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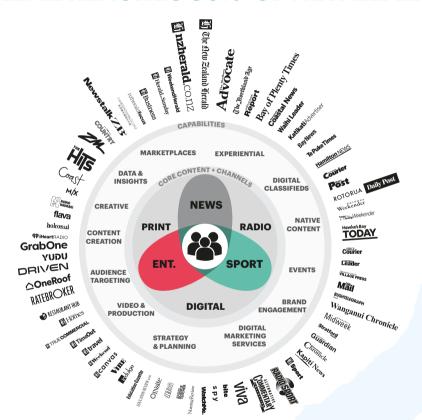


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NZME REACHES 80%¹ OF NEW ZEALANDERS



PRINT

1.3 Million weekly readers¹

RADIO

2.0 Million weekly listeners²

DIGITAL

Unique audience of

2.4 Million per month¹

EVERY MINUTE, EVERY HOUR, EVERY DAY...

NZME H1 18 RESULTS SUMMARY

Statutory NPAT

\$3.7m

Trading Revenue¹

\$185.7m

Trading EBITDA¹

\$23.2m

H1 17 \$28.2m ▼18%

Interim Dividend Fully Imputed

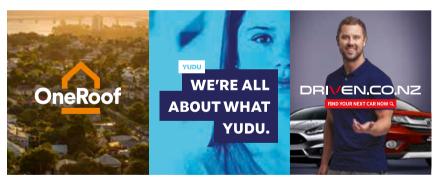
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Scheduled for payment on 26 October 2018

Trading measures are non-GAAP measures that are explained and reconciled in the supplementary information on pages 30-31. ²A supplementary dividend of 0.3529 cents per share will be payable to shareholders who are not tax resident in New Zealand and who hold less than 10% of the shares in NZME Limited. ³H1 17 Trading revenue includes other income.

NZME INVESTING FOR THE FUTURE

\$m	H118 Trading¹	H1 17 Trading¹	% Change
Trading Revenue	185.7	191.0	(3%)
Total Costs excluding Digital Classifieds Costs ²	(159.4)	(162.8)	(2%)
EBITDA from underlying business	26.3	28.2	(7%)
Costs associated with Digital Classifieds	(3.1)	-	
Trading EBITDA	23.2	28.2	(18%)



- Trading revenue declined just 3%
 in H1 18 compared to H1 17 reflecting
 continuation of industry headwinds,
 to a degree moderated by ongoing market
 share gains and strong digital growth.
- Excluding the investment in the Digital Classified platforms, underlying EBITDA declined \$1.9m in H1 18 vs H1 17.
- Focus on business efficiency contributed to a \$3.4m reduction in underlying costs.
- In line with the strategy to develop and grow new revenue streams three new Digital Classified businesses were launched in March 2018 incurring costs of \$3.1m. The majority of this investment has been in people, marketing, data and technology licensing.
- We are still early days for these platforms, but encouraged by operational progress and audience growth.

¹Trading measures are non-GAAP measures that are explained and reconciled in the supplementary information on pages 30-31. ² Total Costs excluding Digital Classifieds Costs is a non-GAAP measure that shows the Trading Costs for H1 18 of \$162.5m (as reconciled on page 30) less the Costs associated with the Digital Classified platforms launched in H1 18. For H1 17, these costs are the same as Trading Costs as reconciled on page 31.

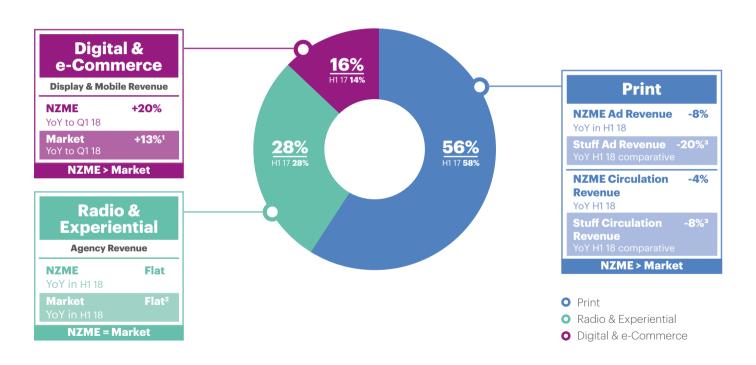
NZME H1 18 OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

