

# **Daily Market Report**

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# Key Global Indices

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	Last Close	1D% Chg	5D% Chg	1M% Chg	1Y% Chg
FTSE 100	7,512.0 ①	0.5%	0.8%	6.6%	5.7%
FTSE 250	19,186.2 👃	-0.6%	-1.2%	7.1%	-15.7%
DJSTOXX 50	3,765.6 🕆	0.1%	0.6%	6.8%	3.9%
FTSEurofirst 300	1,728.3 🔱	-0.03%	0.3%	6.3%	-4.5%
German DAX 30	14,355.5 🔱	-0.2%	-0.5%	8.4%	-6.1%
France CAC 40	6,669.0 1	0.1%	0.2%	6.3%	-1.6%

% 1		Last Close	1D% Chg	5D% Chg	1M% Chg	1Y% Chg
6	S&P 500	3,957.6 👃	-0.2%	-1.1%	1.5%	-15.0%
	DJIA	33,852.5 🕆	0.01%	-0.7%	3.0%	-3.7%
6	Nasdag	10,983.8 4	-0.6%	-1.7%	-1.1%	-30.4%
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1	Nikkei 225*	27,906.9 🔱	-0.4%	-0.3%	3.4%	-0.9%
6	Shanghai Composite*	3,156.5 ☆	0.2%	2.0%	8.0%	-11.6%
6	DJIA at London close	33,874.6		*Tii	ne - GMT	4:30

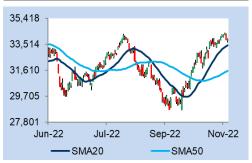
# FTSE 100

# 7,876 7,534 7,191 6,849 6,506 Jun-22 Jul-22 Sep-22 Nov-22 ——SMA20 ——SMA50

### DJIA



#### DJ Euro STOXX50



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# **UK Market Snapshot**

UK markets finished mixed yesterday. HSBC Holdings advanced 4.4%, after the lender announced that it has agreed to sell its Canadian business to Royal Bank of Canada for a cash consideration of \$13.5 billion. Shaftesbury gained 1.5%, after the company swung to an annual profit and returned to pre-pandemic occupancy. AstraZeneca rose 0.1%, after the company announced that it is acquiring biotechnology company, Neogene Therapeutics for up to \$320 million. On the other hand, John Wood Group plummeted 15.9%, even though the company issued a gloomy short-term forecast. Boohoo Group dropped 4.1%, after a top broker downgraded its rating to 'Hold' from 'Buy' and cut its target price to 45.0p from 140.0p. EasyJet fell 2.6%, even though the budget airline company posted a full year loss. The FTSE 100 rose 0.5%, to close at 7,512.0, while the FTSE 250 fell 0.6%, to end at 19,186.2.

# **US Market Snapshot**

US markets closed mostly lower yesterday, ahead of US Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell's speech and amid dismal US consumer confidence data. Hibbett declined 11.5%, after the sporting goods retailer posted lower profit in the third quarter. Apple dropped 2.1%, amid concerns that unrest at Foxconn's iPhone factory could lead to a shortfall of 6 million iPhone Pro units. Generac Holdings shed 1.4%, following a rating downgrade on the stock to 'Underperform' from 'Hold'. Chemours slid 1.3%, after the chemical company forecasted its earnings to be lower and reported a decline in demand for titanium dioxide. On the flipside, United Parcel Service gained 2.8%, after a top broker upgraded its rating on the stock to 'Buy' from 'Hold'. The S&P 500 slid 0.2%, to settle at 3,957.6. The DJIA marginally rose to settle at 33,852.5, while the NASDAQ fell 0.6%, to close at 10,983.8.

