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DIRECTORS

C. M. Weatherstone

A. F. Murray S. McEvoy J. A. Earls

SECRETARY

Mrs. C. Weatherstone

REGISTERED OFFICE

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COMPANY NUMBER

2984631

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc

AUDITORS

Bailey, Page & Roper Norwich House Water Street Liverpool

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The directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 1999.

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:-

- 1) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- 2) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- 3) 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 other irregularities.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the company are the supply of professional services to the information technology industry.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Company enjoyed another year of good growth with activity significantly ahead of last year. Profit fell as the Company reinvested heavily to sustain further growth in the future.

The Company's marketing programme designed to develop the corporate identity and to widen its customer base continued and expenditure in this area grew substantially. The Board expect this investment to generate substantial revenue in the future.

There was an increase in staffing levels to service the increased activity and to provide resources for the future. The costs of recruiting staff and developing skills have had an impact on current year profits.

The Board are confident that the Company can sustain growth into the future.

WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

Profit after tax for the year $\begin{array}{ccc} & 1999 & 1998 \\ & f & f \\ & 50,701 \end{array}$

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

FIXED ASSETS

Acquisition and disposal of fixed assets during the year are shown in the notes to the accounts.

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year are shown below.

- C. M. Weatherstone
- A. F. Murray
- S. McEvoy
- J. A. Earls
- C. G. Gardner
- C. C. L. Hollingsworth (appointed 1 January 1999)

The directors beneficial interests in the issued ordinary share capital were as follows:

	1999	1998
	No.	No.
C. M. Weatherstone	750	775
A. F. Murray	100	100
S. McEvoy	50	50
J. A. Earls	50	25

AUDITORS

The auditors, Bailey, Page & Roper, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report was approved by the board on 28 January 2000 and signed on their behalf.

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Signed

Mrs. C. Weatherstone

We have audited the accounts on pages 6 to 15 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 9.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those accounts and 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 accounts. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the accounts, 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 information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the accounts 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 accounts.

Opinion

In our opinion the accounts give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 31 March 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

Bailey, Page & Roper Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

Norwich House Water Street Liverpool

28 January 2000

WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

	Note	1999 £	£	1998 £
TURNOVER Continuing operations	2	1,05	7,731	782,728
Cost of sales	3	32	7,643	182,895
GROSS PROFIT		73	0,088	599,833
Net operating expenses	3&4	68	3,942	519,600
OPERATING PROFIT Continuing operations	4	4	6,146	80,233
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(7,583)	(3,726)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATIO	N	3	8,563	76,507
Tax on ordinary activities	7		8,050	15,806
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATIO	N	3	0,513	60,701
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEA	IR	£ 3	0,513	£ 60,701

The company made no recognised gains and losses other than those reported in the profit and loss account.

	Note	1999	ı £		1998
FIXED ASSETS		£	I.		£
Tangible assets	8		55,368		57,653
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	9	4,000			12,405
Debtors	10	293,687			121,999
CDEDITORS Amounts Solling to within		297,687			134,404
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		252,853			127,986
NET CURRENT ASSETS			44,834		6,418
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	;		100,202	_	64,071
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year	12		7,294		1,676
NET ASSETS		£	92,908	£	62,395
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Profit and loss account	13 14		1,000 91,908		1,000 61,395
TOTAL CAPITAL EMPLOYED		£	92,908	£	62,395

Signed on behalf of the Board

C. M. Weatherstore

C. M. Weatherstone 28 January 2000

WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

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	1999 £	1998 £
Profit for the financial year	30,513	60,701
Net addition to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	30,513 62,395	60,701 1,694
Closing shareholders' funds	£ 92,908	£ 62,395

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

la. Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards under the historical cost convention.

The principal accounting policies of the company have remained unchanged from the previous year and are set out below.

1b. Tangible fixed assets

Fixed assets are shown at historical cost.

Depreciation is provided, after taking account of any grants receivable, at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

	1999	1998
Motor vehicles - % on cost	25	25
Fixtures and equipment- % on cost	20	20
Computer Equipment - % on cost	35	35

1c. Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost incurred in bringing each product to its present location and condition is based on purchase cost on a first-in, first-out basis, including transport.

1d. Taxation

Corporation tax payable is provided on taxable profits at the current rate.

Advance corporation tax payable on dividends paid or provided for in the year is written off.

Deferred taxation (which arises from differences in the timing of the recognition of items, principally depreciation, in the accounts and by the tax authorities) has been calculated on the liability method. Deferred tax is provided on timing differences, which will probably reverse at the rates of tax likely to be in force at the time of reversal. Deferred tax is not provided on timing differences which, in the opinion of the directors, will probably not reverse. However, the amount of all deferred tax, including that which will probably not reverse, is shown in note.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

le. Turnover

Turnover comprises the value of sales (excluding VAT and similar taxes and trade discounts) of goods and services in the normal course of business.

