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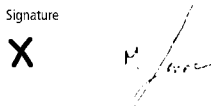

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Progress Report to Creditors

27 August 2021

**Whittalls Wines Merchants 2
Limited, Whittalls Wines Merchants
1 Limited, Wine Cellar Trading
Limited
(All In Administration)**

*Joint Administrators' Progress Report for the period from 30 January 2021
to 29 July 2021*

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Duff & Phelps Ltd. has recently rebranded as Kroll with a new name, Kroll Advisory Ltd. Insolvency cases handled by insolvency practitioners from Duff & Phelps Ltd. are still being dealt with in the same way, by the same insolvency practitioners and staff. Our staff email addresses are now from kroll.com and our correspondence and website reflect the Kroll branding.

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1. Introduction

The Joint Administrators were appointed on 30 January 2019 by an order of the High Court in Birmingham.

The application to Court was made by the Directors.

This Progress Report provides an update on the Administrations of the Companies. It should be read in conjunction with the Joint Administrators' Proposals and the Previous Progress Reports.

The Joint Administrators have explained their future strategy for the Administrations and how likely it is that they will be able to pay each class of Creditor.

You will find other important information in this Progress Report such as the costs the Joint Administrators have incurred.

A glossary of the abbreviations and definitions used throughout this document is attached at Appendix 8.

Please also note that an important legal notice about this Progress Report to Creditors is attached at Appendix 9.

Creditors should note that a Block Transfer Order (High Court of Justice, Business & Property Courts in Manchester CR-2021-MAN-000356) was obtained on 16 June 2021. The Order provided for the formal removal of Philip Duffy from office and appointed a replacement office holder, Michael Lennon, a Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of Kroll Advisory as Joint Administrator of the Companies. Philip Duffy was accordingly released from liability as Joint Administrator with effect from 16 June 2021.

Matthew Ingram continues in office as Joint Administrator.

2. Creditor summary

This Progress Report covers the period from 30 January 2021 to 29 July 2021.

Summary of Proposals

- The Joint Administrators issued their Statement of Proposals on 26 March 2019 seeking deemed approval of their Proposals, which are summarised at Appendix 2.
- The Joint Administrators' Proposals for achieving the purpose of the Administrations, namely achieving a better result for the Companies' Creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Companies were wound up (without first being in Administration), were approved by Creditors by deemed approval on 12 April 2019 without modification.
- There have been no major amendments to, or deviations from, these Proposals.
- A copy of the Statement of Proposals is available via the Website.

Progress to date

- Following their appointment, the Joint Administrators took the decision to trade the business as a going concern to maximise the realisable sale value of the primary assets of the Companies, being the 99 off-licence stores in across England and Scotland that the Companies operated.
- The Companies traded as part of a wider retail group that at appointment totalled 101 retail stores across the UK.
- The Joint Administrators carried out a comprehensive marketing exercise in the months following their appointment to identify a buyer for the stores as going concerns. A purchaser was identified from this exercise and it was agreed with the Purchaser that the stores would continue to be traded by the Joint Administrators until a sale transaction was completed.
- The Joint Administrators subsequently traded the business until 23 March 2020 when they were forced to close all stores due to the onset of the COVID-19 outbreak. As a result of the change in economic conditions, the Joint Administrators were advised by the Purchaser that they would not be acquiring several the off-licence stores that had been initially identified for purchase and instead proceeded with a reduced portfolio of stores.
- A sale of 28 stores in total was completed with effect from 29 May 2020. Further detail regarding this sale is provided in the previous progress reports.

Outcome for Creditors

- Based on the current information available, it is anticipated that there will be sufficient asset realisations to enable a distribution to be made to the Secured Creditors of the Companies. However at this time the quantum of such a distribution is uncertain as it will depend upon the final trading position and the outstanding costs of the Administrations to be discharged.
- It is not currently anticipated that asset realisations will be sufficient to enable any distribution to be made to the Preferential Creditors of the Companies after taking into account the costs of the Administrations.
- Furthermore, there will be insufficient realisations to enable any distribution to be made to the Unsecured Creditors of the Companies after taking into account the costs of the Administrations.

Please note, this Progress Report provides Creditors with an account of the progress of the Administration of the Companies in the Reporting Period.

The Joint Administrators' previous progress reports and the Statement of Proposals issued to the Companies' Creditors are available to view at <https://micro.kroll.com/ukrestructuring> and paper copies can be provided free of charge by writing to Matthew Dunnill of this office. Unless otherwise stated, all amounts in this Progress Report and appendices are stated net of VAT.

3. Progress of the Administrations

This section provides an update on the Joint Administrators' strategy for the Administrations and progress to date.

3.1 Strategy and progress to date

The Joint Administrators have pursued a strategy of trading the businesses whilst seeking a sale of the business and certain assets of the Companies as going concerns.

This strategy was concluded when a sale of the businesses and certain assets associated with 28 stores across the Companies on 29 May 2020 was completed.

All other stores have now been closed permanently and returned to the respective landlords.

The Joint Administrators are in the process of finalising all outstanding trading matters to include discharging all known and agreed trading costs for the Administration trading periods before taking steps to close the Administrations.

3.2 Asset realisations

Realisations during the period are set out in the attached Receipts and Payments accounts at Appendix 3.

Summaries of the most significant realisations during the Administration are provided below:

3.2.1 Freehold/Leasehold property

The Companies held no freehold property as at the Appointment Date.

The Joint Administrators have not adopted any of the leases or any covenants or obligations regarding the leases at any time and act always as agents of the Companies without personal liability.

A sale of the businesses and certain assets of 28 stores was completed on 29 May 2020 with all other stores at such a time having been closed permanently and possession returned to the respective landlords.

All undertakings for both rent and rates were withdrawn with effect from the dates of closure and final invoices have been requested from all parties.

To date, not all final invoices have been received, as such the Joint Administrators continue to pursue final accounts in order to discharge agreed trading costs from all remaining landlords and rating authorities in respect of the Administration trading periods.

3.2.2 Debtors

The Joint Administrators engaged the Companies' existing management team to assist them in the collection of all outstanding debtor balances at the Appointment Date. A total of £56,804 was recovered over the course of the Administration trading periods.

As a part of the sale of business to the Purchaser, all right, title and interest in the remaining book debt ledger was included as a part of the sale transaction.

No further asset realisations are expected from this source.

3.2.3 Rates Refunds

The Joint Administrators engaged third-party specialists to investigate the potential of any rates rebates due to the Companies.

To date, no realisations have been made from this source.

3.2.4 Trading

The Joint Administrators ceased trading the businesses of the Companies in Administration. Trading ceased with effect from 24 March 2020 for WWM1 and WWM2, and 25 March 2020 for WCTL following the COVID outbreak that resulted in an initial national lockdown.

Details regarding the sale strategy implemented by the Joint Administrators was provided in the previous progress reports together with the Joint Administrators' rationale for trading the Companies in Administration.

Gross trading income for the Administration is detailed below:

	Administration to Date £
WCTL	12,349,126
WWM1	10,180,377
WWM2	2,295,427

Accrued and paid trading costs are provided below with the principal areas including wages and salaries, rents and supplier costs:

	Reporting Period £	Administration to Date £
WCTL	161,363	12,349,091
WWM1	466,614	9,258,225
WWM2	105,970	1,978,093

Creditors should note that provisions have been made by the Joint Administrators for accrued but unpaid Administration trading liabilities. This includes PAYE/NIC contributions deducted at source via the payroll.

Based upon current estimates, it is not expected that there will be any significant trading surplus generated in the trading period for any of the Companies.

Creditors should note here that Shoosmiths have confirmed that EFBL have a valid ROT claim over the stock supplied to the Companies.

