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Report and group accounts
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Tindle Newspapers Limited Company Information

Directors

Sir Ray Tindle CBE, DL, FCIS
Lady Tindle MBE MA, Dip.Ed.(Lond.)
Mr O.C. Tindle
Mrs W.D. Craig
Mrs K.L. Fyfield

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Lady Tindle and Mrs K.L. Fyfield

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Tindle Newspapers Limited Directors' Report

The directors present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 March 2014. The company's performance and future prospects are now disclosed in the strategic report.

Directors

The directors who served during the year were as follows:

Sir Ray Tindle CBE, DL, FCIS
Lady Tindle MBE MA, Dip.Ed.(Lond.)
Mr O.C. Tindle
Mrs W.D. Craig
Mr B.G. Doel Retired 30 April 2014
Mrs K.L. Fyfield Appointed 13 June 2014
Mrs S. Yates Resigned 12 June 2014

Dividends

The company has paid interim dividends amounting to £700,000 and the directors do not recommend a final ordinary dividend. During the year the company transferred its investment in Johnston Press plc (amounting to £2,350,361 - see note 13), its investment in Tindle CI Broadcasting Limited and the associated intangible publication rights to its holding company and affected the transfers by way of a dividend in specie (see note 33).

Charitable donations

In the year under review, the group made charitable donations totalling £14,735 (2013: £19,770).

Environment

The group's policy with regard to the environment is to ensure proper understanding and effective management of the actual and potential environmental impact of its activities. The group's operations are conducted in such a way that we comply with all legal requirements relating to the environment in all areas where we carry out our business. During the year, the group has not incurred any fines or penalties or been investigated for any breach of environmental regulations.

Employees

The individual companies within the group are responsible through their own management for implementing the consultative and negotiating practices which best meet their staff's particular requirements. Staff are kept informed of matters concerning them by means of briefing meetings, notices and direct communication.

It is the group's policy to provide employment opportunities and retraining, where possible, for disabled people and to care for people who become disabled whilst in the group's employment. The group operates an equal opportunities employment policy.

Statement of directors' responsibilities for the annual report

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual 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 financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and parent company and of the profit or loss of the group 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 estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 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.

In so far as each of the directors is aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditors are unaware; and
- the directors have taken all steps that they ought to have taken 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.

Auditor

David Pinder & Co Limited were re-appointed auditors of the company under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006.


Mrs W.D. Craig
Company Director

This report was approved by the board on 23 March 2015.

Tindle Newspapers Limited Strategic Report

The directors provide the following as their strategic report for the year ended 31 March 2014.

Principal activities and review of the business

The principal activities of the company and its subsidiaries (the group) have been that of weekly newspaper publishers. There have not been any changes in the group's principal activities during the year nor are any envisaged for the forthcoming year.

The group's aim is to develop from a position of strength to ensure it is best placed to meet future challenges. To monitor this the company uses the following Key Performance Indicators that reflect the current economic backdrop.

	Target	2014	2013
Return on capital employed before impairment	3.50%	5.16%	2.84%
Gross profit percentage	40.00%	39.72%	40.30%
Liquidity (current assets: current liabilities)	2.5 times	7.9 times	3.1 times

The principal challenges facing the group arise from the continued pressure in the advertisement market as a result of the economic situation in the United Kingdom. During the year the group has faced continued stress on its revenue from this. The directors are able to report that during the economic recovery, the group has also seen revenues levelling out and are forecasting an increase in revenue in 2015. Many of the core business sections have maintained their profits year on year. The decline in the gross profit percentage (which is profit before overheads expressed as a percentage of total turnover) has now been brought under control and is on the rise. The group continues to react swiftly to minimise the effects of the economic difficulties and the directors are satisfied with the results for the year.

The directors are confident that liquidity will continue to improve in the future and are proud that no titles have been lost throughout the recession, no journalists have been made compulsorily redundant and several titles are planned to be launched or purchased. The improving economic outlook will also benefit the group in the coming year.

Future developments

The group intends to continue its policy of acquisition and launch of additional newspaper titles in so far as economic conditions allow.

Financial instruments

The group's principal financial instruments are amounts receivable from customers, cash and bank balances and loans and amounts payable to suppliers.

Credit and cash flow risk

The group places its emphasis on good credit management in its mitigation of these risks. The group's credit risk is primarily attributable to its trade debtors. There is no significant concentration of credit risk with any one customer or group of customers. The amounts presented in the balance sheet for trade debtors are net of appropriate allowances for doubtful debts.

Interest rate risk


The group does not have significant borrowings and thus does not consider there is significant exposure to cash flow interest rate risk.

Liquidity risk

Due to the availability of cash on the balance sheet and strong operating cash flows, the group does not consider there is significant exposure to liquidity risk.

Foreign currency risk

The group has one overseas subsidiary in the United States of America. In structuring the ownership and funding of this subsidiary, the group has minimised its foreign currency fluctuation exposure. The exposure that remains is not significant to warrant the use of other measures to control this risk.



Mrs W.D. Craig
Company Director

This report was approved by the board on 23 March 2015.

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Independent auditor's report
to the member of Tindle Newspapers Limited

We have audited the financial statements of Tindle Newspapers Limited for the year ended 31 March 2014 which comprise the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account, the Consolidated Statement of total recognised gains and losses, the Consolidated and Company Balance Sheets, the Consolidated 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 member, 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 member 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 member 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, 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 Auditing Practices Board'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 group's and the parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2014 and of the group's 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 and the Strategic Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report on 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 by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company 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.



David Pinder
Senior Statutory Auditor
for and on behalf of **David Pinder & Co Limited**
Statutory auditor, Chartered Accountants

23 Lockyer Street
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Tindle Newspapers Limited
Consolidated Profit and Loss Account
for the year ended 31 March 2014

