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### ATRTOURS LIMITED

## (FORMERLY PENDLE TRAVEL SERVICES LIMITED)

### AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

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#### AIRTOURS LIMITED

### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The directors present their report together with financial statements for the year ended 30th September 1986.

#### 1. Change of name

On 29th September 1986, the parent company changed its name from Pendle Travel Services Limited to Airtours Limited.

### 2. Principal activities

During the year, the parent company was principally engaged as tour operators and travel agents. The subsidiaries were dormant throughout the year.

### Review of business

In November 1985, the company acquired the name of Carousel actidays, a Midlands based tour operation, and issued a brochure under that name for 1986 summer holidays.

The demand for package tours has been high throughout the financial year. The company has achieved a significant increase in turnover but has not maintained its profit margins, severe competition and the existing low margin commitments on acquisition of the Carousel Holidays summer 1986 programme being the principal contributory factors.

On 8th December 1986 a contract for the sale of the retail travel agencies for £2,750,000 in cash was signed. The directors considered that these were no real prospects for improvement in profitability from these units in the foreseeable future. They also consider that the sale will enable management to concentrate on the growth of the tour operating business.

The contract for the sale of the retail travel agencies provides for the effective transfer of that undertaking to the purchaser at 30th September 1986. If the sale had been reflected in the balance sheet, net assets would have been increased by approximately £1,700,000 after allowing for taxation.

The profit for the year after taxation amounted to £1,279,000. An interim dividend of £315,000 was paid on the 29th September 1986. The directors do not propose to pay a final dividend, and the profit of £964,000 has been retained.

#### 4. Directors

The directors in office at the end of the year are listed below. Apart from Mr. D. Collins, who was appointed to the Board on 4th December 1985, all served on the Board throughout the year.

In accordance with the Articles, members will be asked to confirm the appointment of Mr. D. Collins.

Mr. D. Crossland and Mr. L.T. James retire by rotation and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

### AIRTOURS LIMITED

## REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (CONTINUED)

#### Directors (continued) 4.

The interests of the directors in the ordinary shares of the company and its subsidiaries at 1st October 1985 (or the date of their appointment to the Board if later) and at 30th September 1986 as recorded in the register maintained by the company in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1985, were as follows:

as tollows:	1986 and 1985
D. Crossland T. Trickett H.H. Collinson T. Lovelock L.T. James D. Collins	330,000 170,000 -

### Fixed assets

The principal items of captial expenditure in the year were the acquisition of new computer hardware and software (£926,000) and the refurbishment of the company's head office and five of its retail agencies (£155,000).

The net book value of fixed assets sold during the year was £68,000.

#### **Auditors** 6.

Grant Thornton offer themselves for re-appointment as auditors in accordance with Section 384(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

### Registered office

Wavell House, Holcombe Road, Helmshore, Rossendale, Lancashire.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

CROSSLAND

CHAIRMAN

## REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF AIRTOURS LIMITED (FORMERLY PENDLE TRAVEL SERVICES LIMITED)

We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 18 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements, which have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of certain properties, give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and the company at 30th September 1986, and of the profit and source and application of funds of the group for the year then ended, and comply with the Companies Act 1985.

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### ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except that freehold and long leasehold properties are shown at their revalued amounts.

The timing of recognition of certain turnover and expenditure in the financial statements has been changed to conform with general industry practice. The effects of the changes are shown in note 15. Except for these changes, the principal accounting policies have remained unchanged and are set out below.

#### Basis of consolidation a).

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of the company and of its subsidiaries (see Note 7). The financial statements of each company in the group are prepared to 30th September. All unrealised internal profits are eliminated on consolidation.

None of the subsidiaries has traded during the year and consequently no profit or loss arises in their individual financial statements.

#### Turnover b)

Turnover is the total amount receivable by the group from the sale of package holidays and other services supplied to customers in the ordinary course of business, net of VAT and trade discounts. Revenue and expenses relating to package holidays are taken to profit and loss account on flight departure. In previous years revenue and expenses were taken to profit and loss account at the point the final invoice became payable.

