SUBURBAN & PROVINCIAL STORES LIMITED

Company Number

217320

Directors:

Marisa Cassoni

Richard Mayfield

Secretary:

Margaret Casely-Hayford

Registered Office:

171 Victoria Street, London SW1E 5NN

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JANUARY 2009

The directors submit their Report together with the Accounts for the year ended 31 January 2009.

Principal activity

No income was received and no expenditure was incurred and the company carried out no activities during the year ended 31 January 2009.

Directors

A list of the directors in office at the date of this report is shown above. Paul Clift resigned as a director on 29 May 2009 and Tina Reade resigned as a director on 20 August 2009. Marisa Cassoni and Richard Mayfield were appointed as directors on 20 August 2009.

Directors' interests

Under the constitution of the Partnership all the directors, as employees of John Lewis plc, are necessarily interested in the 612,000 Deferred Ordinary Shares in John Lewis Partnership plc which are held in trust for the benefit of employees of John Lewis plc and of certain other group companies.

No director has or had a material interest in any contract or arrangement to which the company is or was a party.

Auditors

The company satisfies the provisions of Section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985 relating to dormant companies and members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 249B(2) of that Act.

By Order of the Board

Margaret Casely Hayford

Secretary

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 JANUARY 2009

	Notes	2009	2008
		£	£
Debtors			
Amount owed by holding company		8,591,433	8,591,433
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year		8,133	8,133
Total assets less current liabilities		8,583,300	8,583,300
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	2	6,985,300	6,985,300
Share premium account		1,598,000	1,598,000
Total capital employed		8,583,300	8,583,300

For the year ended 31 January 2009, the company was entitled to the exemption under Section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985. Members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with Section 249(B)(2) of the Companies Act 1985.

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

- (i) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Companies Act 1985; and
- (ii) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit of loss for the financial year, in accordance with section 226 of the Companies Act 1985, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Acts relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.

Approved by the Board on 20th August 2009

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Director

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Directors' emoluments £nil (2008: £nil).

2. Share capital

	2009 £	2008 £
Authorised:	-	
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	7,900,000	7,900,000
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	6,985,300	6,985,300

3. Parent company

John Lewis plc is the parent company of the smallest group to consolidate the accounts of the company. John Lewis Partnership plc, the company's ultimate parent company, is the parent company of the largest group to consolidate these accounts. Ultimate control rests with John Lewis Partnership Trust Limited, which holds the equity of John Lewis Partnership plc in trust for the benefit of the employees. All of these companies are registered in England and Wales.

Copies of these accounts may be obtained from the Company Secretary, John Lewis Partnership, Partnership House, Carlisle Place, London SW1P 1BX.