	Notes	2014			2013			Restated
		Operating activities	Amortisation and other exceptionals	Total	Operating activities	Amortisation and other exceptionals	Total	
		£	£	£	£	£	£	
Turnover								
Existing operations		30,481,556	-	30,481,556	32,767,542	-	32,767,542	
Acquisitions		272,720	-	272,720	-	-	-	
Continuing operations		30,754,276	-	30,754,276	32,767,542	-	32,767,542	
Discontinued operations		878,354	-	878,354	1,516,131	-	1,516,131	
	2	31,632,630	-	31,632,630	34,283,673	-	34,283,673	
Cost of sales	3	(19,068,667)	-	(19,068,667)	(20,468,921)	-	(20,468,921)	
Gross profit	3	12,563,963	-	12,563,963	13,814,752	-	13,814,752	
Net operating expenses	3	(10,439,504)	(978,874)	(11,418,378)	(12,227,742)	(306,388)	(12,534,130)	
Group operating profit	3 & 4	2,124,459	(978,874)	1,145,585	1,587,010	(306,388)	1,280,622	
Existing operations		2,058,447	(978,874)	1,079,573	1,665,157	(306,388)	1,358,769	
Acquisitions		63,825	-	63,825	-	-	-	
Discontinued operations		2,187	-	2,187	(78,147)	-	(78,147)	
		2,124,459	(978,874)	1,145,585	1,587,010	(306,388)	1,280,622	
Loss on exceptional items	6	-	(62,720)	(62,720)	-	(233,421)	(233,421)	
Change in value and sale of investments		-	800	800	-	158,778	158,778	
Interest receivable	9	114,424	-	114,424	200,684	-	200,684	
Interest payable	10	(3,722)	-	(3,722)	(20,007)	-	(20,007)	
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		2,235,161	(1,040,794)	1,194,367	1,767,687	(381,031)	1,386,656	
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	12	(645,001)	240,194	(404,807)	(348,927)	60,689	(288,238)	
Profit on ordinary activities after taxation		1,590,160	(800,600)	789,560	1,418,760	(320,342)	1,098,418	
Equity minority interests		(35,781)	-	(35,781)	28,677	-	28,677	
Profit for the financial year	23	1,554,379	(800,600)	753,779	1,447,437	(320,342)	1,127,095	

Amortisation and other exceptionals include the amortisation of intangible assets, the gains or losses on fixed asset property sales and provisions or gains on current asset investments.

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Consolidated statement of total recognised gains and losses
for the year ended 31 March 2014

	Notes	2014 £	2013 £
Profit for the financial year		753,779	1,127,095
Actuarial deficits on the pension scheme	32	(123,000)	(587,000)
Deferred tax on actuarial deficit		29,520	140,880
Total recognised gains and losses related to the year		<u>660,299</u>	<u>680,975</u>

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Consolidated Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2014

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	Notes	2014		2013	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	14		15,969,185		32,482,276
Tangible assets	15		4,814,864		5,441,174
Investments:					
Associates		52,072		52,072	
Other investments		<u>1</u>		<u>1</u>	
	16		52,073		52,073
			<u>20,836,122</u>		<u>37,975,523</u>
Current assets					
Stocks	17	9,909		19,565	
Debtors	18	8,380,693		5,490,952	
Investments held as current assets	19	5,600		2,354,705	
Cash at bank and in hand		15,576,126		16,263,837	
			<u>23,972,328</u>		<u>24,129,059</u>
Debtor amounts falling due after more than one year	18	1,517,765		6,450,847	
			<u>25,490,093</u>		<u>30,579,906</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	20	(3,050,763)		(7,836,662)	
Net current assets			<u>22,439,330</u>		<u>22,743,244</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>43,275,452</u>		<u>60,718,767</u>
Provisions for liabilities and charges					
Deferred taxation	21		(2,000)		(1,047)
Net assets excluding pensions deficit			<u>43,273,452</u>		<u>60,717,720</u>
Pensions deficit	32		(917,000)		(836,000)
Net assets including pensions deficit			<u>42,356,452</u>		<u>59,881,720</u>
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	22	18,002		18,002	
Profit and loss account	23	42,093,939		59,642,240	
Shareholder's equity funds:	24		<u>42,111,941</u>		<u>59,660,242</u>
Minority interests			244,511		221,478
			<u>42,356,452</u>		<u>59,881,720</u>

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Mrs K.L. Fyfield
 Director

Approved by the board on 23 March 2015

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Company Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2014

	Notes	2014		2013	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed assets					
Intangible assets	14	12,760,735		29,342,874	
Tangible assets	15	4,542,577		5,009,414	
Investments	16	5,465,446		5,390,202	
		<u>22,768,758</u>		<u>39,742,490</u>	
Current assets					
Debtors	18	6,144,809		3,124,478	
Investments held as current assets	19	5,600		2,354,705	
Cash at bank and in hand		12,605,568		13,841,207	
		<u>18,755,977</u>		<u>19,320,390</u>	
Debtor amounts falling due after more than one year	18	1,517,765		6,450,847	
		<u>20,273,742</u>		<u>25,771,237</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	20	(2,296,503)		(8,503,769)	
Net current assets		<u>17,977,239</u>		<u>17,267,468</u>	
		<u>40,745,997</u>		<u>57,009,958</u>	
Capital and reserves					
Called up share capital	22	18,002		18,002	
Profit and loss account	23	40,727,995		56,991,956	
Shareholder's equity funds:	24	<u>40,745,997</u>		<u>57,009,958</u>	

K. L. Fyfield

Mrs K.L. Fyfield
Director

Approved by the board on 23 March 2015

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Consolidated Cash Flow Statement
for the year ended 31 March 2014

	Notes	2014 £	2013 £
Reconciliation of operating profit to net cash inflow from operating activities			
Operating profit		1,145,585	1,280,622
Depreciation charges		166,980	482,826
Amortisation and impairment adjustment		978,874	306,388
(Profit)/loss on disposal of fixed assets		(4,441)	32,594
Decrease/(increase) in stocks		9,656	(6,226)
Decrease in debtors		177,157	645,524
Decrease in creditors		(586,109)	(732,468)
Adjustment in respect of pension scheme contribution in excess of current service costs		(79,000)	(87,000)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		1,808,702	1,922,260
CASH FLOW STATEMENT			
Net cash inflow from operating activities		1,808,702	1,922,260
Return on investments and servicing of finance	25	99,954	82,388
Corporation tax paid		(653,898)	(556,977)
Capital expenditure and financial investment	25	373,144	2,061,310
Acquisitions and disposals	27	(1,615,613)	(202,500)
Equity dividends paid		(700,000)	(100,000)
Cash inflow before use of liquid resources and financing		(687,711)	3,206,481
(Decrease)/increase in cash		(687,711)	3,206,481
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds			
(Decrease)/increase in cash in the year		(687,711)	3,206,481
Other non-cash changes		(2,349,105)	289,141
Change in net funds	26	(3,036,816)	3,495,622
Net funds at 1 April 2013		18,618,542	15,122,920
Net funds at 31 March 2014	26	15,581,726	18,618,542

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2014

1 Accounting policies

Accounting convention

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards in the United Kingdom.

Basis of consolidation

The group accounts consolidate the audited accounts of the company and its subsidiary undertakings at the year end using acquisition accounting. The results of subsidiary undertakings acquired or disposed of during the year are included from, or up to, the effective date of acquisition or disposal. The intra-group transfers arising from the re-organisation (see note 33) are treated as disposals at the date of the dividend in specie.

