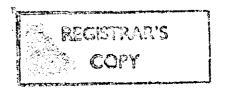
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# **EUROCITY PROPERTIES (CENTRAL) LIMITED**

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004



# **Company Information**

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P. A. Rowson

Secretary

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**Company Number** 

3428267

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004**

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2004.

#### 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 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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.

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the year after taxation, amounted to £298,772 (2003 - £148,415).

The directors recommend that a dividend of £NIL (£NIL per share) ( 2003 - £200,000) on ordinary shares be paid and that the retained profit of £298,772 be carried to reserves.

## Principal activities, review of business and future developments

The principal activity of the company continues to be that of investment in commercial properties.

The directors are pleased with the results for the year and expect the trading position of the company to be maintained during the coming year.

#### Company's policy for payment of creditors

The company agrees terms and conditions for transactions with suppliers and payment is made on these terms, subject to the supplier meeting the agreed terms and conditions.

#### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year and their beneficial interests in the company's issued share capital were :

No director had any interest in the shares of the company during the year but their interests in the parent undertaking, Panther Securities PLC, are disclosed in that company's financial statements.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2004

## **Auditors**

1./W. Mintel Secretary

The auditors, Nexia Audit Limited, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report was approved by the board on

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF EUROCITY PROPERTIES (CENTRAL) LIMITED

We have audited the accounts of Eurocity Properties (Central) Limited for the year ended 31 December 2004 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 17. These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the accounts in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the accounts, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if the information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

## **Basis of Audit Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 the 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 as at 31 December 2004 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Naxia Audit Limited

Nexia Audit Limited Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors

Date: 12 May 2005

Prospect House 2 Athenaeum Road Whetstone London N20 9YU

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT For the year ended 31 December 2004

	Note	Year ended 31 December 2004 £	Year ended 31 December 2003 £
TURNOVER	1,2	516,644	322,433
Cost of sales		(20,022)	(14,960)
GROSS PROFIT		496,622	307,473
Administrative expenses		(18,390)	(6,425)
Other operating income		12,418	9,238
OPERATING PROFIT	3	490,650	310,286
Interest receivable	4	82	-
Interest payable	5	(144,943)	(143,277)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		345,789	167,009
TAXATION	6	(47,017)	(18,594)
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		298,772	148,415
DIVIDENDS	7	-	(200,000)
RETAINED PROFIT / (LOSS) FOR THE YEAR		298,772	(51,585)
RETAINED PROFIT BROUGHT FORWARD		78,160	129,745
RETAINED PROFIT CARRIED FORWARD		376,932	78, 160

All amounts relate to continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2004 or 2003 other than those included in the profit and loss account.

The notes on pages 6 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

## BALANCE SHEET As at 31 December 2004

	Note	£	2004 £	£	2003 £
FIXED ASSETS  Tangible fixed assets	8		3,673,745		3,673,745
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors	9	9,344		12,753	
		9,344		12,753	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	10	(961,522)		(1,055,241)	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(952,178)	<del></del>	(1,042,488)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABIL	ITIES		2,721,567		2,631,257
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		(2,148,290)		(2,356,752)
NET ASSETS			573,277		274,505
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital Revaluation reserve Profit and loss account	13		2 196,343 376,932		2 196,343 78,160
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS - All Equity	14		573,277		274,505

The financial statements were approved by the board on 26th april 2005

P.A. Rowson Director

The notes on pages 6 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investment properties and include the results of the company's operations which are described in the Directors' Report and all of which are continuing.

#### 1.2 Turnover

Turnover comprises rental income from property.

#### 1.3 Investment properties

Investment properties are accounted for in accordance with SSAP 19, as follows:

- i) investment properties are revalued annually by the directors and by independent professional valuers at intervals of not more than three years. The surplus or deficit on revaluation is transferred to the revaluation reserve unless a deficit, or its reversal, on an individual investment property is expected to be permanent, in which case it is recognised in the profit and loss account for the year; and
- ii) no depreciation is provided in respect of leasehold investment properties with over 20 years to run.

Although the Companies Act would normally require the systematic annual depreciation of fixed assets, the directors believe that the policy of not providing depreciation is necessary to give a true and fair view, since the current value of investment properties, and the changes to that current value, are of prime importance rather than a calculation of systematic annual depreciation. Depreciation is only one of the many factors reflected in the valuation, and the amount which might otherwise have been included cannot be separately identified or quantified.

#### 1.4 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term, even if the payments are not made on such a basis. Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are similarly spread on a straight-line basis over the lease term, except where the period to the review date on which the rent is first expected to be adjusted to the prevailing market rate is shorter than the full lease term, in which case the shorter period is used.

