

**THOMAS ROBERTS ESTATES LIMITED**

**Report and Financial Statements**

**31 March 2010**

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**REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2010**

**OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

**DIRECTORS**

J R Coninx  
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A R Tomkins  
C J W Wheatcroft

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Deloitte LLP  
Chartered Accountants  
Southampton, United Kingdom

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2010. The company has taken advantage of the small company exemption not to prepare a business review, in accordance with the provisions relating to small companies under section 417(1) of the Companies Act 2006.

## **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The principal activity of the company is as a holding company with subsidiary companies involved in property investment and property trading.

The company does not anticipate any significant changes in its business in the forthcoming year.

## **RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS**

The profit for the year of £371,494 (2009 £397,339) is shown in the profit and loss account on page 5. An interim dividend of £335,502 (2009 £335,502) has been paid. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend (2009 £nil).

## **GOING CONCERN**

In considering the appropriateness of the going concern basis the Board have reviewed the key risks and uncertainties to which they believe the company is exposed and the company's ongoing financial commitments for the next twelve months and beyond. The directors have reviewed the recoverability of intercompany debtors and the valuation of investments held in subsidiaries. As a result of this, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and have satisfied themselves that it is appropriate to prepare these statements on a going concern basis.

## **DIRECTORS**

The directors of the company, all of whom served throughout the year and to the date of signing are listed on page 1.

## **AUDITORS**

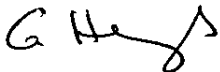
In the case of each of the persons who are directors of the company at the date when this report is approved:

- so far as each of the directors is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- each of the directors has taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as a director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of section 418 of the Companies Act 2006.

A resolution to reappoint Deloitte LLP as auditors will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on behalf of the Board



G Hemmings  
Company Secretary  
16 June 2010

## **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 these 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, and
- 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 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 2006. 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.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THOMAS ROBERTS ESTATES LIMITED**

We have audited the financial statements of Thomas Roberts Estates Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 18. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### **Scope of the audit of the financial statements**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2010 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

### **Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.



Andrew Gordon (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
For and on behalf of Deloitte LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors  
Southampton, United Kingdom

24 June 2010

# THOMAS ROBERTS ESTATES LIMITED

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT Year ended 31 March 2010

	Note	2010 £	2009 £
Administrative expenses		(3,113)	(3,051)
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>	2	(3,113)	(3,051)
Interest payable and similar charges	3	(29,341)	-
Interest receivable and similar income	4	59,661	66,701
Income from shares in group undertakings	6	350,000	350,000
<b>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>		377,207	413,650
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	7	(5,713)	(16,311)
<b>PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION</b>	15	371,494	397,339

All results are derived from continuing operations

There have been no gains or losses that have not been recognised in the profit and loss account for the current year or the prior year. Accordingly, a statement of total recognised gains and losses has not been prepared.

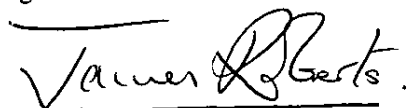
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## BALANCE SHEET 31 March 2010

	Note	2010 £	2009 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Investments	9	159,754	159,754
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors due within one year	10	-	219
Debtors due after one year	11	7,090,000	5,590,000
Cash at bank and in hand		67,748	292,085
		<u>7,157,748</u>	<u>5,882,304</u>
<b>CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year</b>	12	<u>(8,813)</u>	<u>(19,361)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>7,148,935</u>	<u>5,862,943</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>7,308,689</u>	<u>6,022,697</u>
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due after more than one year</b>	13	<u>(1,250,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>6,058,689</u></u>	<u><u>6,022,697</u></u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Called up share capital	14	168,594	168,594
Profit and loss account	15	<u>5,890,095</u>	<u>5,854,103</u>
<b>TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS</b>	16	<u><u>6,058,689</u></u>	<u><u>6,022,697</u></u>

The financial statements of Thomas Roberts Estates Limited registered company 03888795, were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 18 June 2010

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors



J Roberts  
Director



J R Coninx  
Director



## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Year ended 31 March 2010

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted are described below and have been consistently applied throughout the year and proceeding year.

#### Going concern

In considering the appropriateness of the going concern basis the Board have reviewed the key risks and uncertainties to which they believe the company is exposed and the company's ongoing financial commitments for the next twelve months and beyond. The directors have reviewed the recoverability of the intercompany debtors and the investments held in subsidiaries. As a result of this, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and have satisfied themselves that it is appropriate to prepare these statements on a going concern basis.

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Investments

Investments held as fixed assets are stated at cost less provision for impairment.

#### Group accounts

The company is exempt from the obligation to prepare group financial statements due to the exemption afforded by section 399 of the Companies Act 2006 because of the size of the group. Accordingly these financial statements present information relating to the individual company and not the group.

#### Taxation

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax, or a right to pay less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in financial statements.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

#### Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions provided under Financial Reporting Standard No 1 not to present a cash flow statement as the company is entitled to the exemptions available for small companies when filing accounts with the Registrar of Companies.

