British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company")

Purchase of Own Securities and Total Voting Rights

The Company announces that on 23 December 2009 it purchased 190,000 Ordinary Shares of 10 pence each at a price of 74.0 pence per share. These shares will be held in Treasury.

The Company's issued share capital now consists of 30,626,423 Ordinary Shares with voting rights. In addition, the Company holds 1,382,837 shares in Treasury.

If these shares had been purchased prior to the six month period ended 30 September 2009, and on the assumption that there were no other alterations, the net asset value per Ordinary Share of the Company at that date would have increased from 90.6 pence to 90.7 pence per Ordinary Share.

The above figure may be used by Shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in the Company under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

23 December 2009

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If you have sold or transferred all of your Ordinary Shares in the Company, please send this document at once to the purchaser, transferee, the stockbroker, bank or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected, for transmission to the purchaser or transferee.

The Directors of the Company accept responsibility for the information contained in this document. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Directors and the Company (who or which have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case) the information contained in this document is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

British Smaller Companies VCT plc

(Incorporated in England and Wales under the Companies Act 1985 with registered number 3134749)

APPROVED DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT SCHEME IN RELATION TO THE COMPANY'S ORDINARY SHARES

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26 November 2009

Part I

Important Notice

This document, which constitutes a financial promotion for the purposes of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, has been approved, for the purposes of that section only, by YFM which is authorised and regulated by the Financial Services Authority in the United Kingdom pursuant to the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("the Act").

In approving this document YFM is acting solely for the Company and no-one else and will not be responsible to anyone other than the Company for providing the protections afforded by the 1985 Act and the 2006 Act (to the extent in force) or for providing financial advice in relation to the subject of this document.

There is no guarantee that the Company's investment objective will be attained. If you are in any doubt as to what action to take, you should contact an independent financial adviser. The levels and bases of reliefs from taxation described in this document are those currently available. These may change and their value depends on an investor's individual circumstances.

No person has been authorised to issue any advertisements or give any information, or make any representations in connection with the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme, other than those contained in this document and, if issued, given or made such advertisements, information or representations must not be relied upon as having been authorised by the Company.

Risk Factors

The Directors draw the attention of Shareholders who may be considering an investment in the Company under the Scheme to the following risk factors, which may affect the performance of the Company and/or the availability of tax reliefs:

- Investment in the Company should be regarded as long-term in nature and may not be suitable for all individuals. If they are in any doubt potential investors should consult their professional advisers about the Scheme.
- Investment in unquoted companies and AiM companies by its nature, involves a higher degree of risk than investment in a quoted portfolio. Unquoted and AiM investments may be difficult to realise.
- The market price of the Ordinary Shares may not fully reflect their underlying net asset value. Past performance is not a guide to the future and the value of an investment in the Company, and the income derived from it may go down as well as up and an investor may not get back the amount invested.
- Although the Shares will be listed on the Official List of the UK Listing Authority it is possible that there may not be a liquid market in the Shares and Shareholders may have difficulty in selling their Shares.
- Any realised losses on a disposal of Shares will not be allowable losses, for the purposes of capital gains tax, and will therefore not be capable of set off against any capital gains.
- There can be no guarantee that the Company will maintain full VCT qualifying status. If the Company ceases to retain approval as a VCT, before Participating Shareholders have held their shares for five years, any income tax relief will have to be repaid. Following a loss of VCT status, Shareholders will be taxed on dividends paid by the Company and, in addition, a liability to capital gains tax may arise on any subsequent disposal of the Shares.
- Where full approval as a VCT is withdrawn the Company will also lose its exemption from corporation tax on capital gains. If at any time VCT status is lost, dealings in the Ordinary Shares will normally be suspended until such time as the Company has published proposals either to continue as an investment company or to be wound up.
- Should a VCT not qualify as a VCT, or if it qualifies but the Shares fall outside the qualifying limit of the Shareholder, the Shareholder will generally be liable to income tax on the aggregate amount of the dividend and the notional tax credit equal to 1/9th of the dividend. The notional tax credit will discharge the income tax liability of a basic rate taxpayer. Shareholders who also pay tax at the higher rate can use the notional credit to offset against their higher rate tax liability.
- The information in this document is based on existing legislation. The tax reliefs described are those currently available. The tax rules or their interpretation in relation to an investment in the Company and/or rates of tax may change during the life of the Company.
- The investments made by the Company may be difficult to realise. The fact that a Share is traded on AiM does not guarantee its liquidity. The spread between the buying and selling price of such Shares may be wide and thus the price used for valuation may not be achievable.
- The Company's ability to obtain maximum value from its investment (for example, through a sale or takeover) may be limited by requirements imposed in order to maintain its VCT status (such as the condition that not less than 70% by value of a VCT's total investments must be in shares in, or securities of, an unquoted (including AiM quoted) company carrying on a qualifying trade wholly or mainly in the UK satisfying the conditions in Chapter 4 of the Income Tax Act 2007.

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Part II – Introduction

Background

At the Annual General Meeting of the Company held on 6 August 2008 the Directors were authorised by special resolution to establish a dividend reinvestment scheme for the Company's Shareholders.

Dividend reinvestment enables Shareholders to increase their total holding in the Company without incurring dealing costs, issue costs or stamp duty. Subject to individual circumstances, these Shares should qualify for income tax relief (currently at 30 per cent) that is applicable to subscriptions for new shares in Venture Capital Trusts. The terms and conditions of the Scheme, which will apply only to holders of Ordinary Shares in respect of their Ordinary Shares are set out at Part III of this document.

The contents of this document have been extracted from the Circular to Shareholders dated 16 December 2008 insofar as that Circular related to the Scheme.

Dividend Reinvestment Scheme

Shares subscribed for via the Scheme will form part of each Shareholder's annual limit for investing in Venture Capital Trusts and qualifying for tax reliefs.

The New Ordinary Shares issued under the Scheme will rank pari passu in all respects with the Ordinary Shares then in issue. Subject to individual circumstances these Shares should qualify for the VCT tax reliefs that are available to subscriptions for new shares in Venture Capital Trusts (a summary of which can be found at Part IV of this document).

The terms of the Scheme only permit a Shareholder to join if all dividends on the Ordinary Shares registered in their name at the Record Date for the dividend are mandated to the Scheme. If you elect to receive New Ordinary Shares in respect of your total holding of Ordinary Shares, any residual cash balance arising representing a fractional entitlement will be carried forward to the next dividend.

The terms and conditions of the Scheme as set out in Part III of this document are as approved by the Directors pursuant to the authority granted by the Shareholders on 6 August 2008.

If you elect to join the Scheme, the mandate given in the Mandate Form will remain in force for all dividends up to 6 August 2013 unless and until you give notice to terminate your participation in the Scheme in accordance with the terms of the Scheme. Those Shareholders not electing to join the Scheme at this time will be able to do so in respect of dividends declared for later periods.

Shareholders who elect to reinvest dividends under the Scheme should be eligible to claim income tax relief on the amounts subscribed provided the New Ordinary Shares are issued in the name of the Shareholder and not in the name of the nominee. Further details regarding the availability of tax reliefs can be found in Part III and Part IV of this document. If you are in doubt regarding your personal tax position, or whether you should participate in the Scheme, you should contact your professional adviser immediately.

Mandate Forms to participate in the Scheme have been included with this document, and must be returned at least 20 Business Days prior to the payment of a dividend which is to be reinvested.

Part III – Terms and Conditions of the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme

1. Shareholders on the register of members at the close of business on the relevant Record Date may elect to receive New Ordinary Shares, credited as fully paid, instead of receiving the dividend in cash for the relevant financial period ("the full cash dividend"). The election may only be made by Shareholders in respect of the whole (and not part only) of their shareholdings and shall operate as a mandate in respect of the 2008 Interim Dividend and all future dividends declared in respect of Ordinary Shares prior to 6 August 2013 unless and until the Shareholder gives notice to terminate his or her participation in the Scheme in accordance with the terms of the Scheme.

2. Shareholders may only join the Scheme if all dividends on the Ordinary Shares registered in their name are mandated to the Scheme. The number of Ordinary Shares held by such Participating Shareholder which are mandated to the Scheme shall be altered immediately following any change to the number of Ordinary Shares in respect of which such Shareholder is the registered holder as entered onto the register of members of the Company from time to time.

3. The Company shall invest the monies held within the Scheme (being dividends paid on Ordinary Shares by, or on behalf of, Participating Shareholders) in the subscription of New Ordinary Shares in the Company. The Company shall not have the discretion to vary such investments and Shareholders may not instruct the Company or the Scheme Administrator to make any other investments.

4. (a) On or as soon as practicable after a day on which any dividend is paid to Shareholders (a "Reinvestment Day"), the funds held by the Company on behalf of each Participating Shareholder shall be applied on behalf of that Shareholder in the subscription for the maximum number of New Ordinary Shares as can be acquired with those funds.

   (b) The number of New Ordinary Shares issued to a Participating Shareholder pursuant to condition 4(a) above shall be calculated by dividing the aggregate value of the dividends paid on the Ordinary Shares to which the Participating Shareholder is entitled by the greater of (i) the net asset value per Ordinary Share being the most recently announced financial year end or half yearly net asset value per Ordinary Share (as adjusted for the relevant dividend in question) less 5%; and (ii) the nominal value per Ordinary Share.

   (c) No fractions of New Ordinary Shares will be issued under the Scheme and subject to condition 4(d) below the election may only be made by Shareholders in respect of the whole and not part of their shareholdings. Any balance of cash remaining with the Company after the subscription shall be held by the Company on behalf of the Participating Shareholder to whom it relates and added to the cash available in respect of that Shareholder for the subscription of New Ordinary Shares on the next Reinvestment Day. No interest shall accrue or be payable by the Company in favour of any Shareholder on any such cash balances.

   (d) The Scheme involves the reinvestment of the whole dividend paid on each shareholding each time a dividend is paid by the Company, together with any cash residue brought forward from the previous dividend. Partial reinvestment of dividends is only permitted by nominees, who need to lodge a Mandate Form for each Reinvestment Day quoting the number of Ordinary Shares in respect of which their election is made. Shareholders will remain in the Scheme so that all future dividends will be reinvested in the same way, until they give notice in writing to the Scheme Administrator that they wish to terminate their participation in the Scheme.

