

19<sup>th</sup> September 2006

**DEVELOPMENT SECURITIES PLC – INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE  
SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 2006**

Development Securities PLC, the leading property development and investment company, today announces a pre-tax profit of £8.4 million for the six months to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006 compared to a restated profit of £4.8 million in the first six months of the previous year.

Shareholders' funds increased to £191.3 million, equivalent to 521 pence per share, from the restated £187.5 million or 510 pence per share at 31st December 2005. The interim dividend will be 2.25 pence per share, an increase of six per cent over the equivalent dividend paid in 2005.

**Financial highlights**

	<b>30<sup>th</sup> June 2006</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> June 2005 (<i>restated</i>)</b>
Profit before tax	£8.4 million	£4.8 million
Earnings per share	14.2 pence	13.6 pence
Dividend per share	2.25 pence	2.12 pence
	<b>30<sup>th</sup> June 2006</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2005 (<i>restated</i>)</b>
Shareholders' funds	£191.3 million	£187.5 million
NAV per share	521 pence	510 pence
Net gearing	15%	17%

**Roy Dantzig, Chairman, Development Securities PLC, commented,**

“The continuing strength of our investment property portfolio performance is reflected in our Interim results since we have now included the significant uplift generated by the revaluation of the investment portfolio at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006.

“That aside, with phase two of Paddington having started in April, the development at Huyton coming to what appears to be a successful conclusion and promising early activity at the Southampton scheme, our development activity is now gaining traction.

“In addition, we continue to pursue a number of interesting and substantial development schemes both in London and the main provincial cities in conjunction with regional joint-venture partners or directly on our own.”

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## **Development overview**

### **PaddingtonCentral**

In April 2006, we received the green light to proceed with construction of the second phase, which will incorporate a 250,000 sq. ft. office building and a 206-room Accor hotel. The office building, for which completion is anticipated in January 2008, is jointly funded by our development partners, Morley Fund Management and DIFA Deutsche Immobilien. This development should benefit from the current strength of the West End market as well as some of the recent lettings achieved in the immediate vicinity.

### **CityPark, Manchester**

Outline planning exists for 94,000 sq. ft. of hotel accommodation and 177,000 sq. ft. of offices for this mixed-use development site acquired in October 2004. Terms have been agreed to forward sell the hotel accommodation.

### **Cavendish Walk, Huyton**

A conditional contract was exchanged in August for the sale of this 110,000 sq. ft. town centre retail scheme which has been under development over the last 12 months. We anticipate that a substantial gain will be generated from the disposal price of approximately £24 million.

### **Cambourne Business Park**

In July 2006, Global Graphics Software leased 14,500 sq. ft. at Cambourne Business Park, leaving only 30,000 sq. ft. available to let on the second phase of this 750,000 sq. ft. business park development.

### **Broughton**

In April 2006, Flintshire County Council resolved to grant planning consent for the 170,800 sq. ft. extension to the Broughton Retail Park. Realisation and quantification of any profit potential from this phase will await the conclusion of discussions with British Land. We anticipate that our own residential planning application for the adjacent 19 acres of developable land will be submitted to the local council in the next few months for its consideration.

### **Colindale, London NW9**

We submitted a planning application in June 2006 to the London Borough of Brent for the redevelopment of Oriental City, 399 Edgware Road, Colindale. The proposal for a 1.2 million sq. ft. mixed-use development includes a landmark building and commercial, residential and community space, including 300,000 sq. ft. of retail and 340,000 sq. ft. of private and affordable housing, along with associated retail and residential car parking.

**Hartfield Road, Wimbledon, London SW19**

In February 2006, in a joint-venture with Foinavon Limited, conditional contracts were exchanged to acquire the 1.25-acre development site at Hartfield Road. A planning application has been submitted for a 159,000 sq. ft. scheme to comprise 63,000 sq. ft. of residential accommodation, a 30,000 sq. ft. hotel and 66,000 sq. ft. of retail space together with car parking for 220 vehicles. Subject to planning, practical completion is targeted for 2008.

**West Quay Road, Southampton**

We have signed an Agreement to Lease with Carnival PLC to develop their new 150,000 sq ft. UK headquarters building at West Quay Road for which planning consent is awaited. A planning application will be made this year for the second phase of this mixed use, urban development which is intended to be of equal size and will comprise 50,000 sq. ft. of office accommodation, a 20,000 sq. ft. casino, 75,000 sq. ft. of residential and 5,000 sq. ft. of retail accommodation. Practical completion of both phases is targeted by 2009.

