Interim Results Presentation

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Financial Highlights Six months to 31st October 2004

	<u>2004</u>	2003	<u>Change</u>
Pre tax profits	£110.5m	£116.3m	(5.0%)
Earnings per share	65.4p	64.5p	1.4%
Net assets	£1,203.4m	£1,125.7m	6.9%
Net asset value per share	1,005p	888p	13.2%
Net cash / (debt)	£249.2m	(£3.4m)	

Return of £12 per Share

- Strategic review and return of capital announced on 25th June
- Focus on
 - Urban regeneration
 - Cash generation
 - £12 per share (£1.45 billion) to be returned to shareholders by January 2011
- Shareholder approval received on 17th September
- Court approval of Scheme of Arrangement and The Berkeley Group Holdings plc capital reduction obtained at the end of October
- £604.1 million (£5 per share) returned on 3rd December 2004

The Return to Shareholders

2004 B Share	£5	Paid on 3 rd December 2004
2006 B Share	£2	29 th December 2006
2008 B Share	£2	31st December 2008
2010 B Share	£3	31st December 2010
	£12	

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Review of Results

- Cash flow
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Abridged Group Cash Flow

	<u>6 Months to</u>	<u>6 Months to</u>
	Oct 2004	Oct 2003
		Restated
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Operating profit	100.8	109.6
Non cash items	0.4	1.4
	101.2	111.0
Tax and dividends	(49.2)	(47.4)
Net interest	1.5	(2.5)
	53.5	61.1
Movement in working capital	63.4	83.0
Capex and financial investment	6.5	
Acquisitions and disposals	(1.5)	
	121.9	144.1
Share buy-back	(20.7)	(7.8)
Other financing	2.8	3.3
Decrease in net debt	<u>104.0</u>	<u>139.6</u>

Cash Due on Forward Sales

	At 31 Oct	At 31 Oct	At 30 Apr
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Debtors taken to sales and due on completion	96.6	164.9	156.4
Due on units not yet taken to sales			
- Exchanged contracts	638.5	555.9	604.0
- Reserved units	142.6	154.6	184.9
Total cash due	877.7	875.4	945.3

Abridged Group Profit and Loss Account

	6 Mont		<u>6</u>	Months to		O.L.	
	<u>Oct</u>	2004		Oct 2003		<u>Cn</u>	<u>ange</u>
		<u>£m</u>		Restated <u>£m</u>		<u>£m</u>	<u>%</u>
Turnover (exc	cluding JVs)	518.7		575.8		(57.1)	(10.0)
Operating pro	ofit	100.8	19.4%	109.6	19.0%	(8.8)	(8.0)
Joint venture	S	10.6		10.6		0.0	0.9
Merger exper	ises	(1.5)		6\ } /		(1.5)	(100)
Net interest	- Group	3.0		(2.2)		5.2	
	- Arrangement fees	(0.6)		-		(0.6)	
	- JVs	(1.8)		(1.7)		(0.1)	(5.8)
Profit before	tax	110.5	21.3%	116.3	20.2%	(5.8)	(5.0)
EPS		65.4p		64.5p			1.4

^{*} Adoption of UITF 17 (revised) increased net operating expenses in 2003 by £528,000.

122,062,309

126,489,348

124,261,151

	2004/05	2003/04
Shares at 1 May	122,062,309	128,214,472
Shares purchased	(2,094,261)	(1,250,000)
Shares issued	830,222	560,762
Shares at 31 October	120,798,270 *	127,52 5,234 *
Shares purchased		(5,743,318)
Shares issued	22,373	280,393

Shares in Issue

120,820,643

119,248,313

119,568,930

Shares at 30 April

Weighted average HY

Weighted average FY

^{*} Includes 1,077,317 shares purchased / owned by EBT at 31/10/2004 (31/10/2003: 789,401)

^{**} Forecast assumes no further share issues once all options are exercised

Profit Distribution and ROCE

- Tax rate of 29.5% down from 29.8%
- No interim dividend
- Return on Capital Employed was 22.5% for the period (2003: 20.7%)
- £604.1m capital redemption on 3rd December 2004



