

Forster & Hales Limited

ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS

for the year ended

31 January 1998



**AUDITORS' REPORT TO FORSTER & HALES LIMITED
PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 4, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 January 1998 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 sections 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 considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the 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 did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 4 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.


BAKER TILLY

Registered Auditor
Chartered Accountants
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9th NOVEMBER 1998

Forster & Hales Limited
ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET
31 January 1998

	<i>Notes</i>	1998 £	1997 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	1	89,576	67,870
Investments	1	10,041	10,041
		<u>99,617</u>	<u>77,911</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		59,563	52,216
Debtors		263,168	319,016
Cash at bank and in hand		779,641	572,895
		<u>1,102,372</u>	<u>944,127</u>
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		494,141	522,529
		<u>608,231</u>	<u>421,598</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
		<u>707,848</u>	<u>499,509</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
		<u>707,848</u>	<u>499,509</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital		20,002	20,002
Profit and loss account		687,846	479,507
		<u>707,848</u>	<u>499,509</u>
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		<u>707,848</u>	<u>499,509</u>

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Approved by the board on 5th November 1998

C M Dunn

Director



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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write each asset down to its estimated residual value evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Fixtures, fittings & equipment	15% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% straight line

INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

STOCK

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is based upon estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal. Provision is made for obsolete and slow-moving items.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Provision is made for taxation deferred or accelerated by the effect of timing differences, to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise, at the rate expected to be ruling at that date.

LEASED ASSETS

The annual rentals on 'operating leases' are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the accounting date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced value, net of Value Added Tax, of goods sold and services provided to customers.

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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31 January 1998

1. FIXED ASSETS

	<i>Tangible assets</i>	<i>Investments</i>	<i>Total</i>
	£	£	£
Cost			
1 February 1997	151,784	10,041	161,825
Additions	47,011	-	47,011
Disposals	(17,000)	-	(17,000)
31 January 1998	181,795	10,041	191,836
Depreciation			
1 February 1997	83,914	-	83,914
On disposals	(17,000)	-	(17,000)
Charge for the year	25,305	-	25,305
31 January 1998	92,219	-	92,219
Net book value			
31 January 1998	89,576	10,041	99,617
31 January 1997	67,870	10,041	77,911
Market value			
31 January 1998		8,023	
31 January 1997		11,335	

2. SHARE CAPITAL

	1998	1997
	£	£
Authorised		
1,000,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000,000	1,000,000
Allotted, issued and fully paid		
20,002 Ordinary shares of £1 each	20,002	20,002