# **COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER 5241216**

# MARSTON'S PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED ANNUAL REPORT 5 OCTOBER 2013

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# **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# Period ended 5 October 2013

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# STRATEGIC REPORT

#### Period ended 5 October 2013

#### Principal activities and business review

The principal activity of the Company is the purchase and development of land and properties for resale. Sales are predominantly to other members of the Marston's Group

During the period, the Company acquired 20 sites (2012 20) and development has commenced for 13 of these sites 19 developments were completed and sold during the period (2012 9)

The Directors of Marston's PLC manage the Group's operations on a divisional, rather than statutory entity basis. The development, performance, position and key performance indicators of the Group which includes the Company are discussed within the Strategic Report of Marston's PLC which does not form part of this report.

#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties of the Company reflect those of the Marston's Group. The principal risks and uncertainties of the Group which include those of the Company are discussed within the Strategic Report of Marston's PLC which does not form part of this report.

Signed by order of the Directors

Anne-Marie Brennan Company Secretary

Approved by the Directors on 28 November 2013

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### Period ended 5 October 2013

The Directors have pleasure in presenting their report and the financial statements of the Company for the period ended 5 October 2013

The financial statements of the Company cover the 53 weeks ended 5 October 2013 (2012 52 weeks ended 29 September 2012)

#### **Future developments**

No changes are anticipated in the nature of the business in the foreseeable future

#### Results and dividends

The profit for the period, after taxation, amounted to £684,000. The Directors have not recommended a dividend

#### Financial risk management

The financial risk management of the Company reflects that of the Marston's Group Details of the Group's financial risk exposure, and the management objectives and policies thereon, are presented within the Annual Report of Marston's PLC

#### **Directors**

The Directors who served the Company during the period were as follows

- A Andrea
- P Dalzell
- E Hancock
- D Christmas
- C Gee

(Resigned 30 September 2013)

#### DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

#### Period ended 5 October 2013

#### Directors' responsibilities

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 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.

In so far as the Directors are aware

- there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- the Directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

Signed by order of the Directors

Anne-Marie Brennan Company Secretary

Approved by the Directors on 28 November 2013

Company Registration Number 5241216

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MARSTON'S PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED

#### Report on the financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 5 October 2013 and of its profit for the 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

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say below

#### What we have audited

The financial statements for the period ended 5 October 2013, which are prepared by Marston's Property Developments Limited, comprise

- the profit and loss account,
- · the balance sheet, and
- related notes

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation comprises applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

In applying the financial reporting framework, the Directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

#### What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) (ISAs (UK & Ireland)). 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

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

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

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

#### Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- 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 have not been made

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MARSTON'S PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED (continued)

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Our responsibilities and those of the Directors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement 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

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and ISAs (UK & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing

Ian Wall (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of ProcewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors Birmingham

28 November 2013

# **PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

# Period ended 5 October 2013

	Note	2013 £000	2012 £000
Turnover	2	36,613	17,317
Trading expenses	3	(35,217)	(15,224)
Operating profit		1,396	2,093
Interest receivable Interest payable	6 7	51 (589)	20 (487)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		858	1,626
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	8	(174)	(406)
Profit for the financial period		<del></del> 684	1,220

All of the activities of the Company are classed as continuing

The Company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the period as set out above

# **BALANCE SHEET**

# 5 October 2013

	Note	2013 £000	2012 £000
Current assets			
Stocks	9	19,823	20,750
Debtors	10	2,298	9,987
		22,121	30,737
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	11	(19,886)	(29,186)
Net current assets		2,235	1,551
Total assets less current liabilities		2,235	1,551
Net assets		2,235	1,551
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	13	_	_
Profit and loss account	14	2,235	1,551
Shareholders' funds	15	2,235	1,551

These financial statements were approved by the Directors and authorised for issue on 28 November 2013, and are signed on their behalf by

Andrew Andrea Director

28 November 2013

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Period ended 5 October 2013

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### (a) Basis of accounting

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

The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

Accounting policies applied are consistent with the prior period

#### (b) Cash flow statement

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Marston's PLC and is included in the consolidated financial statements of that company, which are publicly available. Consequently, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a cash flow statement under the terms of FRS 1 (revised).

#### (c) Related party transactions

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Marston's PLC, the consolidated accounts of which are publicly available. Accordingly, the Company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 8 from disclosing transactions with members of the Marston's Group.

#### (d) Tumover

Turnover represents proceeds from the sale of properties developed by the Company and comprises invoiced amounts less value added tax. Turnover is recognised at the point at which the goods are provided.

#### (e) Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost represents expenditure incurred for the purchase and development of land and buildings, including associated legal and professional fees. Net realisable value of land is based on the estimated selling price under the land's current use. Net realisable value of developed sites is based on estimated selling price less additional costs to completion and disposal.