Analysis by Activity

	<u>Turnover</u> Or		<u>Operati</u>	ng Profi	<u>t</u>
<u>6 Mc</u>	onths to	6 Months to	6 Months to	<u>6</u>	Months to
<u>C</u>	ct 2004	Oct 2003	Oct 2004		Oct 2003
					Restated
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>		<u>£m</u>
Residential					
- Group	474.2	555.9	96.2	20.3%	104.9 19.0%
- JV's	<u>67.5</u>	<u>56.8</u>	10.4	15.4%	9.9 17.4%
	<u>541.7</u>	<u>612.7</u>	<u>106.6</u>		<u>114.8</u>
	92.2%	96.4%	95.7%		95.5%
Commercial					
- Group	44.5	19.9	4.5	10.1%	4.7 23.6%
- JV's	<u> </u>	<u>2.6</u>	0.3	27.3%	0.7 26.9%
	<u>45.6</u>	22.5	4.8		<u>5.4</u>
	<u>587.4</u>	635.2	<u>111.4</u>		<u>120.2</u>
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%

Trading Account Profile - Percentages of Turnover

	6 Months to	6 Months to	12 Months to
	Oct 2004	Oct 2003	Apr 2004
		Restated	Restated
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
Turnover	100.0	100.0	100.0
Land	(14.2)	(18.1)	(18.3)
Build	(52.8)	(49.8)	(52.8)
Sales & marketing	(5.3)	(4.9)	(4.8)
Gross margin	27.7	27.2	24.1
Operating expenses	(8.3)	(8.2)	(7.3)
Operating profit	19.4	19.0	16.8
Joint ventures	2.1	1.8	1.7
Merger expenses	(0.3)	_	-
Interest	0.1	(0.6)	(0.4)
Profit before tax	21.3	20.2	18.1

Abridged Group Balance Sheet

	At 31 Oct	At 31 Oct	At 30 Apr
	<u>2004</u>	2003	2004
		Restated	Restated
	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>	<u>£m</u>
Fixed assets and investments	81.3	79.8	81.9
Stocks	1,070.9	1,080.3	1,066.3
Debtors	108.4	184.6	172.3
Investments	-	62.6	
Creditors	(306.4)	(278.2)	(323.1)
Capital employed	954.2	1,129.1	997.4
Net cash/(debt)	249.2	(3.4)	145.2
Net assets	1,203.4	1,125.7	1,142.6
Net asset value per share	1,005p	888p	944p
Gearing	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%

^{*} Adoption of UITF 17 (revised) and UITF 38 reduced shareholders funds at 31 October 2003 and 30 April 2004 by £1.3m and £2.4m respectively.

Scheme of Arrangement – Impact on Equity Shareholders' Funds

		Share		
		Premium		
	Share	and Other	Retained	
	Capital	Reserves	Profit	Total
	£m	£m	£m	£m
At 1 May 2004 as restated prior to restructure	30.5	431. <mark>1</mark>	680.5	1,142.1
Share movements prior to restructure	(0.3)	10.1	(25.0)	(15.2)
Scheme of Arrangement – B shares	1,402.5	(1,402.5)	-	///X -
Capital reduction	(1,402.5)		1,402.5	\~\\-
Profit and loss and other movements		4	76.0	76.0
At 31 October 2004 *	30.2	(961.3)	2,134.0	1,202.9

^{*} Equity shareholders' funds exclude minority interest of £0.5m.

Scheme of Arrangement – Impact of return of £5 per share

The Balance Sheet on 31st October, if the return of £5 per share had been made at that date, would be:

	£m		£m
Capital employed	954.2	Share Capital	30.2
Net debt	(354.9)	Other reserve	(961.3)
		Retained prof <mark>it</mark>	1,529.9
		Minority interest	0.5
Net assets	599.3	Net assets	599.3
Gearing %	59.2%		
Net asset value per share	501p		

Net assets would have been £599.3 million and net debt £354.9 million, with a gearing level of 59%

Stocks

	At 31 Oct 2004 £m	At 31 Oct 2003 £m	At 30 Apr 2004 £m
Land not under development	175.3	123. <mark>5</mark>	182.7
Work in progress: Land cost	365.5	428. <mark>5</mark>	403.9
	540.8	552.0	586.6
Build cost	438.6	427.1	398.3
Completed units	85.5	89.6	75.0
Part exchanges	6.0	11.6	6.4
	1,070.9	1,080.3	1,066.3

