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Notice of progress report in voluntary winding up



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1 Company details

Company number 0 5 8 9 7 1 7 7

Company name in full Wonga Group Limited

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Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Chris M

Surname Lavery

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number 30 Finsbury Square

Street

Post town London

County/Region

Postcode E C 2 A 1 A G

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Daniel R W

Surname Smith

① Other liquidator

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another liquidator.

5 Liquidator's address ②

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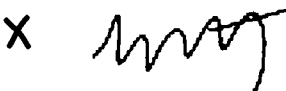
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- ☐ Supervisor
- ☒ Liquidator
- ☐ Provisional liquidator

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2 Insolvency practitioner's name

Full forename(s)

Andrew

Surname

Charters

3 Insolvency practitioner's address

Building name/number

30 Finsbury Square

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Our ref: CML/BLA/MXD/JET/144250-101//7/cvl1403
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29 October 2021

Dear Sir / Madam

Wonga Group Limited - In Liquidation (“WGL” or “the Company”)

1 Introduction

1.1 I was appointed Joint Administrator of the Company with Daniel Smith and Andrew Charters on 31 August 2018, and we were subsequently appointed as Joint Liquidators on 18 September 2020. In accordance with section 104A of the Insolvency Act 1986 we now report on the progress of the liquidation for the year ended 17 September 2021 (the Period) and attach:

- Appendix A, an account of our receipts and payments for the Period
- Appendix B, Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 disclosure.

1.2 Please note that we are all authorised by the Insolvency Practitioners Association to act as insolvency practitioners. We are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment.

2 Statutory information

2.1 The Company's registered number is 05897177.

3 Assets

3.1 No statement of affairs has been prepared for the liquidation. The principal asset is the balance transferred from the administration of £8,082,159,

3.2 Please note that the final Administrators' report shown a cash at bank balance of £8,179,679. Following the report being circulated to creditors the following transactions were made before the case was converted to liquidation which reduced this balance.

Balance as shown in final administrators' report	8,179,679
Wonga Poland TSA Receipts	2,806
Everline Transfer	(89,311)
Sub Contractors	(2,143)
Legal Fees	(8,091)
Professional Fees	(2,833)
Insurance of Assets	2,292
Bank Charges	(240)
Balance transferred to the liquidation	8,082,159

- 3.3 There remains some further assets to realise which are summarised below.

Folkefinans

- 3.4 WGL had provided loans totalling £4.2 million to Folkefinans AS (the 'Borrower'), a Scandinavian subsidiary. During the Administration period and the subsequent Liquidation period, Folkefinans AS have continued to make scheduled loan repayments with respect to the loans (including interest) of c.£1.9 million which were in accordance with the loan documentation.
- 3.5 However, on 4 July 2021 the remaining subordinated loan amount of c.£2.8m matured and all outstanding amounts under the loan documentation became due and payable by the Borrower. WGL and the Borrower, subsequently entered into a standstill arrangement on the basis that a commercial agreement could be structured in such a way that the subordinated loan and c.10% shareholding could be recovered via an assignment of the debt and purchase of the shareholding by a third party.
- 3.6 Despite the purchaser of the subordinated loan seeking a discount to sum payable, the Liquidators have recently concluded a transaction where the full outstanding sum of £2.8 million was recovered, together with a contribution to the estate's legal costs. Please note that the subordinated loan recoveries were received after the Period end, so will not be reflected in the attached Receipt and Payments account.
- 3.7 Discussions with the Folkefinans and the third party remain ongoing with respect to the shareholdings and it is anticipated a deal could be concluded prior to the year end.

Intercompany claim

- 3.8 WGL has an intercompany claim against WDFC Services Limited (WDSL), over which we are also appointed as Joint Liquidators, to the sum of £333,893. It is anticipated WDSL will distribute a dividend in the region of 40p in the £ to its creditors. Accordingly, WGL anticipates a future recovery of c.£133,000 on its claim. The timing of the WDSL distribution is not yet known.

