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**In the High Court of Justice Business & Property Courts of England & Wales
Reference No. 006375 of 2019**

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts - In Administration

THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' PROPOSAL

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1. Executive summary

- 1.1 This Proposal incorporates the Statement of the Joint Administrators' Proposals prepared pursuant to Paragraph 49(1) of Schedule B1 of the Act attached at appendix I.
- 1.2 The business was established in October 2003 and the principal activity of the Company was the retail sale of footwear and leather goods in specialised stores, and traded under a Licence to Occupy from 8 – 9 Irongate, Derby, Derbyshire, DE1 3AL. On 1 October 2019, Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson of Smith Cooper were appointed Joint Administrators of the Company by a qualifying floating charge holder, Bennetts (Irongate) Limited – In Administration.
- 1.3 As explained in more detail in the Statement of Proposals, the Joint Administrators are currently pursuing the second statutory objective of achieving a better result for the Company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Company were wound up (without first being in Administration).
- 1.4 A summary of the current and anticipated future positions are detailed below.

Assets

| Asset | Realisations to date £ | Anticipated future realisations £ | Total anticipated realisations £ |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Stock | - | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Third party funds | - | 9,300 | 9,300 |
| Cash in hand | 1,700 | - | 1,700 |
| TOTAL | 1,700 | 13,300 | 15,000 |

Expenses

| Expense | Expense incurred to date | Anticipated further expense | Total anticipated expense |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Specific bond | 48 | - | 48 |
| Joint Administrators' fees | 7,853 | 19,624 | 27,477 |
| Company search | 3 | - | 3 |
| Legal fees | - | 3,000 | 3,000 |
| Statutory advertising | 73 | 148 | 221 |
| Insurance of assets | 158 | - | 158 |
| Photocopying | 293 | - | 293 |
| Postage | 80 | - | 80 |
| Total | 8,508 | 22,772 | 31,280 |

Dividend prospects

| Creditor class | Distribution / dividend paid to date £ | Anticipated distribution / dividend £ |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Secured creditor (fixed charge) | Nil | Nil |
| Secured creditor (floating charge) | Nil | Uncertain |
| Preferential creditors | Nil | Uncertain |
| Unsecured creditors | Nil | Nil |

- 1.5 The Statement of Proposals at appendix I provides explanations of the events leading to the Administration and the progress of the Administration to date, as well as other statutory information.
- 1.6 This Proposal provides more detailed information on the work that the Joint Administrators anticipate they will undertake to complete the Administration together with their proposed basis of fees. To put this request into context, this Proposal provides further information on the Joint Administrators' costs to date, including the costs incurred prior to Administration. It also explains other matters for creditors' consideration, such as the proposed timing of the Joint Administrators' discharge on conclusion of the Administration.
- 1.7 Included in appendix I are the definitions of the terms used in this Proposal, together with all statutory information pertaining to the Company.

2. Statement of pre-Administration costs

- 2.1 Prior to the Administration, the proposed Joint Administrators gathered information on the Company to ensure that they were in a position to consent to act as Joint Administrators and to formulate an initial strategy for pursuing the achievement of an Administration objective.

- 2.2 In conducting the above work, the following costs were incurred:

| | |
|---|-----|
| | £ |
| Smith Cooper's time costs (see appendix II) | 993 |

- 2.3 Attached at appendix II is a breakdown of the time costs of the Joint Administrators and their staff incurred prior to Administration and included within appendix III are Smith Cooper's charge-out rates and bases of disbursements.

- 2.4 All the above costs remain unpaid.

- 2.5 The payment of the unpaid pre-Administration costs as an expense of the Administration is subject to approval under Rule 3.52 of the Rules and is not part of the Statement of Proposals subject to approval under Paragraph 53 of Schedule B1 of the Act. Further explanation of the approval process is provided in section 8.

3. The Joint Administrators' fees

- 3.1 The Joint Administrators propose to fix their fees on the following basis:

- (i) the time properly given by the Joint Administrators and their staff in attending to matters arising in the Administration, such time to be charged at the prevailing standard hourly charge out rates used by Smith Cooper at the time the work is performed (plus VAT);

- 3.2 Attached at appendix IV is a breakdown of the time costs incurred in the Administration to 21 November 2019. The Statement of Proposals provides an account of the work undertaken to date and appendix V provides a detailed

list of work undertaken and proposed to be undertaken by the Joint Administrators and their staff.

3.3 The charge-out rates of the Joint Administrators and their staff are detailed in appendix III. The appropriate staff have been assigned to work on each aspect of the case based upon their seniority and experience, having regard to the complexity of the relevant work, the financial value of the assets being realised and claims being agreed. The grades of staff instructed to assist in this matter and their key responsibilities include:

- Junior Administrators: maintenance of the creditors' contacts database, assisting with creditors' queries and routine correspondence
- Manager: assisting in the realisation of assets, employee matters, liaising with creditors and debtors, preparing reports to creditors and other statutory matters, and managing the cashiering function
- Partner: on-site attendance, reviewing the Company's position and affairs, handling asset realisations, reviewing draft statutory reports to creditors and overseeing the tax and VAT aspects of the case

3.4 Creditors may access a Guide to Administrators' Fees:
https://www.r3.org.uk/media/documents/publications/professional/Guide_to_Administrators_fees_April_2017.pdf, or a hard copy will be provided on request.

3.5 Further information is set out below, and in the appendices, to explain the future time costs that the Joint Administrators anticipate incurring in this Administration.

4. The Joint Administrators' expenses

4.1 Expenses are amounts properly payable by the office holder from the estate which are not otherwise categorised as the office holder's remuneration or as a distribution to a creditor or creditors. These may include, but are not limited to, legal and agents' fees, trading expenses and tax liabilities.

4.2 Disbursements are expenses initially met by, and later reimbursed to, an office holder in connection with an insolvency appointment and will fall into two categories: Category 1 and Category 2.

- Category 1 disbursements are payments to independent third parties where there is specific expenditure directly referable to the appointment in question. These are charged to the estate at cost with no uplift. These include, but are not limited to, such items as advertising, bonding and other insurance premiums. Legislation provides that administrators may discharge Category 1 disbursements from the funds held in the insolvent estate without further recourse to creditors.
- Category 2 disbursements are also directly referable to the appointment in question but not to a payment to an independent third party. Payments may only be made in relation to Category 2 disbursements after the relevant creditors have approved the bases of their calculation.

- 4.3** Appendix III provides details of the bases of Category 2 disbursements that the Joint Administrators propose to recover from the insolvent estate and appendix V provides details of the Category 1 and 2 disbursements as well as the other expenses that the Joint Administrators expect to incur in the Administration.

5. Proposed work to be undertaken

- 5.1** Set out in appendix V is a detailed list of tasks that the Joint Administrators propose that they and their staff will undertake. The most material tasks are summarised below. The estimated outcome statement attached to the Statement of Proposals provides an overview of the financial benefit that this work is expected to bring to creditors.

Administration (including statutory reporting)

- 5.2** The Joint Administrators are required to meet a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks do not have a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they assist in the efficient and compliant progressing of the Administration, which ensures that the Joint Administrators and their staff carry out their work to high professional standards.

