

CROWN PLACE VCT PLC

**Interim accounts (non-consolidated)
for the period to
28 February 2007
(Unaudited)**

Company Number: 3495287



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Directors and administration

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Crown Place VCT PLC is a member of the Association of Investment Companies

Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements

Company law requires the Directors to prepare such financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the total return for that period and comply with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP) and the Companies Act 1985. In preparing these 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 all applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements, and
- 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 which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for the system of internal control, for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The Directors confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed in the financial statements accompanying this report.

Income Statement

	Notes	Unaudited			Audited		
		28 February 2007			28 February 2006		
		Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000
Revenue received on investments		1,878	-	1,878	940	-	940
Investment management fee		(179)	(536)	(715)	(146)	(440)	(586)
Other expenses		(363)	1	(362)	(299)	(517)	(816)
Non recurring operating expenses		(73)	-	(73)	(904)	-	(904)
Operating profit/(loss)		1,263	(535)	728	(409)	(957)	(1,366)
Gains on investments		-	1,103	1,103	-	2,893	2,893
Return on ordinary activities before tax		1,263	568	1,831	(409)	1,936	1,527
Tax on ordinary activities		(160)	160	-	-	-	-
Return/(loss) attributable to equityholders		1,103	728	1,831	(409)	1,936	1,527
Basic and diluted return per Ordinary share (pence)	4	14	09	23	(09)	43	34

The total column of this Income Statement represents the profit and loss account of the Company. The supplementary revenue and capital return columns have been prepared in accordance with the Association of Investment Trust Companies' Statement of Recommended Practice.

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

There were no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the period as disclosed above. Accordingly a statement of total recognised gains and losses is not required.

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these accounts.

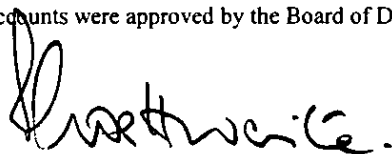
Balance sheet

	Unaudited 28 February 2007 £'000	Audited 28 February 2006 £'000
Fixed assets		
Investments	29,194	30,969
Investments in subsidiaries	17,919	17,506
Total fixed assets	47,113	48,475
Current assets		
Debtors	73	806
Cash at bank	1,460	1,327
	1,533	2,133
Total assets	48,646	50,608
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(14,541)	(15,066)
Total assets less current liabilities	34,105	35,542
Provision for bank guarantees	(56)	(587)
Net assets	34,049	34,955
Capital and reserves		
Called up share capital	8,610	8,610
Share premium	14,422	14,422
Capital redemption reserve	250	250
Revaluation reserve	-	-
Own shares held	(2,849)	(1,908)
Retained earnings	13,616	13,581
Total equity shareholders' funds	34,049	34,955
Net asset value per Ordinary share (pence) excluding Treasury shares	43 2	43 0

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these accounts

The above financial information for the 12 months to 28 February 2007 does not constitute statutory financial statements as defined in Section 240 of the Companies Act 1985

These accounts were approved by the Board of Directors on 29 March 2007



Patrick Crosthwaite (Chairman)

Statement of changes in equity

	Called up share capital £'000	Share premium £'000	Revaluation reserve £'000	Capital redemption reserve £'000	Own shares held £'000	Retained earnings £'000	Total £'000
At 1 March 2006	8,610	14,422	-	250	(1,908)	13,581	34,955
Movement in value of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	186	186
Cost of treasury shares repurchased	-	-	-	-	(941)	-	(941)
Revenue return attributable to equityholders	-	-	-	-	-	1,831	1,831
Dividends paid in the period						(1,982)	(1,982)
At 28 February 2007	<u>8,610</u>	<u>14,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>(2,849)</u>	<u>13,616</u>	<u>34,049</u>
At 28 February 2005 (restated)	3,995	-	(15,287)	250	-	28,389	17,347
Adjustment in respect of FRS 26	-	-	-	-	-	(44)	(44)
Reclassification of revaluation reserve	-	-	15,287	-	-	(15,287)	-
At 1 March 2005 (restated and adjusted)	3,995	-	-	250	-	13,058	17,303
Cost of treasury shares repurchased	-	-	-	-	(1,908)	-	(1,908)
Shares issued in year	4,615	14,422	-	-	-	-	19,037
Return attributable to equityholders	-	-	-	-	-	1,527	1,527
Dividends paid in year	-	-	-	-	-	(400)	(400)
Movement in value of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	(604)	(604)
At 28 February 2006	<u>8,610</u>	<u>14,422</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>(1,908)</u>	<u>13,581</u>	<u>34,955</u>

Notes to the financial statements

1 Basis of accounting

The Interim Accounts have been prepared using accounting policies consistent with Financial Reporting Standards ('FRS') The information in this document does not include all of the disclosures required by FRS and SORP in full annual financial statements, and it should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements of the Company for the year ended 28 February 2006 This interim financial information has been prepared applying the accounting policies and presentation that were applied in the preparation of the Company's published consolidated financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2006 and with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies" ('SORP') issued by the Association of Investment Trust Companies ("AITC") in January 2003 and revised in December 2005

2 True and fair override

The Company is no longer an investment company within the meaning of s266, of the Companies Act 1985 However, it conducts its affairs as a venture capital trust for taxation purposes under s842AA of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988

