WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited)

Registered Number 988844

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
3 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2004



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WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited) DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Directors present their Report and financial statements for the 3 months ended 30 June 2004.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES, BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

The principal activity of the Company during the period was the operation of waste collection and disposal services for industry and local authorities.

On 1 July 2004, the Company's immediate parent company, WRG (Management) Limited (formerly Shanks & McEwan (Waste Services) Limited) was sold by Shanks Group plc to WRG Acquisitions 2 Limited (formerly Cholet Acquisitions 2 Limited), a wholly owned subsidiary of WRG Holdings Limited. The Company accordingly amended its Accounting Reference Date to match the date on which ultimate ownership of the Company was transferred. On 21 July 2004 the Company changed its name from Shanks Waste Services Limited to WRG Waste Services Limited.

The Company plans to continue to increase its market share in the waste management sector and will invest in additional landfill void at economic cost and in new geographical areas with growth potential.

TRADING RESULTS AND DIVIDEND

The profit on ordinary activities before tax for the 3 months ended 30 June 2004 was £3,988,000 (12 months to 31 March 2004: £11,837,000). Included in the profit for the 3 months ended 30 June 2004 is a non-operating exceptional profit of £1,387,000 on the disposal of two landfill sites to WRG (Management) Limited (formerly Shanks & McEwan (Waste Services) Limited). The Directors recommend that a dividend be paid in respect of the 3 months ended 30 June 2004 of £33,219,000 (12 months ended 31 March 2004: £3,816,000). The retained loss transferred to the reserves for the 3 months ended 30 June 2004 was £30,416,000 (12 months to 31 March 2004: £5,291,000 profit).

POST BALANCE SHEET EVENT

On 15th December 2004 the Company was a party to the refinancing of WRG Finance Plc and its subsidiary companies under which it granted security by way of fixed and floating charges over its assets and became a borrower and guarantor under an Amended and Restated Facilities Agreement dated 9th June 2003. In addition, the Company became a Subsidiary Guarantor of Second Lien Floating Rate Notes due 2011 issued by WRG Acquisitions Plc and also 9% Senior Notes due 2014 issued by WRG Finance Plc.

WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited) DIRECTORS' REPORT - continued

DIRECTORS AND DIRECTORS' INTERESTS

The Directors who held office during the period and up to the date of this report were as follows:

Q R Stewart (appointed 1 July 2004, resigned 25 October 2004)

P W Burns (appointed 1 July 2004, resigned 25 October 2004)

J R Meredith (appointed 1 July 2004)

L J D Cassells (appointed 1 July 2004)

S N Hardman (appointed 16 August 2004)

M C E Averill (resigned 1 July 2004)

D J Downes (resigned 1 July 2004)

M J Clarke (resigned 1 July 2004)

I F Goodfellow (appointed 29 April 2004, resigned 18 June 2004)

D Stockley (appointed 29 April 2004, resigned 18 June 2004)

None of the Directors held an interest in the share capital of the Company during the year. The interests of Messrs Meredith, Cassells and Hardman in the share capital of intermediate and ultimate holding companies are disclosed in the accounts of WRG Investments Limited.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial period 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;
- state whether applicable 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 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.

WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited) DIRECTORS' REPORT - continued

EMPLOYMENT POLICIES

There is a continuing commitment in the Company to provide employees with information and undertake consultation on matters of concern to them with a view to ensuring an awareness of the financial and economic factors affecting the performance of the Company. The procedures adopted involve both formal and informal meetings with employees or their representatives.

It is the continuing policy of the Company to provide employment for disabled people and employees who become disabled provided it is practical to offer suitable work. The training, career development and promotion of disabled employees are undertaken whenever possible, in accordance with the needs of the individuals concerned.

PAYMENT OF SUPPLIERS

It is the Company's payment policy, in respect of all suppliers, to settle agreed outstanding accounts in accordance with terms and conditions agreed with suppliers when placing orders. The Company will abide by these terms of payment. The amount owed by the Company to trade creditors at period end in proportion to the amounts invoiced by suppliers during the period expressed by the number of days, was 27 days (31 March 2004: 32 days).

