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MARKET TOWN FOODS LIMITED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023
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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

		2023	2022
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	315,617	344,227
Current assets			
Stocks		96,179	107,069
Debtors	5	1,248,327	1,190,720
Cash at bank and in hand		16,857	100,801
		<u>1,361,363</u>	<u>1,398,590</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(9,967,959)</u>	<u>(8,901,161)</u>
Net current liabilities		<u>(8,606,596)</u>	<u>(7,502,571)</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>(8,290,979)</u>	<u>(7,158,344)</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	<u>(71,382)</u>	<u>(62,594)</u>
Net liabilities		<u><u>(8,362,361)</u></u>	<u><u>(7,220,938)</u></u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital		1,000	1,000
Profit and loss reserves		<u>(8,363,361)</u>	<u>(7,221,938)</u>
Total equity		<u><u>(8,362,361)</u></u>	<u><u>(7,220,938)</u></u>

The director of the company has elected not to include a copy of the profit and loss account within the financial statements.

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

The financial statements were approved and signed by the director and authorised for issue on 21 March 2024

N Jones
Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

Company information

Market Town Foods Limited is a private company limited by shares incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Martlet House, E1, Yeoman Gate, Yeoman Way, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3QZ.

1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime. The disclosure requirements of section 1A of FRS 102 have been applied other than where additional disclosure is required to show a true and fair view.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the balance sheet date there was an excess of liabilities over assets. The company is held in a small group and is supported indirectly by the beneficial owner K M M Al Tajir with loans from companies both within and outside the group structure, in which K M M Al Tajir has a material interest. K M M Al Tajir has informed the board of directors that he will continue to support the company indirectly with loans from companies both within and outside the group structure until the company is in a position to support itself. The board of directors for this reason consider it appropriate for the accounts to be prepared on a going concern basis.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, and is shown net of VAT and other sales related taxes. The fair value of consideration takes into account trade discounts, settlement discounts and volume rebates.

When cash inflows are deferred and represent a financing arrangement, the fair value of the consideration is the present value of the future receipts. The difference between the fair value of the consideration and the nominal amount received is recognised as interest income.

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 dispatch of the goods), the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Revenue from contracts for the provision of professional services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion when the stage of completion, costs incurred and costs to complete can be estimated reliably. The stage of completion is calculated by comparing costs incurred, mainly in relation to contractual hourly staff rates and materials, as a proportion of total costs. Where the outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent of the expenses recognised that it is probable will be recovered.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

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Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold land and buildings	Straight line per annum over 15 years
Kitchen equipment	15% straight line per annum
Fixtures and fittings	20% and 25% straight line per annum
Motor vehicles	25% straight line per annum
Cutlery, crockery and glassware	33.33% straight line per annum

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is credited or charged to profit or loss.

1.5 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting period end date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Recognised impairment losses are reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

1.6 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost comprises direct materials and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the stocks to their present location and condition.

Stocks held for distribution at no or nominal consideration are measured at the lower of cost and replacement cost, adjusted where applicable for any loss of service potential.

At each reporting date, an assessment is made for impairment. Any excess of the carrying amount of stocks over its estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell is recognised as an impairment loss in profit or loss. Reversals of impairment losses are also recognised in profit or loss.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.8 Financial instruments

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.9 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of transaction costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the company.

1.10 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

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1.12 Leases

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessees. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Assets held under finance leases are recognised as assets at the lower of the assets fair value at the date of inception and the present value of the minimum lease payments. The related liability is included in the balance sheet as a finance lease obligation. Lease payments are treated as consisting of capital and interest elements. The interest is charged to profit or loss so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Rentals payable under operating leases, including any lease incentives received, are charged to profit or loss on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease except where another more systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leases asset are consumed.

1.13 Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

1.14 Foreign exchange

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation in the period are included in profit or loss.

2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the director is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Employees

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Total	61	56
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4 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold land and buildings	Kitchen equipment	Fixtures and fittings	Motor vehicles	Cutlery, crockery and glassware	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Cost						
At 1 April 2022	218,780	535,110	312,333	78,251	21,605	1,166,079
Additions	-	47,886	10,513	-	616	59,015
Disposals	-	(1,550)	-	(22,825)	(194)	(24,569)
Transfers	-	(550)	550	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	218,780	580,896	323,396	55,426	22,027	1,200,525
Depreciation and impairment						
At 1 April 2022	93,786	383,959	265,997	61,565	16,545	821,852
Depreciation charged in the year	14,921	32,743	20,817	12,543	2,073	83,097
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(58)	-	(19,972)	(11)	(20,041)
Transfers	-	(48)	48	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	108,707	416,596	286,862	54,136	18,607	884,908
Carrying amount						
At 31 March 2023	110,073	164,300	36,534	1,290	3,420	315,617
At 31 March 2022	124,994	151,151	46,336	16,686	5,060	344,227

5 Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	31,929	46,579
Amounts owed by group undertakings	939,430	888,021
Other debtors	276,968	256,120
	1,248,327	1,190,720

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Trade creditors	286,191	244,552
Amounts owed to group undertakings	3,970,290	3,977,798
Taxation and social security	133,318	105,279
Other creditors	5,578,160	4,573,532
	9,967,959	8,901,161

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6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Continued)

Hire purchase agreements are secured against the asset, which they were originally raised for.

7 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Other creditors	71,382	62,594

Hire purchase agreements are secured against the asset, which they were originally raised for.

8 Audit report information

As the income statement has been omitted from the filing copy of the financial statements, the following information in relation to the audit report on the statutory financial statements is provided in accordance with s444(5B) of the Companies Act 2006:

The auditor's report was unqualified.

Senior Statutory Auditor:	David Macdonald B.A. F.C.A
Statutory Auditor:	Martlet Audit Limited
Date of audit report:	21 March 2024

9 Operating lease commitments

Lessee

At the reporting end date the company had outstanding commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases, as follows:

2023 £	2022 £
449,250	546,750

10 Parent company

The company's ultimate parent company is Palladian Real Estate Limited, a company registered at Unit E1, Yeoman Gate, Yeoman Way, Worthing, England.

The company is included in the consolidated accounts of Palladian Real Estate Limited.

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11 Related party transactions

Transactions with related parties

The company has provided an interest free loan to Augustus Brandt Antiques International Limited, a company registered in the United Kingdom and outside the group structure. The amount outstanding at the balance sheet date was £144,056 (2022: £171,635). This loan was provided with no formal repayment terms.

The company was provided with an interest free loan from companies outside the group structure, companies in which the former director K M M Al Tajir has a material interest. The loans outstanding at the balance sheet date totalled £5,225,225 (2022: £4,362,225). The director has confirmed that the loans from companies outside the group will not be repaid until the company is in a position to do so.

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