

# Financial Statements British Waterways Marinas Limited

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**For the year ended 31 March 2012**



**Registered number: 4930453**

## Company Information

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## Directors' report

For the year ended 31 March 2012

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2012

### Directors' responsibilities statement

The directors are responsible for preparing the 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 judgments 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 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.

### Principal activities

The principal activity of the company during the year was that of marina operations.

### Business review

Our key performance indicators show return on average capital employed of 7.9% (2011 - 8.8%) and the moorings occupancy at 77% (2011 - 75%). Moorings occupancy was slightly up on last year but the return on capital was lower due to the negative effects on earnings described below. The outlook for the current year is more encouraging as our investment in customer service improving the quality and range of our moorings products should help to grow the levels of occupancy and operating margin. We were slightly behind target for the year but remain encouraging in the current economic environment.

Our revenue performance by each of our main business activities is shown below:

	2012 £	2011 £
Moorings	4,545,535	4,241,193
Retail	945,035	1,046,532
Boat Management Fees	245,342	301,069
Brokerage Fees	223,689	218,615
Repairs, Lifting & Hardstanding	142,805	153,359
Other Income	754,143	614,741
	6,856,549	6,575,509

## **Directors' report**

**For the year ended 31 March 2012**

Currently we manage a total of 3,246 (2011 3,139) moorings across the 20 (2011 19) sites from which we operate. This was the first full year of trading for Portavon Marina at Keynsham which we acquired on 30th March 2011 and added 87 berths to the portfolio. It contributed turnover of £140k and operating profit of £101k. On 16 September 2011 we acquired Cowroast Marina at Tring which added a further 112 berths and contributed turnover of £174k operating profit of 101k. The occupancy of 77% at 31st March 2012 represents an increase of 2% on the prior year and reflects our focus on improving the quality of the company's marinas in an increasingly competitive market for inland moorings. The areas of greatest competition have been in the Midland waterways where newly constructed marinas have increased the supply of berths and led to a reduction in occupancy, price competition and a reduction in operating profits.

The general economic recessionary circumstances have weakened the performance of our retail and boat repair businesses. We have rationalised these operations to reduce costs and we are taking action to increase the levels of turnover.

BWML is a wholly owned subsidiary of Canal & River Trust (formerly British Waterways) and operates under a Fair Trading Code of Practice. The principles of the Fair Trading Code are that BWML will be treated by Canal & River Trust (CRT) in the same manner as any other private mooring or marina operator and that BWML should not receive any special help, information, services or privileges that are not made available on the same terms to other operators on the CRT network of waterways. Various operating measures are in place to ensure that BWML complies with this Code which include paying CRT for the supply of accounting, payroll and pension services and the open market rents for marinas that are leased from CRT. In the year ended 31st March 2012 BWML paid to CRT (then incorporated as British Waterways) property rents of £677k (2011 £657k) and charges for services of £72k (2011 £70k).

During the year BWML paid an increased dividend of £550k (2011 £500k) to its holding from after tax earnings.

British Waterways Marinas Limited (BWML) now employs some 76 full time equivalent staff throughout the group. Our staff remain a key factor in the effective performance of our business and help to deliver the continued growth of our business. The skill, dedication and perseverance shown by all is a credit to them and the Directors of BWML would like to thank them greatly for their continuing efforts without which the company would not continue to prosper.

### **Results and dividends**

The profit for the year, after taxation, amounted to £654,191 (2011 - £612,135).

Particulars of dividends paid are detailed in note 21 to the financial statements.

### **Directors**

The directors who served during the year were

Darren Bramhall  
Brian Casey  
Derek Newton  
Philip M Ridal  
Julie A Sharman  
Christopher Warren

## **Directors' report**

**For the year ended 31 March 2012**

### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

The company uses various financial instruments that include cash and items such as trade debtors and trade creditors that arise directly from its operations. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the company's operations.

The main risks arising from the company's financial instruments are liquidity risk, interest rate risk and credit risk.

#### **Liquidity risk**

The company manages financial risk by ensuring sufficient liquidity is available to meet foreseeable needs. BWML funding where necessary is via share capital issue to its holding company Canal and River Trust (formerly British Waterways) (BW). Such investments by BW are made in accordance with its corporate hurdle rate and business objectives.

