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Chelsteen Homes Limited

Directors' report and financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2003



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Directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2003

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003.

Principal activity and review of the business

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of house builders and estate developers.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 4.

The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

Directors and their interests

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

Ordinary shares 30/06/03 01/07/02

A J Poulton

W A Poulton

25,000

25,000

The company is a subsidiary of A J Poulton (Epping) Limited of which A J Poulton is the controlling shareholder, and both A J Poulton and W A Poulton are directors. A J Poulton (Epping) Ltd owns 25,000 shares in this company.

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 the affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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.

Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing that Brooks Carling be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put to the Annual General Meeting.

This report was approved by the Board on ... 24.63.704 and signed on its behalf by

U W M Poulton

Secretary

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Chelsteen Homes Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Chelsteen Homes Limited for the year ended 30 June 2003 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the cash flow statement and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an 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 company and the company's shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the statement of directors' responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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.

Independent auditors' report to the shareholders of Chelsteen Homes Limited continued

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 June 2003 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Brooks Carling

Registered auditors

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Profit and loss account for the year ended 30 June 2003

		Continuin	g operations
		2003	2002
	Notes	£	£
Turnover	2	2,602,511	6,260,197
Cost of sales		(1,598,860)	(4,694,388)
Gross profit		1,003,651	1,565,809
Administrative expenses		(856,807)	(1,408,066)
Operating profit	3	146,844	157,743
Other interest receivable and			
similar income	4	5,420	2,472
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(2,535)	(215)
Profit on ordinary			
activities before taxation		149,729	160,000
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(19,054)	(39,403)
Profit on ordinary			
activities after taxation		130,675	120,597
Retained profit for the year		130,675	120,597
Retained profit brought forward		2,268,839	2,148,242
Retained profit carried forward		2,399,514	2,268,839

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit or loss for the above two financial years.

Balance sheet as at 30 June 2003

		20	003	2	2002		
	Notes	£	£	£	£		
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	9		100,087		59,567		
Current assets							
Stocks	10	6,741,992		4,147,320			
Debtors	11	14,178		1,084,297			
Cash at bank and in hand		229		958			
		6,756,399		5,232,575			
Creditors: amounts falling							
due within one year	12	(4,393,058)		(2,967,439)			
Net current assets			2,363,341		2,265,136		
Total assets less current							
liabilities			2,463,428		2,324,703		
Creditors: amounts falling due							
after more than one year	13		(23,184)	·	(5,864)		
Provisions for liabilities							
and charges	14		9,270		-		
Net assets			2,449,514		2,318,839		
Conital and wasseries							
Capital and reserves	16		50,000		50,000		
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	16		•		50,000		
From and loss account			2,399,514		2,268,839		
Equity shareholders' funds	17		2,449,514		2,318,839		

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 24.334 and signed on its behalf by

A J Poulton Director Danwally

W A Poulton
Director

Cash flow statement for the year ended 30 June 2003

		2003	2002
	Notes	£	£
Reconciliation of operating profit to net			
cash outflow from operating activities			
Operating profit		146,844	157,743
Depreciation		49,021	35,912
(Increase) in stocks		(2,594,672)	(569,848)
Decrease in debtors		1,070,119	(584,248)
Increase in creditors		78,368	244,428
Net cash outflow from operating activities		(1,250,320)	(716,013)
Cash flow statement			
Net cash outflow from operating activities		(1,250,320)	(716,013)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	23	2,885	2,257
Taxation	23	(39,403)	(173,888)
Capital expenditure	23	(53,440)	(19,785)
		(1,340,278)	(907,429)
Financing	23	196,341	913,687
Decrease in cash in the year		(1,143,937)	6,258
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net of	lebt (Note 24)		
Decrease in cash in the year		(1,143,937)	6,258
Cash inflow from decrease in debts and lease financing		(196,341)	•
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows		(1,340,278)	(907,429)
New finance leases and hire purchase contracts		(36,101)	(13,558)
Movement in net debt in the year		(1,376,379)	(920,987)
Net debt at 1 July 2002		(1,006,743)	(85,756)
Net debt at 30 June 2003		(2,383,122)	(1,006,743)
			

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

1. Accounting policies

1.1. Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2. Turnover

Turnover represents the total invoice value, excluding value added tax, of sales made during the year.

1.3. Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Plant and machinery

33.33% on cost on items not written off

Motor vehicles

25% on cost

1.4. Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce constant periodic rates of charge on the net obligations outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.5. Stock and work in progress

Stock and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.6. Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the company during the year.

