Report and Financial Statements

31 July 2005

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## **REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2005**

## OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

#### **DIRECTORS**

W J Rusga (Chairman)
S F Riddell (Vice Chairman)
N Tweddle (Managing Director)
C G Conyers
Sir Simon Day
A B J Gardner (appointed 14/06/04)
D A Greenwell
M D Horne
P S Skelton
Lady Wakeham

#### **SECRETARY**

C G Conyers

#### REGISTERED OFFICE

Planet Place Killingworth Newcastle upon Tyne NE12 6DY

#### BANKERS

Royal Bank of Scotland plc 31 Grey Street Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6ES

#### **SOLICITORS**

Dickinson Dees St Ann's Wharf 112 Quayside Newcastle upon Tyne NE99 1SB

## **AUDITORS**

Deloitte & Touche LLP Newcastle upon Tyne

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2005.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

The principal activity of the company is the design and manufacture of furniture.

#### REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The company has traded successfully during the year and the directors consider the company's future to be satisfactory.

The company intends pursuing its current policy of increased product diversification and marketing.

#### DIVIDENDS AND TRANSFERS TO RESERVES

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

During the year four interim dividends were paid, of £5.66, £5.66, £5.66 and £4.53 per share. A final dividend of £4.53 per share (2004 - £Nil) is proposed. Total dividend: 2005 - £26.04 per share (2004 - £22.28 per share). After dividends, retained profits of £262,567 (2004 - £531,618) have been transferred to reserves.

#### DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

The directors who served throughout the year, together with their interests in the ordinary share capital of the company's ultimate parent company, were as follows: -

	Godfrey Syrett (H	oldings) Limited
	At 31 July 2005 £1 Ordinary shares No.	At 31 July 2004 or date of appointment £1 Ordinary shares No.
D A Greenwell P S Skelton	3,130	3,130
Sir Simon Day	8,528	8,528
Lady Wakeham	4,713	4,713
C G Conyers	4,000	4,000
W J Rusga	2,941	2,941
S F Riddell	8,515	8,515
N Tweddle	-	-
M D Horne	-	-
A B J Gardner	-	-

#### **AUDITORS**

Deloitte & Touche LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

United Kingdom 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 as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed; and
- 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.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

C G Conyers

Secretary

Date: 24/5/06

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF GODFREY SYRETT LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Godfrey Syrett Limited for the year ended 31 July 2005 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the statement of total recognised gains and losses and the related notes 1 to 23. These financial statements have been prepared under 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 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 described in the statement of directors' responsibilities, the company's directors' are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant United Kingdom legal and regulatory requirements and 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 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 for the above year and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements.

#### Basis of 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 31 July 2005 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Newcastle upon Tyne

Date: 24 May Zoox

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Year ended 31 July 2005

	Note	2005 £	2004 £
TURNOVER: continuing operations Cost of sales	2	19,924,313 (13,437,705)	
Gross Profit		6,486,608	6,673,867
Distribution costs Administrative expenses		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	(3,324,765) (1,363,454)
		(4,659,852)	(4,688,219)
OPERATING PROFIT: continuing operations		1,826,756	1,985,648
Interest receivable and similar income	3	17,142	16,867
		1,843,898	2,002,515
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(4,387)	(3,537)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5	1,839,511	1,998,978
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(574,512)	(609,700)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		1,264,999	1,389,278
Dividends paid and proposed	9	(1,002,432)	(857,660)
RETAINED PROFIT TRANSFERRED TO RESERVES	10	262,567	531,618

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

There are no recognised gains and losses for the current financial year or preceding financial year other than as stated in the profit and loss account. Accordingly, no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented.

# **BALANCE SHEET** 31 July 2005

	Note	2005 £	2004 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	11	1,885,273	2,088,877
Investments	12	109,008	109,008
		1,994,281	2,197,885
CURRENT ASSETS	12	1 207 003	1 524 447
Stocks	13 14	1,397,902 4,376,009	1,534,447 3,566,118
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	14	12,709	11,574
Cash at bank and in hand			
		5,786,620	5,112,139
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within			
one year	15	(3,369,450)	(3,140,553)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		2,417,170	1,971,586
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT			
LIABILITIES		4,411,451	4,169,471
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year			
Long term loans	16	(1,861,568)	(1,861,568)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND			
CHARGES	17	(99,979)	(120,566)
NUMBER A COLUMN		2,449,904	2 197 227
NET ASSETS		=======================================	2,187,337
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	18	38,500	38,500
Profit and loss account	10	2,411,404	
		= 111.11	
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS'	10	0.440.004	0.107.007
FUNDS	19	2,449,904 	2,187,337
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These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 24 May 2006 Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

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#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards. A summary of principal accounting policies adopted is set out below. All have been applied consistently throughout the year and prior year.

#### Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Basis of consolidation

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption conferred by Section 228 of the Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to prepare and deliver group accounts. In the opinion of the directors the company is eligible for this exemption on the grounds that it is a subsidiary undertaking. On the same basis no cashflow statement is presented.

