

# Community and People

During the formal period of this report the Directors of LMN were:

## Chair

**Prof. Rick Trainor** *Principal, King's College London*

## Vice Chair

**John Stone** *Principal, Ealing, Hammersmith & West London College*

## Company Secretary

**Phil Harding** *Director of Finance, University of Westminster*

## Chair of Technical Group

**Professor Roland Rosner** *Director, Education and Information Support Division, UCL*

## Chair of Business Development Group

**Russell Altendorff** *Director, Information Services Division, London Business School*

**Ed Carter** *Business Manager, Yorkshire & Humberside MAN*

**Maggi Knights** *Vice Principal, Information, Learning and Human Resources, Greenwich Community College*

**Theresa Drowley** *Principal, Redbridge College*

**Caroline Jones** *Director of Technology, Uxbridge College*

**Tony Rybacki** *CEO, LMN*

LMN staff were:

**Tony Rybacki, CEO**

**Maria Ilia, Business Development Manager**

**Neil Dickinson, Administration & Finance Manager**

**Pete White, CTO**

The members of LMN (as at 1 January 2006) were:

- Barking College
- Barnet College
- Bexley College
- Birkbeck College
- Bromley College
- Brunel University
- Carshalton College
- City and Islington College
- City of Westminster College
- City University
- College of North West London
- Coulsdon College
- Courtauld Institute of Art
- Croydon College
- Ealing, Hammersmith & West London College
- Goldsmiths College
- Greenwich Community College
- Hackney Community College
- Harrow College
- Havering College of Further & Higher Education
- Havering Sixth Form College
- Imperial College London
- Institute of Cancer Research
- Institute of Education
- Kensington and Chelsea College
- King's College London
- Kingston College
- Kingston University
- Lambeth College
- Lewisham College
- Leyton Sixth Form College
- London Business School
- London Metropolitan University
- London School of Economics and Political Science
- London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
- London South Bank University
- Merton College
- Middlesex University
- Newham College of Further Education
- Newham Sixth Form College
- Queen Mary, University of London
- Ravensbourne College
- Redbridge College
- Richmond Adult Community College
- Richmond upon Thames College
- Royal Academy of Music
- Royal College of Art
- Royal College of Music
- Royal College of Nursing Institute
- Royal Holloway, University of London
- Royal Veterinary College
- School of Oriental and African Studies
- School of Pharmacy
- Sir George Monoux College
- South Thames College
- Southwark College
- St Francis Xavier College
- St George's Hospital Medical School
- St Mary's College
- Stanmore College
- Thames Valley University
- The City Literary Institute
- The College of North East London
- Tower Hamlets College
- Trinity College of Music
- University College London
- University of East London
- University of Greenwich
- University of London
- University of the Arts London
- University of Surrey, Roehampton
- University of Westminster
- Uxbridge College
- Waltham Forest College
- West Thames College
- Wimbledon School of Art
- Workers Education Association
- Working Mens College

# Annual Report 04/05

# LONDON METROPOLITAN NETWORK

Higher. Further. *Faster.*

“ We are pleased with the progress made by LMN Ltd this year, characterised in particular by the recruitment of a new executive team lead by CEO Tony Rybacki. LMN has moved decisively to extend and strengthen services to members and to offer the benefits of the network to new communities.

The main highlights of this year have been the successful implementation of the online offsite backup and high quality e-mail filtering services with commercial partners. Over 20% of the LMN community has acquired these services and two new web services are currently being trialed by LMN members, namely Web file storage and e-mail archiving services.

Finally, with a series of events and networking opportunities planned for 2006/07, I am confident that LMN will expand its value-added services and facilitate collaborations within the LMN community.”



*Rick Trainor*

**Professor Rick Trainor**

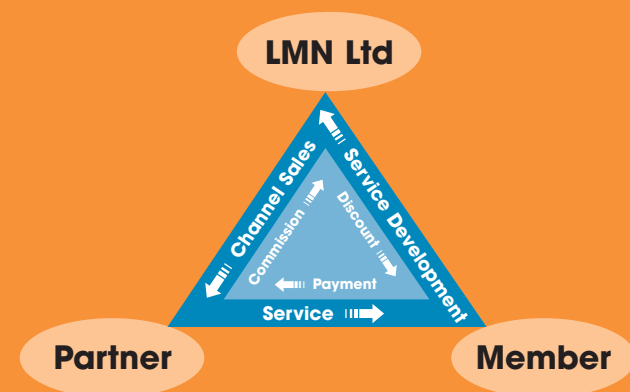
*Chair LMN Board  
Principal, King's College London.*

# LMN Profile

LMN provides high capacity internet connections to leading national organisations and institutions in the Greater London Area. LMN connects them via high-speed Access Links to the 2.5Gbit/s core London network which in turn connects to the national SuperJANET backbone providing onward connections to the global internet.