#### **Interest rate risk**

The company is not permitted to utilise bank or other borrowings and as a result the directors do not consider the company's exposure to interest rate risk to be material.

#### **Credit risk**

In order to manage credit risk, the directors have instituted a process at each of its marina sites of a review of all debtors by a devoted credit control team each month with individual customer accounts being subject to debt collection action where necessary on a regular basis with reference to debt ageing and collection history.

### **Provision of information to auditor**

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this Directors' report is approved has confirmed that

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditor in connection with preparing its report and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

### **Auditor**

The auditor, Grant Thornton UK LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board and signed on its behalf



**Christopher Warren**  
Director

Date 17/07/2012



## Independent auditor's report to the members of British Waterways Marinas Limited

We have audited the financial statements of British Waterways Marinas Limited for the year ended 31 March 2012, which comprise the Profit and loss account, the Balance sheet and the related notes. 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's 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 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 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 Auditing Practices Board's website at [www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm](http://www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/private.cfm).

### **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 2012 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.



## Independent auditor's report to the members of British Waterways Marinas Limited

### **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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. S. Lincoln", written over a horizontal line.

Timothy Lincoln (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of

**Grant Thornton UK LLP**

Chartered Accountants

Statutory Auditor

Leeds

Date 19/7/2012

## Profit and loss account

For the year ended 31 March 2012

	Note	2012 £	2011 £
Turnover	1,2	6,856,549	6,575,509
Administrative expenses		<u>(5,979,166)</u>	<u>(5,723,131)</u>
<b>Operating profit</b>	3	<b>877,383</b>	<b>852,378</b>
Interest receivable and similar income		2,546	-
Interest payable and similar charges	7	<u>-</u>	<u>(492)</u>
<b>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		<b>879,929</b>	<b>851,886</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	<u>(225,738)</u>	<u>(239,751)</u>
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>	19	<b><u>654,191</u></b>	<b><u>612,135</u></b>

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2012 or 2011 other than those included in the Profit and loss account

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements

## Balance sheet

As at 31 March 2012

	Note	£	2012 £	£	2011 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Intangible assets	9		3,064,297		2,052,049
Tangible assets	10		10,521,345		8,458,141
			<u>13,585,642</u>		<u>10,510,190</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stocks	12	332,552		349,701	
Debtors	13	3,495,272		3,138,651	
Cash at bank and in hand		630,290		757,957	
		<u>4,458,114</u>		<u>4,246,309</u>	
<b>Creditors</b> amounts falling due within one year	14	(5,237,492)		(4,117,826)	
<b>Net current (liabilities)/assets</b>			<u>(779,378)</u>		<u>128,483</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>12,806,264</u>		<u>10,638,673</u>
<b>Creditors:</b> amounts falling due after more than one year	15		(352,302)		(716,948)
<b>Provisions for liabilities</b>					
Deferred tax	16	(303,996)		(318,584)	
Other provisions	17	(42,634)		-	
			<u>(346,630)</u>		<u>(318,584)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>12,107,332</u>		<u>9,603,141</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	18		1,969		1,729
Share premium account	19		9,689,031		7,289,271
Profit and loss account	19		2,416,332		2,312,141
<b>Shareholders' funds</b>	20		<u>12,107,332</u>		<u>9,603,141</u>

## Balance sheet (continued)

As at 31 March 2012

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf by



**Christopher Warren**

Director

Date 17/07/2012

The notes on pages 9 to 19 form part of these financial statements

# Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2012

## 1. Accounting policies

### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

### 1.2 Cash flow

The company, being a subsidiary undertaking where 90% or more of the voting rights are controlled within the group whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available, is exempt from the requirement to draw up a cash flow statement in accordance with FRS 1

### 1.3 Turnover

Turnover comprises revenue recognised by the company in respect of goods and services supplied during the year, exclusive of Value Added Tax and trade discounts. Revenue is recognised upon the performance of services or transfer of risk to the customer as follows,

#### a) Sale of Goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have passed to the buyer, usually on a point of sale basis

#### b) Rendering of services

##### i) Mooring permits

These are invoiced in advance and revenue is recognised on an accruals basis over the term of the permit