#### **Europe Market Snapshot**

European markets finished mostly lower yesterday, amid losses in technology and chemical sector stocks. Aroundtown dropped 7.8%, even though the real estate company's reported revenue and earnings for the first nine months of 2022 came in line with guidance. Telecom Italia fell 2.3%, even though Italy's government announced that it would seek out to find the best market-friendly options by the end of this year indicating a planned bid for the company. On the contrary, ASM International gained 2.9%, after the semiconductor company raised its sales guidance for the fourth quarter. Technip Energies rose 0.1%, after the company announced that it was awarded a contract to convert TotalEnergies' refinery in France into a zero-crude platform focused on sustainable aviation fuels. The FTSEurofirst 300 index marginally shed to close at 1,728.3. Among other European markets, the German DAX Xetra 30 slid 0.2%, to close at 14,355.5, while the French CAC-40 rose 0.1%, to settle at 6,669.0.

# **Asia Market Snapshot**

Markets in Asia are trading mostly higher this morning, In Japan, Fujitsu and Keyence have eased 1.7% and 1.9%, respectively. Meanwhile, Yamaha Motor and Isetan Mitsukoshi Holdings have risen 2.0% and 2.3%, respectively. In Hong Kong, Techtronic Industries and Orient Overseas have gained 2.1% and 2.2%, respectively. Meanwhile, Ping An Insurance of China and Industrial & Commercial Bank of China have fallen 1.2% and 1.3%, respectively. In South Korea, Kumho Engineering & Construction and Jeju Bank have surged 10.3% and 10.5%, respectively. Meanwhile, Cosmax and Sewon Precision Industry have dropped 4.1% and 4.2%, respectively. The Nikkei 225 index is trading 0.4% lower at 27,906.9. The Hang Seng index is trading 0.2% up at 18,245.0, while the Kospi index is trading 0.8% higher at 2,453.5.



# Key Corporate Releases Today

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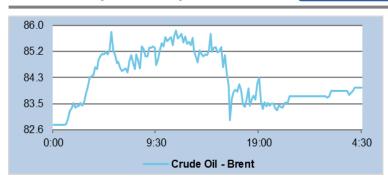
			Full Year Consensus	
Company Name	Results	Currency	Estimated EPS	Estimated Revenue (Mn)
IG Design Group Plc	Interim	GBP	1.26	898.67
Pennon Group Plc	Interim	GBP	0.18	821.91
Future Plc	Final	GBP	1.59	820.56
Loungers Plc	Interim	GBP	0.09	270.29
Impax Asset Management Group Plc	Final	GBP	0.38	171.25
Benchmark Holdings Plc	Final	GBP	(0.02)	154.00
Carclo Plc	Interim	GBP	0.04	140.00
LendInvest Plc	Interim	GBP	0.09	104.60
TPXImpact Holdings Plc	Interim	GBP	0.05	88.50
Serabi Gold Plc	Q3	USD	-	59.90
Custodian Reit Plc	Interim	GBP	-	37.90
D4t4 Solutions Plc	Interim	GBP	0.09	28.05
System1 Group Plc	Interim	GBP	0.07	24.10
Trakm8 Holdings Plc	Interim	GBP	-	21.20
Orchard Funding Group Plc	Final	GBP	0.08	5.90
ReNeuron Group Plc	Interim	GBP	(0.17)	0.69
Caledonia Investments Plc	Interim	GBP	-	-
Fidelity China Special Situation Plc	Interim	GBP	-	-
Henderson International Income Trust Plc	Final	GBP	-	-
Mulberry Group Plc	Interim	GBP	0.12	-
Mobeus Income & Growth VCT Plc	Q3	GBP	-	-
Skinbiotherapeutics Plc	Final	GBP	-	-
Contango Holdings Plc	Final	GBP	-	-
Triad Group Plc	Interim	GBP	-	-
John Lewis Of Hungerford Plc	Final	GBP	-	-
Gunsynd Plc	Final	GBP	-	-
Chelverton Growth Trust Plc	Final	GBP	-	-
Electric Guitar Plc	Q3	GBP	-	-

