# ALVIS BROTHERS LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

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#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

**Directors** Mr J Alvis (Senior)

Mr M Alvis

Mr J Alvis (Junior)

Mr P Alvis

Secretary Mrs P Alvis

Company number 00502230

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#### STRATEGIC REPORT

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

The directors present the strategic report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014.

#### Introduction

The company's principle activity continues to be cheese making, alongside the production of food and feed grade by-products

#### Review of the business

Despite tough competition and a challenging market with deflated milk prices, cheese sales have increased modestly during the period.

Investment took place in renewable energy sources during the year, aimed at giving the company more security over the future availability and price of the energy it consumes. Further investment will be considered in the forthcoming year.

With the poor outlook for commodity prices it will be equally important for the company to invest where possible in equipment that lowers the cost of cheese production and thus increases profitability.

#### Principle risks facing the company

As an established maker of cheese, the principal risks and uncertainties that the business faces are related to those inherent in a commodity market.

Supply chain stability, product demand and competition in our marketplace are all a function of milk price which in turn is a function of how well the supply and demand of milk and milk-based products are matched in a global market.

Beyond monitoring global market prices and predictions it is difficult to set KPI's that appropriately monitor these risks and uncertainties. On that basis none have been included in this strategic report.

On behalf of the board

Mr P Alvis
Director

22 December 2015

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015.

#### Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 5.

#### **Directors**

The following directors have held office since 1 April 2014:

Mr J Alvis (Senior) Mr M Alvis Mr J Alvis (Junior) Mr P Alvis

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, Lentells Limited, are deemed to be reappointed under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. 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.

#### Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

On behalf of the board

Mr P Alvis
Director

22 December 2015

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ALVIS BROTHERS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Alvis Brothers Limited for the year ended 31 March 2015 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 auditors' 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 explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2015 and of its loss for the vear then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF ALVIS BROTHERS LIMITED

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Mr Adrian Stallard FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Lentells Limited

22 December 2015

**Chartered Certified Accountants Statutory Auditor** 

Ash House Cook Way Bindon Road Taunton Somerset TA2 6BJ

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

	Notes	2015 £	2014 £
Turnover	2	28,402,660	27,596,955
Cost of sales		(21,962,372)	(21,532,983)
Gross profit		6,440,288	6,063,972
Distribution costs		(380,485)	(302,462)
Administrative expenses		(6,555,674)	(5,718,778)
Other operating income		200,103	190,845
Operating (loss)/profit	3	(295,768)	233,577
Investment income	4	340,724	138,712
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(334,661)	(371,787)
(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation		(289,705)	502
Tax on (loss)/profit on ordinary activities	6	50,483	(34,556)
Loss for the year	19	(239,222)	(34,054)

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2015

		20	)15	20	014
	Notes	. £	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	8		61,968		116,587
Tangible assets	9		8,067,718		8,296,078
Herd	10		586,070		649,170
Investments	11		1,193,314		1,032,387
			9,909,070		10,094,222
Current assets					
Stocks	12	13,614,127		11,104,968	
Debtors	13	3,753,206		3,954,930	
Cash at bank and in hand		1,245		1,835	
		17,368,578		15,061,733	
Creditors: amounts falling due within					
one year	14	(11,342,828)		(8,404,865)	
Net current assets			6,025,750		6,656,868
Total assets less current liabilities			15,934,820		16,751,090
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	15		(8,342,302)		(8,627,433)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	16				
Deferred tax liability			(160,170)		(212,087)
			7,432,348		7,911,570
Capital and reserves	40		00.000		00.000
Called up share capital	18		30,000		30,000
Profit and loss account	19		7,402,348		7,881,570 
Shareholders' funds	20		7,432,348		7,911,570
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Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 22 December 2015