Associated undertakings and joint ventures

The group's participating interests consist of investments in associated undertakings, where the group has a shareholding between 20% and 50% and also has significant influence over the operating and financial policy decisions, and joint ventures. The group's share of the results of associated undertakings and joint ventures is included in the consolidated profit and loss account. Unless otherwise stated, the interests in the consolidated balance sheet of the associated undertakings (adjusted as necessary to reflect group accounting policies) are included at the group's share of the net assets of the associated undertakings together with the premium arising on acquisition. Joint ventures are disclosed in the consolidated balance sheet on a gross asset and gross liability basis.

The premium on acquisition of the investment in an associated undertaking or joint venture is amortised over its estimated useful life of 20 years.

During the year the group undertook a re-organisation of some of its assets and subsidiaries. See notes 23, 24 and 33 to see the impact of these changes.

Intangible assets

Publishing titles

Publishing titles acquired after 31 March 1998 are included in the balance sheet at their fair value on acquisition. Titles acquired prior to this date are included at their book value on this date. No amortisation is charged on publishing titles as the group has demonstrated through its publishing policy that such titles do not have a finite life. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows, known as income generating units. Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, value in use estimates are made based on the cash flows of the income generating unit to which the asset belongs. The publishing rights and titles are reviewed for impairment either at each reporting date or more frequently when there is an indication that the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount. Recoverable amount is the higher of net realisable value and value in use. In assessing value in use the estimated future cash flows of the income generating unit relating to the asset are discounted to their present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and risks specific to each asset. If the recoverable amount of an income generating unit is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying value of the cash-generating unit is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in the consolidated profit and loss account in the period in which it occurs and may be reversed in subsequent periods.

The key assumptions concerning the impairment of publishing titles represent a key source of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date. The use of different assumptions in the next financial year could have a material impact on the carrying amount of intangible assets in the balance sheet. Determining whether the publishing titles intangible assets are impaired requires an estimation of the value in use of the income generating unit to which these have been allocated. The value in use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the income generating unit and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate present value.

Broadcasting rights

Broadcasting rights are stated at fair value on acquisition and, subject to annual review, are carried in the balance sheet at cost less amortisation. Amortisation commences in the month following the month of acquisition and is provided so as to write off these assets over their estimated life of 20 years. If any impairment in value were to arise it would be charged to the profit and loss account as soon as it has been identified.

Goodwill

Acquired goodwill is written off in equal annual instalments over its useful economic life of 10 years. In addition to systematic amortisation, the book value is written down to its recoverable amount when any impairment is identified.

Foreign currencies

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

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value and is comprised of goods for resale.

Current asset investments

Current asset investments are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2014

1 Accounting policies (continued)

Tangible assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value, of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:

Freehold land and buildings	1.25% on cost or valuation
Leasehold property	over the lease term
Fixtures, fittings, plant and equipment	20% straight line

The charge to depreciation commences in the month following the month of acquisition. The rate applied to freehold land and buildings is deemed to be equivalent to writing down the buildings over 50 years. Where there is evidence of impairment, fixed assets are written down to the recoverable amount and fair value adjustments are made on acquisitions as required.

Pensions

The Group's defined benefit pension schemes are accounted for in accordance with FRS 17 'Retirement Benefits'. The pension scheme assets are measured using market values. Pension scheme liabilities are measured using the projected unit actuarial method and are discounted at the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency.

Operating profit is charged with the cost of providing pension benefits earned by employees. Interest payable includes the increase during the year in the present value of the schemes' liabilities that arises from the passage of time less the expected return on the schemes' assets. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of total recognised gains and losses.

The company operates the Famham Castle Newspapers Limited Pension and Life Assurance Scheme. Individual group companies within this scheme have continued to account for this defined benefit scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme, as permitted by FRS 17, as the scheme is a multi-employer scheme where the assets and liabilities of the scheme relating to the company cannot be separately identified.

The Group also operates various defined contribution schemes. These costs are charged to the profit and loss in the period to which they relate.

Deferred taxation

The payment of taxation is deferred or accelerated because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for accounting and taxation purposes. Full provision for deferred taxation is made under the liability method, without discounting, on all timing differences that have arisen and not reversed by the balance sheet date, unless such provision is not permitted by FRS 19.

In accordance with FRS 19 deferred tax is not provided for:

- revaluation gains on land and buildings unless there is a binding agreement to sell them at the balance sheet date;
- gains on the sale of non-monetary assets, if the taxable gain will probably be rolled over;
- extra tax payable if the overseas retained profits of subsidiaries and associates are remitted in the future; and
- fair value adjustment gains to fixed assets and stock to uplift prices to those ruling when an acquisition is made.

Deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is considered more likely than not that they will be recovered.

Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets held under such agreements, which are those where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset have passed to the company, are capitalised in the balance sheet and depreciated over their useful lives.

The interest element of the rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease and represents a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding.

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account over the lease term.

2 Turnover

Turnover represents the value of goods and services rendered by the group, net of value added tax and is comprised mainly of advertising and, in the case of publishing, circulation revenue. Turnover is attributable to the group's principal activity, being newspaper publishers.

Analysis by geographical market:	2014	2013
	£	£
United Kingdom	31,632,630	33,953,392
U.S.A.	-	330,281
	<u>31,632,630</u>	<u>34,283,673</u>

Tindle Newspapers Limited
Notes to the Accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2014

3 Analysis of results

For the year ended 31 March 2014

	Continuing operations		Discontinued operations	Total
	Acquired	Existing		
	£	£	£	£
Cost of sales	159,593	18,176,730	732,344	19,068,667
Gross profit	113,127	12,304,826	146,010	12,563,963
Net operating expenses:				
Distribution costs	6,660	3,767,084	50,444	3,824,188
Administrative expenses	42,642	7,695,731	102,418	7,840,791
Other operating income	-	(237,562)	(9,039)	(246,601)
	49,302	11,225,253	143,823	11,418,378
Group operating profit	63,825	1,079,573	2,187	1,145,585

For the year ended 31 March 2013 (restated)

	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Total
	£	£	£
Cost of sales	19,285,501	1,183,420	20,468,921
Gross profit	13,482,041	332,711	13,814,752
Net operating expenses:			
Distribution costs	4,602,014	114,932	4,716,946
Administrative expenses	7,854,348	322,577	8,176,925
Other operating income	(333,090)	(26,651)	(359,741)
	12,123,272	410,858	12,534,130
Group operating profit/(loss)	1,358,769	(78,147)	1,280,622

4 Operating profit

	2014	2013
	£	£

This is stated after charging/(crediting):

Depreciation of owned fixed assets	166,980	482,826
(Profit)/loss on disposal of minor fixed assets	(4,441)	32,594
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets and impairment adjustments	978,874	306,388
Operating lease rentals - plant and machinery	98,761	252,447
Operating lease rentals - land and buildings	656,181	629,336
Auditors' remuneration - parent	20,000	20,000
Auditors' remuneration - group	104,040	98,237

5 Profit for the financial year

As permitted by section 408 of the Companies Act 2006, the holding company's profit and loss account has not been included in these accounts.

