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COMPANY INFORMATION

DIRECTORS:

Mrs G. Graham (Chairman)

J.S. Graham N. Graham

SECRETARY:

Mrs P. Woodhouse

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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BANKERS:

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AUDITORS:

Wilson Braithwaite Scholey

Registered Auditor Chartered Accountants 21-27 St Paul's Street

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the group for the year ended 31 December 1999.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the group are the manufacture of carpet yarn and quilts, and the operation of a country house hotel and of a restaurant.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The directors report a satisfactory year's results. Whilst trading conditions have remained difficult in the hotel and restaurant division, carpet yarns and quilts continue to produce sustained sales and margins in an increasingly competitive market. Continued investment in the latest plant and machinery together with a reorganisation of the mill and production processes should enable the group to maintain and improve its market position in the coming years.

DIVIDENDS

The directors do not propose the payment of a dividend.

EMPLOYEES

During the year the company continued to provide employees with relevant information and to seek their views on matters of common concern through their representatives and through line managers. Priority is given to ensuring that employees are aware of all significant matters affecting the group's trading position and of any significant organisation changes.

It is the policy of the company to support the employment of disabled persons where possible, both in recruitment and by retention of employees who become disabled whilst in the employment of the company, as well as generally through training and career development.

DIRECTORS

The directors at the date of this report are set out on page 1. All held office throughout the year. In accordance with the company's articles of association Mrs G. Graham retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers herself for re-election.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES

The directors' interests, as defined by the Companies Act 1985, in the share capital of the company were as follows: -

	At 31 December 1999		At 31 December 1998	
	Preference Shares of £1	Ordinary Shares of £1	Preference Shares of £1	Ordinary Shares of £1
Mrs G. Graham	40,145	-	40,145	_
J.S. Graham	4,940	13,048	4,940	13,048
N. Graham	4,940	13,046	4,940	13,048

There have been no changes in the interests of the directors in the share capital of the company between 31 December 1999 and the date of this report.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (continued)

POLITICAL AND CHARITABLE DONATIONS

During the year the group made charitable donations of £2,506 (1998 £1,828). The group made no political donations.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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 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;
- follow applicable accounting standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

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.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Wilson Braithwaite Scholey, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

J S GRAHAM
Director

Dated: (0/5/00)

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF WILLIAM S. GRAHAM & SONS (DEWSBURY) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages five to twenty which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page nine and ten.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

Wilson Braithmaite Scholey

As described on page three the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 affairs of the company and of the group at 31 December 1999 and of the group's profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Wilson Braithwaite Scholey Registered Auditor Chartered Accountants 21-27 St Paul's Street Leeds

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Dated: 11 May 2000

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

	Notes	31.12.99 £	31.12.98 £
TURNOVER	2	21,611,395	22,019,415
Operating costs	4	(20,345,602)	(20,607,403)
OPERATING PROFIT	2 & 4	1,265,793	1,412,012
Interest payable	6	(61,506)	(78,608)
Interest receivable		23,701	35,785
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	N	1,227,988	1,369,189
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(229,627)	(<u>323,963</u>)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		998,361	1,045,226
Dividends – non equity	8	-	
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL Y	EAR	998,361	1,045,226
Retained profit brought forward		10,107,203	9,061,977
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		11,105,564	10,107,203

CONTINUING OPERATIONS: None of the group's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current and previous years.

RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES: The group has no recognised gains or losses other than the profits for the current and previous years.

