THE NORTHERN TIMES LIMITED
REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS AND
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008



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COMPANY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

DIRECTORS:

SECRETARY:

P G Fowler R H Fox CA

R E Dudley

REGISTERED OFFICE:

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REGISTERED NUMBER:

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AUDITORS:

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& Registered Auditors

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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

The directors present their report with the financial statements of the company for the year ended 30 September 2008.

DIRECTORS

The directors shown below have held office during the whole of the period from 30 September 2007 to the date of this report.

P G Fowler R H Fox CA

The interests of P G Fowler is the ultimate holding company, Peter Press Limited, are shown in the directors' report of that company.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing 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 United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to 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 judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- 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.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information (as defined by Section 234ZA of the Companies Act 1985) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and 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, Rothman Pantall LLP, will be proposed for re-appointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

R H Fox CA Director

Date: 23/7/09

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE NORTHERN TIMES LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of The Northern Times Limited for the period ended 30 September 2008 on pages five to six. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

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

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out on page two.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

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 whether in our opinion the information given in the Report of the Directors is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition, we report to you if, in our opinion, 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 other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Report of the Directors 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 International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) 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.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE NORTHERN TIMES LIMITED

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice applicable to Smaller Entities, of the state of the company's affairs as at 30 September 2008; and
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Report of the Directors is consistent with the financial statements.

Rothman Pantall LLP Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors

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BALANCE SHEET 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

CURRENT ASSETS Debtors TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	Notes 2	2008 £ 64,213	2007 £ 64,213
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Called up share capital	3	64,213	64,213
SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS		<u>64,213</u>	64,213

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

R H Fox CA - Director

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

During the financial year and the preceding financial year the company has not traded and has received no income and incurred no expenditure. Consequently, during those periods the company has made neither a profit nor a loss.

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2008

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The company was dormant throughout the current period and previous period.

^	********	AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	•

	2008	2007
	£	£
Amounts owed by group undertakings	64,213	64,213

3. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised:				
Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	2008 £	2007 £
25,000	Ordinary	£1	25,000	25,000
40,000	Redeemable Ordinary	£1	40,000	40,000
			65,000	65,000
Allotted, issi	ued and fully paid:			
Number:	Class:	Nominal value:	2008 £	2007 £
24,213	Ordinary	£1	24,213	24,213
40,000	Redeemable Ordinary	£1	40,000	40,000
			64,213	64,213

The redeemable ordinary shares are repayable at the company's option between 1995 and 2005 at par. The shares are non cumulative, rank at par in the event of liquidation and carry the same voting rights as ordinary shares. The redeemable ordinary shareholders have waived their rights to dividends.

4. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company's ultimate controlling company is Peter Press Limited and the ultimate control of that company is exercised by its directors. The consolidated financial statements of Peter Press Limited are available to the public and may be obtained from the Registrar of Companies.

5. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The company has entered into a cross guarantee with certain other group companies in connection with bank facilities made available to those companies.