DEXHALL LIMITED (Trading as Midfurn)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 MARCH 1996

Registered number 1995239



Haswell Veitch Chartered Accountants Stanton Wick House Pensford Avon BS18 4BY

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors submit their report and financial statements of Dexhall Limited for the year ended 31 March 1996.

ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of furniture retailing.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The company has experienced another difficult year, however the early signs for 1996 are encouraging.

DIVIDENDS

The directors

DIRECTORS

The directors as at 31 March 1996, together with their interest in the share capital of the company are shown below:-

Mr P Speed

Ordinary Shares of £1 each

31.03.96

31.03.95

90

90

AUDITORS

Mr A Leedham resigned as auditor of the Company in 1995 and Messrs Haswell Veitch were appointed in their stead. A resolution to re-appoint Haswell Veitch as auditor will be proposed in General Meeting.

By order of the Board

J Speed

Secretary

Sometiment

199

Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1996

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:
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 irregularities.

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF DEXHALL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 15 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on pages 7 and 8.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an 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 the Company's affairs as at 31 March 1996 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Hawiller

HASWELL VEITCH
Registered Auditor and
Chartered Accountants
Stanton Wick House
Pensford
Avon BS18 4BY

3 January 1997

DEXHALL LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 March 1996

	Notes	1996	•	1995	
		£		£	
TURNOVER	1	832,961		` 741,989	
Less: Cost of sales		542,534		511,534	
Gross profit		290,427		230,455	
Other operating expenses (net)	2	284,118		281,574	
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)		6,309		(51,119)
Interest receivable	3	7,590		6,486	
Interest payable	4	(6,543)	(6,201)
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	5	7,356		(50,834)
Taxation	8	(4,784)	-	
PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION	16	12,140		(50,834)
		======			

All income and expenditure derive from the company's continuing operations. There were no operations discontinued or acquired during the year.

As there were no gains or losses, other than those accounted for in the profit and loss account, no Statement of Recognised Gains and Losses has been included with these financial statements.

The notes on pages 7 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 March 1996

	Notes	1996	1995
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	9	43,840	46,199
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks	10	136,979	123,542
Debtors	11	19,171	5,135
Cash in hand		105,339	137,687
		261,489	266,364
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Amounts falling due within one year	12	180,075	195,366
NET CURRENT ASSETS		81,414	70,998
			,
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		125,254	117,197
CREDITORS-amounts falling due after one year	13	(7,976)	(12,059
NET ASSETS		117,278	105,138
,			
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	14	100	100
Capital reserve	15	20,866	20,866
Profit and loss account	16	96,312	84,172

The note on pages 7 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Board on 3 January 1997

P Speed

DIRECTOR

Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1996

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 8 of FRS 1, permitting the company not to include a cash flow statement, as the company is classified as a small company under sections 246 to 249 of the Companies Act 1985.

DEFERRED TAXATION

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

TURNOVER

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

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets are stated at historical cost.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets to write off the cost of the asset by equal instalments over its estimated useful life as follows:-

Fixtures and fittings

10% - reducing balance

Motor vehicles

25% - reducing balance

STOCKS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost of finished goods and work in progress includes overheads appropriate to the stage of manufacture. Net realisable value is based upon estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred to completion and disposal.

LEASED ASSETS AND OBLIGATIONS

Where assets are financed by leasing agreements that give rights approximating to ownership ('finance leases'), the assets are treated as if they had been purchased outright. The amount capitalised is the present value of the minimum lease payments payable during the lease term. The corresponding leasing commitments are shown as obligations to the lessor.

Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements, and the interest is charged to the profit and loss account in proportion to the remaining balance outstanding.

Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 1996

ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

LEASED ASSETS AND OBLIGATIONS (continued)

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

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Expenditure on research and development is written off as it is incurred.

PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

The company makes contributions to insured schemes for directors to cover both pensions and life assurance. Payments made are charged to the profit and loss account in the year in which they are incurred.