Geographical Analysis of Residential Units Sold

	6 Months to Oct 2004		6 Mont Oct	hs to 2003	12 Months to Apr 2004	
	N <u>o.</u>	<u>%</u>	No.	<u>%</u>	No.	<u>%</u>
London	817	45	908	45	1,870	49
South East	385	22	525	26	959	25
North West and Yorkshire	474	26	409	20	648	17
Midlands, West England and Wales	125	7	173	9	328	9
-	<u>1,801</u>	<u>100</u>	2,015	<u>100</u>	3,805	<u>100</u>
Joint ventures	486		493		1,034	

Geographical Analysis of Residential Turnover

	6 Months to		6 Months to			12 Months to			
	Oct 2004		Oct 2003			<u>Apr 2004</u>			
	<u>£m</u>	<u>%</u>	ASP £'k	<u>£m</u>	<u>%</u>	ASP £'k	<u>£m</u>	<u>%</u>	ASP £'k
London	258.5	54	288	298.0	54	322	632.0	56	321
South East	104.7	22	276	141.7	25	261	279.8	25	281
N.W. and Yorkshire	83.8	18	210	71.4	13	189	134.4	12	202
Midlands, W. England and Wales	27.2	6	243	44.8	8	226	84.0	7	235
	474.2	100	262	555.9	100	271	1,130.2	100	283
Joint ventures	67.6		301	56.8		231	121.0		225

Land Bank

	At 31 Oct	At 31 Oct	At 30 Apr
	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>
Owned	22,513	18,884	21,449
Contracted	3,896	5,411	4,315
Agreed	218	1,707	890
Plots	26,627	26,002	26,654
Sales value	£6,599m	£7,052m	£6,789m
Average selling price	£248k	£271k	£255k
Average plot cost	£33k	£38k	£34k
Land cost %	13.2%	14.2%	13.5%
Gross margin	£1,857m	£2,011m	£1,926m
GM%	28.1%	28.5%	28.4%

Includes joint venture land holdings

15 Largest London Sites Released to Market

	<u>Total</u>	Complete	Exchanged	Resv'd	<u>Available</u>	Not Released
Imperial Wharf, Chelsea	1,883	438	129	4	25	1,287
Woolwich Arsenal	1,258	439	132	11	8	668
St George Wharf, Vauxhall	920	464	112	10	-	334
Chelsea Bridge Wharf	773	407	73	10	24	259
Brookmill Road, Deptford	757	588	15	11	1	142
Grosvenor Waterside, W'minste	r 692	-	216	7	50	419
Battersea Reach	660	-	131	23	-	506
New River Village, Hornsey	630	92	261	4	64	209
Tabard Square, Long Lane	554	1	358	E/A\ 1	4	190
Kew Riverside	536	310	153	3	25	45
Bromyard Avenue, W3	522	1	164	3	125	229
The Hamptons, Worcester Park	499	62	121	5	26	285
Royal Quarter, Kingston	448	249	79	7		113
Putney Wharf	212	148	37	4	-	23
Kew Riverside Park	192	<u>49</u>	1	2	Europe -	<u> 140</u>
•	10,536	3,248	1,982	105	352	4,849

15 Largest Non-London Sites Released to Market

	<u>Total</u>	Complete	Exchanged	Resv'd	<u>Available</u>	Not Released
Redbank, Manchester	1,248	-	355	34	52	807
Clarence Dock, Leeds	1,090	228	300	124	18	420
Gunwharf Resid'l, Portsmouth	962	422	136	55	22	327
The Waterways, Oxford	526	406	47	4	7	62
Knowle Village, Hampshire	516	297	18	2	16	183
Southside, Birmingham	468	48	136	40	42	202
Royal Clarence Yard, Gosport	366	174	75	4	27	86
Smithfield, Manchester	328	207	14	90	17	
Leybourne Lakes, Larkfield	327	218	42	7	23	37
Navigation Street, Birmingham	317	-	227	7	15	68
Go Ahead, Oxford	227	65	-		1	161
Gosforth, Newcastle	186	40	110	4	32	- (2.4
Ropetackle, Shoreham	185	1	103	4	16	61
Lower Earley, Reading	150	-	42	10	33	65
Sandleford Hospital, Newbury	<u>115</u>			2	8	<u> 105</u>
	7,011	2,106	1,605	387	329	2,584

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