



IPSO Statement 2014

Newsquest Media Group

This is the first annual statement of Newsquest Media Group to the Independent Press Standards Organisation. It is made pursuant to clause 3.3.7 and Annex A of the Scheme Membership Agreement and the numbered references below are references to the numbered paragraphs of Annex A. This statement relates to the period from 8 September to 31 December 2014 (inclusive), those being the first four months of IPSO's operation.

1. Factual information about the Regulated Entity

1.1 List of titles

Appendix 1 to this statement contains a list of Newsquest titles across the UK.

1.2 Responsible Person

The Responsible Person (as defined in clause 3.3.9 of the Scheme Membership Agreement) is Simon Westrop, the Head of Legal and Company Secretary for Newsquest Media Group Limited.

1.3 The nature of the Regulated Entity

Newsquest Media Group Limited is a significant UK publisher of regional newspapers and magazines, employing approximately 4,000 staff. The group publishes more than 200 regular titles and their associated websites, stretching across the geographical length of the UK, from Enniskillen in Northern Ireland, Glasgow in Scotland and Brighton and Falmouth in the South of England. These are mostly weekly titles, but they include 19 regional daily titles, among them *The Herald* in Glasgow, *The Northern Echo* in Darlington, the *Oxford Mail* and the *Daily Echo* in Southampton. The Group operates five presses, located in Glasgow, Worcester, Oxford, Weymouth and Southampton. In addition to its regional weekly and daily news titles, Newsquest also publishes local magazines and supplements and specialist national and international publications covering finance, sport and music.

Newsquest's registered office is at Loudwater Mill in High Wycombe. Newsquest's ultimate holding company in the UK is Gannett (U.K.) Limited, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Gannett Co., Inc, a US company listed on the New York stock exchange. Gannett is itself a leading media and marketing company. Newsquest recently acquired Romanes Media Group, which has brought 29 news brands into the Group, including the daily *Greenock Telegraph*.

Publications are delivered in print and electronically online, via websites and social media and in versions adapted for mobile telephones and other portable devices, as well as in digital facsimile and feeds to third party electronic databases. About 120 free print titles are distributed door-to-door. The ever-increasing importance of the internet as a medium is reflected in Newsquest's network of

more than 160 independently audited local newspaper and portal websites. Together with exchangeandmart.co.uk and S1, which carries homes and jobs advertising in Scotland, Newsquest websites score a growing monthly digital audience of 23 million unique browsers.

Newsquest presses provide contract printing services to business and the public sector. Newsquest Direct offers specialist marketing services and delivery of marketing materials door-to-door. Many newspapers and magazines also organise exhibitions, fairs, competitions and other events in their local communities. Newsquest titles are not only a principal source of reliable local news, they are also a vital force for community identity and cohesion in an increasingly fragmented world. Each year Newsquest's commitment to the communities it serves is expressed through a programme of charitable grants from the Gannett Foundation UK in support of local causes.

2. Copies of internal manuals, codes or guidance used by journalists

Newsquest issues policies on many matters relevant to the work of its employees, including for instance a policy on commercial ethics. For the purposes of this IPSO statement to IPSO, we attach only that internal guidance which is specific to the work of journalists. It is of many years standing and it has been used to help journalists to follow the Editors' Code and good practice generally. Separate guidance on purely legal matters is issued by Newsquest Legal from time to time. The attached guidance is not binding in itself, and should not be treated as such by IPSO. Appendix 2 contains copies of:

- a) Principles of ethical newsgathering; and
- b) Responsible journalism test.

Guidance issued by Newsquest on covert reporting and the use of subterfuge is available confidentially to IPSO.

3. The compliance process

Newsquest titles advertise their adherence to the Editors' Code (online and on an inner news page in print) and publish a complaints procedure by which any reader may claim breach of the Code by email or post. Complaints are handled personally by Editors, Group Editors (in charge of a series of titles) or Digital Content Editors (in the case of online story complaints), though on some daily titles, the task may be delegated to a Deputy Editor. Complaints handlers are not restricted in their conduct of the process or the discretion they may use, subject to any relevant internal advisory policies. If agreement cannot be achieved or has not been achieved within 28 days, complainants are reminded of their right to take the matter to IPSO. Legal claims are referred to Newsquest Legal. Published corrections and apologies, fresh stories, follow-ups, published letters, deletions or annotations to archived online stories, private letters and personal meetings are some of the various resolutions which might be offered. However, an Editor will stand firm if he or she is confident that a story is justified under the law and the Code. Three senior Editors form an Oversight Committee to consider matters relating to standards and the Code across the Group.