Therefore, any trading surplus that is generated during the Administration trading period across the Group will be made available to EFBL under their ROT clause.

EFBL are owed c£2.3 million as at the date of this report in respect of the stock supplied during the Administration trading periods.

The Joint Administrators' Receipts and Payments Accounts are reflective of the sales income collected and costs paid to date.

Please note however some incurred costs will not be represented on the Receipts and Payments Accounts due to invoices not having yet been received.

During the Reporting Period, the Joint Administrators have continued their dialogue with all Landlords, Suppliers and Rating Authorities to procure final invoices for the relevant trading periods with a view to discharging payment of all final trading costs of the Administrations.

Further details on the outcome of the trading periods will be provided in the next report to creditors once all outstanding payments have been settled.

3.2.5 Stock

EFBL provided the majority of the beer, wine and spirit stock to the Companies and continued to do so during the Administration trading period with agreed credit terms.

Shoosmiths have confirmed that EFBL hold a valid ROT claim over all of the stock they supplied to the Companies.

Please note that several payments on account have been made to EFBL for the following:

- Stock supplied under a valid ROT clause;
- Monies paid to Pay Point on behalf of WCTL;
- Re-imbursement of salary costs incurred for temporary staff.

Creditors will also note significant payments being made to NISA in respect of WCTL. This relates to the supply of tobacco products into various stores.

Major stock payments paid during the Administration are detailed below:

	EFBL £	Nisa Retail Limited £
WWM1	5,421,333	0
WCTL	2,286,250	4,069,348
WWM2	1,041,667	0

All stock payments to NISA have now been made and no further costs will be incurred here.

In the event of a trading surplus being made, then it is anticipated that this will be made available to EFBL under their ROT clause.

3.2.6 Cash at bank

The Joint Administrators contacted the Companies' banks following their appointment and requested the transfer of all credit balances to the Administration estates.

A summary of the balances received are detailed overleaf:

Company	HSBC £	Santander £
WCTL	422,671	178,630
WWM1	164,394	137,593
WWM2	22,871	31,260

3.2.7 Motor Vehicles

The Joint Administrators are aware of four motor vehicles owned by the Companies.

The vehicles have been used during the general course of trading by the Joint Administrators.

These assets were included in the sale agreement on 29 May 2020 to the Purchaser.

No further realisations are expected from this source.

3.2.8 Sale of Business

The Joint Administrators completed a sale of the business and certain assets of the Companies to the Purchaser on 29 May 2020.

Full details regarding the sale of business including a breakdown of the sale consideration are provided in the previous progress report.

Under the terms of the sale agreement with the Purchaser, all employees who were attached to the business associated with the 28 stores transferred under TUPE regulations to the Purchaser.

Creditors will note that this transaction is not represented on the Receipts and Payment accounts at Appendix 3. This is due to the fact that this consideration will form part of the Joint Administrators' final trading reconciliation and will be offset against distributions to the common shareholder (EFBL).

3.2.9 Investigations

The Joint Administrators reviewed the affairs of the Companies to find out if there were any actions which could be taken against third parties to increase recoveries for Creditors.

There are no outstanding lines of enquiry.

3.2.9 Other Assets

There are no other known assets of the Companies to be realised for the benefit of the Administration estates.

3.3 Costs

Payments made in the Reporting Period are set out in the attached Receipts and Payments Accounts at Appendix 3.

All significant payments made during the Reporting Period relate to the trading matters of the Companies.

A detailed breakdown of the trading costs is provided at Appendix 3 under the Joint Administrators' Trading Accounts.

3.4 Fees and expenses

The Joint Administrators have detailed the costs incurred during the Reporting Period, whether paid or unpaid, in the schedule of expenses attached at Appendix 4.

4. Outcome for Creditors

4.1 Secured Creditors

4.1.1 EFBL

In consideration for monies advanced to the Companies, WWM1 and WWM2 have each granted debentures to EFBL, which confer first ranking fixed and floating charges.

The debentures were created on 25 April 2011.

At the Appointment Date, EFBL was owed £4.6 million and £747,496 by WWM1 and WWM2 respectively.

Based upon current estimates, it is likely that EFBL will not recover its indebtedness in full and will be facing a significant shortfall.

This is based upon amongst other things (1) the level of asset realisations to include any Administration trading surplus and (2) the costs of the Administrations.

4.1.2 EHL

In consideration for monies advanced to WCTL, WCTL granted a debenture to EHL which confers first ranking fixed and floating charges over WCTL's business and assets.

The debenture was created on 30 September 2009.

No sum was outstanding to EHL as at the Appointment Date.

As such this charge should be marked as satisfied at Companies House.

4.1.3 Rajinder Singh Chatha

In consideration for monies advanced, WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL have each granted a debenture to Mr Chatha.

As there were no monies outstanding to EHL at the Appointment Date, the debenture granted to Mr Chatha by WCTL is now first ranking and confers fixed and floating charges.

Charges in respect of WWM1 and WWM2 also confer fixed and floating charges and remain second ranking.

The debentures were created on 21 March 2018.

At the Appointment Date, Mr Chatha was owed £3.1 million, £812,545, and £1.7 million by WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL respectively.

Based upon current estimates, it is currently uncertain whether Mr Chatha will recover his indebtedness in full.

This will be dependent upon amongst other things (1) the level of future asset realisations and (2) the costs of the Administrations.

A further update will be provided in the next progress report.

4.2 Preferential Creditors

The Joint Administrators are yet to receive notification of all the Preferential Creditors' claims.

The only known Preferential Creditors of the Companies are the former employees who have been made redundant by the Joint Administrators.

Preferential claims are subject to a maximum limit set by the insolvency legislation.

A total number of 193 employees were made redundant as a part of the store closure plan that is discussed in detail in the previous progress reports.

A further 7 redundancies were made by the Joint Administrators in respect of the two stores closed due to Landlord action. Those being 5 in WCTL and 2 in WWM1.

A further 83 redundancies were made as a result of the cessation of trade and the Purchaser no longer looking to acquire all open stores.

All former employees will have claims for accrued holiday pay that will rank as preferential against the insolvent estates. Given all wages and salary arrears were paid at the outset by the Joint Administrators, then there will be no Preferential Creditor claims arising in respect of unpaid wages or salaries.

Based on current information, it is anticipated that there will be insufficient realisations to enable a dividend to the Preferential Creditors of the Companies.

All remaining employees that have not been made redundant by the Joint Administrators for reasons detailed above transferred via TUPE to the Purchaser following the completion of a sale of the business and assets of the Companies.

4.3 Unsecured Creditors

According to the Companies' books and records as at the Appointment Date, Unsecured Creditors total the amounts shown below. Claims received in the Administrations are also detailed below:

Creditor	WWM1 (£)	WWM2 (£)	WCTL (£)
Trade & Expense Creditors	186,843	22,942	539,957
HM Revenue & Customs	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total	186,843	22,942	539,957
Claims Received	212,324	167,825	254,179

Based on the current information available to the Joint Administrators, it is anticipated that there will be insufficient realisations to enable a distribution to the Unsecured Creditors other than by virtue of the Prescribed Part in WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL, if any.

4.4 Prescribed Part

There are insufficient realisations to enable a distribution to the Unsecured Creditors other than by virtue of the Prescribed Part.

Creditors should note that valid fixed and floating charges exist in respect of WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL.

Based on current information, the net property of WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL is estimated to be insufficient to enable distributions to Unsecured Creditors of the Companies under the Prescribed Part provisions.

5. Other matters

5.1 Creditors' Committee

No Creditors' Committees have been established.