5. The Scheme Administrator shall on the relevant Reinvestment Day take all necessary steps to ensure that the Participating Shareholders are entered onto the share register of the Company as the registered holders of the New Ordinary Shares (as the case may be), issued to them under the Scheme, and that share certificates in respect of such shares issued are posted to the Participating Shareholders at their own risk as soon as is reasonably practical, unless such shares are to be uncertificated.

6. To assist Participating Shareholders with their tax returns, the Scheme Administrator will attach to the new share certificates a Statement of Entitlement, or if shares are held in uncertificated form, a Statement of Entitlement will be sent to a Participating Shareholder separately, detailing the following:- (i) the total dividend payable; (ii) the subscription price per New Ordinary Share; (iii) the number of New Ordinary Shares allotted to a Participating Shareholder; (iv) the residual cash balance (if any) representing an entitlement to a fraction of a New Ordinary Share to be carried forward to the next dividend; and (v) the cash equivalent of the New Ordinary Shares issued, together with any such other information as shall be required under the Listing Rules of the UK Listing Authority.

Part III – Terms and Conditions of the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme

7. Application to join the Scheme can be made at any time by returning a completed Mandate Form. However, Mandate Forms need to have been received by the Scheme Administrator Capita Registrars Limited, New Issues, The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4TU at least 20 Business Days prior to the payment of a dividend which is to be reinvested. Mandate Forms received after that date shall be effective in relation to any future dividends in respect of which the Directors offer a dividend reinvestment alternative.

8. If, prior to the day on which the Ordinary Shares became ex-dividend, a Shareholder has sold all or some of his or her holdings in Ordinary Shares, the Shareholder should consult his or her stockbroker or agent without delay.

9. An application will be made to the UK Listing Authority for admission of the New Ordinary Shares to the Official List and to the London Stock Exchange plc for admission to trading on the London Stock Exchange plc's market for listed securities (together "Admission"). On issue, the New Ordinary Shares will rank pari passu in all respects with the existing issued Ordinary Shares and will rank for future dividends. Subject to Admission, definitive share certificates for the New Ordinary Shares will be posted as soon as practicable following Admission at the risk of the persons entitled to them. Where New Ordinary Shares are issued as uncertificated shares, as soon as practicable following Admission the Company will arrange for the relevant Participating Shareholders' stock accounts in CREST to be credited with their entitlement to New Ordinary Shares and a Statement of Entitlement will be posted to them. New Ordinary Shares will be allotted as and when the Directors determine it appropriate, with Admission and Dealings expected within 10 Business Days of allotment.

   In the event that Admission does not become effective, Mandate Forms will be disregarded in respect of the dividend and the full cash dividend will be paid as soon as possible in the usual way.

10. Further copies of this document and/or Mandate Forms may be obtained from the Scheme Administrator Capita Registrars Limited, The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4TU.

11. All costs and expenses incurred by the Scheme Administrator in administering the Scheme will be borne by the Company.

12. Each Shareholder applying to participate in the Scheme will be deemed to warrant to the Scheme Administrator and the Company in the Mandate Form that (i) save in the case of a Shareholder holding his or her Ordinary Shares as nominee, during the continuance of his or her participation in the Scheme he or she will remain the sole beneficial owner of the ordinary shares mandated to the Scheme free from encumbrances or security interests; and (ii) all information set out in the Mandate Form is correct and, to the extent any of the information changes, he or she will notify the changes to the Scheme Administrator.

13. Each Participating Shareholder acknowledges that neither the Company, the Scheme Administrator nor YFM is providing a discretionary manager service. Neither the Scheme Administrator, YFM nor the Company shall be responsible for any loss or damage to Participating Shareholders as a result of their participation in the Scheme unless due to the negligence or default of the Scheme Administrator or the Company (respectively), its servants or agents.

14. The financial calendar and procedure for future dividends both as to any final and/or interim dividend will be notified in writing to Shareholders and/or published through a RIS.

15. The Participating Shareholder may at any time, by notice to the Scheme Administrator of not less than 20 Business Days prior to the relevant Reinvestment Day, terminate his or her participation in this Scheme. If a Participating Shareholder shall at any time cease to hold any Ordinary Shares in the Company, he or she shall be deemed to have served such a notice in respect of his or her participation in the Scheme in respect of such shares. If a Shareholder in whose name Ordinary Shares are held on behalf of a Participating Shareholder shall at any time cease to hold any such shares on behalf of that Participating Shareholder, he or she shall be deemed to have served such a notice in respect of his or her participation in the Scheme.

16. The Company and the Scheme Administrator shall be entitled, at any time and from time to time, to suspend the operation of the Scheme and/or to terminate the Scheme without notice to the Participating Shareholders. Circumstances under which the Directors might suspend or terminate the Scheme include, but are not limited to changes in legislation governing Venture Capital Trusts (including changes in available tax reliefs) and adverse market conditions in the public markets.

Part III – Terms and Conditions of the Dividend Reinvestment Scheme

17. All notices and instructions to be given to the Scheme Administrator shall be in writing and delivered or posted to Capita Registrars Limited, New Issues, The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4TU. Applications to participate in the Scheme will be made by way of a mandate form in the prescribed form as provided by the Scheme Administrator.

18. Subject to the prior agreement of the Scheme Administrator, the Directors shall be entitled to amend the Scheme terms and conditions on giving one month's notice in writing to all Participating Shareholders. If such amendments have arisen as a result of any change in statutory or other regulatory requirements, notice of such amendment will not be given to Participating Shareholders unless in the Scheme Administrator's opinion, the change materially affects the interests of Participating Shareholders. Amendments to the Scheme Terms and Conditions which are of a formal, minor or technical nature, or made to correct a manifest error and which do not adversely affect the interests of Participating Shareholders, may be effected without notice.

19. By completing and delivering the Mandate Form provided by the Scheme Administrator, the Participating Shareholder will (i) agree to provide the Company with any information which it may request in connection with such application and to comply with legislation relating to Venture Capital Trusts or other relevant legislation (as the same may be amended from time to time); and (ii) declare that no loan has been made to the Participating Shareholder or any associate, which would not have been made, or not have been made on the same terms but for the Participating Shareholder offering to subscribe for, or acquiring, Ordinary Shares, and that the shares are being acquired for bona fide commercial purposes and not as part of a scheme or arrangement, the main purpose of which is the avoidance of tax.

20. Subscriptions for Venture Capital Trust shares only attract tax reliefs if in any tax year subscriptions to all Venture Capital Trusts do not exceed £200,000 (including subscriptions pursuant to dividend reinvestment schemes). Where shares are held by a nominee as at the relevant Record Date, that nominee's beneficiary will not be entitled to receive the tax reliefs otherwise available to Participating Shareholders under the Scheme. Participating Shareholders under the Scheme are responsible for ascertaining their own tax status and liabilities and neither the Scheme Administrator nor the Company can accept any liability in the event they do not receive any Venture Capital Trust tax reliefs, or such reliefs are reduced or restricted in any way.

21. Since dividends on Ordinary Shares acquired in excess of £200,000 in any tax year will not be exempted from income tax in the same way as Ordinary Shares acquired within this limit, Participating Shareholders will generally be liable to tax on such dividends.

22. The election to receive New Ordinary Shares in place of the cash dividend is not being offered to, or for the benefit of, any citizen of the United States, Canada or Australia, any corporation, partnership or other entity created or organised in, or under the laws of the United States, Canada or Australia or any political sub-division thereof or with a registered office in any of these countries or any estate or trust, the income of which is subject to United States Federal, or Canadian, or Australian income taxation regardless of its source. "United States" means United States of America (including the District of Columbia). References to the United States, Canada and Australia include their territories, possessions and all areas subject to their jurisdiction.

    No person receiving a copy of this circular and/or Mandate Form in any territory other than the United Kingdom may treat it as constituting an invitation to him or her unless in the relevant territory such an invitation could lawfully be made to him or her without complying with any registration or other legal requirements. **It is the responsibility of the Shareholder outside the United Kingdom wishing to elect to receive New Ordinary Shares to satisfy himself or herself as to the full observance of the laws of the relevant territory in connection with the offer, including obtaining any governmental or other consents which may be necessary and observing any other formalities requiring to be observed in such territory.**

23. The Company shall not be required to issue New Ordinary Shares hereunder if the Directors so decide.

24. These Scheme terms and conditions shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, English law and each Participating Shareholder submits to the jurisdiction of the English courts and agrees that nothing shall limit the right of the Company to bring any action, suit or proceeding arising out of or in connection with the Scheme in any other manner permitted by law or in any court of competent jurisdiction.

Shareholders in any doubt about their tax position should consult their independent adviser.

Part IV – Taxation

The following information is based on the law and practice currently in force in the United Kingdom. It assumes that an investor (including an existing Shareholder participating in the Scheme) is resident or ordinarily resident in the UK and not in any other jurisdiction. If potential investors are in any doubt as to their tax position, they should consult their professional advisers.

1. Tax Reliefs for Individual Investors

Investors must be individuals subscribing in their own name and aged 18 or over to be eligible for the respective tax reliefs. Tax reliefs will only be given in relation to an individual's total investments in VCTs in any tax year not exceeding £200,000.

Income Tax Relief

Relief on investment

An investor subscribing for new ordinary shares (including by way of reinvestment of dividends) in VCTs during any tax year will be entitled to claim income tax relief on amounts subscribed up to the permitted maximum of £200,000. The relief is given for the tax year in which the shares are issued and is currently at the rate of 30 per cent. The relief is restricted to the amount which reduces the investor's income tax liability to nil.

If the shares are sold or otherwise disposed of (other than to the investor's spouse) within five years of their issue then some or all of the income tax relief obtained will have to be repaid. Shares may be transferred into the name of a nominee, provided the nominee holds them for the investor's benefit.

Relief on dividends

An investor who either subscribes for or purchases ordinary shares in a VCT, up to a maximum of £200,000 in any given tax year, will not be liable to UK income tax on dividends paid by the VCT.

Capital Gains Tax Relief

Any gain or loss accruing to investors on a disposal of ordinary shares in a company which was a VCT at the time he or she acquired the shares, and which has remained a VCT throughout his or her period of ownership, will neither be a chargeable gain, nor an allowable loss, for the purposes of capital gains tax.

2. Obtaining Tax Relief

Income tax relief on investment

The company will give each investor a certificate which he or she can use to claim the income tax relief, either (where applicable) immediately by obtaining an adjustment to his or her tax coding from the HM Revenue & Customs or by waiting until the end of the tax year and claiming the relief on his or her tax return.