### Investment income

Investment income comprises interest receivable on bank deposits.

### Depreciation

Depreciation on leasehold properties and computer equipment is calculated to write down their cost or valuation by equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives.

Depreciation on other tangible fixed assets is calculated on the reducing balance method and aims to write down the cost of all such assets other than freehold land and buildings over their expected useful lives.

The rates/periods generally applicable are:

28 Long leasehold premises Period of lease short leasehold premises 4 years Computer equipment 10% Fixtures, fittings and equipment 25% Motor vehicles

No depreciation is provided on freehold premises. This policy does not comply with the provisions of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.12 or the Companies Act 1985, Schedule 4, Paragraph 18. However, all freehold premises have been disposed of since the year end.

### ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### e); Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is the taxation attributable to timing differences between profits or losses computed for taxation purposes and results as stated in the financial statements.

Deferred taxation is provided to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will crystallise and not provided to the extent that it is probable that a liability or asset will not crystallise. Deferred taxation not provided is disclosed as a contingent liability.

Deferred taxation is calculated at the rate at which it is estimated that the tax will be paid when the timing differences reverse.

Debit balances arising in respect of advance corporation tax on dividends payable or proposed are carried forward to the extent that it is foreseen that sufficient corporation tax will be assessed in the succeeding period to allow offset.

### f) Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date, or to the extent that foreign currency denominated liabilities are covered by forward exchange contracts at the appropriate contract rates. All realised exchange differences are dealt with through the profit and loss account.

### g) Brochure and promotional costs

Brochure and promotional costs are charged to profit and loss account in the season to which they relate. In previous years these costs have been written off when incurred.

### h) Leased assets

Subject to the note below on retail agency assets, where assets are financed by leasing agreements which give risks and rewards approximating ownership ("finance leases") they are treated as if they had been purchased outright on credit. They are therefore initially recorded as a fixed asset and a liability at a sum equal are therefore initially recorded as a fixed asset and a liability at a sum equal to the fair value of the asset. Leasing payments on such assets are regarded as consisting of a capital element which reduces the cutstanding liability and an interest charge.

All other leases are regarded as operating leases and the total payments made under them are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Under the transitional provisions of Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No.21, the disclosure of commitments under operating and finance leases is required. Under the terms of the agreement for the sale of the retail agencies, required. Under the terms of the agreement for the sale of the retail agencies, the obligations arising from leased assets have been assigned. Consequently no disclosure of lease commitments at 30th September 1986 has been made in these financial statements.

### GROUP PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

	Notes	£000 1986	£000	1985 £000
Turnover	1		66,059	36,339
Cost of sales		,	57,477	30,896
Gross profit		5,300	8,582	5,443 3,157
Selling costs Administrative expenses Other charges		1,127 633	,* ,	573 398
Oction Curavace		,	7,060	4,128
Operating profit			1,522	1,315
Interest receivable and sundry income	2	,	504	470
profit on ordinary activities before taxation	1		2,026	1,785
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4		747	846
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation	5		1,279	939
Dividends paid (63p per shake, 1985 31.5p per share)			315	158
profit retained by the company	15		964 =====	781 =====

The accounting policies and notes on pages 4 and 5, and 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

### GROUP BALANCE SHEET AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

	Notes	£000	<u> </u>	1985 £000
Rixed assets				0.0
Intangible assets Tangible assets	6		1,695	28 1,025
			1,695	1,053
Current assets				
- 1. A	8	6,074		1,980
Debtors Investments	9	4,998		5,307 2,399
Cash at bank and in hand	*	2,442		2,299
COUNT CO SOUTH CONTRACTOR		13,514		9,636
_				,
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	11,972	,	8,808
Net current assets	,		1,542	878
Total assets less current liabilities			3,237	1,931
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one	year 11	671	,	37.2
a 12.1.17 ining	12	167		124
Provisions for liabilities	~			496
			838	496
			2,399	1,435
Net assets			27399	
Capital and reserves				
and the same and the same	14		500	.500
Called up share capital	15		11	11 7
Share premium account Revaluation reserve	15		7	917
Profit and loss account	15		1,881	ا طبر <i>ن</i> سحمدسسم
STOURG BILL TOOL TOOL			2,399	1,435
			22222	