3.1 Pre-publication guidance (Regulation 4.5)

Newsquest Editors have usually been receptive to non-binding pre-publication discussions with IPSO where a person affected by a proposed story has raised concerns. And IPSO rulings are frequently consulted as helpful precedents. On the other hand, except for points of Code interpretation, a strong attachment to editorial independence would make local newspapers less likely to make a pre-publication approach IPSO, especially as IPSO might ultimately be judge in the same cause at a later date. We are not aware of any instance of guidance given or sought in the relevant period.

3.2 Verification of stories

Newsquest's approach to verification is discussed variously in the Newsquest guidance entitled "Principles of ethical newsgathering" at Appendix 2.

If journalism is the first draft of history, then it is necessarily a rough draft, written very often against obstructions (deliberate or otherwise) and the pressure of deadlines. We welcome interaction with our readers because it is in co-operation with them that the full story may be revealed.

3.3 Compliance with the Editors' Code

Of complaints not referred to IPSO, the most common in the relevant period related to the misnamed and misunderstood 'right to be forgotten' ruling of the CJEU, particularly in relation to stories of old criminal charges or convictions now spent in law which are held in Newsquest's publicly accessible online archives. Complainants sometimes argue that this raises an issue of privacy under the Code. Newsquest's consistent policy has been to offer corrections where there are inaccuracies or omissions (including later acquittals or appeals), but otherwise not to interfere with the integrity of the archive as an important historical resource. This policy has been expressly reinforced by a decision of the Information Commissioner in a matter involving Newsquest.

Because of the number of titles published by Newsquest, and therefore the number of different stories, the potential number of complainants (at least from among the subjects of those stories) is far greater than would be the case, for instance, for a publisher producing a single national newspaper. Based on dates when complaints were received by IPSO, there were 12 adjudicated complaints in the relevant period, none of which was upheld, except one which was upheld in part:

London & Essex

Two adjudicated complaints, neither of them upheld (*Surrey Comet* and *Hendon & Finchley Times*).

Midlands

One adjudicated complaint, not upheld (*Worcester News*).

Newsquest Specialist Media

No adjudications

North East

No adjudications.

North West

There was one adjudicated complaint at the *Lancashire Telegraph*, which was not upheld.

Northern Ireland

One adjudicated complaint, not upheld (*The Impartial Reporter*).

Oxfordshire & Wiltshire

There were two adjudicated complaints which were not upheld in respect of the same complainant and the same story, which published in both the *Oxford Mail* and the *Witney Gazette*. There was another adjudicated complaint in this period at the *Swindon Advertiser*, which was not upheld, and another at the *Wiltshire Times*, which was upheld in part in relation to inaccuracy in an online article's headline.

Scotland

No adjudicated complaints.

Southern

No adjudicated complaints, though there were two IPSO-mediated resolutions (*Southern Daily Echo* and *Bracknell News*).

South West & Dorset

There was one adjudicated complaint, which was not upheld.

Wales & Gloucestershire

There was one adjudicated complaint about readers' letters in the South Wales Echo, which was not upheld. Another complaint to IPSO is said to have been suspended before adjudication pending the outcome of an inquest (ref: no 01784-14; Chris Williams and the *South Wales Argus*).

3.5 Editorial training

All trainee journalists are entered for the National Journalism Qualification from the National Council for the Training of Journalists. An external trainer prepares trainees for the qualification, tutoring approximately 60 young journalists during the year. Each course contains an introduction to IPSO, including case studies. In addition, the trainees undertake three practical tests in which they are asked to consider scenarios that might involve breaches of the Editors' Code. Each clause of the code is explained and discussed, using real-life examples. Trainees are also issued with pocket-sized versions of the code for them to carry at all times.

Newsquest Legal provides in-house editorial training for Newsquest regions and subbing centres as time allows during the year, covering primarily legal matters, but also briefing on the establishment of IPSO and compliance with the Editor's Code. Journalists are encouraged to read the editorial section of the Group legal report, which covers IPSO adjudications, as well as news of legal matters. External trainers are commissioned as each region determines appropriate to deliver media law refresher seminars to senior journalists. There was no such training during the relevant period.

4. Steps taken in response to adverse adjudications

There was one adjudication which was upheld in part during the relevant period: the complaint of Benjamin Hutchins and *Wiltshire Times*. It involved a careless slip in a headline suggesting a teacher cautioned by police had sent sexual messages to more than one pupil. The text of the story was otherwise correct in reporting that the messages in fact had been sent to one pupil only. The error was discussed by the Editor and relevant staff and the sub-editor involved was reminded of the need to 'find the headline in the story'.

Newsquest Media Group
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APPENDIX 1



PRINCIPLES OF ETHICAL NEWSGATHERING

Newsquest Media Group Guidance

For legal advice and further guidance on the application of these Principles, contact Newsquest Media Group's in-house lawyer, Simon Westrop, at:
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These guidelines are based on the guidelines on ethical newsgathering conduct issued by the Newspaper Division of Newsquest's US parent company Gannett Co., Inc. They consist of five ethical principles and their supporting objectives accompanied by recommended practices to protect the principles.