- 5.3** Primarily, these tasks include:

- Meeting all statutory reporting and filing requirements, including 6 monthly reports, seeking an extension where necessary, and issuing a final report and notices;
- Consulting with and instructing staff and independent advisers as regards practical, technical and legal aspects of the case to ensure efficient progress;
- Maintaining case files, which must include records to show and explain the Administration and any decisions made by the Joint Administrators that materially affect the Administration;
- Conducting periodic case reviews to ensure that the Administration is progressing efficiently, effectively and in line with the statutory requirements; and
- Maintaining and updating the estate cash book and bank accounts, including regular bank reconciliations and processing receipts and payments.

Investigations

- 5.4** The Joint Administrators examine the conduct of the Company and its directors prior to the Administration with two main objectives:
- To identify what assets are available for realising for the benefit of creditors, including any potential actions against directors or other parties, such as challenging transactions at an undervalue or preferences; and
 - To enable the Joint Administrators to report to the Insolvency Service on the conduct of the directors so that the Insolvency Service may consider whether disqualification proceedings are appropriate ("CDDA" work).

- 5.5** In the early stages of the Administration, this work involves examining the Company's books and records, considering information received from creditors and the Company's accountants and seeking information from the Company's directors and other senior staff by means of questionnaires and/or interviews.
- 5.6** In the event that questionable transactions are identified, it may be necessary to conduct further investigations and instruct solicitors to assist in deciding the Joint Administrators' next steps in pursuing a recovery. If a potential recovery action is identified, it may be necessary to instruct professional agents in gathering evidence and in exploring further the existence and value of assets to target. If the Joint Administrators encounter resistance in making a recovery, formal legal action may be appropriate.
- 5.7** In addition, if the Insolvency Service decides to proceed with a disqualification, the Joint Administrators will be required to assist the Insolvency Service's investigators in their work, which may include providing the investigators with access to the Company's books and records and agreeing statements to be given in evidence of those proceedings.
- 5.8** At this early stage, it is difficult to estimate the likely time costs and expenses that may be incurred in this work. The fees and expenses estimates presented below reflect the anticipated work in identifying potential causes of action. If any are identified and the Joint Administrators consider that additional work is required, they may revert to the relevant creditors to seek approval for fees in excess of the estimate.

Realisation of assets

- 5.9** The Statement of Proposals summarises the work carried out by the Joint Administrators to date in realising the Company's assets. The principal matters that require further work are:
- Realising any stock over which the Company has any right, title and interest;
 - Finalise a reconciliation of the Company's profit and loss and recover the net proceeds held by a third party;
 - Clarify whether the Administrators hold any interest in the furniture, fixtures and fittings in situ at the date of our appointment;
 - Maintaining appropriate insurance cover on the Company's assets until they have been disposed of.

Creditors (claims and distributions)

- 5.10** As the Statement of Proposals explains, there a number of different classes of creditor involved in the Administration that require the Joint Administrators' attention. In particular, the Joint Administrators anticipate conducting the following key tasks:
- Liaising with the secured creditors in relation to the sale of assets subject to their security;
 - With the assistance of solicitors, examining the validity of the secured creditors' claims;

- Assisting the employees to receive payments from the RPO and liaising with the RPO to agree its claim;
- Reviewing claims submitted by the tax departments and, where it is appropriate, examining the Company's records to appeal assessments on the Crown's claims;
- Responding to creditors' queries and logging their claims and supporting information;
- Maintaining the database as regards creditors' contact details and claims;
- Dealing with a creditors' committee, if one is appointed;
- Continue to liaise and adjudicate ROT claims.

6. Other information to support the proposed fees

- 6.1** Attached at appendix V is an estimate of the time that the Joint Administrators envisage the above work will take to complete. Appendix V also provides their estimate of the expenses that have been or are likely to be incurred.
- 6.2** Please note that the estimates have been provided on the assumptions given below. In the event that it proves necessary for the Joint Administrators to incur additional expenses in performing their duties, they will provide further details in their progress reports, but there is no statutory obligation to ask creditors to approve any adjusted expenses estimate. In the event that the Joint Administrators incur time costs in excess of the fees estimate, they will only revert to the relevant creditors for approval if they propose to draw any fees in addition to those estimated from the insolvent estate.
- 6.3** In summary, the Joint Administrators propose that their fees be fixed on the basis of time costs and they estimate that they and their staff will spend time totalling c.£27.4k in conducting the tasks described. This estimate includes the time spent to date of c.£7.8k, as described in appendix IV.
- 6.4** The fees and expenses estimates have been compiled on the assumptions set out below. Please note that these are assumptions only for the purposes of preparing the estimates in accordance with the statutory provisions. It has been assumed that:
- investigations to the extent described in section 5 above will be carried out;
 - no exceptional work will need to be conducted in order to realise the remaining assets;
 - there will be no requirement to hold a physical creditors' meeting or additional decision procedure to consider the matters covered by this Proposal; and
 - there will be no need to extend the Administration for more than one year, approval for which will be sought from the relevant creditors at an appropriate time.
- 6.5** On the basis of these assumptions, the Joint Administrators do not anticipate that it will be necessary to seek additional approval from the relevant creditors for fees in excess of the fees estimate. However, in the event that the Administration does not proceed as envisaged, the Joint Administrators will seek approval for any fees in addition to those estimated that they wish to draw from the insolvent estate.

7. The Joint Administrators' discharge

7.1 The appointment was made under Paragraph 14 of Schedule B1 to the Act by the secured creditor, Bennetts (Irongate) Limited – In Administration and the Act requires that the timing of the Joint Administrators' discharge from liability will be decided by the secured and preferential creditors. The Joint Administrators propose that this discharge will take effect when their appointment ceases to have effect and a decision will be sought in respect of this.

8. Invitation to form a Creditors' Committee

8.1 Attached at Appendix VI is a Notice of Invitation to Form a Creditors' Committee. The purpose of the Committee is to assist the Joint Administrators in discharging their functions. In particular, a Creditors' Committee takes on the responsibility for approving the basis of the Joint Administrators' fees and other costs described above.

8.2 In the absence of a Committee, this responsibility falls to the secured and preferential creditors. The Joint Administrators do not see a need for a Committee to be formed in this case.

8.3 Notwithstanding this, creditors are entitled to seek the formation of Committee, provided that there are sufficient nominations to form a Committee. At least three nominations would be required and the requisite majority of creditors would also need to object to the proposed decision not to form a Committee. Appendix VI provides further information on these steps.

9. Approval process

9.1 As explained above, in the absence of a Creditors' Committee, the matters described in this Proposal are to be decided by the secured and preferential creditors. Therefore, this information is provided to other creditors for information purposes only.

If any creditor has any queries in relation to the above, please do not hesitate to contact either of the Joint Administrators or Kimberley Waplington, on 0115 945 4300 or by email to creditor.correspondence@smithcooper.co.uk.

Dated this 21 November 2019



Michael Paul Roome
Joint Administrator

Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson were appointed Joint Administrators of London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts on 1 October 2019. The affairs, business and property of the Company are managed by the Joint Administrators. The Joint Administrators act as agents of the Company and contract without personal liability.

