IVY HOUSE FOUNDRY, HANLEY, STOKE-ON-TRENT



DIRECTORS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
30\* APRIL 2004

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Registered in England and Wales, Number 305907 Established 1883

#### Directors:

J. W. Goodwin (Chairman)

R. S. Goodwin (Managing Director)

R. J. Dyer

F. A. Gaffney

P. J. Horton

Secretary and registered office: Mrs. P. Ashley, B.A., A.C.I.S. Ivy House Foundry, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 3NR Registrar and share transfer office: Computershare Investor Services PLC, P.O. Box No. 82, Bristol, BS99 7NH

Auditors:

KPMG Audit Plc,
2 Cornwall Street, Birmingham, B3 2DL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the company will be held at 10.30 am, on Wednesday, 2nd November, 2005 at the Saxon Cross Hotel, Sandbach, Cheshire, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:

- 1. To receive the report of the directors and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30th April, 2005 and to approve the payment of a dividend on the ordinary shares.
- 2. To re-elect Mr. R. J. Dyer as a director.
- 3. To approve the directors' remuneration report for the year ended 30th April, 2005.
- 4. To re-appoint KPMG Audit Plc as auditors and to authorise the directors to determine their remuneration.

By Order of the Board

Registered Office: lvy House Foundry, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent. 23rd September, 2005

P. ASHLEY Secretary

#### NOTES:

- 1. A member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint a proxy to attend and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a member of the company. To be valid, the instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of such power or authority must be deposited at the registered office of the company not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the meeting.
- 2. None of the directors have service contracts with the company.
- 3. If approved by shareholders the final dividend will be paid to shareholders on the 4th November, 2005.

# **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

I am pleased to report annual pre-tax profits for the Group for the year to 30th April, 2004, of £2.8 million (2003: £2.58 million), an increase of 9% on a turnover of £34 million. The directors propose that a dividend of 11.806p per share (2003: 10.417p) be paid. This would result in shareholders' remaining funds increasing by 10.7%.

To improve profitability has been a challenge in our export markets with the continued strength of Sterling versus the weakness of the Euro and the US Dollar, particularly the latter which is the currency base used by so many Pacific Basin and Middle East countries.

Capital expenditure (nearly £4 million) during the year was four times the depreciation charge representing the most intensive new investment programme in the Group's history. This spending on plant and equipment was designed to achieve increased capacity, increased efficiency and productivity improvements in order to meet the demand from growing markets. Capital expenditure is now materially complete and in the coming year the company will maximise returns on a healthy forward order book. The longer term nature and size of the order book has led to an expected increase in debtors of £2 million and work in progress of £3 million. The board has considered the cash flow implications and is satisfied that the necessary financial facilities, which include customer credit insurance wherever possible, are available for the foreseeable future.

As previously reported, the core business remains the profitable manufacturing of advanced technical products to growth markets through its mechanical and refractory engineering skills. The Group particularly strives for continuity of customers and suppliers, using the efficiencies of longer term planning and commitment as now seen more in the Far East than in the Western hemisphere.

Two companies in the Group, Goodwin International Limited and Easat Antennas Limited, performed particularly well this year, both of which achieved record profits and are well positioned for the coming year. We are also expecting to see an improved performance from our refractory engineering division. In the year being reported on, we were hampered by the delay in commissioning a new mineral processing plant, which meant that the cost savings and quality improvements of vertical integration within the refractory companies did not provide the expected benefit during the year. The new plant is now commissioned and the benefits are expected to flow through this year.

Rising energy demand will have the effect of encouraging further investments in the energy sectors and it is believed the company will gain further benefit from its established supplies of valves to the LNG, oil, gas and power generating markets. As many of these markets insist on foreign currency, steps have been taken to reduce the risk of major currency swings based on a two year order forecast.

Our Board and General Managers in the UK and our overseas representatives have improved corporate governance with the cross-fertilisation of knowledge and practices leading to greater innovation and risk-reduction. The Group continues to work to an open plan principle, encouraging exchange and centralisation of its data and knowledge helped through its internet broadband subsidiary, Internet Central Limited, whose turnover increased by 25% to £1.25 million.

During the year, more employees flew overseas serving customers than ever before in the company's history. The continuity and loyalty of our employees, two of whom this year reach the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their employment with us, points to the dedication of our workforce without whom these results would not be possible.

By referring to the shareholder return graph (see page 6) the benefit of long term organic growth can be appreciated. It remains the intention of the Board to continue pursuing this policy for the Group.

J. W. GOODWIN Chairman

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors have pleasure in presenting their report and audited financial statements for the year ended 30th April, 2004.

#### **Business review**

The principal activity of the Group is mechanical and refractory engineering. The consolidated results for the year may be summarised as follows:

				2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Turnover	 	 	 	34,018	33,179
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	 	 	 	2,804	2,576
Taxation charge	 	 	 	(854)	(754)
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	 	 	 	1,950	1,822

Comments on the results for the year are given in the chairman's statement.

#### **Proposed dividends**

The directors recommend that an ordinary dividend of 11.806p per share be paid to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 8th October, 2004. (2003: 10.417p per share).

#### **Fixed assets**

The directors consider that the market value of the Group's freehold land and buildings is in excess of the values disclosed in the Group balance sheet.

#### **Directors and directors' interests**

The directors of the company who have served during the year are set out below:

J. W. Goodwin R. S. Goodwin R. J. Dyer

F. A. Gaffney P. J. Horton

The director retiring in accordance with the Articles is P. J. Horton who, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

The interests of each director in the share capital of the company are as follows:

							Number of 10p ordinary share				
							30th April	30th April			
							2004	2003			
Beneficial											
J. W. Goodwi	n						301,736	301,736			
R. S. Goodwir	ı						303,022	289,422			
J. W. Goodwi	n and	R. S.	Goody	win			1,739,797	1,739,797			
J. W. Goodwi	n and	R. S.	Goody	win			1,072,918	1,050,718			
R. J. Dyer							17,500	17,500			
F. A. Gaffney							7,131	7,131			
P. J. Horton							112,425	115,840			
Non-beneficial											
J. W. Goodwi	n. R.	S. Go	odwin	and	others		281,246	303,446			
J. W. Goodwi					JJI		275,229	275,229			
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During the period from 1st May, 2004 to 27th August, 2004 there was no change in the directors' interests.

