INTERIM RESULTS 2004

CHAIRMAN'S INTERIM STATEMENT

Dear Shareholder,

The results for the half year ended 30th June, 2004 show a return on ordinary activities after tax for the Revenue account of \pounds 509,000, compared with \pounds 279,000 for the comparable period last year and a small loss of \pounds 2,000 for the Capital account compared with a loss of \pounds 176,000 for the same period last year. Overall this has resulted in a basic return per ordinary share of 10.6p against 2.3p for the comparable period last year.

Income streams in total have remained constant compared with the similar period last year. Whilst there has been a significant increase of £306,000 in rental income this has been offset by a similar fall in other operating income, particularly construction activities. These activities however also account for the majority of the decrease in Other expenses.

Improvements to the property portfolio have continued during the period under review and, since the property revaluation has only recently been undertaken, it has been considered prudent to set these costs of £195,000 against revaluation reserves. As a result diluted net asset value has increased to 573.0p from 568.3p as at the beginning of the period, an increase of 0.8% compared with an almost identical increase of 0.9% in the FTSE All Share Index.

In my statement at the year end I reported that it was the Board's intention to selectively dispose of part of the property portfolio during 2004. We are currently in advanced negotiations which I believe will result in the disposal of a significant part of the property portfolio in the near future. As soon as this has been achieved the appropriate announcement will be made.

Your Board continues with its strategy of seeking innovative early stage investments in companies that have a real prospect of high growth and the development of the property portfolio.

A P Stirling Chairman

27th September, 2004

UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

For the half year ended 30th June, 2004									
	6 months to 30th June, 2004 (Unaudited)		6 months to 30th June, 2003 (Unaudited)		Year ended 31st December, 2003 (Audited)				
	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000
(Loss)/gains on Investments Income:	-	(2)	(2)	-	(176)	(176)	-	2	2
Dividend and Interest Income Rental Income Other operating income	84 1,811 71	- -	84 1,811 71	114 1,505 331	- -	114 1,505 331	234 3,193 444	-	234 3,193 444
Other expenses	1,966 (703)	(2)	1,964 (703)	1,950 (940)	(176)	1,774 (940)	3,871 (1,204)	2	3,873 (1,204)
Net return before finance costs and taxation	1,263	(2)	1,261	1,010	(176)	834	2,667	2	2,669
Interest payable and similar charges	(720)	-	(720)	(731)	-	(731)	(1,458)	-	(1,458)
Return on ordinary activities before taxation	543	(2)	541	279	(176)	103	1,209	2	1,211
Taxation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Return on ordinary activities after taxation	543	(2)	541	279	(176)	103	1,209	2	1,211
Minority Interest	(34)	-	(34)	-	-	-	(56)	-	(56)
Return attributable to equity shareholders	509	(2)	507	279	(176)	103	1,153	2	1,155
Dividend - Equity shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	(149)	-	(149)
Transfer to reserves	509	(2)	507	279	(176)	103	1,004	2	1,006
Basic return per Ordinary Share	10.6p	-	10.6p	6.2p	(3.9)p	2.3p	25.1p	-	25.1p
Diluted return per Ordinary Share	10.6p	-	10.6p	6.0p	(3.8)p	2.2p	24.9p	-	24.9p

Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses

	30th June, 2004 £'000	30th June, 2003 £'000	31st December, 2003 £'000
Profit for the financial period	509	279	1,153
Net movement on capital reserves Surplus and write back of impairment	(2)	(176)	2
on property revaluation	(195)	-	5,298
Minority interest in reserves			(1,006)
	312	103	5,447

Notes

(i) The revenue column of this statement is the consolidated profit and loss account of the group.

(ii) All revenue and capital items in the above statement derive from continuing operations.

UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

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Basic Net Asset Value per ordinary share 574.7p 475.2p 572.3		28,738	21,877	
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Diluted Net Asset Value per ordinary share 573.0p 461.4p 568.3	Diluted Net Asset Value per ordinary share	573.0p	461.4p	568.3p

UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the half year to 30th June, 2004

