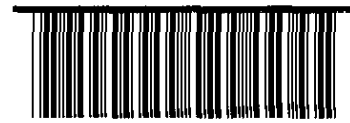
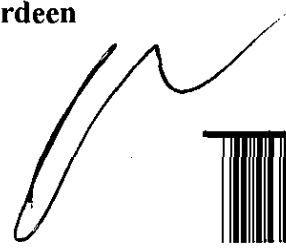


**Company Registration No. 31286**

**Springfield Properties Limited**  
**Report and Financial Statements**  
**For the year ended 31 May 2000**

**Skene & Co.**  
**39 Queen's Road**  
**Aberdeen**



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# Springfield Properties Limited

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**Springfield Properties Limited****Company Information****Directors**

Alexander Adam  
Dorothy Adam  
Anne Adam  
James Adam

**Company Number**  
31286

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**Springfield Properties Limited**  
**Directors' Report**  
**For the year ended 31 May 2000**

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2000.

**Principal Activity**

The group's principal activity is property development.

**Review of Business**

The directors consider the results for the year and the financial position at the year end to be satisfactory.

**Results and Dividends**

The results for the year are set out on page 5. The directors do not recommend payment of a final dividend.

**Directors and their Interests**

The directors who served during the year and their interests in the company are as stated below:

	<b>Ordinary shares</b>	
	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
Alexander Adam	12,500	2,000
Dorothy Adam	6,000	6,000
Anne Adam	4,500	-
James Adam	2,000	2,000

**Share Capital**

On 31 January 2000 the authorised and issued share capital of Springfield Properties Limited was increased by 15,000 ordinary shares of £1 each. This was to facilitate the acquisition of Gauldwell Properties Limited, which is now a 100% subsidiary of the company.

**Charitable and Political Contributions**

During the year the group contributed £850 to charities.

**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 group as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss of the group 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; 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 are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

**Springfield Properties Limited  
Directors' Report  
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**Auditors**

*Ritsons resigned as auditors on 18 September 2000 and Skene & Co were duly appointed auditors to the company on that date. In accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution proposing their reappointment will be put to the Annual General Meeting.*

This report was approved by the Board on *2 January 2001*..... and signed on its behalf by

  
.....  
**Director**

## Springfield Properties Limited

### Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of Springfield Properties Limited

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 20 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 9.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 2 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

#### Basis of 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 and the group'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 affairs of the company and of the group as at 31 May 2000 and of the group's profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

*Skene & Co.*

**Skene & Co**

**Registered Auditors  
Chartered Accountants**

*5 January 2001*

**Springfield Properties Limited**

**Consolidated Profit and Loss Account  
Year ended 31 May 2000**

		2000		1999	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Turnover: Continuing operations</b>	2	2,628,036		1,639,967	
<b>Acquisitions</b>		<u>3,182,906</u>	5,810,942	<u>1,757,693</u>	<u>3,397,660</u>
Cost of sales			<u>(4,844,386)</u>		<u>(3,076,312)</u>
<b>Gross Profit</b>			966,556		321,348
Administration expenses			<u>(476,048)</u>		<u>(408,181)</u>
<b>Operating Profit/(Loss):</b>					
<b>Continuing operations</b>	3,7	265,591		(224,685)	
<b>Acquisitions</b>		<u>224,917</u>	490,508	<u>137,852</u>	(86,833)
Interest receivable and similar items			<u>311</u>		<u>4,232</u>
			490,819		(82,601)
Interest payable and similar charges			<u>(92,670)</u>		<u>(19,666)</u>
<b>Profit/(Loss) on ordinary activities before taxation</b>			398,149		(102,267)
Taxation	6		<u>(46,089)</u>		<u>(17,782)</u>
<b>Profit/(Loss) on ordinary activities after taxation</b>			352,060		(120,049)
Dividends			<u>-</u>		<u>(100,000)</u>
			352,060		(220,049)
<b>Retained profit brought forward</b>			<u>527,566</u>		<u>747,615</u>
<b>Retained profit carried forward</b>			<u>879,626</u>		<u>527,566</u>

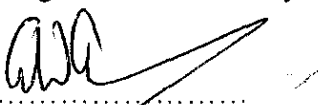
There are no recognised gains or losses other than the profit or loss for the above two financial years.

