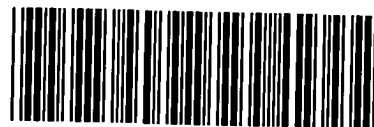


**REGISTERED NUMBER: 04957939 (England and Wales)**

**Report of the Director and  
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023  
for  
Southern Gravel Limited**

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**Company Information  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**DIRECTOR:**

Mr M Cox

**REGISTERED OFFICE:**

19 Queen Elizabeth Street  
London  
SE1 2LP

**REGISTERED NUMBER:**

04957939 (England and Wales)

**AUDITORS:**

Gibsons Financial Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditors  
Foresters Hall  
25/27 Westow Street  
Upper Norwood  
London  
SE19 3RY

**Report of the Director  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

The director presents his report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023.

**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY**

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of a quarry operator.

**REVIEW OF BUSINESS**

The results for the period and financial position of the company at the Balance Sheet date are as shown in the annexed financial statements.

**DIRECTORS**

Mr M Cox has held office during the whole of the period from 1 April 2022 to the date of this report.

Other changes in directors holding office are as follows:

Mrs P M Cox ceased to be a director after 31 March 2023 but prior to the date of this report.

The director holding office as at 31 March 2023 did not have a direct interest in the company's issued share capital as at 1 April 2022 or 31 March 2023.

**POLITICAL DONATIONS AND EXPENDITURE**

Charitable donations during the year were £2,500. There were no donations to political parties.

**STATEMENT OF DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

The director is responsible for preparing the Report of the Director and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the director to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the director has 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 director must not approve the financial statements unless he is 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 director is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and accounting 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 director is 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 him to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. He is 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**

So far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and he 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.

**Report of the Director  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**AUDITORS**

The auditors, Gibsons Financial Limited, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

**ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael' followed by a stylized surname.

Mr M Cox - Director

19 December 2023

## **Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Southern Gravel Limited**

### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Southern Gravel Limited (the 'company') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the Income Statement, Balance Sheet and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of its loss 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.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the director's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the director with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

### **Other information**

The director is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Report of the Director, but does not include the financial statements and our Report of the Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of  
Southern Gravel Limited**

**Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Report of the Director for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Director has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Director.

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 director's remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the director was not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Director.

**Responsibilities of director**

As explained more fully in the Statement of Director's Responsibilities set out on page two, the director is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the director determines necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the director is responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the director either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

## **Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of Southern Gravel Limited**

### **Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

### **Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to fraud**

Through discussions with Directors and other management; review of appropriate documentation and; the use of analytical procedures, we assessed the existence of pressures, incentives or opportunities within the company to commit fraud. As required by auditing standards we performed audit procedures to address the risk of management override of controls and the risk of fraudulent revenue recognition, in particular the risk that revenue is incorrectly recorded or recognised in the wrong period.

Additionally audit procedures were performed in response to the risk that management may be in a position to make inappropriate accounting entries. These procedures included the examination, on a test basis, of journal entries and other adjustments against supporting documentation; assessing whether judgments in the use of accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias and; evaluating the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

### **Identifying and responding to risks of material misstatement due to non-compliance with laws and regulations**

We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general commercial and sector experience, through discussions with the Directors and other management (as required by auditing standards) and obtained an understanding of the company's policies and procedures to ensure compliance with laws and regulations and to prevent and detect fraudulent conduct.

We remained alert throughout the audit to indications of non-compliance with the law and other regulations.

The potential effect of laws and regulations on the financial statements varies considerably.

Firstly the company is subject to laws and regulations which directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related companies legislation), distributable profits legislation and taxation legislation and we assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

Secondly the company is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines or litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety, environmental law, employment law, anti-bribery and anti-money laundering. Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the Directors and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. If a breach of operational regulations is not disclosed to us or evident from relevant correspondence, an audit will not detect that breach.



**Report of the Independent Auditors to the Members of  
Southern Gravel Limited**

Audit procedures have inherent limitations. the risk of non-detection of material misstatements in financial statements is unavoidable even when audit work has been properly planned and performed in accordance with auditing standards. There is a high risk of non detection of irregularities which involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal controls. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our Report of the Auditors.

**Use of our report**

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 a Report of the Auditors 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.



Christopher Ogunsola FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of Gibsons Financial Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditors  
Foresters Hall  
25/27 Westow Street  
Upper Norwood  
London  
SE19 3RY

19 December 2023

**Income Statement  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

	Notes	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
<b>TURNOVER</b>		681,557	629,487
Cost of sales		(358,388)	(338,169)
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>		323,169	291,318
Administrative expenses		(350,868)	(307,407)
		(27,699)	(16,089)
Other operating income		15,332	15,332
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>	4	(12,367)	(757)
Interest payable and similar expenses		(83,406)	-
<b>LOSS BEFORE TAXATION</b>		(95,773)	(757)
Tax on loss	5	-	-
<b>LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>		(95,773)	(757)

The notes form part of these financial statements

**Balance Sheet**  
**31 March 2023**

	Notes	31/3/23 £	31/3/22 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	6	63,345	78,184
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	7	275,862	257,576
Cash at bank		905	72,711
		<u>276,767</u>	<u>330,287</u>
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,383,614)	(1,439,606)
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>(1,106,847)</u>	<u>(1,109,319)</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		(1,043,502)	(1,031,135)
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	9	(1,283,406)	(1,200,000)
<b>NET LIABILITIES</b>		<u>(2,326,908)</u>	<u>(2,231,135)</u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Called up share capital	11	51,500	51,500
Share premium	12	150,000	150,000
Retained earnings	12	(2,528,408)	(2,432,635)
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS</b>		<u>(2,326,908)</u>	<u>(2,231,135)</u>

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

The financial statements were approved by the director and authorised for issue on 19 December 2023 and were signed by:




Mr M Cox - Director

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**1. STATUTORY INFORMATION**

Southern Gravel Limited is a private company, limited by shares, 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.