The consolidated profit before dividends includes:

	2014	2013
	£	£
Holding company's profits	3,923,096	1,842,397

6 Loss on exceptional items

	2014	2013
	£	£
(Loss)/profit on disposal of land and buildings	(62,720)	248,108
Cost of streamlining distribution system for the London Group of Companies	-	(481,529)
	(62,720)	(233,421)
Taxation credit/(charge)	15,053	(64,508)

7 Directors' emoluments

	2014	2013
	£	£
Emoluments	333,566	281,037
Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	7,676	6,165
	341,242	287,202
Highest paid director:		
Emoluments	145,292	145,000
Company contributions to money purchase pension schemes	3,789	3,780
	149,081	148,780

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7 Directors' emoluments - continued

Number of directors in company pension schemes:

	2014 Number	2013 Number
Money purchase schemes	3	3

8 Staff costs

	2014 £	2013 £
Wages and salaries	12,247,273	13,069,438
Social security costs	1,038,441	1,094,254
Other pension costs	373,619	421,749
	<u>13,659,333</u>	<u>14,585,441</u>

Average number of employees during the year

	Number	Number
Management and administration	130	131
Editorial and production	278	282
Sales and marketing	271	276
Distribution	22	36
	<u>701</u>	<u>725</u>

9 Interest receivable

	2014 £	2013 £
Bank interest	110,694	67,561
Other interest	3,730	133,123
	<u>114,424</u>	<u>200,684</u>

10 Interest payable

	2014 £	2013 £
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	7
Other loans	1,722	-
	<u>1,722</u>	<u>7</u>
Interest on pension schemes' liabilities less expected returns on pension schemes' assets	2,000	20,000
	<u>3,722</u>	<u>20,007</u>

11 Pension costs

Defined contribution schemes

An amount of £127,619 (2013: £167,827) was paid under various defined contribution schemes throughout the group. The assets of these schemes are held separately from those of the group in independently administered funds.

Defined benefit schemes

The pensions information for defined benefit schemes is shown at the end of these notes in note 32.

12 Analysis of taxation in year

	2014 £	2013 £
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax on profits of the period	344,642	342,320
Adjustments in respect of previous periods	(5,307)	(54,843)
Current tax charge for period	339,335	287,477
Deferred tax:		
Origination and reversal of timing differences	952	(119)
Deferred tax arising from the inclusion of the pension schemes in the accounts	64,520	880
	<u>404,807</u>	<u>288,238</u>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities		

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12 Analysis of taxation in year - continued

Factors affecting tax charge for year

The differences between the tax assessed for the period and the standard rate of corporation tax are explained as follows:

Reconciliation of tax charge	2014 £	2013 £
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	1,194,367	1,386,656
Standard rate of corporation tax in the UK	23%	24%
	£	£
Corporation tax based on the above accounting profit	274,704	332,797
Effects of:		
Expenses not tax deductible, amortisation and depreciation for year in excess of capital allowances	120,216	108,056
Change in value of investments adjustment	(184)	(38,107)
Pension costs charge in excess of pension relief	(64,520)	(880)
Losses/(gains) not chargeable to tax	14,426	(59,546)
Adjustments to tax charge in respect of previous periods	(5,307)	(54,843)
Current tax charge for period	339,335	287,477

Factors that may affect future tax charges

Assets subject to rollover relief amounting to £2,258,955 would generate additional corporation tax of £474,381 if the assets, to which the rollover claim attached, were sold.

13 Equity dividends

	2014 £	2013 £
Equity dividends on ordinary shares - interim paid in year	700,000	100,000
Consolidated dividend in specie - JP plc	2,350,361	-
Consolidated dividend in specie - London Group (see note 33)	15,158,239	-
	18,208,600	100,000

The dividend in specie above has transferred the company's investment in Johnston Press plc, its investment in Tindle CI Broadcasting Limited and associated intangible assets to Tindle Press Holding Limited.

14 Intangible fixed assets

	Goodwill £	Broadcasting £	Publishing £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2013	690,950	1	32,731,296	33,422,247
Additions	-	-	1,615,611	1,615,611
Transfer on re-organisation (see note 33)	-	-	(17,136,304)	(17,136,304)
Disposals	-	-	(242,739)	(242,739)
At 31 March 2014	690,950	1	16,967,864	17,658,815
Amortisation and impairment				
At 1 April 2013	552,760	-	387,211	939,971
Provided during the year	69,095	-	909,779	978,874
On disposals	-	-	(229,215)	(229,215)
At 31 March 2014	621,855	-	1,067,775	1,689,630
Net book value				
At 31 March 2014	69,095	1	15,900,089	15,969,185
At 31 March 2013	138,190	1	32,344,085	32,482,276

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14 Intangible fixed assets - company

	Goodwill	Publishing	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 April 2013	690,950	29,240,716	29,931,666
Additions	-	1,533,039	1,533,039
Disposals (see note 33)	-	(17,136,304)	(17,136,304)
At 31 March 2014	<u>690,950</u>	<u>13,637,451</u>	<u>14,328,401</u>
Amortisation and impairment			
At 1 April 2013	552,760	36,032	588,792
Provided during the year	69,095	909,779	978,874
At 31 March 2014	<u>621,855</u>	<u>945,811</u>	<u>1,567,666</u>
Net book value			
At 31 March 2014	<u>69,095</u>	<u>12,691,640</u>	<u>12,760,735</u>
At 31 March 2013	<u>138,190</u>	<u>29,204,684</u>	<u>29,342,874</u>

The Group tests the carrying value of publishing rights for impairment at each reporting date or more frequently if there are indications of impairment. At the balance sheet date, a review was undertaken on a value in use basis, assessing whether the carrying value of intangible assets were supported by the net present value of future cash flows derived from those assets, using cash flow projections in respect of periods to 2016. The Group considers each subsidiary to be a separate income generating unit for the purpose of this review.

