

**HOUSEPRICE LIMITED**

Directors: G Dransfield  
K J Ludlam  
J R Read

Secretary

P D Tunnacliffe

Registered Office

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LONDON SW1X 7JH

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS****ACCOUNTS**

The company did not trade during the year under review and accordingly made no profit or loss. The accounts as at 31 December 2000 comprise the balance sheet.

**DIRECTORS' INTERESTS**

The directors have no declarable interest in the share or loan capital of the company or any associated undertaking during the year under review. The directors served throughout the year.

**ULTIMATE PARENT UNDERTAKING**

The ultimate parent undertaking is Hanson PLC (incorporated in England). Copies of Hanson PLC's accounts can be obtained from 1 Grosvenor Place, London, SW1X 7JH.

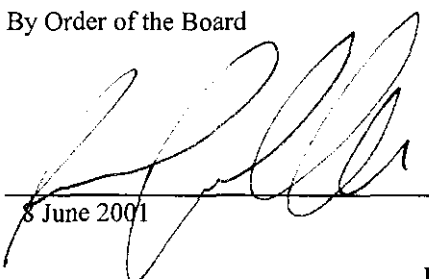
**AUDITORS**

The company being a dormant company, a special resolution was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 14 December 1998 by which the company resolved not to appoint auditors as allowed by the provisions of S250 of the Companies Act 1985.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Pursuant to the Elective Resolution of the company passed on 12 June 1996 the company has dispensed with the need to hold Annual General Meetings. Any member of the company is entitled to require the laying of the accounts before a General Meeting on giving due notice to that effect in accordance with S253 of the Companies Act 1985.

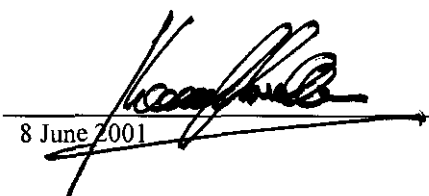
By Order of the Board

  
8 June 2001 Secretary

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2000**

	2000 £	1999 £
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year		
Net current assets	<u>586,128,351</u>	<u>586,128,351</u>
Financed by:		
1,755,000 allotted, called up and fully paid £1 'A' ordinary shares	1,755,000	1,755,000
584,373 allotted, called up and fully paid £1 'B' ordinary shares	584,373	584,373
Share premium	<u>583,788,978</u>	<u>583,788,978</u>
	<u>586,128,351</u>	<u>586,128,351</u>

The company was dormant, within the meaning of S250 of the Companies Act 1985, throughout the financial year ended 31 December 2000.

  
8 June 2001 Director

