FERGUSON MARINE PLC REGISTERED NUMBER SC129659

Directors' Report and Financial Statements
For the year ended 31st December 2004

HENDERSON & COMPANY

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
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FERGUSON MARINE PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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FERGUSON MARINE PLC DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2004.

Principal Activities

The company is a holding company. The principal activity of the group is shipbuilding.

Business Review and Future Prospects

Despite a significant increase in turnover during 2004, rising steel costs took much of our projected profit from the contracts in progress. The lack of new ship contracts continues to undermine the profitability in the rest of the business, but the immediate future looks much better with many enquiries. Holland House Electrical Co. Ltd continues to financially support the operation, but they too look forward to a more successful year.

Results and Dividends

The results of the group for the year are shown in the Profit and Loss Account on page 4. The directors recommend that no dividend be paid and that the balance on Consolidated Profit and Loss Account of £931,000 be carried forward.

Fixed Assets

Movements in fixed assets are set out in note 6 to the financial statements.

Directors and Directors' Interests

The directors who held office during the year were as follows:

F. Dunnet - Chairman
A.L. Dunnet - Chief Executive
R. Deane - Managing Director

The directors who held office at the end of the financial year had the following interests in the shares of the company as recorded in the register of directors' interests:

	Interest at end of year	Interest at beginning of year
Ordinary Shares of 50p each	-	• •
F. Dunnet	15,196	<i>15,196</i>
A.L. Dunnet	1,040,918	1,040,918
R. Deane	-	-

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group and of the profit or loss for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group will continue in business.

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The directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and the group and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Employees

The average number of employees and details of employment costs are set out in note 3 to the financial statements.

The group gives full and fair consideration to applications for employment made by disabled persons, continues where possible the employment of persons who become disabled while they are with a group company and ensures suitable training, career development and opportunities for the promotion of disabled persons employed by it.

The directors are committed to effective communications with employees at all levels through regular meetings, notice board bulletins and circulars. The directors inform all employees of their company's performance and of the financial and economic factors affecting that performance on a regular basis.

Health and Safety at Work

Health and Safety Training is an integral part of the group's operating strategy and employees at all levels have been involved in health and safety improvement programmes.

Charitable Donations

During the year, the group made charitable contributions of £250.

Payment of Creditors

The group recognises the importance of maintaining good business relationships with its suppliers and is committed to paying all invoices within agreed terms. The total amount of trade creditors falling due within one year at 31st December 2004 represents 46 days worth of the total amount invoiced by suppliers during the year ended on that date.

Auditors

Messrs. Henderson & Company, Chartered Accountants, have signified their willingness to remain in office and a resolution that they be reappointed will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

R. DEANE Secretary

Newark Works Port Glasgow Renfrewshire PA14 5NG

28th July 2005

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF FERGUSON MARINE PLC

We have audited the financial statements of Ferguson Marine plc for the year ended 31st December 2004 on pages 4 to 18. These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. 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 an auditor's 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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective Responsibilities of Directors and Auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Acts 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company and other members of the group is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of Audit Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the circumstances of the company and group, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the group as at 31st December 2004 and the loss of the group for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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HENDERSON & COMPANY
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
REGISTERED AUDITORS

73 Union Street, Greenock

28th July 2005

FERGUSON MARINE PLC CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2004

	Note	2004	2003
		£000	£000
Turnover	2	19,929	12,272
Raw Materials and Consumables Other External Charges		(11,715) (968)	(5,827) (913)
	•	(12,683)	(6,740)
Staff Costs Depreciation Gain on Sale of Fixed Assets Provisions relating to contracts in progress	3	(7,429) (148) 1 (532)	(6,264) (149) - -
		(8,108)	(6,413)
Operating Loss Interest Receivable	4	(862) 96	(881) 113
Loss on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation Taxation	5	(766) 1	(768)
Loss for the Financial Year		(765)	(768)
Dealt with by:			
The Company Subsidiary Undertakings		32 (797)	3 (771)
	- -	(765)	(768)
	•		

Movements in reserves are set out in notes 15 to 17.

None of the group's activities were acquired or discontinued during either year.

There were no recognised gains or losses in either year other than the result for the financial year.

