

Form AR21
Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

Trade Union's details

Name of Trade Union:	<input type="text" value="News Union"/>				
Year ended:	<input type="text" value="31 July 2019"/>				
List number:	<input type="text" value="765T"/>				
Head or Main Office address:	<input type="text" value="Room 8-06
1 London Bridge Street
London
SE1 9GF"/>				
Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	<table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>Yes</td><td><input type="checkbox"/></td></tr></table> <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>No</td><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td></tr></table> (Tick as appropriate)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>				
No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Website address (if available)	<input type="text"/>				
General Secretary:	<input type="text" value="Jeremy Vine"/>				
Telephone Number:	<input type="text" value="02077826844"/>				
Contact name for queries regarding the completion of this return:	<input type="text" value="Cathy Cooper"/>				
Telephone Number:	<input type="text" value="01689827505"/>				
E-mail:	<input type="text" value="Cathy.cooper@wilkinskennedy.com"/>				

Please follow the guidance notes in the completion of this return. Any difficulties or problems in the completion of this return should be directed to the Certification Officer as below or by telephone to: 0330 109 3602.

The address to which returns and other documents should be sent are:

-For Unions based in England and Wales: Certification Office for Trade Unions and Employers' Associations, Lower Ground Floor, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8JX.

-For Unions based in Scotland: Certification Office for Trade Unions and Employers' Associations, Melrose House, 69a George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2JG.



Return of members

(see notes 10 and 11)

	Number of members at the end of the year				
	Great Britain	Northern Ireland	Irish Republic	Elsewhere Abroad (including Channel Islands)	Totals
Male	1101	1		2	1104
Female	626			3	629
Total	1727	1		5	A 1733

Number of members at end of year contributing to the General Fund

0

Number of members included in totals box 'A' above for whom no home or authorised address is held:

0

Change of officers

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return.

Position held	Name of Officer ceasing to hold office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of change
NEC		Lisa Pritchard	May 24 th 2019

State whether the union is:

a. A branch of another trade union?

Yes

No

If yes, state the name of that other

b. A federation of trade unions?

Yes

No

If yes, state the number of affiliated

and names:

Officers in post

(see note 12)

Please insert a complete list of all officers in post at the end of the year to which this return relates.

Name of Officer	Position held
Jeremy Vine	General Secretary
Phil Chaplin	National Chair
Nuala Harvey	National Executive Committee
Lisa Pritchard	National Executive Committee
Claudette Curtis	National Executive Committee
Nicky Peake	National Executive Committee
Graham Allen	National Executive Committee

General fund
(see notes 13 to 18)

	£	£
Income		
From Members: Contributions and Subscriptions		
From Members: Other income from members (specify)		
Total other income from members		
Total of all income from members		
Investment income (as at page 12)		598
Other Income		
Income from Federations and other bodies (as at page 4)		
Income from any other sources (as at page 4)	272,000	
Total of other income (as at page 4)		272,598
	Total income	272,598
Expenditure		
Benefits to members (as at page 5)		21,831
Administrative expenses (as at page 10)		218,805
Federation and other bodies (specify)		
Total expenditure Federation and other bodies		
Taxation		114
	Total expenditure	240,750
Surplus (deficit) for year		31,848
Amount of general fund at beginning of year		157,297
Amount of general fund at end of year		189,145

Analysis of income from federation and other bodies and other income
 (see notes 19 and 20)

Description	£	£
Federation and other bodies		
Total federation and other bodies		
Other income		
Grant from News UK	272,000	
Total other income		272,000
Total of all other income		272,000

Analysis of benefit expenditure shown at general fund
(see notes 21 to 23)

	£		£
Representation – Employment Related Issues		brought forward	15,000
Legal fees	15,000	Education and Training services	
		Training	6,831
Representation – Non Employment Related Issues			
		Negotiated Discount Services	
Communications			
		Salary Costs	
Advisory Services			
		Other Benefits and Grants (specify)	
Dispute Benefits			
Other Cash Payments			
carried forward	15,000	Total (should agree with figure in General Fund)	21,831

Accounts other than the revenue account/general fund

(see notes 21 to 23)