1.7. Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided in respect of the tax effect of all timing differences, to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future, at the rates of tax expected to apply when the timing differences reverse.

2. Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its one principal activity, which is wholly undertaken in the UK.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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3.	Operating profit	2003 £	2002 £
	Operating profit is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible assets	49,020	35,911
	Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	1	1
	Operating lease rentals		
	- Land and buildings	15,250	11,438
	Auditors' remuneration	6,500	6,500
4.	Interest receivable and similar income	2003	2002
		£	£
	Bank interest	5,420	1,684
	Other interest	-	788
		5,420	2,472
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5.	Interest payable and similar charges	2003	2002
		£	£
	Hire purchase interest	2,343	215
	On overdue tax	192	-
		2,535	215

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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6.	Employees

	Number of employees	2003	2002
	The average monthly numbers of employees		
	(including the directors) during the year were:		
	Management & administration	10	7
	Site management & labourers	6	6
		16	13
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	Employment costs	2003	2002
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	887,798	1,328,208
	Social security costs	101,030	149,354
	Other pension costs	23,564	46,002
		1,012,392	1,523,564
6.1.	Directors' emoluments	2003	2002
		£	£
	Remuneration and other emoluments	609,048	1,048,781
	Pension contributions	7,200	32,200
		616,248	1,080,981
		Number	Number
	Number of directors to whom retirement benefits		
	are accruing under a money purchase scheme	1	1
	Highest paid director	£	£
	Amounts included above:		
	Emoluments and other benefits	390,850	795,101
	Pension contributions	7,200	32,200
		398,050	827,301

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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7. Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme in respect of the employees and a director. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions due from the company and amounted to £23,564 (2002 - £46,002).

8. Tax on profit on ordinary activities

Analysis of charge in period	2003 £	2002 £
Current tax		~
UK corporation tax	28,324	39,403
Total current tax charge	28,324	39,403
Deferred tax		
Timing differences, origination and reversal	(9,270)	-
Total deferred tax	(9,270)	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	19,054	39,403

Factors affecting tax charge for period

The tax assessed for the period is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK (19 per cent). The differences are explained below:

	2003 £	2002 £
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	149,729	160,000
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation		
tax in the UK of 19% (30 June 2002 : 30%)	28,449	48,000
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	993	(1,939)
Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation	(1,118)	(4.069)
Marginal relief	-	14,605
Current tax charge for period	28,324	56,597

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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9.	Tangible fixed assets	Plant and machinery £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	Cost At 1 July 2002 Additions Disposals At 30 June 2003	12,379 10,891 ————————————————————————————————————	184,114 106,650 (103,107) 187,657	196,493 117,541 (103,107) 210,927
	Depreciation At 1 July 2002 On disposals Charge for the year	12,378 3,630	124,548 (75,106) 45,390	136,926 (75,106) 49,020
	At 30 June 2003 Net book values At 30 June 2003 At 30 June 2002	7,262 ———————————————————————————————————	94,832 92,825 59,566	110,840 100,087 59,567

Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:

		20	03	2002			
	Asset description	Net book value £	Depreciation charge	Net book value	Depreciation charge £		
	Motor vehicles	61,576	22,748	26,675	6,669		
10.	Stocks			2003 £	2002 £		
	Stock of land for development Short term work in progress (including land)			84,725 6,657,267 6,741,992	4,062,595		

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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11.	Debtors	2003 £	2002 £
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	1,072,184
	Other debtors	-	250
	Prepayments and accrued income	14,178	11,863
		14,178	1,084,297
12.	Creditors: amounts falling due	2003	2002
	within one year	ž.	£
	Bank overdraft	1,217,284	80,456
	Bank loan	## A swed by group undertakings ors	915,000
	Net obligations under finance leases		
	and hire purchase contracts	17,884	6,381
	Trade creditors	149,950	68,296
	Amounts owed to group undertaking	759,084	-
	Corporation tax	28,323	39,403
	Other taxes and social security costs	363,333	610,851
	Directors' accounts	706,644	1,162,683
	Other creditors	2,000	2,500
	Accruals and deferred income	23,556	81,869
		4,393,058	2,967,439

The company's bank loans and overdraft are secured on land stocks and the company has given an unlimited guarantee to its bank in respect of A J Poulton (Epping) Limited. A group overdraft limit of £400,000 is also in place, with an expiry date of May 2004.