FERGUSON MARINE PLC CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2004

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	(348)		(340)		13	Deferred Income
	2,850		2,085			Total Net Assets
Capital and Reserves						Capital and Reserves
	603		603		14	-
	482					
	69		69			
•	1,696		931			•
Equity Shareholders' Funds 2,085 2,8	2,850		2,085			Equity Shareholders' Funds

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 28th July 2005 and were signed on its behalf by:

A.L. DUNNET

Director

FERGUSON MARINE PLC BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2004

	Note	200		200	3
Fixed Assets		£000	£000	£000	£000
Investments	9		540		540
Current Assets					
Debtors	8	794		777	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		2		<i>37</i>	
	-	796		814	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	10	4		54	
Net Current Assets	•	····	792		760
Total Net Assets			1,332		1,300
Capital and Reserves					
Called Up Share Capital	14		603		603
Share Premium Account	15		482		482
Profit and Loss Account	17		247		215
Equity Shareholders' Funds			1,332		1,300

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 28th July 2005 and were signed on its behalf by:

A.L. DUNNET Director

FERGUSON MARINE PLC CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2004

		2004		2003	
	£000		£000	£000	£000
Cash Outflow from Operating Activities (note 18a)			(2,726)		(34)
Returns on Investment and Servicing of Final Interest Received	nce		96		113
Taxation					
Tax Paid			-		-
Tax Recovered			-		-
Capital Expenditure and Financial Investmen	ıt .				
Proceeds from Sale of Tangible Fixed Assets	1			(2.4)	
Payments to Acquire Tangible Fixed Assets	(114 —-	-) 		(34)	
			(113)	_	(34)
(Decrease)/Increase in Cash in the Year (Note	18b)		(2,743)	_	45

FERGUSON MARINE PLC RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2004

Group	2004 £000	2003 £000
Shareholders' Funds at 1st January Loss for the Financial Year	2,850 (765)	3,618 (768)
Shareholders' Funds at 31st December	2,085	2,850
	2004	2003
Company	£000	£000
Shareholders' Funds at 1st January Profit for the Financial Year	1,300 32	1,297 3
Shareholders' Funds at 31st December	1,332	1,300

FERGUSON MARINE PLC

Notes

(forming part of the financial statements)

1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements of the company and the group.

Accounting Convention

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

No Profit and Loss Account is presented for Ferguson Marine PLC as provided by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985.

Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of Ferguson Marine PLC and all its subsidiary undertakings for the year to 31st December 2004.

Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Fixed Assets are stated at cost. Depreciation is provided on all fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated on the straight line method in order to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, evenly over their expected useful lives as follows:

Freehold Buildings

- 50 years

Plant and Machinery

- 3 to 20 years

Stocks and Work in Progress

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

Work in progress is stated at cost of materials, direct labour and all relevant overhead expenses allocated on an estimated normal level of activity. In addition, where the outcome of long term contracts can be assessed with reasonable certainty before their conclusion, attributable profit or loss is adjusted in the valuation of work in progress. Any attributable profit, calculated on a prudent basis, will reflect the proportion of work carried out at the accounting date and will take into account any known inequalities of profitability in the various stages of the contract.

Work in progress is reduced by instalments received and receivable and is shown separately under "debtors: amounts recoverable on contracts". To the extent that instalments exceed net work in progress on particular contracts, the excess is shown separately under "creditors: amounts falling due within one year".

Guarantee and Maintenance Provisions

Provision is made for estimated post-delivery guarantee and maintenance commitments. Estimates take into account the terms of the contracts and past experience. These amounts are included in "provisions relating to contracts".

Taxation

Taxation is based on the result for the year including tax on provisions made, less provisions released, and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes.

Pension Costs

The employees of the subsidiary undertakings are members of the Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited Section of the Shipbuilding Industries Pension Scheme. The pension costs are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions evenly over the estimated service lives of the employees.

Goodwill/

Goodwill

Goodwill relating to a business purchased is written off immediately against reserves.

Deferred Government Grants

Government grants on capital expenditure are credited to a deferred income account and are released to revenue over the expected useful life of the relevant asset by equal annual amounts.

Foreign Currencies

All balances in foreign currencies are converted at the rates ruling at the Balance Sheet date. Transactions taking place in foreign currencies are converted at the rates ruling at the dates of those transactions. All differences are taken to the Profit and Loss Account.

2. Turnover

Turnover represents the sales value of contracts completed during the year, less amounts recognised as turnover in prior years, and the value of work done in respect of incomplete contracts included in work in progress. Turnover is wholly attributable to the activities of the group undertakings, and is stated net of value added tax.

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5,696
5,266)
1,841
2,271
1
2,272

All turnover relates to contracts within the United Kingdom.

