# **ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED** 

**30 SEPTEMBER 2013** 

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Company number: 1572720

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

### **DIRECTORS**

Dr J Scadding MD FRCP – Chairman
Mr I A J Balmer
Dr PJ Brown BPharm PhD FRPharmS (resigned 31 December 2013)
Mr J Cowhig (resigned 31 December 2013)
Mr A Goldberg FRCS (resigned 31 December 2013)
Miss R Hargest MD FRCS (resigned 31 December 2013)
Mr M A T Johnstone FCA
Dr F Moss CBE MD FRCP (resigned 31 December 2013)

### **BANKERS**

Bank of Scotland PLC 33 Old Broad Street London BX2 1LB

### **AUDITORS**

Grant Thornton UK LLP Grant Thornton House Melton Street London NW1 2EP

COMPANY NUMBER: 1572720

**REGISTERED IN ENGLAND AND WALES** 

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#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

The directors are pleased to submit their report together with the audited accounts for the year ended 30 September 2013. In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by part 15 section 415A of the Companies Act 2006. The company number is 1572720.

### **FINANCIAL RESULTS**

The company's results show a profit before taxation of £3,574k (2012 loss of £276k)

### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable laws). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs and profit or loss of the company for that period in preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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 2006 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

### The directors confirm that

- so far as each director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

**DIRECTORS' REPORT** 

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2013 - continued

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activities of the company during the year were the publication of medically related books and journals. However, on 16 November 2012, the company sold its journals publishing business to Sage Publications Limited for £4 4m thus generating the substantial exceptional profit shown in the company's Profit and Loss Account for the year

### **REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS**

The trading loss before exceptional items for the year was £112k as compared to a loss of £276k in the previous year. The exceptional profit on sale of the company's journals business was £3,686k out of which the company repaid the parent company loan of £200,000.

The directors have further considered the future of the company's sponsored books business and, with the pipeline of business declining, have decided to wind down the scale of the company's business activities to a low level during the first quarter of 2014

### **DIRECTORS**

None of the directors had an interest in the share capital of the company at any time during the year. The directors who served during the year are listed on page 1.

By order of the Board

M A<sup>l</sup>T Johnstone FCA

SECRETARY

21 January 2014

# REPORT OF THE AUDITOR FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2013

Independent auditor's report to the members of The Royal Society of Medicine Press Limited We have audited the financial statements of The Royal Society of Medicine Press Limited for the year ended 30 September 2013 which comprise the profit and loss account, balance sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement set out on page 2, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the APB's website at www frc org uk/apb/scope/private cfm

### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2013 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

# Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

### REPORT OF THE AUDITOR FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2013- continued

### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- · certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit

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Carol Rudge Senior Statutory Auditor for and on behalf of Grant Thornton UK LLP Statutory Auditor, Chartered Accountants London 21 January 2014

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the year ended 30 September 2013

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	NOTE	Continuing Activities	Discontinued Activities (Note 16)	2013	2012
		£000	£000	£000	£000
Turnover	2	69	337	406	2,290
Cost of sales		(25)	(157)	(182)	(1,211)
Gross Profit		44	180	224	1,079
Administrative Costs		(174)	(162)	(336)	(1,355)
Trading (loss)/profit		(130)	18	(112)	(276)
Exceptional Item	4	-	3,686	3,686	-
Profit before Gift aid and Taxation		(130)	3,704	3,574	(276)
Payment Under Gift Aid	11	-	(3,392)	(3,392)	
(Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3	(130)	312	182	(276)
Taxation	7		33	33_	<del>-</del>
(Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		(130)	345	215	(276)

The exceptional item represents the profit on sale of the company's journals publishing business

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these accounts

# BALANCE SHEET as at 30 September 2013

		2013		2012	2012	
		£000	£000	£000	£000	
	NOTE					
FIXED ASSETS	8		-		168	
CURRENT ASSETS						
Stock	9	14		20		
Debtors	10	3,558		797		
Cash at bank and in hand		73		25		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,645		842		
Creditors amounts falling						
due within one year	11	(3,640)		(1,040)		
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		_	5	-	(198)	
Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year	12	_	•	_	(180)	
TOTAL NET ASSETS		=	5	=	(210)	
CAPITAL AND RESERVES						
Called Up Share Capital	14		200		200	
Profit and Loss Account	13	_	(195)	_	(410)	
Total Shareholders' Funds		=	5	=	(210)	

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provision of the small companies regime within part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008)

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these accounts

Approved by the Board and authorised for Issue on 20 January 2014 and signed on 21 January 2014

Dr JW Scadding MD FRCP

Mr M Johnstone FCA

DIRECTORS

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 30 September 2013

### 1 Accounting Policies

### a) Basis of Accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with

- the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008),
- II The provisions of the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006

## b) Income from journal subscriptions

Journal subscriptions relate to a calendar year, income for the final quarter to December is deferred and reported under creditors in the balance sheet

### c) Tangible Fixed Assets and depreciation

The Tangible fixed assets represent computer systems and software which are written off over four years on a straight-line basis and goodwill and intellectual property on acquisition of journals which is depreciated over ten years on a straight-line basis Depreciation is charged from the month following acquisition/first publication

### d) Stock and Work in Progress

Stock and Work in Progress are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value

### e) Pension Costs

The company operates via the Royal Society of Medicine a defined contribution pension scheme. The pension costs shown in Note 6 represent contributions payable to the scheme in relation to employees recharged to RSM Press Ltd.

