

# **Lemington Estates Limited**

## **Directors' Report and Financial Statements**

31 December 1999

Registered number 01458612



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## Directors' Report

The Directors present their report and the audited accounts for the year ended 31 December 1999.

### Principal Activity

The main activities of the company are plant hire and contracting.

On 2 November 1999, the company's ultimate parent company, Cussins Property Group Limited, was acquired by The Miller Group Limited.

### Results and Dividend

The results for the year are set out in the profit and loss account on page 4. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend.

### Directors and Directors' Interests

The Directors who served during the year were:

W I Waites (Resigned 3 November 1999)  
J R Anderson (Resigned 19 November 1999)  
G Hall (Resigned 19 November 1999)  
M P Windle  
P Spoor (Appointed 3 November 1999)

None of the Directors had any interests in the shares of the company during the year. The interests of the Directors in the shares of The Miller Group Limited, the parent company, are dealt with in the accounts of that company.

### Millennium Compliance

No major issues were encountered with the passing of the millennium and, to date, no third party issues have adversely affected the company. The costs associated with preparing for millennium compliance were not significant.

The Directors believe that the company is at an acceptable state of readiness for any potential failures or issues that may arise in the coming year.

### Auditors

In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution for the reappointment of KPMG as auditors of the company is to be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By order of the board



**Euan J Donaldson**  
Secretary

26 October 2000

## **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 of the profit or loss 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, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

## **Auditors' Report to the Members of Lemington Estates Limited**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 7.

### **Respective responsibilities of Directors and Auditors**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' report and, as described on page 2, the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board and by our profession's ethical guidance.

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. 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 is not disclosed.

### **Basis of Audit Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 31 December 1999 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

**KPMG**

KPMG

**Chartered Accountants  
Registered Auditors**

**27 October 2000**

**Edinburgh**

**Profit and Loss Account**  
*for the year ended 31 December 1999*

	<i>Notes</i>	<b>1999</b> £	1998 £
Turnover	1	7,114,101	7,069,987
Cost of sales		<b>(7,114,101)</b>	<b>(7,069,987)</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>		-	-
Administrative credit		<b>159</b>	-
<b>Profit before taxation</b>		<b>159</b>	-
Taxation		-	-
<b>Profit for the financial year</b>	7	<b>159</b>	-
Loss brought forward		<b>(100)</b>	<b>(100)</b>
<b>Profit / (Loss) carried forward</b>		<b>59</b>	<b>(100)</b>

Other than the profit for the year there were no other recognised gains or losses.

**Balance Sheet**  
at 31 December 1999

	Notes	1999 £	1998 £
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	4	371,079	220,959
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	5	<u>(370,920)</u>	<u>(220,959)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>		<u>159</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	6	100	100
Profit and loss account		59	(100)
<b>Equity shareholders' funds</b>	7	<u>159</u>	<u>-</u>

These accounts were approved by the Board of Directors on 26 October 2000 and were signed on its behalf by:



**M P WINDLE**  
Director

**Notes**

(forming part of the financial statements)

**1 Accounting policies**

***Basis of accounting***

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost basis and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards.

The company is exempt from the requirement of Financial Reporting Standard 1 (revised), to prepare a cash flow statement, as it is a wholly owned subsidiary undertaking of The Miller Group Limited and its cash flows are included within the consolidated cash flow statement of that company.

As the company is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Miller Group Limited, the company has taken advantage of the exemption contained in FRS8 and has therefore not disclosed transactions or balances with entities which form part of the group. The consolidated financial statements of The Miller Group Limited, within which this company is included, can be obtained from the address given in note 8.

***Turnover***

Turnover, all of which is generated in the United Kingdom represents labour costs recharged to other group companies.

<b>2</b>	<b>Remuneration of directors</b>	<b>1999</b>		1998
		£		£
	Directors' emoluments	-		-
		<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>

**3 Staff numbers and costs**

The average number of persons employed by the company, including Directors, during the year was as follows:

	<b>1999</b>		1998
	<b>Number</b>		Number
Building and development	298		360
Administration and Sales	25		24
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>
	<b>323</b>		<b>384</b>
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>

The aggregate payroll costs of these persons were as follows:

	<b>1999</b>		1998
	£		£
Wages and salaries	6,532,973		6,482,000
Social security costs	581,128		588,000
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>
	<b>7,114,101</b>		<b>7,070,000</b>
	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>



**Notes** (continued)

<b>4</b>	<b>Debtors</b>	<b>1999</b> £	1998 £
	Amount owed by group undertaking	371,079	220,959
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>5</b>	<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>1999</b> £	1998 £
	Bank overdraft	44,200	30,737
	Trade creditors	159,084	23,000
	Other taxes	167,636	167,222
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
		<b>370,920</b>	220,959
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>6</b>	<b>Share capital</b>	<b>1999</b> £	1998 £
	<b>Equity</b>		
	<i>Authorised, allotted, called up and fully paid</i>		
	100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	100	100
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
<b>7</b>	<b>Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds</b>	<b>1999</b> £	1998 £
	<b>Profit for the financial year</b>	159	-
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
	<b>Net addition to shareholders' funds</b>	159	-
	Opening shareholders' funds	-	-
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
	<b>Closing shareholders' funds</b>	159	-
		<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

**8 Ultimate parent company**

The company's ultimate parent company is The Miller Group Limited, which is registered in Scotland and incorporated in Great Britain. The accounts of The Miller Group Limited can be obtained from the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, 37 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2EB.