The five principles are:

- Seeking and reporting the truth in a truthful way
- Serving the public interest
- Exercising fair play
- Maintaining independence
- Acting with integrity

I. PRINCIPLES OF ETHICAL CONDUCT FOR NEWSROOMS

NEWSQUEST MEDIA GROUP PUBLICATIONS ARE COMMITTED TO:

Seeking and reporting the truth in a truthful way

We will dedicate ourselves to reporting the news accurately, thoroughly and in context.

We will be honest in the way we gather, report and present news.

We will be persistent in the pursuit of the whole story.

We will keep our word.

We will hold factual information in opinion columns and editorials to the same standards of accuracy as news stories.

We will seek to gain sufficient understanding of the communities, individuals and stories we cover to provide an informed account of activities.

Serving the public interest

We will uphold the freedom of the press the better to serve the democratic process.

We will be vigilant watchdogs of government and institutions that affect the public.

We will provide the news and information that people need to function as effective citizens.

We will seek solutions as well as expose problems and wrongdoing.

We will provide a public forum for diverse people and views.

We will reflect and encourage understanding of the diverse segments of our community.

We will provide editorial and community leadership.

We will seek to promote understanding of complex issues.

Exercising fair play

We will treat people with dignity, respect and compassion.

We will correct errors promptly.

We will strive to include all sides relevant to a story.

We will explain to readers our journalistic processes.

We will give particular attention to fairness in relations with people unaccustomed to dealing with the press.

We will use unnamed sources as the sole basis for published information only as a last resort and under specific procedures that best serve the public's right to know.

We will be accessible to readers.

Maintaining independence

We will remain free of outside interests, investments or business relationships that may compromise the credibility of our news report.

We will maintain an impartial, arm's length relationship with anyone seeking to influence the news.

We will avoid potential conflicts of interest and eliminate inappropriate influence on content.

We will be free of improper obligations to news sources, newsmakers and advertisers.

We will differentiate advertising from news.

Acting with integrity

We will act honourably and ethically in dealing with news sources, the public and our colleagues.

We will obey the law.

We will observe common standards of decency.

We will take responsibility for our decisions and consider the possible consequences of our actions.

We will be conscientious in observing these Principles.

We will always try to do the right thing.

II. PROTECTING THE PRINCIPLES

No statement of principles and procedures can anticipate every circumstance that may arise. Fundamental principles sometimes conflict. Therefore these recommended practices cannot establish standards of performance for journalists in every situation.

Careful judgment and common sense should be applied to make the decisions that best serve the public interest. The best decisions are obtained after open-minded consultations with appropriate colleagues and superiors – augmented, when necessary, by the advice from Newsquest’s in-house legal adviser or appointed external legal advisers, and if appropriate from independent outside experts or others whose views in confidence may provide clarity in sorting out issues.

Here are some recommended practices to follow to protect the Principles. This list is not exhaustive. There may be additional practices – implicit in the Principles or determined within individual newsrooms – that will further ensure credible and responsible journalism.

Ensuring the Truth Principle

Newsgathering by subterfuge can be justified in certain circumstances, where it is necessary in order to expose the truth, but only where it serves the public interest and otherwise complies with the Editors’ Code of Practice. (Always consult Newsquest Media Group Legal and the guidance on covert activities before embarking on such action).

In our general dealings however:

We will not lie.

We will not misstate our identities or intentions.

We will not fabricate.

We will not plagiarize.

We will not alter photographs to mislead readers.

We will not intentionally slant the news.

Using unnamed sources

The use of unnamed sources in published stories should be rare and only for important news. Whenever possible, reporters should seek to confirm news on the record. If the use of unnamed sources is required:

Use as sources only people who are in a position to know.

Corroborate information from an unnamed source through another source or sources and/or by documentary information.

Inform sources that reporters will disclose sources to at least one editor. Editors will be bound by the same promise of confidentiality to sources as are reporters.

Hold editors as well as reporters accountable when unnamed sources are used. When a significant story to be published relies on a source who will not be named, it is the responsibility of the senior news executive to confirm the identity of the source and to review the information provided. This may require the editor to meet the source.

Make clear to the reporters and to sources that agreements of confidentiality are between the newspaper and the sources, not just between the reporter and the sources. The newspaper will honour its agreements with sources. Reporters should make every effort to clear such confidentiality agreements with the editors first. Promises of confidentiality made by reporters to sources will not be overridden by the editors; however, editors may choose not to use the material obtained in this fashion.

Expect reporters and editors to seek to understand the motivations of a source and take those into account in evaluating the fairness and truthfulness of the information provided.