India transaction costs

- 3.9 During the Administration period the Administrators concluded a transaction for the sale of a lending licence held by the Company's Indian subsidiary, Nahar Private Credits Limited. Prior to the sale the Company discharged costs on behalf of the Indian subsidiary to the sum of £230,613 and in accordance with the sale agreement these costs are to be recovered from the purchaser. Discussions remain ongoing with the purchaser.
- 3.10 We are not aware of any other potential assets that could be recovered for the benefit of creditors.

4 Creditors and dividend prospects

Secured creditors

- 4.1 Kreos Capital V (UK) Limited (Kreos) was granted a debenture containing fixed and floating charges over the assets of WGL on 7 April 2016. Kreos submitted a claim for €6,427,409 and Slaughter and May, acting as legal advisor for the Administrators, provided advice to confirm the validity of the security.
- 4.2 Subsidiary companies Wonga Worldwide Limited (WWL) and WDSL also granted fixed and floating charge debentures over their assets to Kreos as guarantors for the debt due by the Company. Kreos also held security over the assets of Wonga UK, Wonga Poland and Wonga South Africa.
- 4.3 The indebtedness to Kreos was settled in full by WWL (as guarantor). The sum paid was £5,974,701 which included interest and fees. As a result of discharging the indebtedness to Kreos, WWL was subsequently repaid in full by WGL.

Preferential creditors

- 4.4 Preferential creditor claims consist of employee claims for wages and holiday pay, up to certain statutory limits and employee contribution to occupational pension schemes. A significant element of the claims were subrogated to the Secretary of State, following part-payment of these claims by the Redundancy Payment Service.
- 4.5 There were 187 employees at the date of the appointment all of whom have now been made redundant or resigned.
- 4.6 Preferential claims totalled £120,801 and have been paid in full.
- 4.7 Employees will also have unsecured claims for other entitlements – see below for further details.

Prescribed part – unsecured creditors

- 4.8 In accordance with section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986, a prescribed part is to be set aside from the floating charge assets and made available to the unsecured creditors of the Company. The prescribed part calculation is applied to the net property available and is calculated at 50% of the first £10,000 of net property and 20% of all further amounts, up to a maximum prescribed part of £600,000.
- 4.9 As preferential creditors and secured creditors have been paid in full and the funds available to unsecured creditors will be greater than £600,000 there is no purpose to setting aside the prescribed part.

Non-preferential unsecured creditors

- 4.10 The statement of affairs prepared by the directors' details unsecured creditors totalling £24.6 million. This is summarised in the table below.

Unsecured creditor position

£'000s	SofA amount	Agreed to date
Trade & accruals	3,756	1,267
Employee	2,335	1,490
Intercompany *	18,583	-
Total	24,675	2,757

* WDFC Holdings SA claim submitted but further investigation is required

Trade creditors

- 4.11 All trade creditors were largely current at the date of appointment and claims generally comprise one month's outstanding invoices and one month's accrued charges. Trade creditor claims per the directors' statement of affairs total £3.7 million which includes a sum of £1.8 million for accruals.
- 4.12 To date, £1.2 million of trade creditor claims have been assessed and agreed.

Employee claims

- 4.13 These represent claims arising from the termination of employment of WGL staff, including redundancy and payment in lieu of notice.
- 4.14 Employees will have submitted their claims to the RPO upon termination of their employment and there is no requirement for employees to raise a further claim in respect of their entitlements. The Liquidators have carried out a full review of the employee claims and will be writing to the employees shortly to confirm their unsecured claim entitlement.
- 4.15 Total employee claims that rank as unsecured creditors are £1,489,707.

