

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITED

ABBREVIATED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS FOR THE  
YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999

COMPANY No. 828200 (England and Wales)

Thieme & Co.  
Chartered Certified Accountants  
Registered Auditors  
Doncaster



GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITED

DIRECTORS: Mr. G.E. Hurst  
Mr. J.P. Hurst

SECRETARY: Mrs. T.B. Wileman

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REGISTERED NUMBER: 828200

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GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITED  
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999

The directors present their annual report with the abbreviated accounts of the company for the year ended 28th February 1999.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was Plumbers, Heating Engineers and Builders.

REVIEW OF BUSINESS

A summary of the results for the year is given on page 3 of the accounts. The directors consider the state of affairs to be satisfactory.

DIVIDENDS

The directors paid a dividend in the year of £34,182, at a rate of £3.41 per share. Mr G.E. Hurst's share of the £34,182 dividend (£682) remained unpaid at the year end.

DIRECTORS

The directors in office in the year and their beneficial interests in the company's issued ordinary share capital were as follows:

	Ordinary Shares of £1 each	
	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Mr. G.E. Hurst	200	200
Mr. J.P. Hurst	9800	9700

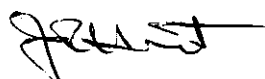
YEAR 2000

The directors do not anticipate any significant problems or costs associated with year 2000.

AUDITORS

The Auditors, Thieme & Co., will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

Signed on behalf of the  
board of directors



Mr J.P. Hurst  
Director

24th October 1999

AUDITORS' REPORT TO  
GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITED

UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial accounts set out on pages 3 to 6 (f), together with the financial accounts of the company for the year ended 28th February 1999 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS**


The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial accounts in accordance with section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the financial accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

**BASIS OF OPINION**

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial accounts, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial accounts and that the abbreviated financial accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial accounts.

**OPINION**

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial accounts prepared in accordance with section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial accounts on pages 3 to 6 (f) are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.



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24th October 1999

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDABBREVIATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
		£	£
<u>GROSS PROFIT</u>		271,349	115,383
<u>NET OPERATING EXPENSES</u>			
Administrative Expenses		141,334	114,684
Other Operating Income		(12,561)	(13,276)
		<u>128,773</u>	<u>101,408</u>
<u>OPERATING PROFIT</u>	2	142,576	13,975
Income from Investments	4	<u>18,318</u>	<u>11,414</u>
<u>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INTEREST</u>		160,894	25,389
Interest Payable	8	<u>107</u>	<u>105</u>
<u>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</u>		160,787	25,284
Tax on Ordinary Activities	5	<u>36,236</u>	<u>5,339</u>
<u>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION</u>		124,551	19,945
Dividends	16	<u>34,182</u>	<u>20,400</u>
<u>RETAINED PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR</u>		<u>£ 90,369</u>	<u>£ (455)</u>
<u>STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS</u>			
Retained Profit Brought Forward		436,736	437,191
Retained Profit/(Loss) for the Year		<u>90,369</u>	<u>(455)</u>
<u>RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD</u>		<u>£ 527,105</u>	<u>£ 436,736</u>

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

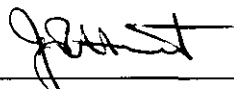
There were no recognised gains or losses other than the profit or loss for the above two financial years.

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 28TH FEBRUARY 1999

	<u>Notes</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
		£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Assets	9	365,850	214,463
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Stock and Work in Progress	10	401,146	178,417
Other Debtors	11	769,708	328,717
Cash at Bank and in Hand		326,243	233,608
		<u>1,497,097</u>	<u>740,742</u>
<b>CREDITORS : Amounts Falling</b>			
Due within One Year	12	(1,325,842)	(508,469)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>171,255</u>	<u>232,273</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>£ 537,105</u>	<u>£ 446,736</u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Share Capital	14	10,000	10,000
Profit and Loss Account	15	527,105	436,736
<b><u>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS</u></b>	13	<u>£ 537,105</u>	<u>£ 446,736</u>

These abbreviated accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

Signed on behalf of the  
board of directors



Mr. J.P. Hurst  
Director

24th October 1999

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDNOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of Accounting**

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention.