5.2 Joint Administrators' Receipts and Payments account

Detailed Receipts and Payments Accounts for the Reporting Period is shown at Appendix 3 together with cumulative accounts for the whole of the Administrations.

5.3 Creditors' rights

Further information regarding the remuneration and disbursements of the Joint Administrators, including Creditors' rights to challenge such costs is provided at Appendix 7, Statement of Creditors Rights.

6. Fees, Expenses and Pre-Administration costs

6.1 Fees and expenses

6.1.1 Time costs

Time has been charged in six-minute units. Details of the time charged for the Reporting Period are attached at Appendix 5.

Time costs incurred in the Reporting Period are summarised below:

Company	Time Costs (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)	Hours Incurred
WWM1	24,305	333	73
WWM2	11,663	298	39
WCTL	23,869	333	72

Creditors will note that significant time has been incurred under the headings Trading Operations and Cashiering and Accounting. As detailed earlier in this report this is due to the ongoing trading matters. These costs have been incurred managing payments to suppliers, reviewing sales data and other day to day trading operations. Further details regarding the fee narrative are provided at Appendix 6.

Time costs incurred since the Appointment Date are summarised overleaf:

Company	Time Costs (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)	Hours Incurred
WWM1	561,885	302	1,861
WWM2	262,616	281	935
WCTL	681,034	269	2,532

In accordance with SIP 9, the Joint Administrators have provided further narrative detail of the time costs incurred at Appendix 6.

6.1.2 Fees

The Joint Administrators remuneration drawn to date is as follows:

Company	Remuneration (£)
WWM1	307,500
WWM2	155,000
WCTL	285,000

Given the level of asset realisations and the expected outcome to the Secured Creditors, it is uncertain whether any further remuneration will be drawn by the Joint Administrators.

The fees detailed above have been drawn in line with the requisite fee approval that has been procured from the Secured Creditors.

The Joint Administrators disbursements drawn to date is as detailed in the table below:

Company	Disbursements Drawn (£)
WWM1	901
WWM2	225
WCTL	316

It is anticipated that further time costs of £20,000, £15,000, and £15,000 for WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL respectively will be incurred in progressing the Administrations to closure.

Details of the total fees drawn by the Joint Administrators are detailed in the Receipts and Payments account attached at Appendix 3.

6.1.3 Expenses

Expenses are any payments from the Administration which are neither an Administrator's remuneration nor a distribution to a creditor or member. Expenses also include disbursements. Disbursements are payments which are first met by the Administrator and then reimbursed to the Administrator from the Administration.

Expenses are divided into those that do not need approval before they are charged to the Administration (Category 1) and those that do (Category 2).

Category 1 expenses are payments to persons providing the service to which the expense relates who are not an associate of the Administrator.

Category 2 expense are payments to associates or which have an element of shared costs and require approval from creditors in the same manner as the Administrator's remuneration, whether paid directly from the estate or as a disbursement.

The Joint Administrators provided in their Proposals report to creditors an estimate of expenses for the Administration. This was for information purposes only and could possibly change over the course of the Administration.

Appendix 4 details the expenses incurred and paid for the Reporting Period and the whole of the Administrations to date.

No Category 2 expenses have been incurred.

6.1.4 Additional information

Also attached at Appendix 6 is a narrative summary of the work carried out to assist Creditors in understanding the progress of the Administrations, the associated costs and expenses of the related activities and the financial benefit to Creditors.

Details of how to obtain further information relating to the fees and expenses of the Joint Administrators is set out in Appendix 7.

6.2 Pre-Administration costs

Pre-Administration costs are fees, charges and expenses incurred by the Joint Administrators or their firm, or another person qualified to act as an insolvency practitioner before the Company entered Administration but with a view to it doing so.

A breakdown of pre-appointment costs incurred of £97,945 is detailed below.

Firm	Brief Description of Services Provided	EFB	WCTL	WWM1	WWM2	Total
Duff & Phelps Ltd	Pre-Appointment Time Costs	£15,732	£16,945	£14,792	£10,980	£58,449
SIA	Desktop Valuations	£241	£5,041	£241	£241	£5,764
Spreckleys	PR Services	£683	£683	£683	£683	£2,732
Shoosmiths	Legal Advice	£7,750	£7,750	£7,750	£7,750	£31,000
Total		£24,406	£30,419	£23,466	£19,654	£97,945

To date, the no pre-Administration costs have been paid other than those of SIA.

7. Future strategy

7.1 Future conduct of the Administration

The Joint Administrators will continue to manage the affairs, the business, and the property of the Companies in order to achieve the purpose of the Administrations. This will include but not be limited to:

- To finalise the Administration trading periods and resolve all outstanding Administration trading matters;
- Dealing with the realisation of any remaining tangible and intangible assets;
- Dealing with all outstanding matters with HMRC;
- Dealing with the leasehold properties;
- Dealing with all outstanding statutory matters relating to the Administration;
- Dealing with all outstanding tax compliance matters relating to the Administration;
- Securing tax clearances for closure of the Administrations from HMRC; and
- To discharge of all outstanding Administration costs and expenses.

7.2 Extension of the Administration

An Administration automatically comes to an end after one year unless an extension is granted by the Court or with the Creditors' consent.

The Joint Administrators requested that the period of the Administrations be extended by 12 months to 29 January 2021.

The Administrations were extended for the reasons that include but were not limited to:

- Finalising the Administration trading period by way of a sale of the remaining stores to the proposed purchaser, or if this does not prove feasible, then effecting an orderly wind down of the business as a whole or certain stores that are not sold;
- To finalise all remaining asset realisations including but not limited tangible, intangible assets and leasehold property;
- Dealing with all outstanding tax compliance matters including not limited to, VAT, Corporation Tax and PAYE;
- To agree and discharge all unpaid Administration costs and expenses;
- To complete a distribution to the Secured Creditor of the Companies (assuming asset realisations are sufficient to do so);
- Dealing with all outstanding statutory matters relating to the Administrations; and
- Securing tax clearances for closure of the Administrations from HMRC.

The Joint Administrators sought the requisite consent of the Secured Creditors in respect of WCTL, WWM1, WWM2 and the Administrations were extended to 29 January 2021.

The Joint Administrators sought the consent of the Court to extend the Administrations by a further 12 months. Such an extension was granted by the Court for WCTL, WWM1 and WWM2 whose revised automatic Administration end dates are now 29 January 2022.

7.3 Future reporting

The Administrations come to end on 29 January 2022, as such it is likely that the next report received will be the final progress report, this will be issued on or around the Administrations' end date if not sooner.

If you require further information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Matthew Dunnill.



Michael Lennon
Joint Administrator

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The affairs, business and property of the Companies are being managed by the Joint Administrators, Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram, who act as agents for the Companies and without personal liability. Both are licensed by the Insolvency Practitioners Association and are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics.

Appendix 1 – Statutory information

COMPANY INFORMATION

Company and trading name	Whittalls Wines Merchants 1 Limited	
Date of incorporation	13 April 2011	
Registered Number	07603355	
Company Directors	Ayodele Akintola and Balbir Singh Chatha	
Company Secretary	N/A	
Shareholders	1 £1 Ordinary Share held by EFB Retail Limited	
Trading address	European House Darlaston Road Walsall West Midlands WS2 9SQ	
Registered office	Current: The Chancery 58 Spring Gardens Manchester M2 1EW	Former: European House Darlaston Road Walsall West Midlands WS2 9SQ
Any other trading names	Oddbins	

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Administration Appointment	The Administration appointment granted in the High Court in Birmingham, 000037 of 2019
Appointor	The Directors
Date of Appointment	30 January 2019
Joint Administrators	Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram
Original purpose	Achieving a better result for the company's creditors as a while than would be likely if the company were wound up (without first being in Administration)
Functions	The functions of the Joint Administrators are being exercised by them individually or together in accordance with Paragraph 100(2) of Schedule B1
Current Administration expiry date	29 January 2022
Prescribed Part	The Prescribed Part is not applicable in this case.
Application of EC Regulations	EC Regulations apply and these proceedings will be the Main Proceedings as defined in Article 3 of the EC Regulations.