3. Loss or Clawback of Tax Reliefs

The Company

If the company loses approval as a VCT, it will lose its exemption from corporation tax on chargeable gains. Loss of approval takes effect either on the date when notice is given to the company by the HM Revenue & Customs or, if earlier and at the HM Revenue & Customs's discretion, from the beginning of the company's accounting period in which the notice is given.

Investors

Withdrawal or clawback of investors' tax reliefs can occur as a result of the company losing full approval as a VCT or as a result of actions taken by the investors themselves.

Income tax relief on investment

If the company loses approval as a VCT within five years from the time when an investor acquired the ordinary shares by subscription, the income tax relief will be clawed back by an assessment to income tax for the year of assessment in respect of which the relief was given.

Income tax relief on dividends

If the company loses approval as a VCT then shares acquired by an investor after loss of approval are not capable of generating tax free dividends and any dividend paid in respect of profits or gains arising to the company in any accounting period ending at a time when the company was not a VCT will likewise not be exempt from income tax.

Exemption from capital gains tax on disposal

If the company loses approval as a VCT, then investors will be deemed to have disposed of and reacquired the ordinary shares at market value immediately before withdrawal of approval of the company as a VCT, and so any accrued gain or loss to that date will not be taxable or allowable. Investors subsequently disposing of the ordinary shares will be treated as making a chargeable gain or an allowable loss (as the case may be).

Any investor acquiring ordinary shares in the company after it has lost VCT approval will likewise make a chargeable gain or an allowable loss on subsequent disposal.

4. Stamp Duty and Stamp Duty Reserve Tax

No stamp duty or (unless Shares are issued to a nominee for a clearing system or a provider of depository receipts) stamp duty reserve tax should be payable on the issue of shares.

This is only a brief summary of the law concerning the tax position of individual investors in VCTs. Any potential investor in doubt as to the taxation consequences of investment in a VCT should consult an appropriately qualified professional adviser.

Part V – Definitions

"2006 Act"	the Companies Act 2006
"1985 Act"	the Companies Act 1985
"Admission"	the admission of the New Ordinary Shares to the official list maintained by the UK Listing Authority and to trading on the London Stock Exchange plc's market for listed securities
"Board" or "Directors"	the board of directors of the Company
"Business Day"	a day (excluding Saturday and Sunday and public holidays in England and Wales) when the banks are generally open for business in London
"Company"	British Smaller Companies VCT plc
"Dealings"	buying, selling subscribing for or underwriting of securities in the Company or offering or agreeing to do so, either as principal or agent
"2008 Interim Dividend"	the interim dividend on Ordinary Shares declared for the half year ended 30 September 2008
"Mandate Form"	the form enclosed with this document which enables Shareholders to participate in the Scheme
"New Articles"	the new articles of association proposed for adoption by the Company as described in this document
"New Ordinary Shares"	the new Ordinary Shares to be issued from time to time under the Scheme
"Ordinary Shares"	ordinary shares of 10 pence each in the capital of the Company
"Participating Shareholder(s)"	those Shareholders who elect to participate in the Scheme
"Record Date"	the date set out in the dividend procedure timetable published by the London Stock Exchange plc by which a Shareholder must hold Ordinary Shares to be entitled to a dividend declared by the Company
"RIS"	a regulatory information service that is on the list of Regulatory Information Services maintained by the Financial Services Authority
"Scheme" or "Dividend Reinvestment Scheme"	the dividend reinvestment scheme the terms and conditions of which are described in this document
"Scheme Administrator"	Capita Registrars Limited, The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4TU
"Shares"	Ordinary Shares
"Shareholders"	the holders of Ordinary Shares
"Venture Capital Trust" or "VCT"	a company which is, for the time being, approved as a venture capital trust under section 259 of the Income Tax Act 2007
"UK Listing Authority"	the Financial Services Authority acting in its capacity as the competent authority for the purposes of Part VI of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000
"YFM" or "the Manager"	YFM Private Equity Limited, Company number: 2174994, whose registered office is at Saint Martins House, 210-212 Chapeltown Road, Leeds, LS7 4HZ

BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC

(Registered in England No. 3134749)

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT SCHEME MANDATE FORM

THIS MANDATE FORM IS NOT TRANSFERABLE

Dividend reinvestment scheme mandate form

If you wish to participate in the dividend reinvestment scheme (the "Scheme") in respect of your holding of Ordinary Shares, please sign and return this form to the Scheme Administrator Capita Registrars Limited, New Issues, The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4TU no later than 20 Business Days before the payment of a dividend by the Company. All enquiries concerning this form should be made to Capita Registrars Limited, The Registry, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4TU (Telephone: 0871 664 0321. Calls cost 10p per minute plus network extras. Lines are open 8.30 – 5.30pm Mon-Fri).

If your British Smaller Companies VCT plc Ordinary Shares are held in more than one account you must complete a separate form for each account. You may obtain further copies of this form from Capita Registrars Limited.

To: the Scheme Administrator and the Company

I/We, the undersigned, confirm that I/we have read and understood the terms and conditions of the Scheme and that I/we wish to participate in that Scheme for each future dividend paid on the Ordinary Shares and to which the scheme is applied. I/We agree that future dividends paid on Ordinary Shares will be reinvested in Ordinary Shares.

All shareholders named above must sign.

Signature(s)	Date
Signature(s)	Date
Signature(s)	Date
Signature(s)	Date
Daytime telephone number	

In the case of joint holders all must sign. In the case of a corporation this form must be executed under its common seal or be signed by a duly authorised official, whose capacity should be stated in accordance with Section 44 of the 2006 Act.

If this form is not completed to the satisfaction of the Scheme Administrator it will not be processed and will be returned to you for completion.

If you decide to participate in the Scheme you will be deemed to have agreed that any mandate which you may have given for the payment of cash dividends directly to your Bank or Building Society account shall be suspended for so long as you remain a participant in the Scheme.

Shareholders in any doubt about their tax position should consult their independent professional adviser.

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC
UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS AND INTERIM MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

For the 6 months ended 30 September 2009

- Interim dividend maintained at 2.0 pence per share
- Total return recovered to 138.6 pence per share (from 130.7 pence per share at 31 March 2009)
- Prospectus offer to be launched in 2010 to maximise investment opportunities in 2010-2012

British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company") today announces its unaudited interim results for the six months to 30 September 2009.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

The first six months of this financial year have been characterised by a recovery in the quoted markets, a continuing decline in the UK economy as a whole and the entrepreneurial boardroom mood changing from one focussed on survival and the immediate short term to a degree of stability and medium term planning. There has been an increase in bank lending from the lows of 2008, but this is selective and on much more restricted terms than at the end of 2007.

This combination of circumstances has impacted the company's portfolio and the market for new investment in different ways. The quoted investment portfolio has seen an increase in its value of 35% over the six month period which reflects the improvements in the quoted market as a whole. As I have previously stated with respect to the unquoted portfolio your Board has adopted a cautious approach to the taking of leverage. As a consequence to date there has not been a need to inject further capital to meet the banking requirements of any of the businesses of the investments. The economic climate remains challenging and it is hoped that any such future requirements will remain at low levels for the company as a whole.

There are of course investments that continue to develop and expand even in such climates. Notably, Go Outdoors and Harvey Jones have been able to continue their expansion plans with Waterfall Services beginning to feel the full year benefits from its acquisition of Taylor Shaw made in 2008.

The market for new investments has been impacted in a number of ways. The activity levels in the unquoted market have generally followed the quoted market with some time lag. However in this instance the lack of debt, shorter term focus of management teams and vendors and the proportionately greater need for equity to fund deals has meant that the nature of the pipeline of opportunities is moving away from buy-out to business expansion by the current owner. Whilst there remains uncertainty over the speed of the recovery and level of available debt funding the expansion of businesses rather than their outright sale may come more to the fore.

Your Board remains confident in the medium and long term position of the Company and consequently we are proposing to maintain the interim dividend at 2.0 pence per share. The dividend will be paid on 7 January 2010 to shareholders on the register at 4 December 2009.

Interim Management Report

The focus of activity has been on portfolio management as our investee companies have adjusted their activities to the economic climate. A number of new investment opportunities have been reviewed but for the reasons outlined above have not resulted in new investments being made. This has been in large part as a result of the price expectations of vendors and management teams, in addition in respect of certain sectors there has been increasing uncertainty over demand, and more fragile trading which has made concluding investments more difficult. The rate of new opportunities continues to rise and it is anticipated that this will begin to translate into a further expansion of your Company's investment portfolio.

Financial Results

The revenue profit before tax for the period was £0.35 million which compares to £0.41 million (£0.33 million excluding the one off benefit of a VAT recovery) for the same period in 2008. The capital profit before tax for the six months to September 2009 is £2.08 million which compares to a £1.16 million loss for the same period in 2008. The capital movements principally derive from movements in the value of investments as yet unrealised.

The resultant net asset value per share as at 30 September 2009 was 90.6 pence per share (31 March 2009: 85.7 pence per share). The total return (net asset value plus cumulative dividends paid) at 30 September 2009 has recovered to 138.6 pence per share (31 March 2009: 130.7 pence per share). The FTSE All-Share® index has increased by 32.8% since 31 March 2009, which compares to an increase in the underlying net asset value of the Company of 9.6% over the same period. The Company's relative growth rate reflects the proportion of the Company's assets that have been held in gilts and cash.

Shareholder Relations

Dividend Re-investment Scheme

Your Company continues to offer a dividend re-investment scheme. In August £0.11 million representing 11.8% of shareholders took the opportunity to re-invest the final dividend.

Share Buy Backs

These are effected through the Company's broker Singer Capital Markets. During the six month period to 30 September 2009, your Company acquired 141,882 shares at a cost of £0.104 million (2008: 298,153 shares at a cost of £0.265 million). The level of share buy backs has reduced and your Board continues to keep the Company's policy under review.

New Fundraising

Your Board believes that 2010-12 may offer a particularly strong flow of good investment opportunities. As a consequence after careful consideration your Board has determined that the Company will seek to raise further funds with a prospectus offer to be launched in 2010.

Investor Workshop

Your Board has been committed to annual investor workshops for a number of years. The next workshop will be held on 2 February 2010 at the Natural History Museum.