		1996	1995
		£	£
1	TURNOVER AND PROFIT/(LOSS) ON		
	ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE	•	
	TAXATION		
	The company's turnover and profit/(loss) before taxation were all derived from its		
	principal activity. Sales were made in the		
	following geographical markets.		
	United Kingdom and Eire	832,961	741,989
			=====
2	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES(NET)		
_	Distribution costs	-	3,074
	Administrative expenses	284,118	274,987
		284,118	278,061
3	INVESTMENT INCOME		
	Bank deposit interest	7,590	6,486
1	INTEREST PAYABLE		
	On bank loans and overdrafts and other		
	loans wholly repayable within 5 years:		
	Finance leases and hire purchase	7 91	211
	contracts		
	Credit card commissions	4,479	5,990
	Other	1,273	-
		6,543	6,201

		1996	1995
		£	£
5	PROFIT/(LOSS) ON ORDINARY		
	ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
	Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before		
	taxation is stated after charging		
	/(crediting):- Depreciation and amounts written off	•	
	tangible fixed assets:		
	Owned assets	11,559	11,559
	Auditors remuneration	2,000	2,000
	EMPLOYEES		
	The average weekly number of employees		
	(including directors) employed by the		
	company during the year was: Office and management	8	8
	Office and management		
	Staff costs for the above persons:		
	Wages and salaries	102,466	93,968
	Social security costs	9,040	8,202
	Other pensions costs	3,936	3,933
		115,442	106,103
	DIRECTORS REMUNERATION		
	Fees	28,298	27,224
	Other Emoluments (including pension	3,936	3,733
	contributions and benefits in kind)	2,500	-,
		32,234	30,957

		199	96	1995
			£	£
8	TAXATION			
	Based on the profit for the year:-			
	UK Corporation tax at 25% (1995:-25%)	1,83	39	-
	Deferred tax		<u>-</u>	<u>.</u>
		1,83	39	-
	(Over)/under provided in earlier years	(6,6%	23)	-
		4,78	 34	_
		=====		
9.	FIXED ASSETS	Fixtures &	Motor	Total
		fittings	vehicles	
		£	£	£
	ST			
	at 1.04.95	32,724	40,001	72,725
	litions	-	11,800	11,800
)el	etions	-	(6,000)	(6,000)
As a	at 31.03.96	32,724	45,801	
			,	
	PRECIATION at 1.04.95	15,449	11,077	26,526
-	arge for the year	1,728	•	
	etions	-,	(3,000)	•
4 e :	at 31.03.96	 17 1 7 7	17,508	34,685
10)	at 31.03.20		. 17,500	2 1,000
NE'	T BOOK VALUE			
ls:	at 31.03.96	15,547	28,293	43,840
As:	at 31.03.95	17,275	28,924	46,199

	1996	1995
	£	£
STOCKS		
Goods for resale	136,979	123,542
	136,979	123,542
DEBTORS(due within one year)		
Trade debtors	-	1,973
Other debtors	11,148	3,162
Prepayments and accrued income	8,023	_
	19,171	5,135
CREDITORS		
Amounts falling due within one year Bank loans	4,762	5,755
Obligations under finance leases	5,867	4,299
Trade creditors	136,574	152,014
	1,839	-
Corporation tax		3,749
Corporation tax Other taxation and social security costs	9,470	3,172
Other taxation and social security costs Other creditors	9,476 19,055	27,549
Other taxation and social security costs	•	•

		1996	1995
		£	£
13	CREDITORS		
	Amounts falling due in more than one year		
	Bank loans	2,870	6,639
	Obligations under finance leases	5,106	5,420
		7,976	12,059
	Repayable by instalments		·
	Bank loans		
	Between 2 and 5 years Obligations under finance leases	2,870	6,639
	Between 2 and 5 years	5,106	5,420
		7,976	12,059
4	SHARE CAPITAL Authorised: 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
	200 02 442444		
	Allotted, issued and fully paid		
	100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
5	CAPITAL RESERVE		
_	At beginning and end of the year	20,866	20,866
6	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		
J	At beginning of the year	84,172	135,006
	Profit/(loss) for the year	12,140	(50,834)
	At end of the year	96,312	84,172

		1996	1995	
		£	£	
17	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS			
	IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			
	Profit/(loss) for the financial year	12,140	(50,834)
	Opening shareholders' funds	105,138	155,972	•
	Closing shareholders' funds	117,278	105,138	
				
8	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS	**	••	
	Capital expenditure contracted for but not provided in the financial statements	nil	nil	
	Capital expenditure authorised but not contracted for	nil	nil	