**The Royals Business Park**

In June 2006, we secured the first letting at Building 1000, the 252,000 sq. ft. new grade A office accommodation completed speculatively in 2004 by Standard Life Investments, the London Development Agency and ourselves. The letting of 10,347 sq. ft. on a ten-year term was to Kelway Limited (UK), the IT solutions provider.

**Luneside, Lancaster**

A detailed planning application for the first phase, together with the land remediation strategy, is being progressed with a view to starting on site in the first half of 2007. The development will comprise 350 new homes, 90,000 sq. ft. of new offices and a hotel.

**Investment Property Portfolio**

The property revaluation review at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006 generated a more than satisfactory surplus of £10.4 million, equivalent to capital growth of 9 per cent, some 28 per cent above the equivalent IPD growth of 7 per cent.

## **Chairman's statement**

I am pleased to report profit before taxation of £8.4 million for the first six months of 2006, a significant increase over the £4.8 million achieved on a comparable basis for the same period in 2005.

Shareholders' funds increased to £191.3 million, equivalent to 521 pence per share, from £187.5 million or 510 pence per share at 31 December 2005.

This year is the first in which we have incorporated an investment property valuation review into our Interim Report. Accordingly, we have restated the comparative figures for 2005 on a similar basis.

Our balance sheet exhibits continuing strength, with shareholders' funds only just below their record level. Net borrowings at 30th June 2006 were £29.2 million, with net gearing\* a modest 15.3 per cent compared to 16.9 per cent at 31st December 2005. Unutilised bank facilities are in excess of £40 million. Accordingly, your Board has declared an interim dividend of 2.25 pence per share, an increase of 6 per cent over the equivalent dividend paid in 2005, to be paid on 26th October to shareholders on the register on 29th September 2006.

Annual GDP growth in the UK has picked up from the below trend performance of 1.9 per cent in 2005 and is now provisionally estimated to be running at an annual rate of 2.6 per cent in 2006, with service sector growth a notable contributor. Even though this economic performance comfortably exceeded economists' consensus expectations of a year ago, core inflation remains subdued. This favourable economic scenario was reflected in the IPD All Property Rental Index which reached an annualised growth rate of 3 per cent in June, a level not seen since October 2001. Against this strengthening backdrop, our investment property portfolio again out-performed and our own development activity has begun to gain traction not only at PaddingtonCentral but also in provincial and outer London markets.

## **PaddingtonCentral**

In April 2006, we received the green light to proceed with construction of the second phase, which will incorporate a 250,000 sq. ft. office building and a 206-room Accor hotel. The office building, for which completion is anticipated in January 2008, is jointly funded by our development partners, Morley Fund Management and DIFA Deutsche Immobilien. Construction work on the £30 million 'Crossrail Deck' was completed in March 2006, followed a few months later by the reopening of Bishops Bridge Road which has been widened from two to five lanes, providing direct vehicular access into PaddingtonCentral. This development should benefit from the current strength of the West End market as well as by some of the lettings achieved in the immediate vicinity.

## **CityPark, Manchester**

This mixed-use development site was acquired for £3 million in October 2004. Outline planning exists for 94,000 sq. ft. of hotel accommodation and 177,000 sq. ft. of offices. We are pleased to report that terms have been agreed to forward sell the hotel accommodation. The strength of the occupational and investment markets is encouraging us to believe that the office element, which will require an amended planning consent, will also be forward funded prior to the commencement of construction.

\* See Glossary, refer note 11.

### **Cavendish Walk, Huyton**

An excellent result is in prospect at Cavendish Walk Shopping Centre in Huyton, Liverpool. A conditional contract was exchanged in August for the sale of this 110,000 sq. ft. Town Centre retail scheme which has been under development over the last 12 months. We anticipate that a substantial gain will be generated from the eventual disposal price of approximately £24 million, generating a more than satisfactory return on equity. This out-turn, which we expect to detail more fully in our results for the full year, reflects not only market yield compression, but also the benefit of our focused application of development and investment expertise in a challenging retail environment.

