REGISTERED NUMBER: 4516845 (England and Wales)

Abbreviated Accounts for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

<u>for</u>

**RSO Limited** 

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### Company Information for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

**DIRECTORS:** 

L A Hunt M E Carter

SECRETARY:

M E Carter

**REGISTERED OFFICE:** 

Central Offices

Hadleigh Enterprise Park

Crockatt Road Hadleigh Suffolk IP7 6RD

**REGISTERED NUMBER:** 

4516845 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS:** 

Passmore Weeks and Richardson

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

2 Beacon End Courtyard

London Road Stanway Colchester Essex CO7 8BH

### Report of the Directors

### for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

The directors present their report with the accounts of the company for the year ended 30 April 2008.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of group holding company.

The group operates a residential school.

### **REVIEW OF BUSINESS**

The results for the year and financial position of the company are as shown in the annexed accounts.

On the 5th October 2007, Kesgrave Hall was sold with the proceeds used to repay bank debt.

#### DIVIDENDS

No dividends will be distributed for the year ended 30 April 2008.

### **FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

These are outlined above within the review of the business.

#### DIRECTORS

L A Hunt has held office during the whole of the period from 1 May 2007 to the date of this report.

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

T T Friedag - deceased 7 October 2007 M E Carter - appointed 9 October 2007

### **EUROPEAN MONETARY UNION**

The directors continue to review the situation regarding the potential introduction of the Euro.

### **GROUP ACCOUNTS**

Under the Companies Act 1985 the group is defined as medium and as such is not required to prepare group accounts. An analysis of the investment in subsidiary companies is included in the notes to the accounts.

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing 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;
- 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.

### STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

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So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 234ZA of the Companies Act 1985) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

N BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

ME Carter - Secretary

27 January 2009

Report of the Independent Auditors to

**RSO Limited** 

Under Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages four to twelve, together with the financial statements of RSO Limited for the year ended 30 April 2008 prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report is made solely to the company, in accordance with Section 247B of the Companies Act 1985. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company those matters we are required to state to it in a special 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, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with Section 246A of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Section 246A(3) of the Act to the Registrar of Companies and whether the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that provision and to report our opinion to you.

### Basis of opinion

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2006/3 "The Special Auditor's Report on Abbreviated Accounts in the United Kingdom" issued by the Auditing Practices Board. In accordance with that Bulletin we have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared.

### Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with Section 246A(3) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that provision.

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Passmore Weeks and Richardson Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

2 Beacon End Courtyard London Road

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Date: 30 January 2009

# Abbreviated Profit and Loss Account for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

		30.4.0	8	30.4.07	
GROSS PROFIT	Notes	£	£ 527,232	£	£ 13
Administrative expenses			681,791		60,782
OPERATING LOSS	3		(154,559)		(60,769)
Income from shares in group undertakings Interest receivable and similar income	4	700,000 12,938	712,938 558,379	580,000 13,826	593,826
Interest payable and similar charges	5		430,805		528,113
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION			127,574		4,944
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	6				126,337
PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL AFTER TAXATION	YEAR		127,574		(121,393)

### CONTINUING OPERATIONS

None of the company's activities were acquired or discontinued during the current year or previous year.

## TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the profit for the current year and the loss for the previous year.

# Abbreviated Balance Sheet 30 April 2008

		30.4.0	8	30.4.0	7
	Notes	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	7		970,899		4,351,194
Investments	8		4,555,319		4,555,319
			5,526,218		8,906,513
CURRENT ASSETS		16.500		200.000	
Cash at bank		16,500		200,000	
CREDITORS Amounts falling due within one year	9	974,576		2,238,658	
Amounts faming due within one year	,	<del></del>		2,236,636	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			(958,076)		(2,038,658)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		<u> </u>
LIABILITIES			4,568,142		6,867,855
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	10		4,460,526		6,887,813
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			107,616		(19,958)
			<del></del>		
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Called up share capital	13		250,000		250,000
Profit and loss account	14		(142,384)		(269,958)
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	15		107,616		(19,958)

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to medium-sized companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 27 January 2009 and were signed on its behalf by:

Director

# Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

		30.4	.08	30.4,0	17
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Net cash inflow/(outflow)					
from operating activities	1		505,483		(85,234)
Returns on investments and					
servicing of finance	2		282,133		65,713
Taxation			_		(126,337)
T HARLOW					(120,007)
Capital expenditure	2		2,934,866		(379)
			3,722,482		(146,237)
Financing	2		(3,129,841)		(338,532)
Increase/(Decrease) in cash in the period	od		592,641		(484,769)

Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	3			
Increase/(Decrease)				
in cash in the period  Cash outflow	592,641		(484,769)	
from decrease in debt	2,387,813		442,187	
Change in net debt resulting			<u> </u>	
from cash flows		2,980,454		(42,582)
Movement in net debt in the period		2,980,454		(42,582)
Net debt at 1 May		(7,463,973)		(7,421,391)
Net debt at 30 April		(4,483,519)		(7,463,973)

# Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

# 1. RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

			30.4.08	30.4.07
			£	£
	Operating loss		(154,559)	(60,769)
	Depreciation charges  Loss on disposal of fixed assets		10,193 435,236	44,843
	Increase/(Decrease) in creditors		214,613	(69,308)
	increase/(Decrease) in creditors		214,013	
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities		505,483	(85,234)
2.	ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED	IN THE CASH FLOW	STATEMENT	
			30.4.08	30.4.07
	Returns on investments and servicing of finance		£	£
	Interest received		12,938	13,826
	Interest paid		(430,805)	(528,113)
	Dividends received		700,000	580,000
	Net cash inflow for returns on investments and servicing of fi	nance	282,133	65,713
			<del></del>	
	Capital expenditure			
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets			(379)
	Sale of tangible fixed assets		2,934,866	
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) for capital expenditure		2,934,866	(379)
	Financing			
	Loan repayments in year		(2,387,813)	(442,187)
	Movement on group balances		(742,028)	103,655
	Net cash outflow from financing		(3,129,841)	(338,532)
3.	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT			•
				At
		At 1.5.07	Cash flow	30.4.08
	N	£	£	£
	Net cash:	200.000	(102 500)	16.500
	Cash at bank Bank overdraft	200,000 (776,160)	(183,500) 776,141	16,500
	Daik overgrant	<del></del>		(19)
		(576,160)	592,641	16,481
	Debt:			
	Debts falling due			
	within one year	•	(39,474)	(39,474)
	Debts falling due			
	after one year	(6,887,813)	2,427,287	(4,460,526)
		(6,887,813)	2,387,813	(4,500,000)
	Total	(7,463,973)	2,980,454	(4,483,519)

### Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES** 1.

### Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

### Tangible fixed assets

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

- 1% on cost

Fixed assets are depreciated from the month that they are brought into use.

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

The directors of the company are members of The Ryes School Limited pension scheme.

This scheme is a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable for the year are charged in the profit and loss account of the Ryes School Limited.

#### 2. STAFF COSTS

Social security costs	30,4.08 £	30.4.07 £ 363
The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:	30.4.08	30.4.07
Directors	2	2

#### 3. **OPERATING LOSS**

The operating loss is stated after charging:

Depreciation - owned assets Loss on disposal of fixed assets Auditors' remuneration	30.4.08 £ 10,193 435,236	30.4.07 £ 44,843 - 2,400
Directors' emoluments	<u> </u>	2,421
The number of directors to whom retirement benefits were accruing was as follows:		
Money purchase schemes	2	2

Directors emoluments represents benefits in kind.

#### INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS 4.

	30.4.08 £	30.4.07 £
Inter-group dividends	<del>700,000</del>	580,000
INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES		

# 5.

	30.4.08	30.4.07
	£	£
Bank loan interest	430,805	528,113
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# Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