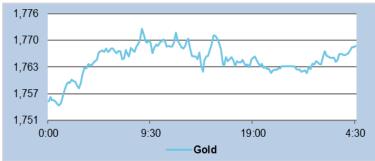
Note: All Estimates are for Full Year



# Commodity, Currency and Bitcoin

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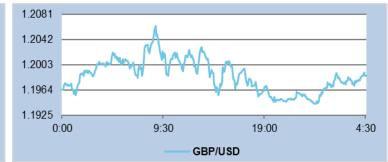




#### Commodity

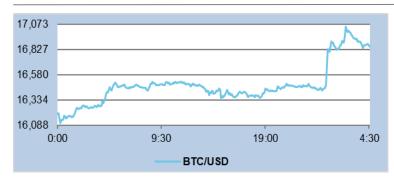
- □ At 0430GMT today, Brent crude oil one month futures contract is trading 1.14% or \$0.95 higher at \$83.98 per barrel. Yesterday, the contract declined 0.19% or \$0.16, to settle at \$83.03 per barrel, amid worries that OPEC and its allies would keep its crude output unchanged at its upcoming meeting. Meanwhile, the American Petroleum Institute reported that the US crude stockpiles declined by 7.9 million barrels for the week ended 25 November 2022.
- □ At 0430GMT today, Gold futures contract is trading 1.15% or \$20.10 higher at \$1768.50 per ounce. Yesterday, the contract climbed 0.47% or \$8.10, to settle at \$1748.40 per ounce, amid weakness in the US Dollar.





#### Currency

- □ At 0430GMT today, the EUR is trading 0.23% higher against the USD at \$1.0354, ahead of Euro-zone's inflation data for November along with Germany's unemployment rate for November, scheduled to release in a few hours. Additionally, investors await the US ADP employment change for November along with annualised GDP for 3Q 2022 and pending home sales for October, slated to release later today. Yesterday, the EUR weakened 0.10% versus the USD, to close at \$1.0330. On the data front, Euro-zone's consumer confidence index declined for the first time in nine months in November, while the region's business climate index fell in November. Separately, Germany's inflation advanced less than anticipated in November. In the other economic news, the US consumer confidence index declined to a four-month low in November. Meanwhile, the US housing price index rebounded in September.
- □ At 0430GMT today, the GBP is trading 0.29% higher against the USD at \$1.1987, ahead of UK's Nationwide housing prices for November, due in a few hours. Yesterday, the GBP weakened 0.06% versus the USD, to close at \$1.1952.



#### **Bitcoin**

□ At 0430GMT today, BTC is trading 2.46% higher against the USD at \$16865.81. Yesterday, BTC advanced 1.63% against the USD to close at \$16460.70. In major news, CrossTower has agreed to takeover digital asset trading platform, Bequant. Meanwhile, Huobi has announced a partnership agreement with the Commonwealth of Dominica to launch a digital identity and national token service to provide digital citizenship of the West Indian island nation.

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# FTSE All Share Index- Performance

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#### **UK Top Sector Performers**

Sector	Current Price	1D Change	1D (%) Change	1M (%) Change	1Y (%) Change
Banks	3275.67	104.00	3.3%	14.4%	13.6%
Industrial Metals	7709.90	229.13	3.1%	18.4%	29.9%
Oil & Gas Producers	8397.61	134.40	1.6%	0.6%	48.5%
Life Insurance	6587.31	88.32	1.4%	14.7%	-12.0%
Personal Goods	33111.45	387.84	1.2%	13.8%	-5.7%

#### **UK Worst Sector Performers**

Sector	Current Price	1D Change	1D (%) Change	1M (%) Change	1Y (%) Change
Electronic & Electrical Equipment	8969.23	-393.52	-4.2%	4.5%	-22.8%
Automobiles & Parts	1271.19	-29.36	-2.3%	4.7%	-65.3%
Industrial Transportation	3639.66	-69.45	-1.9%	11.6%	-22.5%
Support Services	10225.87	-177.91	-1.7%	2.9%	-16.9%
Software & Computer Services	1873.22	-32.25	-1.7%	7.2%	-12.8%

# Key Economic News

#### Eurozone economic sentiment indicator rose more than estimated in November

In the Euro-zone, the economic sentiment indicator climbed to 93.70 in November, compared to a reading of 92.50 in the previous month. Markets were anticipating the economic sentiment indicator to climb to 93.50.