3. Staff Numbers and Costs

The average monthly number of persons employed by the group (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

	Number of l	Employees
	2004	2003
Direct Employees	237	204
Indirect Employees	60	73
	297	277
The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:		
	2004	2003
	£000	£000
Wages and Salaries	6,596	5,592
Social Security Costs	611	475
Other Pension Costs (note 19) - Defined Benefit Scheme	149	169
- Defined Contribution Schemes	73	<i>85</i>
Redundancy Costs Provision	_	(57)
	7,429	6,264

4. Operating Loss

		2004	2003
		£000	£000
(a)	The operating loss for the year is stated after charging/(crediting):		
	Depreciation - Owned Assets	148	149
	Directors' Remuneration	74	74
	Auditors' Remuneration - audit work	16	15
	- non-audit work	4	4
	Gain on Sale of Assets	(1)	-
	Hire of Plant	9	5
	Operating Lease Payments - Land and Buildings	3	4
(b)	Directors' Remuneration		
		2004	2003
		£000	£000
	Fees	-	-
	Remuneration as Executives	60	60
	Benefits in Kind	14	14
		74	74

One of the directors is a member of both the defined benefit and defined contribution pension schemes.

5. Taxation

Taxation	2004	2003
	£000	£000
(a) Analysis of charge for year	4 550	
UK Corporation Tax on profit for year	-	-
Transfer from Deferred Taxation	-	-
	-	-
(b) Factors affecting tax charge for year		
The tax assessed for the year is lower to	than the standard rate of	
Corporation Tax in the UK (30%). explained below:		
onplania odow,	2004	2003
	£000	£000
Loss on ordinary activities before tax	(766)	(768)
Loss on ordinary activities octore tax	(700)	(700)
Loss on ordinary activities multiplie	d by standard rate of	
Corporation Tax in the UK of 30% (2003)	•	(230)
Effects of:		
Capital Allowances in excess of deprecia	ation (15)	(12)
Disallowed Expenses	-	2
Utilisation of tax losses	(11)	~
Loss created in year	256	258
Small company rate relief	-	(1)
Provision released	-	(17)
	-	-

6. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Land and Buildings	Plant and Machinery	Total
	£000	£000	£000
Group			
Cost			
At beginning of year	2,285	1,761	4,046
Additions	-	114	114
Disposals	<u>. </u>	(16)	(16)
At end of year	2,285	1,859	4,144
Depreciation			
At beginning of year	387	1,344	1,731
Charge for year	43	105	148
Disposals	-	(16)	(16)
At end of year	430	1,433	1,863
Net Book Value			
At 31st December 2004	1,855	426	2,281
At 31st December 2003	1,898	417	2,315
			

Freehold land with a cost of £115,775 is not depreciated.

7. Stocks and Work in Progress

	2004	2003
	£000	£000
Raw Materials and Consumables	359	264
Work in Progress	15,606	1,841
Less: Payments received and receivable	13,821	3,135
	1,785	(1,294)
Excess of cost over instalments: transferred to debtors (note 8)	4,237	-
Excess of instalments over cost: transferred to creditors (note 10)	(2,452)	(1,294)

8. Debtors

Group		Company	
2004	2004 <i>2003</i> 2004	2003	
£000	£000	£000	£000
1,202	871	-	-
-	-	781	764
112	47	13	13
96	111	-	-
4,237			
5,647	1,029	794	777
	2004 £000 1,202 - 112 96 4,237	2004 2003 £000 £000 1,202 871 	2004 2003 2004 £000 £000 £000 1,202 871 - - - 781 112 47 13 96 111 - 4,237 - -

9. Investments

	2004	2003
	€000	£000
Cost of investment in subsidiary undertakings Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	475	475
(repayable after 12 months)	65	65
	540	540

The company's subsidiary undertakings, which are all included in the consolidation, are as follows:

	Country of Registration	Principal Activity	Class and percent	age of shares held
Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited Alder Marine Consultants Limited	Scotland Scotland	Shipbuilding Marine and naval architecture consultancy	Ordinary Ordinary	100% 100%
Newark Joiners Limited	Scotland	Joinery Works	Ordinary	100%

Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited owns 100% of the ordinary share capital of Ferguson-Ailsa Limited, a dormant company incorporated in Scotland.

10. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due Within One Year

	Group		Company	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Bank Overdraft	-	15	-	-
Instalments in Excess of Work in Progress	2,452	1,294	-	-
Trade Creditors	1,765	799	-	50
Other Creditors	63	57	-	-
Taxation and Social Security	245	169	2	2
Accruals and Deferred Income	37	150	2	2
Provisions relating to contracts	532	-	-	-
Holland House Loan	2,125	3,025	-	-
	7,219	5,509	4	54

11. Creditors: Amounts Falling Due After More Than One Year

	Group		Company	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Holland House Loan	1,000	-	-	-
				

12./

12. Provision for Liabilities and Charges (Alder Marine Consultants Limited) Deferred Taxation

	2004	2003
	£000	£000
Balance at 1st January Transfer to Profit and Loss Account	1 (1)	<i>1</i>
Balance at 31st December	<u> </u>	1

The provision relates to taxation deferred due to the excess of Capital Allowances over Depreciation and is calculated at 19%.

13. Deferred Government Grants (Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited)

2004	2003
£000	£000
348	357
8	9
340	348
2004	2003
£000	£000
5,000	5,000
603	603
2004	2003
£000	£000
482	482
2004	2003
£000	£000
69	69
	\$000 348 8 340 2004 \$000 5,000 603 2004 \$000 482 2004 \$000

The cumulative goodwill written off against this reserve in respect of acquisitions amounted to £29,400 (2003: £29,400).

17. Profit and Loss Account

	2004		2003	
	Group £000	Company £000	Group £000	Company £000
Balance as at 1st January (Loss)/Profit for Year	1,696 (765)	215 32	2,464 (768)	212
Balance as at 31st December	931	247	1,696	215

Distributable reserves of the group at 31st December 2004 were £1,179,000 (2003: £1,944,000).

18. Cash Flow Statement

(a) Reconciliation of operating loss to operating cash flows

2004 £000 (862) 148 (1) (95) (4,618) 2,710	2003 £000 (881) 149 - (106) 757
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2,710	757
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(5)	56
(8)	(9)
(2,726)	(34)
2004	2003
£000	£000
5,100	5,055
(2,743)	45
2,357	5,100
e in	Change in
4	2003
0	£000
3)	45
	5,100 (2,743) 2,357 e in 4

19. Charges Over Assets, Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited has granted the following:

- (a) fixed heritable security over the Newark Works property, Port Glasgow and a floating charge debenture charging all of its assets to the Bank of Scotland;
- (b) fixed security over seaward strip of ground west of the Newark Works property to Clydeport Limited;
- (c) fixed security over 1.8 acres of ground (the McCrindle subjects) to the Bank of Scotland;
- (d) first and only security over whole rights, title and interest in foreshore and bed of the River Clyde below HWMOSD at or near Port Glasgow ex adverso Newark Shipbuilding Yard extending to 2,225 square metres subject to Deed of Variation between the Crown Estate Commission and Ferguson Marine PLC.

The group has granted unlimited cross guarantees between Ferguson Marine PLC, Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited, Alder Marine Consultants Limited, Newark Joiners Limited and Ferguson-Ailsa Limited to the Bank of Scotland.

The Bank of Scotland has granted performance bonds totalling £6,900,066 (2003: £2,950,350).

20. Pension Commitments

(a) As explained in the accounting policies set out on page 10, some employees of the group are members of the Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited Section of the Shipbuilding Industries Pension Scheme administered by Capita Hartshead providing benefits based on Final Pensionable Pay, contributions being charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the group. This scheme is closed to new employees. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the Attained Age method. The most recent valuation was at 1st April 2004. The financial assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation are those relating to the rate of investment return expected to be earned on the future net income of the fund and the rate of future pay inflation. It was assumed that the investment returns would be 6.5% p.a. before retirement and 5.5% p.a. thereafter, that salary increases would be 4% p.a. and that present and future pensions would increase at an average of 2.5% p.a.

The actuarial valuation at 1st April 2004 showed that the market value of the scheme's assets was £5.2M and that the actuarial value of those assets represented 102% of members' benefits earned by service to the valuation date based on projected Final Pensionable Pay. The combined contribution of the group and members has been 18½% p.a. since February 2001.

The pension charge for the year was £135,000 (2003: £169,000).

