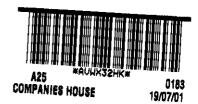
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# DIRECTORS' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS NORMANBY ESTATE HOLDINGS LIMITED 31 MARCH 2001



#### DIRECTORS' REPORT

Directors:

Sir R.A.B. Sheffield Bt DL

Lady Sheffield

Secretary:

Sir R.A.B. Sheffield Bt DL

Registered Office:

Estate Office, Normanby, Scunthorpe,

North Lincolnshire

The directors present their report for the year ended 31 March 2001.

#### ACCOUNTS AND DIVIDENDS

The directors submit the audited accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2001. The profit for the year amounts to £364,117 and is dealt with as shown in the consolidated profit and loss account.

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND REVIEW OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENTS

The company is a holding company whose principal activity consists of the provision of management services to each of its subsidiaries. The activities of the subsidiaries are set out in note 11. The directors are satisfied with the results for the year.

#### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The directors hope for a further improvement in results in the coming year.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors of the company during the year ended 31 March 2001 were those listed above.

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

According to the register maintained as required under the Companies Act 1985, the directors' interests in the share capital of the company are as follows:

Ordinary shares
31 March 2001 1 April 2000

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The company has not entered into any arrangement whereby directors may obtain any benefit by the acquisition of shares or debentures of the company or any other body corporate.

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)**

#### 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;
- 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.

#### **AUDITORS**

Forrester Boyd will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

By order of the board

Sir R.A.B. Sheffield Bt DL

Secretary

#### REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF

#### NORMANBY ESTATE HOLDINGS LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 14 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and the accounting policies set out on page 7.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 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 affairs of the company and of the group as at 31 March 2001 and of the profit of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

FORRESTER BOYD

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Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors

74 Oswald Road

**SCUNTHORPE** 

# CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

|  | Note | <b>2001</b><br>£ | <b>2000</b> £ |
|--|------|------------------|---------------|
| TURNOVER   | 2    | 250,638          | 208,077       |
| Administration expenses                              |      | 260,512          | 334,001       |
| Operating loss                                       | 4    | (9,874)          | (125,924)     |
| Other Income   | 6    | 431,290          | 14,985        |
|  |      | 421,416          | (110,939)     |
| Interest payable and similar charges                 |      | 16,584           | 24,934        |
| PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION |      | 404,832          | (135,873)     |
| Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities          | 7    | 40,715           | (352)         |
| PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR AFTER TAXATION  |      | 364,117          | (135,521)     |
| Dividends  | 9    | -                | 50,000        |
| PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR                 |      | £364,117         | £(185,521)    |

# **CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the year.

# TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the year.

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

# 31 MARCH 2001

|  | <b>N</b> T - 4 | 2001       | 2000       |
|--|----------------|------------|------------|
| FIXED ASSETS                                 | Note           | £          | £          |
| Tangible assets                              | 10             | 2,180,123  | 2,433,445  |
| CURRENT ASSETS                               |                |            |            |
| Stocks                                       | 12             | 14,000     | 14,000     |
| Investments                                  | 13             | 851,540    | 667,884    |
| Debtors                                      | 14             | 116,717    | 118,635    |
| Cash at bank and in hand                     |                | 621,905    | 495,335    |
| Taxation                                     |                | 66,642     | 74,245     |
|  |                | 1,670,804  | 1,370,099  |
| CREDITORS                                    |                |            |            |
| Amounts falling due within one year          |                |            |            |
| Bank loan                                    | 15             | -          | 338,700    |
| Trade and other creditors                    | 16             | 96,951     | 74,985     |
|  |                | 96,951     | 413,685    |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS                           |                | 1,573,853  | 956,414    |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES                |                | 3,753,976  | 3,389,859  |
| CADITAL AND DECEDITES                        |                |            |            |
| CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital | 18             | 163,548    | 163,548    |
| Share premium account                        |                | 232,817    | 232,817    |
| Revaluation reserve                          | 19             | 1,192,934  | 1,310,934  |
| Reserves                                     | 20             | 2,164,677  | 1,682,560  |
| <b>n</b> c • t                               |                | £3,753,976 | £3,389,859 |
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Sir R.A.B. Sheffield Bt DL