The key assumptions used in the value in use calculations are those regarding the discount rate and growth rates. The discount rate used at the period end reporting date was 7.2%, based on the Group's assessment of its weighted average cost of capital. The cash flow forecasts reflect both past experience of the performance of each asset and projections of future performance over the next four years. Cash flows beyond 2016 are extrapolated based on estimated growth rates which do not exceed the average UK long-term growth rate. Reflecting the current economic climate, value in use assessments were made on a nil growth rate up to 2014, followed by a rate of 2% into perpetuity.

15 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Leasehold land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2013	5,922,747	671,783	1,753,766	8,348,296
Additions	-	-	118,567	118,567
Transfer on re-organisation	-	-	(345,847)	(345,847)
Disposals	(483,354)	(195,141)	(167,840)	(846,335)
At 31 March 2014	<u>5,439,393</u>	<u>476,642</u>	<u>1,358,646</u>	<u>7,274,681</u>
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2013	1,226,752	112,137	1,568,233	2,907,122
Charge for the year	70,477	9,016	87,487	166,980
Transfer on re-organisation	-	-	(304,869)	(304,869)
On disposals	(135,899)	(18,463)	(155,054)	(309,416)
At 31 March 2014	<u>1,161,330</u>	<u>102,690</u>	<u>1,195,797</u>	<u>2,459,817</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2014	<u>4,278,063</u>	<u>373,952</u>	<u>162,849</u>	<u>4,814,864</u>
At 31 March 2013	<u>4,695,995</u>	<u>559,646</u>	<u>185,533</u>	<u>5,441,174</u>

	Freehold land and buildings	Leasehold land and buildings	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost				
At 1 April 2013	5,485,230	616,312	201,042	6,302,584
Additions	-	-	18,410	18,410
Disposals	(244,528)	(195,141)	-	(439,669)
At 31 March 2014	<u>5,240,702</u>	<u>421,171</u>	<u>219,452</u>	<u>5,881,325</u>
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2013	1,062,712	58,092	172,366	1,293,170
Charge for the year	67,801	7,591	9,538	84,930
On disposals	(20,889)	(18,463)	-	(39,352)
At 31 March 2014	<u>1,109,624</u>	<u>47,220</u>	<u>181,904</u>	<u>1,338,748</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2014	<u>4,131,078</u>	<u>373,951</u>	<u>37,548</u>	<u>4,542,577</u>
At 31 March 2013	<u>4,422,518</u>	<u>558,220</u>	<u>28,676</u>	<u>5,009,414</u>

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16 Investments - group

Associates, joint venture and other fixed asset investments

	Cost of shares £	Share of post acquisition losses £	Other investments £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2013	273,242	(20)	150,256	423,478
At 31 March 2014	273,242	(20)	150,256	423,478
Provisions				
At 1 April 2013	221,150	-	150,255	371,405
At 31 March 2014	221,150	-	150,255	371,405
Net book value				
At 31 March 2014	52,092	(20)	1	52,073
At 31 March 2013	52,092	(20)	1	52,073

Group interest in joint venture and associate undertaking

The group holds more than 20% of the share capital of the following companies:

	Accounting year end	Nature of business	Shares held Class	Holding
Latest Homes (UK) Limited (non-trading)	31 March	Internet	Ordinary	50.00%
The Local Digital Company Limited	30 November	Internet	Ordinary	37.50%
			2014	2013
			£	£
Share of associated undertakings' net assets (excluding premium)			52,072	52,072
			52,072	52,072
<u>Group interest in associated undertakings</u>			52,072	52,072
			52,072	52,072
Disclosed above as:				
Cost of shares			52,092	52,092
Share of post acquisition losses			(20)	(20)
			52,072	52,072
Group participating interests and other investments			2014	2013
			£	£
Unlisted investments			1	1

The following participating interests are included in the unlisted investments above:

	Nature of business	Shares held Class	Holding
African Media Investments Limited	Newspaper	Ordinary	18%

In the directors' opinion the value of the unlisted investments is at least equal to or in excess of the net book value. All the investments listed above are in companies incorporated in Great Britain.

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16 Investments - company

	Subsidiaries £	Associates and joint ventures £	Participating interests and other investments £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2013	5,361,068	273,244	150,256	5,784,568
Additions	17,219,269	-	-	17,219,269
Disposals	(17,137,845)	-	-	(17,137,845)
At 31 March 2014	5,442,492	273,244	150,256	5,865,992
Provisions				
At 1 April 2013	22,961	221,150	150,255	394,366
Movement in year	6,180	-	-	6,180
At 31 March 2014	29,141	221,150	150,255	400,546
Net book value				
At 31 March 2014	5,413,351	52,094	1	5,465,446
At 31 March 2013	5,338,107	52,094	1	5,390,202

Subsidiary undertakings contributing to the group's results

	Shares held	
	Class	Holding
<u>Newspaper publishers</u>		
Abergavenny Chronicle Limited	Ordinary	100%
Biggin Hill News Limited	Ordinary	100%
Cambrian News Limited	Ordinary	100%
Chew Valley Gazette Publishing Limited	Ordinary	100%
Cornish Times Limited	Ordinary	100%
Crediton Country Courier Limited	Ordinary	100%
Dawlish Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Devon & Cornwall Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Devon, Dorset & Somerset Series of Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Faringdon Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Farnham Castle Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Forest of Dean & Wye Valley Review Limited	Ordinary	100%
Forester Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
FreeAdmart Limited	Ordinary	100%
Glamorgan Gem Limited	Ordinary	100%
Goldcrest Broadcasting Limited	Ordinary	100%
Leigh Times Series Limited	Ordinary	100%
Meon Valley News Limited	Ordinary	100%
Midsomer Norton & Radstock Journal Limited	Ordinary	100%
Monmouthshire Beacon Co. Limited	Ordinary	100%
New Life Magazines Limited	Ordinary	100%
North Cornwall Advertiser Limited	Ordinary	75%
North Cornwall Post & Diary Limited	Ordinary	75%
Petersfield Post Limited	Ordinary	100%
Property Weekly Series Limited	Ordinary	100%
South Hants Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Surrey & Hants News Limited	Ordinary	100%
Tavistock Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%
Tavy Typesetting Limited	Ordinary	100%
Tenby Observer Limited	Ordinary	100%
The Brecon & Radnor Express Limited	Ordinary	100%
The Cornish & Devon Post Limited	Ordinary	100%
The Ross Gazette Limited	Ordinary	100%
The Sunday Independent Limited	Ordinary	100%
Tindle Newspapers (USA) Inc. (incl. Idyllwild Publications inc.)	Ordinary	100%
Town & Country Admart Limited	Ordinary	100%
Wellington Weekly News Limited	Ordinary	80%
West Country Community Newspapers Limited	Ordinary	100%

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16 Investments - company (continued)

Subsidiary undertakings contributing to the group's results (continued)

	Shares held	
	Class	Holding
<u>Newspaper publishers</u>		
West Somerset Free Press Limited	Ordinary	85%
The following titles were transferred out of the Tindle Newspapers Group on 25 March 2014:		
London Weekly News Limited	Ordinary	100%
Yellow Advertiser Limited	Ordinary	100%

The directors consider the realisable value of the company's investment in its group undertakings to be not less than the carrying value as stated in the company's balance sheet.