NOTE OF CHANGE OF COMPANY SECRETARY

SP Cannon (resigned 30 June 2004)
A Waterhouse (appointed 1 July 2004)
S N Hardman (appointed joint company secretary 14 July 2004, resigned 16 August 2004)

NOTE OF CHANGE OF REGISTERED OFFICE

On 7 January 2005 the Company's registered office was changed from:

3 Sidings Court White Rose Way Doncaster South Yorkshire DN4 5NU

To:

Ground Floor West 900 Pavilion Drive Northampton Business Park Northampton NN4 7RG

WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited) DIRECTORS' REPORT - continued

AUDITORS

A resolution to re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Auditors to the Company will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

L J D Cassells DIRECTOR

26 PApril 2005

Registered Office: Ground Floor West 900 Pavilion Drive Northampton Business Park Northampton NN4 7RG

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited)

We have audited the financial statements which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, and the related notes and the accounting policies set out in the statement of accounting policies.

Respective responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

The Directors' responsibilities for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of Directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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 to you 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 is not disclosed.

We read the other information contained in the annual report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. The other information comprises only the Directors' report.

Basis of audit 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 affairs of the Company at 30 June 2004 and of the profit for the 3 months then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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London

6 April 2005

WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited) PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 3 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

		3 months to	12 months to
	<u>Note</u>	30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
TURNOVER - CONTINUING ACTIVITIES Cost of sales	2	36,054 (30,679)	175,708 (149,027)
GROSS PROFIT Administrative expenses Other operating income		5,375 (1,639) -	26,681 (16,304) 180
OPERATING PROFIT ON CONTINUING ACTIVITIES Income from fixed asset investments Exceptional profit on disposal of fixed assets	2	3,736 9 1,387	10,557 70 9,414
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE FINANCE CHARGES AND TAX Finance costs:		5,132	20,041
Net interest payable Other finance costs - unwind of discount	6 7	(864) (280)	(7,157) (1,047)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAX Tax	3 8	3,988 (1,185)	11,837 (2,730)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAX Dividends	9	2,803 (33,219)	9,107 (3,816)
RETAINED (LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	17	(30,416)	5,291 ———

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE 3 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

The Company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the period.

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES FOR THE 3 MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2004

There is no material difference between the reported loss for the period and that which would be reported under the historical cost convention.

WRG WASTE SERVICES LIMITED (Formerly Shanks Waste Services Limited) BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2004

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FIXED ASSETS Tangible fixed assets	10	52,531	98,438
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	11 12	951 39,252 -	1,025 39,527 12
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	13	40,203 (44,068)	40,564 (43,755)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(3,865)	(3,191)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		48,666	95,247
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	14	(12,003)	(28,153)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	15	(28,189)	(28,204)
TOTAL NET ASSETS		8,474 ———	38,890
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Profit and loss account	16 17	8,474 ———	38,890
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	18	8,474	38,890

Approved by the Board of Directors on April 2005.

L/J D dassells Director

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable UK Accounting Standards.

(b) New accounting standards, changes in accounting policies and restatement of comparatives

There have been no changes in accounting policies in the current period.

FRS 17 - Retirement Benefits is applicable to the Company. The Company has applied the transitional arrangements for adoption of the FRS. Accordingly no change has been made to the accounting policy but included in these financial statements are the additional disclosures required by FRS 17 (see Note 21).

(c) Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of waste streams, power generated, and other services provided including landfill tax but excluding value added tax. Turnover is recognised when processing occurs or the service is provided.

(d) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation, except for freehold land which is not depreciated, and less any write down for impairment.

(i) Land & Buildings and Plant & Machinery

Depreciation is provided on assets other than land to write off their cost by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful economic lives. The expected lives are:

Buildings

50 years

Plant & machinery

3 to 10 years

(ii) Landfill

Acquisition costs, commissioning costs and the discounted cost of final site restoration are capitalised and written off over the operational life of each site based on the amount of void space consumed.

(iii) Capitalisation of finance costs

Finance costs directly attributable to separately identifiable major capital growth projects have been capitalised as part of the asset cost during the period of construction.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

(e) Research and development

Expenditure is written off in the year in which it is incurred.