Other Matters

Your Board continues to monitor regulatory developments, in particular the proposed regulation in respect of alternative Investment Fund Managers. This legislation is being derived by the EU and is currently being drafted for consideration during 2010 to take effect in 2012. This proposal is only in draft form but its implementation could impact the Company largely through an increase in regulatory costs. Your Company continues to support the activities of the Association of Investment Companies (AIC) in its consideration and review of these proposals.

Outlook

I am delighted to note that overall the portfolio has performed well over the last six months with some particularly notable strong performances. There are signs of renewed demand for equity finance and your Company is seeking to strengthen its position in order to capitalise on these opportunities as they present themselves.

I would like to thank the investors for their continued support.

Helen Sinclair
20 November 2009

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the 6 months ended 30 September 2009

	Notes	**Unaudited 6 months ending 30 September 2009**			Unaudited 6 months ending 30 September 2008		
		Revenue £000	**Capital £000**	**Total £000**	Revenue (restated) £000	Capital (restated) £000	Total £000
Gain on realisation of investments		**-**	**8**	**8**	-	85	85
Gains (losses) on investments held at fair value		**-**	**2,270**	**2,270**	-	(1,161)	(1,161)
Income	2	**603**	**-**	**603**	628	-	628
Administrative expenses:							
Fund Management fee		**(66)**	**(198)**	**(264)**	(91)	(273)	(364)
VAT recovery		**-**	**-**	**-**	83	189	272
Other expenses		**(187)**	**-**	**(187)**	(206)	-	(206)
		(253)	**(198)**	**(451)**	(214)	(84)	(298)
Profit (loss) before taxation		**350**	**2,080**	**2,430**	414	(1,160)	(746)
Taxation	3	**(52)**	**52**	**-**	(80)	80	-
Profit (loss) for the period attributable to equity shareholders		**298**	**2,132**	**2,430**	334	(1,080)	(746)
Total comprehensive income for the period attributable to equity shareholders		**298**	**2,132**	**2,430**	334	(1,080)	(746)
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per Ordinary Share	5	**0.97p**	**6.93p**	**7.89p**	1.08p	(3.51)p	(2.42)p

BALANCE SHEET
For the 6 months ended 30 September 2009

	Notes	**Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2009**	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2008 (restated)	Audited Year ended 31 March 2009
		£000	£000	£000
Assets				
Non-current assets				
Investments		**12,143**	12,688	9,706
Fixed income government securities		**11,758**	14,061	12,455
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		**23,901**	26,749	22,161
Current assets				
Trade and other receivables		**400**	709	672
Cash and cash equivalents		**3,708**	2,251	3,697
		4,108	2,960	4,369
Liabilities				
Current liabilities				
Trade and other payables		**(94)**	(235)	(130)
Net current assets		**4,014**	2,725	4,239
Net assets		**27,915**	29,474	26,400
Shareholders' equity				
Share capital		**3,201**	3,180	3,187
Share premium account		**15,331**	15,183	15,236
Capital redemption reserve		**221**	221	221
Treasury share reserve		**(1,035)**	(931)	(931)
Realised capital reserve		**(127)**	756	-
Unrealised capital reserve		**870**	1,211	(1,389)
Special reserve		**2,408**	2,408	2,408
Retained earnings		**7,046**	7,446	7,668
Total shareholders' equity		**27,915**	29,474	26,400
Basic and diluted net asset value per Ordinary Share	6	**90.6p**	95.8p	85.7p

The Balance Sheet for the six months ended 30 September 2008 has been restated following the adoption of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts' issued by the Association of Investment Companies in January 2009 to show additional reserves, and the reclassification of Government Securities as described in note 1.

Unaudited Statement of Changes in Equity
For the 6 months ended 30 September 2009

	Share capital £000	Share premium account £000	Capital redemption reserve £000	Treasury share Reserve £000	Realised capital reserve £000	Unrealised capital reserve £000	Special reserve £000	Retained earnings £000	Total equity £000
At 31 March 2008	**2,642**	**10,502**	**221**	**(666)**	**847**	**2,543**	**2,408**	**7,701**	**26,198**
Revenue return for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	334	334
Capital expenses	-	-	-	-	(5)	-	-	-	(5)
Unrealised loss on investments held at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	(1,161)	-	-	(1,161)
Realisation of prior year unrealised gains	-	-	-	-	171	(171)	-	-	-
Realisation of investments in the period	-	-	-	-	85	-	-	-	85
Dividends	-	-	-	-	(342)	-	-	(589)	(931)
Purchase of own shares	-	-	-	(265)				-	(265)
Issue of Ordinary share capital	538	4,979	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,517
Issue costs of Ordinary shares	-	(298)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(298)
At 31 September 2008	**3,180**	**15,183**	**221**	**(931)**	**756**	**1,211**	**2,408**	**7,446**	**29,474**
Revenue return for the period	-	-	-	-		-	-	222	222
Capital expenses	-	-	-	-	(179)	-	-	-	(179)
Unrealised loss on investments held at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	(2,587)	-	-	(2,587)
Realisation of prior year unrealised gains	-	-	-	-	13	(13)	-	-	-
Realisation of investments in the period	-	-	-	-	25	-	-	-	25
Dividends	-	-	-	-	(615)	-	-	-	(615)
Issue of share capital on DRIS*	7	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	60
At 31 March 2009	**3,187**	**15,236**	**221**	**(931)**	**-**	**(1,389)**	**2,408**	**7,668**	**26,400**
Revenue return for the period	-	-	-	-		-	-	298	298
Capital expenses	-	-	-	-	(146)	-	-	-	(146)
Unrealised gain on investments held at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	2,270	-	-	2,270
Realisation of prior year unrealised gains	-	-	-	-	11	(11)	-	-	-
Realisation of investments in the period	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	8
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(920)	(920)
Purchase of own shares	-	-	-	(104)	-	-	-	-	(104)
Issue of share capital on DRIS*	14	95	-	-	-	-	-		109
At 30 September 2009	**3,201**	**15,331**	**221**	**(1,035)**	**(127)**	**870**	**2,408**	**7,046**	**27,915**

* DRIS being the dividend reinvestment scheme

The Unaudited Statement of Changes in Equity for the six months ended 30 September 2008 has been restated following the adoption of the Statement of Recommended Practice ‘Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts’ issued by the Association of Investment Companies in January 2009 to show additional reserves.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the 6 months ended 30 September 2009

	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2009	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2008 (restated)	Audited Year ended 31 March 2009
	£000	£000	£000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	**454**	49	166
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities			
Purchase of fixed asset investments	**-**	(6,595)	(6,714)
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset investments	**537**	3,978	6,148
Net cash from (used in) investing activities	**537**	(2,617)	(566)
Cash flows (used in) from financing activities			
Issue of Ordinary shares	**-**	5,436	5,436
Cost of Ordinary share issue	**(65)**	(244)	(244)
Purchase of own Ordinary shares	**(104)**	(171)	(339)
Dividends paid	**(811)**	(932)	(1,486)
Net cash (used in) from financing activities	**(980)**	4,089	3,367
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	**11**	1,521	2,967
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	**3,697**	730	730
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	**3,708**	2,251	3,697

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. These half year statements, which have been approved by the directors whose names appear at note 8, each of whom has confirmed that to the best of their knowledge the Interim Management Report includes a fair review of the information required by Rules 4.2.7 and 4.2.8 of the Disclosure Rules and the Transparency Rules.

   The half year statements are unaudited and have not been been reviewed by the auditors pursuant to the Auditing Practices Board (ASB) guidance on Review of Interim Financial Information. They do not constitute full financial statements as defined in section 435 of the Companies Act 2006. The comparative figures for the year ended 31 March 2009 do not constitute full financial statements and have been extracted from the Company's financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009. Those accounts were reported upon without qualification by the auditors and have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies.

   The half year statements comply with IAS 34 'Interim financial reporting' and the Disclosure and Transparency Rules of the Financial Services Authority. The accounting policies and methods of computation followed in the half year statements are the same as those adopted in the preparation of the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009, except as noted below.

   The financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009 were prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union and those parts of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS. Where guidance set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts' issued by the Association of Investment Companies in January 2009 ("SORP") is consistent with the requirements of IFRS, the financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the recommendations of the SORP.

The following new standards and amendments to standards are mandatory for the first time for the financial year commencing 1 April 2009. Where relevant to the Company the half year statements have been prepared under the revised disclosure requirements.

IAS 1 (revised) "Presentation of Financial Statements". The Company has elected to present a single performance statement: the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

IFRS 8 "Operating Segments". The adoption of this standard has had no impact on the segmental information reported by the Company.

Other standards and interpretations which have been issued but are not currently relevant for the Company are IAS 23 (Revised) and IFRICs 13, 15 and 16.

Investments in quoted Government Securities were reclassified from cash equivalents to financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2009. As a consequence the balance sheet for the six months ended 30 September 2008 has been restated.

There has been no change to the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Company since the publication of the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009. In summary, the principal risks are:

- Investment and strategic;
- Loss of approval as a Venture Capital Trust;
- Regulatory;
- Reputational;
- Operational;
- Financial;
- Market risk; and
- Liquidity risk.

Full details of the principal risks can be found in the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009 on page 19, a copy of which can be found at www.yfmgroup.co.uk.

2. Income

	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2009 £000	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2008 £000
Income from investments:		
Dividends from unquoted companies	**66**	-
Dividends from AIM quoted companies	**32**	34
	98	34
Interest on loans to unquoted companies	**156**	183
Fixed interest Government securities	**323**	385
Income from investments held at fair value through profit or loss	**577**	602
Interest on deposits	**26**	26
	603	628

3. Taxation

	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2009			Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2008		
	Revenue £000	**Capital £000**	**Total £000**	Revenue (restated) £000	Capital (restated) £000	Total £000
Corporation tax payable at 21% (2008: 21%)	**52**	**(52)**	**-**	80	(80)	-
Profit (loss) on ordinary activities before taxation	**350**	**2,080**	**2,430**	414	(1,160)	(746)
Profit (loss) on ordinary activities multiplied by standard small company rate of corporation tax in UK of 21% (2008: 21%)	**73**	**437**	**510**	87	(244)	(157)
Effect of:						
UK dividends received	**(21)**	-	**(21)**	(7)	-	(7)
Non taxable profits on investments	**-**	**(478)**	**(478)**	-	226	226
Excess management expenses	**-**	**(11)**	**(11)**	-	(62)	(62)
Tax on profit (loss) on ordinary activities	**52**	**(52)**	**-**	80	(80)	-

The Company has no provided, or unprovided, deferred tax liability in either period. Deferred tax assets in respect of losses have not been recognised as management currently believe that there will not be sufficient taxable profits against which the assets can be recovered.