The group also has other dormant subsidiaries that are not disclosed in accordance with schedule 410 of the Companies Act 2006.

All the above companies are incorporated in Great Britain with the exception of Tindle Newspapers (USA) Inc. which is incorporated in the United States of America. The American company has a 31 December year end that has been chosen for the purposes of taxation.

Participating interests and other investments

	2014	2013
	£	£
Unlisted investments	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

In the directors' opinion the value of the unlisted investments above is in excess of the net book value. All the investments above are in companies incorporated in Great Britain.

17 Stocks - group

	2014	2013
	£	£
Raw materials and consumables	837	978
Finished goods and goods for resale	9,072	18,587
	<u>9,909</u>	<u>19,565</u>

18 Debtors - group

	2014	2013
	£	£
Trade debtors	3,179,959	4,301,803
Amounts owed by the ultimate parent undertaking	4,576,309	-
Other debtors	112,955	410,848
Prepayments and accrued income	511,470	778,301
	<u>8,380,693</u>	<u>5,490,952</u>

Debtors - company

	2014	2013
	£	£
Trade debtors	61,391	9,144
Amounts owed by group undertakings	480,029	2,449,288
Amounts owed by the ultimate parent undertaking	4,576,309	-
Other debtors	848,995	520,683
Prepayments and accrued income	178,085	145,363
	<u>6,144,809</u>	<u>3,124,478</u>

18 Debtor amounts falling due after more than one year - group and company

	2014	2013
	£	£
Other debtors	1,517,765	6,450,847
	<u>1,517,765</u>	<u>6,450,847</u>

The other debtors shown above comprise an interest free loan to Tindle Conferences and Education Limited amounting to £1,514,120 (2013: £1,514,120) and a rent deposit of £3,645. The unsecured interest bearing advances made to the Tindle Radio group were cleared during the year by the novation of this debt to Tindle CI Broadcasting Limited (2013: £4,933,082).

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19 Investments held as current assets - group	2014	2013
	£	£
Listed investments at cost	5,600	2,354,705
	<u>5,600</u>	<u>2,354,705</u>
Valuation:		
Listed investments - market value	5,600	4,651,334
	<u>5,600</u>	<u>4,651,334</u>
Taxation on potential capital gain if sold at valuation	-	528,225
	<u>-</u>	<u>528,225</u>
Investments held as current assets - company	2014	2013
	£	£
Listed investments at cost	5,600	2,354,705
	<u>5,600</u>	<u>2,354,705</u>
Valuation:		
Listed investments - market value	5,600	4,651,334
	<u>5,600</u>	<u>4,651,334</u>
Taxation on potential capital gain if sold at valuation	-	528,225
	<u>-</u>	<u>528,225</u>
At the same time as the group's re-organisation, the company's investment in Johnston Press plc was transferred to Tindle Press Holdings Limited.		
20 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year - group	2014	2013
	£	£
Trade creditors	933,317	1,470,867
Amounts owed to undertakings in which the company has a participating interest or are themselves subsidiaries of the ultimate parent undertaking	303,639	3,634,159
Corporation tax	-	291,912
Other taxes and social security costs	937,947	1,273,783
Other creditors	226,335	272,388
Accruals and deferred income	649,525	893,553
	<u>3,050,763</u>	<u>7,836,662</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year - company	2014	2013
	£	£
Trade creditors	56,810	19,198
Amounts owed to group undertakings	1,751,700	4,495,993
Amounts owed to the ultimate parent undertaking	-	3,634,159
Other taxes and social security costs	101,297	68,308
Other creditors	178,622	202,609
Accruals and deferred income	208,074	83,502
	<u>2,296,503</u>	<u>8,503,769</u>
21 Deferred taxation - group	2014	2013
	£	£
At 1 April 2013	1,047	1,166
Charged to the profit and loss account	953	(119)
At 31 March 2014	<u>2,000</u>	<u>1,047</u>
22 Share capital	2014	2013
	No	No
Allotted, called up and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of £1 each	18,002	18,002
	<u>18,002</u>	<u>18,002</u>

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23 Profit and loss account	2014	2013
	£	£
Group		
At 1 April 2013	59,642,240	59,061,265
Profit for the financial year	753,779	1,127,095
Actuarial gains and losses	(123,000)	(587,000)
Deferred tax on pension deficit	29,520	140,880
Dividends	(700,000)	(100,000)
Re-organisation dividends in specie	(17,508,600)	-
At 31 March 2014	<u>42,093,939</u>	<u>59,642,240</u>

	2014	2013
	£	£
Company		
At 1 April 2013	56,991,956	55,249,559
Retained profit before dividends	3,923,096	1,842,397
Dividends	(20,187,057)	(100,000)
At 31 March 2014	<u>40,727,995</u>	<u>56,991,956</u>

24 Reconciliation of movement in shareholder's equity funds	2014	2013
	£	£
Group		
At 1 April 2013	59,660,242	59,079,267
Profit for the financial year	789,560	1,098,418
Minority interests	(35,781)	28,677
Actuarial gains and losses	(123,000)	(587,000)
Deferred tax on pension deficit	29,520	140,880
Dividends	(700,000)	(100,000)
Re-organisation dividends in specie	(17,508,600)	-
At 31 March 2014	<u>42,111,941</u>	<u>59,660,242</u>

	2014	2013
	£	£
Company		
At 1 April 2013	57,009,958	55,267,561
Profit for the financial year	3,923,096	1,842,397
Dividends	(20,187,057)	(100,000)
At 31 March 2014	<u>40,745,997</u>	<u>57,009,958</u>

The difference between the group dividends and the company dividends are the consolidated net assets on re-organisation, see note 33.

