

**PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN)  
LIMITED**

**Report and Financial Statements**

**30 June 2003**



**Deloitte & Touche LLP  
Manchester**

# **PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED**

## **REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2003**

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# **PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED**

## **REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2003**

### **OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS**

#### **DIRECTORS**

H.N. Moser  
G.D. Beckett  
M.R. Goldberg  
D.J. Seabridge (resigned 1 November 2002)

#### **SECRETARY**

G.D. Beckett

#### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

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Deloitte & Touche LLP  
Manchester

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003.

### ACTIVITIES AND BUSINESS REVIEW

The company's principal activity is that of a property holding company.

The directors consider the results for the year to be satisfactory and look forward to the future with confidence.

### RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2003 are set out on pages 5 to 11. The loss for the year, after tax was £4,724 (2002 - £6,323).

No dividend can be paid (2002 - £nil).

### DIRECTORS AND THEIR INTERESTS

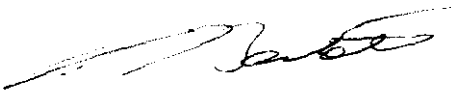
The directors of the company are set out on page 1.

Mr. H.N. Moser is a director of Jerrold Holdings plc, the ultimate parent company, and his interests in the share capital of that company are disclosed in its financial statements. None of the other directors have interests in the share capital of the company, or any other interests required to be disclosed under Schedule 7 of the Companies Act 1985. No director has, or had any material interest in any contract or agreement entered into by the company during the year.

### AUDITORS

On 1 August 2003, Deloitte & Touche transferred their business to Deloitte & Touche LLP, a limited liability partnership incorporated under the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000. The Company's consent has been given to treating the appointment of Deloitte & Touche as extending to Deloitte & Touche LLP with effect from 1 August 2003 under the provisions of section 26(5) of the Companies Act 1989. A resolution to re-appoint Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's auditor will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Approved by the Board of Directors  
and signed on behalf of the Board



G.D. Beckett  
Secretary

28 April 2004

## **PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED**

### **STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES**

United Kingdom 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 as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. 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;
- 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 proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for the system of internal control, 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 PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Privileged Properties (Northern) Limited for the year ended 30 June 2003 which comprise the profit and loss account, the statement of total recognised gains and losses, the balance sheet, the statement of accounting policies and the related notes 1 to 16. These financial statements have been prepared under 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 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 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 United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant United Kingdom legal and regulatory requirements and 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 Act 1985. We also report 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 is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report for the above year and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements.

### 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 company's circumstances, 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 the company's affairs as at 30 June 2003 and of its loss for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

*Deloitte & Touche LLP*

**Deloitte & Touche LLP**  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors  
Manchester  
28 April 2004

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Year ended 30 June 2003

	Note	2003 £	2002 £
<b>TURNOVER</b>	2	2,224	2,097
Administrative expenses		(3,041)	(4,211)
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>		(817)	(2,114)
Interest payable and similar charges	4	(3,907)	(4,209)
<b>LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION</b>	5	(4,724)	(6,323)
Tax on loss on ordinary activities	6	-	-
<b>RETAINED LOSS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	10	(4,724)	(6,323)

All activity has arisen from continuing operations.

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2003

		2003 £	2002 £
Loss for the financial year		(4,724)	(6,323)
Unrealised deficit on revaluation of investment and properties	7	(16,464)	-
Total recognised gains and losses for the year		(21,188)	(6,323)
Prior year adjustment	16	29,552	
Total gains and losses recognised since last annual report		8,364	

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED


## BALANCE SHEET

30 June 2003

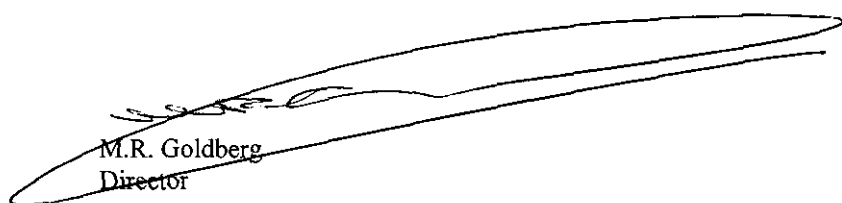
	Note	2003 £	2002 As restated £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Investment properties	7	<u>52,955</u>	<u>69,419</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		100	100
<b>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	<u>(56,526)</u>	<u>(51,802)</u>
<b>NET CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>(56,426)</u>	<u>(51,702)</u>
<b>NET LIABILITIES</b>		<u>(3,471)</u>	<u>17,717</u>
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Called up share capital	9	100	100
Revaluation reserve	10	13,088	29,552
Profit and loss account	10	<u>(16,659)</u>	<u>(11,935)</u>
<b>EQUITY SHAREHOLDER'S (DEFICIT)/FUNDS</b>	11	<u>(3,471)</u>	<u>17,717</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 28 April 2004.

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors



G.D. Beckett  
Director



M.R. Goldberg  
Director



# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 30 June 2003

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The particular accounting policies adopted are described below. They have been applied consistently throughout the current and prior year.

#### Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of investment properties.

#### Investment properties

A valuation of investment properties is made annually as at the balance sheet date by the directors, at open market value. A sample of valuations is conducted by external Chartered Surveyors on a periodic basis. Changes in the market value of investment properties are accounted for by way of a movement in revaluation reserve and are included in the statement of total recognised gains and losses unless a deficit (or its reversal) on an individual investment property is expected by the directors to be permanent, in which case the change in market value is charged (credited) to the profit and loss account. On disposal, the cumulative revaluation surpluses or deficits are transferred from the revaluation reserve to the profit and loss account reserve.

