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THE BIRMINGHAM SOFT DRINKS ASSOCIATION LIMITED

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 1997



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for the year ended 31 December 1997

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The following Appendix does not form part of the statutory accounts

Detailed trading and profit and loss account 1

COMPANY INFORMATION

31 December 1997

Honorary life members J P Lissimore

G Burrows J O'Dell J A Taft R E Mason D Thomas

Ordinary members

of Council

P M R King - President

T Cooper M Love G E Millichip B Stevens P Beetham

Secretary A G Curtis

Auditors Clement Keys

Chartered Accountants Dartmouth House Sandwell Road West Bromwich West Midlands

COUNCIL'S REPORT

31 December 1997

The Council present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1997.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company throughout the year was that of an Employers Trade Association.

Business review

The company's balance sheet as detailed on page 6 shows a satisfactory position, funds amounting to £332,579.

Profit, dividends and appropriations

The results for the year are shown in the profit and loss account on page 5.

The directors do not propose payment of an ordinary dividend, the profit for the year is to be transferred to reserves.

Council members

The members of the Council served throughout the year unless otherwise inidcated.

Auditors

Clement Keys have agreed to offer themselves for re-appointment as anditors of the company.

On behalf of the board

28 September 1998

THE BIRMINGHAM SOFT DRINKS ASSOCIATION LIMITED STATEMENT OF COUNCIL'S RESPONSIBILITIES

We are required under company law 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 year. In preparing those financial statements we are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

We are also responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records;
- safeguarding the company's assets;
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

On behalf of the Council

P M R King

President

28 September 1998

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BIRMINGHAM SOFT DRINKS ASSOCIATION LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 10 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of Council and auditors

As described on page 3, the Council is 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, 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 December 1997 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

West Bromwich 28 September 1998 Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 December 1997

	Notes	1997	1996
		£	£
Turnover		50	550
Administrative expenses		(13,149)	(10,357)
		(13,099)	(9,807)
Operating deficit			
Investment income		26,418	19,959
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		13,319	10,152
petore taxation		10,017	
Taxation	5	(1,463)	5,935
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation retained for the year	11	11,856	16,087

Movements in reserves are shown in the notes to the financial statements.

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

There are no recognised gains and losses in 1997 or 1996 other than the profit for the year.

BALANCE SHEET

at 31 December 1997

	Notes		1997	19	96
		£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors	6	7,454		14,011	
Investments	7	171,011		291,428	
Cash at bank and in hand		157,014		17,184	
	_	335,479		322,623	
Creditors: amounts falling due					
within one year	8	(2,900)		(1,900)	
Net current assets			332,579		320,723
Total assets less current liabilities			332,579		320,723
Capital and reserves					
Other reserves	10		72,880		72,880
Profit and loss account	11		259,699		247,843
Total funds	9		332,579		320,723

The financial statements on pages 5 to 10 were approved by the Members of Council on 28 September 1998.

PMR King

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A Stevens

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Members of Council

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 December 1997

1 Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

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

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it is entitled to the exemptions available in Sections 246 to 247 of the Companies Act 1985 for small companies.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

Defined contribution scheme

Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Status

The company is limited by guarantee.

2	Operating profit	1997	1996
	Operating profit is stated after crediting	£	£
	Interest receivable Profit on sale of assets	654 6,442	-
	and after charging		
	Staff costs (note 3) Auditors' remuneration	5,327 500	5,328 500

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3	Directors and employees	1997	1996
	Staff costs including directors' emoluments	£	£
	Wages and salaries	5,327	5,328
	Average number employed including executive directors Number	Number	
	Administration staff		2
	No remuneration is paid to Members of Council.		
4	Investment income	£	£
	Interest received Listed investments	654 19,322	- 19,959
	Profit on disposal of investments	19,976 6,442	19,959
		26,418	19,959
5	Taxation		
	Corporation tax on profit on ordinary activities	_	_
	at 24% (1996 25%) Tax credit on franked investment income	1,463	2,116
	Over provision in earlier years	1,463	2,116 (8,051)
		1,463	(5,935)

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6	Debtors	1997	1996
	Amounts falling due within one year	£	£
	Other debtors	7,454	14,011
7	Current asset investments		
	Listed investments Unlisted investments	170,780 231	291,197 231
		171,011	291,428
	Market value		
	Listed investments Unlisted investments	213,614 231	296,850 231
		213,845	297,081
8	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	Trade creditors	2,900	1,900
9	Reconciliation of movements in funds		
	Profit for the financial year representing a Net addition to funds	11,856	16,087
	Opening funds	320,723	304,636
	Closing funds	332,579	320,723

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31 December 1997

10	Other reserves	1997
		£
	Other reserves	72,880
11	Profit and loss account	
	1 January 1997 Retained profit for the year	247,843 11,856
	31 December 1997	259,699