Report and Accounts

Year Ended 30 April 1997

Company Reg no:3118389



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Report of the Directors

Year Ended 30 April 1997

The Directors present herewith the audited accounts for the year ended 30 April 1997.

1 Results and Dividends

The net profit for the year was £121770. The Directors recommend that no dividend be paid.

2 Principal Activities

The company's principal activity during the year was property development.

3 Directors and Their Interests

The Directors who served during the year and their interests in the shares of the company were as follows:

J. Smith (Non-Executive Chairman)

P.E. Jones

A.J. White

M.A. Schuler

L.D. Marshall (appointed 2 May 1997)

The Directors held no beneficial interest in the shares of the company. Mr P.E. Jones holds a beneficial interest in the shares of the company's ultimate holding company, which are disclosed in the accounts of that company.

4 Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Directors are required by United Kingdom company law to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of the financial year and the profit or loss of the company for that year. For this purpose it is necessary to make both judgements and estimates and this is done on a reasonable and prudent basis.

In preparing the accounts the going concern basis has been applied, suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently, and applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained.

The Directors are also responsible for maintaining proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and which 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 for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Report of the Directors

Year Ended 30 April 1997

5 Auditors

In accordance with Section 386 of the Companies Act 1985, by an elective resolution of the company, Pannell Kerr Forster, Chartered Accountants, are deemed re-appointed as auditors for the succeeding year.

By Order of the Board

J.P. Newman

Secretary

30 September 1997

Profit and Loss Account

Year Ended 30 April 1997

| | Notes | 1997 £ | <u>1996</u> £ |
|--|-------|-------------|------------------|
| Turnover | 1 | 2,530,521 | 0 |
| Cost of sales | | (1,918,500) | (3,349) |
| Gross profit/(loss) | | 612,021 | (3,349) |
| Net operating expenses | 2 | (237,645) | (73,330) |
| Interest payable | 3 | (192,009) | (6,504) |
| Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before taxation | 4 | 182,367 | (83,183) |
| Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities | 7 | (60,597) | 27,375 |
| Profit/(loss) for the financial year after taxation | | 121,770 | (55,808) |
| Retained (loss)/profit brought forwar | d | (55,808) | 0 |
| Retained profit/(loss) carried forward | l | 65,962 | (55,808) |

The above figures relate exclusively to continuing operations.

The company has no recognised gains or losses or movements in shareholders' funds other than the profit for the year.

Balance Sheet

As at 30 April 1997

| | Notes | 199 | | 199 | |
|--|----------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|----------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible fixed assets | 8 | | 210,841 | | 0 |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand | 9 10 | 5,037,284 1,427,037 650 | | 859,321 30,818 0 | |
| | | 6,464,971 | | 890,139 | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 11 | 6,609,848 | _ | 945,945 | |
| Net Current Liabilities | | _ | (144,877) | _ | (55,806) |
| Total Assets less Current Liabilities | | = | 65,964 | = | (55,806) |
| Capital and Reserves | | | | | |
| Called up share capital Profit and loss account | 12 13 | _ | 2 65,962 | _ | (55,808) |
| Equity Shareholders' Funds | | = | 65,964 | = | (55,806) |

Approved by the Board on 30 September 1997

M.A. Schuler Director

Statement of Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items considered material to the company's affairs:

Basis of accounting

The accounts are prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at a rate calculated to write off the cost of the asset over its expected useful life. Leasehold buildings are depreciated at 1% per annum on cost, and fixtures and fittings are depreciated at 15% per annum on cost.

Stocks

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

Deferred taxation

No liability for UK deferred taxation to date is likely to arise in the next three years or thereafter so far as can reasonably be foreseen and accordingly no provision has been made in the accounts.