In accordance with SSAP 19 no depreciation or amortisation is provided in respect of freehold investment properties and leasehold investment properties with over 20 years to run. The requirement of the Companies Act 1985 is to depreciate all properties, but that requirement conflicts with the generally accepted principles set out in SSAP 19. The directors consider that, as these properties are not held for consumption but for investment, to depreciate them would not give a true and fair view, and that it is necessary to adopt SSAP 19 in order to give a true and fair view. If this departure from the Act had not been made the profit for the financial year would have been decreased by depreciation. However, the amount of depreciation cannot reasonably be quantified, because of the lack of analysis of the cost/value as between land and buildings.

#### Taxation

UK corporation tax is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the company's taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

A net deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only when, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 30 June 2003

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Taxation (continued)

Deferred tax is not recognised when fixed assets are revalued unless by the balance sheet date there is a binding agreement to sell the revalued assets and the gain or loss expected to arise on sale has been recognised in the financial statements. Neither is deferred tax recognised when fixed assets are sold and it is more likely than not that the taxable gain will be rolled over, being charged to tax only if and when the replacement assets are sold.

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax is measured on a non-discounted basis.

#### Turnover

Turnover, which is derived wholly within the UK, consists of rental income.

### 2. TURNOVER

	2003	2002
	£	£
Rental income	<u>2,224</u>	<u>2,097</u>

### 3. STAFF COSTS

The company had no employees and paid no directors' emoluments during either year.

### 4. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	2003	2002
	£	£
Interest on other loans	<u>3,907</u>	<u>4,209</u>

### 5. LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The audit fee was borne by a fellow group undertaking in both years.

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 30 June 2003

### 6. TAX ON LOSS ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

There was no tax charge or credit in the year because of the loss made and the surrender of this loss free of charge to fellow group companies.

The differences between the total current tax shown above and the amount calculated by applying the standard rate of UK corporation tax to the profit before tax is as follows:

	2003 £	2002 £
<b>Loss on ordinary activities before tax</b>	<u>(4,724)</u>	<u>(6,323)</u>
Tax on loss on ordinary activities at standard UK corporation tax rate of 30% (2002 – 30%)	(1,417)	(1,897)
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	-	-
Other timing differences	-	-
Group relief surrendered free of charge	1,417	1,897
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Current tax charge for year</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

There is an unprovided deferred tax liability at the year end of £3,926 (2002 - £8,866) on the revaluation of properties.

### 7. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	Freehold property investment £
<b>Valuation</b>	
Beginning of year	69,419
Revaluation	<u>(16,464)</u>
End of year	<u>52,955</u>

The investment properties have been valued on an open market basis by Roger Hannah & Co. an external valuer, a member of the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors as at 30 June 2003. Had the properties not been revalued they would be included in the financial statements at an historical cost of £39,867 (2002 - £39,867).

### 8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2003 £	2002 As restated £
Amounts owed to group undertakings	<u>56,526</u>	<u>51,802</u>

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 30 June 2003

### 9. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2003 £	2002 £
Authorised, allotted, called-up and fully paid 100 ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100

### 10. RESERVES

	Profit and loss reserve £	Revaluation reserve As restated £
At 1 July 2002	(11,935)	29,552
Retained loss for the financial year	(4,724)	-
Revaluation deficit	-	(16,464)
At 30 June 2003	(16,659)	13,088

### 11. RECONCILIATION OF EQUITY SHAREHOLDER'S (DEFICIT)/FUNDS

	2003 £	2002 As restated £
Loss for the financial year	(4,724)	(6,323)
Other recognised gains and losses for the year	(16,464)	-
Net reduction to equity shareholder's (deficit)/funds	(21,188)	(6,323)
Opening equity shareholder's funds	17,717	24,040
Closing equity shareholder's (deficit)/funds	(3,471)	17,717

The opening shareholder's funds at 1 July 2001 as previously reported amounted to £(5,512) before the prior year adjustment of £29,552 (see note 16).

### 12. CONTINGENT LIABILITY

The company's assets are subject to a fixed and floating charge in respect of £141 million of bank borrowings of the group (2002 - £97 million).

### 13. CASH FLOW STATEMENT

As permitted by FRS 1 (Revised 1996), the company has not produced a cash flow statement, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Jerrold Holdings plc which has produced consolidated financial statements that are publicly available.

### 14. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As a subsidiary undertaking of Jerrold Holdings plc, the company has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 8, "Related party disclosures" not to disclose transactions with other members of the group headed by Jerrold Holdings plc.

# PRIVILEGED PROPERTIES (NORTHERN) LIMITED

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Year ended 30 June 2003

### 15. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of Jerrold Holdings plc (formerly Blemain Group plc), a company incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales.

The largest and smallest group of which Privileged Properties (Northern) Limited is a member, and for which group financial statements are drawn up, is that headed by Jerrold Holdings plc, whose principal place of business is at Bracken House, Charles Street, Manchester, M1 7BD.

### 16. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

The prior year figures for creditors and revaluation reserve has been amended following a group wide review of the costs and valuations of investment properties. It was discovered that certain costs and valuations had been incorrectly allocated across the group's property portfolio. The effect of the adjustment is to increase net assets in the prior year by £29,552.

	As previously stated £	Prior year adjustment £	As restated £
Amounts owed to group undertakings	81,354	(29,552)	51,802
Revaluation reserve	-	29,552	29,552