

Ashton Berry Limited

Abbreviated financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 1999



Chartered Accountants



Ashton Berry Limited

Company information

Directors

T A Wills (Chairman)
P J Crook

Secretary

T A Wills

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Report of the auditors under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985 to

Ashton Berry Limited

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 3 to 5 together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1999 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

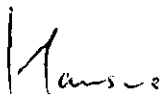
The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 3 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.



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Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors

Sheffield

8 March 2000

Ashton Berry Limited

Accounting policies

For the year ended 31 December 1999

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption under FRS 1, being a small company, not to prepare a cash flow statement.

Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation, using the liability method, on all material timing differences to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise.

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Abbreviated balance sheet - 31st December 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
Current assets			
Debtors		100	61,487
Cash at bank and in hand		17	991
		<u>117</u>	<u>62,478</u>
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year		<u>-</u>	<u>2,000</u>
Net current assets		117	60,478
Creditors : Amounts falling due after more than one year		<u>200</u>	<u>60,356</u>
		<u>(83)</u>	<u>122</u>
 Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	1	100	100
Profit and loss account		<u>(183)</u>	<u>22</u>
Shareholders' funds		<u>(83)</u>	<u>122</u>

The abbreviated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the Board on 8 March 2000.

T.A. Wills.

T A Wills
Chairman

Ashton Berry Limited

Notes to the abbreviated accounts

1. Share capital

	1999 Number	Authorised 1998 Number	1999 £	Allotted, called up and fully paid 1998 £
Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>

2. Related party transactions

During the period the company repaid a loan to Thomas A Ashton Limited, the ultimate holding company. The amount outstanding at 31 December 1999 was £200.

3. Ultimate holding company

The company is a subsidiary of Thomas A Ashton Limited, which is registered in England and Wales. Copies of its accounts may be obtained from Companies House.

The ultimate controlling party is Mr T A Wills.