FRS 17 'Retirement Benefits' was issued in November 2000 and relates to defined benefit pension schemes. To comply with the transitional provisions of this standard an independent actuary was commissioned to update to 31 December 2004 the results of the previous valuation. The key financial assumptions used for this were as follows:

	2004 %	2003 %
Rate of increase in salaries	2.75	3.50
Rate of increase to pensions in payment (LPI)	2,65	2.65
Rate of increase to pensions in deferment	2.75	2.75
Discount rate	5.30	5.50
Inflation assumption	2.75	2.75

Rates of return on assets were used as follows:

	Long-term Rate of Return Expected 2004	Value 2004	Long-term Rate of Return Expected 2003	Value 2003
	%	£000	%	£000
Equities Gilts	8.25 4.60	5,132 612	8.00 4.75	4,614 495
Total market value of assets		5,744		5,109

Measured at 31 December 2004 in accordance with the requirements of FRS 17 the assets of the scheme were £5,744,000 (2003: £5,109,000) and the actuarial liabilities £6,677,000 (2003: £6,538,000), resulting in a deficit of £933,000 (2003: £1,429,000), which is reduced by a related deferred tax asset of £280,000 (2003: £429,000). The actuary has pointed out that the assets of the scheme are predominantly invested in equities whereas the discount rate used under FRS17 rules is based on corporate bond yields, which creates potential for significant volatility for the funding level on the FRS17 basis.

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The movement in the FRS17 deficit between 31 December 2003 and 31 December 2004, as supplied by the actuary, is as follows:

	2004	2003
	£000's	£000's
Deficit as at beginning of year (before deferred tax asset)	(1,429)	(1,895)
Operating Costs		
Service Cost	(168)	(142)
Past Service Costs	_	-
Total Operating Costs	(168)	(142)
Financing		
Interest Cost	(360)	(334)
Expected Return on assets	404	342
Net Financing Credit	44	8
Recognised Gains and Losses		
Return on assets vs expected	224	440
Liability experience vs expected	74	245
Changes in financial assumptions	174	(259)
Recognised Actuarial Gain/(Loss)	472	426
Estimated employer contributions	148	174
Deficit as at end of year (before deferred tax asset)	(933)	(1,429)
History of Experience Gains and Losses		
DVCC and the second sec	2004	2003
Difference between the expected and actual return on scheme assets:	224	440
Amount (£000)	4%	440 9%
Percentage of scheme assets	470	970
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities:		
Amount (£000)	74	245
Percentage of the present value of the scheme liabilities	1%	4%
Total amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses:		
Amount (£000)	472	426
Percentage of the present value of the scheme liabilities	7%	7%

With effect from 30th April 2005, all members in service with Ferguson Shipbuilders Limited Group of Employers are treated as having left Service on 30th April 2005 with preserved pensions.

- (b) A defined contribution scheme with the Shipbuilding Industries Pension Scheme is in operation, again administered by Capita Hartshead. The pension cost charge of £62,000 represents the contributions payable for the year (2003: £85,000).
- (c) A further defined contribution scheme is also in operation. Contributions of £Nil (2003: £Nil) were paid during the year.

21. Capital Commitments

(a) Capital expenditure commitments at 31st December 2004 for which no provision has been made are as follows:

Contracted	2004	2003
	£000	£000
	-	-
Authorised but not contracted	-	-
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	-	-

(b) Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	Land and	Land and Buildings	
	2004	2003	
Operating leases which expire:	£000	£000	
Over five years	3	3	

22. Related Party Transactions

This company and Holland House Electrical Co. Ltd. are under the common control of Messrs. F. Dunnet and A.L. Dunnet. During the year goods to the value of £32,911 (2003: £18,239) were purchased by the subsidiary Ferguson Shipbuilders Ltd. from Holland House Electrical Co. Ltd. The sum remaining due to Holland House Electrical Co. Ltd. in respect of these transactions was £5,316 at 31st December 2004 (2003: £1,035).

Holland House Electrical Co Ltd has advanced a loan of £3,000,000 to one of the companies in the group. As at 31 December 2004 the full amount of this loan is outstanding, together with interest of £124,647. Interest of £34,241 was paid to Holland House Electrical Co Ltd during the year in respect this loan.

During the year services to the value of £8,900 and £8,989 were supplied to Holland House Electrical Co Ltd by Ferguson Shipbuilders Ltd and Newark Joiners Ltd respectively. The balance owed for these services at 31st December 2004 are £nil and £nil respectively.

Newark Joiners Ltd and Ferguson Shipbuilders Ltd have advanced £11,750 and £34,075 respectively to Holland House Electrical Co. Ltd and these amounts are outstanding at 31st December 2004.