25 Gross cash flows	2014	2013
	£	£
Return on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received	114,424	100,393
Interest paid	(1,722)	(7)
Minority dividends paid	(12,748)	(17,998)
	<u>99,954</u>	<u>82,388</u>
Capital expenditure and financial investment		
Payments to acquire intangible fixed assets	-	(432)
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(118,564)	(90,979)
Receipts from long term debtors	-	407,837
Receipts from sales of intangible fixed assets	13,068	34,144
Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets	478,640	1,710,740
	<u>373,144</u>	<u>2,061,310</u>

26 Analysis of changes in net debt	At 1 Apr 2013	Cash flows	Non-cash changes	At 31 Mar 2014
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	16,263,837	(687,711)	-	15,576,126
Current asset investments	2,354,705	-	(2,349,105)	5,600
Total	<u>18,618,542</u>	<u>(687,711)</u>	<u>(2,349,105)</u>	<u>15,581,726</u>

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27 Acquisitions and disposals	Petersfield Post Limited	2014	2013
		£	£
Fair value of net assets acquired:			
Publishing rights (see below)	1,533,038	1,533,038	-
Tangible fixed assets	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	-
	<u>1,533,040</u>	<u>1,533,040</u>	-
Minor movements to subsidiary investments		82,573	-
Purchase of associated undertakings		-	<u>202,500</u>
Total consideration		<u>1,615,613</u>	<u>202,500</u>

On 26 September 2013 the company acquired the rights to publish the Petersfield Post.

28 Post balance sheet events

On 28 April 2014, the group disposed of a 51% interest in The Sunday Independent Limited to Mr B.G. Doel, a director of the company at the time.

29 Other financial commitments

At the year end the group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	Land and buildings 2014 £	Land and buildings 2013 £	Other 2014 £	Other 2013 £
Operating leases which expire:				
within one year	10,900	71,517	36,610	50,912
within two to five years	69,168	229,447	104,277	245,684
in over five years	<u>39,500</u>	<u>119,908</u>	-	-
	<u>119,568</u>	<u>420,872</u>	<u>140,887</u>	<u>296,596</u>

30 Related parties and transactions involving directors

During the year the following arms length transactions occurred with related parties:

The company paid £45,000 (2013: £45,000) to Sir Ray Tindle for the rental of The Old Court House, Farnham, Surrey.

In the past, the company loaned £1,469,764 to Tindle Conferences and Education Limited, a company controlled by Mr O.C. Tindle, a director of the company. At the year end the company was owed £1,514,120 (2013: £1,514,120).

The company has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 8 "Related party disclosures" and has not disclosed transactions with wholly owned group undertakings.

31 Controlling party

The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Tindle Press Holdings Limited. The ultimate controlling party is Sir Ray Tindle by virtue of his 100% interest in the ordinary issued share capital of that company. Copies of the Tindle Press Holdings Limited financial statements can be obtained from the Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Maindy, Cardiff, CF14 3UZ.

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32 Pension costs

The Tindle Newspapers group of companies operates 2 defined benefit pension schemes for a number of employees. These schemes have been closed to new entrants since 31 March 2002. Based on actuarial valuations as at 31 March 2010, the following FRS17 information is provided as it relates to these schemes. This valuation has been undertaken by RMA Walkling, a qualified independent actuary. All new employees since March 2002 are entitled to participate in a defined contribution plan.

Farnham Castle Newspapers Limited Pension and Life Assurance

Certain directors and employees of the group companies are members of the FCN Scheme, which is defined benefit with benefits based on members' years of pensionable service and final pensionable salary. The assets of the scheme are held in a separate trustee administered professionally managed fund. Employers' contributions are based on pension costs across the Tindle Newspapers Limited group as a whole. The contributions are agreed by the Scheme trustees and the Employers following advice from a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit credit funding method with members contributing 6% of pensionable salary. The latest Scheme specific actuarial valuation was as at 1 April 2010. The main long term actuarial assumptions adopted were an annual rate of return on investments of 6.0% pre-retirement and 4.4% post-retirement, annual increases in pensionable salaries of 3.0% and annual rate of pension increases subject to Limited Price Indexation LPI 5% of 3.1% and LPI 2.5% of 2.3%.

The market value of the Scheme's assets as at 1 April 2010 was £6,482,000, which excludes the value placed on annuities purchased by the trustees. These assets covered 92% of the value of pensions in payment, deferred pensions and the benefits that had accrued to active members, after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. The Employers' and members' contributions are expected to achieve a 100% funding level over the period to April 2020.

Contributions payable by the employer group to this Scheme amounted to £208,000 (2013: £227,000) and all contributions were paid in the year. These contributions included an amount to amortise the experience deficiencies over the period to April 2020.

Amounts recognised in the balance sheet for this scheme:	2014	2013
	£	£
Present value of funded obligations	(9,232,000)	(8,955,000)
Fair value of scheme's assets	8,335,000	8,080,000
Present value of unfunded obligations	(897,000)	(875,000)
Related deferred tax assets	206,000	236,000
Scheme deficit	(691,000)	(639,000)
Principal actuarial assumptions for this scheme:	2014	2013
	%	%
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	4.30	4.40
Rate of increase in salaries	2.30	2.40
Price inflation assumption	3.30	3.30
Rate of increase in pensions - LPI 5.0%	3.10	3.00
Rate of increase in pensions - LPI 2.5%	2.30	2.30
Overall expected return on assets	4.30	4.90
Members' life expectancy for this scheme:	2014	
	Years	
Life expectancy for members at 65 - Men	23	
Life expectancy for members at 65 - Women	24	

The overall expected return on this Scheme's assets is based on market expectations at the beginning of the period for the various categories of investment. Mortality assumptions are based on standard tables with an allowance for improvement in life expectancy.

Changes to this scheme during the year:	Scheme assets		Pension obligations		Net deficit	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
	£	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2013	8,080,000	7,350,000	(8,955,000)	(7,810,000)	(875,000)	(460,000)
Current service cost (ER)	-	-	(148,000)	(149,000)	(148,000)	(149,000)
Interest cost on benefit obligation	-	-	(394,000)	(361,000)	(394,000)	(361,000)
Expected return on scheme assets	398,000	345,000	-	-	398,000	345,000
Employer contributions	208,000	227,000	-	-	208,000	227,000
Employee contributions	59,000	67,000	(59,000)	(67,000)	-	-
Benefits paid	(354,000)	(306,000)	354,000	306,000	-	-
Actuarial (losses)/gains	(56,000)	397,000	(30,000)	(874,000)	(86,000)	(477,000)
At 31 March 2014	8,335,000	8,080,000	(9,232,000)	(8,955,000)	(897,000)	(875,000)

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32 Pension costs - Farnham Castle Newspapers Limited Pension and Life Assurance Scheme (continued)

Major asset categories in this scheme assets:	2014 £	2013 £
Equities	5,320,000	5,116,000
Bonds, gilts and annuity contracts	2,308,000	2,799,000
Bank deposits and cash balances	707,000	165,000
Total market value of scheme assets	8,335,000	8,080,000

Major asset categories in this scheme's assets as a percentage of scheme assets:	2014 %	2013 %
Equities	64	63
Bonds, gilts and annuity contracts	28	35
Bank deposits and cash balances	8	2

The actual return on the scheme's assets was a gain of £342,000 (2013: a gain of £742,000).

