

SOUTH GEORGIA and the SOUTH SANDWICH ISLANDS

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

and AUDIT REPORT

for the year ended

31st DECEMBER 2005

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1. INTRODUCTION TO SOUTH GEORGIA

INTRODUCTION

South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands are an Overseas Territory of the United Kingdom and are administered by a Commissioner appointed by Her Majesty the Queen.

The Commissioner is resident in the Falkland Islands. By arrangement between the Government of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands and the Falkland Islands Government the services of some Falkland Islands Government officers are made available on a part time basis to the Government of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The form of financial statements is governed by Chapter VIII of Part II of the Colonial Regulations subject to minor modifications over the years. The requirements are for a statement of Receipts and Payments, excluding accruals of income and expenditure other than those recorded as advances or deposits and a statement of Assets and Liabilities excluding fixed assets, loans due to and by the Government, stock and debtors and creditors other than those recorded as advances and deposits. Accordingly the statements do not comply with the accounting concept of accruals, nor with the Accounting Standards set by the United Kingdom regulatory bodies.

AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE

The 2005 estimates were approved by the Secretary of State on 22 December 2005. The Provisional General Warrants for Expenditure were approved on 13 January 2005, 13 May 2005 and 20 December 2005.

SUMMARY OF THE FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2005

The statements show a deficit of £268k for the year, compared to a budgeted deficit of £1,629k (2004 actual deficit £1,860k), to give a General Revenue Balance at 31st December 2005 of £3,222k.

Note: This summary is presented in the revised format regarding special expenditure, as used for the 2006 financial statements. This differs from the actual statements produced for 2005, which will be restated accordingly for comparison to 2006 figures.

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2. STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at 31 December 2005

2004		as at 31 December 2005 2005		
£000	£000	ASSETS	£000	£000
27 3,435	3,462	Crown Agents Fund Bank and Cash in hand Total Investments	68 3,129	3,197
0 28	28	Advances Creaseys (Pensions) Falkland Islands Government Total Advances	(2) 27	25
	3,490	TOTAL ASSETS	_ =	3,222
		FUND BALANCES		
5,350 (1,860)		General Revenue Account Balance 1 January Deficit for Year	3,490 (268)	
	3,490	Balance 31 December		3,222
	3,490	TOTAL FUND BALANCES	_	3,222

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3. STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

ACTUAL		APPROVED ESTIMATE	ACTUAL
2004 £000		2005 £000	2005 £000
3,665	Receipts	3,165	3,790
	<u>Payments</u>		
104	Personal Emoluments	162	178
3,041	Other Charges	3,342	3,028
2,380	Special Expenditure	1,290	852
5,525		4,794	4,058
	Surplus / (Deficit) for the		
(1,860)	year	(1,629)	(268)

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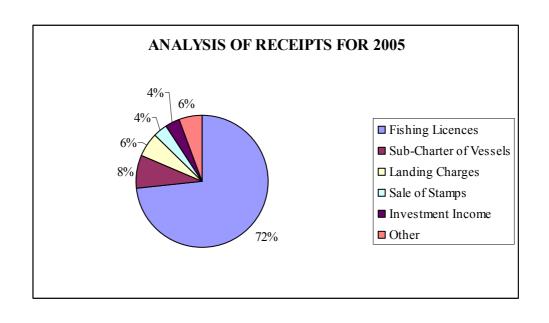
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4. ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS

ACTUAL RECEIPTS 2004 £	Description	APPROVED ESTIMATE 2005 £	ACTUAL 2005 £
3,101,890 - 189,027	Fishing Licences Sub-Charter of Vessels Landing Charges	2,632,744 - 208,725	2,779,161 305,455 218,278
73,560 164,483 77,289	Sale of Stamps Investment Income Customs / Harbour Dues Grants Received	125,000 50,000 90,000	140,414 135,257 75,195 51,067
18,776 1,840 31,200	Income Tax Other	16,000 500 32,500	31,067 32,722 28,980 15,600
4,000 1,528 1,627	Expedition Applications Sale of Publications Seignorage on Coins	5,000 3,000 1,500	3,447 3,038 1,697
3,665,220	TOTAL REVENUE	3,164,969	3,790,311