No director has a service agreement with the company, nor any beneficial interest in the share capital of any subsidiary undertaking.

The company does not have any share option schemes for employees or directors.

# **Shareholdings**

The company has been notified that, as at 27th August, 2004, the following had an interest in 3% or more of the issued share capital of the company: J. W. Goodwin and R. S. Goodwin 1,739,797 shares (24.16%), J. W. Goodwin and R. S. Goodwin 1,072,918 shares (14.9%). These shares are registered in the names of J. M. Securities Limited and J. M. Securities (No. 3) Limited respectively. J. W. Goodwin, R. S. Goodwin and others 281,246 shares (3.91%), J. W. Goodwin 301,736 shares (4.19%), R. S. Goodwin 303,022 shares (4.21%), J. W. Goodwin and E. M. Goodwin 275,229 shares (3.82%), J. H. Ridley 522,167 shares (7.25%), L. R. Dean 246,000 shares (3.42%).

#### **Donations**

Donations by the Group for charitable purposes amounted to £ Nil (2003: £15,000).

#### **Employee consultation**

The Group takes seriously its responsibilities to employees and, as a policy, provides employees systematically with information on matters of concern to them. It is also the policy of the Group to consult where appropriate, on an annual basis, employees or their representatives so that their views may be taken into account in making decisions likely to affect their interests.

#### **Employment of disabled persons**

The policy of the Group is to offer the same opportunity to disabled people, and those who become disabled, as to all others in respect of recruitment and career advancement, provided their disability does not prevent them from carrying out the duties required of them.

#### Creditor payment policy

The company has not adopted any formal code or standards on supplier payment practice. The company's policy is to settle payments having negotiated and advised terms and conditions with suppliers on a contract by contract basis. The holding company has no trade creditors at 30th April, 2004.

#### Corporate governance

#### Introduction

The directors have considered the requirements of the Combined Code incorporated into the Listing Rules of the Financial Services Authority. The Code covers four broad areas, namely the composition and procedures of the Board, the service contracts and pay of the directors, relations with shareholders, and the directors' responsibilities with respect to accountability and audit.

The Board feels that it should be recognised that what may be appropriate for the larger company may not necessarily be so appropriate for the smaller company, a point raised previously in the Cadbury Code of Best Practice. The Board continues to be conscious of its non-compliance with certain aspects of the Code, as detailed below, and will continue to review the situation in the light of any future Group developments.

#### The Board

The Board, which comprises five executive directors, meets formally by itself and with subsidiary directors on a regular basis. In view of the Group's present size and proven track record, it is not seen as appropriate to increase further the number of directors on the Board nor are non-executive directors thought to be appropriate, due to the cost likely to be involved and the lack of opportunity for adding significant value to the business. Accordingly, the Group is unable to comply with aspects of the Code's requirements in terms of non-executive directors and the requirement for an Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee and Nominations Committee. All directors, except the Chairman and Managing Director, retire by rotation at least every 3 years.

The Board meets at least once a month and retains full responsibility for the direction and control of the Group. There is no formal schedule of matters reserved for the Board. However, acquisitions and disposals of assets, investments and material capital related projects are as a matter of course specifically reserved for Board decision. All directors have reasonable access to the Company Secretary and to independent professional advice at the company's expense.

#### Going concern

After making enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company and its subsidiaries have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### Internal control

The Board has overall responsibility for the Group's system of internal control (including operational, financial, compliance and risk management controls), which is designed to manage rather than eliminate risk and can provide only reasonable reassurance against material misstatement or loss. Except as noted in this Corporate Governance report, the Board confirms that the system of internal control accords with the Combined Code.

The Board meets with an agenda to discuss corporate strategy, to formulate and monitor the progress of business plans for all subsidiaries and to identify, evaluate and manage the business risks faced. The management philosophy of the Group is to operate its subsidiaries on an autonomous basis with formally defined areas of responsibility and delegation of authority. The Group has put in place formal lines of reporting with subsidiary management meeting with the directors on a regular basis.

The Board considers that the close personal involvement of the company's directors in all areas of the day to day operations of the business represents the most effective on-going control over its financial and business risks. In particular, authority is limited to the directors in key risk areas such as treasury management, capital expenditure and other investment decisions. The directors annually review the effectiveness of the internal financial control system, including holding discussions with the external auditors. However, given the close involvement of the company's directors in the operations of the business, the Board does not consider that a formal review of non financial controls would provide any additional benefit in their review of the effectiveness of the Group's internal controls.

The Group does not have an internal audit function although the Board periodically reviews the need for such a function. The current conclusion is that an internal audit function is not required given the present scale and complexity of the Group's operations.

# Directors' remuneration

The remuneration of the directors is considered by the Board so that no director determines his own salary. Details of each element of the directors' remuneration are given in the Directors' Remuneration Report on page 6.

#### **Auditors**

In accordance with Section 384 of the Companies Act 1985, a resolution is to be proposed at the Annual General Meeting for the re-appointment of KPMG Audit Plc as auditors of the company.

Approved by the Board of directors and signed on its behalf by:

J. W. GOODWIN Chairman

Ivy House Foundry, Hanley, Stoke-on-Trent, ST1 3NR

27th August, 2004

#### **DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION REPORT**

#### Introduction

This report is submitted in accordance with the Directors' Remuneration Report Regulations 2002.

# Consideration by the directors of matters relating to directors' remuneration

The remuneration policy is set by the Board as a whole and is described below.

### **Remuneration policy**

The Group's policy in respect of directors' remuneration for the forthcoming years is to provide individual packages which are determined having due regard to the company's current and projected profitability, the employee's specific areas of responsibility and performance, their related knowledge and experience in the company's specific fields of operation, the external labour market and their personal circumstances whereby the Board sets a package to remunerate and motivate the individual so as to best serve the company. All Board members have access to independent advice when considered appropriate. In forming its policy, the Board has given full consideration to the Combined Code's best practice provisions on remuneration policy, service contracts and compensation and has considered the remuneration levels of directors of comparative companies.

The Board does not, at present, consider it necessary to include a performance related element within the remuneration of individual directors.