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on

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The accounting policies and notes on pages 4 and 5, and 10 to 18 form part of these financial statements

### AIRTOURS LIMITED

### BALANCE SHEET AT 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

	Notes	1985 £000	0003	1985 £000
Fixed assets				20
Intangible assets Tangible assets Investments	6 7		1,695	28 1,025 27
111/63 (110.102			1,722	1,080
Current assets Debtors Investments Cash at bank and in hand	8 9	6,074 4,998 2,442 13,514	1,	3 980 5,307 2,399 9,686
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	11,972	1,542	8,808
Net current assets			7/0-20	
Total assets less current liabilities			3,264	1,958
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one	year 11	724		425
Provisions for liabilities	12	167	891	12 <u>4</u> 549
*3			2,373	1,409
Net assets			<b>####</b>	### <b>#</b>
Capital and reserves  Called up share capital Share premium account Revaluation reserve rofit and loss account	14 15 15 15		500 11 7 1,855 2,373	500 11 7 891 1,409

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## GROUP STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

	<u>1986</u> £000	9000	1985 EC00
source of funds			
From operations			_
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		2,026	1,785
Adjustments for items not involving the movement of funds		**	
Depreciation and amounts written off fixed assets	304		148
(Profit)/Loss on sale of fixed assets	(2)		13
(Profit)/Loss on sale or annual	·	302	161
		2,328	1,946
From other sources	8		-
Tax refund proceeds of disposals of	70		.10
tangible fixed assets	621		
Lease finance		699	10
		3,027	1,956
		3,021	- <b></b>
Application of funds	315		158
Dividends paid	534		578
Tax paid	1,570 153		13
Lease and hire purchase payments		o 6#0	749
	<i>*</i>	2,572	
a - a - a -		455	1,207
Net inflow of funds		*****	
Increase/(decrease) in work capital	•;	3,£38	731
Debtors Creditors: amounts falling due	( <sup>c</sup>	(2, ^92)	(2,65°)
within one year Creditors: amounts falling due		75	(267)
creditors: another more than one year		721	(2,189)
		V	
Net liquid funds	43		950
Cach at bank and in hand	(309)		2,446
Short-term deposits		(266)	3,396
		455	1,207 =====
Net increase in working capital		=====	
9.	J		

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

# Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before taxation

1.

Turnover and profit on ordinary activities before current	<u>Turnov</u> 1986 £000	1985 E000
	14,883 54,257	10,497
Travel agency Tour operator	69,140 3,081	38,701 2,362
peduct: internal trading	66,059	36,339 ======
Forting Kin	gdom.	

The whole of the turnover arises within the United Kingdom.

An analysis of profit before taxation by class of business has not been given An analysis of profit before taxacton by class of business has not been given because, in the opinion of the directors, such an analysis is of limited use, having regard to the organisation of the company's activities, and the disposation of the company's activities, and the disposation of the company's activities. pecause, in the opinion of the directors, such an analysis is of limited use, having regard to the organisation of the company's activities, and the disposal of the travel agencies.

of the travel agencies.  of the travel agencies.  Profit on ordinary activities is stated after:	1986 E000	1985 £000
Hire and leasing of equipment and vehicles Auditors' remuneration Depreciation Directors' emoluments (Note 3)	77 21 304 207	43 18 148 150
Interest receivable and sundry income	1 <u>986</u> £000	1985 £000

## 2.

Interest receivable and sundry income	1 <u>986</u> £000	1985 £000
	493 11	460 10
Interest receivable Sundry income	504 ====	470 =====

