Annual Report

For the year ended 31 December 2014



Company Information

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Alexander Lewis

(Appointed 21 May 2015)

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Strategic Report

For the year ended 31 December 2014

The Directors present the Strategic Report, their Annual Report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 ("the financial year" or year"). Comparative figures are for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Principal Activities

Quadrangle Research Group Limited ("the Company") is a leading, multi award winning and independent market research and strategic marketing consultancy. There have not been any significant changes in the Company's principal activities in the period under review.

The Company's strategy is to deliver its award winning proposition of Research for decision makers to help clients create and deliver customer led strategy. We offer clients the best of both worlds – a research skillset with a consulting mindset – and deliver method-neutral solutions driven by business purpose not research process. Above all, we pride ourselves in doing research that is fit for purpose, and which makes a difference to our clients' commercial performance.

We provide a full end-to-end research service, with all key elements – research design, qualitative and quantitative data collection, analytics and data processing – done in-house.

Future Developments

Quadrangle launched Research for decision makers in Autumn 2007. Since then, we have grown rapidly, attracting a terrific set of clients in the UK and internationally. Along the way, we've won a nice collection of awards for the commercial impact of our work, and been voted 'Agency of the Year' 2015 by the industry's clients.

Since then, the coming together of smart phones and tablets, mobile internet, social media and fast, inhome connectivity has been game-changing. This has fundamentally changed the way people engage with organisations, and re-framed the relationship consumers have with brands. Today, consumers do things and expect things and leverage things as the norm that simply weren't possible just a few years ago.

The important thing about this is the challenge it creates for businesses to align what they do and how they do it with these new consumer realities. The deep, underlying consumer truths have not changed. But in a multi-modal, multi-platform world, the ability to cut through the digital noise and focus on what matters is, increasingly, a pre-requisite for commercial success and that re-defines the needs clients have of research.

In response to these needs, in July 2015 we re-shaped our offer around five core insight Tools for a digital world designed to help decision makers succeed in this changed environment. We can deliver all five Tools in-house, enabling us to move faster, be more flexible, to control quality and standards, and to focus on delivering high-value, high-impact work for our clients at pace.

The Directors believe that this presents the Company a platform and an opportunity for significant growth in 2016 and beyond.

Business Review

During the year, the Company has continued to perform strongly, as expected, with both turnover and gross profit broadly in line with 2013. For more information on the Company's performance, refer to the Company's financial statements.

Strategic Report (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Key performance indicators (KPIs)

The Directors believe that as a market research and strategic marketing consultancy our gross profit and staff costs per head are the key performance indicators necessary and appropriate for an understanding of the development and performance of the business of the Company during the year, these are:

- Average Gross Profit per staff member in the year: £97,290 (2013: £98,515).
- Average Employment Costs per staff member in the year: £56,740 (2013: £56,493).

The Balance Sheet on page 7 of the financial statements shows that the Company's financial position at the year end has, in net asset terms, improved since the prior year-end due to the profit arising during the period.

Principal risks and uncertainties

Economic Risk

The Directors believe that the principal risk and uncertainty to be the economic conditions and other external factors which could impact spending on market research and strategic consultancy by our clients; however this is the same risk faced by other entities within our industry. The Company continually seeks to secure long-term client relationships and new clients to diversify economic risk and reviews its cost base and performance against its budget to allow timely action if needed.

Financial Risk Management

The Directors regularly review the financial requirements of the Company and the risks associated therewith and are satisfied with the financing arrangements for the Company.

Credit Risk

The Directors regularly review the concentration and repayment of credit extended to clients of the Company and the risks associated therewith and are satisfied with the credit arrangements for the Company.

On behalf of the board

John Gambles Chairman

17h July 2015

Directors' Report

For the year ended 31 December 2014

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2014.

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 7.

