

REGISTERED NUMBER: SC277684 (Scotland)

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020
FOR
AUSTIN LAFFERTY LIMITED

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AUSTIN LAFFERTY LIMITED

**COMPANY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

DIRECTORS: Austin Lafferty
John Roberts

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
31 DECEMBER 2020**

| | Notes | 31.12.20 | | 31.12.19 | |
|--|-------|------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| | | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| FIXED ASSETS | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 4 | | 208,592 | | 188,789 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | | | |
| Stocks | | 176,277 | | 167,356 | |
| Debtors | 5 | 354,518 | | 332,550 | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | <u>5,298,962</u> | | <u>6,001,274</u> | |
| | | 5,829,757 | | 6,501,180 | |
| CREDITORS | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 6 | <u>4,752,933</u> | | <u>5,487,795</u> | |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | | <u>1,076,824</u> | | <u>1,013,385</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | 1,285,416 | | 1,202,174 |
| PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES | | | <u>15,782</u> | | <u>10,202</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | | <u><u>1,269,634</u></u> | | <u><u>1,191,972</u></u> |
| CAPITAL AND RESERVES | | | | | |
| Called up share capital | | | 100 | | 100 |
| Retained earnings | | | <u>1,269,534</u> | | <u>1,191,872</u> |
| SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS | | | <u><u>1,269,634</u></u> | | <u><u>1,191,972</u></u> |

The company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- ensuring that the company keeps accounting records which comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of each financial year and of its profit or loss for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - continued
31 DECEMBER 2020

The financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

In accordance with Section 444 of the Companies Act 2006, the Income Statement has not been delivered.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 23 April 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:

Austin Lafferty - Director

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

1. STATUTORY INFORMATION

Austin Lafferty Limited is a private company, limited by shares, registered in Scotland. The company's registered number and registered office address can be found on the Company Information page.

The presentation currency of the financial statements is the Pound Sterling (£).

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" including the provisions of Section 1A "Small Entities" and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Fees receivable

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Rendering of services

Turnover from the rendering of services, namely the provision of a legal practice, is recognised by reference to the stage of completion of the service at the statement of financial position date.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Freehold property | - 2% on cost |
| Office equipment | - 10% on reducing balance |
| Fixtures and fittings | - 10% on reducing balance |

Impairment of assets

At each reporting date fixed assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If there is an indication of possible impairment, the recoverable amount of any affected asset is estimated and compared with its carrying amount. If estimated recoverable amount is lower, the carrying amount is reduced to its estimated recoverable amount, and an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the income statement.

If an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but not in excess of the amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of impairment loss is recognised immediately in the income statement.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and estimated selling price less costs to sell. In respect of work in progress and finished goods, cost includes a relevant proportion of overheads according to the stage of completion.

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2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Financial instruments

Basic financial instruments are recognised as follows:

(i) Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

(ii) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash at bank and in hand.

Cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts, which are included as current borrowings in liabilities on the statement of financial position.

(iii) Creditors

Short term trade creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Taxation

Taxation for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the income statement, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current or deferred taxation assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Current tax is recognised at the amount of tax payable using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the statement of financial position date.

Timing differences arise from the inclusion of income and expenses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in financial statements. Deferred tax is measured using tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the year end and that are expected to apply to the reversal of the timing difference.

Unrelieved tax losses and other deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the company's pension scheme are charged to the income statement in the period to which they relate.

Going concern

In common with most businesses the company is facing potential issues in respect of the COVID-19 pandemic. This is an ongoing situation and the company is adopting a strategy to manage the ever changing situation as effectively as possible. The directors are satisfied that these events do not affect the company's ability to continue as a going concern and this basis is appropriate for the preparation of the accounts.

Provisions for liabilities

The company recognises a provision for annual leave accrued by employees as a result of services rendered in the current period, and which employees are entitled to carry forward and use within the next 12 months. The provision is measured at the salary cost payable for the period of absence.

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3. AVERAGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

The average number of employees during the year was 26 (2019 - 25).

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Freehold property £ | Office equipment £ | Fixtures and fittings £ | Totals £ |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| COST | | | | |
| At 1 January 2020 | 168,572 | 78,888 | 30,025 | 277,485 |
| Additions | - | 29,402 | - | 29,402 |
| At 31 December 2020 | <u>168,572</u> | <u>108,290</u> | <u>30,025</u> | <u>306,887</u> |
| DEPRECIATION | | | | |
| At 1 January 2020 | 12,655 | 52,492 | 23,549 | 88,696 |
| Charge for year | 3,371 | 5,580 | 648 | 9,599 |
| At 31 December 2020 | <u>16,026</u> | <u>58,072</u> | <u>24,197</u> | <u>98,295</u> |
| NET BOOK VALUE | | | | |
| At 31 December 2020 | <u>152,546</u> | <u>50,218</u> | <u>5,828</u> | <u>208,592</u> |
| At 31 December 2019 | <u>155,917</u> | <u>26,396</u> | <u>6,476</u> | <u>188,789</u> |

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | | |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 31.12.20 | 31.12.19 |
| | £ | £ |
| Trade debtors | 23,200 | 17,058 |
| Directors' loans | 327,888 | 308,797 |
| Prepaid charges | 3,430 | 6,695 |
| | <u>354,518</u> | <u>332,550</u> |

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 31.12.20 | 31.12.19 |
| | £ | £ |
| Trade creditors | 3,765 | 6,315 |
| Corporation tax | 49,701 | 76,822 |
| PAYE and NIC | 20,494 | 17,776 |
| VAT | 101,463 | 94,034 |
| Balances due to clients | 4,571,303 | 5,287,321 |
| Accrued charges | 6,207 | 5,527 |
| | <u>4,752,933</u> | <u>5,487,795</u> |

Cash at bank includes clients funds amounting to £4,789,147.

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7. DIRECTORS' ADVANCES, CREDITS AND GUARANTEES

The following advances and credits to directors subsisted during the years ended 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019:

| | 31.12.20 | 31.12.19 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Austin Lafferty | | |
| Balance outstanding at start of year | 222,327 | 172,989 |
| Amounts advanced | 29,083 | 49,338 |
| Amounts repaid | - | - |
| Amounts written off | - | - |
| Amounts waived | - | - |
| Balance outstanding at end of year | <u>251,410</u> | <u>222,327</u> |
| John Roberts | | |
| Balance outstanding at start of year | 86,470 | 53,362 |
| Amounts advanced | - | 33,108 |
| Amounts repaid | (9,992) | - |
| Amounts written off | - | - |
| Amounts waived | - | - |
| Balance outstanding at end of year | <u>76,478</u> | <u>86,470</u> |

The above balances, which are due from the directors, are interest free, unsecured and have no fixed repayment terms.

