PERSONAL ASSETS TRUST PLC

(Registered Number SC74582)

INTERIM ACCOUNTS

in accordance with section 272 Companies Act 1985
(as amended by section 838 Companies Act 2006)

FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 MAY 2008

TO 31 OCTOBER 2008

PERSONAL ASSETS TRUST PLC

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the interim accounts

Company Law requires the Directors to prepare interim accounts prior to making any distribution where the distribution would be found to contravene the relevant section of the Companies Act if reference were made only to the Company's last annual accounts. These accounts are required to be properly prepared under s272(3) of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended by s838 Companies Act 2006) and must consist of:

- A balance sheet which gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at the balance sheet date; and
- A profit and loss account which gives a true and fair view of the Company's profit or loss for the period. This requirement is met by the presentation of the total column in the Income Statement.

In preparing these accounts the Directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and 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 interim accounts; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the Company will not continue in business

The Directors are responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are maintained, which enable them to ensure that the interim accounts comply with the Companies Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and, therefore, for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

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Income Statement

	Notes	Period from 1 May 2008 to 31 October 2008			Year to 30 April 2008		
		Revenue Return £'000	Capital Return £'000	Total £'000	Revenue Return £'000	Capital Return £'000	Total £'000
Losses on investments held at fair value	7	-	(8,902)	(8,902)	-	(11,670)	(11,670)
Gains on derivatives held at fair value		-	2,431	2,431	-	5,962	5,962
Foreign exchange differences		-	(18,324)	(18,324)	-	(346)	(346)
Income	1	2,196	-	2,196	6,172	-	6,172
Expenses	2	(1,056)	-	(1,056)	(2,099)	-	(2,099)
Return on ordinary activities before taxation		**1,140**	**(24,795)**	**(23,655)**	**4,073**	**(6,054)**	**(1,981)**
Taxation	3	(7)	-	(7)	(37)	-	(37)
Profit/(loss) for the period		**1,133**	**(24,795)**	**(23,662)**	**4,036**	**(6,054)**	**(2,018)**
Earnings per Share	5	£1.54	(£33.75)	(£32.21)	£5.59	(£8.38)	(£2.79)

The total column of this statement represents the Company's Income Statement, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). Under IFRS the Income Statement is the equivalent of the Statement of Total Return.

The revenue and capital return columns are supplementary to this and are prepared under guidance published by the Association of Investment Companies.

All items in the above statement derive from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 7 to 12 are an integral part of these statements.

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Balance Sheet

	Notes	As at 31 Oct 2008 £'000	As at 30 April 2008 £'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investments held at fair value through profit or loss	7	154,991	170,546
		154,991	170,546
CURRENT ASSETS			
Other receivables	8	401	9,397
Cash at bank and on deposit		27,669	14,660
		28,070	24,057
TOTAL ASSETS		**183,061**	**194,603**
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
Other payables	9	(18,661)	(5,939)
TOTAL LIABILITIES		**(18,661)**	**(5,939)**
NET ASSETS		**164,400**	**188,664**
REPRESENTED BY:			
Ordinary Share Capital	10	9,386	9,386
Share Premium	11	87,225	87,582
Capital Redemption Reserve	11	219	219
Treasury Share Reserve	11	(3,065)	(4,669)
Special Reserve	11	22,517	22,517
Other Capital Reserves	11	45,382	70,177
Revenue Reserve	11	2,736	3,452
		164,400	**188,664**
Net Asset Value per Equity Share	12	£222.74	£257.37

The financial statements on pages 2 to 12 were approved by the Board and authorised for issue on 25 March 2009 and were signed on its behalf by:

Director

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ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). These comprise standards and interpretations approved by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), together with such interpretations by the International Accounting Standards and Standing Interpretations Committee as have been approved by the International Accounting Standards Committee ("IASC") and still remain in effect, to the extent that these have been adopted by the European Union. The disclosures within these financial statements have been limited to those required to meet the statutory requirements of s272 Companies Act 1985 (as amended by s838 Companies Act 2006), requisite in respect of interim accounts prepared for a proposed distribution by a public company.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand pounds (£'000) except where otherwise indicated.

