Vincent Landscapes Limited

Abbreviated

Statutory Accounts

for the year ended

30 April 2000



DIRECTORS:

Mr. P.D. Vincent Mrs. L.K. Vincent

SECRETARY:

Mrs. L.K. Vincent

REGISTERED OFFICE:

25 Top End Renhold Bedford MK41 OLR

BANKERS:

HSBC Bank PLC

12 Allhallows

Bedford MK40 1LJ

AUDITORS:

Taylor & Co

Registered Auditors

Chartered Certified Accountants

The Sycamores

43 Kneesworth Street

Royston Herts SG8 5AB

REGISTERED NUMBER:

02590032

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO VINCENT LANDSCAPES LIMITED UNDER SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated financial accounts set out on pages 2 to 5, together with the financial accounts of the company for the year ended 30 April 2000 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the financial accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial accounts, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial accounts and that the abbreviated financial accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. 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 accounts.

OPINION

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated financial accounts on pages 2 to 5 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

Taylor & Co

Registered Auditors

Chartered Certified Accountants

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30 November 2000

Vincent Landscapes Limited

Abbreviated Balance Sheet as at 30 April 2000

	<u>Notes</u>	2000		1999	
		£	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
FIXED ASSETS Tangible Assets	<u>2</u>		261,332		228,471
CURRENT ASSETS Stock and Work in Progress Debtors Cash at Bank and in Hand	:	15,765 85,921 10,689		19,757 71,379 33,888	
CREDITORS : Amounts Falling Due within One Year	<u>3</u>	112,375		125,024	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(27,184)		(16,534)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIE	ES		234,148		211,937
CREDITORS : Amounts Falling Due after more than one year	<u>4</u>		(54,809)		(54,137)
PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES			179,339		157,800
Deferred Taxation			(20,169)		(13,147)
			159,170	:	144,653
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Share Capital Share Premium Account Profit and Loss Account	<u>5</u>		1,000 2,150 156,020		1,000 2,150 141,503
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			159,170		144,653

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

Signed on behalf of the board of directors

Mr. P.D. Vincent

Director

Approved by the board : 30 November 2000

The notes on pages 3 to 5 form part of these accounts.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the Historical Cost Convention as modified to incorporate the revaluation of certain fixed assets.

Profits or losses arising on the disposal of items stated at valuation are determined by reference to the difference between the carrying amount and the net sales proceeds.

Turnover

The company's turnover for the year relates solely to amounts invoiced exclusive of Value Added Tax.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Motor Vehicles	25%	straight	line	on	cost
Plant and Equipment	15%	straight	line	on	cost
Fixtures and Fittings	15%	straight	line	on	cost

Stocks and Work in Progress

Stocks and work in progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving items

Work in Progress is valued on the basis of direct costs plus attributable overheads based on normal level of activity. Provision is made for any forseeable losses where appropriate. No element of profit is included in the valuation of work in progress.

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.

Hire Purchase Agreements

Assets held under hire purchase agreements are capitalised and disclosed under tangible fixed assets at their fair value. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability and the interest is charged to the profit and loss account.

Cash Flow Statement

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 qualifies as a small company under the Companies Act 1985.

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Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the year ended 30 April 2000 (continued)

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Pension Costs

The company's pension plan for employees is a defined contributions scheme. Consequently, the annual instalments charged to the profit and loss are fixed under the terms of the scheme and the company has no potential liability other than for the payment of those instalments.

Operating Lease Agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits as incurred.

2. FIXED ASSETS

	Plant and Machinery
	etc
	<u>£</u>
COST	
At 1st May 1999	390,785
Additions in the year	103,937
Disposals in the year	(77,722)
At 30th April 2000	417,000
DEPRECIATION	
At 1st May 1999	162,314
Charge for the year	41,926
Write off on Disposal	(48,572)
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At 30th April 2000	155,668
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NET BOOK VALUE	
At 30th April 2000	261,332
At 30th April 1999	228,471

Hire Purchase Agreements

Included within the net book value of £ 261,332 is £ 143,858 (1999 - £ 115,717) relating to assets held under hire purchase agreements. The depreciation charged to the accounts in the year in respect of such assets amounted to £ 18,611 (1999 - £ 12,260).

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Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the year ended 30 April 2000 (continued)

3. CREDITORS

SECURED BORROWINGS

The bank overdraft is secured by a debenture over all present freehold and leasehold property, first fixed charge over book and other debts, chattels, goodwill and uncalled capital, both present and future; and first floating charge over all assets and undertaking both present and future dated 9th December 1997.

4. CREDITORS

Amounts Falling Due After more than One Year:

	<u>2000</u>	<u> 1999</u>
	<u>£</u>	£
Bank Loan	-	2,197
Outstanding on Hire Purchase	54,809	51,940
	54,809	54,137

Future commitments under Hire Purchase Agreements are as follows:

	<u>2000</u> <u>£</u>	<u>1999</u> £
Due within One Year Between 2 - 5 Years	46,495 54,809	37,353 51,940
	101,304	89,293

5. SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised: 1,000 Ordinary Shares of £ 1 each.

Issued : 1.000 Ordinary Shares of £ 1 each, fully paid.