Limited Liability Partnership Registration No. OC307349 (England and Wales)

JOHN COLLINS & PARTNERS LLP

MEMBERS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

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LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP INFORMATION

Designated members Mr S R Penny

Mr K Thomas

Miss S J Jackson-Thomas

Mr C W Davies
Mrs C S Goldsworthy

Mrs L Morgan Mr K O'Brien Mr R Hutchings Mr M K Williams Mrs H Davies

Limited liability partnership number OC307349

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MEMBERS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

The members present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activity of the limited liability partnership continued to be that of providing legal services.

The results for the year and the financial position at the year end were considered satisfactory by the members who expect continued growth in the foreseeable future.

Designated Members

The following designated members have held office since 1 April 2013:

Mr S R Penny
Mr K Thomas
Miss S J Jackson-Thomas
Mr C W Davies
Mrs C S Goldsworthy
Mrs L Morgan
Mr K O'Brien
Mr R Hutchings
Mr M K Williams
Mrs H Davies

Members' Interests

The level of drawings and total level of members' capital is determined by the members having regard to the cash requirements of the business.

Members contribute funds to the LLP by way of debt. Members' capital will be repaid on the retirement of a member or at an earlier date if cash requirements permit.

MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

Statement of members' responsibilities

The members are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008) requires the members to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the members 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 (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008) the members 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 limited liability partnership and of the profit or loss of the limited liability partnership for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the members are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the limited liability partnership will continue in business.

The members are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the limited liability partnership's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the limited liability partnership and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008). They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the limited liability partnership and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the members

Mrs H Davies

Designated Member

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF JOHN COLLINS & PARTNERS LLP

We have audited the financial statements of John Collins & Partners LLP for the year ended 31 March 2014 set out on pages 5 to 15. 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 limited liability partnership's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 as applied by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the limited liability partnership's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 limited liability partnership and the limited liability partnership's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the members and auditors

As explained more fully in the Members' Responsibilities Statement set out on pages 1 - 2, the members 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

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 limited liability partnership's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the designated members; 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 financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the limited liability partnership's affairs as at 31 March 2014 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 as applied to limited liability partnerships by the Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) TO THE MEMBERS OF JOHN COLLINS & PARTNERS LLP

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 as applied to limited liability partnerships 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
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Matthew Thomas (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Broomfield & Alexander Limited

7th November 2014

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

Charter Court Phoenix Way Enterprise Park SWANSEA UK SA7 9FS

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

•	Notes	2014 £	2013 £
Turnover	2	6,039,802	5,301,370
Administrative expenses Other operating income		(4,211,914) -	(4,020,021) 25,791
Operating profit	3	1,827,888	1,307,140
Other interest receivable and similar income Interest payable and similar charges	6	139,266 (8,213)	87,759 (11,363)
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		1,958,941	1,383,536
Tax on profit on ordinary, activities			
Profit for the financial year before memband profit shares	pers' remuneration	1,958,941	1,383,536
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Members' remuneration charged as an expense	13	(1,900,247)	(1,348,047)
Retained profit for the financial year ava discretionary division among members	ilable for	58,694	35,489

The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

During each of the current and previous years, the LLP acquired the trade of two independent legal partnerships. The activities of these businesses were immediately integrated into that of the LLP and separate accounting records were not maintained. Therefore, it is not possible to provide an analysis of turnover, expenses and operating profit between continuing operations and acquisitions, as required by FRS 3 Reporting Financial Performance.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2014

		20	2014		13
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible assets	8		38,856		42,753
Current assets Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	9	3,512,413 8,310		3,465,881 26,173	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	3,520,723 (1,613,847)		3,492,054	
Net current assets			1,906,876		1,593,257
Total assets less current liabilities			1,945,732		1,636,010
REPRESENTED BY: Loans and other debts due to members within one year Other amounts	11		1,553,930		1,302,902
Members' other interests: Other reserves classified as equity under FRS 25	11		391,802		333,108
TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS			1,945,732 ————		1,636,010
Loans and other debts due to members Members' other interests	11 11		1,553,930 391,802		1,302,902 333,108
			1,945,732		1,636,010

