



MATCHTAKE LIMITED

Report and Financial Statements

31 December 1996

Deloitte & Touche Blenheim House Fitzalan Court Newport Road Cardiff CF2 1TS





REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 1996

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OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

DIRECTORS

Councillor D W Puddle, B E M

(Chairman)

M J M Clarke

Councillor Mrs S E A James

Councillor N D Lewis

(resigned March 1996)

P Nash

Councillor J Marshall Dr E S Owen-Jones

County Councillor R W Jones

(resigned March 1996)

Councillor Mrs P Roberts

B Riddleston

A G Wait

Mrs R J Rees

(resigned March 1996)

K G Leighfield

L L Irwin Councillor B E Smith (resigned March 1996) (appointed August 1996)

SECRETARY

Dr C Grace (appointed 1 April 1996) Chief Executive Officer Torfaen County Borough Council

REGISTERED OFFICE

Civic Centre Pontypool Torfaen NP4 6YB

AUDITORS

Deloitte & Touche



DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 1996.

ACTIVITIES

The company's principal activities are the sale of souvenirs and the provision of catering facilities at Big Pit, Blaenafon.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS AND FUTURE PROSPECTS

Details of the company's performance are given in the profit and loss account on page 5 and the notes on pages 7 and 8. The financial position of the company at the end of the year is set out in the balance sheet on page 6 and the notes on pages 8 and 9.

The directors consider that the company is well placed to perform satisfactorily during the coming year.

DIVIDENDS

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (1996 - £Nil).

DIRECTORS

The directors of the company are shown on page 1. The directors have no beneficial interest in the shares of the company or of the parent company.

AUDITORS

A resolution for the reappointment of Deloitte & Touche as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board

Dr C Grace

Secretary

Date 14/7 197



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 as at the end of the financial year 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;
- 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. 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 other irregularities.



Chartered Accountants

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MATCHTAKE LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 9 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 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.

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 at 31 December 1996 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Deloitte & Touche

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Date 25 July 1997.

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Year ended 31 December 1996

	Note	1996 £	1995 £
TURNOVER - continuing operations	2	227,832	219,636
Cost of sales		(210,366)	(209,999)
Gross profit		17,466	9,637
Administrative expenses		(47,812)	(45,958)
Other operating income	3	47,432	43,853
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION - continuing operations	3	17,086	7,532
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	<u>-</u>	
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		17,086	7,532
Profit and loss account brought forward		(109,479)	(117,011)
Profit and loss account carried forward		(92,393)	(109,479)

There are no recognised gains or losses for the current and prior year other than as stated above.

There are no movements in shareholders' funds other than as stated above.



BALANCE SHEET 31 December 1996

	Note	£	1996 £	£	1995 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	5		58,989		74,540
CURRENT ASSTS Stocks		34,761		41,934	
CURRENT LIABILITIES Amounts due to Big Pit (Blaenafon) Trust Limited	6	160,415		200,225	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(125,654)		(158,291)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			(66,665)		(83,751)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Share premium Profit and loss account	7		100 25,628 (92,393)		100 25,628 (109,479)
TOTAL EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' DEFICIT			(66,665)		(83,751)

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 141199Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

D W Puddle - Chairman



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 1996

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below.

Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

Tangible fixed assets

Assets are capitalised and depreciated as follows:

Fixtures and fittings

20% per annum straight line

Leasehold improvements

10% per annum straight line

Stocks

Stocks, which consist of consumables and goods for resale, are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at the anticipated tax rates on timing differences arising from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements, to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise in the future.

2. TURNOVER

Analysis by class of business of turnover is stated below:

		1996	1995
		£	£
	Shop and publication sales	161,553	150,900
	Catering and confectionery sales	63,101	66,199
	Postage stamp sales	3,178	2,537
		227,832	219,636
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3.	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		
		1996	1995
		£	£
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is after charging:		
	Depreciation - owned assets	15,551	15,551
	Auditors' remuneration	500	500
	and after crediting		
	Contribution by parent company		
	towards costs of catering operations	47,432	43,853

The directors do not receive remuneration and the staff are employed by the parent company Big Pit (Blaenafon) Trust Limited, which recharges these costs and other costs incurred on behalf of Matchtake Limited.



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 1996

4. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

There is no corporation tax charge due to the utilisation of taxation losses brought forward.

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Total	Leaschold improve- ments	Fixtures and fittings
	£	£	£
Cost At 1 January 1996 and 31 December			
1996	156,925	146,522	10,403
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 January 1996	82,385	73,038	9,347
Charge for the year	15,551	14,652	899
At 31 December 1996	97,936	87,690	10,246
Net book value			
At 31 December 1996	58,989	58,832	157
At 31 December 1995	74,540	73,484	1,056

6. AMOUNTS DUE TO BIG PIT (BLAENAFON) TRUST LIMITED

Amounts due to Big Pit (Blaenafon) Trust Limited are interest free and have no fixed terms for payment.

7. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	1996 £	1995 £
Ordinary shares of £1 each: Authorised	100	100
Allotted and fully paid	100	100

8. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY AND CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate parent company is Big Pit (Blaenafon) Trust Limited, a company registered in England and Wales.

Big Pit (Blaenafon) Trust Limited is a company limited by guarantee and as such has no controlling party.

Copies of the group financial statements of Big Pit (Blacnafon) Trust Limited are available from Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF4 3UZ.



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS Year ended 31 December 1996

9. DEFERRED TAXATION

The amount of deferred taxation provided in the financial statements and the potential amount not provided are:

	Provided		Unprovided	
	1996 £	1995 £	1996 £	1995 £
Capital allowances in excess of depreciation Trading losses carried forward	5,800 (5,800)	7,000 (7,000)	(18,000)	(23,100)
			(18,000)	(23,100)

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Big Pit (Blaenafon) Trust Limited and in accordance with financial reporting standard 8, transactions with related parties are not reported as the consolidated financial statements of the parent company are publicly available.