SHARROCKS (LONDON) LIMITED (Company Number 2489316)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL 1999



30th APRIL 1999

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

G. Greenhalgh

G.R. Greenhalgh

T.A. Jones

Secretary

G. Greenhalgh

Registered office

229 Spotland Road, Rochdale, Lancashire. OL12 7AQ.

Auditors

A.R. Dobell & Co., Chartered Accountants, 13 Hyde Road, Denton, Manchester. M34 3AF.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 30th April 1999.

ACTIVITIES

The company carries on the business of painting, decorating and building contractors. Business has now been under the same family ownership since 1905. The London office has traded continuously since its establishment in 1950.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS

The market place remains highly competitive.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The results for the year are set out in detail on page 6. The directors do not recommend payment of a dividend, leaving £4,556 to be deducted from reserves.

FIXED ASSETS

Tangible fixed asset movements are disclosed in note 4 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS

The directors at the date of this report are shown on page 2.

Mr. T.A. Jones retires by rotation and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

The directors' interests in the £1 ordinary shares of the company were as follows:

Ordinary shares of £1 each	30 th April 1999	30 th April 1998
G. Greenhalgh	Nil	Nil
G.R. Greenhalgh - beneficial - non benefi	• • •	20,000 2,000
T.A. Jones	Nil	Nil

AUDITORS

A.R. Dobell & Co., Chartered Accountants, have expressed their willingness to continue in office. A resolution for their re-appointment will be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

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 these financial statements, the directors have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- followed applicable accounting standards; and
- prepared the financial statements on the going concern basis.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and 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 other irregularities.

GERALD GREENHALGH

Secretary

229 Spotland Road, Rochdale, Lancashire. OL12 7AQ.

3rd November 1999

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF SHARROCKS (LONDON) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 11 which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out on page 8.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 4 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 financial 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 affairs of the company at $30^{\rm th}$ April 1999 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

A.R. DOBELL & CO.

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor

13 Hyde Road, Denton, Manchester. M34 3AF.

3rd November 1999

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th APRIL 1999

	Note	1999 £	1998 £
INVOICED SALES	1(b)	1,375,615	687,277
(Decrease)/increase in work in progress		(149,697)	813,360
WORK DONE		1,225,918	1,500,637
Cost of sales		(1,006,885)	(1,283,094)
GROSS PROFIT		219,033	217,543
Administrative expenses		(236,623)	(230,769)
Bank interest payable		(797)	(259)
Bank interest receivable		13,231	18,259
(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2	(5,156)	4,774
Tax on results of ordinary activities	3	600	(974)
(LOSS)/PROFIT FOR THE YEAR AFTER TAXATION		(4,556)	3,800
Retained profit brought forward		321,383	317,583
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		316,827	321,383

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the above two financial years.

TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the loss for the year ended 30^{th} April 1999 and the profit for the year ended 30^{th} April 1998.

BALANCE SHEET - 30th APRIL 1999

FIXED ASSETS	Note	1999 £	1998 £
Tangible assets	4	24,796	37,457
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock and work in progress	5	127,421	268,469
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	6	48,600 235,603	52,589 152,542
		411,624	473,600
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		-	
Bank overdraft		20,675	5,321
Trade creditors		10,471	34,163
Excess cash received against work in progress		6,031	36,965
Other creditors	7	48,816	79,625
		85,993	156,074
			
NET CURRENT ASSETS		325,631	317,526
			
NET ASSETS		350,427	354,983
			
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL	8	33,600	33,600
RESERVES			
Profit and loss account		316,827	321,383
		350,427	354,983
			

Approved by the board on 3rd November 1999 and signed on its behalf by:

GERALD RODNEY GREENHALGH - Director

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 30th APRIL 1999

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards under the historical cost convention. In view of its size the company is not required to publish a cash flow statement. The principal accounting policies which the directors have adopted within the convention are set out below.

b) Turnover

Turnover represents the invoiced value of goods sold to third parties, excluding valued added tax.

c) Depreciation

Motor vehicles are depreciated at 331/4 per annum on a written down value basis.

d) Work in progress

Current work in progress is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Cost comprises raw materials, direct labour and attributable overheads.

Net realisable value comprises estimated selling price less further costs expected to be incurred on completion.

Completed work in progress is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value except in cases where the final account is in negotiation. In these instances a proportion of the minimum recognisable profit is included in the valuation.

Current contracts containing more than 12 months actual work are treated as long term contracts and are valued as such in accordance with Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.9. At 30th April 1999 there were three contracts valued on this basis.

e) Pension scheme

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for certain employees. The assets of the scheme are managed independently of the finances of the company. The costs thereof are written off to revenue as incurred.

f) Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30th APRIL 1999 (Continued)

2.	(LOSS)/PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION is arrived at after charging:	1999 £	1998 £
	Auditors' remuneration Depreciation Directors' remuneration	12,398	1,500 18,728 39,980
	and after crediting: Profit on sale of fixed assets	1,014	7,691
3.	TAX ON RESULTS OF ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	1999 £	1998 £
	Corporation tax recoverable at 21% (1998 - 21%) Overprovision in earlier years	- (600)	2,000 (1,026)
		(600)	974
4.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		Motor Vehicles
	1 st May 1998 Additions Disposals		76,323 - (6,739)
	30 th April 1999 DEPRECIATION		69,584
	1 st May 1998 Charged Disposals		38,866 12,398 (6,476)
	30 th April 1999		44,788
	NET BOOK VALUE 30 th April 1999		24,796
	30 th April 1998		37,457

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30th APRIL 1999 (Continued)

4. TANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS	1999 £	1998 £
	Contracted for but not provided in the financial statements	Nil	Nil
5.	WORK IN PROGRESS	1999 £	1998 £
	Work in progress	1,699,401	1,849,098
	Less: Payments on account	(1,571,980)	(1,580,629)
		127,421	268,469
6.	DEBTORS	1999 £	1998 £
	Amounts due from connected companies	47,811	52,238
	Other debtors	789 ————	351
		48,600	52,589
7.	OTHER CREDITORS	1999 £	1998 £
	Corporation tax	-	2,000
	Other taxes and social security	44,069	73,096
	Accruals	4,747	4,529
		48,816	79,625

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30th APRIL 1999 (Continued)

8.	SHARE CAPITAL	1999	1998
	Authorised	£	£
	50,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	50,000	50,000
	Issued and fully paid		
	33,600 Ordinary shares of £1 each	33,600	33,600

9. RELATED PARTIES

Management charges paid by the company to Arnold Sharrocks Limited amounted to £61,355 in the year (1998 - £70,261).