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**  
**Year ended 31 March 2010**

**2. OPERATING LOSS**

	2010 £	2009 £
Operating loss is stated after charging		
Fees payable to the Company's auditors for the audit of the Company's annual accounts	2,600	2,550
<b>Total audit fees</b>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>2,550</u>
Other services pursuant to legislation		
- Tax services related to		
- Compliance	500	500
<b>Total non-audit fees</b>	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>

**3. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES**

	2010 £	2009 £
Interest payable to group undertaking	29,341	-
	<u>29,341</u>	<u>-</u>

**4. INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME**

	2010 £	2009 £
Interest receivable on short term deposits	853	11,342
Interest receivable from group undertaking	58,808	55,359
	<u>59,661</u>	<u>66,701</u>

**5. INFORMATION REGARDING DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES**

The directors are remunerated by a connected company in respect of their services to various connected companies. The amount of remuneration allocated for their services as directors to the company is £nil (2009 £nil)

With the exception of the directors, there were no persons employed by the company during the year (2009 nil)

**6. INCOME FROM SHARES IN GROUP UNDERTAKINGS**

	2010 £	2009 £
Dividend received from a subsidiary company	<u>350,000</u>	<u>350,000</u>

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**Year ended 31 March 2010**

**7. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES**

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Taxation charge for the year:</b>		
United Kingdom corporation tax	5,713	-
Group relief at 28%	-	16,311
	<u>5,713</u>	<u>16,311</u>

The tax assessed for the period is lower (2009 lower) than that resulting from applying the standard 28% rate of corporation tax in the UK (2009 28%) The differences are explained below

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>%</b>	<b>%</b>
Standard tax rate for period as a percentage of profits	28	28
Effects of		
Marginal relief	-	(1)
UK dividend income not taxable	(26)	(23)
	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>

**8. DIVIDEND PAID**

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Interim dividend paid £1.99 per share	<u>335,502</u>	<u>335,502</u>

**9. INVESTMENTS HELD AS FIXED ASSETS**

	<b>£</b>
Shares in group undertakings	
At 1 April 2009 and 31 March 2010	<u>159,754</u>

The following were the subsidiaries at the balance sheet date

<b>Subsidiary undertaking</b>	<b>Description and proportion of share capital owned</b>	<b>Country of incorporation</b>	<b>Nature of Business</b>
Aynho Estates Limited	Ordinary 100%	England	Property development & trading
Burt Boulton Holdings Limited*	Ordinary 100%	England	Property development & investment
Morgan Giles Limited	Ordinary 100%	England	Dormant
T R E Belvedere Limited*	Ordinary 100%	England	Property development & investment
T R E Hertford Limited*	Ordinary 100%	England	Property development & investment
T R E Properties Limited	Ordinary 100%	England	Property investment
Thomas Roberts Pension Fund Trustees Limited	Ordinary 100%	England	Dormant
Thomas Roberts (Westminster) Limited	Ordinary 100%	England	Management services

\* Held directly by Thomas Roberts Estates Limited

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**Year ended 31 March 2010**

**9. INVESTMENTS HELD AS FIXED ASSETS (CONTINUED)**

Financial information summary – subsidiary undertakings

	Aggregate capital and reserves at 31 March 2010 £	Results for the year ended 31 March 2010 £
Aynho Estates Limited	1,194,007	(8,466)
Burt Boulton Holdings Limited	40,169,690	659,785
Morgan Giles Limited	13,938	-
T R E Belvedere Limited	214,048	77,602
T R E Hertford Limited	(842,833)	(358,232)
T R E Properties Limited	80,484	1,112
Thomas Roberts Pension Fund Trustees Limited	2	-
Thomas Roberts (Westminster) Limited	6,559,383	(231,392)

**10. DEBTORS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2010 £	2009 £
Prepayments and accrued income	-	219

**11. DEBTORS DUE AFTER ONE YEAR**

	2010 £	2009 £
Amounts owed by subsidiary companies	7,090,000	5,590,000

**12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	2010 £	2009 £
Amounts owed to subsidiary companies	-	16,311
Corporation tax	5,713	-
Accruals and deferred income	3,100	3,050
	8,813	19,361

**13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	2010 £	2009 £
Loan from subsidiary company	1,250,000	-
	1,250,000	-

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**Year ended 31 March 2010**

**14. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL**

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Authorised</b>		
500,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	500,000	500,000
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
168,594 ordinary shares of £1 each	168,594	168,594

**15. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

	<b>£</b>
At 1 April 2009	5,854,103
Profit for the year	371,494
Dividends paid	(335,502)
At 31 March 2010	5,890,095

**16. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS**

	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Profit for the financial year	371,494	397,339
Dividends	(335,502)	(335,502)
Net addition to shareholders' funds	35,992	61,837
Opening shareholders' funds	6,022,697	5,960,860
Closing shareholders' funds	6,058,689	6,022,697

**17. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTION**

During the year, the following transactions took place with connected parties under common control

The company received dividends from Burt Boulton Holdings Limited amounting to £350,000 (2009 £350,000)

The company paid interest to Thomas Roberts (Westminster) Limited amounting to £29,341 (2009 £nil)

The company received interest from T R E Hertford Limited amounting to £58,808 (2009 £55,359)

The company was owed £2,940,000 (2009 £1,440,000) and £4,150,000 (2009 £4,150,000) by T R E Hertford Limited and T R E Belvedere Limited respectively as at 31 March 2010

The company owed the following amount as at 31 March 2010 £1,250,000 (31 March 2009 £nil) to Thomas Roberts (Westminster) Limited

**18. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY**

The company's ultimate controlling party is Mr J Roberts