Directors

Lady Sheffield

# **BALANCE SHEET**

# 31 MARCH 2001

|   |      | 2001        | 2000                |
|---|------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | Note | £           | £                   |
| FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets                    | 10   | 49,865      | 50 501              |
| Tangible assets Investments                     | 11   | 1,067,725   | 59,591<br>1,067,725 |
| Any ob and the                                  | 11   |             |                     |
|   |      | 1,117,590   | 1,127,316           |
| CURRENT ASSETS                                  |      | <del></del> |                     |
| Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings         |      | 662,446     | 392,434             |
| Debtors   | 14   | 64,063      | 65,203              |
| Bank balances                                   |      | 621,905     | 495,335             |
| Taxation  |      | 29,864      | 34,267              |
|   |      | 1,378,278   | 987,239             |
| CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year |      |             |                     |
| Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings         |      | 394,833     | 297,207             |
| Trade and other creditors                       | 16   | 37,891      | 37,326              |
|   |      | 432,724     | 334,533             |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS                              |      | 945,554     | 652,706             |
|   |      | £2,063,144  | £1,780,022          |
| CAPITAL AND RESERVES                            |      |             | <del></del>         |
| Called up share capital                         | 18   | 163,548     | 163,548             |
| Share premium account                           | 10   | 232,817     | 232,817             |
| Reserves  | 20   | 1,666,779   | 1,383,657           |
|   |      | £2,063,144  | £1,780,022          |
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Sir R.A.B. Sheffield Bt DL

) Directors

## NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

#### Note

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

#### (a) Accounting Convention

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention modified by the revaluation of freehold property and the revaluation of the investments in subsidiaries.

The accounts are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

#### (b) Financial Reporting Standard Number 1

Exemption has been taken from preparing a cash flow statement on the grounds that the company and the group qualify as small.

#### (c) Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated accounts incorporate the accounts of the company and each of its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 March 2001.

## (d) Depreciation and amortisation

Freehold land is not depreciated.

Those buildings with an estimated useful life of less than 20 years have been depreciated over that life. Other freehold property is not depreciated as, in the opinion of the directors, a depreciation charge based on estimated useful lives and residual value would be immaterial in the context of these accounts.

#### Mineral rights:

Mineral rights have been amortised on the basis of royalties received.

#### Plant and motor vehicles:

Plant and motor vehicles are written off by equal instalments over their expected lives as follows:

Plant and equipment 4 - 12 years Motor vehicles 5 years

# (e) Deferred taxation

Provision is made for deferred taxation, using the liability method, on short term timing differences and all other material timing differences which are not expected to continue in the future.

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

#### Note

## 2. TURNOVER

Turnover comprises the invoice value of sale, royalties and rents receivable of the group, exclusive of VAT and inter-group transactions.

#### 3. ANALYSIS OF TURNOVER AND LOSS BETWEEN ACTIVITIES

The amount of group turnover and the extent of the profit on ordinary activities before taxation attributable to each of the classes of activity of the group are as follows:

|                                   | Turn        | oven        | ordin   | ofit/(loss) on<br>ary activities<br>fore taxation |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|---|
|                                   | 2001        | 2000        | 2001    | 2000  |
|                                   | £           | £           | £       | £   |
| Estate management and investments | 241,540     | 199,096     | 397,865 | (138,378)   |
| Stud fees                         | 7,500       | 7,500       | 6,984   | 4,180   |
| Leasing                           | 1,598       | 1,481       | (17)    | (1,675)   |
|                                   | 250,638     | 208,077     | 404,832 | (135,873)   |
|                                   | <del></del> | <del></del> |         | <del></del>                                       |
|                                   |             |             |         |   |

#### 4. **GROUP OPERATING LOSS** is stated after charging:

|   | 2001<br>£ | 2000<br>£ |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Auditors' remuneration (including £5,000 in respect of the company) | 13,000    | 13,000    |
| Emoluments of directors of the company                              | 65,875    | 65,238    |
| Depreciation  | 14,663    | 18,857    |
|   |           |           |