The notes form part of these financial statements

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 1999

	Notes	31.12.99 £	31.12.98 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	9	<u>9,932,396</u>	8,772,841
CURRENT ASSETS Stock and work in progress Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	1,196,783 4,938,176 1,375 6,136,334	855,277 4,156,696 995,087 6,007,060
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year Trade creditors Other creditors	13	(2,812,173) (2,018,077) (4,830,250)	(2,141,775) (<u>2,198,007</u>) (<u>4,339,782</u>)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,306,084	1,667,278
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		11,238,480	10,440,119
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year	14	-	(200,000)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	16	11,238,480	10,240,119
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital	17	<u>111,055</u>	<u>111,055</u>
Capital reserves Profit and loss account	18 18	21,861 <u>11,105,564</u> <u>11,127,425</u>	21,861 10,107,203 10,129,064
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS INCLUDING NON-EQUITY INTERESTS	20	11,238,480	10,240,119

The notes form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET at 31 December 1999

	Notes	31.12.99 £	31.12.98 £
FIXED ASSETS Investments	10	_157,845	<u>157,845</u>
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	12	1,516,821	1,516,821
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year Other creditors	13	(<u>72,084</u>)	(<u>72,084</u>)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,444,737	1,444,737
		1,602,582	1,602,582
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital	17	111,055	111,055
Profit and loss account Capital redemption reserve	18 18	1,472,541 18,986	1,472,541 18,986
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS INCLUDING NON-EQUITY INTERESTS	G 20	1,602,582	1,602,582

The financial statements were approved by the Board on 10/5/00 and signed on its behalf by:

John Stewart Graham Director

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

	Note	31.12.99 £	31.12.98 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities	23	1,538,647	2,477,698
Returns on investments and servicing of finance			
Interest received Other interest paid		23,701 (<u>104,858)</u> <u>(81,157)</u>	35,785 (<u>30,630)</u> 5,155
Taxation paid		(<u>320,389</u>)	(247,070)
Investing activities Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Receipts from the sale of tangible fixed assets		(2,226,969) <u>251,653</u> (1,975,316)	(1,454,950) <u>22,357</u> (1,432,593)
Financing Loan repayments		(500,000)	
(Decrease) increase in cash		(1,338,215)	803,190
DECONCULATION OF NET CASILELOV	V		
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOV TO MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT	24		
(Decrease) increase in cash in the year Cash outflow from decrease in debt		(1,338,215) 	803,190
Change in net funds resulting from cash flows		(838,215)	803,190
Net funds at 1 January 1999		495,087	(308,103)
Net debt at 31 December 1999		(343,128)	495,087

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of consolidation

The group's financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the company and its subsidiary undertaking for the year.

Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies which the directors have adopted within that convention are set out below.

Depreciation

Refurbishment expenditure on the hotel property, fixtures and fittings are written off to profit and loss account when incurred. The standards of the hotel are such that it will be necessary to refurbish the hotel on a regular basis.

Tangible fixed assets

The depreciation rates applied are designed to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their anticipated useful lives. The rates used are:

Freehold buildings	2% per annum	(straight line)
Leasehold improvements	Period of the lease	(straight line)
Plant and machinery	10% per annum	(reducing balance)
Motive plant	71/2% per annum	(reducing balance)
Motor vehicles	25% per annum	(reducing balance)
Computer equipment	25% per annum	(straight line)
Restaurant fixtures	10% per annum	(straight line)

No depreciation is provided in respect of freehold land.

Stock and work in progress

Stock and work in progress are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises materials, direct labour and attributable production overheads.

Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price after taking into account all further costs expected to be incurred on completion and disposal.

Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred or accelerated because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounting and taxation purposes. Provision for deferred taxation is made under the liability method only to the extent that it is probable that the liability will become payable in the foreseeable future. The provision is made at the rate at which it is estimated the tax will be paid.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Provision is made for any exchange losses arising on conversion at the rate ruling at the balance sheet date.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Pensions

- (i) The group operates a pension scheme providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group, being invested with an insurance company. Contributions to the scheme are charged to profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the group. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit method. The most recent valuation was as at 1 August 1998. The funding level at the review date was 83%. The contributions of the group were determined at 21.9% of pensionable payroll. Members do not contribute to the scheme.
- (ii) The group operates a "money purchase" pension scheme in respect of two employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in a small self-administered pension fund. Contributions to the scheme are charged to profit and loss account in the year in which they are made.