The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. Where the presentational guidance set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice ("the SORP") for investment trusts issued by the Association of Investment Companies ("the AIC") in December 2005 is consistent with the requirements of IFRS, the Directors have sought to prepare the financial statements on a basis compliant with the recommendation of the SORP.

Presentation of Income Statement

In order better to reflect the activities of an investment trust company, and in accordance with guidance issued by the AIC, supplementary information which analyses the Income Statement between items of a revenue and capital nature has been presented alongside the Income Statement. In accordance with the Company's status as a UK investment company under section 833 of the Companies Act 2006 net capital returns may not be distributed by way of dividend. Additionally, the net profit is the measure the Directors believe is appropriate in assessing the Company's compliance with certain requirements set out in section 842 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.

Income

Dividends are recognised as income when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established, normally the ex-dividend date.

Dividends receivable on equity shares where no ex-dividend date is quoted are recognised when the Company's right to receive payment is established.

Where the Company has received its dividends in the form of additional shares rather than cash, the amount of the cash dividend is recognised as income.

Interest income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Expenses

All expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis and are charged fully to revenue.

Transaction costs incurred on the acquisition or disposal of investments are expensed.

Taxation

In accordance with the SORP, the marginal rate of tax is applied to taxable net revenue.

Deferred Taxation

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Investments

Investments are recognised and derecognised on the trade date where a purchase or sale is under a contract whose terms require delivery within a period of time established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value.

Investments are designated in terms of IFRS as "investments held at fair value through profit or loss", and are measured at subsequent reporting dates at fair value, which is either the bid price or the last traded price, depending on the convention of the exchange on which the investment is quoted. Investments in unit trusts or OEICs are valued at the closing price released by the relevant investment manager.

Capital Redemption Reserve

The Capital Redemption Reserve represents the nominal value of Ordinary shares bought back for cancellation by the Company since authority to do this was first obtained at an Extraordinary General Meeting in April 1999.

Special Reserve

The cost of any shares bought back for cancellation is deducted from the Special Reserve, which is a distributable reserve and was created from the cancellation of the Share Premium Account, also following the Extraordinary General Meeting in April 1999.

Treasury Share Reserve

The Treasury Reserve was created following the introduction of Treasury Shares and IFRS. The cost of any shares bought back to be held in Treasury or subsequent re-sale of shares from Treasury is deducted from or added to the Treasury Share Reserve. If shares are re-sold at a premium over their cost the excess is transferred to the Share Premium Account.

Other Capital Reserves

Gains and losses on the realisation of investments, gains and losses on the realisation of FTSE 100 Future contracts, realised exchange differences of a capital nature, returns of capital and profits/losses on shares sold from Treasury are accounted for in this Reserve.

Increases and decreases in the valuation of investments held at the year end, unrealised gains and losses on FTSE 100 Future contracts and unrealised exchange differences of a capital nature are also accounted for in this Reserve.

Revenue Reserve

Any surplus arising from the revenue profit for the year after payment of dividends is taken to this Reserve.

Foreign Currency

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the actual exchange rate as at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets denominated in foreign currencies at the year end are reported at fair value by using the rate of exchange prevailing at the year end.

Forward currency contracts are reported at fair value at the year end by using the rates of exchange prevailing at the year end.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises cash in hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Financial liabilities and equity

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is a contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Company after deducting all of its liabilities. Financial liabilities and equity instruments are recorded at the proceeds received, net of issue costs.

Notes to the Accounts

	Period to 31 Oct 2008 £'000	Period to 30 April 2008 £'000
1. INCOME		
Listed investments	1,868	5,219
Deposit interest	328	953
	2,196	6,172

2. EXPENSES	**£'000**	**£'000**
Investment Management Expenses	898	1,798
Directors' fees	42	84
Auditors remuneration for - statutory audit	-	14
- tax services	-	5
Other expenses	116	198
	1,056	2,099

