# Amazon.co.uk Limited

Report and Financial Statements

31 December 2007

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## Registered No 3223028

#### **Directors**

Michael D Deal

Brian McBride (appointed 1 June 2007)
Shaun McCabe (appointed 1 April 2008)
Martin Sharples (appointed 1 April 2008)

## Co -Secretary

Mitre Secretaries Limited

Vincent Collins (appointed 1 April 2008)

## **Auditors**

Ernst & Young LLP Apex Plaza Forbury Road Reading Berkshire RG1 1YE

## **Bankers**

Deutsche Bank AG Winchester House 1 Great Winchester Street London EC2N 2DB

#### Solicitors

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## Registered office

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# **Directors' report**

The directors present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007

## Financial results and dividends

The loss for the year amounted to £817,927 (2006 profit of £507,687) The directors do not recommend the payment of any dividends (2006 £nil)

## Principal activity and review of the business

The principal activity of the company during the year was the provision of fulfilment, marketing and support services to other group undertakings

The key performance indicator for the company is administrative expenses. As part of the budgetary process, targets are set with respect to administrative expenses in order to effectively manage the activities of the company. Performance against targets is reviewed on a regular basis and appropriate actions are taken as required.

#### **Future developments**

The directors aim to maintain the management policies which have resulted in the company's growth in the last year. The company is in a good position to take advantage of any opportunities which may arise in the future.

#### Principal risk and uncertainties

The company is dependent on the continued success of the Amazon com group companies. The principal risks and uncertainties they face include, among others, risks related to competition, management of growth, new products, services and technologies, potential fluctuations in operating results, international expansion, outcomes of legal proceedings and claims, fulfilment centre optimization, seasonality, commercial agreements, acquisitions and strategic transactions, foreign exchange rates, system interruption, significant amount of indebtedness, inventory, government regulation and taxation, payments and fraud More information about the principal risks and uncertainties facing the group are included in Amazon com, Inc 's filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, and subsequent filings

#### **Employees**

The company is committed to providing equal opportunities for everyone who works at the company, including anyone who applies to work for the company or has worked for the company. This policy applies to all employees, anyone working for any of the company's business units or anyone visiting the company's premises.

All applications from disabled persons are fully considered. Should an employee become disabled, it is the group's practice to continue their current employment where possible or offer suitable alternatives. It is the policy of the group that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical with that of other employees.

The company's aim is to ensure that everyone achieves their full potential and that employment decisions and actions are not taken on discriminatory grounds

#### Health and safety

The company considers that the health and safety of its workforce is very important. The company's policy therefore sets out its commitment to health and safety. The policy applies to all employees and anyone working for the company in any of its business units or who are visiting any of the company's premises. It is the company's policy to operate its business in accordance with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and all applicable regulations made under this legislation so far as is reasonably practicable. This policy

# **Directors' report (continued)**

will be regularly reviewed and revised, as appropriate, to take into account changes in circumstances or in legal requirements

#### Corporate responsibility

The company recognises that, as part of a wider community of employees, shareholders, customers suppliers and others, it has a responsibility to act in a way that respects the environment and minimises any adverse impacts caused by its operations

The company believes that the Online shopping business it supports is inherently more environmentally friendly than traditional retailing and the company is constantly looking for ways to further reduce our environmental impact. Through our corporate responsibility practices, the company aims to

- Meet all relevant legislative requirements on environmental issues, and
- Conserve energy and natural resources by minimising waste and recycling where practicable

#### **Directors' liability**

The company has indemnified one or more of the directors of the company against liability in respect of proceedings brought by third parties subject to the conditions set out in the Companies Act 1985 Such qualifying third party indemnity provisions were in force during the year and are in force as at the date of approving the director's report

#### Supplier payment policy

The company's policy is to abide by the agreed terms of payment with suppliers where the goods and services have been supplied in accordance with the relevant terms and conditions of the contract

## Financial risk management

The directors have not disclosed the company's financial risk management objectives and policies nor the company's exposure to price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow risk as such information is not considered material for the assessment of company's assets, liabilities, financial position, profit after taxation and profit for the financial year

