

Company Registration No. 12934 (England and Wales)

WATTS & COMPANY LIMITED
ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997



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AUDITORS' REPORT TO WATTS & COMPANY LIMITED PURSUANT TO SECTION 247B OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

We have examined the abbreviated accounts set out on pages 2 to 4, together with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 1997 prepared under section 226 of the Companies Act 1985.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the abbreviated accounts in accordance with section 246 of the Companies Act 1985. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion as to whether the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Act to the registrar of companies and whether the accounts to be delivered are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We have carried out the procedures we considered necessary to confirm, by reference to the financial statements, that the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts and that the abbreviated accounts to be delivered are properly prepared. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report did not include examining or dealing with events after the date of our report on the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the company is entitled to deliver abbreviated accounts prepared in accordance with sections 246(5) and (6) of the Companies Act 1985, and the abbreviated accounts on pages 2 to 4 are properly prepared in accordance with those provisions.



Freeman Baker

29 October 1998

Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor

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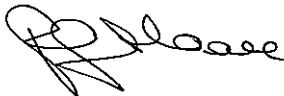
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ABBREVIATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1997

	Notes	1997		1996	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	2		23,099		3,776
Investments	2		30		30
			<u>23,129</u>		<u>3,806</u>
Current assets					
Stocks		61,079		63,685	
Debtors	3	76,339		99,174	
Cash at bank and in hand		64,432		56,292	
		<u>201,850</u>		<u>219,151</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		<u>(81,194)</u>		<u>(101,766)</u>	
Net current assets			<u>120,656</u>		<u>117,385</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>143,785</u>		<u>121,191</u>
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	4	10,000		10,000	
Profit and loss account		133,785		111,191	
Shareholders' funds			<u>143,785</u>		<u>121,191</u>

These abbreviated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the board on 29 October 1998.



Miss P.G. Hoare
Director

D.J. Gazeley
Director



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NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for goods and services net of VAT and trade discounts.

1.4 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:

Leasehold properties	Straight line over the life of the lease
Wallpaper blocks	33.33% Reducing balance
Fixtures, fittings & equipment	20% Reducing balance
Computer equipment	30% Reducing balance

1.5 Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at cost less provision for diminution in value.

1.6 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

1.7 Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contributions payable by the company during the year in accordance with SSAP 24.

1.8 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided at appropriate rates on all timing differences using the liability method only to the extent that, in the opinion of the directors, there is a reasonable probability that a liability or asset will crystallise in the foreseeable future.

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2 Fixed assets

	Tangible assets	Investments	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 January 1997	27,597	30	27,627
Additions	24,703	-	24,703
Disposals	(1,779)	-	(1,779)
At 31 December 1997	50,521	30	50,551
Depreciation			
At 1 January 1997	23,821	-	23,821
On disposals	(1,276)	-	(1,276)
Charge for the year	4,877	-	4,877
At 31 December 1997	27,422	-	27,422
Net book value			
At 31 December 1997	23,099	30	23,129
At 31 December 1996	3,776	30	3,806

3 Debtors

Debtors include an amount of £10,500 (1996 - £10,500) which is due after more than one year.

4 Share capital

	1997	1996
	£	£
Authorised		
1,000 Ordinary shares of £50 each	50,000	50,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
200 Ordinary shares of £50 each	10,000	10,000