#### Euro-zone consumer confidence index declined as expected in November

In the Euro-zone, the consumer confidence index fell to -23.90 in November, at par with market expectations and compared to a reading of -27.60 in the prior month.

#### German CPI advanced less than anticipated in November

In Germany, the consumer price index (CPI) climbed 10.00% on a YoY basis in November, compared to a rise of 10.40% in the prior month. Markets were anticipating the CPI to rise 10.30%.

#### US consumer confidence index declined in November

In the US, the consumer confidence index dropped to 100.2 in November, compared to a revised level of 102.2 in the previous month.

#### US housing price index unexpectedly rose in September

In the US, the housing price index unexpectedly rose 0.10% in September, compared to a drop of 0.70% in the previous month. Market expectations were for the index to drop 0.70%.



# Newspaper Summary

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#### The Times

HSBC sells Canada arm for £8.4 billion: HSBC has sought to appease disgruntled shareholders with a plan to return more cash after striking a deal to sell its Canadian business for £8.4 billion. It emerged last month that the FTSE 100 bank was exploring a sale of the division and it announced that it had agreed a deal with Royal Bank of Canada, the country's biggest bank.

Bulb sale threat as rivals seek judicial review: The government's deal to sell Bulb out of administration to Octopus Energy is hanging in the balance after three rival suppliers filed for judicial review. The secretive deal could collapse unless the High Court approves it so that it can complete by the end of this year, it emerged.

Fall in mortgage borrowing after minibudget turmoil: Mortgage borrowing fell to its lowest level in nearly a year last month as the market turmoil after the government's mini-budget caused a steep rise in borrowing costs, according to new data. Credit figures from the Bank of England for October showed a 0.25% rise in the effective interest rate on new property loans, to 3.09%.

Rising rates bring Wise profit on customer balances: Wise, the international money transfer platform, is starting to make significant profits from customer balances after recent rises in global interest rates. The company disclosed it collected £18.7 million in interest income made from client balances in the six months to September, a swing from losses of £1.2 million last time, and said that the windfalls were going to rise higher.

Millions to be paid out after British Steel pensions fiasco: About £49 million will be paid to British Steel workers who were wrongly advised to move money out of their defined benefit pensions. More than 1,000 people will receive payments from their financial advisers under a redress scheme established by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), the City regulator.

Households face squeeze as shop price inflation hits record high: A big rise in the cost of food pushed annual shop price

inflation to a record high in November, according to a closely watched survey warning of an "increasingly bleak" winter. Food inflation rose rapidly to 12.4%, with higher costs causing households to pay more for staple foods, such as milk and eggs.

U.K. crypto hub ambitions unchanged by FTX collapse: The government has repeated its goal of making the U.K. a global cryptocurrency hub even as the fallout from the FTX collapse continues to reverberate around the world. Andrew Griffith, economic secretary to the Treasury and City Minister, said he stood by that ambition, although he placed the emphasis on fiat-backed stable coins rather than the more volatile privately-created crypto assets.

Wilko warns it could run out of cash: The struggling discount chain Wilko has warned it could run out of money if it is unable to secure additional financing by the end of next year. The family-owned chain swung to a loss of £30 million as sales fell by 3.2% to £1.3 billion in the year to January 29, amid disruption from lockdowns, snarled supply chains, "unprecedented" cost rises and a tightening labour market.