	6 months to 30th June, 2004 (Unaudited) £'000	6 months to 30th June, 2003 (Unaudited) £'000	12 months to 31st December, 2003 (Audited) £'000
Cashflow from operating activities Investment income received Interest received Rental income received Other cash payments	61 23 1,663 (745)	81 33 1,477 (121)	133 101 2,990 (316)
Net cash inflow from operating activities (Note 2) Returns on investment and servicing of finance Interest paid on 8% Secured	1,002	1,470	2,908
Redeemable Loan Stock 2006 Interest paid on property loans Net cash outflow from investments	(146) (795)	(146) (577)	$(293) \\ (1,148) \\ \hline (1,441)$
and servicing of finance Capital expenditure and	(941)	(723)	(1,441)
financial investment Sale of tangible fixed assets Purchase of tangible fixed assets Purchase of investments Sale of investments Net loans repaid/(advanced) Purchase of/improvements to investment	(971) 828 348	6 (19) (557) 795 (51)	6 (19) (1,415) 1,320
Properties Purchase of developments in hand Net cash outflow from capital expenditure and financial investment	(195) (145) (135)	(690) (146) (662)	(1,039) (2,392) (3,539)
Corporation tax paid	-	-	-
Equity dividends paid Cash outflow before use of liquid resources and financing	(148)	(141)	(142)
Management of liquid resources Acquisition of listed securities held for dealing	(87)	(261)	(335)
Financing Repayment of loans Receipt of loans Share capital issued	(457) 74 118	(391) 199 132	(889) 1,797 271
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing	(265)	(60)	1,179
Decrease in cash	(574)	(377)	(1,370)

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS

	6 months to 30th June, 2004 (Unaudited) £'000	6 months to 30th June, 2003 (Unaudited) £'000	12 months to 31st December, 2003 (Audited) £'000
Retained profit for the period Surplus and write back of	509	279	1,004
impairment on property revaluation	(195)	-	5,298
Net movement on capital reserves Exercise of options to subscribe for	(2)	(177)	2
share capital	118	132	271
Minority interest in reserves	-		(1,006)
Shareholders' funds at beginning of period	430 27,212	234 21,643	5,569 21,643
Shareholders' funds at end of period	27,642	21,877	27,212

NOTES TO THE INTERIM STATEMENT

for the half year to 30th June, 2004

1 Basis of Preparation

- (a) The interim statement has been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies as set out in the Group's Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 2003.
- (b) The interim statement is neither audited nor reviewed. The figures for the year ended 31st December, 2003 do not comprise statutory accounts for the purpose of section 240 of the Companies Act 1985, and have been extracted from the Group's full accounts for that year which received an unqualified Auditors' Report and did not contain a statement under section 237(2) or (3) of the Companies Act 1985. The accounts have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.
- (c) In accordance with the Company's accounting policies the above figures take into account the results of significant investments only to the extent of dividends received amounting to £1,717 (2003: £1,717).

2 Reconciliation of operating profit to operating cash flows

2	Reconciliation of operating profit to operation	ung cash nows		
	n a statistica	6 months to 30th June, 2004 (Unaudited) £'000	6 months to 30th June, 2003 (Unaudited) £'000	12 months to 31st December, 2003 (Audited) £'000
	Return on ordinary activities before taxation Interest payable	543 720	279 731 1.010	1,209 1,458 2.667
	Depreciation Loan provision written back Decrease/(increase) in debtors (Decrease)/increase in creditors	$ \begin{array}{r} 1,263 \\ 8 \\ - \\ 74 \\ \underline{(343)} \end{array} $	(611) 	2,007 9 (40) 64 208
	Net cash flow from operating activities	1,002	1,470	2,908
3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt	6 months to 30th June, 2004 (Unaudited) £'000	6 months to 30th June, 2003 (Unaudited) £'000	12 months to 31st December, 2003 (Audited) £'000
	Decrease in cash for the period Cash outflow from repayment of debt Cash inflow from loans received Cash outflow from increase in liquid resources	(574) 474 (91) <u>87</u>	(377) 391 (199) 261	(1,370) 889 (1,797) <u>335</u>
	Movement in net debt in the period Net debt at beginning of period	(104) (19,833)	76 (17,840)	(1,943) (17,890)
	Balance at end of period	(19,937)	(17,764)	(19,833)
4	Analysis of net debt			
		At 1st January 2004 £'000	Cash flow £'000	Other At non-cash 30th June changes 2004 £'000 £'000
	Cash in hand and at bank/brokers Bank overdraft	1,189 (17) 1,172	(591) 17 (574)	- 598
	Debt due within one year	(3,673)	383	(355) (3,645)
	Debt due after one year	(18,013)		355 (17,658)
	Current asset investments	(21,686) 681	383 87	- (21,303) - 768
		(19,833)	(104)	- (19,937)

5 Called up share capital

During the period under review 10,000 share options were exercised at par under the Unapproved Share Option Schemes and, in addition, 44,890 ordinary shares were issued under the terms of the 8% Secured Redeemable Loan Stock 2006; 19,784 ordinary shares at a price of 284p per share and 25,106 ordinary shares at a price of 236p per share. The allotted share capital has therefore increased by 54,890 ordinary shares.

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