

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
FOR
BENSON & CO SOLICITORS**

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BENSON & CO SOLICITORS

**COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

DIRECTOR:

A J Benson

REGISTERED OFFICE:

28 Wilton Road
Bexhill on Sea
East Sussex
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REGISTERED NUMBER:

03786431 (England and Wales)

ACCOUNTANTS:

Ashdown Hurrey
Accountants & Business Advisers
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BENSON & CO SOLICITORS (REGISTERED NUMBER: 03786431)**BALANCE SHEET
31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	31.3.23 £	£	31.3.22 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	4		30		36
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	5	1,448,265		1,448,265	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>229,083</u>		<u>161,115</u>	
		1,677,348		1,609,380	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>37,714</u>		<u>23,470</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>1,639,634</u>		<u>1,585,910</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>1,639,664</u>		<u>1,585,946</u>
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital			2		2
Retained earnings			<u>1,639,662</u>		<u>1,585,944</u>
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS			<u>1,639,664</u>		<u>1,585,946</u>

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The director acknowledges his responsibilities for:

- (a) ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

In accordance with Section 444 of the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings has not been delivered.

The financial statements were approved by the director and authorised for issue on 6 November 2023 and were signed by:

A J Benson - Director

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Benson & Co Solicitors is a private company , registered in England and Wales. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are required to make an assessment of the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. The directors have considered all available evidence for the company which covers the 12 month period from the date of signing these financial statements. Against the backdrop of the COVID-19 Pandemic the directors have paid particular attention to likely cashflow requirements and the future availability of adequate cashflow to the company.

On the basis of this consideration, the directors are satisfied that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence and to meet its liabilities as they fall due for the foreseeable future. In reaching this conclusion they consider that no material uncertainty exists. As a result, the directors have concluded that it remains appropriate to adopt a going concern basis of preparation in these financial statements.

Turnover

Turnover represents net invoiced sales of legal services, excluding value added tax.

Turnover is recognised at the point at which the right to consideration becomes due.

Tangible fixed assets

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

Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 15% on reducing balance

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The average number of employees during the year was 1 (2022 - 1) .

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
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4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	<u>1,156</u>	<u>346</u>	<u>1,502</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2022	1,127	339	1,466
Charge for year	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>1,132</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>1,472</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2023	<u>24</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>30</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>29</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>36</u>

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
ABPR Ltd	<u>1,448,265</u>	<u>1,448,265</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.3.23 £	31.3.22 £
Tax	12,591	10,278
VAT	2,406	3,200
Directors' current accounts	21,567	8,842
Accrued expenses	<u>1,150</u>	<u>1,150</u>
	<u>37,714</u>	<u>23,470</u>

7. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

A loan account exists between Benson & Co. Solicitors and ABPR Limited. Both companies are under common control having the same directors and shareholders.

At the balance sheet date, £1,448,265 (2022 : £1,448,265) was owed to Benson & Co. Solicitors from ABPR Limited.

As at the balance sheet date the company owed £21,567 (2022 : £8,843) to Mr A Benson. This loan is interest free and has no fixed date for repayment.

**ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR
ON THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF
BENSON & CO SOLICITORS**

The following reproduces the text of the report prepared for the director in respect of the company's annual unaudited financial statements. In accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the company is only required to file a Balance Sheet. Readers are cautioned that the Income Statement and certain other primary statements and the Report of the Director are not required to be filed with the Registrar of Companies.

In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Benson & Co Solicitors for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Statement of Income and Retained Earnings, Balance Sheet and the related notes from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed within the ICAEW's regulations and guidance at <http://www.icaew.com/en/membership/regulations-standards-and-guidance>.

This report is made solely to the director of Benson & Co Solicitors in accordance with our terms of engagement. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Benson & Co Solicitors and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the director of Benson & Co Solicitors in this report in accordance with ICAEW Technical Release 07/16AAF. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Benson & Co Solicitors and its director for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Benson & Co Solicitors has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit of Benson & Co Solicitors. You consider that Benson & Co Solicitors is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Benson & Co Solicitors. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.

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6 November 2023

This document was delivered using electronic communications and authenticated in accordance with the registrar's rules relating to electronic form, authentication and manner of delivery under section 1072 of the Companies Act 2006.