(f) Pensions

The cost of providing retirement pensions and related benefits is charged to the profit and loss account over the expected working lives of the pension scheme members currently in service. Any differences between the actuarial valuation of the scheme and the value of assets in the scheme are also charged or credited to the profit and loss account over the expected working lives of the scheme members. Differences and payments to the schemes are treated as assets or liabilities in the balance sheet.

(g) Leased assets

Where the Company has substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a leased asset, it is treated as a finance lease. Leased assets are included in tangible fixed assets at the total of the capital elements of payments during the lease term and the corresponding obligation is included in creditors. Depreciation is provided to write off the assets over the shorter of the lease term or expected useful life.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred over the term of the lease.

(h) Site restoration provision

Full provision is made for the net present value (NPV) of the Company's unavoidable costs in relation to restoration liabilities at its landfill sites and this value is capitalised as a fixed asset. The Company continues to provide for the NPV of intermediate restoration costs over the life of its landfill sites, based on the quantity of waste deposited in the period.

(i) Aftercare provision

Provision is made for the NPV of post closure costs based on the quantity of waste deposited in the period. Similar costs incurred during the operational life of the sites are written off directly and not charged against the provision.

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

(j) Discounting

All long term provisions for site restoration and aftercare are calculated based on the NPV of the estimated future costs. The effects of inflation and unwinding of the discount element on existing provisions are reflected within the financial statements as a finance charge. The real discount factor currently applied is 2%.

(k) Government grants

Capital grants are released to profit evenly over the estimated useful lives of the assets concerned.

(I) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost (on a first in first out basis) and net realisable value.

(m) Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full in respect of timing differences arising between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Deferred tax assets in respect of trading tax losses are only recognised where the tax losses are expected to be recovered. Deferred taxation provisions have not been discounted.

2 SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

The turnover and operating profit are wholly attributable to the Company's business of waste management in the United Kingdom. All of the Company's business, turnover and operating profit relates to continuing operations during the period.

3 PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAX

Profit on disposal of operating fixed assets	-	(537)
Property rents payable	13	1, 471
Auditors' remuneration for audit services	-	105
Hire of plant and machinery held under operating leases	858	7,668
Amortisation of goodwill	-	395
Depreciation of owned tangible fixed assets	3,945	13,819
The operating profit is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	£'000	£'000
	2004	2004
	30 June	31 March
	to	to
	3 months	12 months

The profit before tax is stated after crediting the following non-operating items:

Exceptional profit on disposal of fixed assets	1,387	9,414

The exceptional profit on disposal of fixed assets in the 3 months to 30 June 2004 of £1,387,000 related to the disposal to a fellow Group company of landfill sites. There is no tax attributable to this profit.

The exceptional profit on disposal of fixed assets in the 12 months to 31 March 2004 of £9,414,000 related to the disposal to a fellow Group company of the collections and recycling business and related subsidiary investments and joint venture investments. This profit is stated after charging £6,920,000 in respect of goodwill previously written off directly to the reserves. There is no tax attributable to this profit.

4 DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

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	3 months	12 months
	to	to
	30 June	31 March
	<u>2004</u>	2004
	£'000	£'000
Aggregate emoluments	52	105
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Retirement benefits are accruing to three (12 months to 31 March 2004: three) Directors under a defined benefit scheme.

5 EMPLOYEES

The average number of employees employed by the Company in waste management during the period was 277 (12 months to 31 March 2004: 954). The total remuneration of employees comprised:

	3 months	12 months
	to	to
	30 June	31 March
	<u>2004</u>	2004
	£'000	£'000
Wages and salaries	2,115	22,239
Social security costs	152	1,950
Other pension costs	177	2,120
	2,444	26,309

6 NET INTEREST PAYABLE

	3 months to 30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	12 months to 31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
Bank overdrafts Group interest payable Net other interest receivable	864 -	740 6,523 (106)
	864 ———	7,157

7 FINANCE COSTS - OTHER

Other finance costs relate to the unwinding of discount of £280,000 (12 months to 31 March 2004: £1,047,000) on long term landfill liabilities (see Note 15). It is treated as a finance cost in accordance with FRS12.

