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## **IPSO annual publisher's statement**

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 300,000 unique browsers.

Press Gazette also has daily and weekly email newsletters and is active on social media. It has an editorial team of six: editor in chief, US editor, UK editor, data reporter and sub-editor and chief reporter. It is published by NS Media Group. Its 'responsible person' is editor-in-chief Dominic Ponsford.

Press Gazette follows the Editors' Code and ensures that all staff are aware of it, read it and follow it closely.

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:

<https://www.pressgazette.co.uk/about-us/>

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 since our last annual report.

Any mistakes on Press Gazette 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 our policy on things like treatment of sources: <http://www.pressgazette.co.uk/press-gazettestyle-guide-includes-advice-on-off-the-record-show-dont-tell-and-our-banned-list/>

We do regular legal training for all staff with David Banks and also make use of his services on occasion for pre-publication legal advice.

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.

Editor in chief - Press Gazette.