COMPANY INFORMATION

Company and trading name	Whittalls Wines Merchants 2 Limited	
Date of incorporation	13 April 2011	
Registered Number	07603449	
Company Directors	Ayodele Akintola and Balbir Singh Chatha	
Company Secretary	N/A	
Shareholders	1 £1 Ordinary Share held by EFBL Retail Limited	
Trading address	European House Darlaston Road Walsall West Midlands WS2 9SQ	
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Administration Appointment	The Administration appointment granted in the High Court in Birmingham, 000038 of 2019	
Appointor	The Directors	
Date of Appointment	30 January 2019	
Joint Administrators	Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram	
Original purpose	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)	
Functions	The functions of the Joint Administrators are being exercised by them individually or together in accordance with Paragraph 100(2) of Schedule B1	
Current Administration expiry date	29 January 2022	
Prescribed Part	The Prescribed Part is not applicable in this case.	
Application of EC Regulations	EC Regulations apply and these proceedings will be the Main Proceedings as defined in Article 3 of the EC Regulations.	

COMPANY INFORMATION

Company and trading name	Wine Cellar Trading Limited	
Date of incorporation	5 August 2009	
Registered Number	06981430	
Company Directors	Ayodele Akintola and Balbir Singh Chatha	
Company Secretary	N/A	
Shareholders	1 £1 Ordinary Share held by EFB Retail Limited	
Trading address	European House Darlaston Road Walsall West Midlands WS2 9SQ	
Registered office	Current: The Chancery 58 Spring Gardens Manchester M2 1EW	Former: European House Darlaston Road Walsall West Midlands WS2 9SQ
Any other trading names	Shop to Go	

ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION

Administration Appointment	The Administration appointment granted in the High Court in Birmingham, 000036 of 2019	
Appointor	The Directors	
Date of Appointment	30 January 2019	
Joint Administrators	Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram	
Original purpose	Achieving a better result for the company's creditors as a while than would be likely if the company were wound up (without first being in Administration)	
Functions	The functions of the Joint Administrators are being exercised by them individually or together in accordance with Paragraph 100(2) of Schedule B1	
Current Administration expiry date	29 January 2022	
Prescribed Part	The Prescribed Part is not applicable in this case.	
Application of EC Regulations	EC Regulations apply and these proceedings will be the Main Proceedings as defined in Article 3 of the EC Regulations.	

Appendix 2 – Approved Proposals

1. That the Joint Administrators continue the Administrations to deal with such outstanding matters in relation to WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL as the Joint Administrators consider necessary until the Administrations cease to have effect.
2. That the Joint Administrators do all such other things and generally exercise all their powers as contained in Schedule 1 of the Act, as they, in their sole and absolute discretion consider desirable or expedient to achieve the purpose of the Administrations.
3. That the Joint Administrators, once all outstanding matters have been satisfactorily completed, take the necessary steps to give notice under Paragraph 84 of Schedule B1 of the Act to the Registrar of Companies to the effect that WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL have no remaining property which might permit distributions to their creditors, at which stage the Administrations will cease.
4. That the Joint Administrators, where they consider that there are funds available to be distributed to the non-preferential creditors (other than the Prescribed Parts) take the necessary steps to put WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL into either Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation or into Compulsory Liquidation as they deem appropriate. It is proposed that the Joint Administrators, currently Matthew Ingram and Philip Duffy of Duff & Phelps would act as Joint Liquidators should the Companies be placed into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation. In accordance with Paragraph 83(7) of Schedule B1 to the Act and Rule 3.60(6)(b) of the Rules creditors may nominate a different person as the proposed liquidator, provided the nomination is received at this office prior to the approval of these proposals. In the absence of such nomination, the Joint Administrators will be appointed Joint Liquidators and in accordance with Section 231 of the Act any act required or authorised under any enactment to be done by the Joint Liquidators is to be done by all or any one or more of them.
5. That the Joint Administrators continue the Administration to deal with such outstanding matters in relation to EFB as the Joint Administrators consider necessary until the Administration ceases to have effect.
6. That the Joint Administrators do all such other things and generally exercise all their powers as contained in Schedule 1 of the Act, as they, in their sole and absolute discretion consider desirable or expedient to achieve the purpose of the Administration.
7. That the Joint Administrators, once all outstanding matters have been satisfactorily completed, take the necessary steps to give notice under Paragraph 84 of Schedule B1 of the Act to the Registrar of Companies to the effect that EFB has no remaining property which might permit distribution to creditors, at which stage the Administrations will cease.
8. That the Joint Administrators, where they consider that there are funds available to be distributed to the non-preferential creditors take the necessary steps to put EFB into either Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation or into Compulsory Liquidation as they deem appropriate. It is proposed that the Joint Administrators, currently Matthew Ingram and Philip Duffy of Duff & Phelps would act as Joint Liquidators should the Companies be placed into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation. In accordance with Paragraph 83(7) of Schedule B1 to the Act and Rule 3.60(6)(b) of the Rules creditors may nominate a different person as the proposed liquidator, provided the nomination is received at this office prior to the approval of these proposals. In the absence of such nomination, the Joint Administrators will be appointed Joint Liquidators and in accordance with Section 231 of the Act any act required or authorised under any enactment to be done by the Joint Liquidators is to be done by all or any one or more of them.

Appendix 3 – Receipts and Payments accounts

Wine Cellar Trading Limited
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Trading Account

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/01/2021 To 29/07/2021 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/07/2021 £
POST APPOINTMENT SALES		
Sales	NIL	12,160,880.64
Covid-19 Grants	(10,000.00)	85,000.00
Sundry Refunds	NIL	133.97
Rental Income	NIL	6,675.04
HMRC Furlough Grants	NIL	96,436.30
	(10,000.00)	12,349,125.95
TRADING EXPENDITURE		
Utilities	NIL	290,414.52
Rents	14,418.00	278,546.32
Rates	13,685.39	78,734.70
Premises Licence Fees	NIL	750.00
Payment on Account to EFBL	91,666.67	2,286,250.00
Telephone	NIL	17,083.50
Customer Reimbursement	NIL	50.00
Insurance	40,593.39	67,871.73
Pension Contributions	1,000.00	39,637.42
Bank charges - trading account	NIL	38,808.60
Staff Expenses	NIL	4,435.66
Hire of Equipment	NIL	14,386.00
Repairs & Maintenance	NIL	67,158.51
Sundry Expenses	NIL	2,370.00
Waste Services	NIL	14,438.71
Advertising	NIL	2,515.00
Menzies Distribution	NIL	114,078.75
Attachments of Earnings	NIL	4,197.28
Camelot Group - National Lotteries	NIL	1,278,403.70
Contribution to Costs - EFB Retail	NIL	1,908.04
Payroll	NIL	1,805,154.67
Paypoint	NIL	1,194,465.80
Payzone	NIL	4,648.31
NISA Retail Limited	NIL	4,069,347.50
Smiths News	NIL	215,610.16
Perishable Goods	NIL	445,073.99
BarronMcCann Limited	NIL	12,752.27
	(161,363.45)	(12,349,091.14)
TRADING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(171,363.45)	34.81