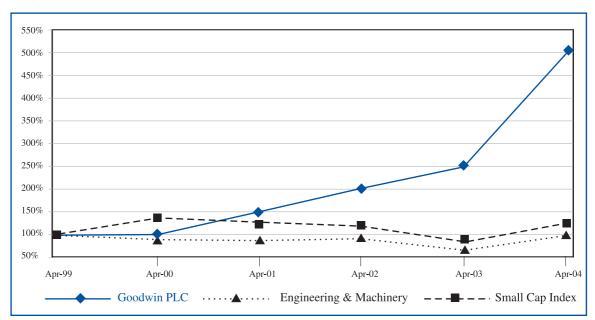
#### Service contracts

None of the directors has a service contract, a director may resign at any time by notice in writing to the Board. There are no set minimum notice periods but all directors other than the chairman and managing director are subject to retirement by rotation. No compensation is payable to directors on leaving office.

# **Total shareholder return**

The following graph compares the company's total shareholder return over the five years ended 30th April, 2004, with that for the FTSE Small-Cap share index and the FTSE Engineering and Machinery Sector Index.

The FTSE Small-Cap Share Index was chosen as it is a relevant broad equity market index for smaller quoted companies.



# **DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION REPORT** (continued)

# **Details of individual emoluments and compensation**

		Salary	Benefits in kind	Total	Total	Pension contributions	Pension contrib- utions
		2004 £'000	2004 £'000	2004 £'000	2003 £'000	2004 £'000	2003 £'000
J. W. Goodwin	 	 156 156	1	157 157	146	11	11 11
R. S. Goodwin R. J. Dyer	 	 156 88	i	89	146 78	11 16	16
P. J. Horton F. A. Gaffney*	 	 99 105	1	100 106	101 *57	_	_
1. A. Gailley	 	 					
		604	5	609	528	38	38
2003		524	4	528			

<sup>\*</sup>from date of appointment 14th November, 2002.

Pension contributions comprise contributions to money purchase pension schemes.

Benefits in kind consist primarily of healthcare insurance.

There are no share option schemes or other long term incentive schemes.

The above table of information has been subject to audit.

# Approval of report

An ordinary resolution for the approval of this report will be put to shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

The directors' remuneration report was approved by the Board of directors on 27th August, 2004, and is signed on its behalf by:

J. W. GOODWIN Director R. S. GOODWIN Director

### STATEMENT OF 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 Group and of the profit or loss 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;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group 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 enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Group and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

to the Members of

#### **GOODWIN PLC**

We have audited the financial statements on pages 9 to 21. We have also audited the information in the Directors' Remuneration Report that is described as having been audited.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Directors' Remuneration Report. As described above, this includes responsibility for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. Our responsibilities, as independent auditors, are established in the United Kingdom by statute, the Auditing Practices Board, the Listing Rules of the Financial Services Authority, and by our profession's ethical guidance.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and whether the financial statements and the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the directors' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the Group is not disclosed.

We review whether the statement on pages 4 and 5 reflects the company's compliance with the seven provisions of the Combined Code specified for our review by the Listing Rules, and we report if it does not. We are not required to consider whether the Board's statements on internal control cover all risks and controls, or form an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's corporate governance procedures or its risk and control procedures.

We read the other information contained in the Annual Report, including the corporate governance statement and the unaudited part of the Directors' Remuneration Report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements.

#### **Basis of audit 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 and the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited. 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 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 and the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited 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 and the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and the Group as at 30th April, 2004 and of the profit of the Group for the year then ended; and the financial statements and the part of the Directors' Remuneration Report to be audited have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

KPMG Audit Plc Birmingham Chartered Accountants Registered Auditor

# **GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

# For the year ended 30th April, 2004

								Note	2004 £′000	2003 £'000
TURNOVER								 2	34,018	33,179
Cost of sales									(25,238)	(25,312)
GROSS PROFIT									8,780	7,867
Distribution costs									(1,147)	(1,178)
Administrative expe	nses								(4,530)	(3,858)
OPERATING PROFIT									3,103	2,831
Share of loss of asso	ociated u	ndertak	ing						-	(59)
Interest payable and	l similar (	charges						 3	(299)	(196)
PROFIT ON ORDINAR	Y ACTIV	/ITIES	BEFO	RE TA	XA1	ION		 4	2,804	2,576
Taxation on profit of	n ordinar	y activi	ties					 7	(854)	(754)
PROFIT ON ORDINAR	Y ACTIV	ITIES .	AFTE	R TA)	(ATI	ON			1,950	1,822
Minority interests - 6	equity								(31)	(1)
PROFIT FOR THE FINA	NCIAL	YEAR						 8	1,919	1,821
Proposed ordinary of	lividend							 9	(850)	(750)
RETAINED PROFIT FO	R THE F	INANC	IAL	YEAR					1,069	1,071
EARNINGS PER ORDI	NARY S	HARE -	- BAS	SIC AN	ID D	ILUTE	D	 10	26.65p	25.29p

A statement of movement on reserves is given in note 22.

All of the Group's activities related to continuing operations.

# BALANCE SHEETS At 30th April, 2004

								Grou		ıp Compa	
							Notes	2004	2003	2004	2003
								£′000	£'000	£′000	£′000
FIXED ASSETS							11	160	202		
Intangible assets Tangible assets							12 & 13	10,391	7,513	- 2,213	1,369
I angible assets Investments							12 & 13	10,391	7,515	2,213 1,560	1,560
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								10,551	7,715	3,773	2,929
CURRENT ASSETS											
Stocks							15	7,339	4,444	_	_
Debtors							16	9,602	7,709	10,791	5,322
Cash at bank and in hand	ł							229	367	7	8
								17,170	12,520	10,798	5,330
								-		-	•
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FA	ALLIN	G DI	UE WIT	THIN (	ONE '	YEAR	17	(15,486)	(9,415)	(7,753)	(2,404)
NET CURRENT ASSETS								1,684	3,105	3,045	2,926
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CUF	RREN	T LIA	ABILITI	IES				12,235	10,820	6,818	5,855
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FA	ALLIN	IG D	UE AF	TER I	VIORE	E THA	N				
ONE YEAR							18	(603)	(404)	_	(156)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITY	ΓIES A	AND	CHAR	RGES			20	(940)	(768)	(187)	(124)
NET ASSETS								10,692	9,648	6,631	5,575
CAPITAL AND RESERVES											
Called up share capital							21	720	720	720	720
Profit and loss account							22	9,785	8,772	5,911	4,855
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	- EQL	JITY						10,505	9,492	6,631	5,575
MINORITY INTERESTS - E	τιυρ	Y						187	156	-	_
								10,692	9,648	6,631	5,575
								10,032	3,040		3,375