Due to the Company's status as a venture capital trust, and the continued intention to meet the conditions required to comply with Chapter 3 of Part 6 of the Income Tax Act 2007, the Company has not provided deferred tax on any capital gains or losses arising on the revaluation or realisation of investments.

4. Dividends

Amounts recognised as distributions to equity holders in the period:

	Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2009			Unaudited 6 months ended 30 September 2008			Audited Year ended 31 March 2009		
	Revenue £000	**Capital £000**	**Total £000**	Revenue (restated) £000	Capital (restated) £000	Total £000	Revenue £000	Capital £000	Total £000
Interim - 2.0p per Ordinary share; paid 16 November 2007	-	**-**	-	-	-	-	-	615	615
Final - 3.0p per Ordinary share; paid 8 August 2008 (2007: 3.0p per Ordinary share)	-	**-**	-	589	342	931	-	-	-
Final - 3.0p per Ordinary share; paid 13 August 2009	**920**	**-**	**920**	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividends paid	**920**	**-**	**920**	589	342	931		615	615

An interim dividend of 2.0p per share in respect of the period to 30 September 2009, amounting to £615,000, is proposed. This has not been recognised in the period ended 30 September 2009 as the obligation did not exist at the balance sheet date.

5. Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per Ordinary share

The basic and diluted earnings per Ordinary share is based on the profit for the period attributable to equity shareholders of £2,430,000 (30 September 2008: loss of £746,000) and on 30,786,419 shares (30 September 2008: 30,865,000), being the weighted average number of shares in issue during the period.

The basic and diluted revenue earnings per Ordinary share is based on the revenue profit for the period attributable to equity shareholders of £298,000 (30 September 2008: profit of £334,000) and on 30,786,419 shares (30 September 2008: 30,865,000), being the weighted average number of shares in issue during the period.

The basic and diluted capital earnings per Ordinary share is based on the capital profit for the period attributable to equity shareholders of £2,132,000 (30 September 2008: loss of £1,080,000) and on 30,786,419 shares (30 September 2008: 30,865,000), being the weighted average number of shares in issue during the period.

During the period the Company allotted 138,413 Ordinary shares in respect of its dividend reinvestment scheme.

The Company has also repurchased 141,882 of its own shares and these shares are held in treasury. The 1,192,837 treasury shares have been excluded in calculating the number of Ordinary shares in issue at 30 September 2009 (30 September 2008: 1,050,955 treasury shares). The Company has no securities that would have a dilutive effect and hence basic and diluted earnings (loss) per Ordinary share are the same.

6. Net asset value per Ordinary share

The net asset value per Ordinary share is calculated on attributable assets of £27,915,000 and 30,816,423 shares in issue at the period end (30 September 2008: assets of £29,474,000 and 30,752,447 shares, 31 March 2009: assets of £26,400,000 and 30,819,892 shares).

During the period the Company allotted 138,413 Ordinary shares in respect of its dividend reinvestment scheme.

The Company has also repurchased 141,882 of its own shares and these shares are held in treasury. The 1,192,837 treasury shares have been excluded in calculating the number of Ordinary shares in issue at 30 September 2009 (30 September 2008 and 31 March 2009: 1,050,955 treasury shares were excluded). The Company has no securities that would have a dilutive effect and hence basic and diluted net asset value per Ordinary share are the same.

7. Total return per share is calculated on cumulative dividends paid of 48 pence per Ordinary share (30 September 2008: 43 pence per Ordinary share and 31 March 2009: 45 pence per Ordinary share) plus the net asset value at those dates as calculated per note 6.

8. The directors of the Company are: Mrs H Sinclair, Mr PS Cammerman, Mr RM Pettigrew and Mr R Last.

9. Copies of the interim report will shortly be posted to Shareholders. They can also be obtained from the Company's registered office: Saint Martins House, 210-212 Chapeltown Road, Leeds, LS7 4HZ or from the Fund Manager's website: www.yfmgroup.co.uk.

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC ("the Company")

INTERIM MANAGEMENT STATEMENT
For the quarter ended 30 June 2009

British Smaller Companies VCT plc presents its interim management statement for the quarter ended 30 June 2009. This constitutes the Company's first interim management statement for the financial year ending 31 March 2010, as required by the UK Listing Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rule 4.3. A copy of this interim management statement can be found at www.yfmgroup.co.uk.

The unaudited net asset value per Ordinary Share as at 30 June 2009 was 84.9p (31 March 2009: 85.7p). The net asset value is stated after taking account of the final dividend of 3.0p per Ordinary Share in respect of the period ended 31 March 2009, which was paid on 13 August 2009 following approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on 6 August 2009.

The total return at 30 June 2009, calculated by reference to the net asset value per Ordinary share and the cumulative dividends paid and proposed, was 132.9p per share compared to 130.7p at 31 March 2009.

The number of Ordinary Shares in issue at 30 June 2009 was 30,819,892. In addition, the Company held 1,050,955 shares in Treasury. There were no shares purchased or issued by the Company during the quarter. Subsequent to the quarter end 141,882 shares were re-purchased by the Company at a price of 73.0p per share. These shares were also placed in Treasury.

Net assets at 30 June 2009 comprised the following:

	£000	**% of net assets**
Unquoted investments at fair value	**6,718**	25.7
Quoted investment at bid price	**3,728**	14.2
Total venture capital investments	**10,446**	39.9
Fixed income securities	**12,283**	46.9
Total investments	**22,729**	86.8
Cash and cash equivalents	**4,217**	16.1
Other net current (liabilities) assets	**(766)**	(2.9)
Net assets	**26,180**	100.0

The ten largest investments by valuation at 30 June 2009 were as follows:

	£000	**% of net assets**
GO Outdoors Limited	**1,963**	**7.5%**
Waterfall Services Limited	**1,363**	**5.2%**
Connaught plc	**1,193**	**4.6%**
Sheet Piling Limited	**737**	**2.8%**
Fishawack Limited	**706**	**2.7%**
Mattioli Woods plc	**550**	**2.1%**
Ellfin Home Care Limited	**540**	**2.1%**
Harvey Jones Limited	**480**	**1.8%**
Pressure Technologies plc	**468**	**1.8%**
Hargreaves Services plc	**453**	**1.7%**
Top ten investments	**8,453**	**32.3%**
Other investments	**1,993**	**7.6%**
Total venture capital investments	**10,446**	**39.9%**

Quoted investments are carried at bid price at 30 June 2009. Unquoted investment are carried at fair value as at 30 June 2009 as determined by the directors.

During the quarter, the Company has seen the net asset value of its residual assets increase by 2.2 pence per share. Recognition of the final dividend of 3.0 pence per share then results in a reduction in net asset value for the quarter of 0.8 pence per share. The total return, calculated by reference to the net asset value plus cumulative dividend paid and proposed, has increased by 2.2p to 132.9p, cumulative dividends representing 48 pence per share.

The net asset value currently comprises 16.1% in cash and cash equivalents and 46.9% in fixed Government Securities and as such the Company is well placed to take advantage of selective investment opportunities as they arise.

Shareholder Relations

Performance Incentive Scheme

Shareholder approval for the revised performance incentive scheme for its Fund Manager was granted at the General Meeting on 6 August 2009.

Share Buy Back policy

The board of directors continually monitors the share buy back policy of the Company. Whilst there remains a need to provide support to those shareholders wishing to dispose of their shares, in these uncertain times the board have reviewed carefully the appropriate level of share buybacks to the advantage of the shareholder base as a whole. Consequently for the foreseeable future they have determined that shares will continue to be acquired at a discount of 15% to the net asset value.

Outlook
The investment portfolio has proved relatively resilient which in part has been assisted by the low levels of debt across the portfolio as a whole. Undoubtedly economic conditions remain challenging but in the short term the Company remains well positioned to take advantage of both new investment opportunities for itself and acquisition opportunities for its investment portfolio. Nonetheless the board keeps under review the company's investment capacity over the medium term.

13 August 2009

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC

ALLOTMENT OF SHARES

British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company") announces that on 13 August 2009 it allotted 138,413 ordinary shares of 10 pence each ("Ordinary Shares") to shareholders of the Company at a price of 78.57 pence per share pursuant to its dividend reinvestment scheme.

Following such allotment the Company's issued share capital consists of 30,816,423 Ordinary Shares with voting rights ("Voting Capital") and 1,192,837 shares held in Treasury.

The above statement of Voting Capital may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in the Company under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON 6 AUGUST 2009

The Directors of British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company") announce that at the Annual General Meeting of the Company (“AGM”) held on 6 August 2009 all resolutions proposed at the meeting were duly passed.

The Directors of the Company further announce that at a general meeting of the Company held on 6 August 2009 following the AGM, the resolution proposed to approve the terms and conditions of an incentive scheme arrangement in respect of the Company’s Fund Manager was duly passed.

7 August 2009

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC

CIRCULAR TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Directors are pleased to announce that the Company has issued a circular to its shareholders setting out the terms and conditions of the proposed new incentive scheme arrangement (“the Incentive Agreement”) in respect of the Company’s Fund Manager (“the Circular”).

The Circular also contains a notice convening a General Meeting of the Company on 6 August 2009 at which a resolution will be proposed to approve the Incentive Agreement.

Copies of the Circular have been forwarded to the FSA for publication through the document viewing facility in accordance with LR 9.6.1.

Copies of the Circular can be obtained from the Company Secretary at the Company’s Registered Office address: Saint Martins House, 210-212 Chapeltown Road, Leeds, LS7 4HZ.

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British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company")

Purchase of Own Securities and Total Voting Rights

The Company announces that on 2 July 2009 it purchased 141,882 Ordinary Shares of 10 pence each at a price of 73.0 pence per share. These shares will be held in Treasury.

The Company's issued share capital now consists of 30,678,010 Ordinary Shares with voting rights. In addition, the company holds 1,192,837 shares in Treasury.

If these shares had been purchased prior to the year ended 31 March 2009, and on the assumption that there were no other alterations, the net asset value per Ordinary Share of the Company would have remained unchanged at 85.7 pence.

The above figure may be used by Shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in the Company under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

3 July 2009

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC

AMENDED ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2009

AMENDMENT

This amending announcement amends the record date of 4 July 2009 included in the annual financial report announcement made earlier today. The record date should have been stated as 10 July 2009.