13.	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2003 ₤	2002 £
	Net obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	23,184	5,864

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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14. Provisions for liabilities and charges

14.	Provisions for liabilities and charges		
		Deferred taxation (Note 15)	Total £
	Movements in the year	9,270	9,270
	At 30 June 2003	9,270	9,270
15.	Provision for deferred taxation	2003 £	2002 £
	Accelerated capital allowances	(9,270)	-
	Deferred tax charge in profit and loss account	(9,270)	
	Provision at 30 June 2003	(9,270)	
16.	Share capital	2003 £	2002 £
	Authorised 100,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	100,000	100,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 50,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	50,000	50,000

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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17.	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2003 £	2002 £
	Profit for the year	130,675	120,597
	Opening shareholders' funds	2,318,839	2,198,242
	Closing shareholders' funds	2,449,514	2,318,839

18. Financial commitments

At 30 June 2003 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Land and	Land and buildings	
	2003	2002	
	£	£	
Expiry date:			
In over five years	15,250	15,250	
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19. Capital commitments

As at the year end, the company had no capital commitments.

20. Contingent liabilities

The company's bank loans and overdraft are secured on land stocks and the company has given an unlimited guarantee to its bank in respect of A J Poulton (Epping) Limited. At the balance sheet date there was £248,371 (2002: £473,157) outstanding in respect of these loans and overdrafts.

At 30 June 2003 the company had the following legal mortgages held by the bank:

- i) legal mortgage dated 29 March 2000 on 127 Alexandra Road & 30 Cliffton Parade, Southend On Sea;
- ii) legal mortgage dated 9 January 2002 on Clopton Green, Wickhambrook;
- iii) legal mortgage dated 29 September 2001 on Howard House, 1 Gippeswyck Avenue, Ipswich.
- iv) legal mortgage dated 4 January 2002 on Prince Avenue, Westcliffe on Sea;
- v) legal mortgage dated 5 April 2002 on Dovercourt Motor Site at junction of Farbridge Road, Spittal, Maldon;
- vi) legal mortgage dated 27 June 2003 on 703-713 High Road Leytonstone.

Apart from the above, the company has no contingent liabilities at the year end.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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21. Related party transactions

A J Poulton (Epping) Limited - During the year, sales of goods and services of the value of £31,538 (2002: £632,033) were made to A J Poulton (Epping) Limited, a company which holds 50% of the issued share capital of Chelsteen Homes Limited and in which A J Poulton is materially interested as a director, and in which W A Poulton is a director. The sales were made on normal trading terms. A recharge of £299,136 to cover A J Poulton's salary was made to A J Poulton (Epping) Limited. As at the 30 June, Chelsteen Homes Limited owes A J Poulton (Epping) Limited £648,793 (2002: A J Poulton (Epping) Limited owed Chelsteen Homes Limited £1,072,184). Apart from these trading transactions, bank interest received of £4,261.81 from A J Poulton (Epping) Limited was credited to the bank account of Chelsteen Homes Limited (2002: £nil).

22. Controlling interest

A J Poulton (Epping) Limited owns 50% of the share capital of the company and W A Poulton owns the remaining shares. A J Poulton, his wife and daughter own the entire share capital of A J Poulton (Epping) Limited and W A Poulton is A J Poulton' son.

23. Gross cash flows

	2003	2002
	£	£
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received	5,420	2,472
Interest paid	(2,535)	(215)
	2,885	2,257
Taxation		
Corporation tax paid	(39,403)	(173,888)
Capital expenditure		
Payments to acquire tangible assets	(81,440)	(19,785)
Receipts from sales of tangible assets	28,000	-
	(53,440)	(19,785)
Financing		
New short term bank loan	390,000	1,505,835
Repayment of short term bank loan	(180,000)	(590,835)
Capital element of finance leases and hire purchase contracts	(13,659)	•
	196,341	913,687
		

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003

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24. Analysis of changes in net funds

	Opening balance	Cash flows	Other changes	Closing balance
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	958	(729)		229
Overdrafts	(80,456)	(1,136,828)		(1,217,284)
	(79,498)	(1,137,557)		(1,217,055)
Debt due within one year	(915,000)	(210,000)	-	(1,125,000)
Finance leases and hire purchase contracts	(12,245)	13,659	(42,481)	(41,067)
	(927,245)	(196,341)	(42,481)	(1,166,067)
Net funds	(1,006,743)	(1,333,898)	(42,481)	(2,383,122)