

LAND SECURITIES TRADING LIMITED  
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

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**Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2010**

The directors submit their report with the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2010

**RESULTS FOR THE YEAR AND DIVIDEND**

The results are set out in the Profit and Loss Account on page 4

The directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 31 March 2010 (2009 £Nil)

**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY, REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The Company has continued its business of property trading and as a holding company in the United Kingdom. No changes in the Company's principal activity are anticipated in the foreseeable future.

**GOING CONCERN**

The directors believe that preparing the accounts on the going concern basis is appropriate due to the continued financial support of the ultimate parent company Land Securities Group PLC. The directors have received confirmation that Land Securities Group PLC intends to support the Company for at least one year after these financial statements are signed.

**DIRECTORS**

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of this report were

M R Wood  
LS Director Limited  
Land Securities Management Limited  
E Carriaga  
C O'Shea

**INDEMNITY**

The Company has made qualifying third party indemnity provisions for the benefit of the respective directors which were in place throughout the year and which remain in place at the date of this report.

**STATEMENT OF DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS**

In the case of each director in office at the date the directors' report is approved, the following applies

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- he has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office and a resolution concerning their re-appointment will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.



By order of the Board  
P M Dudgeon  
Company Secretary  
26 November 2010

Registered Office  
5 Strand  
London WC2N 5AF

Registered in England and Wales  
Registered number 3934761

**Directors' Responsibilities for the year ended 31 March 2010****Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the Annual Report and the financial statements**

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 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, and
- 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.

**Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Land Securities Trading Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010**

We have audited the financial statements of Land Securities Trading Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Reconciliation of Movements in Total Shareholder's Deficit, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. 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).

**Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors**

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors 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 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.

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.

**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 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.

**Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2010 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

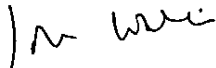
**Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

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

**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 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
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

  
John Waters (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
For and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors  
London  
26 November 2010

## Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 March 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	2009 (As restated) £'000
Rental income		81	114
Proceeds of trading stock sales		2,050	250
Service charges and other recoveries		135	(8)
<b>Turnover</b>		<b>2,266</b>	<b>356</b>
Trading stock cost of sales		302	174
Other direct property or contract expenditure	2	(326)	(2,155)
<b>Net profit / (loss)</b>		<b>2,242</b>	<b>(1,625)</b>
Impairment of trading properties	7	(872)	(29,613)
<b>Operating profit / (loss)</b>		<b>1,370</b>	<b>(31,238)</b>
Loss on disposal of subsidiary undertakings		-	(5,650)
<b>Profit / (loss) before interest and taxation</b>		<b>1,370</b>	<b>(36,888)</b>
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(1,177)	(240)
<b>Profit / (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		<b>193</b>	<b>(37,128)</b>
Taxation	5	(137)	8,814
<b>Profit / (loss) for the financial year</b>		<b>56</b>	<b>(28,314)</b>

## Reconciliation of Movements in Total Shareholder's Deficit for the year ended 31 March 2010

	2010 £'000	2009 (As restated) £'000
Profit / (loss) for the financial year	56	(28,314)
<b>Reduction from shareholder's (deficit) / funds</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>(28,314)</b>
Opening shareholder's (deficit) / funds	(3,188)	25,126
<b>Closing shareholder's deficit</b>	<b>(3,132)</b>	<b>(3,188)</b>

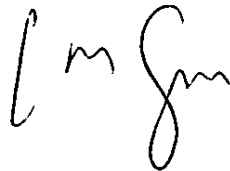
All amounts arise from continuing operations. There is no difference between reported profit and historical cost profit / (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation. There are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown in the Profit and Loss Account above.

## Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2010

	Notes	2010 £'000	2009 (As restated) £'000
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
<b>Investments</b>			
Investment in a subsidiary undertaking	6	-	-
		-	-
<b>Current assets</b>			
Stock Trading properties	7	874	1,357
Debtors falling due after one year	8	4,633	2,063
Debtors falling due within one year	9	209	9,078
		5,716	12,498
<b>Creditors amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	(8,848)	(15,686)
<b>Net current liabilities</b>		(3,132)	(3,188)
<b>Net liabilities</b>		(3,132)	(3,188)
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	11	16,650	16,650
Profit and loss account	12	(19,782)	(19,838)
<b>Total shareholder's deficit</b>		(3,132)	(3,188)