Fund 2		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income			
From members			
Investment income (as at page 12)			
Other income (specify)			
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
Expenditure			
Benefits to members			
Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)			
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
	Number of members contributing at end of year		

Fund 3		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income			
From members			
Investment income (as at page 12)			
Other income (specify)			
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
Expenditure			
Benefits to members			
Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)			
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
	Number of members contributing at end of year		

(See notes 21 to 23)

Fund 4		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
Number of members contributing at end of year			

Fund 5		Fund Account	
Name:		£	£
Income	From members		
	Investment income (as at page 12)		
	Other income (specify)		
	Total other income as specified		
	Total Income		
Expenditure	Benefits to members		
	Administrative expenses and other expenditure (as at page 10)		
	Total Expenditure		
	Surplus (Deficit) for the year		
	Amount of fund at beginning of year		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)		
Number of members contributing at end of year			

Political fund account

(see notes 24 to 33)

Political fund account 1		To be completed by trade unions which maintain their own political fund	
	Income	Members contributions and levies	£
		Investment income (as at page 12)	£
		Other income (specify)	£
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
Expenditure under section (82) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 on purposes set out in section (72) (1) where consolidation of expenditures from the political funds exceeds £2,000 during the period			
	Expenditure A (as at page i)		£
	Expenditure B (as at page ii)		£
	Expenditure C (as at page iii)		£
	Expenditure D (as at page iv)		£
	Expenditure E (as at page v)		£
	Expenditure F (as at page vi)		£
	Non-political expenditure (as at page vii)		£
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount of political fund at beginning of year	
		Amount of political fund at the end of year (as Balance Sheet)	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contribute to the political fund	
Political fund account 2		To be completed by trade unions which act as components of a central trade	
	Income	Contributions and levies collected from members on behalf of central political fund	£
		Funds received back from central political fund	£
		Other income (specify)	£
		Total other income as specified	
		Total income	
Expenditure	Expenditure under section 82 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 (specify)		£
	Administration expenses in connection with political objects (specify)		£
	Non-political expenditure		£
		Total expenditure	
		Surplus (deficit) for year	
		Amount held on behalf of trade union political fund at beginning of	
		Amount remitted to central political fund	
		Amount held on behalf of central political fund at end of year	
		Number of members at end of year contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of the year not contributing to the political fund	
		Number of members at end of year who have completed an exemption notice and do not therefore contribute to the political fund	

Political fund account expenditure (b)

Expenditure under section 72 (1) (b) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act.

To be completed where total expenditure from the political fund exceeds £2,000 during the period to which return relates.

Expenditure of money on the provision of any services or property for use by or on behalf of any political party

Name of political party to which payment was made	Total amount paid during the period £
Total	

Political fund account expenditure (c)

Expenditure under section 72 (1) (c) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act.

To be completed where total expenditure from the political fund exceeds £2,000
during the period to which return relates.

Expenditure in connection with the registration of electors, the candidature of any person, the selection of any candidate or the holding of any ballot by the union in connection with any election to a political office

Title and Date of election	Name of political party/organisation	Name of candidate, organisation or political party (see note 33(iii))	£
Total			

Political fund account expenditure (e)

Expenditure under section 72 (1) (e) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act.

To be completed where total expenditure from the political fund exceeds £2,000
during the period to which return relates.

The expenditure of money on the holding of any conference or meeting by or on behalf of a political party or of any other meeting the main purpose of which is the transaction of business in connection with a political party

Name of political party	£
Total	

Expenditure from the political fund not falling within section 72(1) of the trade union & labour relations (consolidation) act 1992

For expenditure not falling within section 72(1) the required information is-

(a) the nature of each cause or campaign for which money was expended, and the total amount expended in relation to each one	£
<div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 20px;">Total Total expenditure</div>	
(b) the name of each organisation to which money was paid (otherwise than for a particular cause or campaign), and the total amount paid to each one	£
<div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 20px;">Total Total expenditure</div>	
(c) the total amount of all other money expended	£
<div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 20px;">Total Total expenditure</div>	

Analysis of administrative expenses and other outgoings excluding amounts charged to political fund accounts

(see notes 34 and 35)