Notes to the Accounts

| 1 <u>Turnover</u> | | |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Turnover comprises invoiced sales for the year. | | |
| | 1997 £ | <u>1996</u> £ |
| 2 Operating costs | | |
| Administration costs Other operating income | 237,645 0 | 73,330 0 |
| | 237,645 | 73,330 |
| 3 Interest payable | | |
| Interest on bank overdrafts | (192,009) | (6,504) |
| 4 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation | | |
| is after charging: Depreciation of tangible fixed assets | 6,320 | 0 |
| and is after crediting: Rental income | 0 | 0 |
| 5 Directors' emoluments | | |
| During the year the Directors neither received nor the company. | were due to receive an | ny emoluments from |
| 6 Employees | | |
| Staff costs during the year were: | | |
| Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs | 122,564 11,989 3,560 | 39,417 4,021 0 |
| | 138,113 | 43,438 |
| The average weekly number of persons employed by the company during the year was | 6 | 2 |
| 7 Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities | | |
| Current year: corporation tax at 33% Current year: group relief | 1,454 59,143 | 0 (27,375) |
| | 60,597 | (27,375) |

Notes to the Accounts

| 8 Tangible fixed assets | Land and buildings £ | Fixtures and fittings | Total £ |
|---|--|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cost | ~ | ~ | ~ |
| At 1 May 1996 Additions Disposals | 0 187,597 0 | 0 29,564 0 | 0 217,161 0 |
| At 30 April 1997 | 187,597 | 29,564 | 217,161 |
| Depreciation | | | |
| At 1 May 1996 Charge for the year Disposals | 0 1,878 0 | 0 4,442 0 | 6,320 0 |
| At 30 April 1997 | 1,878 | 4,442 | 6,320 |
| Net Book Value | | | |
| As at 30 April 1997 | 185,719 | 25,122 | 210,841 |
| As at 30 April 1996 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 1997 £ | | 1996 £ |
| 9 Stocks | | | |
| Land Work in progress | 4,069,509 967,775 | | 859,200 121 |
| | 5,037,284 | = = | 859,321 |
| 10 <u>Debtors</u> | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | | | |
| Trade debtors Amounts owed by group undertakings Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income | 1,106,505 27,375 224,326 68,831 | | 0 27,375 848 2,595 |
| | 1,427,037 | - - = = | 30,818 |

Notes to the Accounts

| 11 | Creditors: amounts falling | due within one year |
|----|----------------------------|---------------------|
| | | |

| • | <u> 1997</u> | 1996 |
|------------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| | £ | £ |
| Bank loans and overdrafts | 5,829,118 | 907,741 |
| Trade creditors | 42,155 | 0 |
| Amounts owed to group undertakings | 116,189 | 28,638 |
| Corporation Tax | 1,454 | 0 |
| Other creditors | 60,963 | 3,566 |
| Accruals | 559,969 | 6,000 |
| | 6,609,848 | 945,945 |

12 Called up share capital

| | Authorised £ | Allotted and fully paid £ |
|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Ordinary shares of £1 each | 10,000 | 2 |

There was no change in share capital during the year.

13 Profit and loss account

The movement on the profit and loss account is shown on page 3.

14 Contingent liabilities

| | <u>1997</u> | <u> 1996</u> |
|--|------------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| There are contingent liabilities outstanding in resp | pect | |
| of bank and loan facilities for group undertakings | 1 | |
| guaranteed by the company | <u>2,301,196</u> | 0 |

15 Parent undertaking and controlling parties

The company's parent company and controlling party is P E Jones (Contractors) Limited, a company incorporated in England.

The company's ultimate parent company and ultimate controlling party is Emerson Developments (Holdings) Limited, a company incorporated in England.

The results of the company are included in the consolidated accounts of Emerson Developments (Holdings) Limited. A copy of these accounts may be obtained from The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred on 90% subsidiaries by FRS8, in relation to transactions with Group companies.

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of

Jones Homes (Southern) Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 3 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described on page 1 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. 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 affairs of the company as at 30 April 1997 and of the profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Pannell Kerr Forster

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Manchester

17 October 1997