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**Abbreviated Financial Statements** 

for the Year Ended 30 June 2003

<u>for</u>

Reading Specsavers Limited formerly Visionplus (Reading) Limited

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## Company Information for the Year Ended 30 June 2003

**DIRECTORS:** 

Specsavers Optical Group Ltd

R B Bhardwaj D J Watts

Mrs M L Perkins

SECRETARY:

Specsavers Optical Group Ltd

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** 

2nd Floor Mitchell House Southampton Road

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**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

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**AUDITORS:** 

Andrew Sharma & Co. Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors

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Report of the Independent Auditors to
Reading Specsavers Limited
formerly Visionplus (Reading) Limited
Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages three to six, together with the full financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 June 2003 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

## Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements 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 financial statements prepared in accordance with Sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the financial statements 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 financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements 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 full financial statements.

### Opinion

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

Andrew Sharma & Co.

Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors Wembley Point, 2nd Floor, PO Box 135,

1 Harrow Road, Wembley

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Dated: 21/4/2004

# Abbreviated Balance Sheet 30 June 2003

		30.6.03	30.6.02
ETVED ASSECTS.	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS: Tangible assets	2	71,191	69,786
Investments	3	100	100
		71,291	69,886
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Stocks		17,945	24,019
Debtors		52,085	95,550
		70,030	119,569
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	4	(62,098)	(132,085)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABI	LITIES):	7,932	(12,516)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURREN LIABILITIES;	Т	79,223	57,370
CREDITORS: Amounts falling			
due after more than one year	4	(11,604)	<u>.</u>
		£67,619	£57,370 =====
CAPITAL AND RESERVES:			
Called up share capital	5	100	100
Profit and loss account		67,519	57,270
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS:		£67,619	£57,370

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

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

- DIRECTOR

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF

DIRECTORS ON 2182. April. 2004.

FOR SPECSAVERS OPTICAL GROUP

The notes form part of these financial statements

# Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2003

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective June 2002).

#### Turnover

Turnover represents the net amounts invoiced to customers during the period net of value added tax.

### Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

Optical Equipment - 14% on cost
Fixtures & Fittings - 14-25% on cost
Motor vehicles - 25% on cost
Computer equipment - 33% on cost

#### Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a average cost basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price allowing for all further costs of completion and disposal.

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

## Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are capitalised in the balance sheet. Those held under hire purchase contracts are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Those held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful lives or the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

The interest element of these obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the relevant period. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability.

## **Group Accounts**

The Group is small sized and as a result the parent company has taken advantage of the exemption available not to prepare statutory consolidated financial statements granted under Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985. Accordingly these financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group.

### Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for any permanent diminution in value.

## Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2003

## 2. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Total
COST:	£
At 1 July 2002	422 422
Additions	422,433
Disposals	39,190
Disposais	(53,000)
At 30 June 2003	408,623
DEPRECIATION:	
At 1 July 2002	352,646
Charge for year	37,786
Eliminated on disposals	(53,000)
At 30 June 2003	337,432
NET BOOK VALUE:	<del></del>
At 30 June 2003	71,191
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At 30 June 2002	69,786

## 3. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

The company's investments at the balance sheet date in the share capital of unlisted companies include the following:

## Reading Visionplus Limited

Country of incorporation: England and Wales Nature of business: Ophthalmic Opticians

	•	•	%
Class of shares:			holding
Ordinary			100.00

	30.6.03	30.6.02
	£	£
Aggregate capital and reserves	1,214	476
Profit for the year	443,738	557,376
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Investments were as follows:

	30.6.03	30.6.02
	£	£
Reading Visionplus Limited	100	100
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## 4. CREDITORS

The following secured debts are included within creditors:

	30.6.03	30.6.02
	£	£
Finance Leases & HP Contracts	19,026	224
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## Notes to the Abbreviated Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 June 2003

### 5. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised, allotted, issued and fully paid:

Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	30.6.03 £	30.6.02 £
100	"A" Ordinary	£0.50	50	50
100	"B" Ordinary	£0.50	50	50
			100	100
			==	==

In accordance with the Articles of Association the following rights attach to the shares: a) to "A" shares, the right to receive that part (including the whole) of the profits of the company which the directors shall, from time to time, determine to distribute as dividends. b) to "B" shares, the right to appoint the chairman of the board of directors and of the general meeting of the company. The "B" shares are held by Specsavers Optical Group Limited. In all other respects both classes of share carry equal rights over the assets of the company, subject to those provisions as laid out within the shareholders' agreement.

### 6. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY AND ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

As at the year end Specsavers International Healthcare Limited could technically be considered to be the ultimate parent company of Reading Specsavers Limited. Mr and Mrs Perkins have the controlling interest in the ordinary share capital of Specsavers International Healthcare Limited, the ultimate parent company. Specsavers International Healthcare Limited is a Guernsey registered company and its accounts are not available to the public.

### 7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the company has conducted the following transactions with its director, Specsavers Optical Group Limited and its subsidiaries. Specsavers Optical Group Limited is wholly owned by Specsavers International Healthcare Limited.

Purchases of Goods £345,870 (2002: £330,517), Overhead Costs £362,589 (2002: £353,894) and Other Income £12,313 (2002: £5).

These transactions were made on an arms length basis during the normal course of trading and Specsavers Optical Group Limited has confirmed that it will continue to provide these goods and services for the foreseeable future.

The balance due to the Group Treasury Company as at 30 June 2003 is £35,778 (2002: £76,645). This is held with Specsavers Finance (Guernsey) Limited, a fellow subsidiary of Specsavers International Healthcare Limited. Specsavers Finance (Guernsey) Limited is incorporated in Guernsey and provides treasury services to the company and other Specsavers Group companies.

Director's loan as at the year end:

R B Bhardwaj £Nil (2002: £29,167).

The director's loan is unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.