These financial statements were approved by the Board of directors on 27th August, 2004 and signed on its behalf by:

# **GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

# For the year ended 30th April, 2004

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								2004	2003
							Note	£′000	£′000
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERA	ATING A	CTIVI	TIES					510	4,373
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AN	ID SERVI	CING	OF F	INAN	CE		24	(299)	(196)
TAXATION								(812)	(390)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE							24	(3,240)	(1,023)
								(750)	(400)
							24	-	(84)
CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW BEFO	RE FINAN	ICIN	G					(4,591)	2,280
FINANCING							24	(469)	(392)
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH	I IN THE	YEAR	R					(5,060)	1,888
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATIN FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	G PROFIT	T <b>O</b> 1	NET (	CASH	FLOV	V			
Operating profit								3,103	2,831
Depreciation and amortisation c	harges							1,075	1,191
Loss on disposal of fixed assets								13	10
Increase in stocks								(2,922)	(67)
(Increase)/decrease in debtors								(1,943)	8
Increase in creditors								1,184	400
Net cash inflow from operating a	activities							510	4,373
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH DEBT	FLOW TO	о мо	VEM	ENT II	N NET	Г			
(Decrease)/increase in cash in th	e year							(5,060)	1,888
Finance lease repayments								469	392
CHANGE IN NET DEBT RESULTIN	NG FROM	CAS	H FI	OWS			25	(4,591)	2,280
New finance leases	10 1110111			0110			25	(690)	(48)
Foreign exchange translation dif	foronco		•••		•••		25	(27)	(21)
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MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT IN THI	E PERIOD	•						(5,308)	2,211
Net debt at start of year							25	(580)	(2,791)
NET DEBT AT END OF YEAR							25	(5,888)	(580)

# **OTHER PRIMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

For the year ended 30th April, 2004

# **GROUP STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**

	2004 £′000	2003 £′000
Profit for the financial year	1,919 (56)	1,821 (26)
Total recognised gains and losses for the financial year	1,863	1,795
RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN GROUP EQUITY SHAREHO	DLDERS' FUNDS 2004 £'000	2003 £′000
Profit for the financial year	1,919 (850)	1,821 (750)
Other recognised gains and losses relating to the year	1,069 (56)	1,071 (26)
NET ADDITION TO EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	1,013	1,045
Opening equity shareholders' funds	9,492	8,447
CLOSING EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS	10,505	9,492

#### **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# 1. Principal accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to these financial statements:

#### (a) Basis of accounting

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

The company is exempt under S230(4) Companies Act 1985 from the requirement to present its own profit and loss account.

In the company's financial statements, investments in subsidiary undertakings, associates and joint ventures are stated at cost less amounts written off.

#### (b) Consolidation principles

- (i) The Group financial statements include the results of the parent company and all of its subsidiary undertakings made up to 30th April consolidated under the acquisition method.
- (ii) Goodwill, representing the excess of the fair value of consideration given on the acquisition of subsidiary undertakings over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired was written off against reserves for all acquisitions prior to 1st May, 1998. This goodwill would be charged or credited in the profit and loss account on disposal of the business to which it relates. Goodwill on any acquisition subsequent to this date is capitalised and amortised over its useful life.
- (iii) For associated undertakings, the Group includes its share of profits and losses in the consolidated profit and loss account and its share of post acquisition retained profits or accumulated deficits in the consolidated balance sheet.

Prior to becoming a subsidiary undertaking, Goodwin Alloy Products Limited ("GAP") (formerly Wiggin Alloy Products Limited) was accounted for as an associated undertaking. In accordance with FRS 2 Accounting for Subsidiary Undertakings and in order to give a true and fair view, purchased goodwill has been calculated as the sum of the goodwill arising on each purchase of shares in GAP, being the difference at the date of each purchase between the fair value of the consideration given and the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities attributable to the interest purchased. This represents a departure from the statutory method, under which goodwill is calculated as the difference between cost and fair value on the date that GAP became a subsidiary undertaking. The statutory method would not give a true and fair view because it would result in the Group's share of GAP's retained reserves, during the period that it was an associated undertaking, being re-characterised as goodwill. The effect of this departure is to decrease retained profits by £71,000 and to decrease the cost of purchased goodwill recognised on the acquisition by £71,000. The effect of this departure from the statutory method on profits for the year is not material.

#### (c) **Depreciation**

Depreciation is calculated so as to write down the cost of fixed assets to their anticipated residual value over their estimated useful lives. The method of calculation and the annual rates applied are as follows:

Freehold land Nil Freehold buildings 2% or 21/2% on cost ... ... ... Leasehold property Over period of lease on cost ... ... ... Plant and machinery ... 15% or 25% on reducing balance or 25% on cost ... ... ... Motor vehicles ... 15% or 25% on reducing balance ... Tooling Over estimated production life

#### (d) Stock and work in progress

Stock and work in progress is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In determining the cost of raw materials the FIFO method is used. For work in progress and finished goods manufactured by the Group, cost is taken as production cost, which includes an appropriate proportion of attributable overheads. Net realisable value is based on the estimated selling price less further costs of completion and selling expenses.

Results attributable to the stage of completion of a long term contract are recognised when the outcome of the contract can be foreseen with reasonable certainty. Turnover for such contracts is stated at the cost appropriate to their stage of completion plus the attributable result, less amounts recognised in previous years. Provision is made for any losses as soon as they are foreseen.

Contract work in progress is stated at costs incurred, less those transferred to the profit and loss account, after deducting foreseeable losses and payments on account not matched with turnover.

Amounts recoverable on contracts are included in debtors and represent turnover recognised in excess of payments on account.

# (e) Turnover

Turnover represents the amounts (excluding value added tax and other sales taxes) derived from the provision of goods and services including long term contracts to external customers.

#### (f) Foreign exchange

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded using the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date and the gains and losses on translation are included in the profit and loss account.

For consolidation purposes the assets and liabilities of overseas subsidiary undertakings are translated at the closing exchange rates. Exchange differences arising on these translations are taken to reserves, net of exchange differences arising on related foreign currency borrowings.