The Company's operations are described in the Directors' Report and are continuing.

**Turnover**

Turnover represents the invoiced sales of goods or services, net of VAT.

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Motor Vehicles	25%	Reducing balance
Fixtures and Fittings	10%	Reducing balance
Computer Equipment	33.3%	Reducing balance
Plant & Equipment	25%	Reducing balance

Depreciation on Computer Equipment and Plant & Equipment increased in this year to record a more realistic N.B.V. on the Balance Sheet.

No depreciation is provided on freehold land. All of the tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation.

**Stocks and Work in Progress**

Stocks and work in progress are valued 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.

**Pensions**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account.

**2. OPERATING PROFIT**

The Operating Profit (1998 - Profit) is stated after charging:

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Depreciation of Tangible Fixed Assets	27,607	14,570
Staff Costs - note 5	813,543	724,294
Auditors' Remuneration	10,523	7,931
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GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDNOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999**3. STAFF COSTS**

The costs incurred, including directors remuneration (note 10), were as follows:

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Directors Remuneration	39,687	37,086
Pension Costs	5,283	5,783
Wages & Salaries	768,573	681,425
	<u>813,543</u>	<u>724,294</u>

**4. INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS**

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Bank Interest Received	1,078	4,547
Treasury Reserve Interest	17,240	6,867
	<u>18,318</u>	<u>11,414</u>

**5. TAXATION**

The tax charge on the profit on ordinary activities was as follows:

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Corporation Tax	36,236	5,339

Corporation tax has been charged on the profit at 21% (1998 21%/24%).

**6. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION**

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Directors' Remuneration	39,687	37,086
Company Contributions to Money Purchase Pension Schemes	5,283	5,783
	<u>44,970</u>	<u>42,869</u>

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDNOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999**7. PENSION COSTS**

The assets of the company pension scheme are held separately from those of the company in a fund administered by Plumbing Pensions (UK) Ltd. Contribution made by the company to the scheme during the year amounted to £12,739 (1998 £12,501). Contributions totalling £1089 (1998 £733) were payable to the fund at the year end and are included in the creditors falling due within one year.

**8. INTEREST PAYABLE**

	<u>1999</u> £	<u>1998</u> £
Hire Purchase Interest	-	105
Bank Interest	107	915
	<u>107</u>	<u>1,020</u>

**9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Motor Vehicles £	Plant & Equipment £	Property £	TOTAL £
<b>COST</b>				
At 1st March 1998	84,824	60,206	135,975	281,005
Additions in the year	20,080	32,719	153,030	205,829
Disposals in the year	(7,700)	(12,167)	(18,340)	(38,207)
At 28th February 1999	<u>97,204</u>	<u>80,758</u>	<u>270,665</u>	<u>448,627</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>				
At 1st March 1998	49,206	17,335	-	66,541
Write Off On Disposal	(6,826)	(3,546)	-	(10,372)
Charge for the year	13,709	12,899	-	26,608
At 28th February 1999	<u>56,089</u>	<u>26,688</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,777</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>				
At 28th February 1999	<u>41,115</u>	<u>54,070</u>	<u>270,665</u>	<u>365,850</u>
At 28th February 1998	<u>35,618</u>	<u>42,870</u>	<u>135,975</u>	<u>214,463</u>

The Company's Land and Buildings are held as security by the Company's Bankers.