### **Cambourne Business Park**

In July 2006, Global Graphics Software leased 14,500 sq. ft. at Cambourne Business Park, leaving only 30,000 sq. ft. available to let on the second phase of this 750,000 sq. ft. business park development. Located 9 miles from Cambridge City Centre, Cambourne Business Park is an integral part of the new Cambourne settlement, a 1,040-acre scheme of 3,300 houses with town centre, hotel, retail and leisure facilities.

### **Broughton**

In April 2006, Flintshire County Council resolved to grant planning consent for both the 170,800 sq. ft. extension to the Broughton Retail Park and the related highway interchange link from the A55. This welcome decision followed several years of consultation with the Local Authority, the Welsh Assembly, The Welsh Development Agency and the Countryside Council for Wales in respect of a joint planning application by Development Securities and British Land. Realisation and quantification of any profit potential from this phase will await the conclusion of discussions with British Land PLC.

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This 7.5-acre property, currently comprising 100,000 sq. ft. of retail accommodation with 750 car park spaces was acquired in June last year for £26.4 million, at a yield in excess of 6 per cent.

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## **Luneside, Lancaster**

A Compulsory Purchase Order has now been confirmed in respect of this 17.5-acre urban regeneration project. Accordingly, we are now progressing a detailed planning application for the first phase, together with a land remediation strategy, with a view to starting on site in the first half of 2007. The development will comprise 350 new homes, 90,000 sq. ft. of new offices and a hotel.

## **Investment Property Portfolio**

The property revaluation review at 30th June 2006 generated a more than satisfactory surplus of £10.4 million, equivalent to capital growth of 9 per cent, some 28 per cent above the equivalent IPD growth of 7 per cent.

Whilst this was an excellent interim result, the pace of yield compression in the property investment market is beginning to slacken, with the long awaited rebalancing of the market now possibly emerging. Certain occupational markets, most notably prime West End offices, are experiencing levels of rental growth required to support today's demanding investment yields, but this is far from a uniform picture across all sectors. Such rebalancing will undoubtedly take time, with the market exhibiting sufficient momentum to ensure that 2006 generates further attractive property returns. Now, more than ever, with the risk of yields softening, stock selection, stock rotation and the successful implementation of asset management initiatives will be the key drivers to increasing values and delivering shareholder returns.

Whilst we have been cautious on acquisitions so far this year, we have executed a disposal programme focused on those assets where we believe the market has overpriced the quality and potential offered. We have to date this year sold five properties for £39 million producing a surplus over year-end values of £0.9 million.

Rather than pursue assets with seemingly ever declining yields, our acquisition strategy has increasingly focused on marginally higher risk assets that do not depend on strengthening market momentum to deliver the returns we seek. The acquisition this year and the subsequent refurbishment of Stone Cross, Wigan, a 148,000 sq. ft. vacant warehouse unit, is a good illustration of this strategy. Initial letting interest has been positive and we anticipate an attractive valuation uplift, once a letting has been secured.

Our success in redevelopment and other asset initiatives within our portfolio has encouraged us to take an increasingly longer term view, by acquiring assets which not only have an existing investment focus, but which, over the medium term, may offer us significant opportunities. To date this year, we have acquired three such properties and anticipate interim value generation by the end of this financial year. Such extended term projects should allow the portfolio to maintain its long-term performance.

We have continued to implement asset management initiatives at our shopping centre properties, including the acquisition of adjoining land holdings to facilitate further growth in size and quality. At The Furlong Centre, Ringwood, focused investment and development skills have enabled us to treble rental values as well as attract major convenience and fashion brands such as Café Nero and Fat Face to what is essentially a market town.

Having generated a surfeit of retail demand over existing capacity, we will shortly be submitting a planning application for a 30,000 sq. ft. extension to this centre. Similar asset management initiatives are underway at our Thatcham and Swanley shopping centres.

Currently, our investment portfolio sector allocation comprises 76 per cent retail, 9 per cent office, 14 per cent industrial and 1 per cent residential.

The advent of Real Estate Investment Trusts into the market next year will bring changes to the profile of the UK property industry which we will watch with interest. From our perspective, we are most unlikely to convert your company to REIT status since we believe it will prove a restrictive environment for a business with such a significant development programme relative to our asset base. In this respect, we continue to pursue a number of interesting and substantial development schemes both in London and the main provincial cities either on our own or in conjunction with regional joint-venture partners.