The absence of Section 266 status does not preclude the Company from presenting its accounts in accordance with the AITC SORP and furthermore the Directors consider it appropriate to continue to present the accounts in accordance with the SORP

In the opinion of the Directors, the presentation adopted enables the Company to report in a manner consistent with the sector within which it operates The Directors therefore consider that these departures from the specific provisions of Schedule 4 of the Companies Act relating to the form and content of accounts for companies other than investment companies and these departures from accounting standards are necessary to give a true and fair view The departures have no effect on the return or balance sheet

Estimates

The preparation of the Company's Interim Accounts require estimates, assumptions and judgements to be made, which affect the reported results and balances Actual outcomes may differ from these estimates, with a consequent impact on the results of future periods The significant estimates, assumptions and judgements made in preparing the Company's Interim Accounts were the same as those applied in the preparation of the Company's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2006

Investments

In accordance with FRS 26, equity investments are designated as fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") Unquoted investments' fair value is determined by the Directors in accordance with the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines

Unquoted loan stock is classified as loans and receivables in accordance with FRS 26 and carried at amortised cost using the Effective Interest Rate method ("EIR") Loan stock accrued interest is recognised in the Balance Sheet as part of the carrying value of the loans and receivables at the end of each reporting period

Investments listed on recognised exchanges are valued at the closing bid prices at the end of the accounting period

Investments are recognised as financial assets on legal completion of the investment contract and are de-recognised on legal completion of the sale of an investment

It is not the Company's policy to exercise control or significant influence over investee companies Therefore in accordance with the exemptions under FRS 9 "Associates and Joint Ventures", those undertakings in which the Company holds more than 20% of the equity are not regarded as associated undertakings

Taxation

Taxation is applied on a current basis in accordance with FRS 16, "Current tax" Taxation associated with capital expenses is applied in accordance with the SORP In accordance with FRS 19 "Deferred Tax", deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at the balance sheet date to pay more tax or a right to pay less tax, at a future date at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current tax rates and law Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is regarded as more likely than not that they will be recovered The specific nature of taxation of venture capital trusts mean that it is unlikely that any deferred tax will arise The Directors have considered the requirements of FRS19 and do not believe that any provision should be made

Dividends

In accordance with FRS 21, "Events after the balance sheet date" dividends are accounted for in the period in which the dividend has been approved by the Board

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Issue costs

Issue costs associated with the allotment of share capital have been deducted from the share premium account in accordance with FRS 25

Investment income

Dividends receivable on equity investments are taken to revenue on an ex-dividend basis. Fixed returns on debt securities are recognised on a time apportionment basis using an effective interest rate over the life of the financial instrument

Investment management fees, performance incentive fees and other expenses

All expenses have been accounted for on an accruals basis. Expenses are charged through the revenue account on the Income Statement, except for management fees and performance incentive fees which are allocated to the capital account on the Income Statement, to the extent that these relate to an enhancement in the value of the investments and in line with the Board's expectation that over the long term 75% of the Company's investment returns will be in the form of capital gains

Debtors and creditors

Debtors do not carry any interest and are short term in nature and are accordingly stated at their nominal value as reduced by appropriate allowances for estimated irrecoverable amounts. The Directors consider that the carrying amount of debtors approximates their fair value

Creditors are non-interest bearing and are stated at their nominal value. The Directors consider that the carrying amount of creditors approximates their fair value

3 Dividends

The Board declared a first dividend payable out of realised capital profits of 1.25p per share, which was paid on 22 September 2006 (£995,000)

The Board declared a second dividend of 1.25p per share of which 0.8p was paid from revenue and 0.45p was paid from realised capital gains on 19 January 2007 (£987,000)

The Board has declared a third dividend of 0.8 pence per share to be paid from realised capital gains. This will be paid subject to HM Revenue & Customs approval. The record date and payment date of this dividend will be announced on the London Stock Exchange RNS Service

4. Basic and diluted return per share

Return per share has been calculated on 80,268,569 (28 February 2006 45,425,778) Ordinary Shares being the weighted average number of shares in issue for the period (excluding treasury shares)

There are no convertible instruments, derivatives or contingent share agreements in issue for the Company hence there are no dilution effects to the return per share. The basic return per share is therefore the same as the diluted return per share

Treasury shares

During the period to 28 February 2007 the Company purchased 2,504,826 (28 February 2006 4,755,584) of its own Ordinary Shares to be held in treasury at a cost of £941,067 representing 2.9% of the share capital as at 1 March 2006. The shares purchased for treasury were funded from the Own shares held reserve. The total number of shares held in treasury as at 28 February 2007 was 7,260,410 representing 8.4% of the share capital

5 Post balance sheet events

As at 28th February 2007, the investment in Careforce Group plc was valued at £409,005. Subsequent to the period ending 28th February 2007, Crown Place VCT PLC accepted the cash offer by Mears of 150 pence per share, totalling £568,062

6 Other information

The information set out in these Interim Accounts does not constitute the Group's statutory accounts for the period ended 28 February 2007. The financial information for the year ended 28 February 2006 does not constitute statutory accounts as defined in section 240 of the Companies Act 1985. A copy of the statutory accounts for that year has been delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The auditors' report on those accounts was not qualified and did not contain statements under s237 (2) or (3) of the Companies Act 1985

7. Publication

These Interim Accounts will be made available to the public at the registered office of the Company and filed at Companies House