Accordingly these financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not as a group. They are included in the consolidated financial statements of Godfrey Syrett (Holdings) Limited, a company registered in England and Wales (See note 22).

#### Turnover

Turnover represents goods delivered to outside customers, excluding value added tax.

#### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated deprecation. Depreciation is provided on assets other than freehold land, on a reducing balance and straight line basis at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Freehold buildings 2% Plant and machinery 15%

Fixtures and fittings between 15% and 50%

Motor vehicles 25%

#### Stocks

Stocks and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Cost includes all direct expenditure and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less all further costs to completion and all relevant marketing, selling and distribution costs.

#### Taxation

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences which result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not they will be recovered. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

#### Pension costs

Pension costs represent contributions to defined contribution pension schemes. Pension costs are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable to the pension schemes.

2005

149,282

16,750

£

2004

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

## Year ended 31 July 2005

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Geographical analysis of turnover by

Rentals under operating leases: Other operating leases

Auditors' remuneration - company audit fees

## Research and development

Expenditure on research and development is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

#### Leases

Operating lease rentals are charged to profit and loss in equal amounts over the lease term.

#### 2. TURNOVER

	destination:		
	United Kingdom	19,924,313	19,138,683
	All turnover and pre-tax profits originate in the United Kingdom. All net Kingdom.	assets are located in	the United
	The directors believe that all turnover is in one business segment.		
3.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME		
		2005 £	2004 £
	Bank interest	17,142	16,867
4.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		
		2005 £	2004 £
	Bank loan and overdraft	4,387	3,537
5.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
		2005 £	2004 £
	This is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets owned Loss/(profit) on disposal of tangible fixed assets	209,637 2,132	214,217 (1,590)

154,867

16,350

## 6. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

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	2005 £	2004 £
Emoluments	409,236	585,336
Pension contributions	11,925	18,031
	421,161	603,367
Emoluments of highest paid director		
Emoluments	138,984	200,444
Pension contributions	5,700	3,225
	144,684	203,669
Two directors are members of the defined contribution pension scheme (2004 – t	hree).	
STAFF COSTS AND EMPLOYEES (INCLUDING DIRECTORS)		
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STATE COSTS IN DELINI DO TEDES (INCLEDENTO DIRECTORS)	2005 £	2004 £
Wages and salaries		£
Wages and salaries Social security costs	£	
Wages and salaries	£ 5,268,244	£ 5,368,547
Wages and salaries Social security costs	£ 5,268,244 583,492	£ 5,368,547 528,762
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	5,268,244 583,492 22,140	\$,368,547 528,762 29,232
Wages and salaries Social security costs	5,268,244 583,492 22,140	\$,368,547 528,762 29,232
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs  The average weekly number of	5,268,244 583,492 22,140 5,873,876	5,368,547 528,762 29,232 5,926,541 No.
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs  The average weekly number of employees during the year was:	5,268,244 583,492 22,140 5,873,876	\$,368,547 528,762 29,232 5,926,541
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs  The average weekly number of employees during the year was:  Office and management	5,268,244 583,492 22,140 5,873,876 No.	\$,368,547 528,762 29,232 5,926,541 No.

a) Analysis of charge in year

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## 8. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

a) Analysis of charge in year	2005 £	2004 £
United Kingdom Corporation tax at 30% based		
on the profit for the year	595,778	575,371
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(679)	9
	595,099	575,380
Deferred tax Timing differences, origination and reversal	(20,965)	33,871
Adjustment in respect of prior years	378	449
	574,512	609,700
b) Factors affecting tax charge for the current year  The tax assessed for the year is higher than that resulting from applying the standard	d rate of corpo	ration tax in
the $UK - 30\%$		•••
	2005 £	2004 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	1,839,511	1,998,978
Tax at 30% thereon:	551,853	599,693
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax	22.000	0.540
purposes Capital allowances in excess of	22,960	9,549
depreciation	13,222	(22,245)
Other deferred tax movements	7,743	(11,626)
Adjustment in respect of prior years	(679)	9
Current tax charge for year	595,099	575,380
DIVIDENDS PAID AND PROPOSED		
	2005	2004
	£	£
Ordinary Shares		
Interims paid - £21.51per ordinary		
share (2004 - £22.28)	828,096	857,660
Final proposed - £4.53 per ordinary	174 224	
share (2004 - £ Nil)	174,336	
	1,002,432	857,660 

## 10. STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS ON RESERVES

	Profit and loss account
At 1 August 2004 Profit retained for the financial year	£ 2,148,837 262,567
At 31 July 2005	2,411,404

## 11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and Fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 August 2004	1,170,517	1,781,619	544,838	190,545	3,687,519
Additions	10,991	15,782	-	-	26,773
Disposals			-	(65,770)	(65,770)
At 31 July 2005	1,181,508	1,797,401	544,838	124,775	3,648,522
Accumulated depreciation					
At 1 August 2004	60,000	972,670	453,464	112,508	1,598,642
Charge for the year	12,000	149,913	30,632	17,092	209,637
Disposals			<u>.</u>	(45,030)	(45,030)
At 31 July 2005	72,000	1,122,583	484,096	84,570	1,763,249
Net book value					
At 31 July 2005	1,109,508	674,818	60,742	40,205	1,885,273
At 31 July 2004	1,110,517	808,949	91,374	78,037	2,088,877

Included in freehold land and buildings is land at cost of £504,223 (2004 - £504,223) that is not depreciated.