R M Dantzig  
Chairman  
19th September 2006

## Consolidated income statement

unaudited for the six months ended 30th June 2006

		Six months to 30th June 2006	Six months to 30th June 2005 restated unaudited	Year ended 31st Dec 2005 restated audited
	Notes	£ million	£ million	£ million
<b>Revenue</b>	2	7.2	7.9	25.5
Direct costs	2	(3.8)	(3.6)	(15.2)
<b>Gross profit</b>	2	3.4	4.3	10.3
Operating costs	2	(4.1)	(3.7)	(10.5)
Profit on disposal of investment properties	2	0.9	0.1	3.7
Net gain on revaluation of investment properties	2	10.4	6.1	17.8
<b>Operating profit</b>	2	10.6	6.8	21.3
Share of results of associate	2	-	0.5	1.5
Income from other fixed asset investments	2	-	0.2	0.1
Profit on disposal of investments	2	-	-	5.8
<b>Profit before interest and taxation</b>	2	10.6	7.5	28.7
Finance income		1.6	1.2	2.3
Finance costs		(3.8)	(3.9)	(7.7)
<b>Profit before taxation</b>		8.4	4.8	23.3
Taxation	3	(3.2)	0.2	(3.2)
<b>Profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the company</b>		5.2	5.0	20.1
<b>Basic earnings per share (pence)</b>	5	14.2p	13.6p	54.8p
<b>Diluted earnings per share (pence)</b>	5	14.1p	13.6p	54.5p
<b>Dividends per share (pence)</b>	11	2.25p	2.12p	6.37p

## Consolidated balance sheet

unaudited as at 30th June 2006

		30th June 2006 unaudited £ million	30th June 2005 unaudited restated £ million	31st Dec 2005 audited restated £ million
	Notes			
<b>Non-current assets</b>				
Property, plant and equipment				
– Operating properties		9.1	9.1	9.0
– Other non-current assets		8.7	3.7	3.8
Investment properties	6	136.0	167.6	160.2
Investments		1.7	7.0	1.9
Deferred tax asset		2.3	0.4	4.3
		157.8	187.8	179.2
<b>Current assets</b>				
Inventory - land, developments and trading properties		73.9	55.0	56.5
Trade and other receivables		12.4	15.6	10.4
Cash and short-term deposits		61.4	26.0	72.0
		147.7	96.6	138.9
<b>Current liabilities</b>				
Trade and other payables		(13.7)	(14.5)	(17.9)
Borrowings	7	(5.1)	(0.2)	(5.1)
		(18.8)	(14.7)	(23.0)
<b>Net current assets</b>				
		128.9	81.9	115.9
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>				
		286.7	269.7	295.1
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>				
Borrowings	7	(85.5)	(93.9)	(98.6)
Deferred tax liabilities		(9.9)	(0.4)	(9.0)
<b>Net assets</b>				
		191.3	175.4	187.5
<b>Financed by</b>				
<b>Capital and reserves</b>				
Called up share capital	8	18.4	18.3	18.4
Other reserves	9	133.9	133.1	133.7
Retained earnings	9	39.0	24.0	35.4
<b>Total equity</b>				
		191.3	175.4	187.5
<b>Basic net assets per share</b>				
	11	521p	478p	510p
<b>Diluted net assets per share</b>				
	11	518p	475p	507p

## Consolidated statement of recognised income and expense

unaudited as at 30th June 2006

	<b>Six months to 30th June 2006</b>	Six months to 30th June 2005 restated unaudited	Year ended 31st Dec 2005 restated audited
	<b>£ million</b>	£ million	£ million
Gains on revaluation of operating properties	-	-	0.3
<b>Net income recognised directly in equity</b>	-	-	<b>0.3</b>
Profit for the period	5.2	5.0	20.1
<b>Total recognised income for the period attributable to equity shareholders of the parent company</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>20.4</b>