Mr P Alvis
Director

Company Registration No. 00502230

# CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

		2015		2014
	£	£	£	£
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating				
activities		(2,074,716)		396,338
Returns on investments and servicing of finance				
Interest received	165,995		138,712	
Interest paid	(266,045)		(371,787)	
Dividends received	1,713		-	
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Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance		(98,337)		(233,075)
Taxation		(1,502)		(46,619)
Capital expenditure and financial investment				
Payments to acquire intangible assets	-		(329,464)	
Payments to acquire tangible assets	(232,910)		(1,583,601)	
Payments to acquire investments	(160,927)		(138,712)	
Receipts from sales of tangible assets	2,000		74,350	
Receipts from sales of investments	173,016		-	
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure		(218,821)		(1,977,427)
Equity dividends paid		(240,000)		(120,000)
Net cash outflow before management of liquid resources and financing		(2,633,376)		(1,980,783)
Financing				
Other new long term loans	-		3,000,000	
Repayment of other long term loans	(270,813)		(133,199)	
Capital element of hire purchase contracts	(6,709)		41,596	
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from financing		(277,522)		2,908,397
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year		(2,910,898)		927,614

# NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1	Reconciliation of operating (loss)/profit from operating activities	to net cash (outflo	w)/inflow	2015	2014
				£	£
	Operating (loss)/profit			(295,768)	233,577
	Depreciation of tangible assets			523,520	512,732
	Amortisation of intangible assets			49,575	42,226
	Profit on disposal of tangible assets			(1,150)	(33,148)
	Loss on disposal of intangible assets			5,044	-
	Increase in stocks			(2,509,159)	(1,436,621)
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors			201,724	(630,869)
	(Decrease)/Increase in creditors within one	e year		(48,502)	1,708,441
	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating	g activities		(2,074,716)	396,338
2	Analysis of net debt	1 April 2014	Cash flow	Other non-	31 March
		£	£	ash changes £	2015 £
	Net cash:	~		2.	L
	Cash at bank and in hand	1,835	(590)	_	1,245
	Bank overdrafts	(2,379,531)	(2,910,308)	_	(5,289,839)
	Barik Overdrand	(2,075,001)			
		(2,377,696)	(2,910,898)		(5,288,594)
	Bank deposits		-	-	-
	Debt:				
•	Finance leases and hire purchase	(42,856)	6,709	-	(36,147)
	Debts falling due within one year	(271,519)	(6,768)	-	(278,287)
	Debts falling due after one year	(8,595,282)	277,581	-	(8,317,701)
		(8,909,657)	277,522	-	(8,632,135)
	Net debt	(11,287,353)	(2,633,376)		(13,920,729)
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3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to move	ment in net debt		2015 £	2014 £
	(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year			(2,910,898)	927,614
	Cash outflow/(inflow) from decrease/(increase)	ase) in debt and leas	e financing	277,522	(2,908,397)
	Movement in net debt in the year			(2,633,376)	(1,980,783)
	Opening net debt			(11,287,353)	(9,306,570)
	Closing net debt			(13,920,729)	(11,287,353)
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, and in compliance with UK accounting standards.

#### 1.2 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

#### 1.3 Milk Quota

Purchased milk quota is classified as an intangible asset. Milk quota is amortised in equal annual instalments to the year 2015 to reflect its useful economic life.

#### 1.4 Single Payment Scheme Entitlement

Purchased Single Payment Scheme Entitlement is classified as an intangible asset. Single Payment Scheme Entitlement is amortised in equal annual installments to the year 2013 to reflect its useful economic life. This is now fully amortised.

#### 1.5 Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life of three years.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets other than freehold land are stated at cost or valuation less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost or valuation less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Land and buildings freehold

25 or 30 years straight line on buildings only

Plant and machinery

5% - 20% straight line or reducing balance

Motor vehicles

20% reducing balance

#### 1.7 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.8 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

#### 1.9 Stock and work in progress

Stock and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

#### 1.10 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. Contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account in the year they are payable.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

#### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.11 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted.

