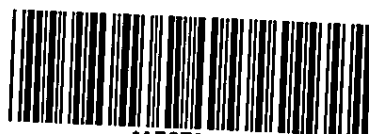


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# **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

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# **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

## **Directors and advisors**

### **Directors**

S A Carter  
J N E Cowdell  
S P Hornby  
R J W Manley  
P G Bachmann

### **Secretary**

Trillium Secretariat Services Limited

### **Registered office**

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London  
EC2Y 5DN

### **Independent auditors**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Cornwall Court  
19 Cornwall Street  
Birmingham  
B3 2DT

# **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

## **Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2007**

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007

### **Results, principal activities and review of business**

The company is engaged in a 30-year contract, expiring in 2029, with Hereford Hospitals NHS Trust for the design and construction of an Acute Care Facility, and in the provision of certain non-clinical support services at Hereford County Hospital

The profit for the year attributable to shareholders which has been dealt with in the financial statements is £1,668,000 (2006 £131,000). The directors consider the performance of the company during the year, the financial position at the end of the year and its prospects for the future to be satisfactory

### **Dividends**

No dividend was proposed during the year (2006 £nil)

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

The company has taken on the activity as detailed above and is risk averse in its trading relationships with its customer, funders and sub-contractors as determined by the terms of their respective detailed PFI contracts. In extreme circumstances, the company could be exposed to subcontractor failure to perform their obligations. The financial risks and the measures taken to mitigate them are as detailed in the following section

### **Financial risk management**

The company has exposures to a variety of financial risks which are managed with the purpose of minimising any potential adverse effect on the company's performance. The board has policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below

#### ***Interest rate risk***

The senior and subordinated debt interest have been fixed through use of fixed funding rates, plus a margin. Details of these can be found on page 15

#### ***Inflation risk***

The funding to the company was agreed as part of the overall PFI contracts with lenders, clients and shareholders, and suitable hedging has been put in place, as set out in the notes to the accounts

#### ***Liquidity risk***

The company adopts a prudent approach to liquidity management by endeavouring to maintain sufficient cash and liquid resources to meet its obligations as they fall due

#### ***Credit risk***

The company receives the bulk of its revenue from Hereford Hospitals NHS Trust and is not exposed to significant credit risk. Cash investments are with institutions of a suitable credit quality

#### ***Major maintenance replacement risk***

The company takes the risk that its projections for ongoing major maintenance replacement of the building and relevant equipment are adequate. These projections have been agreed with third parties and are subject to regular review by the directors

# **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

## **Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)**

### **Key performance indicators ('KPIs')**

The company's operations are managed under the supervision of its shareholders and funders and are largely determined by the detailed terms of the PFI contract which stipulates key performance criteria on operational activities. For this reason, the company's directors believe that further key performance indicators for the company are not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the performance or position of the business.

### **Directors**

The directors of the company during the year, and subsequently, are set out below:

S A Carter	
I R Gethin	(resigned 21 May 2008)
W Doughty	(resigned 25 April 2007)
B S Williams	(resigned 14 August 2007)
J N E Cowdell	(appointed 2 March 2007)
S P Hornby	(appointed 25 April 2007)
R J W Manley	(appointed 6 December 2007)
P G Bachmann	(appointed 6 December 2007)

### **Statement of directors' responsibilities**

The directors are responsible for preparing the annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to 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 UK 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, in which case there should be supporting assumptions or qualifications as necessary.

The directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that 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.

### **Statement of disclosure of information to auditors**

In the case of each director in office at the date the directors' report is approved, so far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ('PwC') are unaware, and the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that PwC are aware of that information.

## **Mercia Healthcare Limited**


### **Directors' report for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)**

#### **Auditors**

Having passed elective resolutions of the shareholders at an extraordinary general meeting, the company is exempt from the obligation to annually reappoint auditors and to hold annual general meetings. PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP have expressed their willingness to continue in office as auditors and accordingly the board recommends that PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP continue in office as auditors to the company.

