# SPRINGTARN LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

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# **COMPANY INFORMATION**

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### STRATEGIC REPORT

# FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

The directors present this strategic report, the Directors' report and the financial statements for the 52 week period ended 22 August 2015.

### **Principal activities**

The principal activity of the company is that of a non-trading company.

#### Acquisition of ultimate parent company

On 23 June 2015, 100% of the ordinary share capital of Spirit Pub Company plc, the ultimate parent of the Spirit Pub Company group, was acquired by Greene King plc. As a result of this transaction, the company's new ultimate parent company is Greene King plc. Following the delisting of Spirit Pub Company's shares its status changed from a public limited company to a private limited company with effect from 3 August 2015.

#### Review of the business

Spirit Pub Company Limited (formerly Spirit Pub Company plc) manages the operations of itself and its subsidiaries (the Spirit Pub Company group) at a group level. The directors therefore believe that disclosure of key performance indicators for the company are not appropriate to understand the development, performance or position of the business. The performance of the Spirit Pub Company group is discussed in the consolidated financial statements of Spirit Pub Company Limited for the 52 week period ended 22 August 2015. These financial statements will be available from Companies House.

The directors do not consider that there are any specific principal risks and uncertainties applicable to the company which need to be disclosed.

On behalf of the board

L Bell

Director

17 December 2015

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### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

# FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

#### Results and dividends

The results for the 52 week period are set out on page 6.

The directors do not recommend payment of an ordinary dividend.

### Going concern

The directors of Springtarn Limited have concluded that the company has adequate resources to remain in operation for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the directors have continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

# Post balance sheet events

At 22 August 2015, no obligation exists for dividends declared after that date.

#### **Directors**

The following directors have held office since 24 August 2014:

P Gallagher

(Resigned 23 June 2015)

L Bell

D A Kelly

J Langford

### Political contributions and charitable donations

During the 52 week period ended 22 August 2015, the company made no political contributions or charitable donations.

### **Auditor**

The company has elected to dispense with the obligation to appoint an auditor annually under s487 of the Companies Act 2006.

# DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

#### Statement of disclosure to auditor

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

### Qualifying third party indemnity provisions

A third party indemnity provision (as defined in section 234 of the Companies Act 2006) is in force for the benefit of the directors.

### Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, Directors' 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). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they 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 accounting 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.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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.

On behalf of the board

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L Bell

Director

17 December 2015

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SPRINGTARN LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Springtarn Limited for the 52 week period ended 22 August 2015 set out on pages 6 to 11. 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 auditor 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 auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 3, 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 and express an opinion on 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 Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate.

### **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 22 August 2015 and of its loss for the 52 week period 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 Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the financial 52 week period for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SPRINGTARN LIMITED (CONTINUED)

### 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.

Greg Watts (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of KPMG LLP

**Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor** 

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# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

	Notes	52 week period ended 22 August 2015 £000	53 week period ended 23 August 2014 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		-	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	3	(551)	(594)
Loss for the period	8	(551)	(594) ——

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

Notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 22 AUGUST 2015

	Notes	2015 £000	2015 £000	2014 £000	2014 £000
Current assets Debtors (including £38,186,000 (2014: £38,186,000) due after more than one year)	4	38,186		38,186	
year)	7	30,100		30,100	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(2,450)		(1,899)	
Net current liabilities (excluding					
debtors falling due after more than one year)			(2,450)		(1,899)
Total assets less current liabilities			35,736		36,287
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	6		(19,702)		(19,702)
Net assets			16,034		16,585
Capital and reserves					
Profit and loss account	8		16,034		16,585
Shareholders' funds	9		16,034		16,585
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Notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 17 December 2015

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L Bell Director

Company Registration No. 04664255

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

### 1 Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently.

#### 1.2 Going concern

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The company therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### 1.3 Cash flow statement

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 1 (Revised 1996) from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a subsidiary undertaking where 90 percent or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group.

### 1.4 Taxation

Current tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. 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.

### 2 Operating profit

Auditor's remuneration is paid by another company in the Spirit Pub Company group in the current and preceding periods.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

3	Taxation		
		2015 £000	2014 £000
	Current year tax Charge in respect of group relief	551 ———	594
	Total current tax	551 ———	594 <del></del>
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the period Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of UK corporation tax of 20.6% (2014: 22.2%)	-	-
	Effects of:		
	Other tax adjustments	551	594
	Current tax charge for the period	551 ———	594 ———
	Factors affecting current and future tax charge		
	Reductions in the UK corporation tax rate from 23% to 21% (effective from 1 April (effective from 1 April 2015) were substantively enacted on 2 July 2013. Further re (effective from 1 April 2017) and to 18% (effective from 1 April 2020) were substant October 2015. This will reduce the company's future current tax charge according	eductions to 19 ntively enacted	9%
4	Debtors	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	38,186	38,186 ———
	Amounts falling due after more than one year and included in the debtors above a	ıra.	
	Amounts failing due after more than one year and included in the debtors above a	2015	2014
		£000	£000
	Amounts owed by group undertakings	38,186	38,186 ———
	Amounts owed by group undertakings represent non interest bearing funding bala	inces.	
5	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	2,450 ———	1,899

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

6	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	19,702 ———	19,702
	Amounts owed to group undertakings represent non interest bearing funding bala	nces.	
7	Share capital	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid  1 Ordinary share of £1 each		-
8	Statement of movements on profit and loss account		Profit and loss account £000
	Balance at 24 August 2014 Loss for the period		16,585 (551)
	Balance at 22 August 2015		16,034
9	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds	2015 £000	2014 £000
	Loss for the period Opening shareholders' funds	(551) 16,585	(594) 17,179
	Closing shareholders' funds	16,034	16,585

# 10 Employees

# **Number of employees**

There were no employees during the 52 week period apart from the directors.

# **Directors' emoluments**

The directors received no emoluments from the company in respect of their services in the current or preceding periods.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE 52 WEEK PERIOD ENDED 22 AUGUST 2015

#### 11 Control

The company's immediate parent undertaking is The Chef & Brewer Group Limited, a company registered in England & Wales.

The company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Greene King plc, a company registered in England & Wales.

The parent undertaking of the largest group of undertakings for which group financial statements are drawn up and of which the company is a member is currently Spirit Pub Company Limited and from 1 May 2016 will be Greene King plc.

Copies of the financial statements of Spirit Pub Company Limited are available from Companies House. Copies of the financial statements of Greene King plc are available from Westgate Brewery, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 1QT.

#### 12 Post balance sheet events

At 22 August 2015, no obligation exists for dividends declared after that date.

### 13 Related party relationships and transactions

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption in paragraph 3(c) of FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with related parties that are wholly owned subsidiaries of the Greene King plc group.