Wine Cellar Trading Limited
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/01/2021 To 29/07/2021 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/07/2021 £
COSTS OF REALISATION		
Legal Fees	NIL	2,250.00
Legal Disbursements	NIL	329.25
Postage & Stationery	NIL	2,522.00
Telephone Telex & Fax	NIL	15.00
Fixed bank charges	NIL	1.82
	NIL	(5,118.07)
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Bank Interest Gross	NIL	5,480.21
Cash at Bank	NIL	601,301.04
Debtors	NIL	743.47
Lease Assignment Proceeds	NIL	13,000.00
Rates Refund	NIL	15.96
Sundries	NIL	132.04
Trading Surplus/(Deficit)	(171,363.45)	34.81
	(171,363.45)	620,707.53
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Bank Charges	29.50	3,868.69
Joint administrators' disbursements	NIL	315.92
Joint administrators' remuneration	65,000.00	285,000.00
Media Agents	NIL	2,664.08
Pre-Appointment Agents Fees	NIL	16,000.00
Rates	(2,765.02)	8,016.56
Statutory Advertising	NIL	139.96
	(62,264.48)	(316,005.21)
FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS		
Distributed to EFBL	NIL	39,533.86
	NIL	(39,533.86)
	(233,627.93)	260,050.39
REPRESENTED BY		
Fixed bank account		8.68
Floating/main current account		228,708.38
VAT Receivable		31,333.33
		260,050.39

Whittalls Wines Merchants 1 Limited
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Trading Account

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/01/2021 To 29/07/2021 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/07/2021 £
POST APPOINTMENT SALES		
Sales	NIL	9,851,486.96
HMRC Furlough Grants	NIL	104,070.74
Sundry Refunds	NIL	(181.13)
Covid-19 Grants	NIL	225,000.00
	NIL	10,180,376.57
OTHER DIRECT COSTS		
Direct Labour	NIL	28.00
	NIL	(28.00)
TRADING EXPENDITURE		
Rents	NIL	1,231,581.89
Payment on account to EFBL	354,166.67	5,421,333.34
Telephone	NIL	23,925.85
Insurance	44,123.25	70,377.96
Pension Contributions	1,100.00	78,555.90
Bank charges - trading account	NIL	13,366.54
Staff Expenses	NIL	10,854.38
Hire of Equipment	NIL	559.08
Repairs & Maintenance	NIL	40,571.29
Various Expenses	NIL	3,783.50
Advertising	NIL	7,106.20
Waste Services	NIL	7,311.71
Perishable Goods	NIL	2,732.80
Ambius	NIL	13,286.00
Printing & Postage	NIL	1,407.06
Payroll	NIL	1,963,594.31
Smiths News	NIL	3,193.47
Business Levy	NIL	34.53
Secure Trading	NIL	272.25
IT Services	NIL	12,467.61
Rates	67,223.79	183,952.23
Parking Space Rent	NIL	2,800.00
Utilities	NIL	164,871.44
Vehicle Tax	NIL	286.00
	(466,613.71)	(9,258,225.34)
TRADING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(466,613.71)	922,123.23

Whittalls Wines Merchants 1 Limited
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/01/2021 To 29/07/2021 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/07/2021 £
COSTS OF REALISATION		
Legal Fees	NIL	900.00
Legal Disbursements	NIL	1,221.70
Postage & Stationery	NIL	1,985.00
	NIL	(4,106.70)
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Bank Interest Gross	NIL	10,341.68
Cash at Bank	NIL	301,986.73
Court Settlements	NIL	23.39
Debtors	NIL	758.08
Leasehold Property (1)	NIL	34,000.00
Rent Deposit Refund	NIL	7,600.00
Trading Surplus/(Deficit)	(466,613.71)	922,123.23
	(466,613.71)	1,276,833.11
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Bank Charges	32.95	2,783.91
Joint administrators' disbursements	NIL	900.75
Joint administrators' remuneration	117,500.00	307,500.00
Media Agents	NIL	1,712.62
Pre-Appointment Agents Fees	NIL	11,000.00
Rates	(26,636.22)	31,617.34
Statutory Advertising	NIL	262.44
	(90,896.73)	(355,777.06)
	(557,510.44)	916,949.35
REPRESENTED BY		
Floating/main current account		822,616.02
General VAT control account		2,174,231.22
VAT Receivable		(2,079,897.89)
		916,949.35

Whittalls Wines Merchants 2 Limited
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Trading Account

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/01/2021 To 29/07/2021 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/07/2021 £
POST APPOINTMENT SALES		
Sales	NIL	2,219,335.20
HMRC Furlough Grants	NIL	25,938.73
COVID-19 Grants	NIL	50,000.00
Sundry Refunds	NIL	152.80
	NIL	2,295,426.73
TRADING EXPENDITURE		
Utilities	NIL	79,942.36
Rents	NIL	256,779.40
Payment on account to EFBL	58,333.33	1,041,666.66
Telephone	NIL	6,044.14
Insurance	14,119.44	22,232.24
Pension Contributions	300.00	17,041.91
Overdraft Interest	NIL	79.80
Repairs & Maintenance	NIL	10,985.13
Waste Services	NIL	6,623.17
Payroll	NIL	481,721.21
Smiths News	NIL	2,227.42
Rates	33,217.72	48,674.92
Ambius	NIL	3,931.20
Vehicle Tax	NIL	143.00
	(105,970.49)	(1,978,092.56)
TRADING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(105,970.49)	317,334.17

Whittalls Wines Merchants 2 Limited
(In Administration)
Joint Administrators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/01/2021 To 29/07/2021 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/07/2021 £
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Bank Interest Gross	(2.30)	2,105.27
Cash at Bank	NIL	54,131.00
Trading Surplus/(Deficit)	(105,970.49)	317,334.17
	(105,972.79)	373,570.44
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Bank Charges	6.85	678.38
Joint administrators' disbursements	NIL	225.00
Joint administrators' remuneration	55,000.00	155,000.00
Media Agents	NIL	428.16
Pre-Appointment Agency Fees	NIL	2,500.00
Rates	20,729.28	20,729.28
Statutory Advertising	NIL	52.48
Wages & Salaries	NIL	2,352.42
	(75,736.13)	(181,965.72)
	(181,708.92)	191,604.72
REPRESENTED BY		
Floating/main current account		168,938.05
VAT Receivable		22,666.67
		191,604.72

Appendix 4 – Analysis of Expenses Incurred

Joint Administrators' Expenses: Category 1 and Category 2

A summary of Category 1 expenses incurred during the Reporting Period is set out below:

Schedule of Expenses WWM1	Incurring and paid in the period (£)	Incurring in the period and not yet paid (£)
Expenses		
Bank charges	33	0
Total	33	0
Schedule of Expenses WWM2	Incurring and paid in the period (£)	Incurring in the period and not yet paid (£)
Expenses		
Bank charges	7	0
Total	7	0
Schedule of Expenses WCTL	Incurring and paid in the period (£)	Incurring in the period and not yet paid (£)
Expenses		
Bank charges	30	0
Total	30	0

There have been no Category 2 expenses incurred.

The above costs exclude VAT.

Creditors should note that a detailed review of trading expenses will be provided by the Joint Administrators in the next progress report, once all final invoices have been received by the Joint Administrators.

The Joint Administrators choice of professional advisors was based on their perception of the experience and ability of the respective firms/individuals to perform their work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and basis of their fee.