## Consolidated cash flow statement

unaudited for the six months ended 30th June 2006

	Notes	Six months to 30th June 2006 unaudited £ million	Six months to 30th June 2005 restated unaudited £ million	Year ended 31st Dec 2005 restated audited £ million
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	10	<b>(28.8)</b>	(35.3)	(32.2)
<b>Investing activities:</b>				
Interest received		1.2	1.1	2.1
Dividends received from associated undertaking		-	0.2	0.1
Proceeds from sale of shares in associated undertaking		-	0.3	13.4
Proceeds from redemption of preference shares held in associated undertaking		-	1.5	1.5
Proceeds on disposal of investment properties		38.5	3.4	30.1
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(0.5)	(0.3)	(0.9)
Purchase of investment properties		(2.9)	(8.2)	(11.8)
Purchase of financial assets		(5.0)	-	-
Purchase of investments		-	-	(1.2)
<b>Net cash from/(used in) investing activities</b>		<b>31.3</b>	(2.0)	33.3
<b>Financing activities:</b>				
Dividends paid		-	-	(2.2)
Issue of new shares		0.1	-	0.2
Repayments of borrowings		(13.2)	(5.1)	(5.2)
New bank loans raised		-	16.1	25.8
<b>Net cash (used in)/from financing activities</b>		<b>(13.1)</b>	11.0	18.6
<b>Net (decrease)/increase in cash and short-term deposits</b>		<b>(10.6)</b>	(26.3)	19.7
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		72.0	52.3	52.3
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b>		<b>61.4</b>	26.0	72.0
Analysed as:				
Cash and short-term deposits at the end of the period		46.6	13.8	48.4
Pledged cash held as security against borrowings		15.8	12.8	24.7
Bank overdrafts		(1.0)	(0.6)	(1.1)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b>		<b>61.4</b>	26.0	72.0

## **Notes to the interim financial information**

unaudited for the six months ended 30th June 2006

### **1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **General information**

The consolidated interim financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30th June 2006 comprise the results of the Company and its subsidiaries and were authorised by the Board for issue on 19th September 2006.

#### **Basis of preparation**

The accounting policies applied in these interim consolidated financial statements are consistent with those reported in the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2005.

The interim consolidated financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at 31st December 2005.

The interim report is unaudited and does not constitute statutory accounts within the meaning of S240 of the Companies Act 1985. The statutory accounts for 2005, which were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as endorsed by the European Union ("IFRS"), and with those parts of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS, have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies. The auditors' opinion on these accounts was unqualified and did not contain a statement made under S237(2) or S237(3) of the Companies Act 1985.

The Directors have made the following revisions to the prior period figures in respect of the following items:

The financial statements for the six months ended 30th June 2005 have been restated to include the effect of revaluation of the investment and operating properties at that date, as the Group now revalues its real estate at the interim and year end. The valuation at 30th June 2005 has been calculated by the Directors based principally on the movement in the IPD Capital Growth Index between 31st December 2004 and 30th June 2005, applied to the valuation of those properties held at 30th June 2005. The financial effect of this restatement is to increase by £6.1 million the Net gain on the revaluation of investment properties, Profit for the period attributable to equity holders of the company and the value of the investment property portfolio. No adjustment was required to the value of Operating properties.

Comparative figures for the periods ended 30th June 2005 and 31st December 2005 have now been restated to more accurately adopt IFRS requirements in respect of certain leasehold properties. The financial effect of the restatement at 30th June 2005 is a reduction in Operating properties and Other reserves of £1.3 million. For the periods ended 30th June 2005 and 31st December 2005, Profit before tax and Retained profits have increased by £0.4 million as the depreciation charge arising from the Operating property assets has been released. The financial effect at 31st December 2005 is a reduction in the value of Operating properties and Other reserves of £1.4 million.

The Directors have corrected an error in the computation of deferred tax in respect of the revaluation gain of an operating property and certain other items at 31st December 2005. Accordingly, the 31st December 2005 balance sheet has been restated to increase deferred tax and other liabilities by £2.9 million with a corresponding reduction in retained reserves of £2.9 million.

**Notes to the interim financial information** continued  
unaudited for the six months ended 30th June 2006

## **1. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

The Directors have also made the following amendments to the presentation of the financial statements:

Current deferred tax liabilities have been reclassified to Non-current liabilities. The financial effect of this reclassification is to reduce Current liabilities by £0.3 million and increase Non-current liabilities by £0.3 million as at 31st December 2005. Deferred tax assets and deferred liabilities are now presented gross. The financial effect at 30th June 2005 is an increase in Non-current assets and deferred tax liabilities of £0.4 million. At 31st December 2005, the financial effect was an increase in Non-current assets and deferred tax liabilities of £4.3 million.