**Appendix I
to the Joint Administrators' Proposal**

**In the High Court of Justice Business & Property Courts of England & Wales
Reference No. 006375 of 2019**

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts - In Administration

**STATEMENT OF THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' PROPOSALS
PURSUANT TO SCHEDULE B1 OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986**

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Disclaimer Notice

- This Statement of Proposals has been prepared by Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson, the Joint Administrators of London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts, solely to comply with their statutory duty under Paragraph 49, Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 to lay before creditors a statement of their proposals for achieving the purposes of the Administration and for no other purpose. It is not suitable to be relied upon by any other person, or for any other purpose, or in any other context.
- Any estimated outcomes for creditors included in this Statement of Proposals are illustrative only and cannot be relied upon as guidance as to the actual outcomes for creditors.
- Any person that chooses to rely on this document for any purpose or in any context other than under Paragraph 49, Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 does so at their own risk. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Joint Administrators do not assume any responsibility and will not accept any liability in respect of this Statement of Proposals.
- The Joint Administrators act as agent for London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts and contract without personal liability. The appointment of the Joint Administrators is personal to them and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Smith Cooper does not assume any responsibility and will not accept any liability to any person in respect of this Statement of Proposals or the conduct of the Administration.
- All licensed Insolvency Practitioners of Smith Cooper are licensed in the UK to act as Insolvency Practitioners.

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1. Introduction

- 1.1** This Statement of Proposals is prepared pursuant to Schedule B1 of the Act in relation to the Company, the purposes of which are to provide creditors with a full update as to the present position and to set out the Joint Administrators' proposals for achieving an Administration objective.
- 1.2** The Statement of Proposals also includes information required to be provided to creditors pursuant to the Rules. Definitions of the terms used in the Statement of Proposals are provided in attachment A and statutory information pertaining to the Company is set out in attachment B.
- 1.3** This Statement of Proposals is being delivered to creditors on 21 November 2019. The Joint Administrators think that there is insufficient property for a distribution to the unsecured creditors. Consequently, and in accordance with Paragraph 52(1)(b) of Schedule B1 of the Act, creditors are not being asked to decide on the Joint Administrators' proposals, although they may ask the Joint Administrators to request such a decision. Please see section 8 for further details.

2. Background to the Company

- 2.1** The business was established in October 2003 and the principal activity of the Company was the retail of footwear and leather goods in specialised stores, and most recently traded under a Licence to Occupy from 8-9 Irongate, Derby, Derbyshire, DE1 3AL, having acquired certain business and assets from the Administrators of BIL in June 2019.

The Company subsequently breached the terms of the Licence resulting in it being unable to continue to trade, with BIL ultimately exercising its rights under its floating charge and seeking the appointment of Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson as Joint Administrators of the Company.

Overview of financial information

- 2.2** Financial statements have not been provided by the directors of the Company. Extracts from the dormant accounts submitted to Companies House to 31 March 2016 and 31 March 2017 and the micro-entity accounts as submitted to Companies House for the 12 months to 31 March 2018, are shown below.
- 2.3** Please note that this information has not been verified by the Joint Administrators or by Smith Cooper.

Summary balance sheet

| | Micro-accounts to 31 March 2018 £ | Dormant accounts to 31 March 2017 £ | Dormant accounts to 31 March 2016 £ |
|----------------|--|--|--|
| Fixed assets | - | - | - |
| Current Assets | 21,409 | - | - |
| | <u>21,409</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts - In Administration
Statement of Joint Administrators' Proposals
Pursuant to Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986

| | | | |
|--|---------|---|---|
| Liabilities | | | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | (7,800) | - | - |
| Total Liabilities | (7,800) | - | - |
| Net Assets | 13,609 | - | - |

Management and employees

- 2.4** As at 1 October 2019, the Company employed approximately twenty five employees, as follows:

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Department manager | 1 |
| HR manager | 1 |
| Office manager | 1 |
| Office clerk | 1 |
| Senior sales assistant | 1 |
| Sales assistant | 9 |
| IT assistant | 1 |
| Cook | 2 |
| Tearoom assistant | 5 |
| Soft furnishing assistant | 2 |
| Beauty therapist | 1 |
| TOTAL | 25 |

- 2.5** Statutory information on the Company, including details of the directors, Company secretary, and shareholders is provided at attachment B.

3. Events leading to the Administration

- 3.1** On 1 October 2019, Michael Paul Roome, and Dean Anthony Nelson of Smith Cooper were appointed Joint Administrators of the Company following an Administration Order granted by the Court on the application of the qualifying floating charge holder, Bennetts (Irongate) Limited - In Administration.
- 3.2** The Joint Administrators confirm that they are authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either one or both of them.
- 3.3** For creditors' general information, the EU Regulation on insolvency proceedings applies in this case, and these proceedings are the main proceedings.

4. The purpose of the Administration

- 4.1** The purpose of an Administration is set out in Schedule B1, Paragraph 3(1) of the Act. In short, this provides that an Administrator of a company must perform his functions with the objective of:
- rescuing the Company as a going concern, or

- achieving a better result for the creditors as a whole than would be likely to be achieved if the Company were wound up (without first being in Administration), or
- realising property in order to make a distribution to one or more secured or preferential creditors.

4.2 These objectives form a hierarchy. The rescue of a Company is the priority. If this is not possible, the Administrator seeks to achieve a better result for the creditors as a whole. In the event that this cannot be achieved, then the Administrator is permitted to realise assets for the benefit of the preferential or secured creditors.

4.3 The Joint Administrators would comment that objective 1 was not achievable, due to the cessation of trading prior to appointment, therefore the Joint Administrators did not consider it possible to restructure the existing business or propose a Company Voluntary Arrangement.

4.4 The second objective is normally achieved by means of a sale of the business and assets as a going concern (or a more orderly sales process than in Liquidation). The Joint Administrators would comment that the Administration has enabled a controlled sale of the Company's stock.

4.5 The Joint Administrators would comment that the third objective will be achieved through reconciliation of the Company's trading since June 2019 and subsequent realisation of the net trading profit from a third party.

4.6 A detailed account of how the Joint Administrators have sought to achieve the objective of the Administration is set out below.

5. Management of the Company's affairs since the Joint Administrators' Appointment

5.1 Immediately upon appointment the Joint Administrators undertook a review of the Company's affairs.

Assets remaining to be realised

- Realising any stock over which the Company has any right, title and interest;
- Finalise a reconciliation of the Company's profit and loss and recover the net proceeds held by a third party;
- Clarify whether the Administrators hold any interest in the furniture, fixtures and fittings in situ at the date of our appointment;
- Maintaining appropriate insurance cover on the Company's assets until they have been disposed of.

Post appointment strategy

5.2 Immediately following the appointment of the Joint Administrators on 1 October 2019, members of the Joint Administrators' staff attended the Company's site to advise employees of the Joint Administrators' appointment. Staff were briefed with regards to the Administration and informed them that the Company had ceased to trade and that their contracts had been terminated with immediate effect.

- 5.3** The Joint Administrators assisted the employees in submitting their claims to the RPO for any entitlements to arrears of wages, accrued holiday pay, compensatory notice pay and redundancy pay.
- 5.4** The Joint Administrators' staff are in the process of collating creditors' claims and have handled creditors' queries as they have arisen which include telephone calls and correspondence.
- 5.5** Agents acting on behalf of the Administrators of BIL were instructed to assist with securing and selling the Company's stock, in order to mitigate costs. In addition the Administrators of BIL assisted with claims of retention of title.

Investigation into the Company's affairs prior to the Administration

- 5.6** The Joint Administrators are undertaking a review of the Company's trading activities in order to establish whether or not there are actions that may be taken for the benefit of the Administration and consequently to enable a conduct report to be submitted in respect of Company directors in office at the commencement of the Administration and any who resigned in the three years prior to the Administration.
- 5.7** Should any creditor have any concerns about the way in which the Company's business has been conducted or information on any potential recoveries for the estate, they are invited to bring them to the attention of the Joint Administrators as soon as they are able.