8 TAX

Tax charge/(credit) based on the profits of the period is made up as follows:

	3 months	12 months
	to	to
	30 June	31 March
	2004	2004
	£'000	£'000
Corporation tax at 30% (12 months to 31 March 2004: 30%)		
- current period	1,518	2,815
- prior year	-	27
Deferred tax (see Note 15)		
- current period	(333)	(853)
- prior year	· -	`741 [´]
	1,185	2,730

The tax assessed for the period is higher than the United Kingdom standard rate of corporation tax of 30% (12 months to 31 March 2004: 30%). The differences are explained below:

	3 months	12 months
	to	to
	30 June	31 March
	2004	2004
	£'000	£'000
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	3,988	11,837
Tax charge based on UK tax rate Tax effect of the following items:	1,196	3,551
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes Non-taxable profit from disposal of fixed assets	(11)	1,260
to fellow Group companies	_	(2,824)
Other timing differences	96	280
Capital allowances	237	548
Adjustment to tax charge in respect of prior periods	-	27
		
Corporation tax charge for the period	1,518	2,842

9 DIVIDENDS

	3 months to 30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	12 months to 31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
Interim dividend paid Final dividend proposed	33,219	1,272 2,544 ———
	33,219 ———	3,816

The interim dividend in the 3 months to 30 June 2004 was a dividend in specie of two landfill sites with a net book value of £33,219,000.

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

		Long	Freehold	Short leasehold		
	Freehold	leasehold	land and	land and	Plant and	
	<u>landfill</u>	<u>landfill</u>	<u>buildings</u>	<u>buildings</u>	<u>machinery</u>	<u>Total</u>
	£'000	£'000	£,000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cost:						
At 31 March 2004	90,870	3,594	5,482	2,709	64,733	167,388
Additions	387	-	-	_	1,346	1,733
Disposal and						
distribution to fellow						
Group company	(73,597)	-	(1,293)	-	60	(74,830)
At 30 June 2004	17,660	3,594	4,189	2,709	66,139	94,291
At 30 Julie 2004	17,000	0,004	4,103	2,709	00,109	34,231
						
Depreciation:						
At 31 March 2004	31,889	2,662	3,488	542	30,369	68,950
Charge for the period	,	100	69	41	1,495	3,945
Disposal and	,				, -	,
distribution to fellow						
Group company	(30, 257)	_	(901)	-	23	(31,135)
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At 30 June 2004	3,872	2,762	2,656	583	31,887	41,760
Net book value:	40.700	000	4 500	0.400	24.050	EO E04
At 30 June 2004	13,788	832	1,533	2,126	34,252	52,531
At 31 March 2004	58,981	932	1,994	2,167	34,364	98,438
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Included in plant and machinery and freehold land and buildings are assets under construction with a value of £2,468,583 (31 March 2004: £3,861,640).

11	STOCK		
		30 June	31 March
		<u>2004</u>	<u>2004</u>
		£'000	£'000
	Raw materials and consumables	951	1,025
12	DEBTORS		
12	DEBTORS	30 June	31 March
		2004	2004
		£'000	£'000
	Trade debtors	26,709	27,895
	Amounts owed from group undertaking	11,287	10,348
	Prepayments and accrued income	193	257
	Other debtors Corporation tax	1,063	994 33
	Corporation tax		
		39,252	39,527
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13	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		
		30 June	31 March
		2004	2004
		£'000	£'000
	Bank overdraft	-	7,000
	Trade creditors	7,998 6.271	6,823
	Amounts owed to group undertakings Other taxation and social security	6,271 22,847	7,206 18,262
	Proposed dividend	-	2,544
	Accruals	5,705	1,801
	Other creditors	152	119
	Corporation tax	1,095	-
		44,068	12 755
		44,000	43,755

14 CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
Amounts owed to group undertakings Other creditors	8,003 4,000	19,903 8,250
	12,003	28,153

15 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

	Deferred <u>taxation</u> re £'000	Site storation £'000	Aftercare £'000	<u>Leachate</u> £'000	<u>Total</u> £'000
At 31 March 2004 Provided in the period	2,098	8,325	16,620	1,161	28,204
- cost of sales	-	282	595	(3)	874
- finance charges	-	72	208	-	280
- taxation	(333)	-	-	**	(333)
Utilised in the period	-	(151)	-	(685)	(836)
					
At 30 June 2004	1,765	8,528	17,423	473	28,189

Deferred taxation

The deferred taxation provision is made up as follows:

	30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
Capital allowances Other timing differences	3,056 (1,291)	3,293 (1,195)
		
	1,765	2,098

15 PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES - continued

Site Restoration

Site Restoration provision relates to the cost of both intermediate and final capping and covering of landfill sites. The costs are expected to be paid over a period of up to twenty five years from today. These costs may be impacted by a number of factors including changes in legislation and technology.