#### Directors and their interests

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows

Amanda Minshull-Beech (resigned 31 May 2007)
Allan Lyall (resigned 1 April 2008)
Ryan Regan (resigned 9 March 2007)

Michael D Deal

Brian McBride (appointed 1 June 2007)

Michael Roth (appointed 1 June 2007, resigned 1 April 2008))

The following directors were appointed after the end of the year Shaun McCabe (appointed 1 April 2008)

Martin Sharples (appointed 1 April 2008)

The following directors resigned after the end of the year
Allan Lyall (resigned 1 April 2008)
Michael Roth (resigned 1 April 2008)

No directors held any interest in the share capital of the company during the year

# **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Directors statement as to disclosure of information to Auditors

So far as each Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information (that is, information needed by the company's auditors in connection with preparing their report) of which the company's auditors are unaware

Each Director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, Ernst & Young LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office and a resolution confirming their re-appointment will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting

On behalf of the Board

Shaun McCabe Director

Date 27 Aug 08

# Statement of directors' responsibilities in respect of the financial statements

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 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, and
- 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.

## Independent auditors' report

to the members of Amazon.co.uk Limited

We have audited the company's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2007 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 17 These financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies set out therein

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and transactions with the company is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it

## Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom 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 the 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.

# Independent auditors' report

to the members of Amazon.co.uk Limited

## **Opinion**

In our opinion

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2007 and of its loss for the year then ended,
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act
- the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements

Ernst & Young LLP Registered Auditor Reading

Date

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# Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 December 2007

		2007	2006
	Notes	£	£
Turnover Administrative expenses	2	81,033,464 (80,598,696)	77,646,460 (76,850,599)
Operating profit	3	434,768	795,861
Interest receivable Other income Interest payable	6 7	93,137 (206,688)	143,022 362,667
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation		321,217	1,301,550
Tax expense on profit from ordinary activities	8	(1,139,144)	(793,863)
(Loss)/profit retained for the financial year		(817,927)	507,687

There are no recognised gains or losses other than the loss of £817,927 attributable to the shareholder for the year ended 31 December 2007 (2006) profit of £507,687)

# **Balance sheet**

at 31 December 2007

	Notes	2007 £	2006 £
Fixed assets Tangble assets	9	19,698,410	15,995,850
Current assets Debtors Amounts falling due within one year Amounts falling due after more than one year Cash at bank	10a 10b	36,209,037 706,823 4,271,179	35,807,138 250,204 348,602
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	lla	41,187,039 (22,731,799)	
Net current assets		18,455,240	17,864,169
Total assets less current liabilities		38,153,650	33,860,019
Creditors amounts falling due after more than one year	11b	(2,631,793)	(1,955,476)
Net assets		35,521,857	31,904,543
Capital and Reserves			
Called up share capital	14	9,366,036	9,366,036
Other reserves Share based payments	15 15	11,802,395 8,461,493	11,802,395 4,026,252
Profit and loss account	15	5,891,933	6,709,860
Equity shareholder's funds	15	35,521,857	31,904,543

Approved by the Board

Shaun McCabe Director

Date

21 Aug 08

at 31 December 2007

## 1. Accounting policies

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies which have been continuously followed are set out below.

#### Cash flow statement

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (revised) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the company is wholly owned and its ultimate parent publishes consolidated financial statements

#### Fixed assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets, at rates calculated to write off the cost, less estimated residual value based on prices prevailing at the date of acquisition of each asset evenly over its expected useful life, as follows

Plant & Machinery - 10 years
Office Equipment - 2 - 5 years

Leasehold Improvements - Lower of expected useful life or lease term

Computer Equipment - 2 years

#### Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events have occurred at that date that will result in an obligation to pay more, or a right to pay less or to receive more, tax, with the following exception

deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the directors consider that it is more likely
than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of the underlying
timing differences can be deducted

Deferred tax is measured on an undiscounted basis at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which timing differences reverse, based on tax rates and laws enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date

#### Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of transaction

Monetary assets and habilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date

All differences are taken to the profit and loss account

#### Share based payments

In accordance with FRS 20, the fair value of equity-settled share-based payments to eligible employees is determined at the date of grant and is expensed over the vesting period based on the company's estimate of equity awards that will eventually vest. A corresponding entry is recognised in equity (Further details set out in note 17)

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## 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### Leasing and hire purchase commitments

Assets held under finance leases, which are leases where substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset have passed to the company, and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the balance sheet and are depreciated over their useful lives. The capital elements of future obligations under the leases and hire purchase contracts are included as liabilities in the balance sheet.