Leased assets

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis.

2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS

Class of business

	Carpet yarı	arpet yarns and quilts Hotel and Restaurants		Hotel and Restaurants		tal
	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Turnover	19,872,702	20,228,497	1,738,693	1,790,918	21,611,395	22,019,415
Operating profit (loss)	1,369,296	1,433,743	(103,503)	(21,731)	1,265,793	1,412,012
Turnover by	y geographica	ni market			1999 £	1998 £
United King Europe	dom				19,324,659 2,286,736	18,853,582 3,165,833
					21,611,395	22,019,415

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

3. STAFF COSTS

The average weekly number of persons (including directors) employed by the group during the year was-

	1999 Number	1998 Number
Production	196	214
Sales and distribution	3	3
Administration	11	11
Hotel and restaurant	<u>_64</u>	<u>_70</u>
	274	298
	_	=
	1999	1998
	£	£
Staff costs including directors:		
Wages and salaries	5,728,808	5,612,470
Social security costs	508,193	472,504
Pension costs	<u>82,046</u>	<u>279,350</u>
	6,319,047	6,364,324
Pension costs:		
Defined benefit scheme	82,046	79,350
Money purchase scheme		200,000
	82,046	279,350
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The last formal actuarial review of the defined benefit pension scheme was at 1 August 1998. The market value of the scheme assets at that date was £966,000 and the level of funding was 83%. The main actuarial assumptions used in the valuation were:

Investment returns	8%
Salary increases	6.25%
Future pension increases	4%

Pensioners' benefits remain a liability of the Trustees, even if they were secured by the purchase of an annuity from an insurance company by means of an extraction from the scheme. At present, future liabilities to pay benefits of pensioners are matched by annuity assets and as there is no evidence to suggest that this is likely to change, it has not been included in the overall funding position given above.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

1000	1998
£	£
21,611,395	22,019,415
25,395 9,826,601 278,031 6,319,047 920,110 2,976,418	257,530 9,940,255 284,739 6,364,324 896,048 2,864,507
20,345,602	20,607,403
9,500 35,211 (104,347) 58,508	9,500 12,520 (28,516) 59,642
604,020 23,468 627,488	732,024 22,961
	21,611,395 25,395 9,826,601 278,031 6,319,047 920,110 2,976,418 20,345,602 1,265,793 9,500 35,211 (104,347) 58,508 604,020 23,468

The number of directors accruing retirement benefits under money purchase pension scheme is 2 (1998 - 2).

Directors' remuneration is as follows:

	1999 £	1998 £
Remuneration of the chairman	26,988	26,436
Remuneration of the highest paid director	304,388	364,963
Pension contributions to money purchase pension schemes	-	100,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

6.	INTEREST PAYABLE		
		1999	1998
		£	£
	Interest on pension scheme loan	26,402	47,978
	Interest on directors' loans (Note 25)	13,354	12,692
	Other interest	<u>21,750</u>	<u>17,938</u>
		61,506	78,608
7.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES Charge for taxation based on the profit for the year: Corporation tax at 28.3% (1998 - 30%) Deferred taxation at 30% (1998 - 31%)	236,000 	321,000
	Prior year adjustments: Corporation tax	(6,373)	2,963
		229,627	323,963
8.	DIVIDENDS Proposed dividend on non-equity 3½% cumulative preference shares		-

The dividends on the 3½% cumulative preference shares are in arrears from 31 December 1995, amounting to £12,360.