The Brecon and Radnor Express Pension Scheme

In the Brecon Scheme that covers employees of Brecon and Radnor, the retirement benefits are based on the employee's period of pensionable service and final pensionable salary. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company. Employer contributions are agreed by the Brecon Scheme Trustees and the Employer following advice from a qualified independent actuary, who values the scheme triennially. The most recent actuarial valuation of the Scheme was at 6 April 2012. The Scheme was valued using the projected unit method: the principal assumptions were pre-retirement investment returns of 5.3% per annum, post retirement interest rate 4.0% per annum and salary increases of nil for first 2 years then 2.3% per annum.

The market value of the assets as at 6 April 2012 was £1,011,000, which excludes the value of purchased annuities. These assets covered 80% of the value of non purchased pensions in payment, deferred pensions and the benefits that had accrued to active members, after allowing for expected future increases in earnings. The Employer's and members' contributions are expected to achieve a 100% funding level over the period to April 2032.

Contributions payable by the group to this scheme amounted to £38,000 (2013: £27,000) and all contributions were paid in the year.

Amounts recognised in the balance sheet for this scheme:	2014 £	2013 £
Present value of funded obligations	(1,384,000)	(1,360,000)
Fair value of scheme's assets	1,090,000	1,090,000
Present value of unfunded obligations	(294,000)	(270,000)
Related deferred tax assets	68,000	73,000
Scheme deficit	(226,000)	(197,000)

Principal actuarial assumptions for this scheme:	2014 %	2013 %
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	4.30	4.40
Rate of increase in salaries	2.30	2.40
Price inflation assumption	3.30	3.30
Rate of increase in pensions - LPI 5.0%	3.10	3.00
Rate of increase in pensions - LPI 2.5%	2.30	2.30
Overall expected return on assets	4.50	5.00

Members' life expectancy for this scheme:	2014 Years
Life expectancy for members at 65 - Men	23
Life expectancy for members at 65 - Women	24

The overall expected return on this Scheme's assets is based on market expectations at the beginning of the period for the various categories of investment. Mortality assumptions are based on standard tables with an allowance for improvement in life expectancy.

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32 Pension costs - The Brecon and Radnor Express Pension Scheme (continued)

Changes to this scheme during the year:	Scheme assets		Pension obligations		Net surplus	
	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013
	£	£	£	£	£	£
At 1 April 2013	1,090,000	1,011,000	(1,360,000)	(1,176,000)	(270,000)	(165,000)
Current service cost (ER)	-	-	(19,000)	(18,000)	(19,000)	(18,000)
Interest cost on benefit obligation	-	-	(60,000)	(54,000)	(60,000)	(54,000)
Expected return on scheme assets	54,000	50,000	-	-	54,000	50,000
Employer contributions	38,000	27,000	-	-	38,000	27,000
Employee contributions	9,000	11,000	(9,000)	(11,000)	-	-
Benefits paid	(148,000)	(57,000)	148,000	57,000	-	-
Actuarial (losses)/gains	47,000	48,000	(84,000)	(158,000)	(37,000)	(110,000)
At 31 March 2014	1,090,000	1,090,000	(1,384,000)	(1,360,000)	(294,000)	(270,000)

Major asset categories in this scheme assets:

	2014	2013
	£	£
Equities	776,000	720,000
Bonds, gilts and annuity contracts	256,000	338,000
Bank deposits and cash balances	58,000	32,000
Total market value of scheme assets	1,090,000	1,090,000

Major asset categories in this scheme's assets as a percentage of scheme assets:

	2014	2013
	%	%
Equities	71	66
Bonds, gilts and annuity contracts	24	31
Bank deposits and cash balances	5	3

The actual return on the scheme's assets was a gain of £101,000 (2013: a gain of £98,000).

Balance sheet disclosure for both schemes:

	2014	2013
	£	£
Farnham Castle Newspapers Limited Pension and Life Assurance Scheme	(897,000)	(875,000)
The Brecon and Radnor Express Pension Scheme	(294,000)	(270,000)
Deficit before deferred tax	(1,191,000)	(1,145,000)
Adjustment for deferred tax	274,000	309,000
Net pension schemes' deficit disclosed in the balance sheet	(917,000)	(836,000)

The following disclosures are given in connection with both the above schemes in combination:

<u>Amounts for the current and previous 4 years:</u>	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
	£	£	£	£	£
Present value of schemes liabilities	(10,616,000)	(10,315,000)	(8,986,000)	(8,322,000)	(7,822,000)
Fair value of schemes' assets	9,425,000	9,170,000	8,361,000	8,217,000	7,665,000
Deficit before deferred tax	(1,191,000)	(1,145,000)	(625,000)	(105,000)	(157,000)
Experience gains on pension schemes' liabilities	176,000	3,000	55,000	54,000	153,000
Experience (losses)/gains on pension schemes' assets	(9,000)	445,000	(354,000)	2,000	1,016,000
Changes in assumptions underlying the present value of schemes' liabilities	(290,000)	(1,035,000)	(318,000)	(90,000)	(1,330,000)
Actuarial gains and losses recognised in the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses	(123,000)	(587,000)	(617,000)	(34,000)	(161,000)

Contributions expected in the 12 month period ended 31 March 2015

The two schemes noted above expect to receive contributions in the forthcoming year of approximately £1,295,000 (excluding expenses and life assurance premiums).

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33 Group re-organisation

On 25 March 2014 the Tindle Press Holdings group of companies undertook a re-organisation of its trading structure by the creation of two additional sub-holding companies. The re-organisation of the Tindle Holdings group of companies sets out to better reflect the trading activities of the group, to focus Tindle Newspapers Limited on its core business and to streamline the organisational and control structures as provided by the new group structure.

In terms of Tindle Newspapers Limited, the above required the transfer of the following out of the Tindle Newspaper group and relate to the balances in the accounts of London Weekly Newspapers Limited, North London & Herts Newspapers Limited, South London Press (1865) Limited and Yellow Advertiser Limited or balances in Tindle Newspapers Limited that relate to these companies.

	2014
	£
Consolidated intangible publishing rights	17,136,304
Investments in subsidiaries transferred	392
Re-organisation dividend in specie in parent	17,136,696
Amounts owed by group undertakings	(3,286,785)
Net assets of companies subject to the re-organisation excluding the above	1,308,328
Re-organisation dividend in specie in group	<u>15,158,239</u>