# (g) Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Except where otherwise required by accounting standards, full provision without discounting is made for all timing differences which have arisen but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

Deferred taxation is not provided on earnings retained in overseas subsidiary undertakings as it is not expected that an actual liability will arise.

### (h) Leasing

Where the company enters into a lease which entails taking substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of an asset, the lease is treated as a 'finance lease'. The asset is recorded in the balance sheet as a tangible fixed asset and is depreciated over its estimated useful life, or the term of the lease, whichever is shorter. Future instalments under such leases, net of finance charges, are included with creditors. Rentals payable are apportioned between the finance element, which is charged to the profit and loss account, and the capital element which reduces the outstanding obligation for future instalments.

All other leases are accounted for as 'operating leases' and the rental charges are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the life of the lease.

#### (i) Pension costs

The Group contributes to a number of defined contribution pension schemes for certain senior employees. The assets of these schemes are held in independently administered funds. Group pension costs are charged to the profit and loss account in the year for which contributions are paid.

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or end of the financial year.

#### (j) Research and development expenditure

Development costs are capitalised as intangible fixed assets, insofar as they relate to clearly defined projects from which benefits can reasonably be regarded as assured. Such costs are not regarded as realised losses. Expenditure so deferred is limited to the value of estimated future related profits and is amortised through the profit and loss account in line with forecast sales of the product. Should research expenditure occur, it will be written off when incurred.

### 2. Turnover

The analysis of	turnov	ver by	desti d	nation	is as	follow	/s:			2004 £'000	2003 £'000
United Kingdom Rest of Europe Rest of World	n  							 	 	8,879 8,521 16,618	10,989 8,230 13,960
										34,018	33,179

In the opinion of the directors the Group only has one principal trading activity and therefore they do not consider there to be any requirement for segmental disclosure under SSAP25.

The geographical source of all turnover is the U.K. Overseas entities are not considered material.

Interest payable on bank loans and overdrafts	3. Interest payable and similar charges	2004 £'000	2003 £'000
4. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation  The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging the following:  Depreciation and amortisation of tangible fixed assets  - owned	Finance lease interest		
The profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging the following:  Depreciation and amortisation of tangible fixed assets  - owned		299	196
following:  Depreciation and amortisation of tangible fixed assets  - owned	4. Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		
Depreciation and amortisation of tangible fixed assets  - owned		2004	2003
- owned	3	£′000	£'000
- held under finance lease		840	1 045
Amortisation of development expenditure 42 40 Operating lease rentals: Short term plant hire			
Short term plant hire			40
Auditors' remuneration and expenses - Group 42 42			
	Auditors' remuneration and expenses - Group	42	42

Fees charged by the company's auditors in respect of work carried out in the year for Group non audit services amounted to £25,000 (2003: £14,000). The audit fee for the company itself amounted to £10,000 (2003: £10,000).

# 5. Directors' Remuneration

Details of directors' remuneration is set out in the Directors' Remuneration Report on pages 6 and 7.

#### 6. Staff numbers and costs

The average number of persons employed by the Group (including directors) during the year, analysed by category, was as follows:

category, was as follows:			-	-		•		_			
										2004 Number	2003 Number
Works personnel Administrative staff										447 34	391 30
Administrative starr								•••		34	
										481	421
The aggregate payroll cos	ts of th	nese p	ersons	were	as foll	ows:				£′000	£′000
Wages and salaries										9,870	8,682
Social security costs										997 48	824
Other pension costs										46	48
										10,915	9,554
7. Taxation on profit on o	rdinar	y acti	ivities	;						2004	2003
Taxation charge based on	the pr	ofit for	r the y	ear of	the Gr	oup:				£′000	£'000
U.K. corporation tax -	curren									682	712 (1)
Share of associate's ta				tax cu	irrent y	year				=	(18)
Total current tax charg	ge									682	693
Deferred taxation char	rge (se	e note		current orior ye						181 (9)	61 -
Factors affecting the tax cl	haraa t	for the	aurra	nt woor						854	754
ractors affecting the tax ci	narge i	or the	curre	nı year							
The current tax charge for the differences are explain	the yea	ar is lov low.	wer th	an the	standa	rd rat	e of co	rpora	tion tax	in the UK of 30%	(2003: 30%).
·										2004 £'000	2003 £′000
Current tax reconciliation											
Profit on ordinary acti	vities b	pefore	tax							2,804	2,576
Current tax at 30% (20	003: 30	%)								841	773
Effect of:											
Expenses not deductil										54	4
Capital allowances in			•	tion						(210)	(61)
Small company rate a Additional tax credit for			 and de	 velonn	 nent					(9)	(4) (10)
Adjustments to tax ch										-	(1)
Other										6	(8)
Total current tax charge (s	ee abo	ove)								682	693

The only significant factor which may affect future tax charges would be a change in the UK corporation tax rate.

# 8. Profit for the financial year

The consolidated profit for the financial year includes a profit of £1,906,000 (2003: £1,514,000) which has been dealt with in the financial statements of the parent company.

# 9. Proposed dividend

The proposed ordinary dividend of £850,032 (2003: £750,024) represents 11.806p per share (2003: 10.417p per share).

# 10. Earnings per ordinary share

The earnings per ordinary share has been calculated on profit on ordinary activities after taxation and minority interests of £1,919,000 (2003: £1,821,000) and by reference to the 7,200,000 ordinary shares in issue throughout both years. The company has no share options or other diluting instruments and accordingly there is no diluted earnings per share.

# 11. Intangible fixed assets of the Group

i mangible fixed dosets of the	Giou	P		Goodwill	Development	Total
Cost				£′000	costs £′000	£′000
At beginning and end of year	r		 	 41	201	242
Amortisation						
At beginning of year Charge for year			 	 _ 2	40 40	40 42
At end of year			 	 2	80	82
Net book value						
At 30th April, 2004			 	 39	121	160
At 30th April, 2003			 	 41	161	202

# 12. Tangible fixed assets of the Group

		Land and buildings Freehold £'000	Land and buildings Short leasehold £'000	Plant and machinery £'000	Fixtures, fittings, tools and equipment £'000	course of construction	Total £′000
Cost		£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000	£ 000
At beginning of year Additions Disposals Exchange adjustments	 	1,485 1,104 – (25)	46 - - -	12,137 1,885 (290) (25)	2,502 115 - (2)	878 -	17,008 3,982 (290) (52)
At end of year	 	2,564	46	13,707	2,615	1,716	20,648
Depreciable assets	 	994	35	13,179	1,882	_	16,090
Depreciation							
At beginning of year Charge for year Disposals Exchange adjustment	 	562 18 - (3)	19 3 - -	7,030 876 (264) (3)	1,884 136 - (1)		9,495 1,033 (264) (7)
At end of year	 	577	22	7,639	2,019		10,257
Net book value At 30th April, 2004	 	1,987	24	6,068	596	1,716	10,391
At 30th April, 2003	 	923	27	5,107	618	838	7,513

The net book value of plant and machinery held under finance leases at 30th April, 2004 was £1,097,000 (2003: £1,287,000). Depreciation for the year on these assets was £193,000 (2003: £105,000).