Continued audience growth and engagement	 Total audience 3.3m 10% YoY growth in NZ Herald weekly brand audience¹ and 8.5% increase in engagement on nzherald.co.nz² Radio audience stable Strong audience growth in the new Digital Classifieds
Return advertising revenue to growth	 Advertising revenue in H1 impacted by declining business confidence Increasing or maintaining share across all channels in all measurable markets Digital revenue growth offset ~70% of the print advertising decline in H1 Improved trends in radio revenue
Effective cost and capital management	 \$3.4m decrease in costs³ Cost out initiatives in H1 will benefit H2 performance
Develop our talent and people	 New prime time shows launched on ZM ("Bree & Clint" Drive show) and Coast ("Jase & Bernie" Breakfast show) Building the profile of journalists ahead of paid content launch Board renewal completed - two new directors appointed
Grow new revenue streams	 \$3.1m opex invested in launching three new Digital Classifieds Initial reception and engagement positive, but still early days Paid subscription capability on nzherald.co.nz on track for end of H2
Stuff Merger	Appeal heard in Court of Appeal in June 2018. Judgement expected in H2



NZME H1 18 MARKET COMPARABLES

MAINTAINING OR GROWING ACROSS ALL CHANNELS



¹IAB / PwC New Zealand Q1 2018 Interactive Advertising Spend Report; digital excluding search and directories, and social media (NZ market only). ²SMI New Zealand Agency Advertising Expenditure Report June 2018. ³Faifax Media Limited Full Year 2018 and Half Year 2017 Reports.

NZME PRINT

NZME Print Revenue (\$m)	H1 18	H1 17	% Change
Advertising Revenue	55.5	60.2	(8%)
Circulation Revenue	40.4	41.9	(4%)
Other Revenue ¹	7.7	8.4	(9%)
Total Print Revenue	103.6	110.6	(6%)

- Print advertising revenue continues to decline at historical rates
- Growth continues in readership and audience.
- Circulation volume decline has been largely offset by increases in yield. Cover price increase implemented across all titles on 1 July 2018.
- Other revenue includes printing and distribution services provided to Stuff NZ and other third parties.

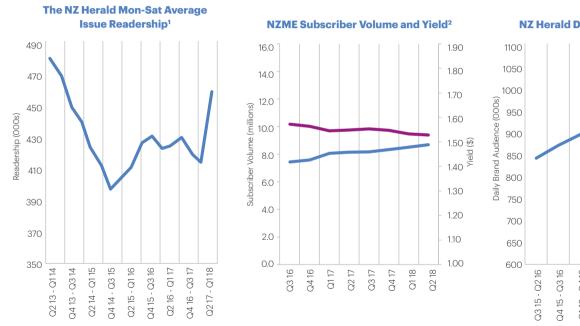


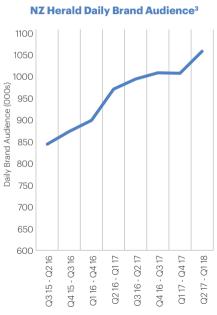
Wanganui Chronicle TODAY

ROTORUA Daily Post

Advocate Bay of Plenty Times

NZ HERALD AUDIENCE GROWING, SUBSCRIBER REVENUES STABLE





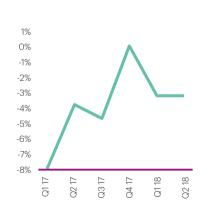
Nielsen CMI Q2 2017 - Q1 2018, NZ Herald AIR trend, AP15+ 2Subscriber volume drives revenue and represents the count of individual "paid" papers delivered, including the NZ Herald, Herald on Sunday and Regionals (includes paid trials). Subscriber yield includes promotional volumes. Nielsen CMI Q2 17 - Q1 18, AP15+.

