# KIDSPROG LIMITED

Annual report and financial statements For the year ended 30 June 2018

Registered number: 02767224



# **Directors and Officers**

For the year ended 30 June 2018

## Directors

Kidsprog Limited's (the "Company") present Directors and those who served during the year are as follows:

C R Jones

C J Taylor

K Holmes

# Secretary

CJTaylor

## Registered office

Grant Way

Isleworth

Middlesex

TW7 5QD

# Strategic and Directors' Report

#### Strategic Report

The Directors present their Strategic and Directors' report on the affairs of the Company, together with the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2018.

The purpose of the Strategic Report is to inform members of the Company and help them assess how the directors have performed their duty under section 172 of the Companies Act 2006 (duty to promote the Company).

#### Business review and principal activities

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sky Ventures Limited (the immediate parent company). At 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018, the ultimate parent company was Sky Limited ("Sky") (formerly Sky plc) and the Company operated as a part of the Sky group ("the Group"). On 9 October 2018 the offer by Comcast Bidco Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Comcast Corporation, to acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital of Sky Limited became wholly unconditional. As a result, and as of that date, the ultimate controlling party of the Company is now Comcast Corporation.

The Company's principal activity is to act as a holding company for an investment in Nickelodeon UK Limited, a company which broadcasts a number of children's satellite television channels. The Directors expect that there will be no major changes in the Company's activities in the following year. For the foreseeable future, the Company will continue to hold the investment in Nickelodeon UK Limited.

The accounts for the year ended 30 June 2018 are set out on pages 6 to 16. The profit for the year was £11,600,000 (2017: £12,600,000). The decrease in profit during the year was due to the Company receiving less dividend income from Nickelodeon UK Limited of £11,600,000 compared to £12,600,000 in the prior year. Total shareholder's equity increased by £11,600,000 to £74,800,000 from £63,200,000 at the previous year ended 30 June 2017, which is in line with profit for the year. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 30 June 2018 (2017: £nil).

## Key performance indicators (KPIs)

The Group manages its operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the Company's directors believe that further key performance indicators for the Company are not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the Company.

## Principal risks and uncertainties

The Company's activities expose it to financial risks, namely credit risk, and liquidity risk. The Company is also exposed to risk through the performance of its investments.

The Directors do not believe the Company is exposed to significant cash flow risk, price risk, interest rate risk or foreign exchange.

## Financial risk management objectives and policies

The use of financial derivatives is governed by the Group's treasury policy approved by the Board of Directors, which provides written principles on the use of financial derivatives to manage these risks. The Company does not use derivative financial instruments for speculative purposes. Refer to note 10 for further information.

# Strategic and Directors' Report (continued)

## Credit risk

The balance sheet of the Company includes intercompany balances, amounts owing by associates and joint ventures and balances due from related parties. The Company is therefore exposed to credit risk on these balances. The intercompany balances of the Company are detailed in notes 6 and 7.

# Liquidity risk

The Company relies on the Group Treasury function to manage its liquidity and ensure that sufficient funds are available for ongoing operations and future developments. The Group has access to a £3 billion revolving credit facility, which was undrawn at 30 June 2018. The facility is due to expire on 11 January 2024 The Company benefits from this liquidity through intra-group facilities and loans.

#### Investment performance risk

The principal risk facing the Company relates to the recoverability of the Company's investment in joint ventures. Recovery of these assets is dependent upon the generation of sufficient profits by the joint venture to pay dividends or from the proceeds of sale of such investments, in the event of their disposal. The Company reviews the carrying amount of its investments at balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment.

By Order of the Board,

K Holmes Director

Grant Way Isleworth Middlesex TW7 5QD

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# Strategic and Directors' Report (continued)

#### **Directors' Report**

The Directors who served during the period are shown on page 1. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend (2017: £nil).

The Company has chosen, in accordance with section 414C(11) of the Companies Act 2006, to include such matters of strategic importance to the Company in the Strategic Report which otherwise would be required to be disclosed in the Director's report.

#### **Going concern**

The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and performance are set out in the Business Review. The Strategic Report details the financial position of the Company, as well as the Company's objectives and policies, and details of its exposures to credit risk and liquidity risk.

After making enquiries, the Directors have formed a judgement at the time of approving the financial statements that the Company will have access to adequate resources to continue in existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

By Order of the Board,

K Holmes

Director

Grant Way

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# Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

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 the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the European Union. 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, International Accounting Standard 1 requires that Directors:

- properly select and apply accounting policies;
- present information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information;
- provide additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in IFRSs are insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the Company's financial position and financial performance; and
- make an assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

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.

