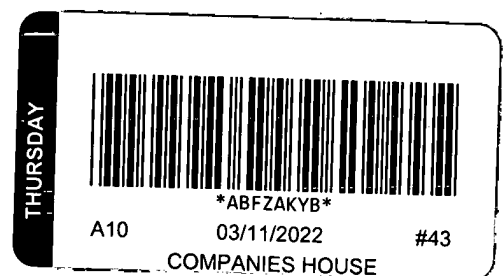


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Registered number: 08305652  
Annual Report and Financial Statements  
For the year ended 31 March 2022



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## Directors' Report

The Directors present their annual report and the financial statements of BBC Studios Drama Productions Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 31 March 2022.

### Principal activity, business review and future developments

The principal activities of the Company were development, production and sale of television programmes and formats. The Company is not expected to trade in the year ending 31 March 2023.

The Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report by virtue of it qualifying as a small company as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

### Results and dividends

The profit for the year ended 31 March 2022 was Nil (2021 Loss: £413,379).

No dividends were approved or paid in the year (2021: Nil).

### Directors

The Directors of the Company during the year were as follows:

Martyn Freeman

Thomas Fussell (Resigned 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022)

Lorraine Burgess (Appointed 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022)

Anthony Corriette is the Company Secretary.

### Political and charitable donations

The Company did not make any political or charitable donations during the year (2021: Nil).

### Going concern

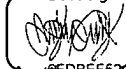
The Company's business activities, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and its financial position are described above. After making enquiries, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the business has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Accordingly the going concern basis continues to be adopted in the preparation of the accounts.

### Directors' interests and indemnities

No Director had any interest in the share capital of BBC Studios Drama Productions Limited between 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022. No rights to subscribe for shares in or debentures of the Company were granted to any of the Directors or their immediate families, or exercised by them, during the financial year. Each Director is covered by Directors' and officers' insurance in place throughout the financial year as appropriate under the BBC Group scheme.

By order of the Board

DocuSigned by:



Anthony Corriette

Company Secretary

Date: 28 October 2022

Registered Office:  
1 Television Centre  
101 Wood Lane  
London W12 7FA

## Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' 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 they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with UK Accounting Standards and applicable law (UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

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 have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the company and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

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## Income Statement

<b>For the year ended 31 March</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Other operating income		-	-
Administrative expenses		-	<b>(413,379)</b>
<b>(Loss)/ Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>		-	<b>(413,379)</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	3	-	-
<b>(Loss)/ Profit for the financial year</b>		-	<b>(413,379)</b>

The profit and loss for the current and prior years were from continuing operations.

The notes on pages 7 and 8 form part of these financial statements.

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## Balance sheet

As at 31 March	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets			
Debtors	4	1	1
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	5	1	1
Retained earnings		-	-
<b>Total equity shareholder's funds</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

The notes on pages 7 and 8 form part of these financial statements.

- For the year ending 31 March 2022, the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.
- 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.
- These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The financial statements of BBC Studios Drama Productions Limited were approved by the Board of Directors, authorised for issue, and signed on their behalf by:

DocuSigned by:

*Lorraine Burgess*  
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Lorraine Burgess

Director

Date: 28 October 2022

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## Statement of changes in equity

	Called up share capital £	Retained earnings £	Total equity £
Balance at 1 April 2020	1	413,379	413,380
Total comprehensive income for the period			
Profit or loss	-	(413,379)	(413,379)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2021	1	-	1
Total comprehensive income for the period			
Profit or loss	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2022	1	-	1

## Notes to the financial statements

### 1 Accounting policies

A summary of the Company's principal accounting policies is set out below. These accounting policies have been applied consistently throughout the current and preceding years to items considered material to the financial statements.

#### *1a Basis of preparation*

BBC Studios Drama Productions Limited is a company incorporated in the United Kingdom under the Companies Act. The address of the registered office is given on page 2. The nature of the Company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the Directors' report on page 2.

The Company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 100 (Financial Reporting Standard 100) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. These financial statements were prepared in accordance with FRS 101 (Financial Reporting Standard 101) 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' as issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis.

As permitted by FRS 101, the company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available in relation to business combinations, share-based payments, non-current assets held for sale, financial instruments, capital management, presentation of comparative information in respect of certain assets, presentation of a cash-flow statement, standards not yet effective, impairment of assets and related party transactions. Where required, equivalent disclosures for the exemptions adopted are given in the Group accounts of BBC Commercial Limited. The Group accounts of BBC Commercial Limited are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 7.

#### *1b Going concern*

After making enquiries, the Directors have a reasonable expectation that the business has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and accordingly the going concern basis continues to be adopted in the preparation of the accounts.

#### *1d Taxation*

The charge for taxation is based on the profit or loss for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of 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. Except where otherwise required by accounting standards full provision without discounting is made for all temporary differences that have arisen but not reversed at the balance sheet date.

The Company has no unaccounted deferred tax liabilities or unrecognised deferred tax assets.

### 2 Staff costs

The Directors received no remuneration from the Company during the year in respect of qualifying services (2021: £nil). The Company had no employees during the year or the preceding year.



**Notes to the financial statements (continued)****3 Taxation**

The charge for the year, based on a rate of corporation tax of 19% (2021: 19%) was £nil (2021: £nil). The current tax charge for the year is the same as the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19% (2021: 19%).

	2022	2021
	£	£
Loss on ordinary activities before taxation	-	(413,379)
Loss on ordinary activities at the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK	-	(78,542)
Effects of other disallowable expenditure	-	78,542
Current tax charge for the year	-	-

**4 Debtors**

	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts owed by group undertakings	1	1
<b>Total Debtors</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

The amounts owed by group undertakings are current and do not attract interest.

**5 Called up share capital**

	2022	2021
	£	£
<i>Authorised</i>		
1,000 Ordinary shares of £1 each	1,000	1,000
<i>Issued, allotted, called up and fully paid</i>		
1 Ordinary share of £1	1	1

**6 Related parties**

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the British Broadcasting Corporation ('BBC') and has taken exemption under FRS 101 from the requirements of IAS 24 Related Party Disclosures as the Company is a wholly owned entity which forms part of the BBC group. There are no other transactions with related parties that require disclosure.

**7 Parent undertaking and controlling party**

The Company's immediate parent is BBC Studios Distribution Limited and the ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) which is incorporated in the United Kingdom by Royal Charter. The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by the BBC. The smallest group in which they are consolidated is that headed by BBC Commercial Limited incorporated in the United Kingdom. The consolidated accounts of BBC may be obtained online at [www.bbc.co.uk/annualreport](http://www.bbc.co.uk/annualreport).