		£
Administrative Expenses		
Remuneration and expenses of staff		177,089
Salaries and Wages included in above	£177,089	
Auditors' fees		8,820
Legal and Professional fees		3,657
Occupancy costs		-
Stationery, printing, postage, telephone, etc.		110
Expenses of Executive Committee (Head Office)		-
Travelling		1,216
Meeting expenses		2,239
Election costs		8,238
Expenses of conferences		15,677
Other administrative expenses (specify)		
Subscriptions		1,390
Bank Charges		64
Misc		305
Other Outgoings		
Interest payable:		
Bank loans (including overdrafts)		
Mortgages		
Other loans		
Depreciation		
Taxation		
Outgoings on land and buildings (specify)		
Other outgoings (specify)		
	Total	218,805
Charged to:	General Fund (Page 3)	218,805
	Fund (Account)	
	Fund (Account)	
	Fund (Account)	
	Fund (Account)	
	Total	218,805

Analysis of investment income

(see notes 47 and 48)

	Political Fund £		Other Fund(s) £
Rent from land and buildings			
Dividends (gross) from:			
Equities (e.g. shares)			
Interest (gross) from:			
Government securities (Gilts)			
Mortgages			
Local Authority Bonds			
Bank and Building Societies			598
Other investment income (specify)			
			598
		Total investment income	598
		Credited to:	
		General Fund (Page 3)	598
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Fund (Account)	
		Political Fund	
		Total Investment Income	598

Balance sheet as at

31 July 2019

(see notes 49 to 52)

Previous Year		£	£
	Fixed Assets (at page 14)		
	Investments (as per analysis on page 15)		
	Quoted (Market value £)		
	Unquoted		
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
	Loans to other trade unions		
	Sundry debtors		4,649
	Cash at bank and in hand		519,199
	Income tax to be recovered		
	Stocks of goods		
	Others (specify)		
	Total of other assets		523,848
	Total assets		523,848
	General Fund (Account)		189,145
	Fund (Account)		
	Fund (Account)		
	Superannuation Fund (Account)		
	Political Fund (Account)		
	Revaluation Reserve		
	Liabilities		
	Amount held on behalf of central trade union political fund		
	Loans: From other trade unions		
	Loans: Other		
	Bank overdraft		
	Tax payable		
	Sundry creditors		317,000
	Accrued expenses		17,703
	Provisions		
	Other liabilities		
	Total liabilities		523,848
	Total assets		523,848

Fixed assets account

(see notes 53 to 57)

	Land and Buildings		Furniture and Equipment £	Motor Vehicles £	Not used for union business £	Total £
	Freehold £	Leasehold £				
Cost or Valuation						
At start of year						
Additions						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
Accumulated Depreciation						
At start of year						
Charges for year						
Disposals						
Revaluation/Transfers						
At end of year						
Net book value at end of year						
Net book value at end of previous year						

Analysis of investments

(see notes 58 and 59)

		All Funds Except Political Funds £	Political Fund £
Quoted	Equities (e.g. Shares)		
	Government Securities (Gilts)		
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)		
	Total quoted (as Balance Sheet)		
	Market Value of Quoted Investment		
Unquoted	Equities		
	Government Securities (Gilts)		
	Mortgages		
	Bank and Building Societies		
	Other unquoted investments (to be specified)		
	Total unquoted (as Balance Sheet)		
	Market Value of Unquoted Investments		

Analysis of investment income (controlling interests)

(see notes 60 and 61)

Does the union, or any constituent part of the union, have a controlling interest in any limited company?		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If YES name the relevant companies:			
Company name	Company registration number (if not registered in England & Wales, state where registered)		
Are the shares which are controlled by the union registered in the names of the union's trustees?		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the union are registered.			
Company name	Names of shareholders		

Summary sheet
(see notes 62 to 73)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
Income			
From Members			
From Investments	598		598
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	272,000		272,000
Total Income	272,598		272,598
Expenditure (including decreases by revaluation of assets)	240,750		240,750
Total Expenditure	240,750		240,750
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	157,297		157,297
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	189,145		189,145
Assets			
Fixed Assets			
Investment Assets			
Other Assets			523,848
Total Assets			523,848
Liabilities			
Total Liabilities			334,703
Net assets (Total Assets less Total Liabilities)			189,145

Information on Industrial action ballots

(see notes 74 to 80)

Did the union hold any ballots in respect of industrial action during the return period?