6. The Statement of Affairs and the outcome for creditors

- 6.1** The director has not, to date, submitted a signed Statement of Affairs despite being requested to do so and no explanation has been provided as to why this document has not yet been forthcoming. A draft Statement of Affairs based upon the limited information received to date, together with a list of the creditors, is attached at attachment C for creditors' information. These details have been extracted from the limited Company records that have been delivered up and therefore no warranty can be given to the accuracy of the details given.
- 6.2** In accordance with the standard format of a Statement of Affairs, no provision has been made in the Statement for the costs of the Administration (including agents, legal and other professional fees).
- 6.3** The Joint Administrators have not carried out any work of the nature of an audit on the information.

Secured creditors

- 6.4** The Company's secured debts at the date of the appointment of the Joint Administrators, can be summarised as follows:

| Secured creditor's name and address | Amount of claim (estimated) £ |
|---|--|
| Bennetts (Irongate) Limited – In Administration | 111,212 |
| Merchant Money Limited | Unknown |
| Br 2 Year Ltd | Unknown |

- 6.5** It is not yet clear whether there will be sufficient realisations to enable a dividend distribution to the secured creditors in this matter.

Preferential claims

- 6.6** Preferential claims relating to employee deductions are expected to be paid by the RPO who will have a corresponding preferential claim against the Company. These are likely to be in the region of c.£23.1k. There are no other known preferential claims outstanding.
- 6.7** Section 176A of the Act requires Administrators to make a Prescribed Part of the Company's net property, which is the balance remaining after discharging the preferential claims but before paying the floating charge-holder, available for the satisfaction of unsecured debts.
- 6.8** It is not yet clear whether there will be sufficient realisations to discharge the costs of the Administration in full, however the Joint Administrators presently envisage that there will be no resulting net property from which to deduct a Prescribed Part.
- 6.9** The Joint Administrators do not propose to make an application to Court under Section 176A(5) of the Act to disapply the Prescribed Part provisions, because in any event it is anticipated that there will be no Prescribed Part.
- 6.10** As demonstrated in the EOS attached at attachment D, on the basis of the costs incurred to date and the estimated further costs to be incurred in bringing the Administration to a conclusion, it is anticipated that there will be insufficient funds to pay a dividend distribution to unsecured creditors.
- 6.11** Attached at attachment E is the Joint Administrators' receipts and payments account for the period from 1 October 2019 to 21 November 2019.

7. The Joint Administrators' fees

- 7.1** The Joint Administrators propose to be remunerated on the basis of the time properly given by the Joint Administrators and their staff in attending to matters arising in the Administration, such time to be charged at the prevailing standard hourly charge out rates used by Smith Cooper at the time the work is performed (plus VAT).
- 7.2** The Joint Administrators will seek approval for the basis of their fees from the secured and preferential creditors, unless a Creditors' Committee is established.
- 7.3** Information to support the proposed basis of the Joint Administrators' fees, together with the Statement of pre-Administration costs, is provided in the Joint Administrators' Proposal, to which this Statement of Proposals forms an appendix.

8. Approval of the Statement of Proposals

- 8.1** As explained in Section 6 above, the Joint Administrators think that the Company has insufficient property to enable a distribution to be made to unsecured creditors (other than by virtue of Section 176A(2)(a) of the Act).

Therefore, pursuant to Paragraph 52(1)(b) of Schedule B1 of the Act, the Joint Administrators are not required to seek creditors' approval of the Statement of Proposals.

8.2 Notwithstanding this, the Joint Administrators shall be required to seek a creditors' decision on whether to approve the Statement of Proposals, if it is requested by creditors whose debts amount to at least 10% of the Company's total debts. Such request must be delivered to the Joint Administrators within 8 business days from the date on which the Statement of Proposals was delivered. Security must be given for the expenses of seeking such a decision.

8.3 If no decision is requested, the Statement of Proposals will be deemed to be approved pursuant to Rule 3.38(4) of the Rules.

9. Summary of the Joint Administrators' Proposals

9.1 The Statement of Proposals is summarised below.

9.2 In order to achieve the purpose of the Administration, the Joint Administrators formally propose to creditors that:

- the Joint Administrators continue to manage the business, affairs and property of the Company in order to achieve the purpose of the Administration, in particular that:
 - (i) they sell the Company's remaining assets at such times and on such terms as they consider appropriate;
 - (ii) they investigate and, if appropriate, pursue any claims that the Company may have against any person, firm or company, whether in contract or otherwise, including any officer or former officer of the Company or any person, firm or company that supplies or has supplied goods or services to the Company; and
 - (iii) they do all such things and generally exercise all their powers as Joint Administrators as they consider desirable or expedient at their discretion in order to achieve the purpose of the Administration or protect and preserve the assets of the Company or maximise the realisations of those assets, or of any purpose incidental to these activities.
- the Joint Administrators make distributions to any secured or preferential creditors in accordance with Paragraph 65 of Schedule B1 of the Act. Further, they may make a distribution to unsecured creditors, having first sought the Court's permission in accordance with Paragraph 65(3) of Schedule B1 of the Act where necessary.
- the Joint Administrators end the Administration in one of the following ways, appropriate to the circumstances of the case at the time:
 - (i) in the event that there is no remaining property that might permit a distribution to the Company's creditors, they shall file a notice of dissolution of the Company pursuant to Paragraph 84 of Schedule B1 of the Act; or

- (ii) in the unlikely event that the Joint Administrators think that a distribution will be made to unsecured creditors (and they have not sought the Court's permission, and are otherwise unable, to pay the distribution whilst the Company is in Administration), they shall send to the Registrar of Companies notice to move the Company from Administration to Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation. In such circumstances, Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson will be appointed Joint Liquidators and will be authorised to act either jointly or separately in undertaking their duties as Liquidator. Creditors may nominate a different person or persons as the proposed Liquidator or Liquidators in accordance with Paragraph 83(7)(a) of Schedule B1 of the Act and Rule 3.60(6)(b) of the Rules, but they must make the nomination or nominations at any time after they receive the Statement of Proposals, but before it is approved. Information about the process of approval of the Statement of Proposals is set out at Section 8; or
- (iii) alternatively, and should there be no likely funds to distribute to unsecured creditors, the Joint Administrators may seek to place the Company into Compulsory Liquidation in order to bring proceedings that only a Liquidator may commence for the benefit of the estate. In such circumstances, Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson may ask the Court that they be appointed Joint Liquidators, to act either jointly or separately in undertaking their duties as Liquidator.

Dated this 21 November 2019



Michael Paul Roome
Joint Administrator

Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson were appointed Joint Administrators of London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts on 1 October 2019. The affairs, business and property of the Company are managed by the Joint Administrators. The Joint Administrators act as agents of the Company and contract without personal liability.

