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Whetstone Properties Limited

Report and Accounts

31 December 2001



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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



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Report and accounts
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Whetstone Properties Limited
Company Information

Directors

S G Eckert
S Krendel
C H Eckert (Deceased)

Secretary

M S Nolan

Auditors

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Whetstone Properties Limited

Directors' Report

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2001.

Principal activities

The company's principal activity during the year continued to be that of property investment.

Directors

The directors who served during the year and their beneficial interests in the share capital of the company were as follows:

	£0.05 Ordinary shares	
	2001	2000
S G Eckert	1,884	1,884
S Kendrel	-	-
Executors of C H Eckert	10,188	10,188

C H Eckert passed away on 17 August 2001.

At 31 December 2000, C H Eckert and S Kendrel had a non-beneficial interest in 10,984 Ordinary £0.05 shares of the company.

At 31 December 2001, this non-beneficial interest was held by S Kendrel only.

Auditors

Sawin & Edwards were appointed as auditors during the year to fill a casual vacancy. A resolution to reappoint Sawin & Edwards as auditors will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Small company special provisions

The report of the directors has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

This report was approved by the board on 17 October 2002.



M S Nolan
Secretary

Whetstone Properties Limited

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare accounts 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 period. In preparing those accounts, the directors are required to:

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

The directors are responsible for maintaining 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 accounts 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.

Whetstone Properties Limited
Independent auditors' report
to the shareholders of Whetstone Properties Limited

We have audited the accounts of Whetstone Properties Limited for the year ended 31 December 2001 which comprise pages 6 to 13. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the accounts 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 accounts, 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 within it.

Basis of audit opinion

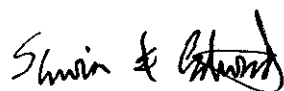
We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 accounts 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 accounts.

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to the shareholders of Whetstone Properties Limited

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2001 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.



Sawin & Edwards
Chartered Accountants
& Registered auditors
15 Southampton Place
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17 October 2002

Whetstone Properties Limited
Profit and Loss Account
for the year ended 31 December 2001

	Notes	2001 £	2000 £
Income from fixed asset investments		286,747	273,313
Property expenses		(74,542)	(93,644)
Administrative expenses		(28,418)	(14,468)
Other operating income	2	-	45,000
Operating profit	3	<u>183,787</u>	<u>210,201</u>
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets		-	2,500
		<u>183,787</u>	<u>212,701</u>
Income from shares in group undertakings	4	-	710,521
Income from other fixed asset investments	5	137,677	27,891
Interest receivable	6	53,323	49,126
Amounts written off investments		-	(734,608)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		<u>374,787</u>	<u>265,631</u>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(126,741)	(129,035)
Profit for the financial year		<u>248,046</u>	<u>136,596</u>
Dividends	8	(161,040)	(80,520)
Retained profit for the financial year	17	<u><u>87,006</u></u>	<u><u>56,076</u></u>

Whetstone Properties Limited
Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses
for the year ended 31 December 2001

	2001	2000
	£	£
Profit for the financial year attributable to the shareholders	248,046	136,596
Unrealised profit on revaluation of properties	-	1,362,257
Total gains and losses recognised since the last annual report	<u>248,046</u>	<u>1,498,853</u>

Whetstone Properties Limited
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2001

	Notes	2001 £	2000 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	9	3,558,508	3,552,923
Investments	10	<u>440,782</u>	<u>656,505</u>
		3,999,290	4,209,428
Current assets			
Debtors	11	26,427	28,388
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,425,366</u>	<u>1,042,153</u>
		1,451,793	1,070,541
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(311,134)	(227,026)
Net current assets		<u>1,140,659</u>	<u>843,515</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u><u>5,139,949</u></u>	<u><u>5,052,943</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up equity share capital	14	1,342	1,342
Share premium account	15	734,266	734,266
Revaluation reserve	16	2,610,246	2,610,246
Profit and loss account	17	1,794,095	1,707,089
Shareholders' funds		<u><u>5,139,949</u></u>	<u><u>5,052,943</u></u>

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to small companies within Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 and with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).