M&S picks up Thread's tech know-how: Marks & Spencer has acquired the intellectual property of Thread, the fashion marketplace that has just gone into administration, as it seeks to boost revenues from personalised services. The deal, which will be revealed, is a pre-pack administration where a buyer is lined up before a firm declares insolvency.

EasyJet bumps up its ticket prices as losses soar to £2 billion: EasyJet is to increase fares by more than 20% and even higher at peak Christmas holiday times as the airline attempts to claw back losses totalling more than £2 billion. The bid to repair the fortunes of Britain's busiest shorthaul airline and avoid big seasonal losses will mean easyJet flying 17% fewer seats this winter and 11% fewer as a whole for its financial year through to next September.

Business confidence at lowest in 21 months: Two new surveys have recorded sharp falls in business confidence as the uncertain economic outlook causes companies to become more pessimistic. The

latest Lloyds Bank Business Barometer found that confidence among businesses fell by 5 points to 10% in November.

West End crowds light up profits at Shaftesbury: A "rapid rebound in the West End economy" has pushed Shaftesbury, a major landlord in London's theatre district, back to an annual profit in its latest financial year. Footfall and spending across the group's 16-acre portfolio, which includes Carnaby Street and Chinatown, is back above pre-pandemic levels, having dropped off sharply during lockdown.

Beazley set to take FTSE 100 by storm: Three companies look set to be promoted to the FTSE 100 next month, including what would be a blue-chip debut for the insurer Beazley, although Abrdn now looks likely to miss out. The fund manager had seemed set for a swift re-entry to the top tier of the London Stock Exchange, having been demoted at the reshuffle in September.

888 Holdings bets on cost savings after merger: The merger of 888 Holdings and William Hill will generate £50 million of cost savings but has left the enlarged bookmaker with the challenge of reducing a £1.7 billion debt mountain. In a capital markets day presentation, 888 insisted the rationale for the £1.95 billion acquisition of Hill was "as compelling as ever" and would provide "robust foundations for the group's next decade of growth".

Labour demands urgent inquiry into Royal Mail: A senior Labour politician has demanded a government inquiry into the "alarming" situation at Royal Mail, and questioned the management the company. Jonathan Reynolds, shadow business and industrial strategy minister, has written to Grant Shapps, Minister for business, energy and industrial strategy, expressing his "extreme concerns" over the conduct of Royal Mail management.

John Wood Group shares sink after downgrade: Investors headed for the exit after John Wood Group downgraded expectations for next year. The energy services company said that it does not expect free cashflow to return to positive territory until 2024, partly as a result of legacy legal issues.



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# The Independent

U.K. car industry pleads for government action to secure future: The British car industry is warning government that "rapid action" is needed to secure the long term future of what is still a major part of the economy, and a major employer and exporter. The industry has had to contend with the demands of Brexit and the pandemic in recent years, as well as the war in Ukraine and its knock-on economic impact on disposable incomes.

#### **Financial Times**

U.K. government to pay Chinese group £100 million to exit Sizewell C: The U.K. government is to pay Chinese state-owned power group CGN over £100 million to exit Britain's £20 billion Sizewell C nuclear energy project in a bid to reduce Beijing's involvement in the country's infrastructure.

U.K. watchdog sets out sweeping reform of investment advice: The U.K. financial regulator has proposed sweeping changes to democratise investment in financial products, in an effort to help millions of people facing a sharp rise in living costs earn better returns on their savings. The Financial Conduct Authority laid out plans to enable individuals with "straightforward financial needs" to take advice from lessqualified experts, which will be cheaper than that of traditional investment advisers.

U.K. ready to relax ringfencing rules on some banks: Britain is poised to relax one of the biggest restrictions on the banking sector as part of "Big Bang 2.0", the long promised liberalisation of post-Brexit financial services rules. The "ringfencing" of banks with retail and investment arms was introduced after the 2008 financial crash with the aim of reducing risk and preventing banking collapses.