**By order of the board**

**On behalf of Trillium Secretariat Services Limited  
Secretary**

 (KIM CLEAR)

**27 MAY 2008**

## **Independent auditors' report to the members of Mercia Healthcare Limited**

We have audited the financial statements of Mercia Healthcare Limited for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

### **Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions 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 International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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 judgments 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, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2007 and of its profit and cashflows for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, and
- the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

*PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP*

**PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP**  
**Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors**  
**Birmingham**

*24 June 2008*

## Mercia Healthcare Limited

### Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2007

	Note	Year ended 31 December 2007 £'000	Year ended 31 December 2006 £'000
<b>Turnover</b>	1	<b>6,767</b>	5,914
Cost of sales		<b>(5,043)</b>	(4,993)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>1,724</b>	921
Administrative expenses		<b>(450)</b>	(551)
<b>Operating profit</b>	2	<b>1,274</b>	370
Interest receivable and similar income	3	<b>6,380</b>	6,330
Interest payable and similar charges	4	<b>(5,612)</b>	(5,659)
<b>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		<b>2,042</b>	1,041
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	<b>(374)</b>	(910)
<b>Profit on ordinary activities after taxation and profit for the year</b>	12	<b>1,668</b>	131

The company has been engaged solely in continuing activities in a single class of business within the United Kingdom

There are no material differences between the profit as shown in the profit and loss account above and its historical cost equivalent

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those included in the profit and loss account above and therefore no separate statement of total recognised gains and losses has been presented

The movements on reserves are shown in note 12 to the financial statements

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Balance sheet as at 31 December 2007

	Note	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
		£'000	£'000
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors amounts falling due within one year	6	866	550
Debtors amounts falling due after more than one year	7	73,802	73,719
Cash at bank and in hand		4,149	4,184
		<b>78,817</b>	<b>78,453</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	<b>(6,418)</b>	<b>(6,287)</b>
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>72,399</b>	<b>72,166</b>
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	9	<b>(65,806)</b>	<b>(67,615)</b>
<b>Provision for liabilities and charges</b>	10	<b>(4,307)</b>	<b>(3,933)</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>2,286</b>	<b>618</b>

### Capital and reserves

Called up share capital	11	1	1
Profit and loss account	12	2,285	617
<b>Total shareholder's funds</b>	12	<b>2,286</b>	<b>618</b>

The financial statements on pages 6 to 19 were approved by the board on 21 MAY 2008 and signed on its behalf by



Director

S. Cowden

27 MAY 2008

## Mercia Healthcare Limited

### Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2007

	Note	31 December 2007  £'000	31 December 2006  £'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	14 (a)	880	1,623
<i>Returns on investments and servicing of finance</i>			
Interest paid		(5,323)	(5,365)
Interest received		6,380	6,330
Net cash inflow from returns on investments		1,057	965
<i>Financing</i>			
Repayment of loans		(1,972)	(1,873)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(1,972)	(1,873)
(Decrease)/increase in cash during the year	14 (c)	(35)	715

# **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

## **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007**

### **1 Principal accounting policies**

A summary of the company's principal accounting policies, which have been consistently applied, is set out below

#### **Basis of preparation of accounts**

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and applicable accounting and financial reporting standards in the United Kingdom

#### **Turnover**

Turnover represents the value of work done and services rendered, excluding sales related taxes. All turnover originates in the United Kingdom

The company recognises income when it has fully fulfilled its contractual obligations. In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 5 – Application Note G, the company includes sales and purchase transactions related to variations under the original contract where the benefits and risks are retained by the company, within the financial statements as turnover and operating costs

Transactions to which the company does not have access to all the significant benefits and risks are excluded from the financial statements

#### **Finance debtor and interest receivable**

In accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 5 – Application Note F, the costs incurred in constructing the assets have been treated as a finance debtor

This treatment arose from applying the guidance within the Application Note which indicated that the project's principal agreements transfer substantially all the risks and rewards relating to the property to the customer