# Unaudited Statement of Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Notes	2018	2017
		£'000	£′000
Investment income	2	11,600	12,600
Profit before tax	3	11,600	12,600
Tax	4	-	-
Profit for the year attributable to equity shareholders		11,600	12,600

 $\label{thm:companying} The accompanying \ notes \ are \ an \ integral \ part \ of \ this \ Statement \ of \ Comprehensive \ Income.$ 

For the years ended 30 June 2018 and 30 June 2017, the Company did not have any items of other Comprehensive Income.

All results relate to continuing operations.

## **Unaudited Balance Sheet**

As at 30 June 2018

	Notes	2018	2017
		£′000	£′000
Non-current assets			
Investment in joint venture	5	5,527	5,527
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	6	74,800	63,200
Total assets		80,327	68,727
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	7	5,527	5,527
Total liabilities		5,527	5,527
Share capital	8	-	<u></u>
Reserves		74,800	63,200
Total equity attributable to equity shareholders		74,800	63,200
Total liabilities and shareholder's equity		80,327	68,727

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this balance sheet.

As at 30 June 2018 and 30 June 2017 the Company did not have any cash or cash equivalents. Accordingly, no cash flow statement or reconciliation of operating profit to cash flows from operating activities has been prepared.

For the year ended 30 June 2018 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

#### Directors' responsibilities:

- the members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476
- the directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect
  to accounting records and the preparation of accounts

The financial statements of Kidsprog Limited, registered number 02767224, were approved by the Board of Directors on CM March 2019 and were signed on its behalf by:

C R Jones

Director

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# Unaudited Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Share capital	Retained earnings	Total shareholders equity	
	£,000	£'000	£'000	
At 30 June 2016	-	50,600	50,600	
Profit for the year	-	12,600	12,600	
At 30 June 2017	-	63,200	63,200	
Profit for the year	-	11,600	11,600	
At 30 June 2018	-	74,800	74,800	

#### 1. Accounting policies

Kidsprog Limited (the "Company") is a limited liability Company incorporated in the United Kingdom, and registered in England and Wales.

## a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union ("EU") and the Companies Act 2006. In addition, the Company also complied with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

#### b) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis (as set out in the Directors' Report) and on a historical cost basis, except for the re-measurement to fair value of certain financial assets and liabilities as described in the accounting policies below. The Company has adopted the new accounting pronouncements which became effective this period, none of which had any significant impact on the Company's results or financial position.

The Company maintains a 52 or 53 week fiscal year ending on the Sunday nearest to 30 June in each year. In fiscal year 2018, this date was 1 July 2018, this being a 52 week year (fiscal year 2017: 2 July 2017, 52 week year). For convenience purposes, the Company continues to date its financial statements as at 30 June. The Company has classified assets and liabilities as current when they are expected to be realised in, or intended for sale or consumption in, the normal operating cycle of the Company.

### c) Investments in joint venture

Investments are stated at cost, less any provision for impairment in value.

## d) Financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are initially recognised at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. At each balance sheet date, the Company assesses whether there is any objective evidence that any financial asset is impaired. Financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the Company's Balance Sheet when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial asset or liability. Financial assets are derecognised from the balance sheet when the Company's contractual rights to the cash flows expire or the Company transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of the financial asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised from the Company's Balance Sheet when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

## i. Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Trade and other receivables, with no stated interest rate, are measured at the original invoice amount if the effect of discounting is immaterial. An allowance account is maintained to reduce the carrying value of trade and other receivables for impairment losses identified from objective evidence, with movements in the allowance account, either from increased impairment losses or reversals of impairment losses, being recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

# d) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

#### ii. Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are non-derivative financial liabilities and are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Trade and other payables, with no stated interest rate, are measured at the original invoice amount if the effect of discounting is immaterial.

#### e) Impairment

At each balance sheet date, and in accordance with IAS 36 "Impairment of Assets', the Company reviews the carrying amounts of all its assets excluding Inventories (see accounting policy d) and deferred tax (see accounting policy f) to determine whether there is any indication that any of those assets have suffered an impairment loss.

An impairment is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the greater of net selling price, defined as the 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 risks specific to the asset. 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. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to those units, and then to reduce the carrying amount of other assets in the unit on a pro-rata basis.

