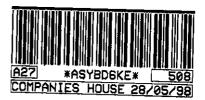
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TRADE BUILDING PLASTICS LIMITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1997



DIRECTORS:

M. BOSWORTH FCA

R.L. HARTSHORN

A.J. SMITH

SECRETARY:

M. BOSWORTH FCA

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

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The following pages do not form part of the statutory Accounts:

11 Detailed Trading and Profit & Loss Account

12 Schedule of Overheads

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their Annual Report, together with the audited Accounts of the company for the year ended 31st December 1997.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company is the sale of UPVC building products.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The company has continued to grow during 1997, with the addition of a new branch during the year. The directors are optimistic that a growth in turnover will continue during the current year.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The profit for the year before taxation was £ 46675. Full details of the results for the year are set out in the attached Profit and Loss Account.

DIRECTORS

The directors who have held office during the year are as follows:

M. Bosworth FCA

R.L. Hartshorn

A.J. Smith

The directors interests in the share capital of the company at the date of the balance sheet are as follows:

A.J. Smith

Ordinary Shares of £1 each

<u>1997</u> <u>1996</u>

<u>1,000</u> <u>1,000</u>

The directors are not required to retire by rotation.

M Bosworth, and R L Hartshorn had no interest in the share capital of the company. Their interests in the shares of the holding company are disclosed in that company's accounts.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the company as at the end of the financial period and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and
- (c) follow applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts.
- (d) prepare the accounts 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 enable them to ensure that the accounts 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

A resolution will be proposed to appoint Price Waterhouse as auditors in accordance with s385 Companies Act 1985.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Approved by the Board 6th April 1998

M. BOSWORTH DIRECTOR

Telephone: 0116-262 0000 Telex: 884657 PRIWAT G Facsimile: 0116-253 2697

Price Waterhouse



AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF TRADE BUILDING PLASTICS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 which have been prepared 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 explanation s 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 affairs of the company as at 31 December 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Price Waterhouse Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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6 April 1998

BALANCE SHEET - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

FIXED ASSETS	NOTE	1997 <u>£</u>	<u>1996</u> <u>£</u>
Tangible Assets	(2)	78,748	40,642
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks and Work in Progress Debtors Cash at Bank and in Hand	(3) (4)	125,733 268,653 751	95,196 228,104 350
		395,137	323,650
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	(5)	341,430	308,066
NET CURRENT ASSETS		53,707	15,584
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITY	<u>ries</u>	132,455	56,226
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	(6)	63,220	20,000
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHA	RGES		
Deferred Taxation	(7)	2,472	1,413
NET ASSETS		£66,763	£34,813
CAPITAL AND RESERVES	Ł		
Called up Share Capital Profit and Loss Account	(8)	5,000 61,763	5,000 29,813
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		£66,763	£34,813

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors:

...... M. BOSWORTH (DIRECTOR)

Approved by the Board on: 6th April 1998

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1997

	NOTE	1997 <u>£</u>	<u>1996</u> <u>£</u>
TURNOVER	(9)	1,859,820	994,741
Changes in Stocks of Finished Goods and Work in Progress		30,537	72,698
		1,890,357	1,067,439
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Raw Materials and Consumables Staff Costs	(10)	1,426,507 217,913	838,022 85,637
Depreciation of Tangible Fixed Assets Other Operating Charges	, ,	18,948 173,561	5,944 93,161
Other Operating Charges		173,301	93,101
		1,836,929	1,022,764
OPERATING PROFIT	(11)	53,428	44,675
Interest payable	(12)	6,753	600
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		46,675	44,075
		40,073	•
Taxation	(13)	14,725	9,833
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		31,950	34,242

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

None of the company's activities were discontinued during the above financial years.

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit and loss for the above financial years.

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFIT AND LOSSES

The results as disclosed in the profit and loss account are stated on an unmodified historical cost basis

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The main accounting policies of the company are set out below. These policies have remained unchanged from the previous year.

(a) Accounting Convention

The Accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention, in accordance with S.226 Companies Act 1985 and with applicable accounting standards.

(b) Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost of each asset over its estimated useful life:

Leasehold Property

- in equal instalments over the remaining period of the lease

Plant and Equipment

- between 15% & 25% on Cost

Motor Vehicles

- 20% on Cost

(c) Stocks

Stocks have been valued by the directors at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Cost comprises all direct costs and in respect of finished goods includes an appropriate proportion of overheads.

(d) Deferred Taxation

Deferred Taxation is calculated at current rates using the liability method in respect of all material timing differences except to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is reasonable probability that the liability will not arise in the foreseeable future.