The financial statements on pages 4 to 9 were approved and authorised for issue by the board on 26 November 2010 and were signed on its behalf by

For and on behalf of Land Securities Management Limited  
C M Gill, Director



## 1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention, in accordance with Companies Act 2006 and applicable United Kingdom accounting standards

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Company's financial statements

### (a) Profit and Loss Account and other primary statements

The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is arrived at after taking into account income and outgoings on all properties, including those under development. In accordance with FRS3 'Reporting Financial Performance', profits and losses on properties sold during the year are calculated by comparing net sales proceeds with book values

### (b) Turnover

Turnover is made up of proceeds on sale of trading properties, rental income, service charges and other recoveries from tenants of its trading properties

Income is credited to the Profit and Loss Account as space and other services are provided to customers. Gross property income includes costs recovered from tenants. Rental income includes the net income from managed operations such as car parks, food courts, serviced offices and flats

Service charges and other recoveries include income in relation to service charges and directly recoverable expenditure together with any chargeable management fee. In accordance with the Accounting Standards Board's (ASB) Urgent Issues Task Force Abstract 28 'Operating Lease Incentives' (UJTF28) the Company treats any incentive for lessees to enter into lease agreements as a revenue cost and accounts for rental income from the commencement date of any rent-free period. The cost of all lease incentives (such as rent-free periods or contributions to tenants' fitting out costs) is, therefore, offset against the total rent due. The net rental income is then spread evenly over the shorter of the period from the rent commencement date to the date of the next rent review or the lease end date

### (c) Interest

Interest is accounted for on an accruals basis

### (d) Taxation

Taxation is charged at the corporation tax rate of 28%

### (e) Trading properties

Trading properties are those properties held as stock for sale and, being current assets, are carried at the lower of cost or book value if transferred from fixed assets and net realisable value

Trading profits are recognised upon exchange of contracts for the unconditional sale of property

### (f) Long-term development contracts

Turnover on long-term development contracts is recognised according to the stage reached in the contract by reference to the value of the work completed. An appropriate estimate of the profit attributable to the work completed is recognised once the outcome of the contract can be assessed with reasonable certainty. The amount by which the turnover exceeds payments on account is shown under debtors as amount recoverable on contracts. The costs on long-term contracts not yet taken to the Profit and Loss Account, less any related foreseeable losses and payments on account are shown in stocks

### (g) Investment in a subsidiary undertaking

The Company's investments in the shares of a subsidiary undertaking are carried at cost less provision for impairment in value

### (h) Impairment of assets

Assets are reviewed annually for impairment. Where impairment exists the asset is written down to its net realisable value

### (i) Debtors

All trade debtors are recognised at the amounts receivable less any provision for doubtful debts. Recoverability of trade debtors is reviewed on an ongoing basis

### (j) Prior year adjustment

The prior year has been restated because the tax credit for the year ended 31 March 2009 was understated by £8,814,000. The net liabilities at 31 March 2009 have been reduced by £8,814,000 and the overall accumulated loss of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2009 has decreased by £8,814,000

### (k) Segmental reporting

The Company's activities consist of property trading and investment in shares in the United Kingdom

### (l) Group accounts

The financial statements present information about the company as an individual undertaking and not about its group. The Company has not prepared group accounts as it is exempt from the requirement to do so by section 400 of the Companies Act 2006 as it is a subsidiary of Land Securities Group PLC, a company incorporated in England and Wales whose consolidated financial statements are publicly available

## 2 Operating profit / (loss)

Other property outgoings are costs incurred in the direct maintenance and upkeep of investment properties. Void costs, which include those relating to empty properties pending redevelopment and refurbishment, costs of investigating potential development schemes which are not proceeded with, and costs in respect of housekeepers and outside staff directly responsible for property services, are also included

**3 Property management and administrative expenses**

Property management and administrative expenses consist of all costs of managing the property, together with the costs of rent reviews and renewals, re-lettings of the property and management services as explained in note (a) below. No staff costs or overheads are capitalised.

**(a) Management services**

The Company had no employees during the year (2009 None). Management services were provided to the Company throughout the year by Land Securities Properties Limited, which is a group undertaking.

**(b) Directors' emoluments**

The directors of the Company received no emoluments from Land Securities Properties Limited for their services to the Company. The amounts allocated to services for this Company were of negligible value (2009 £Nil).