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

3.	Directors and employees	1986	1985 £000
	Staff costs during the year	<b>E000</b>	
		2,088 184	1,354 120
	Wages and salaries Social security		1,474
		2,272 =====	****
•	as the group dur	ing the year was:	•
	The average number of employees of the group dur	1986	1985
		131	109 111
	gravel agency	152	,
	rour operator	283 ====	220 ====
		as follows:	
	Remuneration in respect of directors was payabl	1986	1985
		<u> </u>	£000
	u wamanation	207	<u>1</u> 50 ===≈
; *	Directors' management remuneration	-	were as
`	The emoluments of the directors, excluding pen	sion contributions,	1985
*	follows:	1986 £000	£000
		45	34
	The chairman	45	41
	The highest paid director	===	;=#:=
	Other directors	1986 Number	1985 Number
		<b>3</b> .	1 1
	£ 15,001 to £ 20,000	· 2	1
	E 20,001 to E 25,000 E 25,001 to E 30,000 E 25,001 to E 35,000	1	سد,
	£ 25,001 to £ 35,000 £ 30,001 to £ 45,000	_	

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUEL)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

#### Tax on profit on ordinary activities 4.

The taxation charge is based on the profit for the year and is made up as follows:

follows:	1986 E000	1985 £000
Corporation tax @ 37.5% (1985 42.5%)	712 30	883 (3)
Deferred tax	742	088
Adjustments in respect of prior years:  Corporation tax  Deferred tax	(8) 13 747	(34) ————————————————————————————————————
	•	===

Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970

The company is a close company as defined by Section 282 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970.

#### Profit for the financial year 5.

The whole of the profit arises in the financial statements of the parent company. No subsidiary has traded in either of the two years ended 30 September 1986.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

### 6,

Tangible fixed assets	rotal :	Land and	Long lease- holds E000	short lease- holds E000	Fixtures,  Fittings  and  equipment  £000	Motor vehicles £000
The group and the company				,	,	
Cost or valuation At 1st October 1985 Additions	1,286 1,570 (92)	48 -	52 2	95 60 (3)	851 1,356 (7)	240 152 (82)
Disposals Transferred to assets held for resale	(780)	(48)	(54)		1 651	310
At 30th September 1986	1,984	,=====================================	-	· 23	1,001	********
Depreciation At 1st October 1985	261 304		4	38	158	61 48 (22)
provided in year Disposals Transferred to assets held for resale	(24)	-	(5	(54	4) (193)	
At 30th September	289		===================================		4 198 ========	87 =======
1986 Net book amount at		***************************************	<del></del>	1	9 1,453	223
30th September 1900		 			603	179
Net book amount at 30th September 1985					198	6 2200
The net book amount	of motor	vehicles	INCLUDES	•		100
Commercial vehicles Other vehicles					-	23 179
		_	. c. 505	oon incl	udes an amou	nt of E833,000

The net book value of fixed assets of £1,695,000 includes an amount of £833,000 in respect of assets held under finance leases on which depreciation of £79,000 has been provided in the year.

The freehold, long leasehold and short leasehold properties, with the exception of those used by the tour operating business, have been sold after the year end (see notes 8 and 18).

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

### 7. Fixed asset investments

The company

Shares in subsidiary companies £000

Cost and net book amount At 1st October 1985 and 30th September 1986

27

At 30th September 1986 the company held more than 10% of the allotted share capital of the following companies:

	Country of registration	Class of share capital held	Proportion held	Nature of business
Subsidiaries				•
Pendle Travel Services Limited (formerly Airtours Limited)	England	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Airtours Publicity Limited (formerly Space and Time Limited)	England	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Sunsales Limited	England	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Airtours Vacations Limited	England	Ordinary	100%	Doment
Carousel Holidays Limited	England	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Skyseats Limited	England	Ordinary	100%	Dormant

No financial statements have been prepared in respect of Skyseats Limited which was incorporated on 29th August 1986.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