The interest elements of the rental obligations are charged in the profit and loss account over the periods of the leases and hire purchase contracts and represent a constant proportion of the balance of capital repayments outstanding

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged in the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term

#### Pension costs

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme Contributions are charged to the profit and loss account as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme

#### 2. Turnover

Turnover, which is stated net of value added tax, represents amounts invoiced to other group companies and is attributable to the company's principal activities

Turnover by geographical segment has not been disclosed because, in the opinion of the directors, it would be prejudicial to the interests of the company to do so

## 3. Operating profit

This is stated after charging/(crediting)	2007 £	2006 £
Auditors' remuneration - audit of the financial statements	43,932	46,273
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	3,744,146	3,953,880
Operating lease rentals - land and buildings - plant and machinery Net (profit)/loss on foreign currency translation	5,177,571 396,222 (328,394)	5,167,158 306,377 193,299

#### 4. Staff costs

Staff costs		
	2007	2006
	£	£
Wages and salaries	38,293,561	36,755,850
Social security costs	4,050,031	4,533,466
Staff pension contributions	866,839	784,671
Share based awards	4,435,241	2,820,966
	47,645,672	44,894,953

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## 4. Staff costs (continued)

	The monthly average number of employees during the period was as follows	2007 No	2006 No
	Management and Administration Staff	1,448	1,477
5.	Directors' emoluments	2007 £	2006 £
	Aggregate emoluments in respect of qualifying services	382,331	193,741
	Aggregate amounts received under long term incentive plans	35,145	118,245
	Value of company pension contributions to money purchase schemes	10,938	9,844
		2007 No	2006 No
	Members of money purchase pension schemes	3	2
	Number of directors who received shares in respect of qualifying services	2	2
	Number of directors who exercised share options	1	2
	The amounts in respect of the highest paid director are as follows	2007 £	2006 £
	Emoluments	233,333	98,050
	Company Contributions to money purchase pension schemes	5,833	4,294

The highest paid director did not exercise any share options during the year nor did he receive any shares under long term incentive scheme

Certain directors' emoluments have been borne by the ultimate parent company, Amazon com, Inc, or one of its affiliated companies. These directors are also directors or officers of a number of the companies within the Amazon Group. These directors' services to the company do not occupy a significant amount of their time. As such these directors do not consider that they have received any remuneration for their incidental services to the company for the years ended 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2006.

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6.	Interest receivable		
		2007	2006
	***	£	125 005
	Interest receivable, net Group interest receivable	64,555 28,582	125,995 17,027
	Group interest receivable		
		93,137	143,022
7.	Interest payable		
••	merous payable	2007	2006
		£	£
	Other interest payable	206,688	-
	8(a) Tax on profit on ordinary activities The tax expense is made up as follows	2007 £	2006 £
	Current tax	~	•
	UK corporation tax	19,367	46,259
	Adjustment in respect of previous periods	1,576,397	588,646
	Total current tax expense (note 8(b))	1,595,764	634,905
	Deferred Tax		
	Current year	(535,283)	171,480
	Adjustment in respect of prior years	78,663 ————	(12,522)
	Total deferred tax (benefit)/expense	(456,620)	158,958
	Tax expense on profit from ordinary activities	1,139,144	793,863

8(b) Factors affecting current tax charge

The tax assessed on the profit on ordinary activities for the year is different than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 30% (2006) The differences are reconciled below

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## 8. Taxation continued

	2007 £	2006 £
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	321,217	1,301,550
Profit on ordinary activities by rate of tax of 30% Expenses not deductible for tax Timing differences on share based awards Timing differences on general provisions Timing differences on capital allowance claims Carry forward tax losses claimed Adjustments in respect of prior years Unrelieved tax losses in current year	96,365 208,991 (410,844) - (154,937) - 1,576,397 279,792	390,465 514,687 (70,730) (9,659) (42,440) (723,542) 576,124
Total current tax (note 8(a))	1,595,764	634,905
8(c) Deferred tax The deferred taxation asset recognised in the financial statements is as follows		
	2007 £	2006 £
Timing differences on capital allowance claims Timing differences related to shared based awards Tax losses available	(1,041,552) 1,415,256 333,119	(773,997) 898,207 125,994
Deferred tax asset (note 10(b))	706,823	250,204

