

Collaboration Trading Company Limited

Registered number: 3657122

Directors' report and financial statements

For the year ended 31 March 2010

COLLABORATION TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Prof MJ Clarke (resigned 20/10/2010) Prof P Langhorne (resigned 20/10/2010) Dr R Scholten (appointed 20/10/2010) Prof LA Becker (appointed 20/10/2010) Prof J Deeks (appointed 20/10/2010)
Company secretary	VM Hetherington
Company number	3657122
Registered office	Summertown Pavilion 18-24 Middle Way Oxford Oxford Oxfordshire OX2 7LG
Auditors	Mazars LLP Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors The Pinnacle 160 Midsummer Boulevard Milton Keynes MK9 1FF
Bankers	National Westminster Bank plc 249 Banbury Road Summertown Oxford OX2 7HR
Solicitors	Manches & Co 9400 Garsington Road Oxford Business Park Oxford OX4 2HN

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2010.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the directors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments 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 adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be the collection of royalties from the sale of subscriptions to The Cochrane Library.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were:

Prof MJ Clarke (resigned 20/10/2010)
Prof P Langhorne (resigned 20/10/2010)
Dr R Scholten (appointed 20/10/2010)
Prof LA Becker (appointed 20/10/2010)
Prof J Deeks (appointed 20/10/2010)

Political and charitable contributions

The company has made charitable donations in the year to the parent company, The Cochrane Collaboration, under Gift Aid. The total charge to the profit and loss account in the year was £2,239,137 (2009: £1,629,837).

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DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

Provision of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware, and
- that director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

The auditors, Mazars LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on 20/10/2010 and signed on its behalf.

 24.12.2010

Prof J Deeks
Director

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF COLLABORATION TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of Collaboration Trading Company Limited for the year ended 31 March 2010, which comprise the profit and loss account, the balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities).

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities set out on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors. This report, is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. 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 auditors' 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.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at www.frc.org.uk/apb/scope/UKNP.

Opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 March 2010 and of its results for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to small companies.

Opinion on the other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF COLLABORATION TRADING COMPANY LIMITED

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements and the directors' report in accordance with the small companies regime.

Stephen Brown

Stephen Brown (Senior statutory auditor)
for and on behalf of Mazars LLP, Chartered Accountants (Statutory auditor)

The Pinnacle
160 Midsummer Boulevard
Milton Keynes
MK9 1FF

Date: 28.12.10

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

	Note	2010 £	2009 £
Turnover	1	2,421,197	1,802,391
Administrative expenses		(2,431,163)	(1,832,659)
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Operating loss	2	(9,966)	(30,268)
Interest receivable		9,966	29,551
Interest payable		-	717
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Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		-	-
Tax on profit on ordinary activities		-	-
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Profit for the financial year		-	-
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The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2010

	Note	£	2010 £	£	2009 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible fixed assets	4		4,391		5,009
Current assets					
Debtors	5	598,174		514,078	
Cash at bank		733,543		496,629	
		1,331,717		1,010,707	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(1,336,046)		(1,015,654)	
Net current liabilities			(4,329)		(4,947)
Total assets less current liabilities			62		62
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	7		100		100
Profit and loss account	8		(38)		(38)
Shareholders' funds			62		62

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on

 24.12.2010

Prof J Deeks
Director

The notes on pages 7 to 9 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010

1. Accounting policies

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

1.2 Turnover

Turnover comprises revenue recognised by the company in respect of goods and services supplied, exclusive of Value Added Tax and trade discounts.

1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures & fittings	-	33%	straight line
Computer equipment	-	25%	straight line

2. Operating loss

The operating loss is stated after charging:

	2010 £	2009 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the company	1,932	3,143
Auditors' remuneration	2,138	1,400
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During the year, no director received any emoluments (2009 - £NIL).

3. Interest payable

	2010 £	2009 £
Interest payable	-	717
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4. Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture, fittings and equipment £
Cost	
At 1 April 2009	26,847
Additions	1,314
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At 31 March 2010	28,161
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Depreciation	
At 1 April 2009	21,838
Charge for the year	1,932
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At 31 March 2010	23,770
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Net book value	
At 31 March 2010	4,391
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At 31 March 2009	5,009
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5. Debtors

	2010 £	2009 £
Other debtors	598,174	514,078
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6. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2010 £	2009 £
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,210,950	896,838
Social security and other taxes	3,383	79,588
Other creditors and accruals	121,713	39,228
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	1,336,046	1,015,654
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7. Share capital

	2010 £	2009 £
Allotted, called up and fully paid		
100 shares of £1 each	100	100

8. Reserves

	Profit and loss account £
At 1 April 2009 and 31 March 2010	(38)

9. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard Number 8 from the requirement to disclose transactions with group companies on the grounds that consolidated financial statements are prepared by the ultimate parent company.

10. Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

The ultimate controlling party is The Cochrane Collaboration, a charitable company registered in England. Collaboration Trading Company is its trading subsidiary.