Make clear to sources the level of confidentiality agreed to. This does not mean each option must be discussed with the source, but each party should understand the agreement. Among the options are:

- a) The newspaper will not name them in the article;
- b) The newspaper will not name them unless a court compels the newspaper to do so;
- c) The newspaper will not name them under any circumstances.

All sources should be informed that the newspaper will not honour confidentiality if the sources have lied or misled the newspaper.

Make sure both sides understand what is being agreed to. For example:

- a) Statements may be quoted directly or indirectly and will be attributed to the source. This is sometimes referred to as "on the record."
- b) The information may be used in the story but not attributed to the source. This is sometimes referred to as "not for attribution" or "for background."
- c) The information will not be used in the story unless obtained elsewhere and attributed to someone else. This is sometimes referred to as "off the record."

Describe an unnamed source's identity as fully as possible (without revealing that identity) to help readers evaluate the credibility of what the source has said or provided.

Do not make promises you do not intend to fulfil or may not be able to fulfil.

Do not threaten sources.

Handling the agencies

These Principles are intended to provide front-line guidance for locally generated material. Wire-service material already has been edited professionally. Major news agencies set their own policies and standards for the use of unnamed sources. Smaller agencies may be less reliable. Additional scrutiny often may be required.

Being fair

Because of timeliness or unavailability, it is not always possible to include a response from the subject of a story. Nevertheless:

We should make a good-faith effort to seek appropriate comment from the person (or organization) before publication, especially where an allegation is being made against them. Remember, they may have vital information that could verify or contradict your story. And seeking a response may be essential in certain circumstances to support a legal defence (consult NMG Legal).

When it has not been feasible to obtain a response, we should be receptive to requests for a response or try to seek a response for a follow-up story.

Letters to the editor also may provide an appropriate means for reply.

Some public records or occasions (in the courts and tribunals) will identify persons accused of wrongdoing. Publication of denials is not necessary in such circumstances.

Being independent

"Maintaining independence" helps establish the impartiality of news coverage. However, news staff are not discouraged from involvement in community activities, so long as this does not compromise the credibility of news coverage. When unavoidable personal or business interests could compromise the newspaper's credibility, such potential conflicts must be disclosed to the relevant line manager and, if relevant, to readers.

Investigative reporting

Aggressive and hard-hitting reporting is an honourable and often courageous way of fulfilling the media's moral duty as a public watchdog. It is encouraged. But investigative reporting by its nature raises issues not ordinarily faced in routine reporting. Here are some suggested procedures to follow when undertaking investigative reporting:

Involve more than one editor at the early stages and in the editing of the stories.

Question continually the premise of the story and revise accordingly.

Follow the practices outlined in the use of sources.

Document the information in stories to the satisfaction of the senior editor.

Have a "fresh read" by an editor who has not seen the material as you near publication. Encourage the editor to read it sceptically, then listen carefully to and heed questions raised about clarity, accuracy and relevance.

Make certain that care, accuracy and fairness are exercised in headlines, photographs, presentation and overall tone.

Evaluate legal and ethical issues fully, involving appropriate colleagues, managers, lawyers or dispassionate outside parties in the editorial process. (For example, it may be helpful to have a technical story reviewed by a scientist for accuracy, or have financial descriptions assessed by an accountant).

Be careful about trading information with sources or authorities, particularly if it could lead to an impression that you are working in concert against an individual or entity.

Editing sceptically

Editors are the gatekeepers who determine what will be published and what will not be. Their responsibility is to question and scrutinize, even when it is uncomfortable to do so. Here are some suggested practices that editors can follow:

Take special care to understand the facts and context of the story.

Guard against assumptions and preconceived notions – including their own.

Ensure time and resources for sound editing. Nothing should be printed that has not been reviewed by someone else. When feasible, at least two editors should see stories before publication. Complex or controversial stories may require even more careful scrutiny.

Consider involving an in-house sceptic on major stories – a contrarian who can play the role of devil's advocate.

Challenge conventional wisdom.

Heed the "gut instinct." Don't publish a story if it doesn't feel right. Check it further.

Consider what may be missing from the story.

Consider how others – especially antagonists or sceptical readers – may view the story. What questions would they ask? What parts would they think are unfair? Will they believe it?

Be especially careful of stories that portray individuals purely as villains or heroes.

Beware of stories that reach conclusions based on speculation or a pattern of facts.

Protect against being manipulated by advocates and special interests.

Consider these questions: "How do you know? How can you be sure? Where is the evidence? Who is the source? How does he or she know? What is the supporting documentation?"

Watch carefully for red flags that give reason to be sceptical of news-gathering or editing conduct.

Don't be stampeded by deadlines, unrealistic competitive concerns or peer pressure.

Ensuring accuracy

Dedication to the truth means accuracy itself is an ethical issue. Each news person has the responsibility to strive for accuracy at each step of the process.