The presentation of the cash flow statements at 30th June 2005 and 31st December 2005 has been reviewed to conform with the presentation adopted for 30th June 2006. Bank overdrafts are now included within Cash and short-term deposit balances and not as part of Trade and Other payables. The financial effect is to decrease Current assets and Current liabilities by £0.6 million and £1.1 million at 30th June 2005 and 31st December 2005 respectively.

## **2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS**

For management purposes, the Group is currently organised into three operating divisions – Investment; Trading and Development; and Operating. These divisions are the basis on which the Group reports its primary segmental information.

Principal activities are as follows:

Investment	–management of the Group’s investment property portfolio, generating rental income and valuation surpluses from property management;
Trading and Development	–managing the Group’s development projects. Revenue is received from project management fees and development profits;
Operating	–serviced office operations and retail activities. Revenue is principally received from short-term licence fee income.

Notes to the interim financial information continued  
 unaudited for the six months ended 30th June 2006

2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (continued)

	Six months to 30th June 2006 (unaudited)			
	Investment	Trading and development	Operating	Total
	£ million	£ million	£ million	£ million
<b>Revenue</b>	4.5	0.4	2.3	7.2
Direct costs	(0.7)	(0.6)	(2.5)	(3.8)
<b>Gross profit/(loss)</b>	3.8	(0.2)	(0.2)	3.4
Operating costs				(4.1)
Profit on disposal of investment properties	0.9	-	-	0.9
Net gain on revaluation of investment properties	10.4	-	-	10.4
<b>Operating profit</b>				10.6
<b>Profit before interest and taxation</b>				<b>10.6</b>

	Six months to 30th June 2005 restated (unaudited)			
	Investment	Trading and development	Operating	Total
	£ million	£ million	£ million	£ million
<b>Revenue</b>	5.2	0.4	2.3	7.9
Direct costs	(0.8)	(0.6)	(2.2)	(3.6)
<b>Gross profit/(loss)</b>	4.4	(0.2)	0.1	4.3
Operating costs				(3.7)
Profit on disposal of investment properties	0.1	-	-	0.1
Net gain on revaluation of investment properties	6.1	-	-	6.1
<b>Operating profit</b>				6.8
Share of results of associate				0.5
Income from other fixed asset investments				0.2
<b>Profit before interest and taxation</b>				<b>7.5</b>

Notes to the interim financial information continued  
 unaudited for the six months ended 30th June 2006

## 2. SEGMENTAL ANALYSIS (continued)

	Year ended 31st December 2005 restated (audited)			
	Investment	Trading and development	Operating	Total
	£ million	£ million	£ million	£ million
<b>Revenue</b>	10.6	9.7	5.2	25.5
Direct costs	(2.0)	(8.4)	(4.8)	(15.2)
<b>Gross profit</b>	8.6	1.3	0.4	10.3
Operating costs				(10.5)
Profit on disposal of investment properties	3.7	-	-	3.7
Net gain on revaluation of investment properties	18.0	-	(0.2)	17.8
<b>Operating profit</b>				21.3
Share of results of associate				1.5
Income from other fixed asset investments				0.1
Profit on disposal of investments				5.8
<b>Profit before interest and taxation</b>				<b>28.7</b>

## 3. TAXATION

Corporation tax for the interim period is charged at 30 per cent (30th June and 31st December 2005: 30 per cent). The effective tax rate of 34% for the period is high due to chargeable gains arising from disposals of investment properties during the period.

	Six months to 30th June 2006 unaudited £ million	Six months to 30th June 2005 restated unaudited £ million	Year ended 31st Dec 2005 restated audited £ million
UK corporation tax:			
Adjustments in respect of prior years	(0.3)	0.2	-
Deferred tax expense	(2.9)	-	(3.5)
	(3.2)	0.2	(3.5)
Restatement in respect of prior year	-	-	0.3
	(3.2)	0.2	(3.2)
Analysis of tax charge:			
Current tax:			
Continuing operations	(0.3)	0.2	-
Deferred tax	(2.9)	-	(3.2)
	(3.2)	0.2	(3.2)

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**4. DIVIDENDS**

	<b>Six months to 30th June 2006 unaudited £ million</b>	Six months to 30th June 2005 unaudited £ million	Year ended 31st Dec 2005 audited £ million
Amounts recognised as distributions to equity holders in the period	<b>1.6</b>	1.5	2.3
Proposed dividend	<b>0.8</b>	0.8	1.6
	<b>Pence</b>	Pence	Pence
Interim dividend per share	<b>2.25</b>	2.12	2.12
Final dividend per share	-	-	4.25

The interim dividend was approved by the Board on 14th September 2006 and has not been included as a liability as at 30th June 2006. The interim dividend is payable on 26th October 2006 to Ordinary shareholders on the register at the close of business on 27th September 2006 and will be recorded in the financial statements for the year ending 31st December 2006.