**Springfield Properties Limited**

**Consolidated Balance Sheet  
Year ended 31 May 2000**

		2000		1999	
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible assets	9		41,908		55,809
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Stocks	11	964,823		1,291,240	
Debtors	12	1,293,115		254,830	
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>2,362</u>		<u>2,175</u>	
		2,260,300		1,548,245	
<b>Creditors : amounts falling due within one year</b>					
	13	<u>(1,391,232)</u>		<u>(1,042,835)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>869,068</u>		<u>505,140</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			910,976		561,219
<b>Provision for liabilities and charges</b>					
	14		<u>(1,350)</u>		<u>(3,653)</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>909,626</u>		<u>557,566</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	17		25,000		25,000
Capital reserve on merger	18		5,000		5,000
Profit and loss account	15		<u>879,626</u>		<u>527,566</u>
<b>Equity shareholders' funds</b>	16		<u>909,626</u>		<u>557,566</u>

These financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 5 January 2001 and signed on its behalf by:

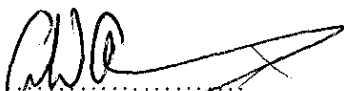
  
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**A W Adam**

## Springfield Properties Limited

Balance Sheet - Company  
Year ended 31 May 2000

	Note	2000		1999	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	9		41,908		4,990
Investments	10		15,000		-
			<u>56,908</u>		<u>4,990</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stocks	11	964,823		455,494	
Debtors	12	1,293,115		168,681	
Cash at bank and in hand		2,362		1,227	
			<u>2,260,300</u>	<u>625,402</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	13	<u>(1,411,232)</u>		<u>(237,225)</u>	
<b>Net current liabilities</b>			<u>849,068</u>		<u>388,177</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>905,976</u>		<u>393,167</u>
<b>Provisions for liabilities and charges</b>					
	14		<u>(1,350)</u>		<u>-</u>
<b>Net assets</b>			<u>904,626</u>		<u>393,167</u>
<b>Capital and reserves</b>					
Called up share capital	17		25,000		10,000
Profit and loss account	15		879,626		383,167
<b>Equity shareholders' funds</b>	16		<u>904,626</u>		<u>393,167</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on 5 January 2001 and signed on its behalf by:

  
A W Adam

**Springfield Properties Limited**

**Consolidated Cash Flow Statement  
Year ended 31 May 2000**

	Note	2000 £	1999 £
<b>Net cash (outflow) from operating activities</b>	19	<u>(342,346)</u>	<u>(125,744)</u>
<b>Returns on investments and servicing of finance</b>			
Interest paid		(92,670)	(19,666)
Interest received		311	4,232
Dividends paid		—	<u>(100,000)</u>
<b>Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance</b>		<u>(92,359)</u>	<u>(115,434)</u>
		<u>(434,705)</u>	<u>(241,178)</u>
Corporation tax paid		<u>(7,798)</u>	<u>(14,129)</u>
<b>Capital expenditure and financial investment</b>			
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		<u>(45,030)</u>	<u>(41,715)</u>
<b>Decrease in cash in the year</b>		<u>(487,533)</u>	<u>(297,022)</u>
<b>Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net debt (note 20)</b>			
Decrease in cash in year		(487,533)	(297,022)
Net debt at 1 June 1999		<u>(456,929)</u>	<u>(159,907)</u>
<b>Net debt at 31 May 2000</b>	20	<u>(944,462)</u>	<u>(456,929)</u>

## Springfield Properties Limited

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 May 2000

#### 1 Accounting policies

##### **Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost accounting rules.

##### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of Springfield Properties Limited and its subsidiary undertaking, Gauldwell Properties Limited. The combination of both companies took place on 31 January 2000 and the merger of results is accounted for as a merger under the terms of Financial Reporting Standard 6. The results are presented as if Gauldwell Properties Limited had been owned by Springfield Properties Limited throughout the current and comparative accounting periods. It is the opinion of the directors that this presents the most meaningful interpretation of the results for the periods, given the similarity of the companies. Likewise due to the similarity of the two merged companies there are no accounting adjustments required to achieve consistency of accounting policies. No profit and loss is presented for Springfield Properties Limited as provided by Section 230 of the Companies Act 1985.