An impairment loss for an individual asset shall be reversed if there has been a change in estimates used to determine the recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised and is only reversed to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### f) Tax, including deferred tax

The Company's liability for current tax is based on taxable profit for the year, and is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised using the balance sheet liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the Balance Sheet and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Temporary differences arising from goodwill and the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting profit nor taxable profit are not provided for.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Company is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

# 1. Accounting policies (continued)

## g) Critical accounting policies and the use of judgement

Certain accounting policies are considered to be critical to the Company. An accounting policy is considered to be critical if its selection or application materially affects the Company's financial position or results. The Directors are required to use their judgement in order to select and apply the Company's critical accounting policies. Below is a summary of the Company's critical accounting policies and details of the key areas of judgement that are exercised in their application.

The Company's key critical accounting policies are the recoverability of receivables and carrying value of investments.

#### i. Receivables

Judgement is required in evaluating the likelihood of collection of debt; this evaluation requires estimates to be made, including the level of provision to be made for amounts with uncertain recovery profiles.

#### ii. Investments

The Company reviews the carrying amounts of its investment to determine whether there is any indication that the investment has suffered an impairment loss.

#### h) Accounting standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards not yet effective

The Company has not yet adopted certain new standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards, which have been published but are only effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2017. These new pronouncements are listed below: The Directors are currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of these standards, amendments and interpretations in future periods.

- Amendments to IAS 7 'Disclosure Initiative' (effective 1 January 2017)\*
- Amendments to IFRS 2 'Share-based Payments' (effective 1 January 2018)\*
- IFRS 15 'Revenue from Contracts with Customers' (effective 1 January 2018)
- IFRS 16 'Leases' (effective 1 January 2018)

#### 2. Investment income

	2018	2017
	£,000	£′000
Dividend distribution from joint venture	11,600	12,600

Dividends totalling £11,600,000 (2017: £12,600,000) were received in the year from Nickelodeon UK Limited.

#### 3. Profit before tax

# Employee benefits and key management compensation

There were no staff costs during the year as the Company had no employees (2017: none). Services are provided by employees of other companies within the Group with no charge being made for their services (2017: £nil). The Directors did not receive any remuneration during the year in respect of their services to the Company (2017: £nil).

#### 4. Tax

No tax charge was recognised in the year ended 30 June 2018 (2017: £nil).

#### Reconciliation of effective tax rate

The tax expense for the year is lower (2017, lower) than the expense that would have been charged using the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK 19% (2017: blended 19.75%) applied to profit before tax. The applicable or substantively enacted effective rate of UK corporation tax for the year was 19% (2017: 19.75%). The differences are explained below:

	2018	2017
	£'000	£′000
Profit before tax	11,600	12,600
Profit before tax multiplied by the blended rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19.75%	2,204	2,489
(2017: blended 19.75%)		
Effects of.		
Non-taxable dividends received	(2,204)	(2,489)
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All tax relates to UK corporation tax and is settled by Sky UK Limited on the Company's behalf.

#### 5. Investment in joint venture

Investment in joint ventures represents the net book value of the Company's investment in Nickelodeon UK Limited, a company registered in England and Wales, comprising of Company loans and investment in share capital. Nickelodeon UK Limited is a company which broadcasts a number of children's satellite television channels.

	2018	2017
	£'000	£′000
Cost and net book value		
Beginning and end of year	5,527	5,527

At 30 June 2018, the Company held 104 "B" shares of £0.01 each, representing 40% (2017, 40%) of the issued share capital of Nickelodeon UK Limited. The Company accounts for the 40% holding in Nickelodeon UK Limited as an investment in joint venture. The investment is held at cost and reviewed for impairment at each balance sheet date.

#### 6. Trade and other receivables

2018	2017
	£,000
Amounts receivable from immediate parent company 74,800	63,200

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of trade and other receivables approximates to fair values.

The amounts receivable from the immediate parent have been assessed to be fully recoverable and as such no other allowances have been recorded.

Amounts due from the immediate parent company totalling £74,800,000 (2017: £63,200,000) are non-interest bearing and are repayable on demand.

## 7. Trade and other payables

2018	2017
£′000	£'000
Amounts payable to the ultimate parent company 5,527	5,527

The Directors consider that the carrying amount of trade and other payables approximates to their fair value. Trade payables principally comprise amounts outstanding for the initial investment in Nickelodeon

Amounts due to the ultimate parent company totalling £5,527,000 (2017 £5,527,000) are non-interest bearing and are repayable on demand.