##### ii) Property Rents

Revenue is generally invoiced monthly or quarterly in advance and recognised over the term of the rent agreement on a straight line basis

##### iii) Boat Management Fees

Fees are invoiced monthly in arrears upon completion of the service, at which point revenue is recognised

##### iv) Brokerage Fees

Revenue is recognised on the transfer of title to the buyer of the craft

##### v) Repairs and Lifung

Charges for these services are rendered at the completion of the service

### 1.4 Goodwill

Positive purchased goodwill arising on acquisitions is capitalised and classified as an asset on the Balance Sheet. Amortisation is not provided in respect of goodwill as the useful economic life is deemed to be indefinite. This judgement is primarily made on the grounds that intangibles are held under a lease with a term in excess of 20 years, or where the company or its parent company, British Waterways, own the freehold. The board members consider that the departure from the statutory accounting rules is necessary to provide a true and fair view and to comply with FRS 10

## Notes to the financial statements

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### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is not charged on freehold land. Depreciation on other tangible fixed assets is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of those assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold buildings and structures	-	40 years
Long leases	-	The unexpired lease term
Pontoons	-	25 years
Vessels	-	25 years
Other plant including cranes and hoists	-	10 years
Operational vehicles, computer and office equipment	-	5 years

No depreciation is provided on freehold land.

#### 1.6 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.7 Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks. Cost includes all direct costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

#### 1.8 Deferred taxation

Full provision is made for deferred tax assets and liabilities arising from all timing differences between the recognition of gains and losses in the financial statements and recognition in the tax computation.

A net deferred tax asset is recognised only if it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are calculated at the tax rates expected to be effective at the time the timing differences are expected to reverse.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are discounted.

#### 1.9 Pensions

The company participates in the pension scheme of its parent company, Canal and River Trust (formerly British Waterways). The scheme is a centrally administered defined benefit scheme.

It is not possible for the scheme to identify the company's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme and hence, in accordance with FRS 17, contributions to the scheme are accounted for as though it was a defined contribution scheme.

# Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2012

## 2. Turnover

The whole of the turnover is attributable to the one principal activity of the company and all arose within the UK

## 3. Operating profit

The operating profit is stated after charging

	2012 £	2011 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets		
- owned by the company	349,190	317,270
Operating lease rentals		
- land and buildings	729,548	696,379
- plant and equipment	68,208	71,919
	<u>1,146,946</u>	<u>1,085,568</u>

## 4. Auditors' remuneration

	2012 £	2011 £
Fees payable to the company's auditor for the audit of the company's annual accounts	15,000	13,625
	<u>15,000</u>	<u>13,625</u>

## 5. Staff costs

Staff costs, including directors' remuneration, were as follows

	2012 £	2011 £
Wages and salaries	1,684,217	1,666,710
Social security costs	128,520	126,331
Other pension costs	184,650	168,292
	<u>1,997,387</u>	<u>1,961,333</u>

The average monthly number of employees, including the directors, during the year was as follows

	2012 No	2011 No
Full time	68	58
Part time	8	15
	<u>76</u>	<u>73</u>

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**6. Directors' remuneration**

	2012	2011
	£	£
Emoluments	<u>233,492</u>	<u>254,761</u>

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 3 directors (2011 - 3) in respect of defined benefit pension schemes

The highest paid director received remuneration of £89,227 (2011 - £105,823)

**7. Interest payable**

	2012	2011
	£	£
On finance leases and hire purchase contracts	<u>-</u>	<u>492</u>

**8. Taxation**

	2012	2011
	£	£
<b>Analysis of tax charge in the year</b>		
<b>Current tax</b> (see note below)		
UK corporation tax charge on profit for the year	200,185	203,552
Over/under provision in prior year	40,141	9 158
<b>Total current tax</b>	<u>240,326</u>	<u>212 710</u>
<b>Deferred tax</b>		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	23,996	34,805
Over/under provision in prior year	(38,584)	(7,764)
<b>Total deferred tax</b> (see note 16)	<u>(14,588)</u>	<u>27,041</u>
<b>Tax on profit on ordinary activities</b>	<u>225,738</u>	<u>239,751</u>

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**8. Taxation (continued)****Factors affecting tax charge for the year**

The tax assessed for the year is higher than (2011 - lower than) the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26% (2011 - 28%). The differences are explained below:

	2012 £	2011 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	<u>879,929</u>	<u>851,886</u>
Profit on ordinary activities multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 26% (2011 - 28%)	228,782	238,528
<b>Effects of</b>		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes, other than goodwill amortisation and impairment	20,732	24,335
Capital allowances for year in excess of depreciation	(49,329)	(59,311)
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of prior periods	40,141	9,158
<b>Current tax charge for the year</b> (see note above)	<u>240,326</u>	<u>212,710</u>

**9. Intangible fixed assets**

	Goodwill £
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 April 2011	2,052,049
Additions	1,012,248
At 31 March 2012	<u>3,064,297</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 March 2012	<u>3,064,297</u>
At 31 March 2011	<u>2,052,049</u>

Positive purchased goodwill arising on acquisitions is capitalised and classified as an asset on the Balance Sheet. Amortisation is not provided in respect of goodwill as the useful economic life is deemed to be indefinite. This judgement is primarily made on the grounds that intangibles are held under a lease with a term in excess of 20 years, or where the company or its parent company, Canal and River Trust (formerly British Waterways), own the freehold. The board members consider that the departure from the statutory accounting rules is necessary to provide a true and fair view and to comply with FRS 10.

## Notes to the financial statements

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**10. Tangible fixed assets**

	Freehold property £	L/Term Leasehold Property £	Plant & machinery £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 April 2011	811,414	4,727,298	4,291,430	9,830,142
Additions	1,649,924	886,562	240,859	2,777,345
Disposals	-	(388,015)	(2,914)	(390,929)
Transfer between classes	-	(105,125)	105,125	-
At 31 March 2012	<u>2,461,338</u>	<u>5,120,720</u>	<u>4,634,500</u>	<u>12,216,558</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 April 2011	51,977	315,469	1,004,555	1,372,001
Charge for the year	14,839	75,558	258,793	349,190
On disposals	-	(24,150)	(1,828)	(25,978)
At 31 March 2012	<u>66,816</u>	<u>366,877</u>	<u>1,261,520</u>	<u>1,695,213</u>
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 March 2012	<u>2,394,522</u>	<u>4,753,843</u>	<u>3,372,980</u>	<u>10,521,345</u>
At 31 March 2011	<u>759,437</u>	<u>4,411,829</u>	<u>3,286,875</u>	<u>8,458,141</u>

Included within tangible fixed assets is £1,043,808 (2011 £1,181,059) of assets under construction. No depreciation is charged on assets under construction.

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**11. Acquisitions and disposals**

	Book value £	Fair value adjustments £	Fair value £
License	50,000	-	50,000
Premises	1,500,000	63,198	1,563,198
Stock	50,774	-	50,774
Other Assets	950,000	(968,905)	(18,905)
Total	<u>2,550,774</u>	<u>(905,707)</u>	<u>1,645,067</u>
Total consideration			2,657,315
Goodwill arising			1,012,248

On 16 September 2011 the company completed the acquisition of Cowroast Marina for a total cash consideration of £2,657,315 (inclusive of £125,969 of related costs) Total goodwill arising on the acquisition is £1,012,248

Turnover attributable to Cowroast Marina was £174k, with operating profits of £101k

This was the first full year of trading for Portavon Marina, which had turnover of £140k and operating profits of £101k

**12. Stocks**

	2012 £	2011 £
Finished goods and goods for resale	<u>332,552</u>	<u>349,701</u>

**13. Debtors**

	2012 £	2011 £
<b>Due after more than one year</b>		
Trade debtors	118,813	624,353
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Trade debtors	2,602,664	2,160,485
Amounts owed by group undertakings	159,707	25,530
Corporation tax repayable	106,713	121,775
Other debtors	2,887	53,226
Prepayments and accrued income	504,488	153,282
	<u>3,495,272</u>	<u>3,138,651</u>

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## 14. Creditors:

### Amounts falling due within one year

	2012	2011
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	51,255	-
Trade creditors	475,472	38,436
Amounts owed to group undertakings	895,711	407,863
Corporation tax	575,176	226,774
Social security and other taxes	2,441	7,397
Other creditors	78,481	204,521
Accruals and deferred income	3,158,956	3,232,835
	<u>5,237,492</u>	<u>4,117,826</u>