Inter-company creditors

- 4.16 The company records show that WGL owed a pre-appointment sum of £18.5 million to WDFC Holdings SA, which is a Swiss registered subsidiary. There are no other known intercompany creditors.
- 4.17 The claim from WDFC Holdings SA has been complicated as a result of the Swiss entity going through an insolvency procedure in Switzerland as well as a purported assignment of its claim to one of its creditors.
- 4.18 As a result of the above, and given the materiality of the claim, it has been necessary to investigate the proper treatment of the claim in conjunction with our legal advisors and the key stakeholders of WDFC Holdings SA. The investigations into this matter remain ongoing.
- 4.19 In the event the Swiss claim cannot be admitted or is materially reduced, based on the estimated quantum of other unsecured creditor claims (i.e. the trade and employee claims), it is likely those claims will be repaid in full from the sums held in the Liquidation. Where unsecured claims are settled in full any further sums are held in the estate, the balance will be returned to the Company's shareholders.

Dividend prospects

- 4.20 As indicated earlier in this report, there remains some asset realisations to conclude and further investigations into the unsecured creditor position. We are therefore unable to provide a full estimated outcome to the unsecured creditors of the Company at this stage.
- 4.21 However, notwithstanding the above, the Joint Liquidators will likely be in a position to process an interim dividend to the unsecured creditors, with the intercompany claim from WDFC Holdings SA being held pending further investigations.

- 4.22 The Joint Liquidators anticipate processing an interim dividend, in the region of 30p in the £, in early 2022. Whilst unsecured creditor claims received to date have been assessed (including employee claims) it will be necessary to assess any further claims that are received after the formal Notice of Intention to Distribute has been issued. The timing of the interim dividend will be dependent upon when the claims assessment process has concluded.
- 4.23 Any future final dividend will be dependent upon the resolution of the intercompany claim position, final asset realisations and the associated costs of closing these matters.

5 Investigations into the affairs of the Company

- 5.1 Based on the outcome of our investigations into the affairs of the Company to date there are no matters identified that need to be reported to the creditors.

6 Remuneration and expenses

- 6.1 Our remuneration is being charged on a time costs basis as agreed by the creditors. A fee estimate totalling £414,016 (plus VAT) for the initial 12 months of the liquidation was provided and agreed by the Company's unsecured creditors.
- 6.2 We have charged remuneration in the year amounting to £233,497, of which £183,682 has been paid from the estate to date. The unpaid sum of £49,815 will be settled shortly.
- 6.3 In addition to the above remuneration and expenses, we estimate an additional £501,141 (plus VAT) in remuneration for the period 18 September 2021 to 17 September 2022 to deal with the remaining matters identified in the assets and investigations sections above and to close the liquidation.
- 6.4 A fees estimate for the period 18 September 2021 to 17 September 2022 is included in the SIP9 disclosure at Appendix B and we attach a notice of a vote by correspondence to consider the below resolution:
- That the basis of the Joint Liquidators' remuneration be fixed according to the time properly spent by the Joint Liquidators and their staff on the liquidation, with a fees estimate of £501,141 (plus VAT) for the period 18 September 2021 to 17 September 2022
- 6.5 Further details about remuneration and expenses are provided in Appendix B to this report.

7 Contact from third parties

- 7.1 Please be aware fraudsters have been known to masquerade as the Joint Liquidators. Fraudsters may contact creditors asking for an upfront fee or tax to release an investment or to enable payment of a dividend / the release of money payable to the creditor. A liquidator would never ask for such a payment nor instruct a third party to make such a request.

8 Data protection

- 8.1 Any personal information held by the Company will continue to be processed in accordance with completing the liquidation of the Company and in accordance with meeting our requirements under applicable Data Protection Legislation/law in the United Kingdom. Our privacy notice on our website (www.granthornton.co.uk/en/privacy) contains further details as to how we may use, process and store personal data.

9 Covid-19

- 9.1 This report has been produced during the Covid-19 restrictions. We have taken every reasonable step to ensure that the information is accurate, however if any material inaccuracies are identified we will provide an explanation and corrected information in the next progress report.

10 Contact

10.1 Should you have queries please email cmu@uk.gt.com.

Yours faithfully
for and on behalf of Wonga Group Limited

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Lavery'.