Directors

The following directors have held office since 1 January 2014:

Nicholas Baker Alison Camps John Gambles Christine Hastings Daniel Leaman Alexander Lewis Benjamin Skelton

(Appointed 21 May 2015)

Auditors

Darren Webb

In accordance with the company's articles, a resolution proposing that Kingston Smith LLP be reappointed as auditors of the company will be put at a General Meeting.

Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, 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 law). 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 of the company and of the 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 judgements 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.

Directors' Report (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Statement of disclosure to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware. Additionally, the directors have taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

On behalf of the board

John Gambles

Chairman
17 N July 2015

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Members of Quadrangle Research Group Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Quadrangle Research Group Limited for the year ended 31 December 2014 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement 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 auditors' 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 auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, 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 Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

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 31 December 2014 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 Strategic Report and Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Independent Auditors' Report (Continued)

To the Members of Quadrangle Research Group Limited

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.

Matthew Meadows (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Kingston Smith LLP

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditor

17 July 2015

Devonshire House 60 Goswell Road London EC1M 7AD

Profit and Loss Account

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Notes	2014 £	2013 £
2	11,509,131	11,977,241
7 - 22 - 1	(3,725,901)	(3,997,481)
	7,783,230	7,979,760
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. 3	543,547	912,608
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ore	535,857	903,069
5	(117,432)	(216,930)
13	418,425	686,139
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The profit and loss account has been prepared on the basis that all operations are continuing operations.

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the profit and loss account.

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2014

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	Notes	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	6		5,287,503		5,764,476
Tangible assets	· . 7 ·		528,461 ————		445,087 ————
			5,815,964		6,209,563
Current assets					
Debtors	8	2,625,963		2,806,947	
Cash at bank and in hand		240,796		409,879	
		2,866,759		3,216,826	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	9	(3,556,020)		(3,254,133)	
ono you.	•				
Net current liabilities			(689,261)		(37,307)
Total assets less current liabilities			5,126,703		6,172,256
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	· 10		(3,591,678)		(5,058,656)
			1,535,025		1,113,600
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	12		187,000		184,000
Profit and loss account	13		1,348,025		929,600
Shareholders' funds	14		1,535,025		1,113,600

Nicholas Baker **Chief Executive**

Company Registration No. 08064640

Cash Flow Statement For the year ended 31 December 2014

	£	2014 £	£	2013 £
Net cash inflow from operating activities		1,831,414		1,011,972
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest paid	(7,690)		(9,539)	
Net cash outflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance		(7,690)		(9,539)
Taxation		(216,931)		(95,301)
Capital expenditure Payments to acquire tangible assets	(179,088)		(309,844)	
Net cash outflow for capital expenditure		(179,088)		(309,844)
Net cash inflow before management of liquid resources and financing		1,427,705		597,288
Financing Issue of ordinary share capital Repayment of other long term loans Capital element of hire purchase contracts	3,000 (1,554,648) (45,140)		31,276 (787,375) (47,999)	
Net cash outflow from financing		(1,596,788)		(804,098)
Decrease in cash in the year		(169,083)		(206,810)

Notes to the Cash Flow Statement For the year ended 31 December 2014

1	Reconciliation of operating profit to net activities	cash outflow from	n operating	2014	2013
	activities			£	£
	Operating profit			543,547	912,608
	Depreciation of tangible assets			203,551	154,050
	Amortisation of intangible assets			476,973	477,000
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors			180,984	(374,242)
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors within one	year		426,359	(157,444)
	Net cash inflow from operating activities	5		1,831,414	1,011,972
2	Analysis of net debt	1 January 2014	Cash flow	Other non- 3 cash changes	1 December 2014
		£	£	£	£
	Net cash:				
	Cash at bank and in hand	409,879	(169,083)		240,796
	Bank deposits Debt:	-	-	-	-
	Finance leases	(53,997)	45,140	(107,837)	(116,694)
	Debts falling due after one year	(5,028,935)	1,554,648	(55,303)	(3,529,590)
		(5,082,932)	1,599,788	(163,140)	(3,646,284)
	Net debt	(4,673,053)	1,375,402	(163,140)	(3,405,488)
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3	Reconciliation of net cash flow to move	ment in net debt		2014 £	2013 £
	Decrease in cash in the year			(169,083)	(206,810)
	Cash outflow from decrease in debt and lea	ase financing		1,544,485	687,326
	Change in net debt resulting from cash flow	vs		1,375,402	480,516
	New finance lease	·		(107,837)	-
	Movement in net debt in the year			1,267,565	480,516
	Opening net debt			(4,673,053)	(5,153,569)
	Closing net debt			(3,405,488)	(4,673,053)
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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2014

