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THE PHOENIX PROPERTY
AND INVESTMENT
COMPANY, LIMITED

Financial Statements 30 September 2002

Financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2002

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Directors, officers and advisers

Directors

J. Brock, M.A. (Cantab) (Chairman) M. Vass Amanda Birkert, B.A. (Hons.)

Secretary

AWS Bullock

Registered Office

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Auditors

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the one hundred and thirteenth Annual General Meeting of The Phoenix Property and Investment Company, Limited will be held at Russell Square House, 10-12 Russell Square, London WC1 on 1 May 2003 at 12 noon to transact the following business:

- 1. To receive the reports of the directors and auditors and the financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2002.
- 2. To declare dividends on the Ordinary shares and on the Founders' shares.
- To re-elect a director retiring by rotation.
- 4. To reappoint the auditors and authorise the directors to fix their remuneration.

By order of the Board

AWS BULLOCK

Secretary

28 March 2003

Registered Office: Russell Square House 10-12 Russell Square London WC1B 5LF

NOTE:

A member entitled to attend and vote at a general meeting of the company is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of him, and that proxy need not also be a member.

Directors' report for the year ended 30 September 2002

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 September 2002.

Activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be property investment.

Review of business

There was no change in the property portfolio during the year but three rent reviews arising during the year have been concluded giving rise to an increase in rents receivable.

Profit before tax for the year was £322,418 after charging £22,547 for the fall in value of listed investments below cost as against £340,985 in the previous year. After tax, the profit for the year was £249,770, compared with £267,934. Both the profit before and after tax would have shown small increases on last year if it had not been necessary to write down the investments from original cost to market value.

The full results are shown in the profit and loss account on page 6.

Future developments

The directors regularly review the property portfolio to ensure it is structured in the best way to take advantage of the changing property market.

Dividends

An interim dividend was paid on 22 October 2002 of £69,359. A final dividend of £116,250 is proposed, payable on 1 May 2003. Details of dividends on ordinary shares and the comparable amounts on Founders' shares are given in note 6 to the financial statements.

Fixed assets

The movements in tangible assets and investments are disclosed in notes 7 and 8 to the financial statements.

Attention is drawn to the accounting policy on realisation of fixed assets as stated in note 1(d).

Interests in land

Having consulted their professional advisers, the directors have carried forward the properties at a valuation of £5,000,000 which they consider represents the market value of the portfolio at the balance sheet date.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were:

J. Brock, M.A. (Cantab) (Chairman)

M. Vass

Amanda Birkert, B.A. (Hons)

Directors' report for the year ended 30 September 2002

Directors' interests in shares

The following were the beneficial interests of the directors in the shares of the company:

	At 1 Octo	At 1 October 2001		ember 2002
	Founders' shares	Ordinary shares	Founders' shares	Ordinary shares
J. Brock	100	1,790	100	1,790
M. Vass	100	1,355	100	1,355
Amanda Birkert	150	2,069	150	2,069

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 affairs of the company and of the profit or loss for that year. In preparing those financial statements, 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

A resolution concerning the reappointment of Chantrey Vellacott DFK as auditors of the company will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Jus. Sullour,

AWSBULLOCK

Secretary

3 February 2003

Independent Auditors' report to the Shareholders of The Phoenix Property and Investment Company, Limited

We have audited the financial statements of The Phoenix Property and Investment Company Limited for the year ended 30 September 2002 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, 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 members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 members 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 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 or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

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.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2002 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chartered Accountants

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors
London

3 February 2003

Profit and loss account For the year ended 30 September 2002

	Notes	2002	2001
		£	£
Rents receivable Outgoings on properties	•	430,007 (23,125)	425,043 (16,321)
Net income from properties		406,882	408,722
Administrative expenses		(56,424)	(56,168)
Operating profit		350,458	352,554
Surplus on disposal of fixed assets Income from fixed asset investments Interest receivable Amounts written off investments Interest payable	2 3 3	106 2,515 2,432 (22,547) (10,546)	1,280 3,046 3,424 - (19,319)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3	322,418	340,985
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(72,648)	(73,051)
Profit for the financial year		249,770	267,934
Dividends	6	(185,609)	(180,959)
Profit retained for the year		64,161	86,975
Statement of retained profits			
Profit retained for the year Transfer of realised profits on investments	13(b)	64,161 91	86,975 9,012
Retained profits brought forward		64,252 4,383,076	95,987 4,287,089
Retained profits carried forward		4,447,328	4,383,076

The movements on the revaluation reserve relating to properties and the unrealised appreciation on investments reserve are shown in note 13 on page 14.