YES NO

If Yes How many ballots were held: [] 0

For each ballot held please complete the information below:

Ballot 1

Number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot [] 1

Number of votes cast in the ballot [] 2

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question [] 3

Number of Individuals answering "No" to the question [] 4

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned [] 5

*** 1-3 should total "Number of votes cast in the ballot"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)? **Y / N**

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Ballot 2

Number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot [] 1

Number of votes cast in the ballot [] 2

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question [] 3

Number of Individuals answering "No" to the question [] 4

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned [] 5

*** 1-3 should total "Number of votes cast in the ballot"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)? **Y / N**

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

For additional ballots please continue on next page

Ballot 3

Number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot [redacted] 1

Number of votes cast in the ballot [redacted] 2

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question [redacted] 3

Number of Individuals answering "No" to the question [redacted] 4

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned [redacted] 5

*** 1-3 should total "Number of votes cast in the ballot"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)? **Y / N**

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Ballot 4

Number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot [redacted] 1

Number of votes cast in the ballot [redacted] 2

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question [redacted] 3

Number of Individuals answering "No" to the question [redacted] 4

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned [redacted] 5

*** 1-3 should total "Number of votes cast in the ballot"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)? **Y / N**

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question (or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Ballot 5

Number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot [redacted] 1

Number of votes cast in the ballot [redacted] 2

Number of Individuals answering "Yes" to the question [redacted] 3

Number of Individuals answering "No" to the question [redacted] 4

Number of invalid or otherwise spoiled voting papers returned [redacted] 5

*** 1-3 should total "Number of votes cast in the ballot"**

Were the number of votes cast in the ballot at least 50% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Does section 226(2B) of the 1992 Act apply in relation to this ballot (see notes 76-80)? **Y / N**

If yes, were the number of individuals answering "Yes" to the question(or each question) at least 40% of the number of individuals who were entitled to vote in the ballot **Y / N**

Use a continuation sheet if necessary

Information on Industrial action

(see note 81)

*Categories of Nature of Trade Dispute :

A: terms and conditions of employment, or the physical conditions in which any workers are required to work;

B: engagement or non-engagement, or termination or suspension of employment or the duties of employment, of one or more workers;

C: allocation of work or the duties of employment between workers or groups of workers;

D: matters of discipline;

E: a worker's membership or non-membership of a trade union;

F: facilities for officials of trade unions;

G: machinery for negotiation or consultation, and other procedures, relating to any of the above matters, including the recognition by employers or employers' associations of the right of a trade union to represent workers in such negotiation or consultation or in the carrying out of such procedures

Did Union members take industrial action during the return period in response to any inducement on the part of the Union?

~~YES~~ / NO

If **YES**, for each industrial action taken please complete the information below:

Industrial Action 1

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:
3. Number of days of industrial action:
4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Industrial Action 2

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:
3. Number of days of industrial action:
4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Industrial Action 3

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:
3. Number of days of industrial action:
4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

use a continuation page if necessary

Industrial Action 4

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Industrial Action 5

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Industrial Action 6

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Industrial Action 7

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Industrial Action 8

1. please tick the nature of the trade dispute for which industrial action was taken using the categories* below:

A B C D E F G

2. Dates of the industrial action taken:

3. Number of days of industrial action:

4. Nature of industrial action. Strike Action / Action Short of a Strike (delete one as appropriate)

Notes to the accounts

(see notes 82 and 83)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

SEE ACCOUNTS ATTACHED

Accounting policies

(see notes 84 and 85)

SEE ACCOUNTS ATTACHED

Signatures to the annual return

(see notes 86 and 87)

including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return. Please send the return with the original signatures. Copies will not be accepted.

