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NORTHERN MEDIA GROUP LTD
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Share capital	Share premium account	Profit and loss reserves	Total
	£	£	£	£
Balance at 1 January 2021	66,779	4,742,422	(6,834,151)	(2,024,950)
Year ended 31 December 2021:				
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	460,671	460,671
Balance at 31 December 2021	66,779	4,742,422	(6,373,480)	(1,564,279)
Year ended 31 December 2022:				
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	403,425	403,425
Balance at 31 December 2022	66,779	4,742,422	(5,970,055)	(1,160,854)

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

		2022	2021
	Notes	£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	306,744	411,524
Current assets			
Debtors	5	1,354,062	1,963,753
Cash at bank and in hand		534,118	488,171
		<u>1,888,180</u>	<u>2,451,924</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>(1,848,322)</u>	<u>(2,927,727)</u>
Net current assets/(liabilities)		39,858	(475,803)
Total assets less current liabilities		346,602	(64,279)
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Provisions for liabilities			
Deferred tax liability	8	7,456	-
		<u>(7,456)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net liabilities		<u>(1,160,854)</u>	<u>(1,564,279)</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	66,779	66,779
Share premium account		4,742,422	4,742,422
Profit and loss reserves		<u>(5,970,055)</u>	<u>(6,373,480)</u>
Total equity		<u>(1,160,854)</u>	<u>(1,564,279)</u>

The director of the company has elected not to include a copy of the profit and loss account within the financial statements.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2022 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The director acknowledges his responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

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The financial statements were approved and signed by the director and authorised for issue on 27 September 2023

Mr Dominic Fitzpatrick
Director

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1 Accounting policies

Company information

Northern Media Group Ltd is a private company limited by shares incorporated in Northern Ireland. The registered office is QHQ Fountain Centre, College Street, Belfast, BT1 6ET.

1.1 Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the director has a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the director continues to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Turnover

Turnover is recognised at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, and is shown net of VAT and other sales related taxes. The fair value of consideration takes into account trade discounts, settlement discounts and volume rebates.

When cash inflows are deferred and represent a financing arrangement, the fair value of the consideration is the present value of the future receipts. The difference between the fair value of the consideration and the nominal amount received is recognised as interest income.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have passed to the buyer (usually on dispatch of the goods), the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the entity and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Revenue from contracts for the provision of professional services is recognised by reference to the stage of completion when the stage of completion, costs incurred and costs to complete can be estimated reliably. The stage of completion is calculated by comparing costs incurred, mainly in relation to contractual hourly staff rates and materials, as a proportion of total costs. Where the outcome cannot be estimated reliably, revenue is recognised only to the extent of the expenses recognised that it is probable will be recovered.

1.4 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	5% Straight Line
Leasehold land and buildings	10% Straight Line
Computers	20% Straight Line
Motor vehicles	20% Straight Line

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1 Accounting policies

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The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is credited or charged to profit or loss.

1.5 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting period end date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Recognised impairment losses are reversed if, and only if, the reasons for the impairment loss have ceased to apply. Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are basic financial assets and include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The company has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the company's balance sheet when the company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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1 Accounting policies

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Classification of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors, bank loans, loans from fellow group companies and preference shares that are classified as debt, are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.8 Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of transaction costs. Dividends payable on equity instruments are recognised as liabilities once they are no longer at the discretion of the company.

1.9 Taxation

The tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

Current tax

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from net profit as reported in the profit and loss account because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The company's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting end date.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all timing differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered against the reversal of deferred tax liabilities or other future taxable profits. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the timing difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting end date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the profit and loss account, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the company has a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority.

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1 Accounting policies

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1.10 Employee benefits

The costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense, unless those costs are required to be recognised as part of the cost of stock or fixed assets.

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

1.11 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

1.12 Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable when there is reasonable assurance that the grant conditions will be met and the grants will be received.

A grant that specifies performance conditions is recognised in income when the performance conditions are met. Where a grant does not specify performance conditions it is recognised in income when the proceeds are received or receivable. A grant received before the recognition criteria are satisfied is recognised as a liability.

1.13 Foreign exchange

Transactions in currencies other than pounds sterling are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At each reporting end date, monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the reporting end date. Gains and losses arising on translation in the period are included in profit or loss.

2 Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the company's accounting policies, the director is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Employees

The average monthly number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was:

2022 Number	2021 Number
16	22
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4 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Leasehold land and buildings	Computers	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost					
At 1 January 2022	83,676	628,352	11,093	32,920	756,041
Additions	-	-	-	33,285	33,285
Disposals	(83,676)	-	-	-	(83,676)
At 31 December 2022	-	628,352	11,093	66,205	705,650
Depreciation and impairment					
At 1 January 2022	16,736	320,396	7,385	-	344,517
Depreciation charged in the year	-	62,835	2,773	5,517	71,125
Eliminated in respect of disposals	(16,736)	-	-	-	(16,736)
At 31 December 2022	-	383,231	10,158	5,517	398,906
Carrying amount					
At 31 December 2022	-	245,121	935	60,688	306,744
At 31 December 2021	66,940	307,956	3,708	32,920	411,524

5 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	612,858	696,926
Other debtors	675,577	1,236,486
Prepayments and accrued income	65,627	30,341
	<u>1,354,062</u>	<u>1,963,753</u>

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Notes		
Other borrowings	211,446	211,446
Trade creditors	80,473	5,215
Amounts owed to group undertakings	871,479	2,376,487
Corporation tax	1,622	-
Other taxation and social security	75,298	108,823
Other creditors	391,807	102,344
Accruals and deferred income	216,197	123,412
	<u>1,848,322</u>	<u>2,927,727</u>

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7 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Other borrowings		1,500,000	1,500,000

8 Deferred taxation

The following are the major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the company and movements thereon:

	Liabilities 2022 £	Liabilities 2021 £
Balances:		
Accelerated capital allowances	7,456	-
Movements in the year:		2022 £
Liability at 1 January 2022		-
Charge to profit or loss		7,456
Liability at 31 December 2022		7,456

The deferred tax liability set out above is expected to reverse within [12 months] and relates to accelerated capital allowances that are expected to mature within the same period.

9 Share capital

	2022 £	2021 £
Ordinary share capital Issued and fully paid		
Ordinary Shares of £1 each	66,779	66,779

10 Related party transactions

Transactions with related parties

	Management charges 2022 £	2021 £
Key management personnel	54,000	54,000

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10 Related party transactions

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The following amounts were outstanding at the reporting end date:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts due to related parties		
Entities with control, joint control or significant influence over the company	1,082,924	2,587,933
Key management personnel	275,386	-
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The following amounts were outstanding at the reporting end date:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts due from related parties		
Key management personnel	670,000	1,236,036
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11 Ultimate controlling party

The parent company of Northern Media Group Ltd is Q Local Media Ltd and its registered office is QHQ, Fountain Centre, College Street, Belfast BT1 6ET.

Companies Act 2006 gives exemption from the requirement to prepare group accounts to small groups.

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