Be aware that information attributed to a source may not be factually correct.

Be sure the person quoted is in a position to know.

Always do your best to put an allegation to the person or organisation you are accusing. They may have a simple explanation which casts the story in a different light.

Be especially careful with technical terms, statistics, mathematical computations, crowd estimates and poll results.

Consider going over all or portions of an especially complicated story with primary sources or with outside experts. However, do not surrender editorial control.

Don't make assumptions. Don't guess at facts. Asking the person next to you is not "verification" – he or she could be wrong too.

Improve note taking. Consider backing up your notes with a recording device when ethically and legally appropriate.

Be wary of newspaper library clippings or the internet, which may contain uncorrected errors.

Develop checklists of troublesome or frequently used names, streets, titles, etc.

Understand the community and subject matter. Develop expertise in areas of specialized reporting.

Re-read stories carefully after writing, watching especially for errors of context and balance as well as for spelling and other basic mistakes.

Use care in writing headlines. Do not stretch beyond the facts of the story.

Follow a simple rule on the copy desk to double-check the accuracy of headlines: "Find the headline in the story." (For example, if the headline says, "Three die in crash," go to the story and count the dead and be certain they died in the crash.)

Correcting errors

When errors occur, the newspaper has an ethical obligation to correct the record and minimize harm.

Errors should be corrected promptly. But first, a determination must be made that the fact indeed was in error and that the correction itself is fully accurate. There is sometimes a risk of replacing an error about one person with a libel about someone else. (Consult NMG Legal if necessary).

Errors should be corrected with sufficient prominence that readers who saw the original error are likely to see the correction. This is a matter of the editor's judgment. But a regular errors spot is recommended.

Although it is wise to avoid repeating the error in the correction, the correction should have sufficient context that readers will understand exactly what is being corrected.

Errors of nuance, context or tone may require clarifications, editor's notes, editor's columns or letters to the editor.

When the newspaper disagrees with a news subject about whether a story contained an error, editors should consider offering the aggrieved party an opportunity to express his or her view in a letter to the editor.

Corrections should be reviewed before publication by a senior editor who was not directly involved in the error. The editor should determine if special handling or legal advice is required.

Errors should be corrected whether or not they are called to the attention of the newspaper by someone outside the newsroom.

Factual errors should be corrected in most cases even if the subject of the error does not want it to be corrected. It is the newspaper's duty to provide accurate information to readers. An exception may be made for trivial errors or when the correction of a relatively minor mistake would result in public ridicule or greater harm than the original error.

Newsroom staffers should be receptive to complaints about inaccuracies and follow up on them.

Newsroom staffers have a responsibility to alert the appropriate editor if they become aware of a possible error in the newspaper.

Communication

It is the responsibility of the local Managing Director and the Editor to communicate these Principles to staff.

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Newsquest Media Group Legal Guidance

'Responsible journalism test'

The famous 'ten points' that Lord Nicholls set out in *Reynolds v Times Newspapers* were intended as the basis of a 'responsible journalism' test in the development of a law of common law privilege for stories of proper public interest. But Lord Nicholls' list should be considered more widely as an extremely useful tool for journalists in writing and checking any news story, particularly a story involving allegations of wrong-doing. The ten points, in conjunction with the Editors' Code of Practice, reflect professional good practice and ethical behaviour. They also encourage journalists to think sceptically about the story they are researching and writing and therefore to test its resilience before publication. But at the same time, compliance with the ten points and the Code will actually improve your ability to defend successfully legal actions in libel and/or privacy/data protection.

Reynolds privilege:

The following is a *non-exhaustive* list of the points that the courts will take into account when assessing whether the newspaper has acted responsibly for the purposes of applying common law qualified privilege (and now public interest privilege for the purposes of the Defamation Act 2013) to a publication in respect of a matter of public interest. However, a 'tick-box' approach is not appropriate and the relevance of or the weight to be given to any of these points will vary according to the circumstances of each case.

Lord Nicholls' Ten Points (*Reynolds v Times Newspapers Ltd*):

1. The seriousness of the allegation. The more serious the charge, the more the public is misinformed and the individual harmed if the allegation is not true.
2. The nature of the information and the extent to which the subject matter is a matter of public concern.
3. The source of the information. Some informants have no direct knowledge of the events. Some have their own axes to grind or are being paid for their stories.
4. The steps taken to verify the information.
5. The status of the information. The allegation may have already been the subject of an investigation which commands respect.

6. The urgency of the matter. News is often a perishable commodity.
7. Whether comment was sought from the claimant – he may have information others do not possess or have not disclosed, though an approach will not always be necessary.
8. Whether the article contained the gist of the claimant's side of the story.
9. The tone of the article. A paper can raise queries or call for an investigation. It need not adopt allegations as statements of fact.
10. The circumstances of the publication, including the timing.