U.K. Covid lab errors may have led to more than 20 deaths: Staff errors at a privately run Covid-19 testing laboratory in England's West Midlands in 2021 meant that 39,000 positive PCR tests were reported as negative, according to the U.K. Health Security Agency. Scientists at the disease protection agency estimated that the blunders led to 59,000 infections, around 680 hospitalisations and "just over 20

additional deaths".

The Lex: RBC/HSBC Canada: costly \$10 billion deal will attract regulatory scrutiny: There is plenty to set pulses racing in RBC's 'once in a generation opportunity'.

Juventus: the peril of soaring ambitions and shallow pockets: The Italian football club's finances look ropey even without disputed accounting.

Nestlé: slowing economies will derail growth ambitions: Many shoppers will seek options cheaper than the Swiss food company's fancy brands.

# **Daily Telegraph:**

Hinkley Point nuclear plant faces risk of 11-year delay: Britain's flagship Hinkley Point C nuclear power station is facing the risk of an 11-year delay, piling further pressure on efforts to keep the lights on. According to a new contract between the Government and French company EDF, Hinkley will still be funded even if it does not start operating until 2036 - more than a decade after its initial deadline in 2025.

Kwasi Kwarteng's mini-Budget was 'not settled' day before event, says Andrew Bailey: The Bank of England was shut out of Kwasi Kwarteng's tax-slashing mini-budget in an "extraordinary" turn of events, Andrew Bailey has claimed. The Governor said the Bank was not briefed by the Treasury on the former Chancellor's £45 billion package of tax cuts, which crashed the pound and forced Threadneedle Street to intervene with a fresh multi-billion pound bout of bond purchases.

The Questor Column: Why this hotel owner will buck the cost of living crisis: Premier Inn owner Whitbread has yet to fully prove this column's thesis of April 2020 that it can be a long-term post-pandemic winner, but last month's interim results provided more than enough reasons to keep faith in the hotelier despite the challenge posed by the cost of living crisis. However, Premier Inn's value proposition helps the pounds go that bit further in Britain and the brand's expansion in Germany continues to go well, while news of bookings from airlines and credit card spending data suggest that consumers are still keen to travel after two

pandemic-blighted years. If that trend continues, Whitbread could be in pole position, especially as key rival Travelodge seems to be flagging under the weight of its debts. It may surprise no one to see the FTSE 100 company's first-half sales double year-on-year, given the low base for comparison, but £1.4 billion in revenues represented a 20% advance on the equivalent period in 2019, before the virus started to make its presence felt. That shows the potential in Whitbread's business model and market position. Better still, that jump in the top line took adjusted pre-tax profits to a better-than-expected £272 million, compared with a loss in the equivalent period last year. Higher wage, energy and food costs are all operating expenses, increasing Whitbread is gaining some benefit from higher returns on its cash pile and its pension surplus to partially compensate. A recession would not be helpful, either, but this year's share price slide at least partially reflects that risk and management's restoration of the interim dividend speaks of confidence in the future. It was also intriguing to see the share price chart hit bottom at the very height of the Trussonomics panic. Whitbread can still be a long-term winner. Hold. Questor says: "Hold"

Update: Restore: Our thesis is not playing out as expected at Restore. Perhaps the market is looking for recovery and turnaround candidates. Perhaps we simply paid too high a multiple of earnings at our entry point. Either way, it may be time to cut and run, even if the business looks well positioned and continues to generate cash. Three years of patience are yielding a book loss, and an increasing one at that in the wake of last week's trading update, even though the document and data management specialist is racking up sales and profits that point to a full recovery from the pandemic-wracked years of 2020 and 2021. Higher interest rates on its £100 million-plus debts, softer trading in its IT operation and the risk of an economic downturn all represent potential headwinds and could leave a forecast price-to-earnings ratio that sits in the low 20s looking a bit exposed. The fault is ours, not the company's, but it is time to unplug Restore and move on. Sell. Questor says: "Sell"



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### **Daily Mail**

Cancel rail strikes to save Christmas party season: Fullers pub chain head in plea to the RMT union: Rail strikes in the run-up to Christmas will wreck office parties in a devastating blow to the hospitality industry, the head of one of Britain's biggest pub chains has warned. Fuller's Chief Simon Emeny described the planned walkouts as 'a cloud on the horizon' that risked derailing the first festive season without Covid restrictions since 2019.