Mrs H Davies

Designated Member

Limited Liability Partnership Registration No. OC307349

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

	£	2014 £	£	2013 £
	L	_	L	_
Net cash inflow from operating activities		1,733,253		1,183,945
Returns on investments and servicing of finance				
Interest received	139,266		87,759	
Interest paid	(8,213)		(11,363)	
Net cash inflow for returns on investments				
and servicing of finance		131,053		76,396
Capital expenditure				
Payments to acquire intangible assets	(31,716)		-	
Payments to acquire tangible assets	(21,984)		(12,978)	
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure		(53,700)		(12,978)
Payments to members	(1,649,221)		(1,471,358)	
		(1,649,221)		(1,471,358)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) before management				
of liquid resources and financing		161,385		(223,995)
Financing				
Other new short term loans	159,658		147,053	
Repayment of other short term loans	(156,682) 		(116,509)	
Decrease in debt	2,976		30,544	
Net cash inflow from financing		2,976		30,544
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year		164,361		(193,451) ———

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

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Depreciation of tangible assets Amortisation of intangible assets Increase in debtors (Decrease)/Increase in creditors within one year Net cash inflow from operating activities 25,883 24,3 31,716 (278,2 (105,702) 130,8 1,733,253 1,183,9 2 Analysis of net debt 1 April 2013 Cash flow Other non-cash changes	302 297) 300 945
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· £ £	£
Net cash:	
Cash at bank and in hand 26,173 (17,863) - 8,3 Bank overdrafts (1,029,867) 182,224 - (847,6	310
	
(1,003,694) 164,361 - (839,3	33)
Debt:	
Debts falling due within one year (81,201) (2,976) - (84,7	77) —
Net debt (1,084,895) 161,385 - (923,5)	10)
3 Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt 2014 £	13 £
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the year 164,361 (193,4	51)
Cash inflow from increase in debt (2,976) (30,5	44)
Movement in net debt in the year 161,385 (223,9	— 95)
Opening net debt (1,084,895) (860,9	(00
Closing net debt (923,510) (1,084,8	— 95)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP); "Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships", revised in 2010 and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and the Limited Liability Partnership Statement of Recommended Practice, which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated).

1.3 Turnover

Turnover is the amount derived from ordinary activities, stated after trade discounts, other sales taxes and net of VAT. Turnover represents the fair value of services provided during the year on client assignments and is recognised as contract activity progresses and the right to consideration earned. Fair value reflects the amount expected to be recoverable from clients and is based on the time spent, skills and expertise provided and expenses incurred. The value of turnover in relation to cases where a contingent event has not occurred by the balance sheet date is not recognised in the accounts. For work that is undertaken subject to a conditional fee agreement, the relevant event that determines when a right to consideration exists is taken as the agreement of the LLP's costs.

1.4 Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off fully during the year of acquisition.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Computer equipment 33% straight line Fixtures & Fittings 20% straight line Motor vehicles 25% straight line

1.6 Leasing

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term

1.7 Pensions

The LLP operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the LLP's pension scheme are charged to the profit and loss account in the period to which they relate.

1.8 Members' remuneration and interest paid to members

Under the members' agreement, of which the LLP is a party, profits are split between those that are automatically allocated to members in accordance with their profit shares and those where any allocation to members is discretionary. Interest on loans from members is treated as a first allocation of profit.

Members interest and automatic allocations of profit are treated as members remuneration charged as an expense.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

2 Turnover

The total turnover of the limited liability partnership for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

3	Operating profit	2014 £	2013 £
	Operating profit is stated after charging:	2.	~
	Amortisation of intangible assets	31,716	_
	Depreciation of tangible assets	25,883	24,302
	Operating lease rentals	20,000	24,002
	- Plant and machinery	83,801	75,136
	- Other assets	209,160	191,216
	Auditors' remuneration (including expenses and benefits in kind)	8,000	8,000
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	Auditors' remuneration		
	Fees payable to the LLP's auditor for the audit of the LLP's annual accounts	8,000	8,000
	Other assurance services	6,200	6,200
	Tax advisory services	7,727	17,236
	Other services	-	7,960
		21,927	39,396
4	Employees	==	
•	Linployees		
	Number of employees		
	The average monthly number of employees during the year was:	0014	0040
		2014	2013
		Number	Number
	Fee earners	54	48
	Administrators	51 	47
		105	95
	Employment costs		
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	1,925,108	1,892,793
	Social security costs	154,186	147,402
	Other pension costs	40,786	19,186
		2,120,080	2,059,381
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