## 12. INVESTMENTS HELD AS FIXED ASSETS

			2005 £	2004 £
	Shares in subsidiaries at cost		109,008	109,008
	The following are wholly owned subsidiaries of God	frey Syrett Limited:	<del></del>	
	Company name	Activity		
	Peal Furniture (Durham) Limited Lodge Contracts (1984) Limited Vinyl Master (Northumbria) Limited Hillfield Securities (Wembley) Limited Peal Equipment Limited Herlacross Limited Martock Investments Limited	Dormant Dormant Dormant Dormant Dormant Dormant Dormant		
	All companies are registered in England and Wales.			
13.	STOCKS			
			2005 £	2004 £
	Raw materials Work in progress Finished goods		741,662 148,639 507,601	825,407 161,006 548,034
			1,397,902	1,534,447
14.	DEBTORS			
			2005 £	2004 €
	Falling due within one year:		~	~
	Trade debtors		4,239,635	3,323,583
	Other debtors		17,113	88,667
	Prepayments		119,261	153,868
			4,376,009	3,566,118

Included within other debtors is £17,113 (2004 - £88,667) owed by the Godfrey Syrett (Holdings) Limited Pension Fund.

15.	<b>CREDITORS:</b> A	MOUNTS FA	ALLING DUE	WITHIN ONE	YEAR

15.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
		2005 £	2004 £
	Bank overdrafts (note 15a)	137,710	476,614
	Trade creditors	1,324,886	1,200,822
	Other taxes and social security costs	641,252	442,306
	Other creditors	74,609	83,710
	Accruals and deferred income	876,912	655,679
	Corporation tax	314,081	281,422
		3,369,450	3,140,553
a)	Bank overdrafts are secured by a fixed and floating charge on the group's assets.		
16.	LONG TERM LOANS		
		2005 £	2004 £
	Amount owed to parent undertaking	35,527	35,527
	Amount owed to subsidiary undertakings	1,826,041	1,826,041
		1,861,568	1,861,568
	The long term loans are interest free and have no fixed repayment dates.		
17.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES		
	Deferred taxation	2005	2004
	Movement in year	£	£
	At 1 August	120,566	86,246
	Charge to profit and loss account	(20,587)	34,320
	At 31 July	99,979	120,566
	The amount of deferred tax provided in the financial statements is as follows:		
		Provided 2005	Provided 2004 £
	Capital allowances in excess of depreciation	116,722	129,566
	Short term timing differences	(16,743)	(9,000)
		99,979	120,566

#### 18. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2005	2004
Authorised	£	ı.
40,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	40,000	40,000
Called up, allotted and fully paid 38,500 Ordinary shares of £1 each	38,500	38,500

## 19. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	2005 £	2004 £
Profit for the financial year after taxation Dividends paid and proposed	1,264,999 (1,002,432)	1,389,278 (857,660)
Net addition to equity shareholders' funds	262,567	531,618
Opening equity shareholders' funds	2,187,337	1,655,719
Closing equity shareholders' funds	2,449,904	2,187,337

#### 20. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 July 2005 the company was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases:

	Land and buildings £	Motor vehicles £
Leases which expire:		
Within one year	800	15,699
Within two to five years		126,689
	800	142,388

#### 21. PENSION SCHEMES

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are invested and held separately from those of the company. No contributions were made to the Scheme in 2004 and 2005 and there were no unfunded actuarial liabilities outstanding at the year-end.

In addition the group operates six other minor schemes where defined contributions are paid to insurance companies. The payments made were £22,140 in the year (2004: £29,232).

#### 22. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The parent company and ultimate controlling entity is Godfrey Syrett (Holdings) Limited, a company registered in England and Wales. Godfrey Syrett (Holdings) Limited is the smallest and largest group which includes the company and for which group accounts are prepared.

Copies of the group financial statements of Godfrey Syrett (Holdings) Limited may be obtained from the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

#### 23. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the company incurred management charges from Genner Trust Limited, a company of which Lady Wakeham is a director, amounting to £129,867 (2004: £127,546). At the financial year-end £18,852 (2004: £ Nil) was due to Genner Trust Limited. This amount is included within creditors due within one year.

Included within other debtors is an amount of £17,113 (2004: £88,667) due from Godfrey Syrett (Holdings) Limited Pension Fund. Transactions during the year of £71,554 represent part repayment of the debtor; all transactions are at arm's length.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption available in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 "Related Party Disclosures", not to disclose transactions with entities that are part of the same group.