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

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Statement of total recognised gains and losses For the year ended 30 September 2002

	2002 £	2001 £
Profit for the financial year	249,770	267,934
Unrealised (losses)/gains on revaluations for the financial year - Properties Investments	195,000 (1,757)	- (44,266)
Total gains and losses recognised since last financial statements	443,013	223,668

The above movements in gains and losses are derived from the Reserve accounts as shown in Notes 13(a) and 13(b) on page 14.

Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2002 £	2001 £
Total gains and losses recognised since last financial statements Dividends	443,013 (185,609)	223,668 (180,959)
Net addition to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	257,404 4,453,122	42,709 4,410,413
Closing shareholders' funds	4,710,526	4,453,122
Note of historical cost profits and losses	2002 £	2001 £
Reported profit on ordinary activities before taxation	322,418	340,985
Realisation of investment revaluation gains of previous years	91	9,012
Historical cost profit for the year on ordinary activities before taxation	322,509	349,997
Historical cost profit retained for the year after taxation and dividends	64,252	95,987

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Balance sheet as at 30 September 2002

	Notes	2002 £	2001 £
Fixed assets		~	-
Tangible assets	7	5,000,000	4,805,000
Investments	8	93,038	115,406
		5,093,038	4,920,406
Current assets			
Debtors	9	62,384	66,306
Cash at bank		98,498	71,899
		160,882	138,205
Creditors: amounts falling		,	•
due within one year	10	(483,394)	(465,489)
Net current liabilities		(322,512)	(327,284)
Total assets less current liabilities		4,770,526	4,593,122
Creditors: amounts falling due after	more		
than one year	11	(60,000)	(140,000)
Net assets		4,710,526	4,453,122
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	12	10,000	10,000
Revaluation reserve -		10,000	10,000
Properties	13(a)	253,198	58,198
Unrealised appreciation	,	•	,
on investments reserve	13(b)		1,848
Profit and loss account		4,447,328	4,383,076
Shareholders' funds		4,710,526	4,453,122
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The financial statements on pages 6 to 14 were approved by the board of directors on 3 February 2003 and were signed on its behalf by:

J. BROCK

Director

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 30 September 2002

1. Accounting policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting, as modified by the revaluation of fixed assets.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in financial reporting Standard No 1 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

(b) Freehold and long leasehold land and buildings

Freehold and long leasehold land and buildings are stated in the balance sheet at open market value and any resulting surplus over cost is transferred to the revaluation reserve. No provision is made for tax which would arise on capital gains if the properties were sold at open market value at the balance sheet date.

(c) Listed investments

Listed investments are stated in the balance sheet at middle market values at the balance sheet date. The amount by which the valuation of investments exceeds their book value is shown under reserves as unrealised appreciation on investments. No provision is made for tax which would arise on capital gains if the investments were sold at their market value at the balance sheet date.

(d) Realisation of fixed assets

In accordance with FRS3, the profit or loss on disposal of a fixed asset is accounted for in the profit and loss account of the period in which the disposal occurs as the difference between the sale proceeds and the net carrying amount, whether carried at historical cost or at a valuation. Any valuation surplus on such asset, by which the net carrying amount exceeds historical cost, is released, on disposal, from the relevant reserve and shown as realised profit in the statement of retained profits.

(e) Taxation

Current and deferred taxation is based on the profit for the year and includes all taxation liabilities accruing to the date of these financial statements.

Deferred taxation is provided in respect of all material timing differences between the profit as shown in the financial statements and profit as computed for tax purposes.

(f) Value added tax

The company is registered for value added tax and has elected to waive exemption on properties, with the exception of two properties. Input tax on services relating to elected properties is recoverable. Input tax on administrative expenditure and services relating to the company's other properties is not necessarily recoverable, and the amount of any such tax is included with the relevant expenditure.

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 30 September 2002

2.	Surplus on disposal of fixed assets	2002 £	2001 £
	Surplus on disposal of fixed assets based on carrying value:		
	Listed investments	106	1,280
3.	Profit on ordinary activities		
	before taxation	2002	2001
	This is stated after crediting:	£	£
	Income from listed investments -		
	Franked U.K. dividends	2,410	2,950
	Unfranked income	105	96
		2,515	3,046
	Interest receivable -		
	Bank deposit interest	1,922	3,171
	Other	510	253
		2,432	3,424
	and after charging:		
	Interest payable -		
	On bank loan	10,546	19,319
	Directors' emoluments:		
	Fees	29,094	28,440
	Auditors' remuneration	3,687	3,896

4. Employee information

There were no employees with contracts of service with the company and all of the directors were non executive.

