



Kings Road Publishing Limited's acquisition of John Blake Publishing Limited

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Payne Hicks Beach advised Kings Road Publishing Limited ("Kings Road Publishing Limited"), part of the Bonnier global media and publishing group, on its acquisition of John Blake Publishing Limited and its subsidiaries ("John Blake Publishing").

John Blake Publishing, founded in 1991, specialises in high profile, mass market non-fiction. Best-selling titles include *Being Jordan* by Katie Price and *Not Quite a Geordie* by Holly Hagan. It published 110 titles in 2015. It becomes part of Kings Road Publishing, led by CEO, Perminder Mann.

The Payne Hicks Beach team included Corporate Partner Jonathan Gatward, Corporate Solicitor Marcia Kidd, Employment Associate Chris Weaver and Property Solicitor Andrea Yiakoumetti. Horsey Lightly acted for the sellers.