It is considered that these expenses are fair and reasonable and proportionate to the Administration

Appendix 5 – Analysis of time charged

Joint Administrators' Fees

Refer to the tables overleaf for a detailed breakdown on the Joint Administrators' time and cost summary in accordance with SIP 9

97511 WINE CELLAR TRADING LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2021 to 29/07/2021

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Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Case review & Case Diary management	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	100.00	500.00
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	3.80	0.50	9.75	0.00	14.05	3,804.00	270.75
Statutory matters (Meetings & Reports & Notices)	0.00	1.00	0.00	3.85	0.00	4.85	1,332.50	274.74
Strategy planning & control	0.00	3.20	0.00	5.30	0.00	8.50	2,666.00	313.65
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	0.70	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.90	400.00	444.44
Creditors								
Communications with Creditors / Employees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.60	150.00	250.00
Non Pref Creditors / Employee claims handling	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.15	28.50	190.00
Secured Creditors	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	500.00	500.00
Realisation of Assets								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	1.60	0.00	3.25	0.00	4.85	1,612.50	332.47
Trading								
Trading - Accounting	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.65	0.00	8.65	2,162.50	250.00
Trading - Operations	0.00	16.50	0.00	11.45	0.00	27.95	11,112.50	397.58
Total Hours:	0.00	28.00	0.50	43.20	0.00	71.70		332.89
Total Fees Claimed: £	0.00	13,979.50	203.00	9,686.00	0.00		23,868.50	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97512 WHITTALLS WINES MERCHANTS 1 LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2021 to 29/07/2021

ADM-Admin. - Post Appt.

Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Case review & Case Diary management	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.70	225.00	321.43
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	2.90	1.20	12.10	0.00	16.20	4,304.00	265.68
Statutory matters (Meetings & Reports & Notices)	0.00	1.20	0.00	4.85	0.00	6.05	1,582.50	261.57
Strategy planning & control	0.00	3.60	0.00	4.40	0.00	8.00	2,640.00	330.00
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	0.70	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.90	400.00	444.44
Creditors								
Communications with Creditors / Employees	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	150.00	150.00
Non Pref Creditors / Employee claims handling	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.15	28.50	190.00
Secured Creditors	0.00	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.10	550.00	500.00
Realisation of Assets								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	0.40	0.00	1.15	0.00	1.55	487.50	314.52
Other Tangible Assets	0.00	2.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.60	1,300.00	500.00
Trading								
Trading - Accounting	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.90	0.00	7.90	1,975.00	250.00
Trading - Operations	0.00	15.90	0.00	10.85	0.00	26.75	10,662.50	398.60
Total Hours:	0.00	28.60	1.20	43.10	0.00	72.90		333.40
Total Fees Claimed: £	0.00	14,329.00	521.00	9,455.00	0.00		24,305.00	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97501 WHITTALLS WINES MERCHANTS 2 LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2021 to 29/07/2021

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Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Case review & Case Diary management	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.25	0.00	0.35	112.50	321.43
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	1.70	1.00	6.80	0.00	9.50	2,572.00	270.74
Statutory matters (Meetings & Reports & Notices)	0.00	0.50	0.00	4.35	0.00	4.85	1,272.50	262.37
Strategy planning & control	0.00	1.70	0.00	3.40	0.00	5.10	1,540.00	301.96
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.50	200.00	400.00
Creditors								
Non Pref Creditors / Employee claims handling	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.15	28.50	190.00
Secured Creditors	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	250.00	500.00
Realisation of Assets								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.35	0.00	0.35	87.50	250.00
Trading								
Trading - Accounting	0.00	0.10	0.00	7.15	0.00	7.25	1,837.50	253.45
Trading - Operations	0.00	4.50	0.00	6.05	0.00	10.55	3,762.50	356.64
Total Hours:	0.00	9.40	1.00	28.70	0.00	39.10		298.29
Total Fees Claimed: £	0.00	4,717.00	432.00	6,514.00	0.00		11,663.00	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97511 WINE CELLAR TRADING LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2019 to 29/07/2021

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Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Case review & Case Diary management	0.00	1.00	1.90	12.10	0.00	15.00	2,979.00	198.60
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	152.00	52.80	289.75	0.00	494.55	130,579.00	264.04
Dealings with Directors and Management	0.00	0.10	0.30	8.25	0.00	8.65	1,477.00	170.75
IPS set up & maintenance	0.00	0.00	1.10	2.40	0.00	3.50	639.25	182.64
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.15	0.00	15.15	2,948.00	194.59
Statement of affairs	0.00	0.20	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.30	113.50	378.33
Statutory matters (Meetings & Reports & Notices)	0.00	13.15	13.35	63.25	0.00	89.75	20,667.50	230.28
Strategy planning & control	2.00	19.70	5.10	24.95	0.00	51.75	16,111.00	311.32
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	10.00	0.10	11.00	0.00	21.10	6,578.25	311.77
Creditors								
Communications with Creditors / Employees	0.00	39.10	2.30	224.15	0.00	265.55	55,378.25	208.54
Creditors committee	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	195.00	650.00
Non Pref Creditor claims adjudication & dist'n	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.30	45.00	150.00
Non Pref Creditors / Employee claims handling	0.00	0.20	2.70	7.80	0.00	10.70	2,072.00	193.64
Pref claims adjudication & distribution	0.00	0.00	3.70	0.90	0.00	4.60	1,195.00	259.78
Secured Creditors	0.00	6.10	0.20	1.35	0.00	7.65	3,244.50	424.12
Investigations								
CDDA & reports & Communication Financial review and investigations (S238/239 etc)	0.50	0.70	1.10	15.85	0.00	18.15	2,755.00	151.79
	0.00	0.00	0.10	8.00	0.00	8.10	1,391.50	171.79
Realisation of Assets								
Book debts								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.50	114.00	228.00
Other Tangible Assets	0.00	91.00	90.60	78.80	0.00	260.40	82,435.50	316.57
Sale of business	0.00	6.50	0.90	0.00	0.00	7.40	2,995.50	404.80
Stock & Work In Progress	0.50	61.50	13.40	28.85	0.00	104.25	37,352.00	358.29
	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	84.00	420.00
Trading								
Trading - Accounting								
Trading - Employees	0.50	3.80	0.10	133.45	0.00	137.85	31,416.50	227.90
Trading - Hire Purchase Matters	0.00	0.40	22.00	52.35	0.00	74.75	16,847.50	225.38
Trading - Insurance	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	84.00	420.00
Trading - Operations	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.60	0.00	1.60	394.00	246.25
	0.20	332.60	66.70	526.50	0.00	926.00	260,092.25	280.88
Total Hours:	4.00	738.55	278.55	1,507.15	0.00	2,528.25		269.03
Total Fees Claimed: £	2,276.00	329,696.25	85,152.25	263,059.50	0.00		680,184.00	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97511 WINE CELLAR TRADING LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2019 to 29/07/2021

HMRC Investigations

Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Strategy planning & control	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.60	252.00	420.00
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.75	0.00	2.75	597.50	217.27
Total Hours:	0.00	0.60	0.00	2.75	0.00	3.35		253.58
Total Fees Claimed: £	0.00	252.00	0.00	597.50	0.00		849.50	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97512 WHITTALLS WINES MERCHANTS 1 LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2019 to 29/07/2021