DEFINITIONS

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| The Act | The Insolvency Act 1986 |
| The Rules | The Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 |
| The Statement of Proposals | The Statement of the Joint Administrators' Proposals prepared pursuant to Paragraph 49(1) of Schedule B1 of the Act |
| The Joint Administrators | Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson |
| The Company | London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts - In Administration |
| The Court | High Court of Justice Business & Property Courts of England & Wales |
| RPO | The Redundancy Payments Office |
| ROT | Retention of title |
| EOS | Estimated outcome statement |
| PP or Prescribed Part | The Prescribed Part of the Company's net property subject to Section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986 |
| SIP | Statement of Insolvency Practice (England & Wales) |
| BIL | Bennetts (Irongate) Ltd – In Administration |

LONDON SOLE LIMITED T/A BENNETTS - IN ADMINISTRATION
STATUTORY INFORMATION

| | |
|---|---|
| Company Name | London Sole Limited |
| Previous Name | - |
| Trading Name | Bennetts |
| Proceedings | In Administration |
| Court | High Court of Justice Business & Property Courts of England & Wales |
| Court reference | 006375 of 2019 |
| Date of appointment | 1 October 2019 |
| Joint Administrators | Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson of Smith Cooper 2 Lace Market Square, Nottingham, NG1 1PB |
| Registered office address | c/o Smith Cooper, 2 Lace Market Square, Nottingham, NG1 1PB |
| Company number | 04944961 |
| Incorporation date | 27 October 2003 |
| Appointment by | Qualifying floating charge holder, Bennetts (Irongate) Limited – In Administration |
| Directors at date of appointment | David Roy Howick |
| Resigned directors within 3 years prior to the date of appointment | John Francis Winkworth Hugh Craen Vince Cuva Matthew George Scott Jane Winkworth |
| Shareholdings | Myles Bunyard - 9 Ordinary £1 Shares |

Insolvency Act 1986

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts

Draft Statement Of Affairs as at 1 October 2019

| | Book Value £ | Estimated to Realise £ | £ |
|--|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| SECURED CREDITORS | | | |
| Merchant Money Limited | Uncertain | Uncertain | |
| Bennetts (Irongate) Limited - In ADM | | (111,212) | |
| Deficiency c/d | | <u>(111,212)</u> | |
| ASSETS SUBJECT TO FLOATING CHARGE | | | |
| Stock | 21,761.00 | | Uncertain |
| Fixtures & fittings | 12,500.00 | | NIL |
| Cash held by third parties | Uncertain | | Uncertain |
| Cash in Hand | 1,700.00 | | <u>1,700.00</u> |
| | | | 1,700.00 |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS:- | | | |
| Redundancy Payments Service | | (22,788; | |
| Employee Wage Arrears/Hol Pay | | <u>(298;</u> | |
| | | | (23,086) |
| | | | <u>(21,386)</u> |
| DEBTS SECURED BY FLOATING CHARGES PRE 15 SEPTEMBER 2003 | | | |
| OTHER PRE 15 SEPTEMBER 2003 FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS | | | <u>NIL</u> |
| | | | (21,386) |
| Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (to carry forward) | | | <u>NIL</u> |
| | | | (21,386) |
| DEBTS SECURED BY FLOATING CHARGES POST 14 SEPTEMBER 2003 | | | |
| Deficiency b/d | | (111,212; | |
| Br 2 Year Ltd | | Uncertain | |
| Merchant Money Limited | | <u>Uncertain</u> | |
| | | | (111,212) |
| | | | <u>(132,598;</u> |
| Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (brought down) | | | <u>NIL</u> |
| | | | NIL |
| Shortfall to preferential creditors/F.C's pre 15 September 2003 (brought down) | | | (21,386) |
| Unsecured non-preferential claims (excluding any shortfall to floating charge holders) | | | |
| Trade & Expense Creditors | | (31,853; | |
| Redundancy Payments Service | | <u>(124,852)</u> | |
| Employees Wage Arrears/Redundancy & PILON | | (634; | |
| | | | (157,338) |
| Estimated deficiency/surplus as regards non-preferential creditors (excluding any shortfall in respect of F.C's post 14 September 2003) | | | <u>(178,724)</u> |
| Shortfall in respect of F.C's post 14 September 2003 (brought down) | | | (111,212) |
| | | | <u>(289,937)</u> |
| Issued and called up capital | | | |
| Ordinary Shareholders | | <u>(9)</u> | |
| | | | (9) |
| TOTAL SURPLUS/(DEFICIENCY) | | | <u>(289,946)</u> |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts
A2 - Secured Creditors Statement of Affairs Figures

| Key | Name | £ |
|---------------------|--|------------|
| CB01 | Bennetts (Irongate) Limited - In Administratio | 111,212.00 |
| CM00 | Merchant Money Limited | 0.00 |
| 2 Entries Totalling | | 111,212.00 |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts**A3 - Floating Charge Creditors Statement of Affairs Figures**

| Key | Name | £ |
|----------------------------|--|-------------|
| CB00 | BR Year 3 Limited | 0.00 |
| CB01 | Bennetts (Irongate) Limited - In Administratio | 0.00 |
| CM00 | Merchant Money Limited | 0.00 |
| 3 Entries Totalling | | 0.00 |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts
A4 - Preferential Creditors Statement of Affairs Figures

| Key | Name | £ |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| CE01 | Redundancy Payments Service | 22,788.00 |
| CE02 | Employee Wage Arrears/Hol Pay | 298.00 |
| 2 Entries Totalling | | 23,086.00 |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts
A5 - Unsecured Creditors Statement of Affairs Figures

| Key | Name | £ |
|------------|---|------------|
| CA00 | Alex Clark Art | 689.40 |
| CA01 | Ashleigh & Burwood | 379.37 |
| CA02 | Art Marketing Limited | 0.00 |
| CA03 | American Express Payment Services Limited | 0.00 |
| CA04 | ADT Fire and Security plc | 1,996.25 |
| CA05 | Alan Silverwood Limited | 0.00 |
| CA06 | A Fulton Company | 216.24 |
| CB02 | Bug Art | 161.42 |
| CB03 | Bilda | 0.00 |
| CB04 | Barclaycard | 0.00 |
| CB05 | British Gas Business | 25.39 |
| CB06 | British Telecommunications plc | 0.00 |
| CB07 | Berni Parker Designs | 326.88 |
| CC00 | City Hygiene Services Limited | 449.43 |
| CC01 | CSY Retail Systems Ltd | 0.00 |
| CC02 | Cattermole Group Ltd | 0.00 |
| CD00 | Dermalogica (UK) Ltd | 0.00 |
| CD01 | David Weston Upholstery Designs | 0.00 |
| CD02 | Deva Designs Limited | 0.00 |
| CD03 | Derby City Council | 5,622.82 |
| CD04 | DHL International (UK) Ltd | 0.00 |
| CD05 | Daisy Communications Ltd | 0.00 |
| CD06 | Derby City Council Revenues | 0.00 |
| CD07 | Decco Limited | 0.00 |
| CD08 | Dr. Hauschka | 0.00 |
| CD09 | Davpack | 0.00 |
| CD0A | Derby Window Cleaning Service | 0.00 |
| CD0B | Dartington Crystal | 0.00 |
| CE00 | Embh Limited | 0.00 |
| CE03 | Redundancy Payments Service | 124,852.00 |
| CE04 | Employees Wage Arrears/Redundancy&PIL | 634.00 |
| CF00 | Fonz Leather Styles Ltd | 0.00 |
| CF01 | French Sole Limited | 0.00 |
| CF02 | Five Dollar Shake | 0.00 |
| CF03 | First Data Europe Limited | 0.00 |
| CH00 | H M Revenue & Customs | 0.00 |
| CH01 | H M Revenue & Customs | 0.00 |
| CH02 | H M Revenue & Customs | 0.00 |
| CH03 | H M Revenue & Customs | 0.00 |
| CH04 | H M Revenue & Customs | 0.00 |
| CH05 | Hider Food Imports Ltd | 561.45 |
| CH06 | H.P. Gibson & Sons Ltd. | 0.00 |
| CH07 | Michael I Holdsworth Limited | 3,776.80 |
| CH08 | Horwood Homewares Ltd | 0.00 |
| CI00 | Infotone Imaging Supplies Ltd | 0.00 |
| CI01 | Index Computer Supplies Ltd | 0.00 |
| CJ00 | J Barbour | 0.00 |
| CJ01 | Joules Ltd | 4,162.45 |
| CJ02 | Jean Barrington Ltd | 448.99 |
| CJ03 | Jones Interiors | 0.00 |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts
A5 - Unsecured Creditors Statement of Affairs Figures