### f) Translation of Foreign Currencies

Income and expenditure items in foreign currency are converted to sterling at the date of the transactions Assets and liabilities are converted at the rate ruling at the year end

### g) Cash Flow Statement

Under an exemption from FRS 1 a cash flow statement has not been produced as the company's results are consolidated in the parent's consolidated financial statements

#### 2 Turnover

In the opinion of the directors the company's turnover is all related to publications/journal subscriptions

3 Net profit is stated after charging	2013 £000	2012 £000
Auditors' remuneration	6	7
Depreciation	5	43

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued for the year ended 30 September 2013

#### 4 Exceptional Item

On 16th November 2012, the company announced it had sold its journals business to Sage Publications Ltd The journals business represents the 'discontinued activities' shown on the Profit and loss account The profit on sale, after associated costs, is shown as an exceptional item on the face of the Profit and Loss account

### 5 Directors' Remuneration

None of the directors receive remuneration from the company for services as directors Certain directors are employees of the Royal Society of Medicine Support Services Ltd and receive remuneration as employees of that company. Their remuneration is included in staff costs below.

### 6 Staff Costs

All employees are employed by the Royal Society of Medicine Support Services Ltd and their costs are recharged to the company. The following analysis includes the recharged amounts.

	2013 £000	2012 £000
Wages and salaries	107	522
Social security costs Pension contributions / Life cover	22 5	54 40
Other	4	31_
	138	647

In addition to the above, on the sale of the company's journals publishing business, the company paid a total of £320k in relation to the termination of employment of those employees engaged in that business These costs are included in the exceptional item

The average number of persons employed on the company's business each week during the year ended 30 September 2013 was 18 for six weeks, and 1 for the remainder of the year (2012 15)

### 7 Taxation

(a) Analysis of the tax charge and factors affecting the tax charge for the period

	2013	2012
	£000	£000
Group relief payment receivable		
from fellow subsidiary re prior years	90	-
Corporation tax	(57)	
	33	-

<sup>(</sup>i) The company expects to receive payment, at the statutory corporation tax rate, for tax losses surrendered to a fellow subsidiary in prior years

## (b) Factors that may affect future tax charges

The company will pay over all its taxable profits as Gift Aid to the Royal Society of Medicine As a result it does not expect to have any taxation liabilities in the future

No provision has been made for deferred taxation as there are no material deferred tax liabilities or assets

<sup>(</sup>ii) The company makes a payment by Gift Aid to the Royal Society of Medicine for such of its taxable profits as are available in distributable reserves

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued for the year ended 30 September 2013

8	Tangible Fixed Assets	2013 £000	2012 £000
	Cost at 1 October 2012	270	259
	Additions	•	11
	Disposals	(270)	<del></del>
	At 30 September 2013	-	270
	Depreciation		
	At 1 October 2012	102	59
	Charge for the year	5	43
	Disposals	(107)	-
	At 30 September 2013	-	102
	Net Book Value as at 30 September 2013	-	168
9	Stock and Work in Progress	2013	2012
-		£000	£000
	Work in progress	14	20
		<del></del>	
		14	20
10	Debtors	2013	2012
10	Debiois	£000	£000
	Trade debtors	_	321
	Prepayments & accrued income	2	234
	Amount due from fellow subsidiary for group relief	90	
	Amounts due from parent organisation	3,466	242
		2.550	797
		3,558	
11	Conditions approved follows due within the unit	2013	2012
- ' '	Creditors amounts falling due within one year	£000	£000
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	Trade creditors	20	104
	Accruals and deferred income	168 57	792
	Corporation tax Other Tax and Social Security	31	19
	Other rax and Social Security Other creditors	•	102
	Gift Aid to Royal Society of Medicine	3,392	-
	Amounts due to parent organisation	3	23
		3,640	1 040
12	Craditary amounts follow due offer more than any	2042	2042
12	Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year	2013 £000	2012 £000
	Royal Society of Medicine	•	180
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The loan was repaid during the financial year

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS continued for the year ended 30 September 2013

13	Reserves	2013	2012
	Profit and Loss Account	£000	£000
	At 1 October	(410)	(134)
	Profit/(loss) for the year	3,574	(276)
	Payment of Gift Aid	(3,392)	-
	Taxation	33	•
	Net Profit after Gift Aid and Taxation	215	(276)
	At 30th September	(195)	<u>(410)</u>
14	Share Capital	2013	2012
		£000	£000
	Authorised ordinary shares of £1 each	200	200
	Issued, allotted and fully paid	200	200

## 15 Ultimate Parent Undertaking

The ultimate parent undertaking is The Royal Society of Medicine, a charity established under a Royal Charter A copy of the group financial statements can be obtained from the Director of Finance, The Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, London, W1G 0AE

The company has taken advantage of the exemption available to 100% subsidiary undertakings by Financial Reporting Standard No 8 regarding disclosure of related party transactions within the same group

### 16 Post balance sheet event

The company has, since the year end, completed a capital reduction to reduce the company's issued share capital from £200,000 to £1 by the cancellation of 199,999 shares of £1 each