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Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Case review & Case Diary management	0.00	1.00	1.80	9.45	0.00	12.25	2,708.00	221.06
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	100.50	40.90	154.95	4.00	300.35	85,568.00	284.89
Dealings with Directors and Management	0.00	0.10	0.30	2.45	0.00	2.85	547.50	192.11
IPS set up & maintenance	0.00	0.00	1.10	3.50	0.00	4.60	765.75	166.47
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.45	0.00	3.45	572.00	165.80
Statement of affairs	0.00	0.20	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.30	113.50	378.33
Statutory matters (Meetings & Reports & Notices)	0.00	12.80	13.55	56.20	0.00	82.55	19,465.75	235.81
Strategy planning & control	1.50	21.30	5.10	19.90	0.00	47.80	15,645.50	327.31
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	10.60	0.10	8.10	0.00	18.80	6,120.50	325.56
Creditors								
Communications with Creditors / Employees	0.30	34.40	2.40	88.00	0.00	125.10	29,742.75	237.75
Non Pref Creditor claims adjudication & dist'n	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.40	60.00	150.00
Non Pref Creditors / Employee claims handling	0.00	0.20	2.70	4.15	0.00	7.05	1,520.00	215.60
Pref claims adjudication & distribution	0.00	0.00	3.40	0.00	0.00	3.40	1,003.00	295.00
Secured Creditors	0.00	6.90	0.20	2.60	0.00	9.70	3,821.00	393.92
Investigations								
CDDA & reports & Communication Financial review and investigations (S238/239 etc)	0.50	0.60	1.10	3.15	0.00	5.35	1,236.25	231.07
	0.00	0.00	0.10	4.20	0.00	4.30	512.50	119.19
Realisation of Assets								
Book debts								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.90	0.00	1.10	246.00	223.64
Other Tangible Assets	0.00	188.30	72.60	52.85	0.00	313.75	117,457.00	374.36
Sale of business	0.00	8.80	1.00	0.00	0.00	9.80	4,199.00	428.47
Stock & Work In Progress	0.00	62.40	12.20	10.15	0.00	84.75	33,791.00	398.71
	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	84.00	420.00
Trading								
Trading - Accounting								
Trading - Employees	0.00	6.10	0.10	95.45	0.00	101.65	24,082.00	236.91
Trading - Hire Purchase Matters	0.00	0.00	14.90	21.00	0.00	35.90	8,469.50	235.92
Trading - Insurance	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	84.00	420.00
Trading - Operations	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.20	0.00	0.70	197.50	282.14
	0.00	278.00	61.60	343.25	0.00	682.85	203,526.75	298.05
Total Hours:	2.30	732.80	235.75	884.30	4.00	1,859.15		302.04
Total Fees Claimed: £	1,435.00	330,017.00	71,962.75	157,364.00	760.00		561,538.75	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97512 WHITTALLS WINES MERCHANTS 1 LIMITED

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HMRC Investigations

Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Strategy planning & control	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	42.00	420.00
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.45	0.00	1.45	304.50	210.00
Total Hours:	0.00	0.10	0.00	1.45	0.00	1.55		223.55
Total Fees Claimed: £	0.00	42.00	0.00	304.50	0.00		346.50	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97501 WHITTALLS WINES MERCHANTS 2 LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2019 to 29/07/2021

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Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Case review & Case Diary management	1.00	0.60	1.70	7.75	0.00	11.05	2,816.50	254.89
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	39.70	26.60	96.80	0.00	163.10	44,006.50	269.81
Dealings with Directors and Management	0.00	0.10	0.30	2.10	0.00	2.50	499.50	199.80
IPS set up & maintenance	0.00	0.00	1.10	1.65	0.00	2.75	538.75	195.91
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.25	0.00	1.25	158.00	126.40
Statement of affairs	0.00	0.20	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.30	113.50	378.33
Statutory matters (Meetings & Reports & Notices)	0.00	7.70	12.65	53.20	0.00	73.55	16,364.00	222.49
Strategy planning & control	1.00	10.40	4.70	12.35	0.00	28.45	8,964.00	315.08
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	4.80	0.00	4.65	0.00	9.45	3,089.50	326.93
Creditors								
Communications with Creditors / Employees	0.30	8.20	1.30	34.25	0.00	44.05	9,620.25	218.39
Non Pref Creditors / Employee claims handling	0.00	0.00	1.70	1.55	0.00	3.25	735.00	226.15
Pref claims adjudication & distribution	0.00	0.00	3.50	0.00	0.00	3.50	1,032.50	295.00
Secured Creditors	0.00	1.30	0.00	0.50	0.00	1.80	751.00	417.22
Investigations								
CDDA & reports & Communication Financial review and investigations (S238/239 etc)	0.50	0.60	1.10	2.00	0.00	4.20	1,169.00	278.33
	0.00	0.00	0.10	3.70	0.00	3.80	455.00	119.74
Realisation of Assets								
Book debts								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	42.00	420.00
Other Tangible Assets	0.00	43.10	24.50	20.95	0.00	88.55	30,745.25	347.21
Sale of business	0.00	3.80	0.80	0.00	0.00	4.60	1,832.00	398.26
Stock & Work In Progress	0.00	16.00	13.10	6.65	0.00	35.75	12,408.50	347.09
	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	42.00	420.00
Trading								
Trading - Accounting								
Trading - Employees	0.00	1.00	0.10	71.10	0.00	72.20	16,424.00	227.48
Trading - Insurance	0.00	0.00	12.50	12.85	0.00	25.35	6,159.00	242.96
Trading - Operations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.00	0.20	50.00	250.00
Trading - Retention of Title & Claims handling	0.00	123.60	44.70	174.45	0.00	342.75	100,886.25	294.34
	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80	0.00	0.80	144.00	180.00
Total Hours:	2.80	261.30	150.55	508.75	0.00	923.40		280.53
Total Fees Claimed: £	1,760.00	117,000.00	46,099.75	94,186.25	0.00		259,046.00	

Category 2 Disbursements:

97501 WHITTALLS WINES MERCHANTS 2 LIMITED

ANALYSIS OF TIME COSTS FOR THE PERIOD 30/01/2019 to 29/07/2021

HMRC Investigations

Classification of Work Function	Hours					Total Hours	Time Cost £	Avg Hourly Rate £
	Managing Director	Manager	Senior	Assistant	Support			
Administration and Planning								
Cashiering & accounting	0.00	0.40	0.50	0.30	0.00	1.20	399.00	332.50
Strategy planning & control	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	42.00	420.00
Tax Compliance / Planning	0.00	1.20	0.00	0.70	0.00	1.90	651.00	342.63
Realisation of Assets								
Freehold and Leasehold Property	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.45	94.50	210.00
Trading								
Trading - Accounting	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00	0.45	94.50	210.00
Trading - Operations	0.00	3.20	0.00	4.50	0.00	7.70	2,289.00	297.27
Total Hours:	0.00	4.90	0.50	6.40	0.00	11.80		302.54
Total Fees Claimed: £	0.00	2,062.00	170.00	1,338.00	0.00		3,570.00	

Category 2 Disbursements:

Appendix 6 – Narrative of work carried out for the period to 29 July 2021

SIP 9 narrative for the period 30 January 2021 to 29 July 2021

Administration and planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and reviewing the Administration strategy; • Briefing staff on the Administration strategy and matters in relation to workstreams; • Regular case management and reviewing of process including regular team update meetings; • Meeting with management to review and update strategy and monitor progress; • Reviewing and authorising junior staff correspondence and other work; • Dealing with queries arising during the appointment; • Reviewing matters affecting the outcome of the Administration; • Allocating and managing staff/ case resourcing and budgeting exercises and reviews; • Liaising with legal advisors regarding various instructions, including agreeing content of engagement letters; and • Complying with internal filing and information recording practices, including documenting strategy decisions.
Creditors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updating the list of Unsecured Creditors; • Responding to enquiries from Creditors regarding the Administration and submission of their claims; • Reviewing completed forms submitted by Creditors, recording claim amounts, and maintaining claim records; and • Drafting progress statutory progress reports. • Providing written and oral updates to the Secured Lenders regarding the progress of the Administration and cases strategy; and • Filing notice of the extension of the Administration.
Statutory and compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring compliance with all statutory obligations within the relevant timescales; • Uploading information to the Creditors' Portal/Website; • Drafting and publishing progress reports; • Running decision procedures; • Reviewing time costs to date and producing analysis of time incurred which is compliant with SIP 9; • Monitoring the fees estimate; and • Monitoring the expenses estimate.
Cashiering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing statutory receipts and payments accounts; • Renewing bonding and complying with statutory requirements;
Asset realisations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collating information from the Companies records regarding assets, specifically compiling historical Company records on motor vehicles, records of purchase and part exchange trading on the vehicles; • Liaising with Landlords regarding potential sale of business; • Liaising with the Proposed purchaser regarding a potential sale of the business and assets of the Companies; • Liaising with agents regarding the sale of assets;