The finance debtor represents the costs arising on the construction of the assets including initial tender costs. Once the project reached its operational phase and was accepted by the customer the contract receivable was reclassified as a finance debtor, with a constant proportion of the planned net revenue arising from the project being allocated to remunerate the finance debtor. Imputed interest receivable is allocated to the finance debtor using a property specific rate to generate a constant rate of return over the life of the contract. Over the course of the contract term the finance debtor is expected to be fully repaid

# **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

## **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)**

### **1 Principal accounting policies (continued)**

#### **Debt issue costs**

Debt issue costs incurred have been offset against the related debt and will be charged to the profit and loss account at a constant rate on the carrying value of the debt

#### **Interest rate swaps**

Interest rate swaps are used to hedge the company's exposure to movements on interest rates. The interest payable on such swaps is accrued in the same way as interest arising on the related borrowings

#### **Deferred taxation**

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date, where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis

Deferred tax assets are only recognised when it is considered more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted

#### **Major maintenance replacement**

As noted in the directors' report, the company is responsible for the major maintenance replacement risk associated with its principal activity. Where appropriate income is deferred to future periods, based on a forecast of the future major maintenance expenditure, in order to match that element of income with the costs to which it relates. The turnover and costs of sales are recorded, in the profit and loss account, in the period in which the costs of major maintenance replacement are incurred

### **2 Operating profit**

The company had no employees during the year, other than the directors (2006: none). The remuneration of the directors is paid by the controlling parties and their services to the company are of a non-executive nature and their emoluments are deemed to be wholly attributable to their services to the controlling parties. The controlling parties charged £nil (2006: £15,000) to the company in respect of these services.

The audit fee in respect of the company was £10,000 for the year (2006: £8,000)

## **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)**

#### **3 Interest receivable and similar income**

	<b>Year ended 31 December 2007</b>	<b>Year ended 31 December 2006</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Imputed interest receivable on finance debtor	<b>6,110</b>	6,095
Interest receivable on bank deposits	<b>270</b>	235
	<b>6,380</b>	6,330

#### **4 Interest payable and similar charges**

	<b>Year ended 31 December 2007</b>	<b>Year ended 31 December 2006</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Interest payable on debt	<b>3,702</b>	3,846
Other interest – subordinated loan notes	<b>1,621</b>	1,519
Amortisation of debt issue costs	<b>289</b>	294
	<b>5,612</b>	5,659

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 5 Tax on profit on ordinary activities

#### (a) Analysis of tax charge for the year

	Year ended 31 December 2007	Year ended 31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
<b>Current tax:</b>	-	-
<b>Deferred tax:</b>		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	603	910
Change in corporation tax rate (see below)	(308)	-
Prior year adjustment	79	-
<b>Tax charge on profit on ordinary activities</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>910</b>

As a consequence of a corporation tax rate change announced in the 2007 Finance Act, deferred tax reversing after 1 April 2008 will be recognised at a rate of 28% as opposed to the existing rate of 30%. The effect of this change is a credit of £308,000 to the profit and loss accounts for the year.

#### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge

The tax assessed for the year is lower (2006: lower) than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 30% (2006: 30%). The differences are explained below.

	Year ended 31 December 2007	Year ended 31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	2,042	1,041
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 30% (2006: 30%)	613	312
Effects of:		
Deduction for notional lease premium	-	(20)
Movement in accelerated capital allowances and other timing differences	(105)	(293)
Utilisation of tax losses	(508)	1
<b>Current tax charge for the year (note 5(a))</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## **Mercia Healthcare Limited**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)**

#### **5 Tax on profit on ordinary activities (continued)**

##### **(c) Factors that may affect future tax charges**

The current tax charge will continue to be affected by timing differences on the project asset, although these timing differences will have an opposite impact on the deferred tax charge so there should be no overall impact on the tax charge. Further to the corporation tax rate change announced in the Finance Act, deferred tax reversing after 1 April 2008 is recognised at a rate of 28% as opposed to the existing rate of 30%.