Secretary's Signature:



Name: Jeremy Vine

Date: 5/11/19

Chairman's Signature:

(or other official whose position should be stated)



Name: Phil Chaplin

Date: 5/11/19

Checklist

(see notes 88 and 89)

(please tick as appropriate)

Has the return of change of officers been completed? (see Page 2 and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the list of officers in post been completed? (see Page 2a and Note 12)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the return been signed? (see Pages 23 and 25 and Notes 86 and 95)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the auditor's report been completed? (see Pages 24 and 25 and Notes 2 and 92)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Is a rule book enclosed? (see Notes 8 and 88)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
A member's statement is: (see Note 104)	Enclosed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	To follow	
Has the summary sheet been completed? (see Page 17 and Notes 7 and 62)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Has the membership audit certificate been completed? (see Page i to iii and Notes 97 to 103)	Yes		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Checklist for auditor's report

(see notes 90 to 96)

The checklist below is for guidance. A report is still required either set out overleaf or by way of an attached auditor's report that covers the 1992 Act requirements.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate?
(See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 92 and 93)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached. YES – see report

2. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:
 - a. kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
 - b. established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances.
(See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 92)

Please explain in your report overleaf or attached. YES – see report

3. Your auditors or auditor must include in their report the following wording:

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate to.
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the sections 28, 32 and 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (consolidation) Act 1992.

Auditor's report (continued)

SEE ACCOUNTS ATTACHED

Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> <i>W.K. Kennedy Audit Services</i> </div>	
Name(s):	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Wilkins Kennedy Audit Services</div>	
Profession(s) or Calling(s):	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Statutory Auditors</div>	
Address(es):	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> Greytown House 221 – 227 High Street Orpington Kent BR6 0NZ </div>	
Date:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> 20/11/19 </div>	
Contact name for enquiries and telephone number:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> Cathy Cooper 01689827505 </div>	

N.B. When notes to the accounts are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

Membership audit certificate
made in accordance with section 24ZD of the
Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992
(See notes 97 to 103)

At the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates was the total membership of the trade union greater than 10,000?

YES/NO

If "YES" please complete SECTION ONE below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21.

If "NO" please complete SECTION TWO below or provide the equivalent information on a separate document to be submitted with the completed AR21

Membership audit certificate
Section one

For a trade union with more than 10,000 members, required by section 24ZB of the 1992 Act to appoint an independent assurer

1. In the opinion of the assurer appointed by the trade union was the union's system for compiling and maintaining its register of the names and addresses of its members satisfactory to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in its register were accurate and up-to-date throughout the reporting period?

YES/NO

2. In the opinion of the assurer has he/she obtained the information and explanations necessary for the performance of his/her functions?

YES/NO

If the answer to **either** questions 1 or 2 above is "NO" the assurer must:

- (a) set out below the assurer's reasons for stating that
- (b) provide a description of the information or explanation requested or required which has not been obtained
- (c) state whether the assurer required that information or those explanations from the union's officers, or officers of any of its branches or sections under section 24ZE of the 1992 Act
- (d) send a copy of this certificate to the Certification Officer as soon as is reasonably practicable after it is provided to the union.


Membership audit certificate
Section two

For a trade union with no **more than 10,000 members** at the end of the reporting period preceding the one to which this audit relates.

To the best of your knowledge and belief has the trade union during this reporting period complied with its duty to compile and maintain a register of the names and addresses of its members and secured, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the entries in the register are accurate and up-to-date?

YES/NO

If "NO" Please explain below:

Signature	
Name	Jeremy Vine
Office held	General Secretary
Date	5/11/19

NEWS UNION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2019

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NEWS UNION

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NEWS UNION

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of News Union for the year ended 31 July 2019 which comprise the Balance Sheet, the income and expenditure account and the notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of News Union's affairs as at 31 July 2019 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of News Union in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the members use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the members have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about News Union's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of members

The members are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the members are responsible for assessing News Union's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the members either intend to liquidate News Union, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

NEWS UNION**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NEWS UNION (CONTINUED)****Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the accounts**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to News Union's members, as a body, in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the 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 News Union and News Union's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Wilks Kennedy Audit Services

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WILKINS KENNEDY
Statutory Auditor

Date: 20/11/19

NEWS UNION**BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 31 JULY 2019**

	Notes	£	2019	£	£	2018	£
FIXED ASSETS	2		-				-
CURRENT ASSETS							
Other debtors	3	4,649			2,241		
Cash at bank		519,199			488,023		
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	4	334,703			332,967		
NET CURRENT ASSETS				189,145			157,297
NET ASSETS				£ 189,145			£ 157,297
MEMBERS FUNDS	5			£ 189,145			£ 157,297