Subscriber Volume
 Yield

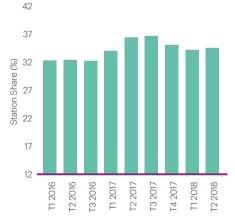
NZME RADIO & EXPERIENTIAL

NZME Radio & Experiential Revenue (\$m)	H1 18 Trading¹	H1 17 Trading¹	% Change
Radio & Experiential Revenue	48.8	50.4	(3%)
Other Revenue (inc. iHeart and Events)	2.2	2.1	1%
Total Radio & Experiential Revenue	51.0	52.6	(3%)

Change in Radio Revenue % of pcp²



NZME Major Markets 18-54 y/o Station Share³



- Radio and experiential revenue declined just 3% after being down 5% in FY17 and 6% in the first half of last year.
- Focus for H2 on continuing the positive momentum in radio revenue.
- Audience is down slightly in the key 18-54 y/o demographic, from our peak a year ago.
 Newstalk 7B remains #1 radio station in N7.
- iHeart Radio registered users up 24% YoY to more than 782,000⁴ and average monthly streams up 159% YoY to 18.2 million.⁵

¹Trading measures are non-GAAP measures that are explained and reconciled in the supplementary information on pages 30-31. ²Previous corresponding period. ³GfK Radio Audience Measurement, Commercial Stations. NZME & Partners in Major Markets Trended to T2/2018. Station Share %. Mon-Sun 12mn-12mn, 18-54. ⁴iHeartMedia, 2017-2018; Adobe Analytics, 2018. ⁵AdsWizz and StreamGuys, 2017-2018.



INTRODUCING

BREE & CLINT

4PM-7PM

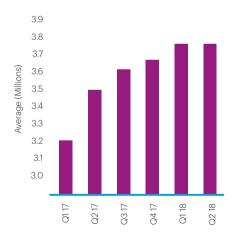




NZME DIGITAL & E-COMMERCE

NZME Digital & e-Commerce Revenue (\$m)	H1 18	H1 17	% Change
Digital Revenue ⁴	23.9	20.5	17%
e-Commerce Revenue	5.0	5.5	(8%)
Total Digital & e-Commerce Revenue	29.0	26.0	12%

nzherald.co.nz Average Weekly Unique Browsers¹



- Digital advertising revenue grew across all products, outperforming the market.
- Washington Post ARC platform has enabled improved audience analytics and monetisation.
- Native video delivered 6% YoY growth across all sites to more than 2 million views per week².
- Digital revenue growth in H1 offset ~70% of the decline in print advertising revenue.
- nzherald.co.nz continues to attract more than 3.8 million unique browsers per month with mobile audience comprising almost 75% of total audience, up from 60% last year³.
- GrabOne (e-Commerce) revenues stabilising, reflecting change of model, improved traffic and email personalisation.

Nielsen Market Intelligence Average Weekly UB's 2017 - 2018. ²Bright cove analytics, 2017-2018. Native = viewed on an NZME platform. ²Nielsen Market Intelligence, Domestic Traffic, 2017-2018. ⁴Digital revenue consists of Advertising revenue of \$20m (H1 17: \$19.4m) and Other revenue of \$3.9m (H1 17: \$1.1m) as disclosed in note 2.1.1 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for the period ended 30 June 2018.

DIGITAL CLASSIFIEDS



- SEARCH OVER

 30,000

 LISTINGS
- WE'RE HERE TO
 LAUNCH CAREERS

 SO WE GOT A
 MICROBIOLOGIST
 TO LAUNCH US

 GET MORE THAN A JOB AT
 VUDU
 REAR

- Needs based search
- Integrated data insights
- Lead generation for agents

 Unique tools for buyers and sellers

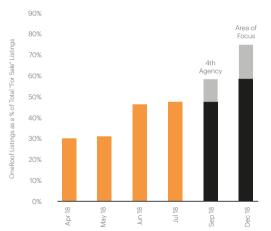
- Targets active and passive candidates
- Championing the candidate



LISTINGS +AUDIENCE → REVENUE

LISTINGS

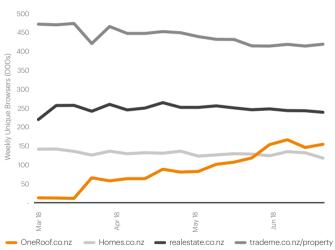
- Launched March 2018¹
- Currently ~50% of the total market 'for sale' listings on site
- 3 out of 5 major agency groups now on site
- 4th to go live in Q3
- Targeting 75% of the 'for sale' market by December 2018



AUDIENCE

- Strong audience growth since launch, supported by extensive brand advertising
- Currently reaching ~65% of realestate.co.nz audience

OneRoof Weekly Unique Browsers²



REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES

- Premium listing:
- Branded content
- Sponsorship
- Bundled cross-channel packages
- Agent subscriptions
- Agent profiles

OneRoof is a joint venture between NZME (80% share) and the developer of the platform (20% share). The entity is fully consolidated in the NZME Consolidated Interim Financial Statements. ²Nielsen Market Intelligence, Domestic Traffic (1 Jan 18 - 30 June 18).









