# EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000 REGISTERED NO. 3055620

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#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

#### **Directors**

- C. Barbour
- J. Bailey
- F. Shepherd
- C. Smith (appointed 27th April 2000)

#### Secretary

- C. Barbour (resigned 27th April 2000)
- J. Bailey (appointed 27th April 2000)

#### Registered office

St Bedes Annexe Westway Peterlee Co. Durham SR8 1DE

#### **Auditors**

Walkers Chartered Accountants 17 - 25 Scarborough Street Hartlepool TS24 7DA

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#### DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

The directors present their annual financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2000.

#### Directors' responsibilities

The directors are required under company law to prepare financial statements for each financial period 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 the 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 a 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 enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985.

The directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

#### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were:

- C. Barbour
- J. Bailey
- F. Shepherd
- J. S. Graham (appointed 30 March 1999)

#### Principal activities

The principal activities of the company are providing training and placements for the long term unemployed.

#### **Basic** employability

This project is aimed at the long term unemployed to consider employment or further education. This is a County Durham TEC funded programme for unemployed. Funding is based on trainee starts and outcomes i.e. accreditation, work experience etc. Funding has been agreed for 2000/2001.

#### Part - time courses

East Durham Partnership provides part-time courses in Information Technology, ASDAN Towards Independence. This is funded by the Further Education Funding Council through Hartlepool and City of Sunderland colleges. Contracts are in place for 2000/2001.

#### We'ed do well (formerly Helping Hands)

This project ended during the year having been successful in helping the elderly, single parents and other vulnerable elements of society.

#### Holidays at Home

This project ended during the year having provided playschemes for children and bus trips for pensioners, children and underprivileged adults.

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

#### Business review and future developments

The company has continued to expand and develop its training programmes and the directors believe that the company's expertise in carrying out and completion of such contracts place it in a strong position in respect of renewal of the contracts. Although the company was technically insolvent at the year end, in the period since cash flow has improved. This, and the continued support of our bankers and, should ensure that the company returns to surplus in the short to medium term

In addition, the company continues to develop and undertake other projects for the benefit of the local community.

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, Walkers, have indicated their willingness to accept re-appointment under Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

The directors have taken advantage, in the preparation of their report, of the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies.

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F. Shepherd

Director

### AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF EAST DURHAM PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 11 which have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000), under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 7 and 8.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 1, 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 information in the financial statements.

#### Fundamental uncertainty

In forming our opinion, we have considered the adequacy of the disclosures made in the financial statements concerning the ability of the company to continue its operations, which comprise the requirement to obtain adequate funding to finance expenditure on educational and other projects for the benefit of the local community.

Project funding is of a short term nature, and as a result of the nature of the company's business, the long term financial position is uncertain, and depends upon the company continuing to be successful in obtaining contracts.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends upon future funding being secured to enable projects to be undertaken. Details of the circumstances relating to this fundamental uncertainty are described in note 1 to the financial statements. Our opinion is not qualified in this respect.

#### **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 2000 and of its excess of expenditure over income for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Walkers Values

Chartered Accountants and

Registered Auditors

17-25 Scarborough Street

Hartlepool

TS25 7DA

Date: 26 February 2001

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
Grants and fundraising	2	167,852	172,244
Activity expenditure (including exceptional item)	3	(152,533)	(155,163)
Gross surplus		15,319	17,081
Net operating expenses	4	(59,032)	(58,111)
Operating (deficit)/surplus	5	(43,713)	(41,030)
Interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges		(2,496)	(1,984)
Excess of expenditure over income before taxation		(46,209)	(43,014)
Taxation			(14)
Excess of expenditure over income after taxation		(46,209)	(43,028)
Deficit brought forward		(43,272)	(244)
Deficit carried forward		(89,481)	(43,272)

The company's turnover and expenses all relate to continuing operations.

The only recognised loss for the period was the excess of expenditure over income for the financial period £37,078 (1999: £43,028).

The annexed notes form part of these financial statements.