Aftercare

The total post closure costs of landfill sites, including such items as monitoring, gas and leachate management and licensing, have been estimated by management based on current best practice and technology available. These costs may be impacted by a number of factors including changes in legislation and improvements in technology. The dates of payments of these aftercare costs are uncertain but are anticipated to be over a period of approximately thirty years from closure of the relevant landfill site.

Leachate

The leachate provision arises on the regulatory requirement to reduce historical leachate levels at landfill sites. This provision will be utilised over the next year.

16 SHARE CAPITAL

10	Authorised, allotted, called up and fully paid 100 Ordinary Shares of £1 each	30 June 2004 £ 100	31 March 2004 £ 100
17	RESERVES		Profit and loss account £'000
	At 1 April 2004 Retained loss for the period		38,890 (30,416)
	At 30 June 2004		8,474

18 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	3 months to 30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	12 months to 31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
Profit for the financial period Dividends Goodwill previously written off to reserves, now resurrected and written off in the profit and loss	2,803 (33,219)	9,107 (3,816)
account for the period	<u>-</u>	6,920
Net movement in equity shareholders' funds Opening equity shareholders' funds	(30,416) 38,890 ———	12,211 26,679
Closing equity shareholders' funds	8,474 	38,890

19 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The amount of capital expenditure authorised by the Directors for which no provision has been made in the financial statements is:

	30 June <u>2004</u> £'000	31 March <u>2004</u> £'000
Expenditure contracted for	413	228

20 COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

The annual commitments under operating leases are as follows:-

	30 June 2004	31 March 2004
	£'000	£'000
Leases expiring:		
Within one year	28	28
Between two and five years	243	243
Over five years	68	68

	339	339

21 PENSIONS

The Company participates in the defined contribution schemes operated by Waste Recycling Group Limited on behalf of their eligible employees. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the Company in independently administered funds.

Prior to acquisition by WRG Acquisitions 2 Limited, the employees of the Company participated in the Shanks Group Pension Scheme, which is a funded, managed, defined benefit scheme, the costs of which are fully provided in accordance with the regular recommendations of a professionally qualified independent actuary. The Company is unable to identify the share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the Shanks Group scheme that relates to its business and is permitted under FRS 17 to treat this scheme as a defined contributions scheme. Full disclosures relating to the Shanks Group's pension schemes are contained in the financial statements of Shanks Group plc.

22 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company has entered into unlimited cross guarantees with its bankers relating to the borrowings of other Group companies.

The Company is a member of group VAT registration and as such has contingent liabilities for VAT in respect of other members of the Group.

23 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As permitted by FRS8, the Company, being a wholly owned subsidiary of another company which prepares a statement of related party transactions including that of this Company, has not prepared such a statement itself.

24 CASH FLOW STATEMENT

As permitted by paragraph 8(c) of FRS1 (revised 1996), the Company, being a wholly owned subsidiary of another company which prepares a cash flow statement has not prepared such a statement itself.

25 IMMEDIATE & ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The Company's immediate parent company, WRG (Management) Limited (formerly Shanks & McEwan (Waste Services) Limited) was acquired by WRG Acquisitions 2 Limited (previously Cholet Acquisitions 2 Limited), a subsidiary of WRG Holdings Limited (previously Cholet Holdings Limited) on 1 July 2004. WRG Holdings Limited is the parent company of the largest group of which the Company is a member and for which group accounts are drawn up. Copies of WRG Holdings Limited financial statements are available from the Company Secretary, Ground Floor West, 900 Pavilion Drive, Northampton Business Park, Northampton, NN4 7RG.

The Directors regard Terra Firma Capital Partners Holdings Limited, a company registered in Guernsey, as the ultimate controlling party and the ultimate parent entity.