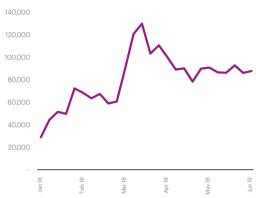






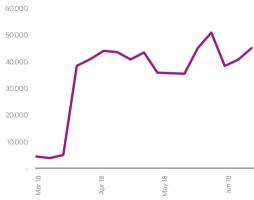


DRIVEN Weekly Unique Browsers¹



WE'RE HERE TO LAUNCH CAREERS SO WE GOT A MICROBIOLOGIST TO LAUNCH US GET MORE THAN A JOB AT YUDU MARKET

YUDU Weekly Unique Browsers¹



DRIVEN

LISTINGS

- Relaunched site in March 2018
- H2 focus on launching unique tools for buyers and sellers
- Currently have ~60% of all dealer listings in New Zealand

AUDIENCE

 DRIVEN audience has increased from 6% to ~20% of Trademe Motors' audience



LISTINGS

- Launched March 2018
- Currently have 33% of total job market listings

AUDIENCE

 YUDU audience has increased from 1% to ~30% of Trade Me Jobs' audience

REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES

Branded content

Targeted advertising

Listings

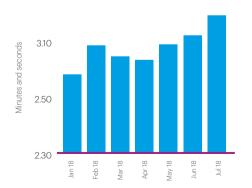
MONETISING OUR CONTENT

Global Learnings

- Audience willingness to pay for digital content has increased significantly.
- Majority of global news publishers charge for digital content.
- "Freemium" has become the preferred business model.

nzherald.co.nz Average Site Duration¹

3.30



¹Nielsen Market Intelligence, Domestic Traffic (1 Jan 18 - 30 June 18).

NZME PAID PROPOSITION

2017 Washington Post ARC Partnership

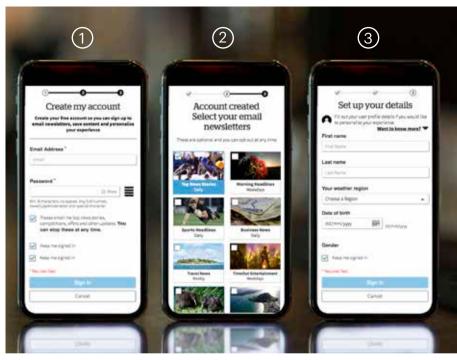
- New Content Management System
- A/B testing of content
- Personalisation
- Launched Premium & InDepth content on nzherald.co.nz

2018 Audience Registration

- Utilising data insights
- Targeted content
- Enhancing talent profiles
- Expanding premium content offering
- Building engagement

Paid Content Capability

- Freemium model for local premium content and premium international business content
- Frictionless user experience and payment options
- Bundled print and digital subscriptions





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H118 FINANCIALS

NZME TRADING RESULT

\$m	H1 18 Trading¹	H1 17 Trading¹	% Change
Revenue	183.5	189.1	(3%)
Other Income	2.2	1.9	13%
Total Revenue & Other Income	185.7	191.0	(3%)
Costs	(162.5)	(162.8)	(0%)
EBITDA	23.2	28.2	(18%)
Depreciation and amortisation	(13.1)	(12.1)	9%
EBIT	10.1	16.2	(37%)
Net Interest	(2.1)	(2.3)	(6%)
NPBT	8.0	13.9	(43%)
Tax	(2.4)	(4.0)	(39%)
Trading NPAT	5.5	9.9	(44%)
Trading earning per share (cps)	2.8	5.0	(44%)

- The statutory results reflect the impact of NZ IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers on Revenue. For presentation purposes the H1 18 Trading result is provided on a basis consistent with the FY17 result to enable a like-for-like comparison. Refer to page 30 of this presentation and note 2.1.1 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for further detail.
- Trading revenue down 3% due to decline in Print advertising which has been in part offset by growth in Digital.
- Other income primarily relates to the provision of financial back office services to third parties.
- Cost savings have been largely invested in the new Digital Classifieds which has had a flow on effect to NPAT.
- Amortisation has increased reflecting recent investments in software assets.