**5. EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share is based on the following data:

	<b>Six months to 30th June 2006 unaudited</b>	Six months to 30th June 2005 restated unaudited	Year ended 31st Dec 2005 restated audited
Earnings for the purposes of basic and diluted earnings per share (£ million)	<b>5.2</b>	5.0	20.1
<b>Number of shares</b>			
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purposes of basic earnings per share (million)	<b>36.7</b>	36.7	36.7
Dilutive effect of potential Ordinary shares:			
– Share options (million)	<b>0.2</b>	–	0.2
Weighted average number of Ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted earnings per share (million)	<b>36.9</b>	36.7	36.9
<b>Basic earnings per share (pence)</b>	<b>14.2</b>	13.6	54.8
<b>Diluted earnings per share (pence)</b>	<b>14.1</b>	13.6	54.5

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## 6. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The movement in investment properties for the period ended 30th June 2006 was:

	<b>Freehold</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£ million</b>	<b>leasehold</b>	<b>£ million</b>
		<b>£ million</b>	
At 1st January 2005	151.8	4.8	156.6
Additions	8.2	-	8.2
Disposals	(1.4)	(1.9)	(3.3)
Net surplus on revaluation of investment properties (restated (refer note 1))	6.1	-	6.1
<b>At 30th June 2005 (restated)</b>	<b>164.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>167.6</b>
Additions	3.6	-	3.6
Disposals	(22.9)	-	(22.9)
Net surplus on revaluation of investment properties (restated (refer note 1))	11.9	-	11.9
<b>At 31st December 2005 (restated)</b>	<b>157.3</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>160.2</b>
Additions	2.6	0.3	2.9
Disposals	(34.8)	(2.7)	(37.5)
Net surplus on revaluation of investment properties	10.4	-	10.4
<b>At 30th June 2006</b>	<b>135.5</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>136.0</b>

Interest of £0.1 million was capitalised in the six months ended 30th June 2006 (30th June 2005: £0.1million, 31st December 2005: £0.1 million). The restatement of the surplus on revaluation of investment properties is explained in note 1.

Certain investment properties were independently valued at 30th June 2006 by DTZ Debenham Tie Leung, Chartered Surveyors. The valuations at 31st December 2005 and 30th June 2006 have been carried out in accordance with The Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors' (RICS) Appraisal and Valuation Standards published in February 2003 ("The Red Book") and the CESR Guidance on property valuations. The remaining investment properties in the sum of £15.4 million (30th June 2005: £167.6 million, 31st December 2005: £15.1 million) were valued by the Directors.

## 7. BORROWINGS

The Group repaid £13.2 million of debt during the period (30th June 2005: £5.1 million, 31st December 2005: £5.2 million). No new facilities were drawn during the period (30th June 2005: £16.1 million, 31st December 2005: £25.8 million).

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At 30th June 2006, an external valuation, undertaken by J C Rathbone Associates Limited, appraised the market value of the Group's fixed rate debt on a replacement basis, taking into account the difference between fixed interest rates for the Group's borrowings and the market value and prevailing interest rates of appropriate debt instruments, resulting in an excess of fair value over book value of £12.4 million before tax (30th June 2005: £15.3 million, 31st December 2005: £15.1 million) at that date. The valuation, which is subject to daily fluctuations in line with money market movements, is only an indication of the notional effect on the net asset value of the Group at 30th June 2006 and is not recognised in the balance sheet.

