SECCOMBE BROS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000





GROVE & KING

COMPANY INFORMATION

A P Seccombe **Directors**

> R Branson S M Branson J W Holland

J M Seccombe

D A Seccombe

(Appointed 4 May 1999)

K B Pepperrell J H Tennant

(Appointed 18 June 1999) (Appointed 18 June 1999)

(Appointed 4 May 1999)

M E Seccombe

(Appointed 11 November 1999)

P.C. Fairchild Secretary

0311918 Company number

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2000.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be the supply of materials for use principally in the construction industry.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 April 1999:

A P Seccombe

R Branson

S M Branson

J W Holland

J M Seccombe

(Appointed 4 May 1999)

D A Seccombe

(Appointed 4 May 1999)

KB Pepperrell

(Appointed 18 June 1999)

J H Tennant M E Seccombe (Appointed 18 June 1999) (Appointed 11 November 1999)

Directors' interests

The directors' beneficial interests in the shares of the company were as stated below:

	Ord	inary of £ 1 each
	31 March 2000	1 April 1999
A P Seccombe	400	400
R Branson	60	60
S M Branson	195	195
J W Holland	195	195
J M Seccombe	159	51
D A Seccombe	108	-
K B Pepperrell	-	-
J H Tennant	-	_
M E Seccombe	98	-

Auditors

In accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Grove & King be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 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 and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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. They 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.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

On behalf of the board

A P Seecombe

Director

18 September 2000

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF SECCOMBE BROS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 8 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 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.

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 state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Chartered Certified Accountants

Registered Auditor

19 September 2000

73 Park Lane

Croydon

Surrey

England

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
Turnover		473,952	427,536
Cost of sales		(411,142)	(409,061)
Gross profit		62,810	18,475
Administrative expenses		(19,217)	(18,632)
Operating profit/(loss)	2	43,593	(157)
Other interest receivable and similar income		1,046	1,297
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		44,639	1,140
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	3	(8,300)	(109)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	8	36,339	1,031

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2000

		200	2000		1999	
	Notes	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	4		1		1	
Current assets						
Stocks		63,953		56,261		
Debtors	5	104,292		89,744		
Cash at bank and in hand		28,626		56,650		
		196,871		202,655		
Creditors: amounts falling due within						
one year	6	(124,383)		(166,505)		
Net current assets			72,488		36,150	
Total assets less current liabilities			72,489		36,151	
O!fol and manner						
Capital and reserves	7		1 500		4 500	
Called up share capital	7		1,500		1,500	
Share premium account	8		500		500	
Profit and loss account	8		70,489		34,151	
Shareholders' funds			72,489		36,151	

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 18 September 2000

A P Seccombe

Director

KB Pepperrell

Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery

15% Net book value

1.4 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2	Operating profit/(loss)	2000	1999
		£	£
	Operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging:		
	Auditors' remuneration	1,200	1,150
	Directors' emoluments	4,939	3,874
		15.00	*****
3	Taxation	2000	1999
		£	£
	U.K. current year taxation		
	U.K. corporation tax at 20% (1999 - 21%)	8,300	109
			
4	Tangible fixed assets		_
	Cost		£
	At 1 April 1999 & at 31 March 2000		8,320
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	Depreciation		
	At 1 April 1999 & at 31 March 2000		8,319
	Net book value		
	At 31 March 2000		1
	At 31 March 1999		1

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

5	Debtors	2000 £	1999 £
	Trade debtors	27,095	39,544
	Other debtors	77,197 	50,200
		104,292	89,744
6	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2000	1999
		£	£
	Trade creditors	42,173	45,746
	Taxation and social security	19,577	12,257
	Other creditors	62,633	108,502
		124,383	166,505
7	Share capital	2000	1999
	Authorised	£	£
	1,500 Ordinary of £ 1 each	1,500	1,500
	Allotted, called up and fully paid		
	1,500 Ordinary of £ 1 each	1,500	1,500
8	Statement of movements on reserves		
		Share	Profit and
		-	loss account
		account £	£
	Balance at 1 April 1999	500	34,150
	Retained profit for the year	-	36,339
	Balance at 31 March 2000	500	70,489
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

9 Related party transactions

During the current and previous year, the company was under the control of Mr Alan Seccombe, a director and his close family. During the year ended 31 March 2000, the company sold goods with a total value of £12,384 (1999 £19,036) and purchased goods with a total value of £25,845 (1999 27,502) from the following companies all of which were also under the control of Mr Seccombe and his close family: P.A. Seccombe & Sons Limited, Seccombe (Builders Merchants) Limited, Seccombe (Building Supplies) Limited and Seccombe Properties Limited. The transactions were in the normal course of business and at arms length. The balance owed to the above companies at 31 March 2000 was £2,431 (1999 £56,775).