

St. John Ambulance (NI)
(Company Limited by Guarantee)
Abbreviated financial statements
for the year ended 31 December 2003

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Independent Auditors' report to the directors of St John Ambulance (NI) under Article 255B of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986

We have examined the abbreviated financial statements on pages 2 to 4, together with the annual financial statements of St Jo Ambulance (NI) for the year ended 31 December 2003.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated financial statements in accordance with Article 254 of and Schedu 8A to the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to the company's entitlement to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with Article 254 (5) and (6) of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and whether the abbreviated financial statements are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you. This report, including the opinion, has been prepared for an only for the company's directors for the purpose of Article 255B of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or in to whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we consider necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements and that the abbreviated financial statements are properly prepared from those financial statements. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report does not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the full financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated financial statements prepared in accordance with Articles 254 (5 and (6) of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and the abbreviated financial statements to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

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Belfast

31 March 2004

Abbreviated balance sheet at 31 December 2003

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	Notes £	Restate	
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	745,595	453,87
Investments		419,770	365,93
		1,165,365	819,80
Current assets			
Stocks		7,777	8,69
Debtors (all due within one year)		154,725	158,88
Short term deposits		1,140,151	1,275,86
Cash at bank and in hand		8,241	
		1,310,894	1,443,44
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(104,018)	(98,31
Net current assets		1,206,876	1,345,120
Total assets less current liabilities		2,372,241	2,164,93
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year		(60,000)	(60,000
Total assets less current liabilities		2,312,241	2,104,93
Funds			
Unrestricted funds			
Designated funds		522,151	610,00
General funds		1,628,545	1,176,77
Total unrestricted funds		2,150,696	1,786,77
Restricted funds		161,545	318,16
Total funds		2,312,241	2,104,93

The abbreviated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VIII of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 relating to small companies.

DRS Kingan OBE DL

Trustee

NCW Clarke

Trustee

Notes to the abbreviated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2003

1 Creation of St. John Ambulance (NI)

The Priory of England and the Islands of the Order of St. John ("the Priory") was established on 23 October 1999 as a charit to carry out the charitable mission of the Order of St. John ("the Order"). On the same day the Commandery of Ards ("the Commandery") became a Commandery dependent upon the Priory.

On 31 August 2000, the Commandery established St. John Ambulance (NI) as a charitable company to carry on its activities On 1 January 2001 the Commandery transferred its assets and liabilities to St. John Ambulance (NI). The fair value of the nassets transferred was £1,981,441 and the consideration was £1.

2 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements are drawn up in accordance with the Commandery of Ards Regulations 1952, as amended in 1973 a 1999, in compliance with applicable accounting standards, the Statement of Recommended Practice entitled Accounting for Charities and the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986. The charity has availed itself of Paragraph 3(3) of Schedule 4 the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and has adopted the Companies Order Formats to reflect the special nature of charity's activities.

3 Accounting policies

The following are the main accounting policies on which the financial statements have been drawn up:

(a) Historical cost convention

The principal accounting policies of the company are set out below. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified for the revaluation of investments.

(b) Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(c) Fixed assets and depreciation

Fixed assets are stated at fair value on transfer plus subsequent additions at cost.

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off the assets over their estimated useful lives at the following rates:

Vehicle fleet
Office equipment
Fixtures and fittings
Museum exhibits and library
Properties
- 25% straight-line
- 10% reducing balance
- 10% reducing balance
- 2% straight-line

(d) Investments

Quoted investments are stated at market value. Realised gains and losses on investments, calculated as the difference between the sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the period or subsequent cost, are credited or charged to the SOFA in the period of the gain or loss. Unrealised gains and losses representing the movement in market values during the period are credited or charged to the SOFA in the period of the gain or loss.

3 Accounting policies (continued)

(e) Investment income

Investment income does not include dividends from the M&G Securities Charifund Accumulated Units as this is automatical accumulated into the units and is reflected in their market value shown in Note 13.

(f) Income and expenditure recognition

Donations and other income are brought into the accounts on a receivable basis. Grants are recognised when the entitlement the grant is confirmed. Legacies are recognised when the entitlement arises. Income from activities is accounted for when earned.

Expenditure is recognised when it is incurred. Expenditure is reported gross of related income.

(g) Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme for salaried staff. The assets of the scheme are held separately from the assets of the company in an independently administered fund. Contributions payable to the fund are expressed in the period in which they are incurred.

(h) Reserves

St. John Ambulance (NI) has designated funds which are unrestricted funds set aside for specific purposes and which would otherwise form part of its other charitable funds.

The General Fund represents funds which are available to St. John Ambulance (NI) to carry out any of its charitable objectiv

Restricted funds are funds which can only be applied for particular purposes.

4 Tangible fixed assets

I angiore made abbets	Total
	£
Cost	40.000
At 1 January 2003	547,296
Additions	349,548
Disposals	(13,000
At 31 December 2003	883,844
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2003	93,418
Charge for the year	57,831
On disposals	(13,000
At 31 December 2003	138,249
Net book value	
At 31 December 2003	745.595

453,878

5 Ultimate controlling party

There is no ultimate controlling party.

At 31 December 2002