##### **Turnover**

Turnover represents the amount derived from the provision of goods and services falling within the company's activities.

##### **Depreciation**

Depreciation of fixed assets is calculated to write off their cost or valuation less any residual value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Plant and machinery	25% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% straight line
Fixtures and fittings	25% straight line

##### **Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value computed as follows:

Raw materials, consumables – purchase cost on a first-in, first out basis

Work in progress and finished goods - cost of direct materials and labour plus attributable overheads based on normal level of activity

**Springfield Properties Limited**

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**Long term contracts**

Profit on long term contracts is taken as the work is carried out if the final outcome can be assessed with reasonable certainty. The profit included is calculated on a prudent basis to reflect the proportion of the work carried out at the year end by recording turnover and related costs as contract activity progresses. Turnover is calculated as that proportion of total contract value which costs incurred to date bear to total expected costs for that contract. Revenues derived from variations on contracts are recognized only when they have been accepted by the customer. Full provision is made for losses on all contracts in the year in which they are first foreseen.

**Deferred taxation**

Deferred taxation is provided on the liability method in respect of the taxation effect of all timing differences to the extent that tax liabilities are likely to crystallise in the foreseeable future.

**2 Turnover**

The turnover for the year was derived from the group's principal activity. The whole of the turnover is attributable to the UK market.

**3 Operating profit/(loss)**

The operating profit/(loss) is stated after charging:

	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Staff costs (note 4)	847,849	620,114
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	15,859	12,950
Audit fees	7,500	5,070
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	1,167	-

## Springfield Properties Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**4 Staff costs including directors' emoluments**

	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Wages and salaries	706,339	409,417
Pension costs	<u>141,510</u>	<u>210,697</u>
	<u>847,849</u>	<u>620,114</u>
Average monthly number of employees including executive directors:		
Building staff	26	25
Office and management staff	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>32</u>	<u>30</u>
<b>Directors' emoluments and benefits</b>		
	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Aggregate of directors' emoluments	<u>183,800</u>	<u>282,201</u>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Number</b>
Number of directors to whom retirement benefits are accruing under a money purchase scheme	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

**5 Pension costs**

The group operates a defined benefits pension scheme in respect of the directors. The scheme and its assets are held by independent managers. The pension charge represents contributions paid from the group and amounted to £141,510 (1999 - £210,697).

	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
<b>6 Taxation</b>		
<b>UK Current year taxation</b>		
UK Corporation tax	47,822	14,130
Transfer from deferred taxation	<u>(2,303)</u>	<u>3,653</u>
	45,519	17,783
<b>Prior years</b>		
UK Corporation tax	<u>570</u>	<u>(1)</u>
	<u>46,089</u>	<u>17,782</u>

## Springfield Properties Limited

Notes to the Financial Statements  
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## 7 Analysis of operating profit/(loss)

	2000		Discontinued operations	Total
	Continuing operations	Acquisitions		
	£	£		
Cost of sales	<u>1,667,787</u>	<u>3,176,599</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,844,386</u>
<b>Net operating exp</b>				
Administrative Expenses	<u>386,845</u>	<u>89,203</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>476,048</u>
	1999			
	Continuing operations	Acquisitions	Discontinued operations	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost of sales	<u>1,493,217</u>	<u>1,583,095</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,076,312</u>
<b>Net operating exp</b>				
Administrative	<u>371,435</u>	<u>36,746</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>408,181</u>

## 8 Analysis of profit and loss account – merged entities

The principal components of the consolidated profit and loss account comprise the following :

	Springfield Properties Ltd – post merger £	Springfield Properties Ltd- pre merger £	Gauldwell Properties Ltd- pre merger £
Turnover	1,786,545	860,178	3,509,406
Cost of sales	<u>1,429,668</u>	<u>564,619</u>	<u>3,191,286</u>
Gross profit	356,877	295,559	318,120
Admin expenses	173,534	213,311	93,203
Interest	<u>(34,603)</u>	<u>(1,510)</u>	<u>(56,246)</u>
Profit before tax and dividends	148,740	80,738	168,671
Tax	<u>7,798</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,291</u>

No figures are given for Gauldwell Properties Limited – post merger, as it was dormant after its acquisition by Springfield Properties Limited.