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APPENDIX 2

NEWSQUEST MEDIA GROUP TITLES

| PRINTED TITLES | |
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| LONDON | NORTH WEST contd |
| Barnet & Potters Bar Times | Knutsford Guardian |
| Bexley News Shopper | Lancashire Telegraph |
| Borehamwood & Elstree Times | Leigh Journal |
| Bucks Free Press | Northwich, Winsford and Middlewich Guardian |
| Bromley Limited Edition | Prestwich & Whitefield Guide |
| Bromley News Shopper | Radcliffe Times |
| Chingford Guardian | Runcorn and Widnes World |
| Croydon Guardian | Sale & Altrincham Messenger |
| Dartford & Swanley News Shopper | South Lakes Citizen |
| Edgware & Mill Hill Times | St Helens Star |
| Elite | Stretford Urmston Messenger |
| Elmbridge Guardian | The Bolton News |
| Enfield Independent | Warrington Guardian |
| Epping Forest Guardian | Warrington Midweek |
| Epping Forest Independent | Westmoreland Gazette |
| Epsom Guardian | Wimslow Guardian |
| Gravesend News Shopper | Wirral Globe |
| Greenwich Borough News Shopper | Knutsford Guardian |
| Haringey Independent | Lancashire Telegraph |
| Harrow Times | Leigh Journal |
| Hendon & Finchley Times | Northwich, Winsford and Middlewich Guardian |
| Kingston Guardian | Prestwich & Whitefield Guide |
| Lewisham & Catford News Shopper | Radcliffe Times |
| Locate | Runcorn and Widnes World |
| Marlow Free Press | Sale & Altrincham Messenger |
| Richmond & Twickenham Times | South Lakes Citizen |
| South Bucks Star | St Helens Star |
| St Albans & Harpenden Review | Stretford Urmston Messenger |
| Surrey Comet | The Bolton News |
| Sutton Guardian | Warrington Guardian |
| Waltham Forest Guardian | Warrington Midweek |
| Waltham Forest Independent | Westmoreland Gazette |
| Wandsworth Guardian | Wimslow Guardian |
| Wanstead & Woodford Guardian | Wirral Globe |
| Watford Free | |
| Watford Observer | NORTH EAST |
| Wimbledon Guardian | Chester-le-Street Advertiser |
| | Consett & Stanley Advertiser |
| NORTH WEST | Craven Herald & Pioneer |
| Asian Image | Darlington, Aycliffe & Sedfield Advertiser |
| Bury Times | Darlington & Stockton Times |
| Bolton Journal | Durham Advertiser |
| Chorley Citizen | Durham Times |
| Crewe & Nantwich Guardian | Gazette & Herald |

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| Ilkley Gazette | Basingstoke Extra |
| Keighley News | Basingstoke Gazette |
| Living Magazine | Bournemouth Advertiser |
| North Yorkshire Advertiser | Bournemouth Echo |
| Northern Farmer | Bridport News |
| Telegraph & Argus | Brighton and Hove Leader |
| The Northern Echo | Breeze Magazine |
| The Press | Business South Magazine |
| Wear Valley Magazine | Christchurch Advertiser |
| Wharfedale & Aireborough Observer | Dorchester Advertiser |
| | Dorset Echo |
| Midlands South | Dorset Society |
| Berrows Worcester Journal | Dorset Brides |
| Bromsgrove Advertiser | Dorset Business |
| Cotswold Journal | Eastleigh News Extra |
| Droitwich Spa Advertiser | Hampshire Brides |
| Dudley News | Hampshire Chronicle |
| Evesham Journal | Hampshire Society |
| Halesowen News | Lyme Regis News |
| Hereford Society | Mid Sussex Leader |
| Hereford Times | New Forest Post |
| I Will Wedding Magazine | New Forest Society |
| Kidderminster Shuttle | North Hampshire Society |
| Ledbury Reporter | Poole Advertiser |
| Ludlow Advertiser | Romsey Advertiser |
| Malvern Gazette | Simply Chichester |
| Redditch & Alcester Advertiser | Simply Worthing |
| Stourbridge News | South Coast Leader |
| Tenbury Wells Advertiser | Southampton News Extra |
| Three Counties Farmer | Southern Daily Echo |
| Worcester News | Swanage & Wareham |
| | The Argus (Brighton) |
| ESSEX | Weymouth and Portland Advertiser |
| Basildon, Billericay & Wickford Recorder | Wimborne and Ferndown Advertiser |
| Braintree & Witham Times | Winchester News Extra |
| Brentwood Weekly News | |
| Chelmsford Weekly News | WALES & GLOUCESTERSHIRE |
| Clacton, Frinton & Walton Gazette | Auto Exchange Wales |
| Daily Gazette (Colchester) | Barry & District News |
| Echo (Southend, Basildon & Castle Point) | Cardigan & Tivy-Side Advertiser |
| Essex County Standard | Cotswold Essence |
| Halstead Gazette | Free Press Series |
| Harwich & Manningtree Standard | Gazette Series (Gloucestershire) |
| Maldon & Burnham Standard | Independent Series |
| Southend, Rayleigh, Rochford & Castle Point Standard | Milford & West Wales Mercury |
| Thurrock Gazette | Monmouthshire County Life |
| | Pembrokeshire County Living |
| SOUTHERN | Pembrokeshire Farmer |
| Andover Advertiser | Penarth Times |

