

1919 Publishing Limited IPSO annual statement for 2023

Overview

1919 Magazine covers justice and social affairs issues in Scotland and is published online on the first Tuesday of every month. It is a free digital magazine containing in-depth interviews, features and exclusive news stories on topics such as policing, crime, politics, public policy and current affairs.

1919 is published by 1919 Publishing Limited, a limited company registered in Scotland, and is funded by the Scottish Police Federation.

The editorial team is led by award-winning journalist Gemma Fraser who is the magazine's only direct employee. Further editorial content is provided by employees of Quantum Communications Group Limited, a PR agency commissioned to support the magazine's operation. All contributors from Quantum Communications are former journalists, led by Co-CEO Alan Roden. The magazine also provides opportunities for freelance reporters and photographers, helping to boost Scotland's successful media industry through greater investment in quality journalism. The publication was launched in June 2021 and has become a key part of the media landscape, having been shortlisted for several national awards.

List of titles

1919 Magazine: www.1919magazine.co.uk (online only)

Responsible person

The responsible person is Gemma Fraser, Head of Content at 1919 Magazine.

The second contact is Alan Roden, Co-CEO of Quantum Communications.

Editorial standards

We abide by the Editors' Code of Practice and are committed to upholding the highest standards of journalism.

All regular writers for 1919 Magazine are experienced former journalists and editors who have worked for local or national titles and have received extensive training. When conducting interviews, all writers identify themselves as writing for 1919 Magazine, and are familiar with on and off the record practices and keep detailed records. Copies of the Editors' Code of Practice are regularly circulated with the editorial team. Editorial team members are made aware of any updates to the code.

Recent experience of the editorial team:

- Gemma Fraser: Holyrood Magazine, Edinburgh Evening News
- Alan Roden: Scottish Daily Mail, Edinburgh Evening News
- Adam Morris: Edinburgh Evening News
- Chris Green: The i, The Independent
- Tom Martin: Scottish Daily Express, Scotland on Sunday
- Christine Lavelle: Scottish Sun

1919 Magazine also publishes articles from freelance journalists with bona fide credentials and a history of published content in national publications, accredited court agencies, and journalists employed by national newspapers. We publish photography by recognised news photographers used by many publishers. All journalists are paid for their content. Politicians who write for the magazine are not paid.

We take all appropriate steps to confirm stories and take legal advice when necessary. If required, we utilise the services of prior to publication.

We understand that IPSO offers pre-publication guidance. 1919 Publishing Limited has not yet sought pre-publication guidance from IPSO, however we would do so if we needed advice on interpreting the Editors' Code of Practice.

Transparency

We state on our website and in all external communications that 1919 Magazine is funded by the Scottish Police Federation.

Our training process

All editorial staff are aware of the need to comply with the Editors' Code and to uphold the highest standards of accuracy. Continuous on-the-job training is carried out in this regard.

Compliance

Our complaints policy is published at https://1919magazine.co.uk/complaints-policy/. We attempt to resolve any issues in a timeous, reasonable and amicable manner.

We display the IPSO link and relevant details prominently on our website and in each edition of the magazine.

There have been no known instances of complaints against 1919 Publishing Limited which have been ruled on by IPSO's complaints committee. Should a complaint arise, it will be dealt with immediately as a priority.

Alan Roden Co-CEO, Quantum Communications Group Limited 29 March, 2024