NZME COSTS

\$m	H1 18 Trading ¹	H1 17 Trading¹	% Change
People costs & contributors	79.3	82.1	(3%)
Print & distribution costs	31.2	34.4	(9%)
Agency commission & marketing	17.6	17.5	1%
Property	10.3	10.8	(4%)
Content	7.1	5.6	27%
IT & communications	6.2	5.9	5%
Other	7.7	6.7	15%
Total Costs excluding Digital Classifieds Costs	159.4	162.8	(2%)
Costs associated with Digital Classifieds	3.1	-	-
Total Trading Costs	162.5	162.8	(0%)

- Underlying costs³ down 2% reflecting the ongoing impact of cost efficiency programs.
- Print and distribution costs are lower due to reduced print volumes and efficiency benefits from the closed loop colour registration upgrade.
- The increase in content costs reflects investment in video content production.
- \$3.1m invested in launching the three Digital Classifieds. The majority of this investment has been in people, marketing, data and technology licensing.

EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS

\$m	H1 18	H1 17
Redundancies	2.1	1.4
Costs in relation to one-off projects	0.4	1.2
Total Exceptional Items ²	2.5	2.6

'All Trading measures shown here are non-GAAP measures that are explained and reconciled in the Supplementary Information on pages 30-31. ²Refer to Note 2.3.2 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for the period ended 30 June 2018 for a more detailed explanation of exceptional items. ³Trading Costs excluding Digital Classifieds Costs.

NZME BALANCE SHEET

\$m	Jun 18	Dec 17	Jun 17
Trade, other receivables and inventory	54.2	57.2	58.4
Trade and other payables	(50.0)	(56.9)	(59.8)
Current tax (liability)/receivable	2.6	(7.6)	(0.3)
Net working capital (excluding cash)	6.8	(7.3)	(1.7)
Fixed, intangible and other assets	395.3	401.3	406.2
Net interest bearing liabilities	(106.1)	(90.2)	(106.8)
Other liabilities	(14.8)	(14.8)	(15.9)
Net Assets	281.3	289.0	281.7
Rolling 12 month Trading EBITDA ¹	61.2	66.2	67.5
Trading¹ net interest cover	14.5	15.2	12.3
Net debt to trading EBITDA	1.7	1.4	1.6

- The balance sheet remains strong with net debt of \$106m stable year on year.
- Lower payables reflects reduced print costs, timing of incentives, and the migration to software as a service.
- The movement in net working capital has been driven predominantly by the timing of tax payments.
- Bank facilities of \$160m expire on
 1 January 2020. Undrawn bank facilities
 as at 30 June 2018 totalled \$41.2m.
- NZME has engaged an external adviser to review our capital structure, dividend policy and advise on the refinance of our bank facilities.

NZME CASH FLOW

\$m	H1 18 Trading¹	H1 17 Trading¹
Trading EBITDA	23.2	28.2
Share based payment scheme (non-cash)	0.2	0.2
Movement in payables and receivables	(4.0)	(9.3)
Cash from operations	19.6	19.1
Net interest expense	(2.0)	(2.2)
Capital expenditure	(7.1)	(6.8)
Exceptional items	(2.5)	(2.6)
Dividends paid	(11.8)	(11.9)
Tax paid	(11.9)	(6.5)
Movement in net debt	(15.9)	(10.9)

- Solid operating cash flow in H1 18 has been applied to tax payments, dividends and capex.
- Key items broadly stable on same period last year, but increased tax due to payment timing.



- H1 18 advertising revenue declined 4% on the same period last year. Advertising bookings for Q3 are consistent with the H1 result, down 4% year on year. Agency advertising spend remains challenged and softening economic conditions have the potential to weaken or delay advertising revenue in H2.
- NZME continues to hold or increase share across all channels.
- The benefit of cost initiatives implemented in H1 18 are expected to be reflected in H2 18 but are not expected to be sufficent to offset the softening advertising revenue in the underlying business.
- In addition, we continue to invest in Digital Classifieds to create new future revenue streams and shareholder value.