The entire announcement, with this detail amended, is set out below.

REPLACEMENT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2009

British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company") today announces its audited results for the year to 31 March 2009.

CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

This is the first year on which I have reported since taking over the role of Chairman in August 2008. The period has been one of the most turbulent in recent memory. The financial sector has undergone a number of shocks which have introduced a high degree of uncertainty into the markets. The impact of the credit crunch, the devaluation of sterling, recession, deflationary pressures and unprecedented public sector debt have impacted upon the profitability and growth prospects for small businesses. Additionally, we have observed a mismatch between vendor and purchaser price expectations that has led to a short term slow down of investment opportunities.

The banking crisis and difficult economic environment have severely affected the quoted markets. The FTSE All-Share® and the AiM All-Share® are down by 32% and 57% respectively over the period. This reduction in quoted price/earnings (P/E) ratios has had a direct impact upon both our AiM quoted and unquoted portfolio. The latter is affected because we use comparable P/E multiples in valuing unquoted companies so a fall in the quoted P/E ratio will reduce valuations even if underlying company trading is unaffected. As a result of this, and of poorer trading in some of our investee companies, the valuation of the portfolio has declined and the total return as at 31 March 2009 has reduced to 130.7 pence per share (2008: 142.1 pence per share). Net asset value has reduced to 85.7 pence per share at 31 March 2009 (2008: 102.1 pence per share). This reduction is after taking account of dividend payments of 5.0 pence per share.

Your Board is recommending a final dividend of 3.0 pence per share. This will bring the total dividend in respect of the year ended 31 March 2009 to 5.0 pence per share.

Investment Portfolio

As was noted previously, new deal activity has slowed considerably. The Company has, instead, sought to preserve cash in this difficult business environment. Resources available for investment, comprising both cash and quoted Government Securities, amount to £16.15 million. A total of £1.11 million was invested into 4 businesses in the year, of which £0.27 million were follow-on investments into existing portfolio companies. Of the total investment £0.71 million (64.0%) was invested in 3 unquoted companies and £0.40 million (36.0%) was invested in an AiM listed business. Further information about these new investments can be found in the Fund Manager's Review. This contains a summary of all businesses in the current portfolio and a note of their website addresses.

I am pleased to note that a total of £0.34 million was realised from the portfolio generating a profit over cost of £0.28 million since investment.

Financial Results and Dividends

The net asset value of the Company at 31 March 2009 was 85.7 pence per share (2008: 102.1 pence per share). Taking account of the dividends paid to date the total return for eligible founder Shareholders at the balance sheet date was 130.7 pence per share (2008: 142.1 pence per share).

This year your Board has adopted the new Statement of Recommended Practice, in line with other companies in our sector, which means that the financial results are presented in a different format to those of the previous year. In particular the income and costs are now analysed between revenue and capital. For comparative purposes the prior year results have been re-stated.

The result for the financial year ended 31 March 2009 was a pre-tax loss of £3.27 million which comprised a capital loss of £3.94 million (of which £3.75 million is unrealised) and revenue profit of £0.68 million, as compared to an overall profit before taxation of £2.21 million in the year to 31 March 2008 (which comprised profits in respect of capital and revenue of £1.52 million and £0.69 million respectively).

An interim dividend of 2.0 pence per share was declared on the Ordinary shares and paid in February 2009. Your Board is now proposing a final dividend of 3.0 pence per share on the Ordinary shares. If approved, these dividends will be paid on 13 August 2009 to Shareholders on the register at 10 July 2009. The final dividend will be paid out of retained earnings and has not been recognised in the accounts under IFRS as the contractual obligation did not exist at the balance sheet date.

Performance Incentive

Your Board has reviewed the existing Performance Incentive Scheme for the Fund Manager. The Board feels that the existing scheme is too complex, and, as a benchmark scheme (tracking total return against the FTSE All-Share® index) in this time of declining markets, does not best align itself with the Company's policy of combining consistent dividend payments and net asset value performance. Consequently your Board proposes to recommend to Shareholders to replace this scheme with one that focuses on both growth and distributions.

Shareholders will receive a Circular together with the Annual Report and Accounts giving details of these proposals and of the General Meeting at which a resolution will be proposed to grant authority to implement them.

Shareholders and Fundraising

The Company continues to operate a share buy back policy to enable Shareholders to obtain some liquidity in an otherwise illiquid market. This policy is kept under review to ensure that any decisions taken are in the best interests of Shareholders as a whole. As I reported in the interim results against the current economic backdrop your Board has decided for the current time to increase the discount to net asset value at which shares are bought back from 10% to 15%. The Board intends to keep this under close review so as to preserve cash and protect Shareholders' interests as a whole.

In accordance with this policy, the Company purchased a total of 298,153 shares during the year, at an average price of 89.0 pence per share. The existing buy back authority which currently expires on 6 August 2009 is proposed to be extended until the date of the 2010 AGM or fifteen months, whichever is the earlier. A resolution to this effect will be proposed at the Company's AGM on 6 August 2009.

Board and Other Changes

Many VCTs will be affected by the new requirements of the Combined Code and the Listing Rules Board composition. From October 2010 Directors will not be deemed independent if they sit on the Boards of more than one VCT managed by the same Fund Manager. Changes will need to be made to the composition of this Board prior to this date. Your Board will ensure that the necessary changes are made in an appropriate and timely manner.

VAT recovery

Following the ruling by the European Court and agreement between HMRC and the Association of Investment Companies the Fund Manager has submitted a retrospective claim to recover VAT which has been received in full subsequent to the year end. The benefit to the Company of this claim is £272,000. In addition, from 1 October 2008 management fees charged by the Fund Manager no longer attract VAT. The annual benefit to the Company is estimated at 0.3 pence per share.

Proposed legislative changes

The Board continues to monitor a number of proposals (currently under consultation) from the European Union on the regulation and criteria of VCT investments. Once the extent and impact of these is more apparent it will be communicated to Shareholders.

AIC Award

I am pleased to report that the Company has been recognised for its hard work and commitment by the Association of Investment Companies ("AIC"), who awarded us the 'Best Report and Accounts - VCT' accolade in May 2009.

Outlook

This year has very much been one of supporting the existing portfolio, and maintaining the cash resources from the recent fundraisings to ensure that there is capacity to take advantage of the investment opportunities that will arise either before or as the economy improves.

I am pleased to note that a number of our investee companies are still performing well, and several of our investee companies are seeking to expand both organically and through acquisition. The Company is fortunately in a position to be able to support these plans as is felt appropriate.

In the short to medium term the economic situation is likely to lead to continuing pressure on valuations. However the Board remains pleased with the overall progress that the portfolio is making, and we look to the medium term with more optimism and will seek to maintain adequate capacity to both support the existing portfolio and make new investments.

Once again, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Shareholders for their continued support.

Helen Sinclair
25 June 2009

FUND MANAGER'S REVIEW

Name of Company	Date of Initial Investment	Location	Industry Sector	Original Cost	Realised Proceeds to Date*	Investment Valuation at 31 March 2009	Realised and Unrealised to Date
				£000	£000	£000	£000
Current Investments:							
GO Outdoors Limited	May-98	Sheffield	Consumer Products	556	460	1517	1977
Connaught plc	Nov-98	Sidmouth	Support Services	460	943	961	1904
Waterfall Services Limited (formerly Cater Plus Services Limited)	Feb-07	Watford	Support Services	1,000	-	1265	1265
Sheet Piling (UK) Limited	Jun-00	Preston	Construction	500	410	750	1160
Ellfin Home Care Limited	Dec-07	Oldham	Healthcare	769	-	820	820
Mattioli Woods plc	Nov-05	Leicester	Support Services	326	-	567	567
Fishawack Limited	Jan-08	Knutsford	Communications	500	-	550	550
Pressure Technologies plc	Jun-07	Sheffield	Industrial	425	-	496	496
Images at Work Limited	Mar-99	Salisbury	Support Services	615	320	129	449
Harvey Jones Holdings Limited	May-07	London	Manufacture	777	-	432	432
Hargreaves Services plc	Dec-07	Durham	Industrial	469	-	388	388
RMS Group Holdings Limited	Jul-07	Goole	Industrial	1,050	24	317	341
Payzone plc	Jun-02	Dublin	Consumer Products	318	311	3	314
Denison Mayes Group Limited	Aug-98	Leeds	Industrial	700	255	45	300
Primal Pictures Limited	Mar-01	London	Healthcare	500	-	292	292
Tikit Group plc	Jun-01	London	Software	226	-	235	235
Freshroast Coffee Co. Limited	Jul-96	Elland	Consumer Products	160	166	30	196
Straight plc	Feb-04	Leeds	Industrial	341	64	131	195
K3 Business Technology Group plc	Apr-08	Colne	Software	402	-	174	174
Patsystems plc	Oct-07	London	Software	222	-	144	144
Darwin Rhodes Group Limited	Apr-08	London	Recruitment	444	-	143	143
Brulines plc (formerly Brulines (Holdings) plc)	Oct-06	Stockton-on-Tees	Software	163	-	121	121
Harris Hill Holdings Limited	Jun-07	Kingston	Recruitment	600	-	99	99
Hexagon Human Capital plc	Feb-07	London	Support Services	200	-	46	46
Cambridge Cognition Limited	May-02	Cambridge	Software	325	-	26	26
Belgravium Technologies plc	Oct-05	Bradford	Software	200	-	25	25
SBS Group plc	Mar-98	London	Support Services	100	-	-	-
				12,348	**2,953**	**9,706**	**12,659**
Full realisations since March 2002				8,917	12,856	-	12,856
Full realisations prior to March 2002				6,394	3,246	-	3,246
Total realised and unrealised to date				**27,659**	**19,055**	**9,706**	**28,761**

* Proceeds include premium and profits on loan repayments and preference redemptions

This year has seen marked changes from the economic conditions experienced in previous periods. This has resulted in a lower level of investment activity and the previously buoyant mergers and acquisitions market largely coming to a halt.

There has been an overall reduction in the value of the quoted and unquoted investment portfolios of £4.16 million, equivalent to 30.0% of the value. However, overall realised gains plus unrealised valuations still exceed original cost by some £1.10 million.