Chris Lavery
Joint Liquidator

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Wonga Group Limited
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Trading Account

Statement of Affairs £	From 18/09/2020 To 17/09/2021 £	From 18/09/2020 To 17/09/2021 £
POST APPOINTMENT SALES		
Fokia interest	199,944.47	199,944.47
	199,944.47	199,944.47
OTHER DIRECT COSTS		
Sub Contractors	164.00	164.00
	(164.00)	(164.00)
TRADING EXPENDITURE		
Professional Fees	2,333.33	2,333.33
IT System Cost	1,100.00	1,100.00
	(3,433.33)	(3,433.33)
TRADING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	196,347.14	196,347.14

Wonga Group Limited
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £	From 18/09/2020 To 17/09/2021 £	From 18/09/2020 To 17/09/2021 £
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Admin/Receivers Surplus	8,082,159.08	8,082,159.08
Everline receipt	41,466.03	41,466.03
Post 30 April refunds held for WDFC	19,542.82	19,542.82
Trading Surplus/(Deficit)	196,347.14	196,347.14
VAT from Administration	16,962.26	16,962.26
Wonga Poland TSA receipts	7,735.10	7,735.10
	<u>8,364,212.43</u>	<u>8,364,212.43</u>
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Administrators Expenses	3,080.41	3,080.41
Administrators Fees	212,967.02	212,967.02
Bank Charges	107.75	107.75
Barings funds	(15,698.82)	(15,698.82)
Legal Fees (1)	18,013.50	18,013.50
Liquidators Expenses	46.48	46.48
Liquidators Fees	183,681.50	183,681.50
Misc Float Payments	95.36	95.36
Post 30 April Refund Payment	37.05	37.05
Professional Fees	26,942.25	26,942.25
Stationery & Postage	1,216.14	1,216.14
Statutory Advertising	80.00	80.00
VAT irrecoverable	78,577.55	78,577.55
	<u>(509,146.19)</u>	<u>(509,146.19)</u>
PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS		
Preferential Creditors (All)	<u>120,801.36</u>	<u>120,801.36</u>
	<u>(120,801.36)</u>	<u>(120,801.36)</u>
UNSECURED CREDITORS		
Unsecured Creditors (All)	<u>100.32</u>	<u>100.32</u>
	<u>100.32</u>	<u>100.32</u>
	<u>7,734,365.20</u>	<u>7,734,365.20</u>
REPRESENTED BY		
Floating Current Account NIB		7,711,911.04
HMRC - VAT received/paid		16,962.26
VAT on Purchases		5,491.90
		<u>7,734,365.20</u>

B - Payments to the Joint Liquidators and their associates

Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 disclosure

This appendix has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Insolvency Act 1986, the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 (the Rules) and Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP9). In summary, it covers:

- fee basis
- work done by the Joint Liquidators and their team during the period from 18 September 2020 to 17 September 2021 (the Period)
- expenses
- sub-contracted out work
- payments to associates
- relationships requiring disclosure
- information for creditors (rights, fees, committees)

Post-appointment costs

Fee basis of the Joint Liquidators

On 17 September 2020 the creditors resolved that remuneration be fixed according to the time properly spent by the Liquidators and their staff on the liquidation, with a fees estimate of £414,016 (plus VAT) for the initial 12 months of the liquidation.

During the Period, time costs were incurred totalling £233,497 represented by 480 hrs at an average of 486 £/hr (as shown in the 'Work done' section below). This brings cumulative recorded time costs at the Period end to £233,497. A description of the work done in the Period is provided in the respective section below.

As at Period end, payment from the estate totalling £183,682 has been made towards our remuneration. Based on the report to which this document is appended, we currently anticipate further payment from the estate of £49,815 resulting in total payment from the estate of £233,497 for the first 12 months of the liquidation; this is based on current information and is therefore subject to change. Please note that the total anticipated payment does not limit the amount of remuneration that the Joint Liquidators can draw from the estate, only the fees estimate has such effect.

Proposed fee basis

We propose that the remuneration of the Joint Liquidators be fixed on the basis of time costs. Please see the fee estimate section.