(e) Pension Contributions

Pension contributions are charged against profits in the accounting period in which they are payable.

(f) Leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to revenue on the accruals basis.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

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Cost	Leasehold Property	Plant and Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
<u>Cost</u> At 1st January 1997	1 620	12 464	24 220	40.420
Additions	1,628 1,652	12,464 9,073	34,328 37,570	48,420 48,205
Group Transfers	1,002	6,124	37,570 20,000	48,295 26,124
Disposals	_	0,124	(9,620)	(9,620)
At 31st December 1997	3,280	27,661	82,278	113,219
Depresiation				
<u>Depreciation</u> At 1st January 1997	551	1 200	£ 407	7 770
Charge for Year	925	1,800	5,427	7,778
Group Transfers	923	3,892 4,324	14,131	18,948
Disposals	_	4,324	7,600 (4,179)	11,924 (4,179)
At 31st December 1997	1,476	10,016	22,979	34,471
		10,010	22,717	
Written Down Values At 31st December 1997	C1 004	C17 (15	650,600	670 A 10
At 31st December 1997	£1,804	£17,645	£59,299	£78,748
At 31st December 1996	£1,077	£10,664	£28,901	£40,642
. STOCKS			1997 <u>£</u>	<u>1996</u> <u>£</u>
Finished Goods			£125,733	£95,196
The directors consider that the replaceme from cost.	nt cost of stock	c is not material	lly different	
. <u>DEBTORS</u>				
Trade Debtors			249,061	222,947
Other Debtors			391	_
Prepayments and Accrued Income			19,201	5,160
	•		£268,653	£228,107

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

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5. CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade Creditors Amounts owed to Group Undertakings	21,137 128,872	20,604 189,949
Accruals Social Security and Other Taxes	24,268 9,201	4,031 7,138
	183,478	221,722
Bank Overdraft Corporation Tax Payable	144,285 13,667	77,924 8,420
	£341,430	£308,066
6. CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year:		
Loan from Director Loan from H.L.Plastics Limited	4,000 59,220 £63,220	4,000 16,000 £20,000
7. DEFERRED TAXATION		
Provision At 1st January 1997 Profit & Loss Account At 31st December 1997		1,413 1,059 2,472
The provision is made as follows Accelerated Capital Allowances	£2,472	£1,413
Provision has been made in these accounts for the full potential liability	to deferred taxa	ition.
8. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		
Authorised Ordinary Shares of £1	£20,000	£20,000
Allotted, Called Up and Fully Paid Ordinary Shares of £1	£5,000	£5,000
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9. TURNOVER

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of goods and services, excluding Value Added Tax and arises within the United Kingdom.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

	<u> 1997</u>	<u> 1996</u>
10 . <u>STAFF COSTS</u>		
The average number of employees (including non payroll directors) during the year was as follows:	No.	<u>No.</u>
Directors	3	3
Selling and Administration	12	5
	15	8
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were:	Ŧ	$\underline{\mathbf{\pounds}}$
Wages and Salaries	199,465	79,427
Social Security Costs	16,432	6,210
Pensions – Directors	2,016	_
	£217,913	£85,637
No. of directors in defined contribution schemes	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
11 . OPERATING PROFIT		
This is stated after charging:		
Other Operating Leases	£27,110	£22,843
Auditors Remuneration	£3,704	£996
Directors Remuneration	£41,837	_
12. INTEREST PAYABLE		
On Loans from Group Undertakings	3,070	
On Bank Overdraft	3,683	600
	£6,753	£600
13. TAXATION		
The tax charge based on the results on ordinary activities arises as follows:		
Corporation Tax at 33%/31% (1996 25%/24%)	13,667	8,420
Deferred Tax at 31% (1996 25%)	1,058	1,413
	£14,725	£9,833
14 . OPERATING LEASES		
Annual commitments under non cancellable operating leases for land and buildings are as follows:		
Leases expiring within 1 year	£4,700	£2,500
Leases expiring within 2 to 5 years	£26,100	£21.610

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31ST DECEMBER 1997

15. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The company's ultimate parent undertaking is Fairbrook Plc (formerly HL Plastics Ltd), a company registered in England. Group accounts are filed with the registrar of companies.

16. RELATED PARTY

Throughout the year the company has been controlled by its ultimate parent company, Fairbrook Plc.

During the year the company purchased goods to a value of £1,044,000 from Fairbrook Plc.

17. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

At 1st January 1997	Share <u>Capital</u> 5,000	Profit and Loss Account 29,813	Total Shareholder <u>Funds</u> 34,813
Retained profit for the year		31,950	31,950
At 31st December 1997	£5,000	£61,763	£66,763