Looking behind these figures in more detail reveals a reduction in value between the unquoted and quoted investments of: -

	£000	%
Unquoted	(2,639)	(29.1)
Quoted	(1,521)	(31.6)

In both sectors the impact of falling P/E ratios has been that where profitability has increased year on year there has been no positive impact on valuations. In the case of the unquoted portfolio, valuations have remained flat where profits have increased and in the case of the quoted portfolio, without exception valuations have reduced. In the most extreme examples we have seen underlying profitability more than double but the valuation decrease.

This downward pressure has arisen as all valuations (where a company has earnings) are based on quoted company multiples. The FTSE All-Share® index has reduced by 32% and the FTSE AiM All-Share® by 57% over the period.

In the short term there remains uncertainty which continues to be reflected in market volatility.

Investment Activity

This year has been characterised by significant change and uncertainty. As a consequence, in the last nine months of the year in particular, we have seen a mismatch between vendors' and purchasers' price expectations. As a result your Company completed £0.99 million of new and follow-on investments in the first quarter of the year but only one follow-on investment into the portfolio in the last nine months of the year.

The first of the new investments completed was £0.44 million into Darwin Rhodes, an international recruitment company specialising in the actuarial, insurance and compliance markets. Whilst facing challenging markets the company has no debt and a broad geographical reach. The second investment was £0.40 million into K3 Business Technology Group. This company delivers supply chain management software, particularly to small and medium sized enterprises in the manufacturing and retail sectors. The follow-on investment completed in the first quarter of the year was a further £0.15 million into RMS which re-structured the mezzanine finance.

In October 2008 £0.12 million was invested into Ellfin Home Care to support its acquisition of Elmwood Home Care Limited.

Portfolio Performance

In marked contrast to the previous year market conditions were not conducive to achieving realisations. Nonetheless in total £0.34 million was realised from the portfolio. This comprised £0.16 million from the sale of shares in Connaught plc; £0.14 million from the unquoted portfolio and £0.04 million in loan repayments.

Although there has been significant downward pressure on valuations a number of the businesses within the portfolio continue to pursue expansion strategies. GO Outdoors is further expanding its number of stores and Waterfall Services, having completed the acquisition of Taylor Shaw, continues to seek further acquisitions. Ellfin Home Care also seeks to continue its plans of industry consolidation with a number of targets under review. All of these companies continue to trade in line with or above expectations.

The most significant reductions in valuation have occurred in RMS Group, Sheet Piling, Harris Hill, Harvey Jones and Darwin Rhodes. RMS has seen freight volumes reduce which is expected to continue throughout 2009; Sheet Piling has substantially repaid its borrowings, but has seen uneven trading patterns in the last twelve months; Harris Hill has seen a reduction in its recruitment market but continues to seek low cost acquisitions; Harvey Jones continues its roll-out plans but at a slower rate than previously and Darwin Rhodes has reduced some of its office network concentrating on the higher contributing areas of its business.

It is the case that more attention is being paid to reducing indebtedness in many of our investee companies in order to minimise any financial risk.

Summary and Outlook

The Company has been careful to preserve its cash position, and remaining monies not invested are held in quoted Government Securities. As a consequence the total value of cash and Government Securities was £16.15 million (2008: £12.36 million) at the year end, which represents 61.2% (2008: 47.2%) of the Company's net asset value.

Whilst in the short term economic conditions remain uncertain and volatile, which may in part put downward pressure on some valuations, these liquid resources place the Company in a strong position. Our belief remains that the medium term is likely to offer some excellent investment opportunities and this company remains well placed to take advantage of them as they arise.

David Hall
Managing Director
YFM Private Equity Limited

25 June 2009

PRINCIPAL RISKS, RISK MANAGEMENT AND REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

The Board believes that the principal risks faced by the Company are:

Investment and strategic – quality of enquiries, investments, investee company management teams and monitoring, the risk of not identifying investee underperformance might lead to under performance and poor returns to Shareholders.

Loss of approval as a Venture Capital Trust - The Company must comply with Chapter 3 part 6 of the Income Tax Act 2007 which allows it to be exempted from capital gains tax on investment gains. Any breach of these rules may lead to the Company losing its approval as a VCT, qualifying Shareholders who have not held their shares for the designated holding period having to repay the income tax relief they obtained and future dividends paid by the company becoming subject to tax. The Company would also lose its exemption from corporation tax on capital gains. As such one of the key performance indicators monitored by the Company is the compliance with legislative tests. See below for more detail.

Regulatory – the Company is required to comply with the Companies Acts, the rules of the UK Listing Authority, International Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice. Breach of any of these regulatory rules might lead to suspension of the Company's Stock Exchange listing, financial penalties or a qualified audit report.

Reputational – inadequate or failed controls might result in breaches of regulations or loss of shareholder trust.

Operational – failure of the Fund Manager's accounting systems or disruption to its business might lead to an inability to provide accurate reporting and monitoring.

Financial – inadequate controls might lead to misappropriation of assets. Inappropriate accounting policies might lead to misreporting or breaches of regulations.

Market Risk – Lack of liquidity in both the venture capital and public markets. Investment in AiM-traded and unquoted companies, by their nature, involve a higher degree of risk than investment in companies trading on the main market. In particular, smaller companies often have limited product lines, markets or financial resources and may be dependent for their management on a smaller number of key individuals. In addition, the market for stock in smaller companies is often less liquid than that for stock in larger companies, bringing with it potential difficulties in acquiring, valuing and disposing of such stock.

Liquidity Risk – The Company's investments may be difficult to realise. The fact that a share is traded on AiM does not guarantee its liquidity. The spread between the buying and selling price of such shares may be wide and thus the price used for valuation may not be achievable.

The Board seeks to mitigate the internal risks by setting policy, regular review of performance, monitoring progress and compliance. The key performance indicators measure the Company's performance and its compliance with legislative tests. In the mitigation and management of these risks, the Board rigorously applies the principles detailed in the "Turnbull" guidance.

RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENTS OF THE DIRECTORS IN RESPECT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The Annual Report and Accounts contains the following statements regarding responsibility for the management report and financial statements included in the Annual Report and Accounts from which the information in this Announcement has been extracted (references in the following statements are to sections of the Annual Report and Accounts).

The directors confirm, to the best of their knowledge:

- that the financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU, give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and loss of the Company; and

- the management report included within the Chairman's Statement, Fund Manager's Review and Directors' Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Company, together with the principal risks and uncertainties that they face.

Approved by the Board on 25 June 2009 and signed on its behalf by:

Helen Sinclair
Chairman

INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

	2009			2008		
	Revenue	**Capital**	**Total**	Revenue (restated)	Capital (restated)	Total
	£000	**£000**	**£000**	£000	£000	£000
Gain on realisation of investments	**-**	**110**	**110**	-	2,318	2,318
Losses on investments held at fair value	**-**	**(3,748)**	**(3,748)**	-	(343)	(343)
Income	**1,173**	**-**	**1,173**	1,035	-	1,035
Administrative expenses:						
Fund management fee	**(164)**	**(494)**	**(658)**	(152)	(458)	(610)
VAT recovery	**83**	**189**	**272**	-	-	-
Other expenses	**(415)**	**-**	**(415)**	(195)	-	(195)
	(496)	**(305)**	**(801)**	(347)	(458)	(805)
Profit (loss) before taxation	**677**	**(3,943)**	**(3,266)**	688	1,517	2,205
Taxation	**(121)**	**121**	**-**	(117)	117	-
Profit (loss) for the year attributable to equity shareholders	**556**	**(3,822)**	**(3,266)**	571	1,634	2,205
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share	**1.81p**	**(12.43)p**	**(10.62)p**	2.20p	6.31p	8.51p

The total column of this statement represents the Company's income statement, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). The supplementary revenue and capital columns are prepared under the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts' ('SORP') 2009 published by the Association of Investment Companies.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH 2009

	2009 £000	2008 (restated) £000
Assets		
Non-current assets		
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	**22,161**	24,573
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	**672**	1,114
Cash and cash equivalents	**3,697**	730
	4,369	1,844
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	**(130)**	(219)
Net current assets	**4,239**	1,625
Net assets	**26,400**	26,198
Shareholders' equity		
Share capital	**3,187**	2,642
Share premium account	**15,236**	10,502
Capital redemption reserve	**221**	221
Treasury share reserve	**(931)**	(666)
Realised capital reserve	**-**	847
Unrealised capital reserve	**(1,389)**	2,543
Special reserve	**2,408**	2,408
Retained earnings	**7,668**	7,701
Total shareholders' equity	**26,400**	26,198
Basic and diluted net asset value per ordinary share	**85.7p**	102.1p

The Balance Sheet has been restated following the adoption of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts' issued by the Association of Investment Companies in January 2009 (SORP) to show additional reserves.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

	Share capital £000	Share premium account £000	Capital redemption reserve £000	Treasury share reserve £000	Realised capital reserve (restated) £000	Unrealised capital reserve (restated) £000	Special reserve £000	Retained earnings (restated) £000	Total equity £000
Balance at 31 March 2007	**2,148**	**1,813**	**221**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,408**	**10,198**	**16,788**
Adjustment for SORP	-	-	-	-	(1,814)	4,311	-	(2,497)	-
Restated at 31 March 2007	2,148	1,813	221	-	(1,814)	4,311	2,408	7,701	16,788
Revenue return for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	571	571
Capital expenses	-	-	-	-	(341)	-	-	-	(341)
Unrealised loss on investments held at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	(343)	-	-	(343)
Realisation of prior year unrealised gains	-	-	-	-	1,425	(1,425)	-	-	-
Realisation of investments in the year	-	-	-	-	2,318	-	-	-	2,318
Dividends	-	-	-	-	(741)	-	-	(571)	(1,312)
Purchase of own shares	-	-	-	(666)				-	(666)
Issue of Ordinary share capital	981	8,722	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,703
Issue costs of Ordinary shares	-	(525)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(525)
C share conversion	(487)	492	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Balance at 31 March 2008	**2,642**	**10,502**	**221**	**(666)**	**847**	**2,543**	**2,408**	**7,701**	**26,198**
Revenue return for the year	-	-	-	-		-	-	556	556
Capital expenses	-	-	-	-	(184)	-	-	-	(184)
Unrealised loss on investments held at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	(3,748)	-	-	(3,748)
Realisation of prior year unrealised gains	-	-	-	-	184	(184)	-	-	-
Realisation of investments in the year	-	-	-	-	110	-	-	-	110
Dividends	-	-	-	-	(957)	-	-	(589)	(1,546)
Purchase of own shares	-	-	-	(265)	-	-	-	-	(265)
Issue of Ordinary share capital	538	4,979	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,517
Issue of share capital on DRIS*	7	53	-	-	-	-	-		60
Issue costs of Ordinary shares	-	(298)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(298)
Balance at 31 March 2009	**3,187**	**15,236**	**221**	**(931)**	**-**	**(1,389)**	**2,408**	**7,668**	**26,400**

The Statement of Changes in Equity has been restated following the adoption of the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts' issued by the Association of Investment Companies in January 2009 (SORP) to show additional reserves.