#### 5. STAFF NUMBERS

The average number of persons employed by the group including directors, during the year was as follows:

|                            | 2001        | 2000 |
|----------------------------|-------------|------|
| Management                 | 2           | 2    |
| Administration             | 2           | 2    |
| General estate maintenance | 2           | 2    |
|                            |             |      |
|                            | 6           | 6    |
|                            | <del></del> |      |

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

Note

| 6. | OTHER INCOME   |             |             |
|----|--|-------------|-------------|
|    |  | 2001        | 2000        |
|    |  | £           | £           |
|    | Profit on sale of freehold property                    | 336,251     |             |
|    | Profit on sale of investments                          | 69,149      | -           |
|    | Bank and short term interest                           | 25,890      | 14,985      |
|    |  | £431,290    | £14,985     |
| 7. | TAXATION   | <del></del> |             |
|    | The charge based on the profit for the year comprises: |             |             |
|    |  | 2001        | 2000        |
|    |  | £           | £           |
|    | UK Corporation tax payable                             | 40,212      | -           |
|    | Tax credit on UK dividends received                    | 503         | 518         |
|    | Adjustment relating to prior year                      | -           | (870)       |
|    |  |             | <del></del> |
|    |  | £40,715     | £(352)      |

UK Corporation tax has been charged at 20%.

# 8. PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

As permitted by the Companies Act 1985, the profit and loss account of the parent company is not presented as part of these accounts.

# 9. **DIVIDENDS**

|               | <b>200</b> 1<br>£ | 2000<br>£ |
|---------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 2001 Ordinary | -                 | 50,000    |
|               | <del></del> -     |           |

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

# Note

# 10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

|                               |                      |                   | Plant                 |           |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
|                               | Freehold<br>property | Mineral<br>rights | and motor<br>vehicles | Total     |
|                               | £                    | £                 | £                     | £         |
| GROUP                         |                      |                   |                       |           |
| Cost or valuation             |                      |                   |                       |           |
| At 31 March 2000              | 2,384,509            | 120,066           | 137,980               | 2,642,555 |
| Additions during year         | 6,000                | -                 | 4,091                 | 10,091    |
| Disposals                     | (248,750)            | (120,066)         | -                     | (368,816) |
| At 31 March 2001              | 2,141,759            |                   | 142,071               | 2,283,830 |
|                               | -                    | <del></del>       |                       |           |
| Comprising:                   |                      |                   |                       |           |
| 1981 revaluation              | 1,740,557            | -                 | -                     | 1,740,557 |
| Cost                          | 401,202              | -                 | 142,071               | 543,273   |
|                               | 2,141,759            | -                 | 142,071               | 2,283,830 |
|                               |                      |                   |                       |           |
| Depreciation and amortisation |                      |                   |                       |           |
| At 31 March 2000              | 11,068               | 120,066           | 77,976                | 209,110   |
| Charge for year               | 436                  | -                 | 14,227                | 14,663    |
| Relating to disposals         |                      | (120,066)         |                       | (120,066) |
| At 31 March 2001              | 11,504               | <del>-</del>      | 92,203                | 103,707   |
|                               | <u></u>              |                   |                       |           |
| Net book amounts:             |                      |                   |                       |           |
| At 31 March 2001              | 2,130,255            | -                 | 49,868                | 2,180,123 |
| Net book amounts:             | <del></del> _        | <del></del>       | <del></del>           |           |
| At 31 March 2000              | 2,373,441            | -                 | 60,004                | 2,433,445 |
|                               | <del></del>          |                   |                       |           |

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

# Note

# 10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)

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|------------------------|
| ~                      |
|                        |
| 22,177                 |
| 4,091                  |
| 26,268                 |
|                        |
| 52,586                 |
| 13,817                 |
| 76,403                 |
| 19,865                 |
| 59,591                 |
|                        |
| 2000<br>£              |
| 067,725                |
|                        |

Subsidiary undertakings (all 100% owned) at 31 March 2001 were:

| The Normanby Estate Company Limited  | Estate Management               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Norinco Limited                      | Receiving rents, royalties,     |
|                                      | investments, income and         |
|                                      | wayleaves from land and mineral |
|                                      | deposits                        |
| Normanby Stud Limited                | Breeding and selling of horses  |
| Normanby Estate Leasing Limited      | Purchase and leasing of plant   |
| •                                    | and equipment and loan finance  |
| The Coleby Ironstone Company Limited | Dormant                         |

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

# Note

# 12. STOCKS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

|        | (       | Group   |  |
|--------|---------|---------|--|
|        | 2001    | 2000    |  |
|        | £       | £       |  |
| Horses | £14,000 | £14,000 |  |

The replacement cost of stocks does not significantly differ from the balance sheet value.