The net book value of assets in the course of construction held under finance leases at 30th April, 2004 was £690,000 (2003: £ Nil).

The total amount outstanding in respect of these leases at 30th April, 2004 is £1,017,000 (2003: £796,000) - see note 19(e).

# 13. Tangible fixed assets of the company

Cost		Land and buildings Freehold £'000	Land and buildings Short leasehold £'000	Plant and machinery £'000	Fixtures, fittings, tools and equipment £'000	Total £′000
At beginning of year Additions	 	 668 127	35 -	842 868	1,834 63	3,379 1,058
At end of year	 	 795	35	1,710	1,897	4,437
Depreciable assets	 	 625	35	1,710	1,897	4,267
Depreciation						
At beginning of year Charge for year	 	 336 14	19 1	268 88	1,387 111	2,010 214
At end of year	 	 350	20	356	1,498	2,224
Net book value						
At 30th April, 2004	 	 445	15	1,354	399	2,213
At 30th April, 2003	 	 332	16	574	447	1,369

The net book value of plant and machinery held under finance leases at 30th April, 2004 was £468,000 (2003: £550,000). Depreciation for the year on these assets was £83,000 (2003: £97,000).

The total amount outstanding in respect of these leases at 30th April, 2004 is £146,000 (2003: £330,000) - see notes 17 and 18.

# 14. Investments

(a)	Company					Subsidiary undertakings £'000
	Cost and net book value					
	At beginning and end of year	 	 	 	 	 1,560

# (b) Investments of the company in shares in subsidiary undertakings

The company is the beneficial owner of the issued share capital of the following principal subsidiary undertakings, all of which are included in the consolidation:

Subsidiary undertakings			Country of Incorporation and operation	Type of shares	% held
Goodwin International Limited		 	 Great Britain	Ordinary Preference	100 100
Goodwin Steel Castings Limited		 	 Great Britain	Ordinary	100
Hoben International Limited		 	 Great Britain	Ordinary Preference	100 100
Hoben Industrial Minerals Limited	ł	 	 Great Britain	Ordinary	100
Easat Antennas Limited		 	 Great Britain	Ordinary	881/2
Internet Central Limited		 	 Great Britain	Ordinary	821/2
Goodwin Alloy Products Limited		 	 Great Britain	Ordinary	100
Goodwin GmbH		 	 Germany	Ordinary	100
Goodwin Korea Co. Limited		 	 South Korea	Ordinary	95

All of the companies are involved in mechanical and refractory engineering.

The overseas subsidiaries act as sales agents for the UK manufacturing subsidiaries.