| Key | Name | £ |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------|
| CL00 | L'Occitane Ltd | 1,189.73 |
| CL01 | Lovetts Solicitors | 0.00 |
| CL02 | LC Designs Co. Ltd. | 710.78 |
| CM01 | Mavala (UK) Ltd | 546.84 |
| CM02 | Moliabal Hair | 0.00 |
| CM03 | Matthew Jones Photography | 0.00 |
| CM04 | Miller | 37.50 |
| CM05 | M.S.M. Hygiene Ltd | 0.00 |
| CM06 | Melanie Curtis Accountants Ltd | 0.00 |
| CN00 | Nature's Dream Ltd / The Brand Cloud Grou | 1,438.13 |
| CN01 | Neal's Yard (Natural Remedies) Ltd | 677.32 |
| CO00 | Oui Gruppe GMBH & Co KG | 2,734.09 |
| CO01 | Office Care Ltd | 0.00 |
| CO02 | John E Wright & Co. Ltd. | 0.00 |
| CO03 | Otis Limited | 0.00 |
| CP00 | PPL PRS Ltd | 0.00 |
| CP01 | Peak Waste Recycling Ltd | 0.00 |
| CR00 | Royal Scot Crystal Ltd | 1,208.17 |
| CR01 | R & L Fruits Ltd (Teds) | 0.00 |
| CR02 | Royal Crown Derby Porcelain Company | 1,383.00 |
| CS00 | C W Sellors | 0.00 |
| CS01 | Sixtrees Ltd | 647.51 |
| CS02 | Soake Limited | 305.80 |
| CS03 | Alison Scothern | 0.00 |
| CS04 | ScottishPower Energy Retail Ltd. | 0.00 |
| CS05 | Shergill Dairies | 0.00 |
| CT00 | Tractor Land | 0.00 |
| CT01 | The House Nameplate Company Limited | 542.90 |
| CT02 | The Heavenly Coffee Company Ltd. | 0.00 |
| CT03 | The Derby StoreWatch Association Limited | 0.00 |
| CU00 | Ulster Weavers | 823.20 |
| CU01 | UK Security Services Limited | 0.00 |
| CW00 | Weartrade | 790.90 |
| 83 Entries Totalling | | 157,338.76 |

@ - Denotes associate/excluded creditor

LONDON SOLE LIMITED T/A BENNETTS – IN ADMINISTRATION**Schedule of secured creditors and special creditor groups****Secured creditors**

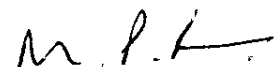
| Secured creditor's name and address | Amount of claim (estimated) £ | Details of security | Date security was given | Value of security £ |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bennetts (Irongate) Limited – In Administration, c/o Second Floor, Poynt South, Upper Parliament Street, Nottingham, NG1 6LF | 111,212 | Fixed and floating charge over all the property or undertaking of the Company | 20 June 2019 | 111,212 |
| Merchant Money Limited, Carlton House, 5 High Street, Higham Ferrers, Rushden, Northamptonshire, NN10 8BW | Unknown | Fixed and floating charge over all the property or undertaking of the Company | 10 June 2019 | Unknown |
| Br 2 Year Ltd, 1 Thames Side, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 1QN | Unknown | Floating charge | 5 June 2019 | Unknown |

Special creditor groups

| Creditor Group | Number of creditors in group | Total amount of claims (estimated) £ |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Employees and former employees | 25 | 148,571.66 |
| Consumers claiming amounts paid in advance for the supply of goods and services | - | - |

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Estimated Outcome Statement
To 21/11/2019

| Statement of Affairs £ | | Realised / Paid | Projected | Total £ |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| | SECURED CREDITORS | | | |
| Uncertain | Merchant Money Limited | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| (111,212.36) | Bennetts (Irongate) Limited - In ADM | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | ASSET REALISATIONS | | | |
| Uncertain | Stock | NIL | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| NIL | Fixtures & fittings | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| Uncertain | Cash held by third parties | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | Third Party Funds | NIL | 9,300.00 | 9,300.00 |
| 1,700.00 | Cash in Hand | 1,700.00 | NIL | 1,700.00 |
| | | 1,700.00 | 13,300.00 | 15,000.00 |
| | COST OF REALISATIONS | | | |
| | Specific Bond | NIL | (48.00) | (48.00) |
| | Administrators Fees | NIL | (11,570.35) | (11,570.35) |
| | Company Search | NIL | (3.00) | (3.00) |
| | Legal Fees | NIL | (3,000.00) | (3,000.00) |
| | Statutory Advertising | NIL | (220.65) | (220.65) |
| | Insurance of Assets | NIL | (158.00) | (158.00) |
| | | NIL | (15,000.00) | (15,000.00) |
| | PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS | | | |
| (22,788.24) | Redundancy Payments Service | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| (297.73) | Employee Wage Arrears/Hol Pay | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS | | | |
| Uncertain | Br 2 Year Ltd | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| Uncertain | Merchant Money Limited | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | UNSECURED CREDITORS | | | |
| (31,852.76) | Trade & Expense Creditors | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| (124,852.11) | Redundancy Payments Service | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| (633.58) | Employees Wage Arrears/Redundancy & PILON | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | DISTRIBUTIONS | | | |
| (9.00) | Ordinary Shareholders | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| | | NIL | NIL | NIL |
| <u>(289,945.78)</u> | | <u>1,700.00</u> | <u>(1,700.00)</u> | <u>(0.00)</u> |
| | REPRESENTED BY | | | |
| | Floating Charge Account | 1,700.00 | (1,700.00) | NIL |
| | | <u>1,700.00</u> | <u>(1,700.00)</u> | <u>NIL</u> |



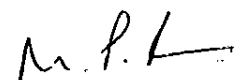
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Joint Administrator
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**London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Summary of Receipts & Payments
To 21/11/2019**

| S of A £ | | £ | £ |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| | SECURED CREDITORS | | |
| Uncertain | Merchant Money Limited | NIL | |
| (111,212.36) | Bennetts (Irongate) Limited - In AD | NIL | NIL |
| | ASSET REALISATIONS | | |
| Uncertain | Stock | NIL | |
| NIL | Fixtures & fittings | NIL | |
| Uncertain | Cash held by third parties | NIL | |
| 1,700.00 | Cash in Hand | 1,700.00 | 1,700.00 |
| | PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS | | |
| (22,788.24) | Redundancy Payments Service | NIL | |
| (297.73) | Employee Wage Arrears/Hol Pay | NIL | NIL |
| | FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS | | |
| Uncertain | Br 2 Year Ltd | NIL | |
| Uncertain | Merchant Money Limited | NIL | NIL |
| | UNSECURED CREDITORS | | |
| (33,242.57) | Trade & Expense Creditors | NIL | |
| (124,852.11) | Redundancy Payments Service | NIL | |
| (633.58) | Employees Wage Arrears/Redunda | NIL | NIL |
| | DISTRIBUTIONS | | |
| (9.00) | Ordinary Shareholders | NIL | NIL |
| (291,335.59) | | | 1,700.00 |
| | REPRESENTED BY | | |
| | Floating Charge Account | | 1,700.00 |
| | | | 1,700.00 |

Note:
The amounts stated are net of VAT.