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDNOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 199910. STOCKS

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Stock	7,500	6,150
Work in Progress	393,646	172,267
	<u>401,146</u>	<u>178,417</u>

11. DEBTORS

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Amounts due within one year:		
Debtors	769,708	328,717
	<u>769,708</u>	<u>328,717</u>

12. CREDITORS: Amounts Falling  
Due within One Year

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Bank Loans and Overdrafts (see below)	28,040	6,489
Trade Creditors	1,148,432	415,668
Other Creditors	63,136	41,652
Other Creditors:		
Taxation	33,463	2,473
Social Security and Other Taxes	51,659	39,635
Other Creditors	1,112	2,552
	<u>1,325,842</u>	<u>508,469</u>
Bank Overdraft	28,040	6,489
	<u>28,040</u>	<u>6,489</u>

The bank loan and overdraft are secured by a fixed and floating charge over the other assets and related undertakings of the company.

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITEDNOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999**13. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN**  
**SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS**

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	as restated £
Profit for the financial year	124,551	19,945
Dividends	34,182	20,400
	<u>90,369</u>	<u>(455)</u>
Opening shareholders' funds	446,736	447,192
	<u>537,105</u>	<u>446,736</u>

**14. SHARE CAPITAL**

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Authorised	10,000	10,000
	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
Allotted, Issued and Fully Paid	10,000	10,000
	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>

**15. RESERVES**

	<u>Profit &amp; Loss A/c</u>
	£
At 1st March 1998	436,736
Retained Profit for the year	90,369
	<u>527,105</u>
At 28th February 1999	<u>527,105</u>

**16. DIVIDENDS**

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Dividends	34,182	20,400
	<u>34,182</u>	<u>20,400</u>

**17. CONTROL**

The Company is controlled by Mr J.P. Hurst, a director of the Company whose interest in the shares of the Company are disclosed in the Director's Report

**18. RELATED PARTIES**

At the Year End the Company owed Mr. G.E. Hurst £1,112 (1998 £2,552).  
The Company sold Mr. G.H. Hurst Freehold Property which cost the Company £18,340, due to deprevation the property only realized £9,740.

GEORGE HURST AND SONS LIMITED

CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 28TH FEBRUARY 1999

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
<u>NET CASH INFLOW</u>		
<u>FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</u>	288,391	152,994
<u>Returns on Investments and Servicing</u>		
<u>of Finance</u>		
Interest Received	18,318	11,414
Interest Element of Finance Lease Rental	(107)	(105)
<u>Net Cash Inflow from Returns on Investments</u>	18,211	11,309
<u>and Servicing of Finance</u>		
<u>Taxation</u>	(5,247)	(26,166)
<u>Capital Expenditure</u>		
<u>and Financial Investment</u>		
Purchase of Tangible Fixed Assets	(205,829)	(57,741)
Sale of Tangible Fixed Assets	9,740	-
<u>Net Cash Outflow from Investing Activities</u>	(196,089)	(58,026)
<u>Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) before Financing</u>	105,266	(91,446)
<u>Equity Dividends Paid</u>	(34,182)	(20,400)
	71,046	71,046
<u>Financing</u>		
Capital Element of Finance Lease Rentals	-	(541)
<u>INCREASE IN CASH</u>	71,084	70,505

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO OPERATING CASH FLOWS

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Operating Profit	142,576	13,976
Depreciation	26,607	14,570
Loss/(Profit) on Sale of Fixed Assets	18,095	(183)
Increase in Stocks	(222,729)	(166,912)
(Increase)/Decrease in Debtors	(440,991)	207,012
Increase in Creditors	764,832	84,531
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Net Cash Inflow		
From Operating Activities	288,391	152,994
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RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT

	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
	£	£
Increase in Cash in the year	71,084	70,505
Cash Outflow from Decrease in Debt and Lease Financing	-	541
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Movement in Net Debt in year	71,084	71,046
Net debt at 1st March 1998	227,119	156,073
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Net Debt at 28th February 1999	298,203	227,119
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NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT (Continued)

ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT

	At Start of Year £	Cash Flows £	At End of Year £
Cash at Bank and in Hand	233,608	92,635	326,243
Bank Overdrafts	(6,489)	(21,551)	(28,040)
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	227,119	71,084	298,203
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