**Springfield Properties Limited**

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**9 Tangible fixed assets - group**

<b>Cost</b>	<b>Plant , machinery, fixtures and fittings £</b>	<b>Motor vehicles £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
1 June 1999	73,950	6,000	79,950
Additions	24,144	20,886	45,030
Disposals	<u>(65,839)</u>	-	<u>(65,839)</u>
31 May 2000	<u>32,255</u>	<u>26,886</u>	<u>59,141</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>			
1 June 1999	18,331	5,810	24,141
Charge for year	13,929	1,930	15,859
Eliminated on disposals	<u>(22,767)</u>	-	<u>(22,767)</u>
31 May 2000	<u>9,493</u>	<u>7,740</u>	<u>17,233</u>
<b>Net book amount</b>			
31 May 2000	<u>22,762</u>	<u>19,146</u>	<u>41,908</u>
31 May 1999	<u>55,619</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>55,809</u>

On 31 January 2000, Springfield Properties Limited acquired the whole of the tangible fixed assets of its subsidiary undertaking, Gauldwell Properties Limited, at a net book value of £41,905.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**9 Tangible fixed assets - company**

<b>Cost</b>	<b>Plant , machinery, fixtures and fittings £</b>	<b>Motor vehicles £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
1 June 1999	11,307	6,000	17,307
Additions	22,115	20,886	43,001
Disposals	<u>(1,167)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,167)</u>
31 May 2000	<u>32,255</u>	<u>26,886</u>	<u>59,141</u>
 <b>Depreciation</b>			
1 June 1999	6,507	5,810	12,317
Charge for year	2,986	1,930	4,916
Eliminated on disposals	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
31 May 2000	<u>9,493</u>	<u>7,740</u>	<u>17,233</u>
 <b>Net book amount</b>			
31 May 2000	<u>22,762</u>	<u>19,146</u>	<u>41,908</u>
31 May 1999	<u>4,800</u>	<u>190</u>	<u>4,990</u>

**Springfield Properties Limited**  
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**10 Investments held as fixed assets - company**

	<b>Shares in subsidiaries £</b>
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 June 1999	-
Additions	<u>15,000</u>
At 31 May 2000	<u>15,000</u>

The company holds 100% of the share capital of Gauldwell Properties Limited, a company incorporated in Scotland. The aggregate amount of capital and reserves of this undertaking for the last relevant financial year were as follows :

	Capital and reserves £	Loss for the year £
Gauldwell Properties Limited	<u>20,000</u>	<u>144,399</u>

Since the acquisition by Springfield Properties Limited of all shares, assets and liabilities, the subsidiary undertaking has been dormant.

In accordance with the merger method of accounting, the investment in Gauldwell Properties Limited has been recorded as the aggregate of the nominal value of the shares issued.

**11 Stocks**

	<b>Group</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	2000 £	1999 £	2000 £	1999 £
Raw materials	42,107	31,262	42,107	5,017
Work in progress	<u>922,716</u>	<u>1,259,978</u>	<u>922,716</u>	<u>450,477</u>
	<u>964,823</u>	<u>1,291,240</u>	<u>964,823</u>	<u>455,494</u>

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**12 Debtors**

	<b>Group</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Trade debtors	-	171,130	-	125,500
Other debtors	65,160	83,700	65,160	43,181
Long term contracts	1,217,955	-	1,217,955	-
Prepayments	<u>10,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,293,115</u>	<u>254,830</u>	<u>1,293,115</u>	<u>168,681</u>

All amounts are due within one year.

