A resolution to re-appoint Hopper Williams & Bell as auditors for the ensuing year will be proposed at the annual general meeting in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office: 40 Victoria Road Woolston Southampton SO19 9DX Signed by order of the directors

N J Carre MRS N J CARNE

MRS N J CARNE Company Secretary

Approved by the directors on 45mc....20.01

#### **AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS**

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 15 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 9.

#### RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS AND THE AUDITORS

As described on page 3, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the 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.

#### **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 other irregularity or error. 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 company's state of affairs as at 31st March 2001 and of its profit for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Abacus House 1 Spring Crescent Portswood Southampton

4JULY 2001

HOPPER WILLIAMS & BELL

Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditor

# ASSET MANAGEMENT INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISERS LIMITED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

## YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

	Note	2001	£	2000 £
TURNOVER	2		799,356	644,940
Cost of sales			294,991	216,678
GROSS PROFIT			504,365	428,262
Administrative expenses			502,321	300,177
OPERATING PROFIT	3		2,044	128,085
Interest receivable Interest payable	6		4,534 -	2,558 (169)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION			6,578	130,474
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7		855	26,305
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION			5,723	104,169
Dividends (including non-equity)	8		14,719	71,564
(LOSS)/RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE F	INANCIAL YEA	AR	(8,996)	32,605
Balance brought forward			61,855	29,250
Balance carried forward			52,859	61,855

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing.

## **BALANCE SHEET**

## **31ST MARCH 2001**

	Note	2001		2000
		£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Intangible assets	9		15,602	17,335
Tangible assets	10		31,366	32,205
			46,968	49,540
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	11	25,808		35,017
Cash at bank and in hand		128,607		124,405
		154,415		159,422
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due	12	(50, 530)		(64.612)
within one year	12	(52,530)		(64,613)
NET CURRENT ASSETS			101,885	94,809
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILIT	IES		148,853	144,349
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHAI	RGES			
Other provisions	13		(55,994)	(42,494)
			92,859	101,855
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CAPITAL AND RESERVES				
Called-up share capital	17		40,000	40,000
Profit and loss account	18		52,859	61,855
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS (including non-equity interests)	19		92,859	101,855

R H CARNE

# **CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

	2001		2000
	£	£	£
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		63,490	158,569
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND			
SERVICING OF FINANCE Interest received	4,534		2,558
Interest paid	-,554		(169)
Non-equity dividends paid	-		(1,800)
NET CASH INFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE		4,534	589
TAXATION		(26,201)	(29,987)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE			
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(9,902)		(10,350)
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM CAPITAL EXPENDITURE		(9,902)	(10,350)
EQUITY DIVIDENDS PAID		(27,719)	(81,764)
INCREASE IN CASH		4,202	37,057
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIE	ES		
		2001	2000
		£	£
Operating profit		2,044	128,085
Amortisation		1,733	1,733
Depreciation		10,741	9,017
Decrease in debtors		9,209	6,125
Increase in creditors		39,764	13,609
Net cash inflow from operating activities		63,490	158,569

# CASH FLOW STATEMENT (continued)

RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MO	VEMENT IN N	ET FUNDS	
	2001		2000
	£	£	£
Increase in cash in the period	4,202		37,057
Change in net funds		4,202	37,057
Net funds at 1st April 2000		124,405	87,348
Net funds at 31st March 2001		128,607	124,405
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS			
	At 1 Apr 2000	Cash flows	At 31 Mar 2001
	£	£	£
Net cash: Cash in hand and at bank	124,405	4,202	128,607
Net funds	124,405	4,202	128,607

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### Turnover

Turnover represents commissions on investment business which is credited to income when received.

Alterations in commissions arising from lapses and other adjustments are taken into account as and when they occur.

#### Amortisation

Amortisation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Goodwill

6.67% Straight Line

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Computer Equipment

25% Straight Line

Equipment

15% Reducing Balance

#### Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits as incurred.

#### Deferred taxation

Provision is made, under the liability method, to take account of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounts purposes and their treatment for tax purposes. Tax deferred or accelerated is accounted for in respect of all material timing differences to the extent that it is considered that a net liability may arise.