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

1.2 Compliance with accounting standards

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally: Accepted Accounting Practice), which have been applied consistently (except as otherwise stated).

1.3 Turnover

Turnover represents amounts receivable for services net of VAT and trade discounts. Revenue is recognised as earned when, and to the extent that, the firm obtains the right to consideration in exchange for its performance under contracts. It is measured at the fair value of the right to consideration, which represents amounts chargeable to clients, including expenses and disbursements but excluding value added tax.

Revenue is generally recognised as contract activity progresses so that for incomplete contracts it reflects the partial performance of the contractual obligations. For such contracts the amount of revenue reflects the accrual of the right to consideration by reference to the value of work performed. Revenue not billed to clients is included in debtors and payments on account in excess of the relevant amount of revenue are included in creditors.

Fee income that is contingent on events outside the control of the firm is recognised when the contingent event occurs.

1.4 Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its estimated useful economic life (currently estimated to be 14 years).

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Leasehold improvements

20% straight line/ 25% reducing balance

Plant & Machinery

25% reducing balance

Other assets

33% reducing balance

1.6 Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts and finance leases are capitalised as tangible assets and depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives. Obligations under such agreements are included in creditors net of the finance charge allocated to future periods. The finance element of the rental payment is charged to the profit and loss account so as to produce a constant periodic rate of charge on the net obligation outstanding in each period.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.7 Long term contracts

Amounts recoverable on long term contracts, which are included in debtors, are stated at the net sales value of the work done after provision for contingencies and anticipated future losses on contracts, less amounts received as progress payments on account. Excess progress payments are included in creditors as payments on account.

1.8 Pensions

The company operates a defined contribution scheme for the benefit of its employees. Contributions payable are charged to the profit and loss account in the year they are payable.

1.9 Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is provided in full in respect of taxation deferred by timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. The deferred tax balance has not been discounted.

1.10 Foreign currency translation

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction. All differences are taken to profit and loss account.

2 Turnover

The total turnover of the company for the year has been derived from its principal activity wholly undertaken in the United Kingdom.

Operating profit	2014 £	2013 £
Operating profit is stated after charging:		
Amortisation of intangible assets	476,973	477,000
Depreciation of tangible assets	203,551	154,050
Loss on foreign exchange transactions	. <u>-</u>	167
Operating lease rentals		
•	29,671	33,665
- Other assets	474,835	525,354
Auditors' remuneration (including expenses and benefits in kind)	15,000	16,000
and after crediting:		
Profit on foreign exchange transactions	(210)	-
		
Interest payable	2014	2013
	£	£
Hire purchase interest	7,690	9,539
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	Operating profit is stated after charging: Amortisation of intangible assets Depreciation of tangible assets Loss on foreign exchange transactions Operating lease rentals - Plant and machinery - Other assets Auditors' remuneration (including expenses and benefits in kind) and after crediting: Profit on foreign exchange transactions Interest payable	Operating profit is stated after charging: Amortisation of intangible assets Depreciation of tangible assets Loss on foreign exchange transactions Operating lease rentals - Plant and machinery Other assets Auditors' remuneration (including expenses and benefits in kind) and after crediting: Profit on foreign exchange transactions (210) Interest payable and the first payable Interest payable 2476,973 203,551 203,551 29,671 474,835 Auditors' remuneration (including expenses and benefits in kind) 15,000