In financial year 2008, the UK corporation tax rate has reduced from 30% to 28%. This rate change will affect the amount of future cash tax payments to be made by the company and has reduced the company's deferred tax asset. Changes to the UK capital allowance regime have also been proposed, the most significant of these changes for the company is the reduction in the rate of capital allowances applicable to plant and machinery expenditure from 25% to 20% per annum on a reducing balance basis from 1 April 2008. The effect on the company of these proposed changes to the UK tax system will be fully reflected in the company's financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2008.

# Notes to the financial statements at 31 December 2007

9.	Tangible fixed assets					
	•	Leasehold	Plant &	Office	Computer	T 1
		Improvements £	Machinery £	Equipment £	Equipment £	Total £
	Cost	-	_	_	_	
	At 1 January 2007	9,844,490	14,324,953	5,811,217	4,816,500	34,797,160
	Additions	236,130	5,248,256 (107,098)	664,448 (156,033)	1,461,811 (50,794)	7,610,645 (378,090)
	Disposals	(64,165)	(107,090)	(130,033)	(30,734)	(378,070)
	At 31 December 2007	10,016,455	19,466,111	6,319,632	6,227,517	42,029,715
	Depreciation					
	At 1 January 2007	5,553,492	5,285,861	3,871,082	4,090,875	18,801,310
	Provided during the year Disposals	621,468 (61,323)	1,519,143 (30,447)	1,089,201 (84,153)	514,334 (38,228)	3,744,146 (214,151)
	Disposais	(01,323)	(30,447)	(04,133)	(30,220)	(214,131)
	At 31 December 2007	6,113,637	6,774,557	4,876,130	4,566,981	22,331,305
	Net book value					
	At 31 December 2007	3,902,818	12,691,554	1,443,502	1,660,536	19,698,410
	At 31 December 2006	4,290,998	9,039,092	1,940,135	725,625	15,995,850
10.	Debtors					
					2007	2006
	10(a) Amounts falling due wit	hin one year			£	£
	Amounts owed by group under				34,098,326	33,316,697
	Corporation tax repayable	<b></b>			-	1,574,104
	Other debtors				362,486	553,555
	Prepayments and accrued inco	ome			1,748,225	362,782
					36,209,037	35,807,138
					50,207,037	55,007,150
	10(b) Amounts falling due af	}				
	Deferred tax asset	ier more one year			706,823	250,204
	2 4141144 (121 4004)				700,623	250,204
11.	Creditors					
	11(-) A	·			2007	2006
	11(a) Amounts falling due wit Trade creditors	nın one year			6,278,593	£ 4,254,603
	Amounts owed to group unde	rtakıngs			6,186,247	6,828,947
	Other taxation and social secu				4,196,273	4,093,798
	Accruals and deferred income				5,840,090	3,364,427
	Corporation tax payable				230,596	
					22,731,799	18,541,775
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## 11. Creditors (continued)

2007 2006 11(b) Amounts falling due after more than one year £ £

Other long term creditors

2,631,793 1,955,476

## 12. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 December 2007 the total of future minimum lease payments under non cancellable operating leases for each of the following periods was

	2007	2006
	Land and	Land and
	buildings	buildings
	£	£
Within one year	5,043,621	4,168,850
Later than one year and not later than five years	24,559,798	14,501,670
Later than five years	23,040,367	12,357,716
	52,643,786	31,028,236

#### 13. Related party transactions

In accordance with the exemption stated in FRS 8 no details are shown of related party transactions with the company's parent and fellow subsidiaries within the Amazon com, Inc. group, as it holds 90% or more of the voting rights

## 14. Share capital

		Authorised
	2007	2006
	£	£
Ordinary shares of £1 each	40,000,000	40,000,000
	40,000,000	40,000,000