The realised capital reserve includes gains and losses compared to cost on the realisation of investments, capital expenses, together with the related taxation effect and capital dividends paid to Shareholders.

The unrealised capital reserve includes increases and decreases in the valuation of investments held at fair value. This is a non-distributable reserve.

The special reserve, realised capital reserve and retained earnings reserve are all distributable reserves. These reserves total £10,076,000 (2008: £10,956,000) representing a decrease of £880,000 (2008: £2,661,000 increase) during the year. This change arises from the loss in the year of £3,266,000 (2008: £2,205,000 profit), movements in the unrealised capital reserve of £3,932,000 (2008: £1,768,000) and dividends of £1,546,000 (2008: £1,312,000).

* DRIS being the dividend reinvestment scheme.

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2009

	2009 £000	2008 (restated) £000
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	**166**	(26)
Cash flows used in investing activities		
Purchase of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	**(6,714)**	(19,891)
Proceeds from sale of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	**6,148**	12,953
Net cash used in investing activities	**(566)**	(6,938)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Issue of Ordinary shares	**5,436**	9,784
Cost of Ordinary share issue	**(244)**	(579)
Purchase of own Ordinary shares	**(339)**	(721)
Dividends paid	**(1,486)**	(1,312)
Net cash from financing activities	**3,367**	7,172
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	**2,967**	208
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	**730**	522
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	**3,697**	730

RECONCILIATION OF (LOSS) PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION TO NET CASH INFLOW (OUTFLOW) FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2009 £000	2008 £000
(Loss) profit before tax	**(3,266)**	2,205
Increase in prepayments and accrued income	**(276)**	(230)
Increase (decrease) in accruals	**70**	(26)
Profit on realisation of investments in the year	**(110)**	(2,318)
Revaluation of investments in the year	**3,748**	343
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	**166**	**(26)**

NOTES

1. Basis of Accounting

This announcement of the annual results of the Company for the year ended 31 March 2009 has been prepared using accounting policies consistent with those adopted in the full audited financial statements which have been prepared on a going concern basis and in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), as adopted by the European Union and those parts of the Companies Act 1985 applicable to companies reporting under IFRS.

The financial statements have also been prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the fair values of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

In addition where guidance set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Investment Trust Companies and Venture Capital Trusts' issued by the Association of Investment Companies in January 2009 (SORP) is consistent with the requirements of IFRS, the financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the recommendations of the SORP. The SORP is applicable for accounting periods beginning 1 January 2009 and the Company has chosen to adopt early.

The main impact of adopting the SORP has been the presentation of the income statement, with income and costs being analysed between revenue and capital, together with the restatement of reserves and some additional disclosures in the financial statements.

Business segments are considered to be the primary reporting segment. The directors are of the opinion that the Company has engaged in a single segment of business of investing in equity and debt securities and therefore no segmental reporting is provided.

2. Income

	2009	2008
	£000	£000
Income from investments:		
Dividends from unquoted companies	**24**	53
Dividends from AiM quoted companies	**77**	51
	101	104
Interest on loans to unquoted companies	**274**	216
Fixed interest Government securities	**748**	643
Income from investments held at fair value through profit or loss	**1,123**	963
Other income	**-**	11
Interest on deposits	**50**	61
	1,173	1,035

3. Taxation

	2009			2008		
	Revenue	**Capital**	**Total**	Revenue (restated)	Capital (restated)	Total
	£000	**£000**	**£000**	£000	£000	£000
Corporation tax payable at 21% (2008: 20%)	**121**	**(121)**	**-**	117	(117)	-
Profit (loss) before taxation	**677**	**(3,943)**	**(3,266)**	688	1,517	2,205
Profit (loss) before taxation multiplied by standard small company rate of corporation tax in UK of 21% (2008: 20%)	**142**	**(828)**	**(686)**	138	303	441
Effect of:						
UK dividends received	**(21)**	**-**	**(21)**	(21)	-	(21)
Non taxable losses (profits) on investments	**-**	**764**	**764**	-	(395)	(395)
Excess management expenses	**-**	**(57)**	**(57)**	-	(25)	(25)
Tax charge (credit)	**121**	**(121)**	**-**	117	(117)	-

The Company has no provided or unprovided deferred tax liability in either year.

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised, as management do not currently believe that it is probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available against which the assets can be recovered.

Due to the Company's status as a venture capital trust, and the continued intention to meet the conditions required to comply with the Chapter 3 part 6 of the Income Tax Act 2007, the Company has not provided for deferred tax on any capital gains or losses arising on the revaluation or realisation of investments.

4. Dividends

	2009			2008		
	Revenue	**Capital**	**Total**	Revenue (restated)	Capital (restated)	Total
	£000	**£000**	**£000**	£000	£000	£000

Interim dividend for the year ended 31 March 2009 – 2.0p per Ordinary share; paid 11 February 2009 (2008: 2.0p per Ordinary share)	**-**	**615**	**615**	-	520	520
Final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2008 – 3.0p per Ordinary share; paid 8 August 2008 (2007: 3.0p per Ordinary share)	**589**	**342**	**931**	571	221	792
	589	**957**	**1,546**	571	741	1,312

The interim dividend of 2.0p per share was declared on 20 November 2008 and paid on 11 February 2009 to Shareholders on the register on 28 November 2008.

A final dividend of 3.0p per share in respect of the year to 31 March 2009, amounting to £925,000, is proposed. This has not been recognised in the year ended 31 March 2009 as the obligation did not exist at the balance sheet date.

5. Basic and Diluted (Loss) Earnings per Ordinary Share and Movements in Share capital

The basic and diluted (loss) earnings per Ordinary share is based on the loss for the year after tax of £3,266,000 (2008: £2,205,000 profit) and 30,760,716 (2008: 25,915,480) shares, being the weighted average number of shares in issue during the year.

The basic and diluted revenue return per Ordinary share is based on the profit for the year after tax of £556,000 (2008: £571,000) and 30,760,716 (2008: 25,915,480) shares being the weighted average number of shares in issue during the year.

The basic and diluted capital return per Ordinary share is based on the loss for the year after tax of £3,822,000 (2008: £1,634,000 profit) and 30,760,716 (2008: 25,915,480) shares being the weighted average number of shares in issue during the year.

During the year the Company issued 5,446,684 Ordinary shares. The Company also repurchased 298,153 of its own shares, which are held in treasury.

The 1,050,955 treasury shares have been excluded in calculating the weighted average number of Ordinary shares during the year (2008: 752,802). The Company has no securities that would have a dilutive effect in either period and hence the basic and diluted (loss) earnings per share are the same.

6. Basic and Diluted Net Asset Value per Ordinary Share

The net asset value per share is calculated on attributable assets of £26,400,000 (2008: £26,198,000) and 30,819,892 (2008: 25,671,361) shares in issue at the year end, excluding treasury shares.

The treasury shares have been excluded in calculating the number of Ordinary shares in issue at 31 March 2009. The Company has no securities that would have a dilutive effect in either period and hence the basic and diluted net asset values per share are the same.

7. Total Return per Ordinary Share

The Total return per share is calculated on cumulative dividends paid of 45.0 pence per Ordinary share (2008: 40.0 pence per Ordinary share) plus the net asset value as calculated per note 6.

8. Related Party Transactions

The Company has not entered into any related party transactions that have had a material impact on its financial position or performance in the year to 31 March 2009. Full details of related party transactions are shown in note 17 to the Annual Report and Accounts, which can be obtained as described in note 10.

9. Financial Information

The financial information set out here for the year ended 31 March 2009 does not constitute full statutory financial statements as defined in section 240 of the Companies Act 1985 but has been extracted from the Company's financial statements for that period. Statutory accounts for the year ended 31 March 2009 will be delivered to the Registrar of Companies following the Company's Annual General Meeting on 6 August 2009. Those accounts were reported upon without qualification by the independent auditors and their report was unqualified and did not contain a statement under Section 237 (2) or (3) of the Companies Act 1985.

10. Annual Report and Accounts

A copy of the Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2009 is available on our website at www.yfmgroup.co.uk. These will be distributed by post to Shareholders and will be available thereafter to members of the public from the Company's registered office.

11. Directors

The directors of the Company are: Ms H Sinclair, Mr PS Cammerman, Mr RM Pettigrew and Mr R Last.

12. Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at 23 Berkeley Square, London, W1J 6HE, on 6 August 2009 at 11.30am.

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BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC

ALLOTMENT OF SHARES

British Smaller Companies VCT plc ("the Company") announces that on 11 February 2009 it allotted 67,445 ordinary shares of 10 pence each ("Ordinary Shares") to shareholders of the Company at a price of 89.11 pence per share pursuant to its dividend reinvestment scheme.

Following such allotment the Company's issued share capital consists of 30,819,892 Ordinary Shares with voting rights and 1,050,955 shares held in Treasury.

The above figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in the Company under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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The following amendments have been made to the 'Allotment of Shares and Adoption of New Articles of Association' announcement released on 15 January 2009 at 13.46 under RNS No 7162L

The date of allotment of ordinary shares pursuant to its dividend reinvestment scheme will take place on 11 February 2009 when the 2008 interim dividend is to be paid and not as previously announced.

The Company's announcement with regards to the adoption of the new articles remains unchanged.

The amended text is shown below.

BRITISH SMALLER COMPANIES VCT PLC
ALLOTMENT OF SHARES AND ADOPTION OF NEW ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION - AMENDMENT

The Company announces that at the general meeting of the shareholders of the Company held on 15 January 2009 at 11.00 am, a special resolution to adopt new articles of association (primarily to take account of changes in English company law brought about by the Companies Act 2006) was passed as follows:

"That the existing Articles of Association of the Company be deleted in their entirety and the new Articles of Association produced to the meeting and for the purposes of identification signed by the Chairman of the meeting be adopted in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, the existing Articles of Association of the Company."

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