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| South Wales Argus | Reading Midweek |
| South Wales Golfer | Royal Borough Observer |
| South Wales Guardian | Slough Midweek |
| Stroud News & Journal | Slough Observer |
| The Campaign | The Villager |
| Voice | Wokingham News |
| Wales Farmer | Woodley and Earley Chronicle |
| Western Telegraph | |
| Wilts & Gloucestershire Standard | SCOTLAND |
| | Alloa Advertiser |
| OXFORDSHIRE & WILTSHIRE | Alloa Weekender |
| Abingdon Herald | Ardrossan & Saltcoats Herald |
| Banbury Cake | Ayr Advertiser |
| Bicester Advertiser | Barrhead News |
| Didcot Herald | Border Telegraph |
| Gazette & Herald | Carrick Herald |
| Oxford Mail | Central Fife Times |
| Salisbury Advertiser | Clydebank Post |
| Salisbury Journal | Country Lifestyle Scotland |
| Swindon Advertiser | Cumnock Chronicle |
| Swindon Star | Dumbarton Reporter |
| The Oxford Times | Dunfermline Press |
| Wallingford Herald | East Lothian Courier |
| Wantage & Grove Herald | Evening Times |
| Wiltshire Star | Fife and Kinross Extra |
| Wiltshire Times | Greenock Telegraph |
| Witney Gazette | Helensburgh Advertiser |
| | Irvine Times |
| SOUTH WEST | Largs and Millport Weekly News |
| Admart Freeads | Paisley Gazette |
| Bridgwater Mercury | Paisley People |
| Burnham and Highbridge Weekly News | Peebleshire News |
| Chard & Ilminster News | Scottish Cycling |
| Falmouth Packet | Scottish Farmer |
| Helston Packet | Scottish Walks |
| Smallholder | Stirling News |
| Society Magazine | Strathallan Times |
| Somerset County Gazette | Sunday Herald |
| Somerset County Gazette West Somerset | The Herald |
| South West Farmer | The National |
| The Packet | Troon Times |
| The Star | |
| West Cornwall Packet | NORTHERN IRELAND |
| | Impartial Reporter |
| BERKSHIRE | |
| Ascot News | SPECIALIST MEDIA |
| Bracknell Midweek | Boxing News |
| Bracknell News | Engaged Investor |
| Newbury Chronicle | Global Reinsurance |
| Reading Chronicle | Insurance Times |

| ONLINE TITLES | |
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| LONDON | Knutsford Guardian |
| Barnet & Potters Bar Times | Lancashire Telegraph |
| Bexley News Shopper | Leigh Journal |
| Borehamwood & Elstree Times | Northwich Guardian |
| Bucks Free Press | Northwich, Winsford and Middlewich Guardian |
| Bromley Limited Edition | Prestwich & Whitefield Guide |
| Bromley News Shopper | Radcliffe Times |
| Chingford Guardian | Runcorn and Widnes World |
| Croydon Guardian | Sale & Altrincham Messenger |
| Dartford & Swanley News Shopper | South Lakes Citizen |
| Ealing Times | St Helens Star |
| Edgware & Mill Hill Times | Stretford Urmston Messenger |
| Elite | The Bolton News |
| Elmbridge Guardian | Warrington Guardian |
| Enfield Independent | Warrington Midweek |
| Epping Forest Guardian | Westmoreland Gazette |
| Epping Forest Independent | Wimslow Guardian |
| Epsom Guardian | Wirral Globe |
| Gravesend News Shopper | Knutsford Guardian |
| Greenwich Borough News Shopper | Lancashire Telegraph |
| Haringey Independent | Leigh Journal |
| Harrow Times | Northwich, Winsford and Middlewich Guardian |
| Hendon & Finchley Times | Prestwich & Whitefield Guide |
| Hillingdon Times | Radcliffe Times |
| Kingston Guardian | Runcorn and Widnes World |
| Lewisham & Catford News Shopper | Sale & Altrincham Messenger |
| Locate | South Lakes Citizen |
| Marlow Free Press | St Helens Star |
| Richmond & Twickenham Times | Stretford Urmston Messenger |
| South Bucks Star | The Bolton News |
| St Albans & Harpenden Review | Warrington Guardian |
| Streatham Guardian | Warrington Midweek |
| Surrey Comet | Westmoreland Gazette |
| Sutton Guardian | Wimslow Guardian |
| This is Local London | Winsford Guardian |
| Waltham Forest Guardian | Wirral Globe |
| Waltham Forest Independent | |
| Wandsworth Guardian | NORTH EAST |
| Wanstead & Woodford Guardian | Chester-le-Street Advertiser |
| Watford Free | Consett & Stanley Advertiser |
| Watford Observer | Craven Herald & Pioneer |
| Wimbledon Guardian | Darlington, Aycliffe & Sedfield Advertiser |
| Your Local Guardian | Darlington & Stockton Times |
| North West | Durham Advertiser |
| Asian Image | Durham Times |
| Bury Times | Gazette & Herald |
| Bolton Journal | Ilkley Gazette |
| Chorley Citizen | Keighley News |
| Crewe & Nantwich Guardian | Living Magazine |