All funds are held in an interest bearing account.



Michael Paul Roome
Joint Administrator

LONDON SOLE LIMITED T/A BENNETTS - IN ADMINISTRATION

BREAKDOWN OF PRE-ADMINISTRATION TIME COSTS FOR SMITH COOPER

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|---|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Administration (including statutory reporting) | | 4.7 | 158 | 744.50 |
| Review / maintenance of records | Initial review of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Preparing case file | | | |
| Appointment documents | Providing consents to act Liaising with lawyers in respect of the filing of the Notice of Intention to Appoint Reviewing the Notice of Intention to Appoint Agree to the filing of the Notice of Intention to Appoint Liaising with the qualifying floating charge holder and their solicitors regarding the progress of the appointment | | | |
| Creditors (claims and distribution) | | 0.7 | 355 | 248.50 |
| Creditor | Obtaining employee schedule Liaising with qualifying floating charge holder to agree strategy immediately on appointment | | | |
| TOTAL | | 5.4 | 184 | 993.00 |

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INFORMATION FOR CREDITORS IN RELATION TO FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS

INFORMATION RELEVANT AT 1 APRIL 2017

| | |
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| " | smithcooper.co.uk |
| " | 0115 8242110 |
| VAT | 123 3549 34 |

General information to creditors regarding insolvency matters

Creditors wishing to understand or find out more information in relation to this or any other type of insolvency process may visit the website:

<http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk>

This website is a step-by-step guide designed to help creditors navigate their way through an insolvency process and has been produced by R3, the UK insolvency trade body.

A creditors' guide to the fees payable in an insolvency process and the process an insolvency practitioner is required to adopt for seeking approval of his or her fees may be acquired from the following website:

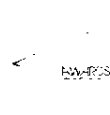
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 Registered Office: St Helen's House, King Street, Derby DE1 3EE
 A list of directors is available for inspection at the above address.



Dean Anthony Nelson, Nicholas Charles Osborn Lee, Andrew Paul Stevens and Michael Paul Roome are licensed in the United Kingdom to act as Insolvency Practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. They are all bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment, which can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics>. When acting as Receiver, Administrative Receiver or Administrator they act as agent only, without personal liability and when acting as Administrator, the affairs, business and property of the company are being managed by them.

Regulated by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales for a range of investment business activities.

When taking appointments, the firm's licensed Insolvency Practitioners are Data Controllers of personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulations 2018. Smith Cooper will act as Data Processor on their instructions. Personal data will be kept secure and processed only for matters relating to the appointments which they take. For further details see the firm's privacy policy which can be accessed on our website using the following link www.smithcooper.co.uk/bri-privacy-notice/.

Information specific to Smith Cooper

| Grade | Charge out rate (£ per hour) |
|---|------------------------------|
| Partner | 355 |
| Director | 255 |
| Manager | 190 |
| Assistant Manager | 190 |
| Senior Insolvency Administrator | 165 |
| Administrator | 130 |
| Junior Administrator | 90 |
| Cashier | 90 |
| Other | 60 |
| Time costs are calculated using 6 minute units. | |

The Office Holder does not recover the costs of support staff other than where their time is specifically incurred and can be identified in dealing with work undertaken on a specific engagement.

Agent's Costs

Charged at cost based upon the charge made by the Agent instructed, the term Agent includes:

- Solicitors/Legal Advisors
- Auctioneers/Valuers
- Accountants
- Quantity Surveyors
- Estate Agents
- Other Specialist Advisors

Disbursements

In accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP9) the basis of disbursement allocation in respect of disbursements incurred by the Office Holder in connection with the administration of the estate must be fully disclosed to creditors. Disbursements are categorised as either Category 1, being expenses directly referable to a third party, eg statutory advertising, external meeting room hire, specific bond insurance and courier costs, external archive, storage and subsequent destruction and Company Search fees, or Category 2, being expenses incurred by the firm and recharged to the estate, which may include a profit element, eg postage, stationery and storage.

Category 1 disbursements are recoverable in full from the estate without the prior approval of creditors. Category 2 disbursements are recoverable in full from the estate, subject to the basis of the disbursement allocation being approved by creditors in advance.

Category 2 disbursements are proposed to be recovered, subject to obtaining the requisite approval, as follows:-

| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Postage | Charged at actual cost (first class) |
| Photocopying | Recharged at 17p per sheet |
| Storage | Charged at cost |
| Room Hire | £50 per meeting held Smith Cooper offices |
| Archiving case files & closure | Recharged at £42.70 per box |
| Archiving records & closure | Recharged at £9.55 per box |
| Mileage | 45p per mile |

LONDON SOLE LIMITED T/A BENNETTS - IN ADMINISTRATION

BREAKDOWN OF THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' TIME COSTS FROM 1 OCTOBER 2019 TO 21 NOVEMBER 2019

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|---|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Administration (including statutory reporting) | | 21.05 | 186 | 3,918.00 |
| Statutory/advertising | Filing of documents to meet statutory requirements Advertising in accordance with statutory requirements | | | |
| Document maintenance/file review/checklist | Filing of documents Periodic file reviews Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists | | | |
| Bank account administration | Preparing correspondence opening an account Requesting bank statements Bank account reconciliations Maintenance of the estate cash book | | | |
| Planning / review | Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case | | | |
| Creditor reports | Preparing proposal, fee authority report to secured and preferential creditors | | | |
| Creditors' decisions | Preparation of decision notices / voting forms Collate and examine proofs and votes to establish decisions | | | |
| Investigations | | 1.85 | 355 | 656.75 |
| SIP 2 Review | Collection, and making an inventory, of company books and records Correspondence to request information on the company's | | | |

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|--|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| | dealings, making further enquiries of third parties Reviewing company's books and records Liaising with the Insolvency Service | | | |
| Realisation of Assets | | 1.15 | 355 | 408.25 |
| Stock | Conducting stock take Reviewing stock values Liaising with third party regarding sale progress | | | |
| Cash at bank | Locating petty cash / till float Monitoring receipt of funds | | | |
| Insurance | Correspondence with insurers regarding initial and ongoing insurance requirements Reviewing insurance policies | | | |
| Creditors (claims and distribution) | | 16.20 | 177 | 2,870.00 |
| Creditor communication | Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their representatives via facsimile, email and post Attending site to deliver redundancies Assisting employees to pursue claims via the RPO Uploading RP14 / RP14a Undertaking a S120 search to locate a pension scheme | | | |
| Dealing with proofs of debt ('POD') | Receipting and filing POD when not related to a dividend | | | |
| Retention of title claims ("ROT") | Receive initial notification of creditor's intention to claim Provision of retention of title claim form to creditor Adjudicate retention of title claim Forward correspondence to claimant notifying outcome of adjudication | | | |
| TOTAL | | 40.25 | 195 | 7,853.00 |

LONDON SOLE LIMITED T/A BENNETTS - IN ADMINISTRATION
INFORMATION TO SUPPORT THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' FEE PROPOSAL

a) The Joint Administrators' fees estimate

Please note that this estimate reflects the work undertaken and time anticipated to be incurred for the full period of the Administration and thus it includes the time already incurred, details of which are provided in appendix IV.