 P Chaplin
 National Chairman NEC


 J Vine
 General Secretary

Approved on: 5/11/19

NEWS UNION**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2019**

	2019		2018	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Grants		272,000		272,000
Interest received		598		173
		<u>272,598</u>		<u>272,173</u>
OVERHEAD EXPENDITURE				
Salaries	177,089		169,703	
Travelling	1,216		1,130	
Meeting expenses	2,239		1,264	
Election Costs	8,238		-	
Training costs	6,831		7,061	
Conference Cost	15,677		14,444	
Printing and stationery	110		250	
Auditors remuneration	8,820		8,580	
Legal and professional charges	18,657		18,946	
Subscriptions	1,390		1,346	
Depreciation	-		370	
Bank charges	64		48	
Miscellaneous expenses	305		132	
		<u>240,636</u>		<u>223,274</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR BEFORE TAXATION		31,962		48,899
Taxation (Note 6)		114		33
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR TAXATION		£ 31,848		£ 48,866

The attached notes form part of these financial statements.

NEWS UNION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 JULY 2019

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) General information

News Union is a trade union and incorporated in England and Wales. The principal place of business is Room 8-06, 1 London Bridge Street, London, SE1 9GF.

b) The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the trade union. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, subject to the revaluation of certain assets and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. The financial statements incorporate the results of News Union, the activities of which are continuing.

News Union have a reasonable expectation that the trade union has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. It has therefore continued to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

c) Grants

Grants receivable are credited to income for the period for which they are given. Grants received in respect of future periods are treated as deferred income.

d) Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Tangible fixed assets are written off by equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives as follows:

Fixtures & equipment	-	over 3 years
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At each reporting date, property, plant and equipment are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If there is an indication of possible impairment, the recoverable amount of any affected asset is estimated and compared with its carrying amount. If the estimated recoverable amount is lower, the carrying amount is reduced to its estimated recoverable amount, and an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the income and expenditure account.

If an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but not in excess of the amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of impairment is recognised immediately in the income and expenditure account.

e) Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price less any impairment. Loans are initially measured at fair value and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less any impairment.

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f) Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at their transaction price. Other financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value net of their transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

g) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the balance sheet comprise cash at banks and in hand and short term deposits with an original maturity date of three months or less.

h) Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the accounting policies, the National Executive Committee are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

There are no judgements or estimates within these accounts.

2. FIXED ASSETS**Fixtures & Equipment**

	£
COST	
At 1 August 2018	12,348
Disposals	(2,400)
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At 31 July 2019	9,948
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DEPRECIATION	
At 1 August 2018	12,348
Charge for year	-
Elimination on disposal	(2,400)
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At 31 July 2019	9,948
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WRITTEN DOWN VALUE	
At 31 July 2019	-
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At 31 July 2018	-
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3. DEBTORS

	2019 £	2018 £
Prepayments	<u>£ 4,649</u>	<u>£ 2,241</u>

4. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year.

	2019 £	2018 £
Other creditors	7,099	5,717
Accruals	10,604	10,250
Deferred income	317,000	317,000
	<u>£ 334,703</u>	<u>£ 332,967</u>

5. MEMBERS FUNDS

	2019 £	2018 £
At 1 August 2018	157,297	108,431
Surplus for the year	31,848	48,866
At 31 July 2019	<u>£189,145</u>	<u>£157,297</u>

6. TAXATION

The Union is assessable to UK corporation tax at 19% (2018: 19%) on all investment income and capital gains arising on the sale of investments.

	2019 £	2018 £
Charge for year	114	33
	<u>£ 114</u>	<u>£ 33</u>

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7. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The National Executive Committee is responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Trade Union law requires the members of the National Executive Committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trade Union and of its income and expenditure for the year. In preparing the financial statements the members of the National Executive Committee 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 Trade Union will continue in operation.

The National Executive Committee is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trade Union and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trade Union and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the members of the National Executive Committee are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the Trade Union's auditor is unaware; and
- they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

8. RELATED PARTIES

The Union is under the control of its members.

9. PENSION CONTRIBUTION

The Union's contributions to a defined contribution pension scheme were £6,170 in the year (2018: £2,012).