#### **6 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>31 December 2007</b>	<b>31 December 2006</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Trade debtors	<b>512</b>	423
Finance debtor	<b>31</b>	-
Prepayments and accrued income	<b>323</b>	127
	<b>866</b>	550

#### **7 Debtors: amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>31 December 2007</b>	<b>31 December 2006</b>
	<b>£'000</b>	<b>£'000</b>
Finance debtor	<b>73,802</b>	73,719

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Senior debt	1,806	1,684
Amounts owed to related parties	2,570	1,346
Trade creditors	388	386
Other creditors and accruals	1,423	2 502
Taxation and social security	231	369
	<b>6,418</b>	<b>6,287</b>

### 9 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

(a) Total	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Debt (as analysed in (b) below)	62,207	64,012
Amounts owed to related parties	542	542
Deferred income	3,057	3,061
	<b>65,806</b>	<b>67,615</b>

(b) Debt	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Senior debt	54,618	56,590
Subordinated loan bridge debt	9,756	9,756
	<b>64,374</b>	<b>66,346</b>
Less included in creditors falling due within one year	(1,806)	(1,684)
Less unamortised issue costs	(361)	(650)
	<b>62,207</b>	<b>64,012</b>

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 9 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year (continued)

(c) Maturity of debt	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Less than one year	2,094	1,972
Between one and two years	2,006	2,094
Between two and five years	7,463	6,839
In more than five years	52,811	55,441
	64,374	66,346
Less creditors falling due within one year	(1,806)	(1,684)
Less unamortised issue costs	(361)	(650)
	62,207	64,012

#### Senior debt - Term Loan Facility

The tenure of the Term Loan is 25 years and it is repayable in 43 semi-annual instalments commencing on 16th April 2003. Interest charged on amounts drawn under the facility is based on the floating LIBOR rate, plus a margin of 1.10%. The Term Loan Facility has been syndicated to a consortium of banks. All amounts drawn under the Term Loan Facility are secured by a fixed charge over all leasehold interests, book debts, project accounts and intellectual property of the company and by a floating charge over the company's undertakings and assets.

#### Subordinated loan bridge debt

On the 16th April 2002, the stockholders subscribed to £8,496,320 subordinated loan notes (£2,124,080 per shareholder) in the company.

The loan notes are to mature in full in 2029, however, both the loan holder and the company may redeem all or part of the loan notes at anytime, provided certain conditions are met and relevant consents are given.

The loan notes are unsecured and bear interest at 15%. Interest was rolled up on the loan notes until 16th October 2003, and thereafter the interest is paid 6 monthly.

#### Swap arrangements

The Company has entered into interest rate swap agreements under the Term Loan. A fixed rate of 5.58% applies to all amounts drawn under the Term Loan and the Shareholder Credit Facility, until April 2009, as the original swap agreement in relation to the Term Loan Facility expires on 10th April 2009. A new swap agreement has been entered into from April 2009, with a fixed rate of 5.0605%, which expires on 10th April 2024. The only derivative financial instruments held are the interest rate swaps, which convert the borrowings from rates linked to LIBOR to the fixed rates above. The fair value of this class of derivative financial instruments at 31 December 2007 is £(484,969).

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 10 Provision for liabilities and charges

	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Deferred taxation	4,307	3,933
The movements in deferred taxation during the year and previous period is as follows		
At 1 January	3,933	3,023
Charge to the profit and loss account (note 5 (a))	374	910
At 31 December	4,307	3,933
The deferred tax liability consists of		
Accelerated capital allowances	5,769	6,167
Other timing differences	3,162	3,657
Tax losses recognised	(4,624)	(5,891)
	4,307	3,933

### 11 Called up share capital

	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
<b>Authorised</b>		
50,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	50	50
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1	1

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 12 Reconciliation of movement on total shareholder's funds and on reserves

	Share capital	Profit and loss account	Total shareholder's funds
	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 1 January 2007	1	617	618
Profit for the year	-	1,668	1,668
At 31 December 2007	1	2,285	2,286

### 13 Related party transactions

The following companies are fellow group undertakings of the shareholders of the immediate parent undertaking and together with undertakings within the individual groups of companies, are considered to be related parties to the company, as defined in Financial Reporting Standard 8- Related Party Transactions