1f. Leased assets

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease.

All other leases are regarded as operating leases and the payments made under them are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

lg. Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 from producing a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small company.

2. TURNOVER

Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation are attributable to the principal activity.

3. COST OF SALES AND NET OPERATING EXPENSES

	1 999 £	1998 £
Cost of sales	£ 327,643	£ 182,895
Net operating expenses: Distribution costs Administrative expenses Depreciation Other operating income	14,596 651,532 17,814	3,212 500,351 17,942 (1,905)
	£ 683,942	£ 519,600

WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

4. OPERATING PROFIT

Profit on ordinary activities is stated after charging:	1999 £	1998 £
Auditors' remuneration Audit services Non-audit services	600 400	600 400
Depreciation and amortisation Tangible assets: owned Staff costs (note 5)	16,325 460,911	17,439 371,290
and after crediting: Other operating income		1,905

5. DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

Particulars of employees (including directors) are shown below:

Employee costs during the year amounted to:	1999	1998
	£	£
Wages and salaries	451,245	364,170
Other pension costs	9,666	7,120
		
	£ 460,911	£ 371,290

The average weekly numbers of employees during the year were as follows:

Management and administration	1 999 No. 25	1 998 No. 18
Details of directors' emoluments are:	1999 f	1998 f
Aggregate emoluments including benefits Pension contributions to money purchase schemes	103,420	100,603 7,120
	103,420	107,723
Number of directors in year	6	2

Pension contributions are paid to money purchase schemes on behalf of three directors.

WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

6.	INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR (CHARGES		1999 £	1998 £
	On bank loans, overdrafts and Repayable within five years, i			_	_
7.	TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACT:	IVITIES			
				1999 £	1998
	Corporation tax at 21%		£	8,050 £	15,806
8.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS				
		Fixtures & Equipment		Motor Vehicles £	Total £
	Cost	_		-	
	At 1 April 1998 Additions Disposals	20,555 1,939	39,747 16,579	32,033 11 (6,800)	92,335 18,529 (6,800)
	At 31 March 1999	22,494	56,326	25,244	104,064
	Depreciation				
	At 1 April 1998 Disposals	6,285	18,740	9,657 (2,311)	34,682 (2,311)
	For the year	3,195	7,881	5,249	16,325
	At 31 March 1999	9,480	26,621	12,595	48,696
	Net Book Amounts				
	At 31 March 1999	£ 13,014	£ 29,705	£ 12,649	£ 55,368
	At 31 March 1998	£ 14,270	£ 21,007	£ 22,376	£ 57,653

The net book value of motor vehicles above includes £12,649 (1998: £16,851) attributable to assets held under hire purchase contracts. The depreciation charged in the year on those assets was £5,249 (1998:£5,617).

WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

9.	STOCK		1999 £		1998 £
	Stock comprises:		L		L
	Stock of corporate brochures	£ =	4,000	£	12,405
10.	DEBTORS		1999 £		1998
	Trade debtors		274,327		£ 95,172
	Other debtors Prepayments		1,340 18,020		26,827
		£	293,687	£	121,999
11.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR Loans Hire purchase UK corporation tax Social security and other taxes		1999 £ 30,000 3,511 6,810 62,819		1998 £ - 4,900 15,630 37,495
	C. M. Weatherstone Trade creditors Other creditors Accruals Deferred income Bank Overdraft	_	25,265 1,690 7,770 26,380 88,608		15,000 20,380 5,102 9,108 10,060 10,311
		£	252,853	£	127,986

The company has granted a fixed charge over its book debts and a floating charge on all its over assets to secure bank overdraft facilities of £130,000 (1998 -£100,000).

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR

		199 9		1998		
		£		£		
Hire purchase agreements	£	7,294	£	1,676		
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WPM SOLUTIONS LIMITED NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 1999

13.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		1999		1998
	Authorised:		£		£
	1000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>`</u> —	1,000	£	1,000
	Allotted, issued and fully paid:				
	1000 Ordinary shares of £1 each		1,000	£	1,000
14.	RESERVES				Profit & loss account
	At 1 April 1998 Profit for the year				61,395 30,513
	At 31 March 1999			£	91,908

15. LEASE COMMITMENTS

The company has entered into non-cancellable leases the payments for which extend over a period of up to $3\ years$.

The minimum annual rentals under the leases are as follows:

1999 £	1998 £
13,000 26,000	13,000
39,000	13,000
1999 47,635 41,227 88,862	1998 £ 29,165 32,652 £ 61,817
	13,000 26,000 39,000 1999 £ 47,635 41,227

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16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year the Company purchased training courses to a value of £5,185 (1998:£4,566) from WPM Training Limited which is under the control of Mr. C. M. Weatherstone. The transactions were in the ordinary course of business. The Company sold services to WPM Training Limited in the ordinary course of business to a value of £13,500.