S G Eckert
 Director

Approved by the board on 17 October 2002

Whetstone Properties Limited
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2001

4 Income from shares in group undertakings	2001	2000
	£	£
Dividends from Mercury Estates Limited	<u>-</u>	<u>710,521</u>
5 Income from other fixed asset investments	2001	2000
	£	£
Profit on disposal of investments	<u>137,677</u>	<u>27,891</u>
6 Interest receivable	2001	2000
	£	£
Bank interest receivable	53,231	49,107
Other interest receivable	<u>92</u>	<u>19</u>
	<u>53,323</u>	<u>49,126</u>
7 Taxation	2001	2000
	£	£
UK corporation tax	130,600	65,012
Tax on franked investment income	3,758	3,354
Under/(Over) provision in prior year	<u>(7,617)</u>	<u>60,669</u>
	<u>126,741</u>	<u>129,035</u>
8 Dividends		
The following dividends have been paid or proposed in respect of the year:	2001	2000
	£	£
Proposed dividend on ordinary shares	<u>161,040</u>	<u>80,520</u>

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9 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold Investment Properties £	Fixtures & Fittings £	Total £
Cost or valuation			
At 1 January 2001	3,542,000	14,503	3,556,503
Additions	8,485	-	8,485
At 31 December 2001	<u>3,550,485</u>	<u>14,503</u>	<u>3,564,988</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2001	-	3,580	3,580
Charge for the year	-	2,900	2,900
At 31 December 2001	<u>-</u>	<u>6,480</u>	<u>6,480</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2001	<u>3,550,485</u>	<u>8,023</u>	<u>3,558,508</u>
At 31 December 2000	<u>3,542,000</u>	<u>10,923</u>	<u>3,552,923</u>

Assets included at valuation:

	2001 £	2000 £
Freehold Land & Buildings:		
Historical cost - 31 December 2001	<u>953,123</u>	<u>936,152</u>
Net book value - 31 December 2001	<u>953,123</u>	<u>936,152</u>

The freehold land and buildings were valued by the directors at their open market value for existing use on 31st December 2001.

10 Investments

		Other investments
		£
Cost		
At 1 January 2001		656,505
Additions		407,619
Disposals		(623,342)
At 31 December 2001		<u>440,782</u>
Other investments	2001	2000
	£	£
Listed investments	440,782	656,505

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10 Investments (*continued*)

Listed investments

Listed investments having a net book value of £440,782 (2000 - £656,505) are held by the company, and had a market value of £593,720 (2000 - £922,621) at the end of the year.

Subsidiary undertaking

Name of Company	Holding	% Held	Country of incorporation	Nature of Business
Mercury Estates Limited	Ordinary shares	100	England & Wales	Dormant

The aggregate capital and reserves of Mercury Estates Limited as at 31st December 2001 were £10 (2000 - £10). The company was dormant throughout the year.

Under the provision of section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 the company is exempt from preparing consolidated accounts and has not done so, therefore the accounts show information about the company as an individual entity.

11 Debtors

	2001	2000
	£	£
Agents account	4,500	3,001
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	789
Prepayments and accrued income	21,927	24,598
	<u>26,427</u>	<u>28,388</u>

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2001	2000
	£	£
Corporation tax	130,600	125,681
Other creditors	161,093	80,520
Accruals and deferred income	19,441	20,825
	<u>311,134</u>	<u>227,026</u>

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13 Related party transactions

During the year management commission of £18,818 (2000 - £16,836) and professional fees of £6,047 (2000 - £8,458) were paid, on normal commercial terms to George Eckert Chartered Surveyors, a firm in which S G Eckert, one of the directors of this company, is a partner.

The company has a wholly owned subsidiary, Mercury Estates Limited, which is dormant. At the year end the intercompany balance was £646 (2000 - £789) due from the company.

In the opinion of the directors there is no ultimate controlling party.

14 Share capital			2001	2000
			£	£
Authorised:				
Ordinary shares of £0.05 each			<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
	2001	2000	2001	2000
	No	No	£	£
Allotted, called up and fully paid:				
Ordinary shares of £0.05 each	<u>26,840</u>	<u>26,840</u>	<u>1,342</u>	<u>1,342</u>
15 Share premium			2001	2000
			£	£
At 1 January			734,266	734,266
At 31 December			<u>734,266</u>	<u>734,266</u>
16 Revaluation reserve			2001	2000
			£	£
At 1 January			2,610,246	1,247,990
Arising on revaluation during the year			-	1,362,256
At 31 December			<u>2,610,246</u>	<u>2,610,246</u>
17 Profit and loss account			2001	2000
			£	£
At 1 January			1,707,089	1,651,013
Retained profit			87,006	56,076
At 31 December			<u>1,794,095</u>	<u>1,707,089</u>