#### 1.12 Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

#### 2 Turnover

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		Turnover	
		2015 £	2014 £
	United Kingdom Other	23,848,908 4,553,752	23,593,752 4,003,203
	Other	<del></del>	
		28,402,660	27,596,955
3	Operating (loss)/profit	2015	2014
	Operating (loss)/profit is stated after charging:	£	£
	Amortisation of intangible assets	49,575	42,226
	Depreciation of tangible assets	523,520	512,732
	Loss on disposal of intangible assets	5,044	, -
	Loss on foreign exchange transactions	80,100	-
	Operating lease rentals	44,000	35,012
	Auditors' remuneration	13,500	12,100
	and after crediting:		
	Profit on disposal of tangible assets	(1,150)	(33,148)
	Profit on foreign exchange transactions	-	(7,369)

During the year, the company paid £2,000 to the auditors for work carried out for the Alvis Brothers Pension Scheme.

4	Investment income	2015 £	2014 £
	Income from fixed asset investments	340,724	138,712
		340,724	138,712

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

2015 £	2014 £		Interest payable	5
136,417	364,199	136,417	On bank loans and overdrafts	
189,300	·		On loans repayable after five years	
1,349	-		Hire purchase interest	
7,595	7,588	7,595	Other interest	
334,661	371,787	334,661		
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2015 £	2014 £		Taxation	6
			Domestic current year tax	
-	(23,743)	-	U.K. corporation tax	
1,434	-	1,434	Adjustment for prior years	
1,434	(23,743)	1,434	Total current tax	
			Deferred tax	
(51,917)	58,299	(51,917)	Deferred tax	
(50,483)	34,556	(50,483)		
			Factors affecting the tax charge for the year	
(289,705)	502 ———	(289,705) ————	(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation	
Itiplied by standard			(Loss)/profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard	
	100		rate of UK corporation tax of 0% (2014 - 20.00%)	
	0.774		Effects of:	
-	2,774 96,926	-	Non deductible expenses  Depreciation add back	
<u>.</u>	(129,559)	<u>.</u>	Capital allowances	
_	17,126	<u>.</u>	Tax losses utilised	
_	(606)	<u>-</u>	Dividends and distributions received	
1,434	(10,504)	1,434	Other tax adjustments	
1,434	(23,843)	1,434		

The company has estimated losses of £ 483,747 (2014 - £ nil) available for carry forward against future trading profits.

Current trading losses could generate a deferred tax asset. This has not been provided for in the accounts.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

2014 £	2015 £			Dividends	7
120,000	240,000			Ordinary interim paid	
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Total	Goodwill	Milk Quota	Single Payment Scheme Entitlement		
£	£	£	£		
0.040.00	440 7704	4 004 000	5.045	Cost	
2,019,367 (1,864,998	148,724 -	1,864,998 (1,864,998)	5,645 -	At 1 April 2014 Disposals	
				Diopodalo	
154,369	148,724	-	5,645	At 31 March 2015	
				Amortisation	
1,902,780	37,181	1,859,954	5,645	At 1 April 2014	
(1,859,954	-	(1,859,954)	-	Amortisation on disposals	
49,575	49,575	-	-	Charge for the year	
92,401	86,756	-	5,645	At 31 March 2015	
				Net book value	
61,968	61,968	-	-	At 31 March 2015	
====== 116,587	111,543	<del>======</del> 5,044	-	At 31 March 2014	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

9	Tangible fixed assets				
	•	Land and buildings freehold	Plant and machinery	Motor vehicles	Total
		£	£	£	£
	Cost				
	At 1 April 2014	8,307,631	8,988,905	699,695	17,996,231
	Additions	1,000	283,311	11,700	296,011
	Disposals	-	(1,384)	(10,500)	(11,884)
	At 31 March 2015	8,308,631	9,270,832	700,895	18,280,358
	Depreciation				
	At 1 April 2014	2,301,860	6,834,175	564,119	9,700,154
	On disposals	-	(534)	(10,500)	(11,034)
	Charge for the year	196,447	297,618	29,455	523,520
	At 31 March 2015	2,498,307	7,131,259	583,074	10,212,640
	Net book value				
	At 31 March 2015	5,810,324	2,139,573	117,821	8,067,718
	At 1 April 2014	6,005,772	2,154,730	135,576	8,296,078

Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:

	Plant and machinery £
Net book values	
At 31 March 2015	50,319
At 31 March 2014	61,947
Depreciation charge for the year	
31 March 2015	12,107
31 March 2014	14,688
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The value of land included within land & property that is not depreciated is £3,014,921 (2014: £3,014,921).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

10	Other assets	
		Herd £
	Cost	~
	At 1 April 2014	649,170
	Transfer out	(63,100)
	At 31 March 2015	586,070
11	Fixed asset investments	
		Unlisted
		investments
		£
	Cost	
	At 1 April 2014	1,032,387
	Additions	160,927
	At 31 March 2015	1,193,314

The company holds a 50% interest in a joint venture that is a Limited Liability Partnership called Alvis Contracting.

The company's share of profit is shown in the profit and loss account.

The carrying value of the investment as shown above represents the company's capital account balance in that partnership.

12	Stocks	2015 £	2014 £
	Stocks	13,614,127	11,104,968
13	Debtors	2015 £	2014 £
	Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments and accrued income	3,415,407 264,433 73,366	3,690,492 219,647 44,791
		3,753,206	3,954,930

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

14	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2015	2014
		£	£
	Bank loans and overdrafts	5,289,839	2,379,531
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	11,546	10,705
	Trade creditors	3,116,805	3,257,953
	Corporation tax	(24,585)	(24,517)
	Other taxes and social security costs	78,266	76,105
	Directors' current accounts	219,901	225,935
	Other creditors	2,499,076	2,418,590
	Accruals and deferred income	151,980	60,563
		11,342,828	8,404,865
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The bank loan and overdrafts are secured by a First Floating Charge over all assets and undertakings both present and future dated 7th January 2005.

During the year ended 31 March 2015 additional floating charges were given in respect of invoice financing arrangements.

The AMC loan is secured by a legal charge over Havyatt Farm, Chapel Pill Farm, Stepstones Farm, Chancellors Farm and Regilbury Park Farm together with land at Stock Farm, Regilbury Court Farm, Legges Farm, Kingdown and Aldwick. The loan is on an interest only basis. The current rate applied is 1.90% variable to £3 million of the loan and the rate applied to the remaining £3 million is 4.41% fixed for 20 years.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

15	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2015 £	2014 £
	Other loans	8,317,701	8,595,282
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	24,601	32,151
		8,342,302	8,627,433
	Analysis of loans		
	Not wholly repayable within five years other than by instalments:		
		7,133,120	7,132,261
	Wholly repayable within five years	1,462,868	1,734,540
		8,595,988	8,866,801
	Included in current liabilities	(278,287)	(271,519)
		8,317,701	8,595,282
	Loan maturity analysis		
	In more than one year but not more than two years	285,253	278,316
	In more than two years but not more than five years	899,327	1,184,705
	In more than five years	7,133,120	7,132,261
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	44.540	40.705
	Repayable within one year	11,546	10,705
	Repayable between one and five years	24,601	32,151
		36,147	42,856
	Included in liabilities falling due within one year	(11,546)	(10,705)
		24,601	32,151

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

16	Provisions for liabilities		
			Deferred tax
			liability
			£
	Balance at 1 April 2014		212,087
	Profit and loss account		(51,917)
	Balance at 31 March 2015		160,170
	The deferred tax liability is made up as follows:		
	The deferred tax hability is made up as follows.		
		2015	2014
		£	£
	Accelerated capital allowances	160,170	212,087

#### 17 Retirement Benefits

#### **Defined contribution scheme**

During the year contributions were paid by the company. At the year end contributions owed to pension schemes amounted to £268 (2013: £0).