## 15. Creditors:

### Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2012	2011
	£	£
Other creditors	7,354	8,013
Accruals and deferred income	344,948	708,935
	<u>352,302</u>	<u>716,948</u>

## 16. Deferred taxation

	2012	2011
	£	£
At beginning of year	318,584	291,543
(Released during)/charge for year	(14,588)	27,041
At end of year	<u>303,996</u>	<u>318,584</u>

The provision for deferred taxation is made up as follows

	2012	2011
	£	£
Accelerated capital allowances	<u>303,996</u>	<u>318,584</u>

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**17. Provisions**

	Redundancy £
At 1 April 2011	-
Additions	42,634
At 31 March 2012	<u>42,634</u>

**Redundancy**

Following the planned restructuring of the company during the year, redundancies were made and the above provision is required

**18. Share capital**

	2012 £	2011 £
<b>Authorised</b>		
2,000 Ordinary Shares shares of £1 each	<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
<b>Allotted, called up and fully paid</b>		
1,969 (2011 - 1,729) Ordinary Shares shares of £1 each	<u>1,969</u>	<u>1,729</u>

The company made allotments of 240 ordinary £1 shares (2011 - 113 ordinary £1 shares) to the Company's sole shareholder, Canal and River Trust (formerly British Waterways), during the year

**19. Reserves**

	Share premium account £	Profit and loss account £
At 1 April 2011	7,289,271	2,312,141
Profit for the year		654,191
Dividends Equity capital		(550,000)
Premium on shares issued during the year	2,399,760	
At 31 March 2012	<u>9,689,031</u>	<u>2,416,332</u>

# Notes to the financial statements

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## 20. Reconciliation of movement in shareholders' funds

	2012	2011
	£	£
Opening shareholders' funds	9,603,141	8,361,006
Profit for the year	654,191	612,135
Dividends (Note 21)	(550,000)	(500,000)
Shares issued during the year	240	113
Share premium on shares issued (net of expenses)	2,399,760	1,129,887
Closing shareholders' funds	12,107,332	9,603,141

## 21. Dividends

	2012	2011
	£	£
Dividends paid on equity capital	550,000	500,000

## 22. Capital commitments

At 31 March 2012 the company had capital commitments as follows

	2012	2011
	£	£
Contracted for but not provided in these financial statements	-	121,533

## 23. Pension commitments

The company participates in the pension scheme of its parent company, Canal and River Trust (formerly British Waterways). The scheme is a centrally administered defined benefit scheme.

It is not possible for the scheme to identify the company's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme and hence, in accordance with FRS 17, contributions to the scheme are accounted for as though it was a defined contribution scheme.

Contributions during the year towards the deficit were £49,114.

## Notes to the financial statements

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**24. Operating lease commitments**

At 31 March 2012 the company had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows

	Land and buildings			Other
	2012	2011	2012	2011
	£	£	£	£
<b>Expiry date:</b>				
Within 1 year	-	-	2,467	-
Between 2 and 5 years	-	-	43,467	45,208
After more than 5 years	789,473	729,320	-	-
	<u>789,473</u>	<u>729,320</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**25. Related party transactions**

For the year ended 31 March 2012, the business paid rent totalling £677,821 (2011 £657,401), service level agreement charges totalling £72,478 (2011 £70,078), licence fees on BWML boats £2,673 (2011 nil) and dividends of £550,000 (2011 £500,000) to the British Waterways Board (parent undertaking). The business also received commissions for the sale of craft licences on behalf of the British Waterways Board totalling £15,578 (2011 £12,576). In addition, 240 ordinary £1 shares (2011 113 ordinary £1 shares) for a total consideration of £2,400,000 (2011 £1,130,000) were issued to the British Waterways Board.

**26. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party**

The ultimate parent company at 31 March 2012 for which group financial statements are prepared was British Waterways, a public corporation. A copy of the financial statements of the parent undertaking can be obtained from First Floor North Station House, 500 Elder gate, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, MK9 1BB. On 2 July 2012, trade and assets relating to England and Wales transferred out of British Waterways to Canal and River Trust, a registered charity. By virtue of this transfer, the ultimate parent company is now Canal and River Trust.