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|---|--|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Administration (including statutory reporting) | | 54.4 | 178 | 9,706.50 |
| Statutory/advertising | Filing of documents to meet statutory requirements Advertising in accordance with statutory requirements | | | |
| Document maintenance/file review/checklist | Filing of documents Periodic file reviews Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists | | | |
| Bank account administration | Preparing correspondence opening and closing accounts Requesting bank statements Bank account reconciliations Correspondence with bank regarding specific transfers Maintenance of the estate cash book Banking remittances and issuing cheques/BACS payments | | | |
| Planning / review | Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case | | | |
| Books and records / storage | Dealing with records in storage Sending case files to storage | | | |
| Creditor reports | Preparing proposal, six monthly progress reports, fee authority report to secured and preferential | | | |

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| | creditors (where appropriate), and final report Seeking extension via creditors (where appropriate) Reporting to secured creditor appointor Proposing further fee approval (where the fees estimate is not for the administration of the case to conclusion) | | | |
| Creditors' decisions | Preparation of decision notices / voting forms Collate and examine proofs and votes to establish decisions Consider objections received and requests for physical meeting or other decision procedure Responding to queries and questions following decisions Issuing notice of result of decision process | | | |
| Investigations | | 44.0 | 192 | 8,427.50 |
| SIP 2 Review | Collection, and making an inventory, of company books and records Correspondence to request information on the company's dealings, making further enquiries of third parties Reviewing questionnaires submitted by creditors and directors Reconstruction of financial affairs of the company Reviewing company's books and records Liaising with the Insolvency Service Preparation of deficiency statement Review of specific transactions and liaising with directors regarding certain transactions Liaising with the committee/creditors or major creditors about further action to be taken | | | |

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|---|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Statutory reporting on conduct of director(s) | Preparing statutory investigation reports Liaising with the Insolvency Service Submission of report to the Insolvency Service Preparation and submission of supplementary report (if required) Assisting the Insolvency Service with its investigations | | | |
| Examinations, if applicable | Preparing brief to solicitor Liaising with solicitor(s) regarding examinations Attendance at examination Reviewing examination transcripts Liaising with solicitor(s) regarding outcome of examinations and further actions available | | | |
| Litigation / Recoveries, if applicable | Strategy meeting regarding litigation Seeking funding from creditors Reviewing terms of solicitors' conditional fee agreements Preparing brief to solicitors/Counsel Liaising with solicitors regarding recovery actions Dealing with ATE insurers Attending to negotiations Attending to settlement matters | | | |
| Realisation of Assets | | 9.1 | 251 | 2,288.00 |
| Stock | Conducting stock takes Reviewing stock values Liaising with third party regarding sale progress | | | |
| Cash at bank | Locating petty cash / till float Monitoring receipt of funds Reconcile the trading account Pursue the profit balance made in the period prior to the appointment | | | |
| Third party funds | Confirm quantum of claim Liaising with third party Monitoring receipt of funds | | | |

| General Description | Includes | Estimate of no. of hours | Estimated blended hourly rate £ | Estimate of total £ |
|--|---|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Furniture, fixture and fittings | Confirm ownership of the assets Instruct solicitors, if required | | | |
| Insurance | Correspondence with insurer regarding initial and ongoing insurance requirements Reviewing insurance policies | | | |
| Creditors (claims and distribution) | | 38.9 | 181 | 7,055.00 |
| Creditor communication | Receive and follow up creditor enquiries via telephone Review and prepare correspondence to creditors and their representatives via facsimile, email and post Attending site to deliver redundancies Assisting employees to pursue claims via the RPO Uploading RP14 / RP14a Undertaking a S120 search to locate a pension scheme | | | |
| Dealing with proofs of debt ('POD') | Receipting and filing POD when not related to a dividend Corresponding with RPO regarding POD when not related to a dividend | | | |
| Retention of title claims ("ROT") | Receive initial notification of creditor's intention to claim Provision of retention of title claim form to creditor Adjudicate retention of title claim Forward correspondence to claimant notifying outcome of adjudication | | | |
| Creditors' Committee | No fees estimate has been provided since this will not incur any costs unless a Committee is elected Holding an initial meeting of the Committee Reporting to committee members Seeking the committee's approval on case strategy Calling and holding meetings of the committee as required and the circumstances of the case dictate | | | |
| TOTAL | | 146.4 | 188 | 27,477.00 |

b) The Joint Administrators' expenses estimate

Please note that this estimate reflects the expenses anticipated to be incurred for the full period of the Administration and thus it includes expenses already incurred, details of which are provided elsewhere in this document.

| Direct expenses (including Category 1 disbursements) | Basis | Estimate of total £ |
|---|----------------|----------------------------|
| Specific bond | Fixed fee | 48 |
| Company search | Fixed fee | 3 |
| Legal fees – Solicitors are likely to be instructed to provide advice in respect of validity of security and potential rights of action | Time-costs/CFA | 3,000 |
| Statutory advertising | Fixed fee | 221 |
| Insurance of assets | Fixed fee | 158 |
| TOTAL | | 3,430 |

| Category 2 disbursements | Basis | Estimate of total £ |
|--|--|----------------------------|
| Photocopying (other than to creditors) | 17p per sheet | 293 |
| Postage | Fixed fee of 70p per first class stamp | 80 |
| TOTAL | | 373 |

Please note that this estimate has been provided on the assumptions given in section 6. In the event that it proves necessary for the Joint Administrators to incur additional expenses in performing their duties, they will provide further details in their progress reports, but there is no statutory obligation to ask creditors to approve any adjusted estimate.

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO FORM A CREDITORS' COMMITTEE

Company Name: London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts - In Administration ("the Company")
Company Number: 04944961

In the High Court of Justice Business & Property Courts of England & Wales
Reference No. 006375 of 2019

This Notice is given under Rule 3.39 of the Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 ("the Rules"). It is delivered by the Joint Administrators of the Company, Michael Paul Roome and Dean Anthony Nelson, of Smith Cooper, 2 Lace Market Square, Nottingham, NG1 1PB (telephone number 0115 945 4300), who was appointed by the qualifying floating charge holder, Bennetts (Irongate) Limited – In Administration.

Creditors are invited to nominate creditors (which may include themselves) by completing the section below and returning this Notice to the Joint Administrator by one of the following methods:

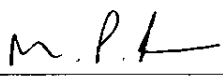
By post to: Smith Cooper, 2 Lace Market Square, Nottingham, NG1 1PB
By fax to: 0115 824 2110
By email to: creditor.correspondence@smithcooper.co.uk

Please note that, if you are sending nominations by post, you must ensure that you have allowed sufficient time for the Notice to be delivered to the address above by the time set out below. Unless the contrary is shown, an email is treated as delivered at 9am on the next business day after it was sent.

All nominations must be delivered by: 23:59 on 10 December 2019

Nominations can only be accepted if the Joint Administrator is satisfied as to the nominated creditor's eligibility under Rule 17.4 of the Rules.

For further information on the role of Creditors' Committees, go to:
<https://www.r3.org.uk/liquidation-creditors-committees-and-commissioners-a-guide-for-creditors>.

Signed: 

Michael Paul Roome
Joint Administrator

Dated: 21 November 2019

NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF A CREDITORS' COMMITTEE

London Sole Limited t/a Bennetts (In Administration)

On behalf of (name of Creditor): _____ ,

at (address of Creditor): _____ ,

I nominate the following creditor(s) to be member(s) of a Creditors' Committee (provide name(s) and address(es)):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Name in capitals: _____

Position with, or relationship to, Creditor or other authority for signature: _____

Are you the sole member/shareholder of the Creditor (where it is a company)?

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| Yes / No |
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