		2015 £	2014 £
	Contributions payable by the company for the year	78,1 <u>90</u>	17,308
18	Share capital	2015 £	2014 £
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 30,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	30,000	30,000

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

19	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		
			Profit and loss account £
	Balance at 1 April 2014		7,881,570
	Loss for the year		(239,222)
	Dividends paid		(240,000)
	Balance at 31 March 2015		7,402,348
20	Reconciliation of movements in Shareholders' funds	2015	2014
		£	£
	Loss for the financial year	(239,222)	(34,054)
	Dividends	(240,000)	(120,000)
	Net depletion in shareholders' funds	(479,222)	(154,054)
	Opening Shareholders' funds	7,911,570	8,065,624
	Closing Shareholders' funds	7,432,348	7,911,570
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### 21 Contingent liabilities

There is a contingent liability in respect of an unlimited composite cross guarantee given to secure all bank borrowings of Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited amounting to £111,140 (2014: £84,800).

#### 22 Financial commitments

At 31 March 2015 the company was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable operating leases in the year to 31 March 2016:

	Land and buildings		Other	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
	£	£	£	£
Operating leases which expire:				
Between two and five years	44,000	44,000	10,464	9,720
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23	Directors' remuneration	2015 £	2014 £
	Remuneration for qualifying services	106,626	104,266

The number of directors for whom retirement benefits are accruing under defined contribution schemes amounted to 2 (2014 - 0).

#### 24 Employees

#### **Number of employees**

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:

	2015 Number	2014 Number
	149 	133
Employment costs	2015 £	2014 £
Wages and salaries	3,365,506	2,898,788
Social security costs	311,808	286,477
Other pension costs	78,190	17,308
	3,755,504	3,202,573
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#### 25 Control

Mr M Alvis and Mr J Alvis (Senior) with Mrs P Alvis are the company's controlling parties by virtue of their shareholdings.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

#### 26 Related party relationships and transactions

#### **Dividends to Directors**

The following directors were paid dividends during the year as outlined in the table below:

	2015	2014
	£	£
Mr J Alvis (Senior)	24,000	12,000
Mr P Alvis	30,000	15,000
Mr J Alvis (Junior)	30,000	15,000
Mrs P Alvis	24,000	12,000
Mr M Alvis	72,000	36,000
	180,000	90,000

In addition to the above dividends paid to directors, J Alvis (Snr) and J Alvis (Jnr) received £24,000 (2014: £12,000) in their capacity as trustees of a trust.

#### Related party transactions

Amounts owed to related parties of Alvis Brothers Limited as at 31 March 2015 (included in creditors: amounts falling due within one year) are set out below:

Mrs P Alvis: £15,539 (2014: £17,254)

Company directors: £14,506 (2014: £18,826) Family shareholders: £189,855 (2013: £189,855)

Aggregate interest of £7,595 (2014: £7,588) was paid in respect of the above loans.

The company made rental payments during the year of £29,000 (2013: £29,000) to the directors in respect of the land used by the company. The company also paid its pension scheme £13,040 (2014: £13,040) for rental of land.

Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited is connected to the company as the directors and certain shareholders of Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited are also directors and shareholders of Alvis Brothers Limited. At 31 March 2015 the company owed Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited £2,218,256 (2014: £2,178,176).

The company has sold dairy products with a value of £2,399,698 (2014: £2,364,129) to; and purchased dairy products valued at £9,492,692 (2014: £9,359,881) from Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited. In addition to this the company has paid rents of £42,492 (2014: £42,492) to Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited and received management charges of £25,975 (2014: £24,200) from them.

The audit and accountancy charges in the financial statements include the related audit costs of Alvis Brothers (Lye Cross) Limited.

Alvis Contracting is a Limited Liability Partnership in the form of a joint venture between Daniel Harding Ltd and Alvis Brothers Limited. Each party holds a 50% interest and neither exercises overall control. For the year ended 31st March 2015, the turnover for Alvis Contracting amounted to £2,882,818 (2014: £2,924,635). During the period, Alvis Contracting paid £12,000 (2014: £10,000) to Alvis Brothers Limited for the rent of storage facilities. In the same period, Alvis Brothers Limited paid £1,382,308 (2014: £1,771,395) net of VAT to Alvis Contracting for contract work at normal commercial terms.

At the year end, the following balances existed between the company and the joint venture: Trade balance due from Alvis Contracting £3,839 (2014: £5,418).

Trade balance due to Alvis Contracting £669,632 (2014: £307,267).