#### (f) Current and deferred tax

Current tax is calculated on the basis of the laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date and is measured at the amount expected to be paid to or recovered from the tax authorities

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed by the balance sheet date which give rise to an obligation to pay more or less tax in the future. Timing differences are differences between the Company's taxable profits and profits as stated in the accounts. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted and assets are only recognised where recoverability is probable.

#### (g) Group undertakings

There is an intra group funding agreement in place between the Company and certain other members of the Marston's Group. This agreement stipulates that all balances outstanding on any intercompany loan account between these companies which exceed £1 are interest bearing at a prescribed rate.

In the current period it was agreed that no interest would be charged on any balances due to/from certain Group companies during the period of their restructuring

No interest is payable on any amounts owed by/to Group companies who are not party to the intra group funding agreement

All amounts owed by/to Group undertakings are unsecured and repayable on demand

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Period ended 5 October 2013

#### 2. Turnover

The turnover and profit before tax are attributable to the one principal activity of the Company

Turnover originates in the UK and is not materially different from turnover by destination

#### 3 Trading expenses

	2013	2012
	£000	£000
Change in stocks of finished goods and work in progress	927	(16,310)
Raw materials and consumables	33,987	31,258
Other net operating charges	303	276
	35,217	15,224

#### 4 Operating profit

Operating profit is stated after charging

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Auditors' remuneration - as auditor	1	_1

The Company incurred no non-audit fees during the period (2012 £nil)

# 5. Employees

The average monthly number of people employed by the Company during the period excluding Directors was nil (2012 nil). The Directors received no remuneration in respect of their services to the Company (2012 £nil).

#### 6. Interest receivable

		2013 £000	2012 £000
	Interest receivable from Group undertakings	<u>51</u>	_20
7	Interest payable		
		2013 £000	2012 £000
	Bank interest Interest payable to Group undertakings	568 21	481 6
		589	487

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Period ended 5 October 2013

#### 8. Taxation

#### (a) Analysis of charge in the period

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Current tax		
UK Corporation tax based on the results for the period Adjustments in repsect of prior periods	202 (28)	406 -
Total current tax	174	406

#### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge

The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the period is lower than (2012) the same as) the standard rate of corporation tax of 23 5% (2012) 25%)

The standard rate of corporation tax in the UK changed from 24% to 23% with effect from 1 April 2013 Accordingly, the Company's profits for the accounting period are taxed at an effective rate of 23.5%

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	858	1,626
Profit on ordinary activities by rate of tax	202	406
Effect of Adjustments in respect of prior periods Total current tax (note 8(a))	(28) 174	406

#### (c) Factors that may affect future tax charges

The December 2012 Autumn Statement announced that the main rate of corporation tax would change from 23% to 21% with effect from 1 April 2014. The March 2013 Budget then announced that the main rate of corporation tax would change from 21% to 20% with effect from 1 April 2015. These changes were enacted in the Finance Act 2013 in July 2013.

# 9. Stocks

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Land and properties held for development and resale	19,823	20,750

The Company was committed to further expenditure of £2,018,000 (2012 £4,120,000) at the period end

#### 10 Debtors

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	1,759	9,980
Interest owed by Group undertakings	39	7
Other debtors	500	
	2,298	9,987

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# Period ended 5 October 2013

#### 11 Creditors amounts falling due within one year

	2013	2012
	£000	£000
Interest owed to Group undertakings	14	12
Overdrafts	15,616	25,020
Trade creditors	1,765	976
Amounts owed to Group undertakings	575	168
Corporation tax	174	406
Accruals and deferred income	1,742	2,604
	19,886	29,186

Accruals and deferred income relate to development costs outstanding at the period end

#### 12. Contingencies

On 14 December 2011 the Company, together with a number of other members of the Marston's Group, entered into a Deed of Guarantee with Barclays Bank PLC whereby it guarantees the obligations of Marston's Trading Limited to Barclays Bank PLC The maximum aggregate liability of the Guarantors under the deed as at 5 October 2013 was £15,000,000 (2012 £20,000,000)

#### 13. Share capital

#### Allotted, called up and fully paid:

		2013 No	£000	2012 No	2000
	Ordinary shares of £1 each	2			
14	Profit and loss account				
				2013 £000	2012 £000
	Balance brought forward Profit for the financial period			1,551 684	331 1,220
	Balance carned forward			2,235	1,551
15	Reconciliation of movements in shareholders'	funds			
				2013 £000	2012 £000
	Profit for the financial period Opening shareholders' funds			684 1,551	1,220 331
	Closing shareholders' funds			2,235	1,551

#### 16. Ultimate parent company

The Company's immediate and ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Marston's PLC, which is the parent undertaking of the smallest and largest group to consolidate the financial statements of Marston's Property Developments Limited Copies of the Group financial statements can be obtained from the Company Secretary, Marston's House, Brewery Road, Wolverhampton, WV1 4JT