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold land and buildings	Improvements to short lease- hold building	Plant, machinery, fixtures and motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At I January 1999	1,888,928	239,530	12,283,124	14,411,582
Additions	547,392	152,915	1,563,664	2,263,971
Disposals			(<u>496,504</u>)	(496,504)
At 31 December 1999	2,436,320	<u>392,445</u>	13,350,284	16,179,049

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

	Freehold land and buildings	Improvements to short lease- hold building	Plant, machinery, fixtures and motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
Depreciation				
At I January 1999	322,413	103,859	5,212,469	5,638,741
Charge for year	47,513	16,503	856,094	920,110
On disposals	-		(<u>312,198</u>)	(312,198)
At 31 December 1999	369,926	120,362	<u>5,756,365</u>	<u>6,246,653</u>
Net book value				
At 31 December 1999	2,066,394	272,083	7,593,919	9,932,396
				
At 31 December 1998	1,566,515	135,671	7,070,655	8,772,841

10. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENT

	Company	
	1999	1998
	£	£
Shares in subsidiary undertaking at cost	157,845	157,845

The investment in subsidiary undertakings represented 100% of the share capital of William S. Graham Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales. The principal activity of William S. Graham Limited is the manufacture of carpet yarn and quilts, and the operation of a country house hotel and of a restaurant.

11. STOCK AND WORK IN PROGRESS

	G	roup
	1999	1998
	£	£
Raw materials and consumables	616,421	249,520
Work in progress	555,456	575,023
Finished goods	<u>24,906</u>	<u>30,734</u>
	1,196,783	855,277
		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

12. DEBTORS

	Gr	oup	Company	
	1999 £	1998 £	1999 £	1998 £
Trade debtors Amount due from subsidiary	4,846,002	4,062,342	-	-
undertaking	-	-	1,516,821	1,489,632
Other debtors	7,087	28,498	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	85,087	65,856	-	-
Proposed dividend receivable	_			<u>27,189</u>
	4,938,176	4,156,696	1,516,821	1,516,821

It is not expected that the amount due from the subsidiary undertaking will be repaid within the next twelve months.

13. OTHER CREDITORS

		Group		Com	pany
		1999	1998	1999	1998
		£	£	£	£
	Bank overdraft	344,503			
	Corporation tax	230,240	321,000	-	-
	Other taxes and social security	736,972	757,181	-	-
	Directors' current accounts (note 25)	8,782	32,077	-	-
	Other creditors	13,401	133,142	-	~
	Accruals and deferred income	612,095	582,523	-	-
	Proposed dividend	72,084	72,084	72,084	72,084
	Pension scheme loan		300,000		
		2,018,077	2,198,007	72,084	72,084
14.	CREDITORS - amounts falling due	after one year		1999	1998
	Loans from the W.S. Graham & Sons	Self-Administe	ered	£	£
	Pension Fund due within five years				200,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

15.	DEBT ANALYSIS The group's debt is analysed by mat	urity below:		1999	1998
				£	1998 £
	Repayable in 1 year or on demand Repayable in 1-2 years			344,503	300,000 200,000
16.	PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES Deferred taxation not provided at 3 is wholly in respect of accelerated contains the second sec	l December 1999	amounted to £1,	,300,000 (1998 £1	,187,000) and
17.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL			1999 £	1998 £
	Authorised Ordinary shares of £1 each 3.5% Cumulative preference shares	of£1 each		54,480 <u>75,561</u>	54,480
	Allotted and fully paid			130,041	130,041
	Allotted and fully paid Ordinary shares of £1 each 3.5% Cumulative preference shares			40,434 	40,434
				111,055	111,055
18.	RESERVES				
		Revenue reserves	Capital redemption	Capital other reserve	Total
	Group	£	£	£	£
	At 1 January 1999 Retained profit for the year	10,107,203 <u>998,361</u>	18,986 —— -	2,875 	10,129,064 <u>998,361</u>
	At 31 December 1999	11,105,564	18,986	2,875	11,127,425
			Revenue reserves	Capital redemption	Total

£

Company

At 1 January 1999 and 31 December 1999

reserve

1,472,541 18,986

£

£

1,491,527

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

19. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

As permitted by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985, the parent undertaking's profit and loss account has not been included in these financial statements.

The result for the financial year of the parent undertaking amounted to £Nil (1998 - £Nil).

20. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	1999 £	1998 £
Group Profit for the financial year Opening shareholders' funds	998,361 10,240,119	1,045,226 9,194,893
Closing shareholders' funds	11,238,480	10,240,119
Company Opening shareholders' funds Closing shareholders' funds	1,602,582 1,602,582	1,602,582 1,602,582
Current		
Group Equity	11,083,415	10,087,526
Non-equity	<u>155,065</u>	<u>152,593</u>
	11,238,480	10,240,119
Company	1 443 513	1 440 000
Equity Non-equity	1,447,517 <u>155,065</u>	1,449,989 <u>152,593</u>
	1,602,582	1,602,582

The non-equity shareholders' funds represents the 3½% cumulative preference shares of £1 each, together with the arrears of dividend entitlements, accrued at the rate of 3½% per annum on a cumulative basis, but not paid. These shares have no terms for repayment and carry voting rights of one vote for each preference share held. On a winding up of the company the 3½% cumulative preference shares rank before the ordinary shares and are entitled to the amount paid together with all arrears of dividends.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

21. COMMITMENTS

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Group	1999 £	1998 £
Capital commitments	£	£
Contracted for but not provided in the financial statements	2,246,090	557,336
Financial commitments There is a commitment under an operating lease for the rental of premises. The commitment for the next year is as follows:		
Expiring after five years	40,000	40,000
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22. GOODWILL

The cumulative amount of goodwill, representing the excess of cost of shares in subsidiary undertakings over the fair value of the net assets acquired, written off in prior years is £81,916.

23. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	1999	1998
	£	£
Operating profit	1,265,793	1,412,012
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	920,110	896,048
Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets	(<u>104,347</u>)	(<u>28,516</u>)
	2,081,556	2,279,544
Working capital movements:		
Stock	(341,506)	232,550
Debtors	(781,480)	666,923
Creditors	_580,077	<u>(701,319)</u>
Net cash inflow from operating activities	1,538,647	2,477,698
		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

24. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS (DEBT)

	At 1.1.99	Cash flows	Other <u>Changes</u>	At 31.12.99
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdraft	995,087	(993,712) (344,503) (1,338,215)	-	1,375 (344,503)
Debt due in one year Debt due after one year	(300,000) (200,000)	300,000 200,000	<u>-</u>	
Total	495,087	(838,215)	-	(343,128)

25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Directors' loan accounts

As disclosed in Note 13, the directors operate current accounts with the group. At 31 December 1999 the amount owing to the directors from the group was as follows:

	1999 £	1998 £
G.Graham	(17,909)	-
J.S. Graham	25,003	31,258
N. Graham	1,688	819
	8,782	32,077

During the year Mr N. Graham's current account was overdrawn to a maximum of £248,711 but had been cleared by the year-end. The overdrawn current account for Mrs G.Graham represents the maximum amount outstanding during the year. This was cleared in March 2000.

The group paid interest to the directors on these current accounts. The amount paid before the deduction of income tax was as follows:

	1999 £	1998 £
J.S. Graham N. Graham	13,354	12,692
	13,354	12,692

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended 31 December 1999

25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Pension schemes

Mr J.S. Graham and Mr N. Graham are trustees and members of the W.S. Graham & Sons Self-Administered Pension Fund.

The Pension Fund has made loans to the group amounting to £Nil (1998 - £500,000). See Note 14. Interest payable on these loans in the year amounted to £26,402 (1998 - £47,978). Of this amount, £4,626 (1998 - £47,978) is included in accruals and deferred income at 31 December 1999.

The group leases two properties from the W.S. Graham & Sons Self-Administered Pension Fund. The amount of rent payable in the year to the Pension Fund on the first property amounted to £18,508 (1998 - £19,642). The annual rental on the second property amounts to £40,000 (1998 - £40,000).

Contributions of £Nil (1998 - £Nil) were paid to the fund during the year.

Control relationship

The group is controlled by the Graham Family by virtue of their majority holding in the ordinary share capital of the company.