# 13. INVESTMENTS

|                 | Group            |           |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
|                 | <b>2001</b><br>£ | 2000<br>£ |
| Listed - Cost   | 789,053          | 605,397   |
| Unlisted - Cost | 62,487           | 62,487    |
|                 | £851,540         | £667,884  |
|                 | <del></del>      |           |

Market value of listed investments at 31 March 2001 - £790,625 (2000 - £708,501).

In the opinion of the directors the market value of the unlisted investments is not less than cost.

# 14. **DEBTORS**

|                                | Group    |          | Company     |             |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------|
|                                | 2001     | 2000     | 2001        | 2000        |
|                                | £        | £        | £           | £           |
| Trade debtors                  | 106,088  | 107,336  | 57,250      | 58,500      |
| Taxation recoverable           | 1,334    | 4,144    | 1,280       | 1,820       |
| Prepayments and accrued income | 9,295    | 7,155    | 5,533       | 4,883       |
|                                |          |          |             | <del></del> |
|                                | £116,717 | £118,635 | £64,063     | £65,203     |
|                                |          |          | <del></del> |             |

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

# Note

# 15. BANK LOAN

The bank loan is secured by a legal charge over certain company land.

# 16. TRADE AND OTHER CREDITORS

|                              | Group       |             | Company |         |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------|---------|
|                              | 2001        | 2000        | 2001    | 2000    |
|                              | £           | £           | £       | £       |
| Trade creditors              | 17,437      | 29,679      | 9,241   | 10,531  |
| Taxation and social security | 28,350      | 36,108      | 28,350  | 26,383  |
| Accruals and deferred income | 10,952      | 9,198       | 300     | 412     |
| Corporation tax              | 40,212      | •           | -       | -       |
|                              | £96,951     | £74,985     | £37,891 | £37,326 |
|                              | <del></del> | <del></del> |         |         |

# 17. **DEFERRED TAXATION**

Potential tax liabilities which are not expected to crystallise in the future exist in respect of:

|     |                                | Group    |  |
|-----|--------------------------------|----------|--|
|     |                                | 2001     | 2000                                     |
|     | Valuation of freehold property | £357,000 | £393,000                                 |
| 18. | CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL        |          | Authorised                               |
|     | Ordinary shares of £1 each     |          | 1,100,000                                |
|     |                                |          | Allotted,<br>called-up and<br>fully paid |
|     | At 31 March 2001 and 2000      |          | 163,548                                  |

# NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2001

# Note

| 19. | REVALUATION | RESERVE |
|-----|-------------|---------|
|     |             |         |

|   | 2001       | 2000        |
|---|------------|-------------|
|   | £          | £           |
| Arising on revaluation of freehold property |            |             |
| Brought forward                             | 1,310,934  | 1,310,934   |
| Transfer to profit and loss account         | (118,000)  | -           |
| Carried forward                             | £1,192,934 | £1,310,934  |
|   |            | <del></del> |
|   |            |             |

# 20. RESERVES

|                                   | Group<br>£  | Company<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| At 31 March 2000                  | 1,682,560   | 1,383,657    |
| Profit in year                    | 364,117     | 283,122      |
| Transfer from revaluation reserve | 118,000     | -            |
| At 31 March 2001                  | £2,164,677  | £1,666,779   |
|                                   | <del></del> |              |

# 21. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

No future capital expenditure has either been authorised by the directors or contracted for at 31 March 2001 (2000 - £NIL).

# 22. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

|   | <b>2001</b><br>£     | <b>2000</b><br>£       |
|---|----------------------|------------------------|
| Profit/(loss) for the financial year<br>Dividend                              | 364,117              | (135,521)<br>50,000    |
| NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS<br>Opening shareholders' funds | 364,117<br>3,389,859 | (185,521)<br>3,575,380 |
| CLOSING SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS   | £3,753,976           | £3,389,859             |