#### 1.5 Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided for on a full provision basis on all timing differences which have arisen but not reversed at the balance sheet date. A deferred tax asset is not recognised to the extent that the transfer of economic benefit is uncertain. Any assets and liabilities recognised have not been discounted.

#### 2. TURNOVER

The whole of the turnover and profit before taxation is attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

All turnover arose within the United Kingdom.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

# 3. OPERATING PROFIT

No director received any emoluments (2003 - £Nil).

At the year end there were no directors accruing pension benefits.

The company did not have any employees during the year. The directors were employed by the ultimate parent company Panther Securities Plc.

4.	INTEREST RECEIVABLE	Year ended 31 December 2004 £	Year ended 31 December 2003 £
	Other interest receivable	82	<del>-</del>
5.	INTEREST PAYABLE	Year ended 31 December 2004 £	Year ended 31 December 2003 £
	On other loans	144,943 ———— 144,943	143,277 ———— 143,277

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

6.	TAXATION		
		Year	Year
		ended	ended
		31 December	31 December
		2004	2003
		£	£
	Current year toyation		
	Current year taxation UK Corporation Tax at 30% (2003 - 30%)	20,454	18,594
	·	20,454	10,094
	Prior years	00 500	
	UK Corporation tax	26,563	-
		47,017	18,594
	Factors affecting the tax charge for period		
		2004	2003
		£	£
	Profit on ordinary activities before tax	345,789	167,009
	- Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 30% (2003: 30%) Effects of:	103,737	50,103
	Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	(298)	-
	Capital allowances for period in excess of depreciation	(1,241)	(1,655)
	Utilisation of tax losses and other deductions	•	(2,993)
	Under / Overprovision of corporation tax - Prior year	26,563	***
	Group relief	(81,744)	(26,407)
	Marginal relief	•	(156)
	Other short term timing differences	<u> </u>	(298)
	Current tax Charge for period	47,017	18,594
7.	DIVIDENDS		
		Year	Year
		ended	ended
		31 December	31 December
		2004	2003
		£	£
	Ordinary dividends proposed £NIL per share		
	(2003 - £100,000.00 per share)	-	200,000
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

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2004 £ 9,344	2003 £ 12,753
	1 October 2003 led as follows: 2004 £ 3,477,402 3,477,402 2004 £

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

#### 10. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year 2004 2003 £ £ **Building society loans** 87,808 114,190 Trade creditors 3,994 3,238 Amounts owed to group undertakings: parent and fellow subsidiaries 654,310 789,631 Corporation tax 20,454 18,594 Proposed dividend 200,000 Other creditors 5,570 5,521 Accruals and deferred income 59,388 54,065 961,522 1,055,241

The building society loans are secured by legal charges over certain investment properties. In addition the building society has a floating charge over all the assets of the company and the assignment of the benefit of all rents receivable of the secured properties.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

11.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year		
		2004 £	2003 £
	Building society loans	2,148,290	2,356,752
		2,148,290	2,356,752
	Included within the above are amounts falling due as follows:		
	In 1 - 2 years: Loan instalments	87,808	120,482
	In 2 - 5 years: Loan instalments	263,424	402,762
	In more than 5 years: Loan instalments	1,797,058	1,833,508
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		2004 £	2003 £
	Repayable by quarterly instalments until December 2013 when a fit capital payment of £274,500 falls due. Interest is charged at 1.3%		
	above LIBOR.	2,236,098	<u>2,470,942</u>
12.	PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES  The potential liability for deferred taxation not provided was as follows:	ws:	
		2004 £	2003 £
	Potential capital gains	58,903	<i>58,903</i>
13.		2004 £	2003 £
	Authorised 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
	Allotted, called up and fully paid	<u> </u>	
	2 ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2004

#### 14. SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

Reconciliation of movements on shareholders' funds		
	2004 £	2003 £
Profit for the year	298,772	148,415
Dividends	-	(200,000)
	298,772	(51,585)
Opening shareholders' funds	274,505	326,090
Closing shareholders' funds	573,277	274,505

#### 15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A contingent liability exists at 31 December 2004 as the company is a member of the Eurocity Properties PLC group for VAT purposes.

#### 16. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Advantage has been taken of the exemptions conferred under FRS 8, such that related party transactions need not be disclosed, because consolidated accounts including this company are publicly available.

#### 17. PARENT UNDERTAKING

The company's immediate parent undertaking is Eurocity Properties PLC, and the ultimate parent undertaking is Panther Securities PLC, a company incorporated in Great Britain. The consolidated accounts of the group are available to the public and may be obtained from Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff CF4 3UX.