(Limited by Guarantee)

Company Reg No. 2895790

# ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31st MARCH 1996





## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

## **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

The Media Trust was incorporated as a private company, limited by guarantee, on 8th February 1994. It changed its name from Timedoption Limited to The Media Trust on 7th October 1994. The company was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 12th December 1994. The governing instrument is the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

Reg. Charity No. 1042733 Reg. Company No. 2895790

The directors of the company who are also the charity trustees are:

D.J. Carrington

P. Coulter

S. Davies

J. Middleton

T.J. Simpson

J. Tewson

Company Secretary:

S. Lloyd

#### PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

Solicitors:	Bankers:	Auditors:
Bates, Wells and Braithwaite 61 Charterhouse St. London, EC1M 6HA.	Co-operative Bank City of London Business Centre, 9 Prescot Street; London, E1 8SG.	Knox Cropper 16 New Bridge Street London, EC4V 6AX.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

To advance the education and training of the public, in particular members of charitable and non-charitable voluntary organisations, in all forms of communication media and in particular in the effective utilisation thereof.

## **ACTIVITIES AND DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE YEAR**

The Media Trust has continued to concentrate on its core activities of producing Voluntary Sector Television (VSTV) for transmission on the BBC Learning Zone, together with related video production and the organisation of information/training events and materials. Two new projects are also in development, the Media Resource and Voluntary Sector Open Learning.

#### **FINANCIAL POSITION**

The overall surplus for the period to 31 March 1996 was £25,125 of which £28,480 related to restricted funds. Despite the shortfall in unrestricted funds of £3,355 the mixed funding base established will allow the Trust's activities to progress in 1996/97.

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT (Continued)**

## STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The Directors are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which 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 those financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable 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 proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. 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.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Secretary

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## REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

## TO THE MEMBERS OF

#### THE MEDIA TRUST

We have audited the financial statements set out on pages 4 to 7 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

## RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND AUDITORS

As described on page 2, the Directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

## **BASIS OF OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the Directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### **OPINION**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31st March 1996 and of its result for the year ended 31st March 1996 and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

16 New Bridge Street London EC4V 6AX

Knox Cropper Chartered Accountants Registered <u>Auditor</u>

## **INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 1996

	<u>Notes</u>	Unrestricted <u>Funds</u>	Restricted Funds	1996 Total <u>Fund</u>	1995 Total <u>Fund</u>
INCOME		£	£	£	£
Grants and Donations VSTV: Airtime Fees and Production		103,377	70,517	173,894	130,949
Subsidy		43,575	26,500	70,075	18,149
Video Production Fees		41,562	-	41,562	57,044
Donated Facilities	1(c);2	46,505	-	46,505	8,000
Other Income		19,641		19,641	7,472
		254,660			
EXPENDITURE					
Direct Charitable Expenditure					
VSTV Production and Airtime Cost	S	147,437		173,937	97,024
Video Production Costs		29,113	-	29,113	
Special Reports: Production Costs		2,428		24,465	
Training and Conferences		24,457		44,457 	
		203,435	68,537	271,972	177,360
Other Expenditure					
Fundraising		10,600	-	10,600	9,700
Management and Administration		43,980		43,980	35,864 
·			68,537		222,924
Excess of Income over Expenditure Balances brought forward	3	(3,355 (2,310	28,480	25,125 (1,310)	(1,310)
Balances carried forward		£ (5,665	£ 29,480		£ (1,310)

All recognised gains and losses are included in the income and expenditure account.

## **BALANCE SHEET**

# AS AT 31ST MARCH 1996

	Notes	<u>1</u> 9	99 <u>6</u> £	<u>19</u> :	9 <u>5</u> £
		L	L	L	L
FIXED ASSETS	5		10,270		12,837
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors Work-in-Progress	6	51,833 4,717		14,166	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		681 		63,308 	
		57,231		77,474	
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(43,686) 		(33,971)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			13,545		43,503
			13,545		
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIE	S		23,815		56,340
DEFERRED INCOME	1(d)		-		(57,650)
			£ 23,815		£ (1,310)
FUNDS		-			
Unrestricted			(F, CCE)		(2,310)
Restricted	8		(5,665) 29,480		1,000
			£ 23,815		£ (1,310)

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#### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 1996

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- (a) The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice No.2: Accounting by Charities.
- (b) Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets on a straight line basis over the useful economic lives of the assets concerned. Assets are not depreciated in their year of acquisition.
- (c) Donated facilities are included in the income and expenditure account at their economic value to the Company.
- (d) Donations received which relate to subsequent accounting periods are disclosed in the Balance Sheet as deferred income.
- (e) Under Financial Reporting Standard No. 1 the company is not required to produce a Cash Flow Statement.

#### 2. DONATED FACILITIES

	<u>1996</u>	<u> 1995</u>
	£	£
Accommodation	9,000	6,000
Production Facilities	36,445	2,000
Other Facilities	1,060	-
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	£ 46,505	£ 8,000

## 3. THE EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE IS STATED AFTER CHARGING:

Depreciation	£ 2,567	<u>£</u> -
Audit Fee	£ 500	£ 500
STAFF COSTS		
Wages and Salaries Social Security Costs	77,340 7,793	65,090 6,260
	£85,133	£71,350
The average number of staff employed during the period was:	4	4

No director received any remuneration.

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS (Continued)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 1996

5.	FIXED ASSETS		1996 <u>Equipme</u> £		1995 <u>uipment</u> £
	Cost: Balance brought forward Additions		12,83	-	- 12,837 
	Balance Carried Forward		12,83		12,837
٠	Depreciation: Balance brought forward Charge for year		2,5		- - -
	Balance carried forward		2,5	67 	-
	Net Book Value at 31st March 1995		£10,2	70 £	12,837
6.	DEBTORS				
	Trade Debtors Income Tax Recoverable Other Debtors	·	27,6 17,3 6,8 	34 34	14,166
			£51,8		£14,166
7.	CREDITORS				10.000
	Trade Creditors Other Creditors including taxation and		31,2	273	19,009
	Social Security Accruals			335 5 <b>7</b> 8	4,609 10,353
			£43,0		£33,971
8.	RESTRICTED FUNDS	Brought forward	in Year Income Expe	Movement in Year ncome Expenditure	
;	VSTV Special Reports Training and Seminars	£ - 1,000 -	50,517 2 20,000 2	£ 26,500 22,037 20,000	£ - 29,480 -
	Total	£ 1,000	£ 97,017 £	68,537	£ 29,480

## 9. TAXATION

The Company, as a registered charity, is not liable for Income Tax or Corporation Tax because its income falls within the various exemptions available to registered charities.

## 10. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There were no capital commitments at the period end.