**(c) Auditors' remuneration**

The Group's auditors' remuneration is borne by Land Securities Properties Limited. The proportion of the remuneration which relates to the Company amounts to £1,520 (2009 £1,520). The auditors received no remuneration for non-audit services provided to the Company during the year (2009 £Nil).

**4 Interest payable and similar charges**

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
On an amount owed to a group undertaking	1,177	240

**5 Taxation**

	2010 £'000	2009 (As restated) £'000
<b>Analysis of tax charge / (credit) for the year</b>		
Corporation tax on profit / (loss) for the year	137	(8,814)
<b>Tax charge / (credit) on profit / (loss) on ordinary activities</b>	137	(8,814)
<b>Factors affecting the tax charge / (credit) for the year</b>		
The tax assessed for the year is higher than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 28% (2009 28%). The differences are explained below.		
Profit / (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	193	(37,128)
Profit / (loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by the standard rate in the UK at 28% (2009 28%)	54	(10,396)
Effect of		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	83	-
Increased rate of tax on losses on disposal of assets	-	1,582
<b>Current tax charge / (credit) for the year</b>	137	(8,814)

**6 Investment in a subsidiary undertaking**

The directors believe that the carrying value of the investment is supported by its underlying net assets.

The subsidiary undertaking of the Company is

Name	Class of Shares owned	Percentage of share capital owned	Principal country of incorporation	Nature of business
LS North Weald Limited	£1 Ordinary shares	100%	England	Dormant



**7 Trading properties**

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Cost	1,746	30,970
Impairment provision	(872)	(29,613)
Realisable value	874	1,357

The realisable value of the trading properties at 31 March 2010 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out at that date by Knight Frank LLP, external valuers

**8 Debtors falling due after one year**

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Long-term contracts	3,897	2,063
Property sales debtors	736	-
	4,633	2,063

**9 Debtors falling due within one year**

	2010 £'000	2009 (As restated) £'000
Trade debtors	3	71
Corporation tax	-	8,814
Taxation and social security	11	75
Property sales debtors	123	42
Other debtors	66	66
Prepayments and accrued income	6	10
	209	9,078

**10 Creditors amounts falling due within one year**

	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Capital creditors	-	953
Amount owed to a group undertaking	6,399	13,915
Corporation tax	137	-
Other creditors	2	2
Accruals and deferred income	2,310	816
	8,848	15,686

The unsecured loan from the group undertaking is repayable on demand with no fixed repayment date. Interest is charged at 5.5% per annum (2009 5.5%)

**11 Called up share capital**

	Authorised		Allotted and fully paid	
	2010 No	2009 No	2010 £'000	2009 £'000
Ordinary shares of £1.00 each	25,000,000	25,000,000	16,650	16,650
	25,000,000	25,000,000	16,650	16,650

**12 Reserves**

	Called up Share Capital £'000	Profit and Loss Account £'000	Total £'000
At 1 April 2009 as previously stated	16,650	(28,652)	(12,002)
Prior year adjustment	-	8,814	8,814
	<u>16,650</u>	<u>(19,838)</u>	<u>(3,188)</u>
Profit for the financial year	-	56	56
	<u>16,650</u>	<u>(19,782)</u>	<u>(3,132)</u>
<b>At 31 March 2010</b>	<b>16,650</b>	<b>(19,782)</b>	<b>(3,132)</b>

**13 Cash flow statement exemption**

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Land Securities Group PLC which prepares a consolidated cash flow statement. The Company has therefore elected to make use of the exemption provided in Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised 1996) "Cash Flow Statements" not to produce its own cash flow statement.

**14 Related party transactions**

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Land Securities Group PLC and has taken advantage of the exemption provided in paragraph 3(c) of Financial Reporting Standard 8 "Related Party Disclosures" not to make disclosure of transactions with other entities that are part of the group.

**15 Parent company**

The immediate parent company is LS London Holdings Three Limited.

The ultimate parent company at 31 March 2010 was Land Securities Group PLC, which is registered in England and Wales. This is the largest parent company of the group to consolidate these financial statements.

Consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2010 for Land Securities Group PLC can be obtained from the Company Secretary, 5 Strand, London WC2N 5AF. This is the largest and smallest Group to include these accounts in its consolidated financial statements.

**16 Financial support**

The ultimate parent company has informed the Company that it is its present intention to continue to provide financial support to the Company to enable it to meet its liabilities as they fall due.