Likely return to creditors

An interim dividend to creditors totalling 30p in the £ is proposed as at Period end. The timing and quantum of future dividends is currently unknown.

Fees estimate

A fees estimate comprises the work anticipated to be undertaken and the estimated respective time cost – the fees eventually paid may be more or less depending on the complexity of the case as it progresses and the value of asset recoveries or successful claims, for example. The fees estimate below is based on all of the information available to us as at 19 October 2021. We have considered and accounted for the different levels of expertise that we anticipate will be required to do the work we anticipate necessary for a 12 month period (albeit we anticipate concluding the CVL in this timeframe), in calculating the time and cost included in the fees estimate table provided below.

Area of work	Anticipated work	Why the work is necessary	Financial benefit to creditors	Fees and expense estimate		
Realisation of Assets				255 hrs	£107,885	£/hr 670
Cash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To monitor and reconcile cash balances in administration accounts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To secure a significant asset of the company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available 			
Other assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To recover intercompany debt from India entity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To secure significant assets of the company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To recover value from shareholding from Folkia 		creditors should sufficient funds become available			
Investigations				13 hrs	£8,505	£/hr 675
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Securely destroying any aged or irrelevant records as appropriate Investigating disputes over claims should they arise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			
Creditors				341 hrs	£188,596	£/hr 553
Employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To pay employee unsecured claims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work is necessary to ensure that the creditors are paid to correct amounts as part of the insolvency process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			
Intercompany	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To investigate position as regards the intercompany claim process for Swiss entity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work is necessary to ensure that the creditors are paid to correct amounts as part of the insolvency process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			
Dividends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Audit and payment of an interim dividend to the unsecured creditors Payment of a final dividend to the unsecured creditors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work is necessary to ensure that the creditors are paid Quality assurance is key to ensuring that all the relevant data is passed to the Joint Administrators so that the process is as commercial and accurate as possible and that all the relevant data is transferred 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			
Administration				262 hrs	£133,155	£/hr 509
Reports, circulars notices & decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue of notice of intention to distribute to creditors Decision procedure by creditors for approval of proposals and basis of remuneration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparation of statutory reports to creditors		to the estate it will add value to the insolvency
Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Obtain formal tax clearance from HMRC• Deal with any queries that may arise from HMRC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To maintain the compliance with regulatory tax requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This work is to be completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and has no direct financial benefit to the estate
Treasury, billing & funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Processing and recording transactions arising during the CVL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To ensure proper recording of CVL activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available
Closure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finalisation of the CVL process, including final reports and returns	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Statutory requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available
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Total fees estimate			870 hrs £501,141 £/hr 576

Work done by the Joint Liquidators and their team during the Period

We are required to detail costs of actual work done in the Period, including any expenses incurred in connection with it, as against any fees estimate provided. Our fees estimate was approved by creditors on 17 September 2020. We are also required to provide narrative explanation of the work done. The following tables (narrative followed by numerical) set out this information for the Joint Liquidators' fees incurred together with a numerical fees estimate variance analysis. Reasons for any anticipated excess of the fees estimate are included in the 'Fee basis' section above. Details of expenses incurred in connection with work done are provided in the 'Disbursements and expenses' section below.

Area of work	Work done	Why the work was necessary	Financial benefit to creditors	Fees (time costs) incurred		
Trading				4 hrs	£1,458	£/hr 416
Trading general	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusion of trading matters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To secure a significant asset of the company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work was necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available 			
Assets				69 hrs	£49,485	£/hr 713
Cash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To monitor and reconcile cash balances in administration accounts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To secure a significant asset of the company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available 			
Other assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeking to recover intercompany debt from India entity Negotiating recovery of receivable from Folkia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To secure significant assets of the company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available 			
Investigations				1 hrs	£203	£/hr 405
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Securely destroying any aged or irrelevant records as appropriate Investigating disputes over claims should they arise 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			
Creditors				82 hrs	£31,896	£/hr 390
Employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To prepare and complete the preferential distribution to employees To agree and pay employee unsecured claims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work is necessary to ensure that the creditors are paid to correct amounts as part of the insolvency process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			
Intercompany	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dialogue with liquidator of Swiss entities to understand intercompany claim 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work is necessary to ensure that the creditors are paid to correct amounts as part of the insolvency process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency 			

