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UNITED PROVINCIAL NEWSPAPERS LIMITED
ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2007

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2007

The Directors present their report and the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31st December 2007

ACTIVITIES

The company did not trade during the year and in the Directors' opinion is dormant within the meaning of Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended)

DIRECTORS

The following Directors held office, unless indicated, between 1 January 2007 and the date of signing of these accounts

S Paterson

T Bowdler

DIRECTORS' SHARE INTERESTS

No director had any interest in the share capital of the company during the year. The interests of the directors in the share capital of other group companies are disclosed in the financial statements of Johnston Press plc, the company's ultimate parent company.

AUDITORS

The Company has exercised its entitlement under Section 250 of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended) to dispense with the requirement to appoint auditors.

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LAYING OF REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS

The company has passed an elective resolution dispensing with the requirement to lay reports and accounts before the company in general meeting

Under the provisions of Section 253(2) of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended), a member has the right to require the reports and accounts to be laid before the company in general meeting. The member must deposit notice of intention to exercise such right at the registered office of the company within twenty eight days of the date of this report

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. H. H.', written in a cursive style.

Director

21 April 2008

UNITED PROVINCIAL NEWSPAPERS LIMITED
STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are required by UK company law to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of the profit or loss for the year

The Directors confirm that suitable accounting policies have been used and applied consistently and reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates have been made in the preparation of the financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2007. The Directors also confirm that applicable accounting standards have been followed and that the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the company, and enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD



Director

21 April 2008

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2007

			Restated (note 3)
		2007	2006
	NOTE	£	£
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due in more than one year	3	(56,256)	(56,256)
NET LIABILITIES		(56,256)	(56,256)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Called up share capital	4	337,536	337,536
Profit and loss account		(393,792)	(393,792)
		(56,256)	(56,256)

The Company was dormant within the meaning of Section 252 of the Companies Act 1985 (as amended) throughout the year ended 31st December 2007

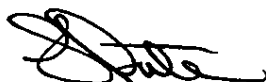
For the year ended 31 December 2007 the company was entitled to exemption under section 249AA(1) of the Companies Act 1985

No members have required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 249B(2)

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for

- i Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with section 221, and
- ii Preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of its financial year, and of its profit and loss for the financial year in accordance with section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to the financial statements, so far as applicable to the company

The financial statements on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the Board of Directors on 21 April 2008 and were signed on its behalf by



Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - 31ST DECEMBER 2007

1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a consistent basis, with the exception of the adoption of the presentational aspects of FRS25, in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom and with the historical cost convention

(b) Financial Liabilities and Equity

The company has adopted the presentational aspects of FRS25 in the current year. Financial liabilities and equity are classified according to the contractual arrangements entered into. The cumulative preference shares have been identified as a financial liability and have been reclassified to creditors due after more than one year in the current year (note 3)

2. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The only employees during the year were the Directors. No Director received, nor was due, any emoluments during the year, or the previous year.

The emoluments of the directors that are also directors of the ultimate parent company are paid by another group company. There is no recharge made for the services of these directors. It is not possible to make an accurate apportionment of the emoluments in respect of each subsidiary undertaking.

3. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due in more than one year

	2007 £	Restated 2006 £
56,256 4 5% cumulative preference shares of £1 each	56,256	56,256

There are a total of 60,000 4 5% cumulative preference shares of £1 each. These shares carry an entitlement to a dividend at a rate of 4 5p per share per annum. All of these shares are held by the company's immediate holding company, Johnston Publishing Limited, who has agreed to waive the payment of the preference dividend for the foreseeable future.

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4. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	2007	Restated (note 3)
	£	2006 £
Authorised 340,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	340,000	340,000
Allotted, called up and fully paid 337,536 ordinary shares of £1 each	337,536	337,536

5. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company's immediate parent company is Johnston Publishing Limited which is registered in England

The ultimate parent company and controlling party at 31st December 2007 was Johnston Press plc, which is registered in Scotland. Copies of the financial statements of Johnston Press plc may be obtained from the Company Secretary, 53 Manor Place, Edinburgh, EH3 7EG