LMN offers exceptional SuperJANET and other internet services with excellent reliability by maintaining a core network capable of meeting simultaneously the peak traffic requirements of all of its users. Both LMN and the SuperJANET network are resilient and offer exceptionally high availability.

The majority of LMN funding comes from UKERNA (United Kingdom Education and Research Networking Association). This funding pays for the high-capacity core London network to which members are connected via ultra-fast access links operating at speeds typically between 2Mbit/s and 1Gbit/s. LMN is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee and sets membership fees at a low level to provide a contribution towards its running costs (see model of Service Development below).



## LMN offers a growing range of benefits such as:

- *cost-effective access to a high-capacity, ultra-reliable internet network with options for mail and website hosting, DNS services and router supply, operation and management*
- *special discounted LMN member pricing on an expanding range of trusted network-related services available from a growing range of LMN strategic partners.*
- *the opportunity to participate in pilot services, trials and evaluations of effective new web-based services*

## The dedicated management team at LMN aims to:

- *continue to improve our high-performance resilient and state-of-the-art network*
- *offer the best value for money*
- *provide a wide range of value-added services through joint ventures and partnerships*
- *play an active part in the regional economy as a leading provider of knowledge-based services*

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# Financial Report

## Profit and loss account for the year ended 31 July 2005

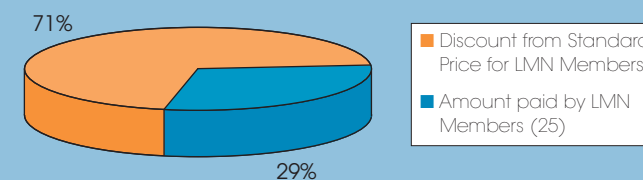
	2005 £	2004 £
Turnover	2,381,336	1,985,472
Cost of Sales	(2,139,270)	(1,708,069)
Gross Profit	242,066	277,403
Administration Expenses	(223,890)	(246,882)
Operating Profit	18,176	30,521
Interest Receivable and Similar Income	11,840	4,252
Profit on Ordinary Activities before taxation	30,016	34,773
Tax on Profit on Ordinary Activities	(1,301)	-
Retained Profit for the Financial Year	28,715	34,773
Retained Profit Brought Forward	148,554	113,781
Retained Profit Carried Forward	177,269	148,554

*There were no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above. Therefore no separate Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is produced. All activities reflected above represent continuing operations.*

## Balance Sheet as at 31 July 2005

	2005 £	2004 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Computer Equipment	-	-
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Debtors	584,695	710,036
Cash at Bank and in Hand	485,617	453,276
	<u>1,070,312</u>	<u>1,163,312</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within 1 year	(176,088)	(471,740)
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	894,224	691,572
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than 1 year	(716,955)	(543,018)
<b>Total Assets Less Liabilities</b>	<u>177,269</u>	<u>148,554</u>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Profit and Loss Account	177,269	148,554
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u>177,269</u>	<u>148,554</u>

*These Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 9 December 2005 and were signed on its behalf by: Professor Rick Trainor (Director)*



## Approximate Annual Saving for LMN Community £750,000

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## The Network

The telecommunications infrastructure provided by Thus has continued to operate at high standards and there have been no major incidents.

The day to day operation of the network by Logicals has worked effectively, with smooth communications with our members and Thus. LMN is very pleased with the combination of professional approach and flexibility shown by Logicals.

The majority of FE Colleges have had bandwidth upgrades by LMN. Taking advantage of its cost effective telecommunications contract, LMN has been

able to provide a physical 10Mbps to all FECs, providing additional bandwidth now, and a good path for future upgrades.

The programme of connecting Local Authorities for the support of Adult and Community Learning has progressed further, with a third of London Borough Councils now connected to LMN.

One of the key challenges facing LMN has been the planned closure of the current ULCC PoP premises at Guilford Street. The Technical Group is overseeing the move of the PoP to the new facilities at Stewart House. This move is planned for April 2006 over Easter.

The overall availability of the London Metropolitan Network has been running exceptionally well above the 99% availability target set by UKERNA (see Diagram below)