#### 8. Debtors

Deptora	The group and 1986 E000	1985 E000
Amounts falling due within one year:  Trade debtors Other debtors Prepayments Assets held for resale (note 18)	3,692 243 1,583 556 6,074	1,109 90 781 - 1,980

### 9. Current asset investments

,	,	, ,	The group and the 1986 E000	1985 E000
Money market deposits	•	4,	4,998	5,307 ====

## 10. Creditors - amounts falling due within one year

Creditors - amounts falling due within on	<i>y</i>	The group and th	e company 1985 £000
Trade creditors Current taxation Social security and other taxes Other creditors Accruals Directors' current accounts		9,008 1,515 76 1,001 242	6,458 1,337 282 355 325 27
Directors' durient account asses and Amounts due under finance leases and hire purchase agreements (net of finance charges allocated to future periods)		130 11,972 =====	8,808 =====

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

## 11. Creditors - amounts falling due after more than one year

The group			
1986 £000	1985 £000	1986 £000	1985 E000
			62
-	-	, 53	53
<b>-</b>	75	-	75
671	297	671	297
671	372	724 ===	425 ===
	671 671	1986 £000  - 75  671  671  297  372	$   \begin{array}{c cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

Amounts due under finance leases and hire purchase agreements are all repayable within five years.

### provisions for liabilities

provisions for liabilities	Deferred taxation (Note 13)
The group and the company	124 //
At 1st October 1985	43
Provided during the year	
	167
At 30th September 1986	<b>=≠</b> =

### 13. Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation provided in the financial statements and the total potential liability, including the amount provided, are set out below.

Hability, Moranes	Amount pro	<u>1985</u> £000	Potential 1 1986 E000	iability 1985 E000
The group and the company				
Accelerated capital allowances	167	124	<sup>6</sup> 167	1.24
Unrealised capital gains	167	124	6 173	6 130 ===

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 1986

14,	Called up share capital		198	6 and 1985 £000
	Authorised. 1,000,000 ordinary shares of £1 each			1,000
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 500,000 ordinary shares of £1 each			500 =====
15.	Share premium account and reserves	Share premium account E000	Revaluation Serve £000	Profit and loss account E000
	The group		•••	917
	At 1st October 1985 (as restated) Retained profit for the year	11		964
,	At 30th September 1986	11 =====	7 ====	1,881
•	The company		~	891
¢	At 1st October 1985 (as restated) Retained profit for the year	11		964
	At 30th September 1986	11	7	1,855

No provision has been made for taxation which would accrue if the properties were disposed of at their revalued amounts. The potential liability is disclosed in Note 13.

Movements on group reserves - Profit and loss account

Retained profit for the year Retained profits at beginning	964	<sup>*</sup> 781
of year As previously reported	1,301	486
Prior year adjustment (see note below)	(384)	(150)
(a) in those seems	917	336
	1,881	1,117
A TANAL A TANA	~	(290)
Capitalisation of reserves	-	
Retained profits at end of year	1,881	917
	a the change in acc	counting policies on profi

The prior year adjustment relates to the change in accounting policies on profit on holidays, and brochure and promotional costs, as explained on pages 4 and 5.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 3UTH SEPTEMBER 1986

## 16. Capital commitments

Neither the group nor the company had any capital commitments at 30th September 1986 or 30th September 1985.

There were no contingent liabilities at 30th September 1986 or 30th September 17. Contingent liabilities 1985 except in respect of deferred taxation (see Note 13).

#### Subsequent event 18.

A contract was signed on 8th December 1986 for the sale of the retail travel agencies for £2,750,000 in cash, the sale to be effective as at 30th September 1986. The directors considered that there were no prospects for improvement in profitability from these units in the foreseeable future and the sale will enable the management to concentrate on the growth of the tour operating business.

If the sale had been reflected in the balance sheet, net assets would have been increased by approximately £1,790,600 after allowing for taxation.