Bennett Restaurants Ltd (Registered number: 04965974)

Report of the Directors for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2020.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was that of franchisee operators of McDonald's limited menu quick service restaurants.

During the period the company paid interim dividends of £557 per Ordinary B £1 share. The directors recommend that no final dividend be paid on these shares. No interim dividends were paid on the Ordinary A £1 shares. The directors recommend that no final dividend be paid on these shares. The total distribution of dividends for the year ended 31 December 2020 will be £557,000 (2019: £881,000)

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The company does not carry out any independent or specific research and development. However, McDonald's Restaurants Limited carries out its own research development on behalf of all franchisees. The company makes a contribution towards this through its existing payments to McDonald's Restaurants Limited.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Board aims to maintain its existing management policies which have resulted in the company's successful period of trading. These policies include the intention to grow sales and maintain control over costs. The future developments of the Company have been disclosed further in the Strategic Report in accordance with Companies Act s414C(11).

The level of business and the year end financial position remain satisfactory for the company and the Board is confident of being able to develop the business further in the future. 2021 is expected to be another profitable period of trading continued to be affected by the Covid-19 epidemic. The Board consider that the company is in a good position to take advantage of any profitable opportunities which may arise in the future, including the acquisition of further stores.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 1 January 2020 to the date of this report.

A P Bennett

A M Bennett

DISABLED EMPLOYEES

The company operates an equal opportunities policy with regard to recruitment and seeks to offer suitable work and training wherever practicable to persons with disabilities. The policy of the company is to ensure that disabled applicants for employment are given full and fair consideration having regard to their particular aptitudes and abilities. Existing disabled employees are given equal access to appropriate training, career development and promotion opportunities within the company. In the event of employees becoming disabled while in the employment of the company, all reasonable means are explored to achieve retention in employment in the same or an alternative capacity.

STREAMLINED ENERGY AND CARBON REPORTING

In line with the government's streamlined energy and carbon reporting requirements we are required to report our organisation's carbon emissions for the period 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020.

We have set this year as our baseline year and reported our total emissions using the financial control boundary. Our methodology aligns with Defra's Environmental reporting guidelines (2019) and uses the government's greenhouse gas (GHG) reporting conversion factors (2020) to quantify emissions.

	1 January 2020 - 31
Emissions Source	December 2020
Direct Emissions from Mobile Combustion Sources - Franchisee Vehicle Fuel Consumption	8.3
Direct Emissions from Stationary Combustion - Franchisee Natural Gas Consumption	160.5
Direct Emissions from Stationary Combustion - Franchisee Other Fuel Consumption	224,707.0
Total Scope 1 (tCO2e)	224,875.8
Indirect Emissions from Franchisee Purchased Electricity	1,482.6

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Fuel Consumed by Personal Vehicles used for Business Activities - Grey Fleet	1.2
Direct Emissions from Stationary Combustion - Natural Gas Consumption at Landlord	
Leased Restaurants	0.0
Direct Emissions from Stationary Combustion - Other Fuel Consumption at Landlord Leased	
Restaurants	0.0
Indirect Emissions from Purchased Electricity of Landlord Leased Restaurants	77.1
Total Scope 3 (tCO2e)	78.2
Total Scope 1,2&3 (tCO2e) Intensity Metrics	226,436.6
Annual Turnover	£43,412,436
Emissions per unit of turnover (tCO2e/£)	0.01
	1 January 2020 - 31
Energy Consumption by source	December 2020
Electricity	6,689,938
Gas	872,631
Purchased fuel	-
Company car	4,695
Grey Fleet Vehicle	4,695
Total	7,571,959

In an effort to reduce our emissions we have undertaken carbon efficiency measures in the year that include the continued purchase of renewable energy across the estate and the transition to LED lighting throughout all restaurants. Over 120,000 LED lights have been installed across McDonald's restaurants, right down to the bulbs in our emergency lighting.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself or herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, The Barnbrook Sinclair Partnership LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

A P Bennett - Director

Date: 15-10-21