## 6. TAXATION

0.	TAXATION			
	Analysis of the tax charge			
	The tax charge on the profit on ordin	ary activities for the year was as follows:		
	F	<b>,</b>	30.4.08	30.4.07
			£	£
	Current tax:			
	Purchase of losses		•	126,337
	and the state of the state of		<del></del>	126,337
	Tax on profit on ordinary activities			====
7.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			
				Freehold
				property
				£
	COST			
	At 1 May 2007			4,484,252
	Disposals			(3,464,922)
	At 30 April 2008			1,019,330
	74 30 April 2000			
	DEPRECIATION			
	At 1 May 2007			133,058
	Charge for year			10,193
	Eliminated on disposal			(94,820)
	At 30 April 2008			48,431
	711 30 71pm 2000			
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 30 April 2008			970,899
	4.20 4 3.007			4 251 104
	At 30 April 2007			4,351,194
8.	FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS			
				Shares in
				group
				undertakings
				£
	COST			
	At 1 May 2007 and 30 April 2008			4,555,319
	and 30 April 2008			4,555,519
	NET BOOK VALUE			
	At 30 April 2008			4,555,319
	At 30 April 2007			4,555,319
	The company's investments at the ba	lance sheet date in the share capital of companies i	nclude the following	g:
			•	_
	The Ryes School Limited			
	Nature of business: School	0/		
	Class of shares:	% holding		
	£1 Ordinary	100.00		
	21 Oldinary	100.00	30.4.08	30.4.07
			£	£
	Aggregate capital and reserves		-	2,451,587
	Profit for the year		•	516,897

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# Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

## 8. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS - continued

		974,5762,23	10 450
Bank loans and overdrafts (see note 11) Amounts owed to group undertakings Accruals and deferred income		f 39,493 667,828 267,255	£ 776,160 1,409,856 52,642
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ON	E YEAR	30.4.08	30.4.07
Aggregate capital and reserves		100	100
Class of shares: Ordinary	% holding 100.00	30.4.08	30.4.07 £
Kesgrave Hall School Ltd. Nature of business: Dormant			
Aggregate capital and reserves		£ 100	£ 100
Class of shares: Ordinary	holding 100.00	30.4.08	30.4.07
RSO Properties Limited Nature of business: Dormant	%		
Aggregate capital and reserves Profit for the year		68	68 8,304
Class of shares: Ordinary	holding 100.00	30.4.08 £	30.4.07 £
Kesgrave Enterprises Limited Nature of business: Christmas Tree Farm	% h.d.t		
Aggregate capital and reserves		<u>f</u>	£ 1
Class of shares: £1 Ordinary	% holding 100.00	30.4.08	30.4.07
Pump Farm Limited Nature of business: Not yet commenced trading			
Aggregate capital and reserves Profit for the year		£ 2,494 ———	£ 2,494 12,699
Class of shares: £1 Ordinary	holding 100.00	30.4.08	30.4.07
·	%		

# Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

10.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR			30.4.08	30.4.07	
	Bank loans (see	note 11)		4,460,526	6,887,813	
11.	LOANS					
	An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:					
	Amounts falling due within one year or on demand: Bank overdrafts			30.4.08 £ 19 39,474	30.4.07 £ 776,160	
	Bank loan			39,474	776,160	
	Amounts falling Bank loans - 1-2	due between one and to years	wo years:	236,842	444,375	
	Amounts falling Bank Mortgage:	g due between two and fi s	īve years:	710,526	1,777,500	
	Amounts falling	g due in more than five y	vears:			
	Repayable by in Bank loans due years repayable	in more than 5		3,513,158	4,665,938	
12.	SECURED DE	BTS				
	The following secured debts are included within creditors:					
			30.4.08	30.4.07		
	Bank loans			4,500,000	£ 6,887,813	
	The company's	loans are secured by a fu	ull debenture on its assets and those of all group of	companies.		
13.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL					
	Authorised: Number:	Class:	Nominal	30.4.08	30.4.07	
	500,000 200,000	Ordinary "A" Ordinary "B"	value: £1 £1	£ 500,000 200,000	£ 500,000 200,000	
				700,000	700,000	
	Allotted, issued	and fully paid:				
	Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	30.4.08 £	30.4.07	
	250,000	Ordinary "A"	£1	250,000	250,000 =================================	

# Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts - continued for the Year Ended 30 April 2008

### 14. RESERVES

14.	RESERVES		Profit and loss account
	At 1 May 2007		(269,958)
	Profit for the year		127,574
	At 30 April 2008		(142,384)
15.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	30.4.08	30.4.07
		50.4.08 £	50.4.07 £
	Profit/(Loss) for the financial year Issue of shares	127,574	(121,393)
	Not addition/reduction) to shough added for de	127.574	(121.202)
	Net addition/(reduction) to shareholders' funds Opening shareholders' funds	127,574 (19,958)	(121,393) 101,435
	Closing shareholders' funds	107,616	(19,958)