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Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 30 September 2002

Taxation		2002	2001
(a)	Analysis of charge in year	£	£
	Current tax:		
	UK corporation tax on profits of the year	72,800	74,200
	Adjustments in respect of previous years	(178)	(1,183)
	Double tax relief	(10)	-
	Foreign tax	36	34
	Total current tax (note 5b) and		·····
	tax on profit on ordinary activities	72,648	73,051
			

(b) Factors affecting tax charge for year

The tax assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 21.30% (2001 : 21.63%). The differences are explained below:

	2002 £	2001 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	322,418	340,985
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 21.30% (2001: 21.63%)	68,673	73,754
Effects of:		
Unrealised loss on revaluation of listed		
investments	4,803	-
UK dividends not taxable	(513)	(603)
Capital allowances for year in excess of		
depreciation	(240)	(245)
Capital gains higher than accounts profits	` ,	, ,
on sale	83	1,328
Higher tax rates on overseas earnings	20	-
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of		
previous years	(178)	(1,183)
Current tax charge for year (note 5(a))	72,648	73,051

(c) Potential taxation on disposal of fixed assets

No material tax liability would arise on the disposal of properties and listed investments at their valued amounts (see accounting policy notes 1(b) and 1(c)).

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 30 September 2002

6.	Dividends		2002		2001
		£ per		£ per	
		share	£	share	£
	Founders' shares				
	- interim	49.263	34,484	45.942	32,159
	 proposed final 	83.036	58,125	83.036	58,125
		132.299	92,609	128.978	90,284
	Ordinary shares				
	- interim	3.75	34,875	3.50	32,550
	 proposed final 	6.25	58,125	6.25	58,125
		10.00	93,000	9.75	90,675
	Total dividends for				
	the year		185,609		180,959
7.	Tangible fixed assets		Freehold	Long leasehold	Total
	1 and another NaPage at an at-		£	£	£
	Land and buildings at cost:				
	At 1 October 2001 and at		0.470.054	4 570 554	4 740 000
	30 September 2002		3,176,251	1,570,551	4,746,802
	At valuation:				
	At 1 October 2001		3,255,000	1,550,000	4,805,000
	Increase in valuation at				
	30 September 2002		100,000	95,000	195,000
	At 30 September 2002		3,355,000	1,645,000	5,000,000

The company's property portfolio at 30 September 2002 was valued by the directors having taken professional advice.

The non-provision of depreciation on freehold and long leasehold properties is in accordance with SSAP 19 but constitutes a departure from the provisions contained in the Companies Act. This departure is necessary to enable the financial statements to give a true and fair view and is required by Section 226(5) of the Companies Act 1985.

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8.	Investments				£
	Movements during the year, at co	st:			
	At 1 October 2001 Additions Disposals				113,558 13,939 (11,912)
	At 30 September 2002			=	115,585
	Holdings at year end:	20	002	20	001
		Cost £	Market value £	Cost £	Market value £
	Equities (U.K. companies) Equities	97,499	75,055	95,473	96,421
	(European companies) Unit trusts	6,165 11,921	7,181 10,802	6,165 11,920	7,509 11,476
		115,585	93,038	113,558	115,406
	All investments held at 30 Seprecognised stock exchange.	otember 2002 w	ere listed or o	therwise dealt	with on a
	See also Note 1(c).				
9.	Debtors			2002 £	2001 £
	Sundry debtors			62,384	66,306

Notes to the financial statements For the year ended 30 September 2002

11.	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2002 £	2001 £
	Amounts repayable within five years – bank	-	
	loan (secured)	140,000	220,000
	Less amounts included in current liabilities (note 10)	(80,000)	(000,08)
		60,000	140,000

The loan is secured by a first legal charge over a freehold property. £60,000 is repayable between one and two years from the balance sheet date.

12.	Called up share capital	2002	2001
	·	£	£
	Authorised, allotted, called up and fully paid:		
	700 Founders' shares of £1 each	700	700
	9,300 Ordinary shares of £1 each	9,300	9,300
		10,000	10,000

The Founders' shares and Ordinary shares have different rights as to dividends. The Ordinary shareholders have a first charge on the dividends payable for a year of 4.2 pence per share. The balance of the dividends is payable 50% to the Founders' shareholders and 50% to the Ordinary shareholders.

13.	(a)	Revaluation reserve - properties	2002 £	2001 £
		Balance at 1 October 2001 Increase in valuation at	58,198	58,198
		30 September 2002	195,000	
		Balance at 30 September 2002	253,198	58,198
	(b)	Unrealised appreciation on investments reserve	2002 £	2001 £
		Balance at 1 October 2001 Transfer of realised profits	1,848	55,126
		attributable to disposals during year	(91)	(9,012)
		Decrease in value during year	(1,757)	(44,266)
		Balance at 30 September 2002	-	1,848

14. Close company

The close company provisions of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 apply to this company.