Raw materials and consumables   2,300   2,198	Work in progress re long term contracts	of long term	    urnover  2003 £'000  7,057 145 194	2,300 162 4,285 592 7,339 350 (188) 162 Compar 2004 £'000	£'000 2,198 - 1,689 557 - 4,444 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
Work in progress re long term contracts:         162         -           Other work in progress         952         557           Finished goods and goods for resale         592         557           Work in progress includes the following amounts in respect of long term contracts:         7,339         4,444           Work in progress includes the following amounts in respect of long term contracts:         S50         -           Net cost less foreseeable losses            350         -           Less: Payments on account received and receivable not matched with turnover         162         -         -           162         -	Work in progress re long term contracts	of long term	    urnover  2003 £'000  7,057 145 194	162 4,285 592 7,339 350 (188) 162 Compar 2004 £'000	1,689 557 4,444 
Other work in progress Finished goods and goods for resale         4,285 (557)         1,689 (552)         552 (557)         552 (557)         552 (557)         552 (557)         552 (557)         7,339         4,444           Work in progress includes the following amounts in respect of long term contracts:           Net cost less foreseeable losses	Other work in progress	of long term tched with tu  Group  04  00  86  -	 n contracts:  urnover 2003 £'000 7,057 145 	4,285 592 7,339 350 (188) 162 Compar 2004 £'000 4 9,820	557 4,444 
Finished goods and goods for resale   592   557   7,339   4,444	Work in progress includes the following amounts in respect Net cost less foreseeable losses Less: Payments on account received and receivable not ma  16. Debtors  Trade debtors 8,3 Amounts recoverable on contracts Amounts owed by Group undertakings Other debtors	of long term tched with tu  Group  04  00  86  - 54	 n contracts:  urnover 2003 £'000 7,057 145 	7,339  350 (188)  162  Compar 2004 £'000  4 9,820	557 4,444 
Net cost less foreseeable losses	Net cost less foreseeable losses	Group  04 00  86 -	2003 £'000 7,057 145 - 194	350 (188) 162 Compar 2004 £'000 4 9,820	2003 f'000 4,961
Net cost less foreseeable losses	Net cost less foreseeable losses	Group  04 00  86 -	2003 £'000 7,057 145 - 194	Compar 2004 £'000 4 9,820	2003 £'000 5 - 4,961
Net cost less foreseeable losses	Net cost less foreseeable losses	Group  04 00  86 -	2003 £'000 7,057 145 - 194	Compar 2004 £'000 4 9,820	2003 £'000 5 - 4,961
16. Debtors   Group   Company	Trade debtors	Group <b>04</b> <b>00</b> <b>86</b> - - <b>54</b>	2003 £'000 7,057 145 _ 194	Compar 2004 £'000 4 9,820	2003 £'000 5 - 4,961
Company	Trade debtors	04 00 86 - - 54	£'000 7,057 145 – 194	Compar 2004 £'000 4 9,820	2003 £'000 5 - 4,961
2004   2003   2004   2003   2004   2000   200000   20000   20000   20000   20000   20000   20000   200000   200000   200000   20000   20000	Trade debtors	04 00 86 - - 54	£'000 7,057 145 – 194	2004 £'000 4 - 9,820	2003 £'000 5 - 4,961
Trade debtors	Trade debtors	00 86 - - 54	£'000 7,057 145 – 194	£ 000 4 - 9,820 -	£'000 5 - 4,961 1
Trade debtors	Trade debtors 8,3  Amounts recoverable on contracts  Amounts owed by Group undertakings Other debtors	86 _ _ 54	7,057 145 – 194	4 - 9,820 -	5 - 4,961 1
Amounts recoverable on contracts	Amounts recoverable on contracts Amounts owed by Group undertakings Other debtors	- - 54	145 - 194	9,820	4,961 1
Amounts owed by Group undertakings	Amounts owed by Group undertakings Other debtors		194	· -	· 1
Other debtors         354         194         -         1           Prepayments and accrued income          194         132         43         34           Corporation tax           668         181         668         181           17. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year         Group         Company         Company           2004         2003         2004         2003         2004         2003           Bank overdrafts           5,100         151         1,568         233           Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements          414         392         146         174           Payments received on account         371         508         -         -         -           Trade creditors          6,511         5,703         -         -         -           Amounts owed to Group undertakings          -         -         4,268         724           Corporation tax           631         294         73         77           Other taxes and social security          631         294         73         77	Other debtors			· -	· 1
Corporation tax	Corporation tax	94	132	43	
Value added tax                 668   181   668   181	Value added tax 6  9,6  17. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year  200 £'00	_	_	256	
17. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year   2004   2003   2004   2003   2004   2000   200	17. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year  200 £'00	68	181		
Bank overdrafts        5,100       151       1,568       233         Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements         414       392       146       174         Payments received on account          6,511       5,703       -       -       -         Trade creditors          6,511       5,703       - <th>200 £′00</th> <th>02</th> <th>7,709</th> <th>10,791</th> <th>5,322</th>	200 £′00	02	7,709	10,791	5,322
Bank overdrafts        5,100       151       1,568       233         Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements         414       392       146       174         Payments received on account          6,511       5,703       -       -       -         Trade creditors          6,511       5,703       - <th>200 £′00</th> <th>Group</th> <th></th> <th>Compar</th> <th></th>	200 £′00	Group		Compar	
Bank overdrafts          5,100       151       1,568       233         Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements          414       392       146       174         Payments received on account   <			2003		
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements       414       392       146       174         Payments received on account       371       508       -       -         Trade creditors       6,511       5,703       -       -         Amounts owed to Group undertakings       -       -       4,268       724         Corporation tax       -       -       -       4,268       724         Corporation tax       -       -       -       -       -         Other taxes and social security       -       631       294       73       77         Other creditors       -       -       79       317       -       -         Accruals and deferred income       1,145       747       848       446         Proposed dividends       -       850       750       850       750         15,486       9,415       7,753       2,404	Bank overdrafts 5.10	00	£'000	£′000	£'000
purchase agreements       414     392     146     174       Payments received on account       371     508     -     -       Trade creditors        6,511     5,703     -     -     -       Amounts owed to Group undertakings      -     -     4,268     724       Corporation tax        385     553     -     -       Other taxes and social security      631     294     73     77       Other creditors       79     317     -     -       Accruals and deferred income      1,145     747     848     446       Proposed dividends      850     750     850     750       15,486     9,415     7,753     2,404		00	151	1,568	233
Payments received on account         371       508       -       -       -         Trade creditors          6,511       5,703       -		14	392	146	174
Amounts owed to Group undertakings        -       -       4,268       724         Corporation tax         385       553       -       -       -         Other taxes and social security         631       294       73       77         Other creditors          79       317       -       -         Accruals and deferred income         1,145       747       848       446         Proposed dividends         850       750       850       750         15,486       9,415       7,753       2,404	Payments received on account 3	-		_	_
Corporation tax          385       553       -       -       -       Other taxes and social security          631       294       73       77       77       Other creditors		11	5,703	4 268	- 724
Other creditors          79       317       -       -       -         Accruals and deferred income Proposed dividends          1,145       747       848       446         850       750       850       750         15,486       9,415       7,753       2,404	Corporation tax 3			_	_
Accruals and deferred income 1,145				73	77
<b>15,486</b> 9,415 <b>7,753</b> 2,404				848	446
	Proposed dividends 8	50	750	850	750
18. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year Group Company	15,4	36	9,415	7,753	2,404
ro. ordantoro. amounto ramin <b>y due arter more than one year</b> Group Company	18 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one ves	r Group		Compar	nv
<b>2004</b> 2003 <b>2004</b> 2003	200	)4	2003		
<b>f'000</b> f'000 f'000		00	£′000	£′000	£'000
Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements falling due within two to five years 603 404 - 156		<u> </u>	404		156

The obligations under finance leases and hire purchase agreements are secured on the related assets.

# 19. Financial instruments

# (a) Financial assets

The Group's financial assets, excluding short-term debtors, consist mainly of Sterling, Euro and US Dollar denominated cash at bank which earns interest at floating rate related to bank base rates. Cash at bank at the year end was £221,000 (2003: £361,000).

# (b) Financial liabilities

The Group's financial liabilities, excluding short-term creditors, are set out below. Floating rate financial liabilities comprise Sterling, Euro, and US Dollar denominated bank loans, leases and overdrafts. The floating rate financial liabilities bear interest at rates related to bank base rates. The fixed rate financial liabilities bear a weighted average interest rate of 5.32% (and the weighted average period over which this is fixed is two years) (2003: 7.0% fixed for three years).

#### 19. Financial Instruments (continued)

#### (b) Financial liabilities (continued)

		Floating rate financial liabilities	Fixed rate financial liabilities	2004 Total	Floating rate financial liabilities	Fixed rate financial liabilities	2003 Total
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Currency Sterling Euro US Dollar Other	 	 5,876 22 (515) (83)	817 - - -	6,693 22 (515) (83)	(1,453) 479 1,546	374 - - -	(1,079) 479 1,546
Total		5,300	817	6,117	572	374	946

#### (c) Interest rate risk

The Group is subject to fluctuations in interest rates on its borrowings and surplus cash. The Group is aware of the financial products available to insure against adverse movements in interest rates. Formal reviews are undertaken to determine whether such instruments are appropriate for the Group. No such instruments were utilised in the year to 30th April, 2004.

