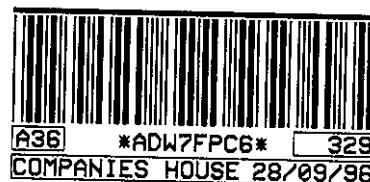


**SOFT TOUCH CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED**  
**ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31 MARCH 1996**

**Registered number: 2063893**

**JERVIS TAYLOR & PARTNERS**  
**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**



**SOFT TOUCH CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED**  
**ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**for the year ended 31 March 1996**

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**SOFT TOUCH CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED**

**AUDITORS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Auditors' report to the directors of  
Soft Touch Co-operative Limited  
pursuant to paragraph 24 of Schedule 8  
to the Companies Act 1985**

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 together with the financial statements of the company prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 March 1996.

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to the exemptions claimed in the directors' statement on page 2 and whether the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

**Basis of opinion**

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the audited financial statements, that the company is entitled to the exemptions and that the abbreviated financial statements have been properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does 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 under sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act, in respect of the year ended 31 March 1996, and the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

**Other information**

On 26 September 1996 we reported, as auditors of Soft Touch Co-operative Limited, to the members on the financial statements prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 31 March 1996, and our audit report was as follows:

'We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 10 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

**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.

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SOFT TOUCH CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

AUDITORS' REPORT ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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Auditors' report to the directors of  
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(continued)

**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 error or other irregularity. 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 loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.'

*Jervis Taylor & Partners*

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Registered Auditor  
Chartered Accountants

26 September 1996

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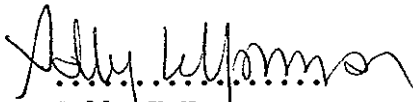
## ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET

at 31 March 1996

	Note	1996 £	1995 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	2	18,029	4,303
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	3	11,737	10,883
Cash at bank and in hand		29,478	-
		<u>41,215</u>	<u>10,883</u>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		<u>(58,162)</u>	<u>(13,537)</u>
<b>Net current liabilities</b>		(16,947)	(2,654)
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		1,082	1,649
<b>Provision for liabilities and charges</b>		<u>(283)</u>	<u>(442)</u>
		<u>799</u>	<u>1,207</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Profit and loss account		799	1,207
<b>Total members' funds</b>		<u>799</u>	<u>1,207</u>

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to the Companies Act 1985 on the basis that the company qualifies as a small company.

The abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4 were approved by the board of directors on 26 September 1996.

  
Sally K Norman  
Director

## SOFT TOUCH CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

## NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 1996

**1 Accounting policies****Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost accounting rules.

The company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement conferred by Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 on the grounds that it is entitled to the exemptions available in Section 246 to 247 of the Companies Act 1985 for small companies.

**Depreciation**

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Motor vehicles	25%
Fixtures and fittings	10% - 20%

**Leases and hire purchase contracts**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to income as incurred.

**Deferred taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

**Government grants**

Government grants in respect of capital expenditure are credited to a deferred income account and are released to income over the expected useful life of the relevant asset.

Grants of a revenue nature are credited to income in the period to which they relate.

## SOFT TOUCH CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED

## NOTES ON ABBREVIATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 March 1996

## 2 Fixed assets

Cost	Tangible fixed assets £
1 April 1995	6,367
Additions	17,623
31 March 1996	<u>23,990</u>
Depreciation	
1 April 1995	2,064
Charge for year	<u>3,897</u>
31 March 1996	<u>5,961</u>
Net book amount	
31 March 1996	<u><u>18,029</u></u>
31 March 1995	<u><u>4,303</u></u>

## 3 Debtors

Included in other debtors at 31 March 1995 is an amount of £550 due from Mr V Attwood a director of the company. £600, unsecured and interest free, was advanced to Mr Attwood in February 1995 and was fully repaid by the year end.