 FY18 EBITDA will reflect this softened market and investment in Digital Classifieds.

H2 18 FOCUS ON OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES

Grow audience and engagement	 Expand range of Premium content on nzherald.co.nz Implement registration on the site to improve personalisation and engagement Embed new radio shows and continue momentum in audience growth
Return advertising revenue to growth	 Maintain improved direct channel momentum Leverage integrated audience sell across all channels to offset the impact of challenging advertising market
Effective cost and capital management	 Cost out initiatives implemented in H1, will benefit H2 performance, partially offset by continued investment in Digital Classifieds Have engaged external adviser to review our capital structure
Develop our talent and people	 Continue to develop the profile of our journalism team ahead of the launch of paid content Attract new talent to further enhance premium proposition Prepare for transition of new talent on key Newstalk ZB shows
Grow new revenue streams	 Continue to invest in listings and audience on OneRoof, DRIVEN and YUDU Deliver paid content capability in late 2018
Stuff Merger	Evaluate following release of Court of Appeal judgement (expected in H2)





NZME H1 18

RECONCILIATION OF TRADING RESULT TO CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

\$m	H1 18 Trading	NZ IFRS 15 ¹	Exceptional Items ⁷	H1 18 Financial Statements
Segment revenue ²				
- Print	103.6	-		103.6
- Radio	51.0	3.8	-	54.8
- Digital	29.0	-	-	29.0
Other Income ³	2.2	-	-	2.2
Total Revenue and Other Income	185.7	3.8	-	189.5
Costs ⁴	(162.5)	(3.8)	(2.5)	(168.9)
EBITDA	23.2	-	(2.5)	20.7
Depreciation and amortisation	(13.1)	-	-	(13.1)
EBIT	10.1	-	(2.5)	7.6
Net interest expense ⁵	(2.1)	-	-	(2.1)
NPBT	8.0		(2.5)	5.4
Tax ⁶	(2.4)	-	0.7	(1.8)
NPAT	5.5	-	(1.8)	3.7
Earnings per share (cps)	2.8	-	-	1.9

¹For a detailed explanation of the NZ IFRS 15 adjustment please refer to Note 2.1.1 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements

²Segment revenue in the H1 18 Financial Statements column agrees with the segment revenue as disclosed in notes 2.1 and 2.3 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for the period ended 30 June 2018. The H1 18 Segment revenue excludes the NZ IFRS 15 adjustment to ensure a like-for-like comparison with the H1 17 information that are not restated for the effects of NZ IFRS 15.

⁹Other Income consists of revenue from the shared service centre of \$1.7m and other income of \$0.5m as disclosed in note 2.1 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements.

⁴Costs in the H1 18 Financial Statements agrees to Expenses from operations before finance costs, depreciation and amortisation as disclosed in the Consolidated Interim Income Statement.

⁵Net interest expense is made up of Finance Cost of \$2.2m (as disclosed in the Consolidated Interim Income Statement) less Finance income of \$0.1m as disclosed in note 2.1.

⁶Trading tax payable has been calculated using NZME's effective tax rate on NPBT excluding exceptional items of 30%.

Exceptional Items consist of redundancies and costs in relation to one-off projects (as disclosed in the note 2.3.2 of Consolidated Interim Financial Statements).

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RECONCILIATION OF TRADING RESULT TO CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

\$m	H1 17 Trading Result	Excepional Items	H1 17 Statutory Result
Segment Revenue¹			
- Print	110.6	-	110.6
- Radio	52.6	-	52.6
- Digital	26.0	-	26.0
Other Income ²	1.9	-	1.9
Total Revenue and Other Income	191.0		191.0
Costs ³	(162.8)	(2.6)	(165.5)
EBITDA	28.2	(2.6)	25.6
Depreciation and amortisation	(12.1)	-	(12.1)
EBIT	16.2	(2.6)	13.5
Net interest expense ⁴	(2.3)	-	(2.3)
NPBT	13.9	(2.6)	11.2
Tax ⁵	(4.0)	0.5	(3.5)
NPAT	9.9	(2.1)	7.8
Earnings per share (cps)	5.0	(1.0)	4.0

Segment revenue agrees with the segment revenue as disclosed in notes 2.1 and 2.3 of the Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for the period ended 30 June 2018.

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