Peloton Executives sued over claims they sold £400 million of shares amid row over safety: Peloton heads are being sued over claims they sold more than £400 million of shares while hiding safety problems that injured dozens of children and went on to kill one. An investor has accused Co-Founder and former Chief Executive John Foley, and nine other insiders, of 'dumping stock' before the issues came to light.

Car industry set to give the U.K. economy a £14 million boost in 2023 as supply chain shortages ease: The U.K. car and van market is forecast to bounce back next year in a £14 billion boost to the economy as supply chain shortages ease. Manufacturers are expecting 984,000 vehicles to roll off production lines, a 15% rise worth £3.9 billion, says the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders. Sales are also expected to recover, also adding 15%, or £10 billion.

FTSE 100 lifts on hopes of China easing draconian Covid curbs in the face of mounting civil unrest: Asia-focused stocks drove London's blue-chip index higher amid hopes China could ease its Covid measures in the face of mounting civil unrest. As countries around the world looked nervously on at developments in the world's second-biggest economy, the FTSE 100 rose 0.5%, or 37.98 points, to 7512 though the FTSE 250 fell 0.6%, or 106.19 points, to 19,186.16.

#### The Scottish Herald

**Distributor M&H Carriers expands e-van reach in Highlands:** A Distribution firm has expanded the reach of its last-mile electric delivery fleet.

Glasgow: Former Archaos nightclub student flats plan: Updated plans for the redevelopment of a former nightclub in Glasgow are being brought forward for public scrutiny.

Heating project to replace fossil fuel boilers: Scottish manufacturer Sunamp has secured a multi-million pound boost for the development of a household energy system using its thermal storage batteries to tackle periods of low renewables generation on the grid.

Scottish hotels: Dalata flags Edinburgh move, opens Clayton Glasgow: The Chief Executive of an Irish hotels group which has just opened a second major property in Glasgow highlighted ambitions to expand into Edinburgh city centre but great challenges in finding a site.

Circular solution will tackle Scottish construction's carbon issue: The construction sector is a massive contributor to carbon emissions. In Scotland, it is responsible for no less than half of the country's waste and 40% of its CO2 output. In addition, it accounts for half of natural resource consumption. The good news is that improvements are there to be made. However, these require a dramatic change in both thinking and practice.

Rebound in prime sheep prices flagged in market analysis by QMS: Prime sheep prices have rebounded from a season-to-date low in October, according to the latest market commentary from Quality Meat Scotland (QMS).

U.K. Government denies 'watering down' controversial Online Safety Bill: Michelle Donelan, the U.K. Government's Culture

Secretary has denied "watering down" the Online Safety Bill in the face of a Tory backbench rebellion.

#### The Scotsman

Medical innovation centre to bring 100 'high-value' jobs to Glasgow city region:
A new medical innovation centre will bring 100 "high-value" jobs to the Glasgow city region and generate £200 million in technology investment over its first five years.

Heriot-Watt project aims to equip prisoners with entrepreneurial skills and address reconviction rate: A project designed to help prisoners set up a microbusiness on release from custody is looking to roll out across Scotland.

Edinburgh business bid specialist books record turnover for second year amid Covid recovery: AM Bid, the Edinburgh-based business bid specialist, has reported record turnover in excess of £1 million for the second year in a row as it continues to recover from the impact of the pandemic.

Scotland's 'only dedicated football recruitment agency' sets £1 million-plus revenue goal: A recruitment agency billed as the first in Scotland dedicated to the football industry is targeting revenues in excess of £1 million within 24 months.



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