Allotted, called up and fully paid
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Ordinary shares of £1 each 9,366,036 9,366,036 9

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#### 15. Reconciliation of shareholders' funds and movement on reserves

Share capital £	Other Reserve £	Share Based Payments £	Profit and loss account £	Total share- holders' funds £
9,366,036	11,802,395	1,205,286	6,202,173	28,575,890
-	-	-	507,687	507,687
<u> </u>		2,820,966		2,820,966
9,366,036	11,802,395	4,026,252	6,709,860	31,904,543
-	-	-	(817,927)	(817,927)
	•	4,435,241		4,435,241
9,366,036	11,802,395	8,461,493	5,891,933	35,521,857
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## 16. Ultimate parent company

The company's parent undertaking is Amazon EU Sarl, a company incorporated in Luxembourg The ultimate controlling entity is Amazon com, Inc., a company incorporated in the United States of America. It has included the company in its group financial statements, copies of which are available from its headquarters at 1200-12th Avenue South, Suite 1200, Seattle, Washington 98144, USA.

## 17. Share based payment plans

Amazon com, Inc ("Amazon") may grant equity awards to employees, officers and directors of Amazon and its subsidiaries which include Amazon co uk Limited, as well as to consultants, agents, advisors and independent contractors, pursuant to Amazon's 1997 Stock Incentive Plan (the "1997 Plan") and Amazon's 1999 Nonofficer Employee Stock Option Plan (the "1999 Plan") Amazon may grant equity awards in the form of stock options, stock, or restricted stock units ("RSUs") Equity awards are evidenced by, and subject to the terms and conditions of, an agreement between the recipient and Amazon, as well as the terms and conditions of the applicable plan (and, where applicable, sub-plans in jurisdictions where local tax law or other regulations merit their adoption, such as in the UK) The following paragraphs describe the terms and conditions generally applicable to equity awards granted by Amazon under the 1997 and 1999 Plans

During 2006 and 2007, RSUs were the primary type of equity award granted RSUs are granted from the 1997 Plan RSUs represent the right to receive shares of common stock of Amazon, on a one-for-one basis, upon vesting There is no exercise price associated with an RSU Employees vest in RSUs and stock options over a specified course of time that the employee provides service to Amazon or one or more of its subsidiaries Typically, the service terms for vesting are between two and five years

To exercise the stock option, the optionee must submit full payment of the exercise price to Amazon, in cash or check, by tendering shares the optionee has owned for at least six months, by a broker-assisted cashless exercise, by a combination of the foregoing, or with such other consideration as the plan administrator may permit. Stock options generally have a term of ten years from the date of grant

Unvested portions of equity awards are subject to forfeiture if the holder's employment or other service relationship with Amazon (including its subsidiaries) terminates

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## 17. Share based payment plans (continued)

In accordance with the transition provisions, FRS 20 has been applied to all grants after 7 November 2002 that were unvested as of 1 January 2005. Since October 2002, Amazon has only granted restricted stock units which are valued at the average of the high and low share price on the date of grant.

The following table reconciles the number of stock options outstanding and the Weighted Average Exercise Price (WAEP) of the stock options outstanding

	2007		2006	
Stock Options		WAEP		
	Options	£	Options	£
Outstanding at the beginning of the year	156,996	9 22	302,433	9 22
Granted during the year	-	•	-	-
Forfeited during the year (cancelled)	11,249	8 74	20,683	11 17
Exercised during the year	116,376	7 86	124,754	6 68
Outstanding at the end of the year	29,371	13 33	156,996	9 22
Exercisable as at 31 December	24,921	14 19	125,198	9 23
		£3 99 to		£3 62 to
Range of exercise price		£47 10		£47 75

For stock options exercised during the period, the weighted average share price at the date of exercise for the options is £31 37 in 2007 and £20 81 in 2006

For the stock options outstanding as at 31 December 2007 and 31 December 2006, the weighted average remaining contractual life is 3 97 years and 4 76 years respectively

At 31 December 2007, the company had 673,442 RSUs outstanding (2006 547,133) The weighted average fair value of these RSUs was £21 05 at 31 December 2007 (2006 £19 66)