**8. SHARE CAPITAL**

	<b>30th June 2006</b>	30th June 2005	31st Dec 2005
	<b>unaudited</b>	unaudited	audited
	<b>£ million</b>	£ million	£ million
<b>Authorised:</b>			
50,000,000 Ordinary shares of 50 pence (30th June 2005: 50,000,000 Ordinary shares of 50 pence, 31st December 2005: 50,000,000 Ordinary shares of 50 pence)	<b>25.0</b>	25.0	25.0
<b>Issued, called up and fully paid:</b>			
36,792,688 Ordinary shares of 50 pence (30th June 2005: 36,674,869 Ordinary shares of 50 pence, 31st December 2005: 36,722,286 Ordinary shares of 50 pence)	<b>18.4</b>	18.3	18.4

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## 9. RESERVES

	Share premium £ million	Property revaluation reserve £ million	Other reserves £ million	Total £ million
At 1st January 2005 and 30th June 2005				
As originally stated	87.4	1.7	45.7	134.8
Restatement in respect of operating leases (refer note 1)	-	(1.7)	-	(1.7)
<b>As restated at 1st January 2005 and 30th June 2005</b>	<b>87.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45.7</b>	<b>133.1</b>
Net proceeds of issue of new shares	0.1	-	-	0.1
VAT recovered on share issue costs	0.1	-	-	0.1
Net surplus on revaluation of operating properties (restated (refer note 1))	-	0.3	-	0.3
Share based payments cost	-	-	0.1	0.1
<b>At 31st December 2005 (restated)</b>	<b>87.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>45.8</b>	<b>133.7</b>
Net proceeds of issue of new shares	0.1	-	-	0.1
Share based payments cost	-	-	0.1	0.1
<b>At 30th June 2006</b>	<b>87.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>133.9</b>

	Retained earnings £ million
At 1st January 2005	20.1
Restatement in respect of operating leases (refer note 1)	0.4
As restated at 1st January 2005	20.5
Retained profit for the period (restated (refer note 1))	5.0
Final dividend 2004	(1.5)
<b>At 30th June 2005 (restated)</b>	<b>24.0</b>
Retained profit for the period (restated (refer note 1))	15.1
Prior year restatement in respect of tax (refer note 1)	(2.9)
Interim dividend 2005	(0.8)
<b>At 31st December 2005 (restated)</b>	<b>35.4</b>
Retained profit for the period	5.2
Final dividend 2005	(1.6)
<b>At 30th June 2006</b>	<b>39.0</b>

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## 10. NOTE TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	<b>Six months to 30th June 2006</b>	Six months to 30th June 2005	Year ended 31st Dec 2005
	<b>unaudited £ million</b>	restated unaudited £ million	restated audited £ million
<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>10.6</b>	6.8	21.3
<b>Adjustments for:</b>			
Gain on disposal of investment properties	<b>(0.9)</b>	(0.1)	(3.7)
Increase in fair value of investment properties	<b>(10.4)</b>	(6.1)	(17.8)
Share based payments	<b>0.1</b>	-	0.1
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	<b>0.6</b>	0.5	1.1
<b>Operating cash flows before movements in working capital</b>	<b>0.0</b>	1.1	1.0
Increase in developments and trading properties	<b>(17.1)</b>	(33.8)	(35.2)
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	<b>(1.7)</b>	2.8	7.7
(Decrease)/increase in payables	<b>(3.0)</b>	(1.7)	1.5
<b>Cash generated by operations</b>	<b>(21.8)</b>	(31.6)	(25.0)
Income taxes (paid)/received	<b>(1.9)</b>	0.1	(0.9)
Interest paid	<b>(5.1)</b>	(3.8)	(6.5)
Capitalised interest charged to direct costs	-	-	0.2
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>(28.8)</b>	(35.3)	(32.2)

## 11. GLOSSARY

**Net borrowings:** Net borrowings are defined as total debt less cash and short-term deposits.

**Net gearing:** Net gearing, expressed as a percentage, is measured as net borrowings divided by total equity.

**Net assets per share:** Net assets per share are defined as total equity as shown in the Group's balance sheet, divided by the number of equity shares in issue at the balance sheet date.

**Diluted net assets per share:** Diluted net assets per share are defined as total equity as shown in the Group's balance sheet and notional equity arising from the exercise of share options, divided by the number of equity shares and the total of equity shares under option in issue at the balance sheet date.

**Dividends per share:** Dividends per share, expressed as an amount in pence per share, is defined as the total dividend declared by the Directors divided by the number of equity shares qualifying for such dividend.