#### (d) Currency exposure

The Group is subject to fluctuations in exchange rates on its net investments overseas and transactional monetary assets and liabilities not denominated in the operating (or 'functional') currency of the operating unit involved. The Group's policy is to hedge, where appropriate, the net asset value of overseas investments. Such hedging is currently achieved through borrowings in the respective currencies.

During the year ended 30 April, 2004 the Group has taken out contracts to minimise the impact of exchange rate fluctuations based on expected currency orders to be received over the coming two years.

There were no material gains or losses on instruments used for exchange rate hedging either during or at the end of the year.

The table below shows the Group's transactional currency exposures which give rise to the net currency gains and losses recognised in the profit and loss account. There is no internal policy requirement to take out exchange rate hedging on the Group's transactional monetary assets and liabilities although, when it is believed market conditions necessitate such hedging, then appropriate arrangements would be made using forward contracts.

30th April	, 200	4							Net	foreign current	cy monetary asset	s/(liabilities)		
										Sterling £'000	US Dollar £'000	Total £'000		
Functiona		rency	of Gr	oup o	perat	ion					1 000			
Korean Wo	n									(103)		(103)		
Sterling	• • • •									(227)	181	181		
Other				•••	•••					(325)		(325)		
Total										(428)	(181)	(247)		
30th April, 2003 Net foreign currency monetary assets/(liabilities)														
										Sterling £'000	US Dollar £'000	Total £′000		
	Functional currency of Group operation													
Korean Wo	n									(106)	_	(106)		
US Dollar										(201)	128	(73)		
Other										(246)	_	(246)		
Total										(553)	128	(425)		

The amounts shown above take into account the effect of forward contracts the Group had taken out to hedge expected future foreign currency purchases.

# 19. Financial Instruments (continued)

#### (e) Maturity profile

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities, other than short-term creditors such as trade creditors and accruals was as follows:

O	verdrafts	Finance leases and hire purchase agreements	2004 Total	Overdrafts	Finance leases and hire purchase agreements	2003 Total
Borrowings analysed by	£′000	£'000	£′000	£′000	£'000	£′000
maturity date Borrowings due within one year	5,094	414	5,508	151	392	543
Borrowings due after one year Between one and two years Between two and five years	6	233 370	239 370		374 30	374 30
Total borrowings due after one ye	ar <b>6</b>	603	609		404	404
Total	5,100	1,017	6,117	151	796	947

At 30th April, 2004 the Group had the following undrawn committed facilities, with an average maturity of 19 months, in respect of which all conditions precedent had been met:

Undrawn committed borrowing facilities
Expiring after one year but less than two years ... ... ... ... ... ... ... 1,994

#### (f) Fair values

At 30th April, 2004 and at 30th April, 2003 the fair value of the Group's financial instruments was not materially different to the book value of the instruments. The fair value was calculated using market rates where available, otherwise cash flows were discounted at prevailing rates.

20. Provisions for liabilities and charges							Deferred taxation		
·						Group £'000	Company £'000		
Balance at beginning of year						768	124		
Balance at beginning of year Charge for the year in the profit and loss account						172	63		
Balance at end of year						940	187		

The amount provided for deferred taxation, which is the full potential liability calculated on the liability method at 30% (2003: 30%), is set out below:

	(	Group			Com	npany
Difference have a consulated decreasing	2004 £'000		2000 £′000		2004 £'000	2003 £′000
Difference between accumulated depreciation and amortisation and capital allowances Losses	978 (38)		76	3	187 -	124
-	940	_	768	3	187	124
21. Share capital		_		-		
					2004 £'000	2003 £'000
Authorised, allotted, called up and fully paid: 7,200,000 ordinary shares of 10p each					720	720
22. Profit and loss account					Group £'000	Company £'000
At beginning of year					8,772	4,855
Retained profit for the year Exchange loss on re-translation of overseas subsidiaries		 sets			1,069 (56)	1,056 -
At end of year					9,785	5,911

Cumulative goodwill in the Group amounting to £248,000 (2003: £248,000) arising on the acquisition of subsidiary undertakings has been written off against reserves.

# 23. Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

23	. Reconciliation of movements	in sna	irenoiders	Tun	as				2004 £′000	2003 £′000
	Company Profit for the financial year Dividends								1,906 (850)	1,514 (750)
	Net additions to shareholders' fur Opening shareholders' funds	nds 							1,056 5,575	764 4,811
	Closing shareholders' funds								6,631	5,575
24	. Analysis of cash flows								2004 £′000	2003 £'000
	Returns on investments and s Interest paid Interest element of finance le								(247) (52)	(137) (59)
	Net cash outflow for returns	on inve	estment and	l serv	icing o	of fina	nce		(299)	(196)
	Capital expenditure Payments to acquire fixed ass Proceeds from sale of plant a	sets nd ma	 chinery						(3,251) 11	(1,072) 49
	Net cash outflow for capital e	xpend	iture						(3,240)	(1,023)
	Acquisitions Overdraft acquired Purchase of subsidiaries									(64) (20)
	Net cash outflow for aquisition	ns								(84)
	Financing Capital element of finance lea	ise rep	ayments						(469)	(392)
25	. Analysis of net debt		At 1st May 2003 £'000	(	Cash flo £'0			Other n-cash anges £'000	Exchange movement £'000	At 30th April 2004 £'000
	Cash at bank Bank overdrafts		367 (151)		(1 (4,9	11) 49)		_	(27)	229 (5,100)
			216		(5,0	60)		_	(27)	(4,871)
	Finance leases		(796)		4	69	_	(690)		(1,017)
			(580)		(4,5	91)		(690)	(27)	(5,888)

26. Major non-cash transactions

During the year, the Group entered into finance lease arrangements in respect of assets with a value of £690,000 (2003: £48,000).

**27. Contingencies**On 30th April, 2004, the Group had entered into performance bonds in the normal course of business amounting to £1,861,000 (2003: £1,527,000) in respect of 115 (2003: 95) contracts.

# 28. Capital commitments

Capital commitments at 30th April, for which no provision has been made in these financial statements, were £ Nil (2003: £613,000).