Sodexho Investment Services Limited  
Sodexho Services Group Limited  
Secondary Market Infrastructure Fund UK LLP  
Trillium Asset Management Limited

During the year, the company, on normal commercial terms, incurred costs of £354,651 (2006 £262,551) in respect of management services provided by Trillium Asset Management Limited (formerly SMIF Asset Management Limited). No amounts (2006 nil) remained outstanding at the balance sheet date. The company also incurred the following costs in respect of the provision of staff and support services

#### Costs incurred in the year

	Year ended 31 December 2007 £'000	Year ended 31 December 2006 £'000
Sodexho Investment Services Limited	424	417
Sodexho Services Group Limited	2,836	2,740
Secondary Market Infrastructure Fund UK LLP	1,272	1,252

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 13 Related party transactions (continued)

Amounts outstanding at 31 December.

	31 December 2007	31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Sodexo Investment Services Limited	3,475	3,260
Sodexo Services Group Limited	560	230
Secondary Market Infrastructure Fund UK LLP	8,833	8,154

All transactions with Related Parties were carried out on arms length terms

### 14 Notes to the statement of cashflows

#### (a) Reconciliation of operating result to net cash inflow from operating activities

	Year ended 31 December 2007	Year ended 31 December 2006
	£'000	£'000
Operating profit	1,274	370
Increase in debtors	(399)	(2,934)
Increase in creditors	5	4,187
<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>1,623</b>

#### (b) Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 January 2007	Cash Flow	Other non-cash changes	At 31 December 2007
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash at bank	4,184	(35)	-	4,149
Loans due within one year	(1,684)	1,972	(2,094)	(1,806)
Loans due after one year	(64,012)	-	1,805	(62,207)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(61,512)</b>	<b>1,937</b>	<b>(289)</b>	<b>(59,864)</b>

The other non-cash changes represent the amortisation of issue costs, £289,000 (2006 £294,000) and a movement between loans due after one year and loans due within one year

# Mercia Healthcare Limited

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 (continued)

### 14 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (c) Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt

	Year ended 31 December 2007 £'000	Year ended 31 December 2006 £'000
(Decrease)/increase in cash during year	(35)	715
Cash outflow from movement in loans	1,972	1,873
Other non-cash movements	(289)	(294)
Movement in net debt	1,648	2,294
Opening net debt	(61,512)	(63,806)
Closing net debt	(59,864)	(61,512)

### 15 Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Mercia Healthcare (Holdings) Limited, a company which is incorporated in England and Wales

Mercia Healthcare (Holdings) Limited's shares are held by each of the following, both of which are registered in the United Kingdom

	Percentage Holding (%)
Trillium PPP Investment Partners No 2 Limited	75%
Sodexho Investment Services Limited	25%

The ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party, at the year end, was Land Securities Group PLC, a company incorporated in England and Wales

On 2 February 2007, the ultimate controlling party became Land Securities Group PLC, when LST SMIF Limited Partnership acting through its general partner, LST SMIF Partnership GP Limited, purchased the entire issued share capital of Trillium Investments Luxembourg Sarl (formerly Starsmif Investments Luxembourg Sarl), the former ultimate parent undertaking. The ultimate controlling party of LST SMIF Limited Partnership and LST SMIF Partnership GP Limited is Land Securities Group PLC

On 31 October 2007, Trillium PPP Investment Partners No 2 Limited became the immediate parent undertaking of Mercia Healthcare (Holdings) Limited. Trillium PPP Investment Partners No 2 Limited is wholly owned by Trillium PPP Investment Partners Ltd, and in turn Trillium PPP Investment Partners LP, acting through its general partner Trillium PPP Investment Partners GP Limited. On 14 December 2007 Land Securities Group PLC disposed of 40.2% of its interest in Trillium PPP Investment Partners LP, on 31 January 2008 it disposed of a further 11.496% of its interest and on 14 March 2008 it disposed of a further 38.3% and as a result ceased to be the ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party. The company considers that Trillium PPP Investment Partners LP became the ultimate parent undertaking and ultimate controlling party at this date.