Dividends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of claims Preparation of a dividend to the unsecured creditors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The work is necessary to ensure that the creditors are paid Quality assurance is key to ensuring that all the relevant data is passed to the Joint Administrators so that the process is as commercial and accurate as possible and that all the relevant data is transferred 	This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency
Administration			325 hrs £150,457 £/hr 463
Reports, circulars notices & decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue of notice of intention to distribute to creditors Decision procedure by creditors for approval of proposals and basis of remuneration Preparation of statutory reports to creditors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement 	This work is necessary to discharge the office holders' duties. As explained under 'Why the work is necessary', although it will not add financial value to the estate it will add value to the insolvency
Tax	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain formal tax clearance from HMRC Deal with any queries that may arise from HMRC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To maintain the compliance with regulatory tax requirements 	This work is to be completed solely for the purpose of complying with statutory requirements and has no direct financial benefit to the estate
Treasury, billing & funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Processing and recording transactions arising during the CVL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure proper recording of CVL activities 	This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available
Closure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalisation of the CVL process, including final reports and returns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory requirement 	This work is necessary to help realise financial value for the benefit of the estate and for a distribution to creditors should sufficient funds become available
Total time costs incurred in the Period			480 hrs £233,497 £/hr 486

Commercial in confidence

Detailed SIP9 time cost analysis for the period and fee estimate variance analysis as at Period end
Period from 18/09/2020 to 17/09/2021

Area of work	Partner		Manager		Executive		Administrator		Period total		Cumulative total as at Period end		Fees estimate		Variance	
	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£	Hrs	£
Trading:									3.50	1,457.50	416.43	3.50	1,457.50	416.43		
Trading general	-	-	-	-	3.50	1,457.50	-	-	3.50	1,457.50	416.43	3.50	1,457.50	416.43		
Realisation of assets:									69.40	49,485.00	713.04	69.40	49,485.00	713.04	131.00	57,813.00
Other assets	21.40	17,893.00	48.00	31,592.00	-	-	-	-	69.40	49,485.00	713.04	69.40	49,485.00	713.04		8,328.00
Investigations:									0.50	202.50	405.00	0.50	202.50	405.00	6.00	2,478.50
Claims	-	-	-	-	0.50	202.50	-	-	0.50	202.50	405.00	0.50	202.50	405.00		
Creditors:									81.80	31,895.50	389.92	81.80	31,895.50	389.92	419.00	155,986.00
Employees & pensions	0.50	397.50	1.25	425.00	41.20	10,190.25	-	-	42.95	11,012.75	256.41	42.95	11,012.75	256.41		
Unsecured	13.00	11,110.00	5.25	2,852.75	7.55	2,521.00	0.35	63.00	26.15	16,546.75	632.76	26.15	16,546.75	632.76		
Dividends	-	-	0.40	136.00	10.65	3,903.00	1.65	297.00	12.70	4,336.00	341.42	12.70	4,336.00	341.42		
Administration:									325.10	150,456.75	462.80	325.10	150,456.75	462.80	486.00	197,536.00
Appointment formalities	-	-	0.50	170.00	1.50	607.50	-	-	2.00	777.50	388.75	2.00	777.50	388.75		
Case management	30.90	25,534.50	105.80	67,828.25	30.35	8,967.00	17.60	3,168.00	184.65	105,497.75	571.34	184.65	105,497.75	571.34		
Reports to creditors, notices & decisions	-	-	-	-	0.50	122.50	-	-	0.50	122.50	245.00	0.50	122.50	245.00		
Treasury, billing & funding	2.35	1,908.25	0.50	222.50	65.45	18,445.75	13.85	2,493.00	82.15	23,069.50	280.82	82.15	23,069.50	280.82		
Tax	1.00	785.00	19.20	10,746.00	9.00	2,388.50	25.60	6,615.00	54.80	20,534.50	374.72	54.80	20,534.50	374.72		
Pensions	-	-	0.60	357.00	0.40	98.00	-	-	1.00	455.00	455.00	1.00	455.00	455.00		
Total	69.15	57,628.25	181.50	114,329.50	170.60	48,903.50	59.05	12,636.00	480.30	233,497.25	486.15	480.30	233,497.25	486.15	1,041.00	414,016.00