## 8. Share capital

	2018	2017
	£	£
Allotted, called-up and fully paid		
2 (2017: 2) ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2

The Company has one class of ordinary shares which carry equal voting rights and no contractual right to receive payment,

#### 9. Other financial instruments

## Carrying value and fair value

The Company's principal financial instruments comprise trade payables and trade receivables.

The accounting classification of each class of the Company's financial assets and financial liabilities, together with their fair values, is as follows:

	Loans and receivables	Other lìabilities	Total carrying value	Total fair values
	£'000	£′000	£'000	£'000
At 30 June 2018				
Trade and other payables	-	(5,527)	(5,527)	(5,527)
Trade and other receivables	74,800	-	74,800	74,800
At 30 June 2017			· <u> </u>	
Trade and other payables	-	(5,527)	(5,527)	(5,527)
Trade and other receivables	63,200	-	63,200	63,200

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities is determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis using prices from observable current market transactions and dealer quotes for similar instruments.

## 10. Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group's Treasury function is responsible for raising finance for the Company's operations, together with associated liquidity management and management of foreign exchange, interest rate and credit risks. Treasury operations are conducted within a framework of policies and guidelines authorised and reviewed by both the Audit Committee and the Board, which receive regular updates of Treasury activity. Derivative instruments are transacted for risk management purposes only. It is the Group's policy that all hedging is to cover known risks and no speculative trading is undertaken. Regular and frequent reporting to management is required for all transactions and exposures, and the internal control environment is subject to periodic review by the Group's internal audit team.

## 10. Financial risk management objectives and policies (continued)

## Capital Risk Management

The capital structure of the Company consists of equity attributable to equity holders of the parent Company, comprising issued capital, reserves and retained earnings. Risk and treasury management is governed by Sky plc's policies approved by its Board of Directors.

#### Credit risk

The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk on trade receivables is the carrying amounts disclosed in note 6.

#### Liquidity risk

The Company's financial liabilities are shown in note 7.

The following table analyses the Company's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. The amounts disclosed may not reconcile to the amounts disclosed on the balance sheet for trade and other payables.

	Less than 12	_	Between two and	More than 5
	months	two years	five years	years
	£′000	£′000	£′000	£'000
At 30 June 2018				
Trade and other payables	5,527	•	-	-
At 30 June 2017	· · ·		<u> </u>	
Trade and other payables	5,527	-	-	-

## 11. Transactions with related parties

#### a) Key management

The Company has a related party relationship with the Directors of the Company as key management. At 30 June 2018, there were three (2017: three) key managers, all of whom were Directors of the Company. No transactions were performed with the Directors of the Company during the year, see note 3.

#### b) Transactions with parent company

For details of amounts owed by and amounts payable to the parent company, see notes 6 and 7. Movement in trade and other receivables for the year is £11,600,000 and relates to dividend income of £11,600,000 received from Nickelodeon UK Limited. For further detail, see note 2.

## 11. Transactions with related parties (continued)

## c) Transactions with joint ventures

The Company holds 40% of the issued share capital of Nickelodeon UK Limited. Investment income of £11,600,000 (2017: £12,600,000) was received from Nickelodeon UK Limited during the year. There are no outstanding balances with this entity at year end.

The Group's treasury function is responsible for liquidity management across the Group's operations. It is standard practice for the Company to lend and borrow cash to and from the parent company as required.

Under this policy, Sky UK Limited received income of £11,600,000 (2017: £12,600,000) on behalf of the Company during the year. This amount appears as an intercompany receivable owed to the company. Please refer to note 6 for details of intercompany receivables.

#### 12. Ultimate parent undertaking

The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary undertaking of Sky Ventures Limited, a Company incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales. At 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018, the Company was ultimately controlled by Sky Limited (formerly Sky plc) ("Sky") and operated together with Sky's other subsidiaries, as part of the Group. Sky plc is the largest and smallest group of which the Company is a member and for which group financial statements are prepared.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group are available to the public and may be obtained from the Company Secretary, Sky Limited, Grant Way, Isleworth, Middlesex, TW7 5QD.

## 13. Post Balance Sheet event

On 9 October 2018 the offer by Comcast Bidco Limited, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Comcast Corporation, to acquire the entire issued and to be issued share capital of Sky Limited became wholly unconditional. As a result, and as of that date, the ultimate controlling party of the Company is now Comcast Corporation.