#### 2. TURNOVER

The turnover and profit before tax are attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

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- Form - S From - S F	2001 £	2000 £
Amortisation	1,733	1,733
Depreciation	10,741	9,017
Auditors' remuneration - as auditors	3,290	3,055
Operating lease costs:		
Land and buildings	15,346	15,346

# 4. PARTICULARS OF EMPLOYEES

The average number of staff employed by the company during the financial year amounted to:

	<b>2001</b> No.	2000 No.
Number of administrative staff	19	14
The aggregate payroll costs of the above were:	2001 £	2000 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs	335,528 30,351 365,879	154,650 11,701 166,351

# 5. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

The directors' aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services were:

		2001 £	2000 £
	Aggregate emoluments	134,604	21,717
6.	INTEREST PAYABLE	2001 £	2000 £
	Other similar charges payable	-	169

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

7.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
		2001 £	2000 £
	In respect of the year:		
	Corporation tax based on the results for the year at 10% (2000 - 20%)	959	26,305
	Adjustment in respect of previous years:		
	Corporation tax	(104) 855	26,305
8.	DIVIDENDS		
	The following dividends have been paid or proposed in respect of the year	<del>.</del> .	
		2001 £	2000 £
	Proposed dividends on equity shares Dividends paid on equity shares Dividends paid on non-equity shares	14,719	13,000 56,764 1,800
		14,719	71,564
9.	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		Goodwill £
	COST At 1st April 2000 and 31st March 2001		26,000
	AMORTISATION At 1st April 2000 Charge for the year		8,665 1,733
	At 31st March 2001		10,398
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31st March 2001		15,602
	At 31st March 2000		17,335

# ASSET MANAGEMENT INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISERS LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

## 10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Computer Equipment £	Office Equipment £	Total £
	COST	~	-	~
	At 1st April 2000	37,179	23,107	60,286
	Additions	1,958	7,944	9,902
	At 31st March 2001	39,137	31,051	70,188
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1st April 2000	20,446	7,635 3,513	28,081 10,741
	Charge for the year	7,228	<del></del>	
	At 31st March 2001	27,674	11,148	38,822
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 31st March 2001	11,463	19,903	31,366
	At 31st March 2000	16,733	15,472	32,205
11.	DEBTORS		2001	2000
			2001 £	2000 £
	Other debtors		7,282	7,282
	Directors current accounts		7,427	12,939
	Prepayments and accrued income		11,099	14,796
			25,808	35,017
12.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one	year		
		2	001	2000
		£	£	£
	Other creditors including			
	taxation and social security:	0.50		26.205
	Corporation tax Dividends payable	959		26,305 13,000
	Other creditors	32,240		12,882
			33,199	52,187
	Accruals and deferred income		19,331	12,426
			52,530	64,613

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

## 13. OTHER PROVISIONS

		<b>2001</b> £
Other provisions: Balance brought forward		42,494
Movement for year		13,500 55,994
Other provisions are in respect of:		
	2001	2000
Gross provision for payments under pension review Covered by professional indemnity insurance	52,842 (26,995)	49,342 (26,995)
Provision for lapses	25,847 30,147	22,347 20,147
	55,994	42,494

A liability exists in respect of estimated future payments resulting from the findings to date of the current national pensions review. At the end of the year the maximum potential liability to the company, in excess of that covered by professional indemnity insurance, is estimated at £45,000.

The remaining £30,147 included in other provisions relates to future lapses on commissions received in the year.

#### 14. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 31st March 2001 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below.

	Land & Buildings	
	2001	2000
	£	£
Operating leases which expire:		
After more than 5 years	15,346	15,346
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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2001

#### 15. TRANSACTIONS WITH THE DIRECTORS

Mr R H Carne, a director, is the owner of the property from which the company trades. During the year the company was charged £15,346 (2000 - £15,346) by Mr Carne as rent.

At the year end Mr Carne's loan account with the company was overdrawn by £7,427 (2000 £12,939). The maximum amount by which the account was overdrawn in the year was £56,571 (2000 £33,330).

There were no further material transactions with the directors during the year.

#### 16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company was under the control of Mr R H Carne, a director, throughout the current and previous year. As last year and as disclosed in the Directors' Report, Mr Carne and his wife, also a director, are personally interested in 47.19% of the company's share capital.

There were no material related party transactions during the year, other than transactions with the directors as disclosed in note 15 to the accounts.

#### 17. SHARE CAPITAL

#### Authorised share capital:

			2001 €	2000 £
10,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each			10,000	10,000
30,000 Redeemable Preference shares of £1 each			30,000	30,000
			40,000	40,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
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	No.	£	No.	£
Ordinary shares	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Redeemable Preference shares	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
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Redemption of the redeemable preference shares shall be effected on the fourth anniversary of the date of issue at their par value.

# ASSET MANAGEMENT INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL ADVISERS LIMITED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

18.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		
		2001 £	2000 £
	Balance brought forward Retained (loss)/profit for the financial year	61,855 (8,996)	29,250 32,605
	Balance carried forward	52,859	61,855
19.	19. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		
	EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		
		2001 €	2000 £
	Profit for the financial year Dividends	5,723 (14,719)	104,169 (71,564)
	Opening shareholders' equity funds	(8,996) 71,855	32,605 39,250
	Closing shareholders' equity funds	62,859	71,855
	NON-EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		
	Opening and closing shareholders' non-equity funds	30,000	30,000
	TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	92,859	101,855