Notes:

- Partner includes partners and directors
- Manager includes associate directors and managers
- Executive includes assistant manager and executives
- Total time costs paid to date: £183,681.50
- Please note that the actual time incurred in the Period may slightly differ to that reported in the table above. This is due to lags between time being recorded on our internal system by staff and then being posted to the case. We do not expect any differences to be material and any such discrepancies will be noted in our next report.

Statement of expenses incurred in the Period

This table provides details of expenses incurred in the Period in connection with the work done by the Joint Liquidators, description of which is provided in the 'Work done' section above.

Category	Incurred in the Period (£)	Cumulatively incurred as at Period end (£)	Of which paid by the estate as at Period end (£)
Category 1 expenses			
Travel	16	16	16
Insolvency Practitioners Bond	30	30	30
Sub Contractors	164	164	164
Trading Expenditure	3,433	3,433	3,433
Bank Charges	108	108	108
Barings funds	(15,699)	(15,699)	(15,699)
Legal Fees – Slaughter and May	18,014	18,014	18,014
Misc Float Payments	95	95	95
Post 30 April Refund Payment	37	37	37
Professional Fees			
Birchwood Advisory Limited	26,263	26,263	26,263
Corporate Law Services Pty Limited	679	679	679
Stationery & Postage	1,216	1,216	1,216
Statutory Advertising	80	80	80
VAT irrecoverable	78,578	78,578	78,578
Total expenses	133,014	133,014	113,014

Expenses are any payments from the estate which are neither the Joint Liquidators' remuneration nor a distribution to a creditor or member, but they may include disbursements which are payments first met by and then reimbursed to the Joint Liquidators from the estate. Expenses fall into two categories:

Category 1 expenses

These are also known as 'out of pocket expenses' and are payments to third parties not associated with the Joint Liquidators where there is specific expenditure directly referable to the insolvent estate; they can be drawn without prior approval from creditors.

Category 2 expenses

These are expenses directly referable to the insolvent estate but payments that are either to an associate, or that include shared or allocated costs that may be incurred by the Joint Liquidators or their firm and that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis. Category 2 expenses require approval in the same manner as the Joint Liquidators' remuneration. No category 2 expenses have been incurred in this matter.

Sub-contracted work

We confirm that, in the Period, we have not sub-contracted any work that could otherwise have been carried out by us or our team.

Payments to associates

Where we have enlisted the services of others we have sought to obtain the best value and service. In the interest of transparency, we disclose below services we have sought from within our firm or from a party with whom (to the best of our knowledge) our firm, or an individual within our firm, has an association:

Service provider	Services enlisted	Cost of service
Grant Thornton UK LLP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Tax work/advice (narrative is included within the above narrative of work done)Pensions work/advice (narrative is included within the above narrative of work done)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Costs are included within the above SIP9 time cost analysis

Relationships requiring disclosure

We confirm that we are not aware of any business or personal relationships with any parties responsible for approving the Joint Liquidators' fee basis, or who provide services to us as Joint Liquidators, which may give rise to a potential conflict.

Information for creditors and members

Information to help creditors and members to understand their rights in insolvency and regarding officeholders' (ie administrators or liquidators) fees, and the roles and functions of committees is available via Grant Thornton's website:

<https://www.grantthornton.co.uk/portal>

Alternatively, we will supply this information by post, free of charge, on request.

