# **Mechanics Centre Limited**

Report and Unaudited Accounts

31 March 2021

**Mechanics Centre Limited** 

Registered number: 01983373

**Balance Sheet** 

as at 31 March 2021

	Notes		2021		2020
			£		£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	2		50,155		57,714
Current assets					
		4 800		2.222	
Stocks	_	1,623		2,089	
Debtors	3	6,942		29,079	
Cash at bank and in hand		92,466		92,660	
		101,031		123,828	
Creditors: amounts falling					
due within one year	4	(32,487)		(53,418)	
Net current assets			68,544		70,410
Total assets less current liabilities			118,699	-	128,124
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	5		(21,335)		(21,941)
Provisions for liabilities - Deferred Tax	6		(1,225)		(3,038)
Net assets			96,139	- -	103,145
Capital and reserves					
Profit and loss account			96,139		103,145
Shareholder's funds			96,139	-	103,145

The directors are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to obtain an audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006.

The member has not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the special provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The profit and loss account has not been delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

H Spooner

Director

Approved by the board on 22 February 2022

# **Mechanics Centre Limited**

## **Notes to the Accounts**

# for the year ended 31 March 2021

# 1 Accounting policies

# Basis of preparation

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with FRS 102, The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (as applied to small entities by section 1A of the standard).

The accounts are in respect of the year ended 31 March 2021 with comparative figures for the year to 31 March 2020 treating the company as a going concern.

Entities are required to adopt the going concern basis of accounting, except in circumstances where the company determine at the date of approval of accounts that it is not acceptable.

The future is uncertain due to the effect of Coronavirus pandemic and is out of our control.

Given the unknown future impact of COVID-19 on the company, we have only been able to look at the position since the year-end up to the current date, when the Centre has been seriously effected due to COVID lockdown regulations.

At present the directors have carried out a brief assessment. The Centre has reopened, when permitted, but bookings are scarce. Customers had still to rebuild their confidence in the "COVID" situation and it will take some time to generate adequate income.

During the year to 31/03/2021 and the period to January 2022 the company has been supported by furlough claims for government business COVID grants. These have now ceased as far as the directors are aware.

The company is attempting to control expenditure within its existing resources and to try to stay in business for the immediate future. If bookings and income return quickly this may cover at least 12 months from approval of these accounts subject to the above.

However, at the present time there is material uncertainty as to when the Centre will be able to fully reopen and if and when income will return to adequate levels. This may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

### Turnover

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of discounts and value added taxes. Turnover includes revenue earned from the sale of goods and from the rendering of services. Turnover from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have transferred to the buyer. Turnover from the rendering of services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the contract. The stage of completion of a contract is measured by comparing the costs incurred for work performed to date to the total estimated contract costs.

# Donations and Fees

The balance of donations and fees over expenditure is carried forward in a donations fund representing initial monies accumulated towards the premium costs of the premises.

### Grant Funding

Grants are credited to Profit and Loss Account over the respective periods of depreciation applied to the Tangible Fixed Assets they have financed, being Décor, Designs, Refurbishment and lease premium.

## Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulative depreciation and any accumulative impairment losses. Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Premium on leases Over the period of 40 years (previously over the lease 125 years)

Refurbishment costs Over 5 years
Decorating & Designs Over 10 years

Depreciation is provided on other Tangible Fixed Assets at 20% to 33.3% p.a.

#### Stocks

Stocks are measured at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost is determined using the first in first out method. The carrying amount of stock sold is recognised as an expense in the period in which the related revenue is recognised.

## **Debtors**

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price), less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts. Loans and other financial assets are initially recognised at transaction price including any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

# Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at transaction price (which is usually the invoice price). Loans and other financial liabilities are initially recognised at transaction price net of any transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortised cost determined using the effective interest method.