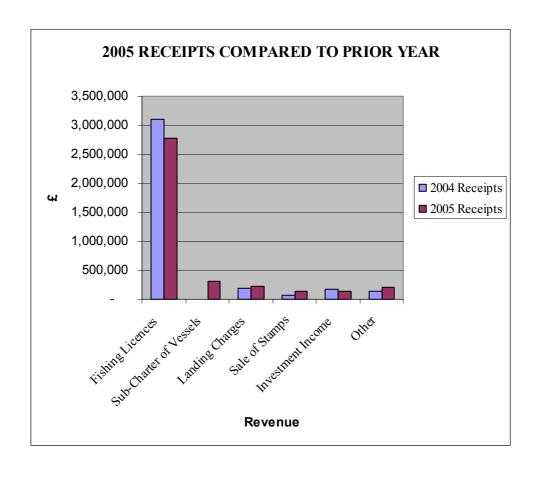


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5. ANALYSIS OF PAYMENTS

ACTUAL		APPROVED	ACTUAL
2004 £	Description	ESTIMATE 2005 £	2005 £
	Personal Emoluments		
103,990	Salaries	162,000	177,551
103,990	Total Personal Emoluments	162,000	177,551
	Other Charges		
28,203	Insurance	32,000	22,998
90,210	Mail Services & Stamps	105,000	56,721
35,000	Cont. to Admin (FIG)	35,000	35,000
103,573 Medical services 1,978,267 Fisheries Administration		120,000	124,849
		2,180,500	1,958,042
-	Consultancies	80,000	103,413
26,675	Publications	25,000	41,836
83,575	Environmental Programmes	100,000	71,633
500,000	KEP Running Costs	500,000	500,000
195,364 Other Expenditure		164,800	113,783
3,040,867	Total Other Charges	3,342,300	3,028,275
2,380,201	Total Special Expenditure *	1,290,000	852,513
5,525,058	TOTAL PAYMENTS	4,794,300	4,058,339

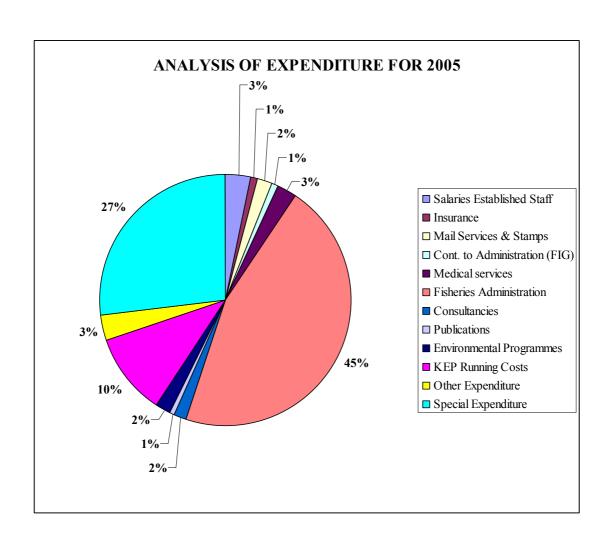
^{*} Special Expenditure includes project costs to remove asbestos, which was found in a number of historic buildings on South Georgia. None of the buildings remain in public use but all are in varying proximity to other buildings currently in public use. The majority of the contaminated buildings are deteriorating rapidly in the harsh climate. During 2005 work continued to remove all remaining asbestos and remove unsafe structures, and the major elements of this work are now complete.

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6. GENERAL REVENUE ACCOUNT SUMMARY

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Year	Revenue	Payments		Surplus/(Deficit)	Balance at year end
	£000	£000		£000	£000
1983	393	212		181	823
1984	200	132		68	891
1985	209	129		80	971
1986	371	168		203	1,174
1987	253	156		97	1,271
1988	306	119		187	1,458
1989	220	241		(21)	1,437
1990	272	271		1	1,438
1991	529	714		(185)	1,253
1992	283	623		(340)	913
1993	327	225		102	1,015
1994	670	630	<u>@</u>	40	1,055
1995	648	347		301	1,356
1996	1,164	563		601	1,957
1997	1,520	652		868	2,825
1998	1,830	1,411	*	419	3,244
1999	1,894	1,130		764	4,008
2000	3,012	2,526		486	4,494
2001	3,555	2,824		731	5,225
2002	3,923	3,117		806	6,031
2003	5,768	6,449		(681)	5,350
2004	3,665	5,525		(1,860)	3,490
2005	3,790	4,058		(268)	3,222

[@] Income from Fishing Licences first received

^{* 1998} figures covered an 18 month period; all other figures cover 12 month periods