Wonga Group Limited - In Liquidation

Notice of vote by correspondence

Company name	Wonga Group Limited
Company number	05897177
Decision date	18 November 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under paragraphs 57 and 98 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 and rule 18.30 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016, decisions of the creditors are sought as follows:

- 1 That the basis of the Joint Liquidators' remuneration be fixed according to the time properly spent by the Joint Liquidators and their staff on the liquidation, with a fees estimate of £501,141 (plus VAT) for the period 18 September 2021 to 17 September 2022

And

- 2 whether a liquidation committee be formed.

To vote a creditor can:

- return the voting form provided with this notice to Chris Lavery at 4 Hardman Square, Spinningfields, Manchester, M3 3EB
- or send it as an email attachment to cmu@uk.gt.com

A creditor who is entitled to vote may do so no later than 23:59 on the decision date.

For a creditor's vote to be valid a proof of debt must be received no later than the decision date, failing which the creditor's vote will be disregarded. A proof of debt can either be lodged on the portal, delivered to Chris M Lavery at Grant Thornton UK LLP, 4 Hardman Square, Spinningfields, Manchester, M3 3EB or as an attachment to an email to cmu@uk.gt.com. A new proof of debt is not required if you have previously submitted one in the proceedings. A proof of debt form is enclosed for completion if required.

A creditor whose debt is treated as a small debt in accordance with rule 14.31(1) of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 must deliver a proof of debt if they wish to vote, unless a proof of debt has previously been submitted, failing which the vote will be disregarded.

A creditor who has opted out from receiving notices may nevertheless vote if a proof of debt is delivered, unless a proof of debt has previously been submitted, failing which the vote will be disregarded.

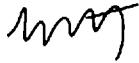
A vote cast in a decision procedure which is not a meeting may not be changed.

A decision of the convenor is subject to appeal to the court by any creditor in accordance with rule 15.35 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016. An appeal under this rule may not be made later than 21 days after the decision date.

A physical meeting will be held to replace this vote by correspondence if requested not later than five business days after the date of delivery of this notice by not less than one of the following:

- 10% in value of the creditors
- 10% in number of the creditors
- 10 creditors.

DATED THIS 26th day of October 2021



Chris Lavery
Joint Liquidator

VOTING FORM

Company name

Wonga Group Limited

Please delete as appropriate if you are for or against the resolutions below.

This form must be received at Grant Thornton UK LLP, 4 Hardman Square, Spinningfields, Manchester, M3 3EB or as an attachment to an email to cmu@uk.gt.com by 23.59 on 18 November 2021 in order to be counted. It must be accompanied by a proof of debt, unless you have previously submitted a proof of debt, failing which your vote will be disregarded.

Resolution(s)

- 1 That the basis of the Joint Liquidators' remuneration be fixed according to the time properly spent by the Joint Liquidators and their staff on the liquidation, with a fees estimate of £501,141 (plus VAT) for the period 18 September 2021 to 17 September 2022 **For/Against**
- 2 Do you want a liquidation committee to be formed? **Yes/No**

If a liquidation committee is formed I/we
nominate the following creditors to serve as members of such committee:

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

A creditor is eligible to be a member of such a committee if, the person has proved for a debt; the debt is not fully secured; and neither of the following apply: the proof has been wholly disallowed for voting purposes, or the proof has been wholly rejected for the purpose of distribution or dividend. No person can be a member as both a creditor and a contributory. A body corporate may be a member of a creditors' committee, but it cannot act otherwise than by a representative appointed under rule 17.17 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016.

TO BE COMPLETED BY CREDITOR WHEN RETURNING FORM:

Name of creditor

Signature

Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

(If signing on behalf of the creditor, state capacity e.g. director/solicitor)

If you require any further details or clarification prior to returning your vote, please contact Aamirah Patel at the address above. Please note that once cast, a vote cannot be changed or withdrawn

Office use only:

Date Completed form received
(DD/MM/YYYY)

Initial