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

5	Taxation	2014 £	2013 £
	Domestic current year tax		
	U.K. corporation tax	117,432	216,930
	Total current tax	117,432	216,930
	Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
•	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	535,857	903,069
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation multiplied by standard rate of		
	UK corporation tax of 21.00% (2013 - 23.00%)	112,530	207,706
	Effects of:		•
	Non deductible expenses	6,884	20,836
	Capital allowances in excess of derpreciation	(3,947)	(13,915)
	Profits taxed at higher rates	1,965	2,303
		4,902	9,224
	Current tax charge for the year	117,432	216,930
6	Intangible fixed assets		Goodwill
	Cost		£
	At 1 January 2014 & at 31 December 2014		6,360,726
	Amortisation		
	At 1 January 2014		596,250
	Charge for the year		476,973
	At 31 December 2014		1,073,223
	Net book value		
	At 31 December 2014		5,287,503
	At 31 December 2013		5,764,476

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

7	Tangible fixed assets					
		* * *	Leasehold improvements	Plant and machinery	Motor Vehicles	Total
			£	£	£	£
	Cost					
	At 1 January 2014	•	398,712	188,713	49,358	636,783
	Additions	,	208,112	78,813	-	286,925
	At 31 December 2014		606,824	267,526	49,358	923,708
	Depreciation					
	At 1 January 2014		113,395	48,469	29,832	191,696
	Charge for the year		140,966	57,678	4,907	203,551
	At 31 December 2014		254,361	106,147	34,739	395,247
	Net book value		-			
	At 31 December 2014		352,463	161,379	14,619	528,461
	At 31 December 2013		===== 285,317	====== 140,244	19,526	445,087
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Included above are assets held under finance leases or hire purchase contracts as follows:

	Plant and Leasehold Machinery Improvements		Total	
	£	£	£	
Net book values				
At 31 December 2014	78,469	80,753	159,222	
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At 31 December 2013	24,402	83,175	107,577	
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Depreciation charge for the year				
At 31 December 2014	24,816	36,860	61,676	
At 31 December 2013	9,370	18,171	27,541	
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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

		£
Trade debtors	2,013,539	2,076,009
Amounts recoverable on long term contracts	319,530	392,828
Amounts owed by a related party	3,025	-
Other debtors	13,956	15,972
Prepayments and accrued income	275,913	322,138
	2,625,963	2,806,947
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2014 £	2013 £
Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	54,606	24,276
Trade creditors	775,025	605,891
Corporation tax	117,483	216,982
Other taxes and social security costs	621,286	648,533
Other loans	379,947	435,251
Other creditors	-	20,520
Accruals and deferred income	1,607,673	1,302,680
	3,556,020	3,254,133
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Net obligations under finance lease and hire purchase contracts are secured by fixed charges on the assets concerned.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

10	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	2014 £	2013 £
	Other loans	3,529,590	5,028,935
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts	62,088	29,721
		3,591,678	5,058,656
			<u></u>
	In more than one year but not more than two years	453,766	456,766
	In more than two years but not more than five years	1,815,063	1,827,063
	In more than five years	1,260,761	2,745,106
	Net obligations under hire purchase contracts		
	Repayable within one year	54,606	24,276
	Repayable between one and five years	62,083	29,720
		116,689	53,996
	Included in liabilities falling due within one year	(54,606)	(24,276)
		62,083	29,720

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

11 Share-based payment transactions

During the year ended 31 December 2014, the company had two share-based payment arrangements, which are described below.

Type of arrangement	Share options Share options		
Date of grant	20 June 2013 27 March 2014		
Number granted	251,691 55,407		
Contractual life	10 years 10 years		
Vesting conditions	On sale or None floatation		

The estimated fair value was calculated by applying a Black-Scholes option pricing model. The calculated fair value of the share options has not been charged to the profit and loss account as it is not material to the accounts.