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Liaising with suppliers on retention of title claims;• Reviewing outstanding debtors and management of debt collection strategy;• Seeking legal advice in relation to book debt collections;• Reviewing and agreeing invoices; and• Reviewing costs incurred to ensure recorded accurately. |
| Trading | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attending to supplier and customer queries and correspondence;• Reviewing invoices to ensure they correspond with authorised works• Raising payments to suppliers in respect of Administration costs;• Contacting all suppliers to obtain final invoices for the trading period;• Communicating with landlords regarding rent; property occupation and other property issues;• Liaising with third parties regarding costs incurred; |
| Tax | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analysing and considering the tax effects of asset sales;• Working on tax returns relating to the periods affected by the Administrator;• Analysing VAT related transactions; reviewing the Companies duty position to ensure compliance with duty requirements; and• Dealing with post appointment tax compliance. |

Appendix 7 – Statement of Creditors' rights

Rule numbers refer to Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 (as amended)

Section or paragraph numbers refer to Insolvency Act 1986

If you require a copy of any relevant rule or section, please contact Matthew Dunnill at Matthew.Dunnill@kroll.com.

Information for Creditors on remuneration and expenses of Administrators

Information regarding the fees and expenses of Administrators, including details of the expenses policy and hourly charge out rates for each grade of staff that may undertake work on this case, is in a document called "Administration: A Creditor's Guide to Insolvency Practitioner Fees". This can be viewed and downloaded from the website at:

<https://www.kroll.com/en-gb/services/restructuring-advisory/creditor-guides-and-employee-fact-sheets>

Should you require a copy, please contact this office.

Creditors' requests for further information

If you would like to request more information about the Joint Administrators' remuneration and expenses disclosed in this progress report, you must do so in writing within 21 days of receiving this progress report.

Requests from Unsecured Creditors must be made with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of Unsecured Creditors (including, the Unsecured Creditor making the request) or with the permission of the Court.

Creditors' right to challenge our remuneration and expenses

If you wish to challenge the basis of the Joint Administrators' remuneration, the remuneration charged, or the expenses incurred during the period covered by this progress report, you must do so by making an application to Court within eight weeks of receiving this progress report.

Applications are by Unsecured Creditors (including the Unsecured Creditors making the challenge) or with the permission of the Court.

The full text of the relevant rules can be provided on request by writing to Matthew Dunnill at the Chancery, 58 Spring Gardens, Manchester, M2 1EW.

Appendix 8 – Definitions

Word or Phrase	Definition
the Act	The Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)
the Agents and/or SIA	SIA Group UK Limited, independent agents who were instructed to value the business and assets of the Companies and to conduct a full review of the property portfolio to include an appraisal of the leases
the Appointment Date	30 January 2019, being the date of appointment of the Joint Administrators
Category 1 Expenses	The Joint Administrators' expenses, in dealing with the Administration, to persons providing the service to which the expense relates and who are not an associate of the Administrator. These expenses can be paid without prior approval
Category 2 Expenses	The Joint Administrators' expenses, in dealing with the Administration, to associates or where there is an element of shared costs. Such expenses require approval by creditors before payment
the Companies / the Group	Wine Cellar Trading Limited (Company Number: 06981430); Whittalls Wines Merchants 1 Limited (Company Number: 07603355); Whittalls Wines Merchants 2 Limited (Company Number: 07603449); and EFB Retail Limited (Company Number: 03145057)
the Directors	Ayodele Akintola and Balbir Singh Chatha, the Directors of the Companies
EC Regulation	EC Regulation on Insolvency Proceedings 2000
EFB	EFB Retail Limited (In Administration) (Company Number: 03145057)
EFBL	European Food Brokers Limited (Company Number: 02596840), a connected company who supplies the majority of stock to the Companies, and holder of first ranking fixed and floating charges over the business and assets of WWM1 and WWM2
EHL	EFB Holdings Limited (Company Number: 03834285), the holder of a first ranking fixed and floating charge over WCTL
HMRC	HM Revenue and Customs
HSBC	HSBC Bank plc, with whom the Companies banked and provided credit only facilities
the Joint Administrators	Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram of Kroll
Kroll	Kroll Advisory Ltd., The Chancery, 58 Spring Gardens, Manchester, M2 1EW
NISA	NISA Retail Limited, a major supplier of tobacco products to the Companies

Word or Phrase	Definition
Prescribed Part	Pursuant to Section 176A of the Act, where a floating charge is created after 15 September 2003, a designated amount of a company's net property (floating charge assets less costs of realisation) shall be made available to Unsecured Creditors
the Proposals	The Joint Administrators' Report to Creditors and Statement of Proposals, dated 26 March 2019
the Previous Progress Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Joint Administrators Statement of Proposals dated 26 March 2019 - The Joint Administrators Progress Report to Creditors dated 23 August 2019 - The Joint Administrators Progress Report to Creditors dated 28 February 2020 - The Joint Administrators Progress Report to Creditors dated 28 August 2020 - The Joint Administrators Progress Report to Creditors dated 26 February 2021
the Previous Progress Report	The Joint Administrators Progress Report to Creditors dated 26 February 2021
the Purchaser	Wine Retail Limited (CRN: 11800255)
Rajinder Singh Chatha / Mr Chatha	Holder of second ranking fixed and floating charges over the business and assets of WWM1, WWM2 and WCTL
the Reporting Period	30 January 2021 to 29 July 2021
the Rules	The Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 (as amended)
ROT	Retention of Title
Santander	Santander UK plc, with whom the Companies banked and provided credit only facilities
the Secured Creditors	EFB Holdings Limited, Rajinder Singh Chatha and EFBL, the holders of fixed and/or floating charges over the Companies' assets
SIP 9	Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 – Industry best practice for Insolvency Practitioners in relation to disclosure of remuneration and disbursements
TUPE	The Transfer of Undertaking (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006
WCTL	Wine Cellar Trading Limited (In Administration) (Company Number: 06981430)
WWM1	Whittalls Wines Merchants 1 Limited (In Administration) (Company Number: 07603355)
WWM2	Whittalls Wines Merchants 2 Limited (In Administration) (Company Number: 07603449)

Appendix 9 – Notice about this report

This report has been prepared by Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram, the Joint Administrators of the Companies, solely to comply with their statutory duty to report to Creditors under the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 on the progress of the Administration, and for no other purpose. It is not suitable to be relied upon by any other person, or for any other purposes, or in any other context.

This report has not been prepared in contemplation of it being used, and is not suitable to be used, to inform any investment decision in relation to the debt of any financial interest in the Companies or any other company in the same group.

Any estimated outcomes for Creditors included in this report 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 report for any purpose or in any context other than under the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 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 report to any such person.

Michael Lennon and Matthew Ingram are authorised to act as insolvency practitioners by the Insolvency Practitioners Association.

The Joint Administrators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics.

The Joint Administrators act as agents for the Companies and contract without personal liability. The appointments of the Joint Administrators are personal to them and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Kroll Advisory Ltd does not assume any responsibility and will not accept any liability to any person in respect of this Progress Report or the conduct of the Administrations.