3. TAXATION	**£'000**	**£'000**
Foreign tax suffered	7	18
Corporation tax	-	19
	7	37

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

4. FACTORS AFFECTING TAX CHARGE FOR THE CURRENT YEAR

	Period to 31 Oct 2008 £'000	Period to 30 April 2008 £'000
Return on ordinary activities before tax	(23,655)	(1,981)
Taxation at the UK standard rate of corporation tax (28%) (30 April 2008 – 30%)	(6,623)	(594)
Effects of:		
- capital losses not subject to taxation	6,942	1,816
- franked investment income not subject to taxation	(430)	(1,371)
- excess management expenses	111	149
- prior year adjustment	-	19
- withholding tax suffered	7	18
Current period tax charge	7	37

5. RETURN PER ORDINARY SHARE

The return per ordinary share is based on the following figures:

Revenue return	£1,133,000	£4,036,000
Capital return	(£24,795,000)	(£6,054,000)
Total return	(£23,662,000)	(£2,018,000)
Weighted average number of shares in issue during the period	734,714	722,662

6. DISTRIBUTIONS

	Period to 31 Oct 2008 £'000	Period to 30 April 2008 £'000
Amounts recognised as dividends in the period:		
First interim dividend for the year ending 30 April 2009 of £2.50 per share (2008: £2.25)	1,849	1,626
Second interim dividend for the year ended 30 April 2008 of £2.35 per share	-	1,703
	1,849	3,329

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

7. FIXED ASSETS – INVESTMENTS	Period to 31 Oct 2008 £'000	Period to 30 April 2008 £'000
Opening book cost	167,099	163,999
Opening unrealised appreciation	3,447	25,785
Opening valuation	170,546	189,784
Purchases at cost	308,609	333,022
Sales proceeds	(315,262)	(340,590)
Sales – realised gains and sales	12,648	10,668
Decrease in unrealised appreciation	(21,550)	(22,338)
Closing valuation	**154,991**	**170,546**
Realised gains on investments	12,648	10,668
Movement in unrealised depreciation	(21,550)	(22,338)
Total losses on investments held at fair value through profit and loss	**(8,902)**	**(11,670)**

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

8. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	31 Oct 2008 £'000	30 April 2008 £'000
Due from brokers	-	7,401
Accrued income	401	905
Unrealised gain on foreign exchange currency contracts	-	1,069
Other debtors	-	22
	401	9,397

9. OTHER PAYABLES

	31 Oct 2008 £'000	30 April 2008 £'000
Due to brokers	494	847
Unrealised loss on FTSE Futures	4,025	4,984
Unrealised loss on foreign exchange currency contracts	14,052	-
Other creditors	90	108
	18,661	5,939

10. SHARE CAPITAL

	31 October 2008 shares	30 April 2008 shares	31 October 2008 £'000	30 April 2008 £'000
Authorised at 31 October 2008 and 30 April 2008				
Ordinary shares of £12.50 each	1,000,000	1,000,000	12,500	12,500
Allotted, called up and fully paid at 31 October 2008 and 30 April 2008				
Ordinary shares of £12.50 each	750,876	750,876	9,386	9,386

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

11. RESERVES

Share Premium	**£'000**
At 30 April 2008	87,582
Transfer to Treasury Share Reserve	(115)
Loss on shares issued	(242)
At 31 October 2008	87,225
Special Reserve	
At 30 April 2008	22,517
At 31 October 2008	22,517
Capital Redemption Reserve	
At 30 April 2008	219
At 31 October 2008	219
Treasury Share Reserve	
At 30 April 2008	(4,669)
Transfer from Share Premium	115
Buy-backs of ordinary shares	(2,564)
Issue of shares from treasury	4,053
At 31 October 2008	(3,065)
Other Capital Reserves	
At 30 April 2008	70,177
Loss for the period	(24,795)
At 31 October 2008	45,382
Revenue Reserve	
As at 30 April 2008	3,452
Transfer to revenue account	1,133
Dividend paid	(1,849)
At 31 October 2008	2,736

Notes to the Accounts (continued)

12. NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE

The net asset value per equity share and the net assets attributable to the equity shares were as follows:

	31 Oct 2008 £'000	30 April 2008 £'000
Net assets attributable	£164,400	£188,664
Number of Ordinary shares in issue	738,073	733,051
Net asset value per equity share	£222.74	£257.37