The company has reported a net loss of £95,773 for the year.

The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the company can return to profit in the foreseeable future.

During the year the company was partly dependent on financial support provided by corporate financiers to meet its operational obligations. At the balance sheet date the company's total liabilities exceeded its total assets by £2,326,908. Of the company's total liabilities at the balance sheet date £578,849, £186,409 and £212,839 respectively related to amounts owed to Oxted Greystone Company Ltd, Quarry Holdings Ltd and another corporate entity.

The boards of directors of the company's corporate financiers have indicated that it is currently intended that these loans remain available to the company for the foreseeable future. The board of directors of the company's ultimate parent have pledged working capital funding, if required, for at least a twelve month period from the date of approval of the financial statements.

Given the above, the directors of Southern Gravel Ltd have reasonable expectation that the company would have adequate resources to settle its debts as they fall due and therefore continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the company's financial statements.

**Related party exemption**

The company has taken advantage of exemption, under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', not to disclose related party transactions with wholly owned subsidiaries within the group.

**Significant judgements and estimates**

The preparation of these financial statements requires the directors to note judgements and estimates that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date and the reported profits for the financial year.

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on a number of factors including historical experience and expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued**

**Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The company does not consider there to be any critical judgements in applying accounting policies. The company does not consider there to be any material sources of estimation uncertainty.

**Turnover**

Turnover relates to income from quarry operations net of value added tax.

**Tangible fixed assets**

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

Improvements to property	- 10% on cost
Plant & machinery	- 25% on reducing balance
Fixtures & fittings	- 25% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 25% on reducing balance

**Taxation**

Taxation for the period relates to current tax which is recognised in the Income Statement. Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

**Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

The company operates a workplace pension for the benefit of its eligible employees. Contributions due for the year are accounted for in the Income statement.

**Financial instruments**

The company only enters into basic financial instrument transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like other debtors and loans from banks and other third parties.

Debt instruments which are payable or receivable within one year are measured at the undiscounted amount of cash consideration expected to be paid or received.

Debt instruments which are payable or receivable after more than one year are initially measured at the fair value of the cash consideration and thereafter at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

**3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS**

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Wages and salaries	235,217	217,120
Social security costs	26,065	22,352
Other pension costs	4,671	5,727
	<u>265,953</u>	<u>245,199</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS - continued

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	31/3/23	31/3/22
Administration	1	2
Quarry operatives	5	4
	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

4. OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss is stated after charging:

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>14,839</u>	<u>16,648</u>

5. TAXATION

Analysis of the tax charge

No liability to UK corporation tax arose for the year ended 31 March 2023 nor for the year ended 31 March 2022.

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Improvements to property £	Plant & machinery £	Fixtures & fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>					
At 1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023	<u>94,130</u>	<u>215,825</u>	<u>13,930</u>	<u>11,287</u>	<u>335,172</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>					
At 1 April 2022	37,652	196,380	13,097	9,859	256,988
Charge for year	<u>9,413</u>	<u>4,861</u>	<u>208</u>	<u>357</u>	<u>14,839</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>47,065</u>	<u>201,241</u>	<u>13,305</u>	<u>10,216</u>	<u>271,827</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>					
At 31 March 2023	<u>47,065</u>	<u>14,584</u>	<u>625</u>	<u>1,071</u>	<u>63,345</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>56,478</u>	<u>19,445</u>	<u>833</u>	<u>1,428</u>	<u>78,184</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Trade debtors	193,095	186,383
Other debtors	54,302	47,865
Prepayments	28,465	23,328
	<u>275,862</u>	<u>257,576</u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Other loans (see note 10)	222,881	222,881
Trade creditors	118,471	124,187
Amounts owed to group undertakings	978,098	1,021,057
VAT	29,058	36,733
Other taxes & PAYE	6,209	5,069
Accruals	28,897	29,679
	<u>1,383,614</u>	<u>1,439,606</u>

9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Other creditors	<u>1,283,406</u>	<u>1,200,000</u>

10. LOANS

An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	31/3/23	31/3/22
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year or on demand:		
Other loans	<u>222,881</u>	<u>222,881</u>

11. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Allotted, issued and fully paid:

Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	31/3/23	31/3/22
			£	£
50,000	Ordinary A	£0.01	500	500
50,000	Ordinary 8	£1	50,000	50,000
1,000	Ordinary	£1	1,000	1,000
			<u>51,500</u>	<u>51,500</u>

**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

**12. RESERVES**

	Retained earnings £	Share premium £	Totals £
At 1 April 2022	(2,432,635)	150,000	(2,282,635)
Deficit for the year	(95,773)		(95,773)
	<u>(2,528,408)</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>(2,378,408)</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>(2,528,408)</u>	<u>150,000</u>	<u>(2,378,408)</u>

**13. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY**

The controlling party is Oxted Greystone Company Ltd.