#### **BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2000**

	Note		2000 £		1999 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	6		45,232		71,280
Current assets					
Debtors	7	19,305		31,545	
Cash at bank and in hand				103	
		19,305		31,648	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(74,149)		(59,768)	
Net current assets			(54,844)	_	(28,120)
Total assets less current liabilities			(9,612)		43,160
Creditors					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	9	1	(16,042)		(22,605)
Net assets			(25,654)	-	20,555
Capital and reserves					
Capital reserve	10		63,827		63,827
Accumulated fund	10		(89,481)		(43,272)
Shareholders' funds	11	<u> </u>	(25,654)	- -	20,555

The directors have taken advantage, in the preparation of the accounts, of the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to small companies and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

F. Shepherd

Director

The annexed notes form part of these financial statements.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

#### 1. Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective March 2000).

The effect of events in relation to the year ended 31 March 2000 which occurred before the date of approval of the financial statements by the Board of Directors, have been included in the statements to the extent required to show a true and fair view of the state of affairs at 31 March 2000 and of the results for the year ended on that date.

#### **Grants and Funding**

Revenue grants and funding are matched with the project expenditure to which they relate. Amounts receivable at the balance sheet date in respect of expenditure charged to the Income and Expenditure account for the accounting period is included in debtors as Grants and Project income receivable.

Amounts received before the balance sheet date which relate to expenditure to be incurred in future accounting periods is included in creditors as Deferred project funding.

Capital grants are matched with the assets to which they relate and are written off over the useful lives of those assets. Amounts not written off at the balance sheet date are included in creditors as Deferred grant income.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation has been computed to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their expected useful lives at the following rates:

Mobile creche	-25% per annum reducing balance
Computer equipment	-25% per annum reducing balance
Plant and machinery	-20% per annum reducing balance
Fixtures and fittings	-25% per annum reducing balance
Motor vehicles	-25% per annum reducing balance

#### Leasing and hire purchase commitments

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

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000 (CONT)

#### Format of financial statements

The directors have adapted the formats for financial statements as required by Section B of Schedule 4 to the Companies Act 1985, to suit the nature of the company's activities.

#### Going Concern

The company's objectives are to provide training and placements for the long term unemployed, and to organise and administer projects for the benefit of the local community.

The ability of the company to continue its operations is largely dependent upon the company being able to secure grants and other project related funding in advance of projects being undertaken.

The company has obtained funding to secure its short term future. However, the company's long term future is dependent upon contracts for similar short term funding being renewed.

The directors believe that the company's track record and expertise places it in a strong position to continue to obtain such contracts.

Therefore, the financial statements have been drawn up on a going concern basis on the grounds that the company will be able to secure adequate finance in order to carry out future proposed projects.

#### Turnover

Turnover comprises income receivable from grants, funding and donations.

#### Exceptional item

Activity expenditure included an exceptional charge in 1999 of £15373. This relates to a disputed charge in respect of VAT on salary recharges relating to prior years for which payment was demanded during the year. £5000 has been paid in respect of this during the year ended 31 March 2000. The balance of £10373 has been carried forward as a creditor on the grounds of prudence.

Net operating expenses for the year ended 31 March 2000 includes a fixed asset impairment write down of £7,478 in respect of assets which were sold shortly after the year end. This adjustment reduces the assets to

#### Net operating expenses

	2000	1999
	£	£
Administrative expenses	67,782	60,686
Other operating income	(8,750)	(2,575)
	59,032	58,111
Operating deficit		

#### Operating deficit

Operating definit is stated after charging:

Operating deficit is stated after charging.	2000	1999
	£	£
Operating leases - property	-	-
Hire of plant and machinery - operating leases	-	498
Depreciation	20,259	10,082
Auditors' remuneration	1,175	1,246
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000 (CONT)

#### 6. Tangible fixed assets

		Mobile creche £	Computers £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	Cost						
	At 1 April 1999 Additions Transfers	39,218	23,740 737 -	5,135 - -	9,279 952 -	20,000 - -	97,372 1,689
	At 31 March 2000	39,218	24,477	5,135	10,231	20,000	99,061
	Depreciation						
	At 1 April 1999 Charge for year Impairment	12,087 6,320	8,552 3,897	2,276 572 1,158	4,639 1,359 -	10,625 2,344 -	26,092 20,259 7,478
	At 31 March 2000	18,407	12,449	4,006	5,998	12,969	53,829
	Net book value						
	At 31 March 2000	20,811	12,028	1,129	4,233	7,031	45,232
	At 31 March 1999	39,218	15,188	2,859	4,640	9,375	71,280
7.	Debtors						
						2000 £	1999 £
	Grants and project in Other debtors	come receiva	able			18,758 547	18,932 12,613
						19,305	31,545
8.	Creditors Amounts falling due	within one	vear				
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	<b>,</b>			2000 £	1999 £
	Bank overdraft Deferred project func Deferred grant incom Activity expenditure Tax and social securi Other creditors	ie payable				18,850 2,432 5,347 11,365 16,919 19,236	10,695 6,421 7,534 9,016 1,589 24,513
						77,172	37,700

