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Press Gazette

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Press Gazette is a news website and information resource for journalists.

Launched in 1965 as a magazine it is now online-only and has a monthly readership of around 200,000 unique browsers.

Press Gazette also has daily and weekly email newsletters and is active on social media.

It has an editorial team of four: editor, news editor, chief reporter and reporter. It is published by Compelo.

Its 'responsible person' is editorin-chief Dominic Ponsford.

Press Gazette follows the Editors' Code and ensures that all staff are aware of it. All editorial staff are NCTJ-trained.

Our general policy is to show not tell. We report. We take care to record both sides of every story and to ensure that the subjects of any story are given the chance to respond to criticism and verify any facts.

All editorial complaints are made to the editor and can be made via email, post or telephone.

Press Gazette invites readers to point out errors or complain about stories by contacting the editor.

This information is contained in an article which is linked to from the main homepage: http://www.pressgazette.co.uk/how-complain-or-point-out-error-press-gazette

We also invite readers to get in touch with IPSO if they are unhappy with the way we have handled a complaint and provide contact details.

We have had no major complaints or legal issues since we filed our last annual statement.

Of course we do get things wrong sometimes, I console myself with the saying: "He who never made a mistake, never made anything." But any mistakes are normally corrected within minutes of them being pointed out as soon as we have satisfied ourselves that we are in fact wrong.

In addition to the Editors' Code we also follow our own style guide which goes a bit further and outlines or policy on things like treatment of sources:

http://www.pressgazette.co.uk/press-gazette-style-guide-includes-advice-on-off-the-record-showdont-tell-and-our-banned-list/

We have not had any reason yet to use the IPSO pre-publication advice service. But we may well do in the future.

Yours sincerely, Dominic Ponsford.

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