**12 Creditors : amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>Group</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1999</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank overdrafts	946,824	459,104	946,824	10,537
Trade creditors	125,159	290,969	125,159	101,611
Amounts owed to group co's	-	-	20,000	-
Other taxes and social security	26,451	26,785	26,451	830
Corporation tax	47,822	23,924	47,822	223
Other creditors	479	88,292	479	-
Directors' accounts	220,829	130,665	220,829	100,928
Accruals and deferred income	<u>23,668</u>	<u>23,096</u>	<u>23,668</u>	<u>23,096</u>
	<u>1,391,232</u>	<u>1,042,835</u>	<u>1,411,232</u>	<u>237,225</u>

The bank overdraft is secured by a bond and floating charge over the whole assets of the group.

**Springfield Properties Limited**

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**13 Provisions for liabilities and charges**

Deferred tax is analysed over the following timing differences :

	<b>Group</b>		<b>Company</b>	
	2000 £	1999 £	2000 £	1999 £
Accelerated capital allowances	<u>1,350</u>	<u>3,653</u>	<u>1,350</u>	<u>—</u>
Movements on the provision for deferred taxation are :				
At 1 June 1999	3,653	-	3,653	-
Transferred (to)/from profit and loss account	<u>(2,303)</u>	<u>3,653</u>	<u>(2,303)</u>	<u>—</u>
At 31 May 2000	<u>1,350</u>	<u>3,653</u>	<u>1,350</u>	<u>—</u>

**15 Reserves**

	<b>Group £</b>	<b>Company £</b>
<b>Profit and loss account</b>		
At 1 June 1999	527,566	383,167
Profit for the year	<u>352,060</u>	<u>496,459</u>
At 31 May 2000	<u>879,626</u>	<u>879,626</u>

**Springfield Properties Limited**

**Notes to the Financial Statements  
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**16 Equity shareholders' funds**

	Group		Company	
	2000	1999	2000	1999
	£	£	£	£
Opening shareholders' funds	542,566	777,615	393,167	706,287
(Loss)/profit for the year	352,060	(120,049)	496,459	(213,120)
Dividends	-	(100,000)	-	(100,000)
Issue of equity shares	<u>15,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing shareholders' funds	<u>909,626</u>	<u>557,566</u>	<u>904,626</u>	<u>393,167</u>

**17 Share capital**

	2000	1999
	£	£
<b>Authorised</b>		
25,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>
<b>Called up, allotted and fully paid</b>		
25,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	<u>25,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>

During the year, the authorised and issued share capital of the company was increased to £25,000 by the creation of 15,000 ordinary shares of £1 each, ranking pari passu with the existing ordinary shares of £1 each. Comparatives have been restated at £25,000 in line with the merger method of accounting which treats the entities as if they had always been merged.

**18 Other reserves**

	Group	Company
	£	£
Capital reserve on merger	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-</u>

The above reserve arises from the adjustment to consolidated reserves resulting from the merger.

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**19 Notes to the cash flow statement**

**Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities**

	2000	1999
	£	£
Operating profit/(loss)	490,508	(86,833)
Depreciation	17,026	12,950
Decrease/(Increase) in stocks	326,417	(568,392)
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	(1,001,742)	115,487
(Decrease)/Increase in creditors	<u>(174,555)</u>	<u>401,044</u>
	<u>(342,346)</u>	<u>(125,744)</u>

**20 Analysis of net funds/(debt)**

	At 1 June 1999	Cash Flow	Other non- cash changes	At 31 May 2000
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	2,175	187		2,362
Overdrafts	(459,104)	(487,720)		(946,824)
	<u>(456,929)</u>	<u>(487,533)</u>	-	<u>(944,462)</u>

**21 Related party transactions**

Springfield Properties Limited rents its office from the Funded Unapproved Retirement Benefits Scheme for the sum of £20,000 per annum. The directors of Springfield Properties Limited are the main beneficiaries of the pension scheme.

During the year, prior to the acquisition of the subsidiary undertaking, purchases of £326,500 (1999 : £1,259,603) were made from Gauldwell Properties Limited, a company in which directors of this company have interests. Sales of £14,687

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(1999: £5,280) were made to Gauldwell Properties Limited and rent of £4,000 (1999 : £1,500) was also received.

In the opinion of the directors the amounts charged were for services on normal commercial terms.

**22 Contingent liabilities**

Performance bonds for £131,400 have been granted by the group in favour of Moray Council.