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| North Yorkshire Advertiser | Christchurch Advertiser |
| Northern Farmer | Dorchester Advertiser |
| Telegraph & Argus | Dorset Echo |
| The Northern Echo | Dorset Society |
| The Press | Dorset Brides |
| Wear Valley Magazine | Dorset Business |
| Wharfedale & Aireborough Observer | Eastleigh News Extra |
| | Hampshire Chronicle |
| MIDLANDS SOUTH | Hampshire Society |
| Berrows Worcester Journal | Lyme Regis News |
| Bromsgrove Advertiser | Mid Sussex Leader |
| Cotswold Journal | New Forest Post |
| Droitwich Spa Advertiser | New Forest Society |
| Dudley News | North Hampshire Society |
| Evesham Journal | Poole Advertiser |
| Halesowen News | Romsey Advertiser |
| Hereford Society | Simply Chichester |
| Hereford Times | Simply Worthing |
| I Will Wedding Magazine | South Coast Leader |
| Kidderminster Shuttle | Southampton News Extra |
| Ledbury Reporter | Southern Daily Echo |
| Ludlow Advertiser | Swanage & Wareham |
| Malvern Gazette | The Argus (Brighton) |
| Redditch & Alcester Advertiser | Weymouth and Portland Advertiser |
| Stourbridge News | Wimborne and Ferndown Advertiser |
| Tenbury Wells Advertiser | Winchester News Extra |
| Worcester News | |
| | WALES & GLOUCESTERSHIRE |
| ESSEX | Auto Exchange Wales |
| Basildon, Billericay & Wickford Recorder | Barry & District News |
| Braintree & Witham Times | Cardigan & Tivy-Side Advertiser |
| Brentwood Weekly News | Cotswold Essence |
| Chelmsford Weekly News | Free Press Series |
| Clacton, Frinton & Walton Gazette | Gazette Series (Gloucestershire) |
| Daily Gazette (Colchester) | Independent Series |
| Echo (Southend, Basildon & Castle Point) | Milford & West Wales Mercury |
| Essex County Standard | Monmouthshire County Life |
| Halstead Gazette | Pembrokeshire County Living |
| Harwich & Manningtree Standard | Pembrokeshire Farmer |
| Maldon & Burnham Standard | Penarth Times |
| Southend, Rayleigh, Rochford & Castle Point Standard | South Wales Argus |
| Thurrock Gazette | South Wales Golfer |
| | South Wales Guardian |
| SOUTHERN | Stroud News & Journal |
| Andover Advertiser | The Campaign |
| Basingstoke Extra | Voice |
| Basingstoke Gazette | Wales Farmer |
| Bournemouth Advertiser | Western Telegraph |
| Bournemouth Echo | Wilts & Gloucestershire Standard |

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| OXFORDSHIRE & WILTSHIRE | Alloa Weekender |
| Abingdon Herald | Ardrossan & Saltcoats Herald |
| Banbury Cake | Ayr Advertiser |
| Bicester Advertiser | Barrhead News |
| Didcot Herald | Border Telegraph |
| Gazette & Herald | Carrick Herald |
| Oxford Mail | Central Fife Times |
| Salisbury Advertiser | Clydebank Post |
| Salisbury Journal | Country Lifestyle Scotland |
| Swindon Advertiser | Cumnock Chronicle |
| The Oxford Times | Dumbarton Reporter |
| Wallingford Herald | Dunfermline Press |
| Wantage & Grove Herald | East Lothian Courier |
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| Reading Midweek | Pensions Insight |
| Royal Borough Observer | Reward |
| Slough Midweek | Strategic Risk |
| Slough Observer | Strategic Risk (Asia) |
| The Villager | The Great Outdoors |
| Wokingham News | The Strad |
| Woodley and Earley Chronicle | |
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