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000 (CONT)

#### 9. Creditors

Amounts f	falling du	e after	more than	one year
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· ·	2000 £	1999 £
Deferred grant income	16,042	22,605

#### 10. Reserves

	Accumulated fund £	Capital reserve
Balance at 1 April 1999 Excess of expenditure over income for the year	(43,272) (46,209)	63,827
Balance at 31 March 2000	(89,481)	63,827

The capital reserve represents the net assets introduced into the company arising from project activities undertaken by East Durham Partnership, which was an unincorporated body with the same aims and objectives as the company.

#### 11. Reconciliation of movements in capital and reserves

				2000	
				£	
	Opening capital and reserves			20,555	
	Excess expenditure over income for the year			(46,209)	
	Closing capital and reserves			(25,654)	
12.	Leasing commitments				
			2000		1999
		Land and		Land and	
		buildings	Other	buildings	Other
		£	£	£	£
	Operating leases which expire:				
	Within one year	-	-	-	-
	Within two to five years	6,560	-	6,560	-
		6,560	<del></del>	<del>6,560</del>	

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000 (CONT)

#### 13. Share capital

The company does not have share capital, but every member of the company undertakes to contribute such an amount as may be required to the assets of the company if it should be wound up while he is a member or within one year after he ceases as a member for payment of the debts and liabilities of the company contracted before he ceases as a member and the costs charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves.

# THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE DIRECTORS ONLY.

THEY DO NOT FORM PART OF THE STATUTORY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

	•	2000		1999
	£	£	£	£
Grants, fees and fundraising				
ESF funding		4,421		34,241
TEC grants		82,449		60,407
FEFC funding		33,277		49,324
EDDV funding		25,668		-
New deal fees		1,804		-
Other training fees		-		8,426
Other grants, donations and income	_	9,449	_	2,162
		157,068		154,560
Rents receivable		8,568		-
We'ed Do Well		216		5,040
Holidays at home		<b>-</b>		1,665
Creche		2,000		10,935
Training and canteen	_	-	_	44
		167,852		172,244
Activity expenditure				
Wages, tuition fees and courses	144,660		123,542	
Disputed salary recharges	-		15,373	
Consultancy	-		-	
Course certificates and accreditation	6,580		4,620	
Grants	-		1,310	
Evaluation fees	743_	_	530	
	151,983		145,375	
Opportunities for volunteers	-		-	
Helping hands (now We'ed Do Well)	-		3,720	
Holidays at home	550		1,055	
Creche	-		4,576	
Training and canteen	<del></del>	-	437	
	-	152,533	_	155,163
Gross surplus		15,319		17,081
Other operating income				
Bank interest	-		-	
Amortisation of capital grants	1.00		2.024	
- I T grant	1,526		2,034	
- Other	7,224	8,750	541	2,575
	-	24,069	_	19,656

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2000

		2000		1999
	£	£	£	£
Administrative expenses				
Motor expenses	7,752		6,467	
Travel and accommodation	1,675		2,726	
Rent and rates	7,792		8,375	
Insurance	3,642		2,186	
Light, heat and water	4,726		4,025	
Telephone	3,024		6,355	
Printing, postage, stationery and computer supplies	4,233		4,615	
Repairs, renewals and consumables	955		5,842	
Advertising and publicity	503		2,486	
Hire of equipment	-		498	
Security	403		1,618	
Bank charges	1,166		1,255	
Audit fees	1,175		1,246	
Accountancy fees	2,080		1,246	
Professional fees	588		764	
Entertainment	-		-	
Depreciation	20,259		10,082	
Impairment of fixed assets	7,478		-	
Penalty on overdue PAYE	300		-	
Sundry expenses	31		900	
	<del></del>	67,782		60,686
	_		_	
		(43,713)		(41,030)
Interest payable				
Bank interest		2,496		1,984
Excess expenditure over income for the year	=	(46,209)	=	(43,014)