5	Pension and other post-retirement benefit commitments Defined contribution		
		2014 £	2013 £
	Contributions payable by the limited liability partnership for the year	40,786 ———	19,186
6	Interest payable	2014 £	2013 £
	On bank loans and overdrafts Other interest	5,414 2,799	9,086 2,277
		8,213	11,363
7	Intangible fixed assets		Goodwill £
	Cost		L
•	At 1 April 2013		_
	Additions		31,716
	At 31 March 2014		31,716
	Amortisation		
	At 1 April 2013		
	Charge for the year		31,716
	At 31 March 2014		31,716
	Net book value		-
	At 31 March 2014		-
	At 31 March 2013	&	-

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

8	Tangible fixed assets	Computer Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Total
		£	£	£
	Cost			
	At 1 April 2013	182,438	61,727	244,165
	Additions	9,454	12,532	21,986
	At 31 March 2014	191,892	74,259	266,151
	Depreciation			
	At 1 April 2013	169,767	31,645	201,412
	Charge for the year	13,715	12,168	25,883
	At 31 March 2014	183,482	43,813	227,295
	Net book value			
	At 31 March 2014	8,410	30,446	38,856
	At 31 March 2013	12,671	30,082	42,753
9	Debtors		2014 £	2013 £
	Trade debtors		1 577 450	1 671 000
	Amounts recoverable on long term contracts		1,577,452 1,531,973	1,671,088 1,354,608
	Other debtors		91,786	96,394
	Prepayments and accrued income		311,202	343,791
			3,512,413	3,465,881

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

10	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2014 £	2013 £
	Bank overdraft and loans	931,820	1,111,068
	Trade creditors	214,169	280,151
	Taxes and social security costs	334,214	266,669
	Accruals and deferred income	133,644	240,909
		1,613,847	1,898,797

The bank overdraft is secured by guarantees given by the designated members of the LLP. The amount of the security is limited to £800,000, plus interest and other costs.

11 Members' interests

	Members' other interests Other reserves	Total	Loans and other debts due to/(from) members	Total	2013
	£	£	£	£	£
Members' interests at 1 April 2013 Members' Remuneration charged as an expense,	333,108	333,108	1,302,904	1,636,012	1,723,832
including employment costs and retirement benefit costs Profit for the financial year	-	-	1,900,247	1,900,247	1,348,047
available for discretionary division among members	58,694	58,694	-	58,694	35,489
Members' interests after profit for the year Drawings	391,802	=	3,203,151 (1,649,221)	3,594,953 (1,649,221)	3,107,368 (1,471,358)
Members' interests at 31 March 2014	391,802	391,802	1,553,930	1,945,732	1,636,010

Members' other interests represent members capital classed as equity under Financial Reporting Standard 25.

The loans and other debts due to members rank pari passu with other creditors. No protection is afforded to creditors in respect of members other interests.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

12	Loans and other debts due to members	2014 £	2013 £
	Loans from members Amounts owed to members in respect of profits	575,331 978,599	575,331 727,571
		1,553,930	1,302,902
13	Information in relation to members	2014 £	2013 £
	Remuneration to members charged as an expense	1,900,247	1,348,047
		1,900,247	1,348,047
		2014 Number	2013 Number
	The average number of members during the year was:	24	
		2014 £	2013 £
	The share of profit to the member with the largest entitlement was:	153,341	101,953

The total compensation for loss of office in relation to designated members was £nil (2013: £15,000)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014

14 Related party transactions

Melin Partnership

This is a partnership in which Mr S R Penny, Mr K Thomas & Miss S J Jackson-Thomas are partners.

John Collins & Partners LLP previously rented premises from the Melin Partnership. The LLP terminated its lease of the premises in 2011. However, the LLP was obliged, under the terms of the lease, to carry out repair and redecoration works.

The amount due to the Melin Partnership at the balance sheet date is £nil (2013: £31,698).

Swansea City Association Football Club Limited

This is a company of which Mr S R Penny is a director.

During the year, the LLP charged Swansea City Association Football Club Limited £3,609 (2013: £21,656) for directors' services.

The amount due from Swansea City Association Football Club Limited at the year end was £9,264 (2013: £4,065).

15 Control

The LLP is controlled by its designated members.

16 Valuation of contingency fee income

At the balance sheet date, the value of work undertaken subject to a conditional fee arrangement amounted to £1,029,422 (2013: £796,263). This amount has not been included within the accounts in accordance with the accounting policy set out in note 1.