
**H WATERHOUSE AND SONS
(WAKEFIELD) LIMITED**

ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

♦31 March 1997♦

COMPANY NO: 1199343



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**AUDITORS' REPORT TO
H WATERHOUSE AND SONS (WAKEFELD) LIMITED
UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 5, together with the full financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 1997 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the 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 consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the full financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated 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 statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with section 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.



Robson Rhodes
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

Leeds
28 October 1997

H WATERHOUSE AND SONS (WAKEFELD) LIMITED

ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET **31 March 1997**

	Note	1997 £	1996 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	2	236,010	206,333
Investments	3	102	102
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		236,112	206,435
Current assets			
Stocks and work in progress		354,605	601,732
Debtors		445,945	354,352
Cash in hand		14	145
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		800,564	956,229
Creditors amounts falling due within one year	4	(785,547)	(925,468)
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Net current assets		15,107	30,761
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Total assets less current liabilities		251,129	237,196
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Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year	5	(184,483)	(206,833)
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Net assets		66,646	30,363
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Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	6	11,000	11,000
Share premium account		7,823	7,823
Revaluation reserve		145,703	145,703
Capital redemption reserve		9,000	9,000
Profit and loss account		(106,880)	(143,168)
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Shareholders' funds - equity		66,646	30,363
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The abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act relating to small companies.

The abbreviated accounts were approved by the Board on 28 October 1997 and signed on its behalf by:


W J Waterhouse
Director

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

year ended 31 March 1997

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain land and buildings.

The company is not required to prepare group accounts because the group qualifies as a small group under section 249 of the Companies Act 1985.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided in order to write off the cost (or valuation where appropriate) of tangible fixed assets over their anticipated useful lives. The rates used are as follows:

Freehold buildings	2 % per annum on cost
Plant and machinery	20% per annum on cost
Office equipment	20% per annum on cost
Motor vehicles	25% per annum on net book value

No depreciation is provided in respect of freehold land.

Leased assets

Assets held under finance leases are incurred in the balance sheet and depreciated in accordance with the company's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value. The cost of work in progress and finished goods comprises materials and direct labour.

Net realisable value is based on the estimated sales price after allowing for all further costs of completion and disposal.

Taxation

The (charge)/credit for taxation is based on the result for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounting and taxation purposes. Provision is made for deferred taxation only to the extent that it is probable that the tax will become payable. The provision is made at the rate at which it is estimated the tax will paid.

NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
year ended 31 March 1997 (continued)**Turnover**

Turnover represents the invoiced value of work completed during the year, excluding value added tax.

Long term contracts - profit recognition

Long term contracts are those extending in excess of 12 months and any of a shorter duration which are material to the activity of the period.

Attributable profit is recognised once the outcome of a long term contract can be assessed with reasonable certainty. Attributable profit is recognised on the turnover percentage complete method. Immediate provision is made for all foreseeable losses if a contract is assessed as unprofitable.

Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for one of the directors and also makes defined contributions to personal pension plans for the employees. The pension cost represents contributions payable by the company in the year.

2. TANGIBLE ASSETS

	Total £
Cost/valuation	
At 1 March 1996	357,131
Additions	68,867
Disposals	(33,286)
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At 31 March 1997	392,712
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Depreciation	
At 1 March 1996	150,798
Disposals	(25,197)
Charge for the year	31,101
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At 31 March 1997	156,702
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Net book values:	
At 31 March 1997	236,010
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At 31 March 1996	206,333
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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
year ended 31 March 1997 (continued)**3 INVESTMENTS**

	1997 £	1996 £
Cost at 31 March	102	102
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The investments comprise the entire share capital of the following subsidiary undertakings:

H Waterhouse (Developments) Limited
H Waterhouse & Sons Limited

Both companies are registered in England and neither company traded during the year.

**4 CREDITORS:
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

Creditors due within one year include bank loans and overdrafts of £248,905 (1995: £606,110) which is secured by a fixed charge over freehold property and development land.

**5 CREDITORS:
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

Creditors due after more than one year comprise bank loans repayable within five years which are secured by a fixed charge over freehold property and development land and obligations under finance leases repayable within five years.

6. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	1997 £	1996 £
Authorised 20,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	20,000	20,000
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Allotted 11,000 ordinary shares of £1 each fully paid	11,000	11,000
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