#### **Taxation**

A current tax liability is recognised for the tax payable on the taxable profit of the current and past periods. Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences between the recognition of income and expenses in the financial statements and their inclusion in tax assessments. Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Deferred tax is measured using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference, except for revalued land and investment property where the tax rate that applies to the sale of the asset is used. Current and deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the Profit and Loss Account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Operating profit	2021	2020
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	7,559	7,559
Average no. of employees		
The current and comparative number of employees is:	6	7
(Incl. 2 paid Directors and excluding the remaining Directors who are unpaid)		

# 2 Tangible fixed assets

		Plant and	
	Land and	machinery	
	buildings	etc	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2020	63,223	226,651	289,874
At 31 March 2021	63,223	226,651	289,874
At 1 April 2020	23,103	209,057	232,160
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Charge for the year	1,580	5,979	7,559
At 31 March 2021	24,683	215,036	239,719
Net book value			
At 31 March 2021	38,540	11,615	50,155
At 31 March 2020	40,120	17,594	57,714

Cost of Land & Buildings is the initial premium on the lease.

The company together with the Mechanics Centre Museum of Labour and Trades' Union History Trust Limited has authorised and contracted for capital expenditure of £Nil (2020 £Nil).

3	Debtors	2021	2020
		£	£
	Trade debtors	681	26,575
	Other debtors	6,261	2,504
		6,942	29,079
4	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2021	2020
		£	£
	Trade creditors	2,286	9,469
	Amounts owed to group undertakings and undertakings in which the company has a participating interest - "The Trust"		
	(note 7)	1,944	17,022
	Other taxes and social security costs	6,933	5,445
	Other creditors	21,324	21,482
		32,487	53,418
5	Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	2021	2020
		£	£
	Donations Fund	21,335	21,941
	Balance brought forward	21,941	22,547

	Credit to Profit and Loss Account	(606)	(606)
	Balance carried forward	21,335	21,941
6	Deferred Tax		
	Balance 1st April	3,038	3,100
	Charge / (Credit) to Profit & Loss Account	(1,813)	(62)
	Balance 31st March	1,225	3,038

#### 7 Future commitments

The company has entered into a lease with the Mechanics Centre Museum of Labour and Trades' Union History Trust - "The Trust" a registered Charity holding a similar lease from Manchester City Council. The term is 125 years at a peppercorn rent from 1989. The companies also pay ongoing service and maintenance charges for the building and common parts to Manchester City Council in total £25,000 (2020 £25,557) with Mechanics Centre share based upon the services utilised by it - presently 5% (2020 80%).

Manchester City Council has not yet notified additional service charge cost of for 2020/21 and no other provision has been made if further arrears arise.

# 8 Related party transactions

The company has made a gross covenant under Gift Aid to the Mechanics Centre Museum of Labour and Trades' Union History Trust Limited - "The Trust" of £NIL (2020 £30,921). Other related party transactions are shown in notes 2, 4 and 6. It is also noted that Directors represent Trade Unions who use the Company's conference facilities. The charges made to the Trade Unions are on a commercial basis. The room rental turnover to Trade Unions amounts to £199 (2020 £30,317). The amount owed to The Trust including recharges of insurance, rates and water charged initially to The Trust amounts to £1,944 (2020 £17,022). The amount owed by The Trust to the "Centre" is £Nil (2020 £Nil).

Directors' and Secretary's remuneration - recharged from Mechanics Centre Museum of Labour and Trades' Union History Trust to the Centre amounts to £Nil (2020 £Nil).

# 9 Ultimate controlling party

There is no ultimate controlling party.

## 10 Pension Fund

The company is a member of the Greater Manchester Pension Fund. One employee is a contributing member.

Hymans Robertson LLP carried out an actuarial valuation at 31/03/2019. The report shows overall funding level of 102% compared to 93% at 31/03/2016.

# Key assumptions are:

	Nominal %
Investment returns	3.6%
Salary increases	3.1%

# Employer contribution rates were:

2019/20	24.4%
2020/21	24.7%
2021/22	25.1%
2022/23	25.4%

These are intended to maintain the solvency of the fund.

We have no further details since 31/03/2019, other than paying the above contributions. Update is awaited.

# 11 Other information

Mechanics Centre Limited is a private company limited by shares and incorporated in England. Its registered office is: 103 Princess Street, MANCHESTER M1 6DD

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