The estimated fair value was calculated by applying a Black-Scholes option pricing model.

The model inputs were:

share price at grant date of £0.10; exercise price of £0.10; expected volatility of 100 per cent; no expected dividends; contractual life of 10 years; and a risk-free interest rate of 2.00 per cent.

Further details of the share option plans are as follows:

	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price	Number of options	•
	2014	2014	2013	2013
		£		£
At 1 January	251,691	0.10	322,523	0.10
Granted	55,407	0.10	251,691	0.10
Forfeited	(94,846)	0.10	-	-
Exercised	(94,845)	0.10	(322,523)	0.10
Outstanding at	117,407	0.10	251,691	0.10
				=====

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

Closing Shareholders' funds

12	Share capital	2014 £	2013 £
	Allotted, called up and fully paid 1,870,000 ordinary shares of 10p each	187,000	184,000

During the year 94,846 (2013: 322,523) options were exercised, of the options exercised 64,846 were over existing shares. For more details see share-based payment transaction note.

13 Statement of movements on profit and loss account **Profit and loss** account £ Balance at 1 January 2014 929,600 Profit for the year 418,425 Balance at 31 December 2014 1,348,025 14 Reconciliation of movements in Shareholders' funds 2014 2013 £ £ 686,139 Profit for the financial year 418,425 Proceeds from issue of shares 3,000 31,276 717,415 Net addition to shareholders' funds 421,425 Opening Shareholders' funds 1,113,600 396,185

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Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

15 Financial commitments

At 31 December 2014 the company was committed to making the following payments under non-cancellable operating leases in the year to 31 December 2015:

		Land and buildings		Other	
		2014	2013	2014	2013
		£	£	£	£
	Operating leases which expire:	•		÷	
	Within one year	-	_	1,585	_
	Between two and five years	30,500	30,500	25,995	17,532
	In over five years	414,775	414,775	•	-
		445,275	445,275	27,580	17,532
		-		=====	
16	Directors' remuneration			2014	2013
				£	£
	Remuneration for qualifying services			645,720	651,491
		•			
	Remuneration disclosed above include the highest paid director:	following amounts	s paid to the		
	Remuneration for qualifying services	·		144,211	125,636

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

17 Employees

Number of employees

The average monthly number of employees (including directors) during the year was:

	2014 Number	2013 Number
	80	81
Employment costs	2014	2013
	£	£
Wages and salaries	4,033,978	4,115,640
Social security costs	454,818	429,776
Other pension costs	50,375	30,488
•	4,539,171	4,575,904

18 Control

The company is controlled jointly by John Gambles and Christine Gambles by virtue of their combined holding of the majority of the issued share capital.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2014

19 Related party relationships and transactions

The following summarises amounts due to the directors of the business at the start and end of the year arising from the acquisition of the trade and assets of Quadrangle Group LLP by Quadrangle Research Group Limited.

Director		Opening Balance	Amounts Advanced / (Repaid)	Closing Balance
	٠	£	£	£
Nicholas Baker		193,423	(48,268)	145,155
Alison Camps	f	583,157	(145,652)	437,505
Christine Hastings	•	1,695,411	(438,900)	1,256,511
Benjamin Skelton		193,489	(56,480)	137,009
Darren Webb		193,489	(48,230)	145,259
John Gambles		1,753,587	(453,051)	1,300,536
		4,612,556	(1,190,581)	3,421,975

In the year ended 31 December 2014 the company paid £1,821,234 (2013: £1,642,232) to FQ Partnership Ltd, a company in which John Gambles is a director.

At the balance sheet date an amount of £38,344 (2013: £40,677) was owed to the FQ partnership Ltd.

The company acquired the trade and assets of Quadrangle Group LLP, a LLP controlled by the shareholders of the company. The acquisition was on an arms length basis. The balance due from Quadrangle Group LLP at the balance sheet date was £3,025 (2013: Balance due to Quadrangle Group LLP of £157,771).