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London Capital & Finance Plc (in administration)

Joint administrators' progress report for the period from 30 July
2021 to 29 January 2022

25 February 2022



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1. Glossary

Abbreviation	Description
the administrators/joint administrators	Finbarr O'Connell, Adam Henry Stephens, Henry Anthony Shinnars and Colin Hardman of Smith & Williamson LLP and Geoff Rowley of FRP Advisory Trading LLP
the Company/ LCF	London Capital & Finance plc
FCA	Financial Conduct Authority
FSCS	Financial Services Compensation Scheme
GST	Global Security Trustees Limited (in liquidation)
LCM	London Capital Marketing Limited (in liquidation)
LFG	London Financial Group Limited (in liquidation)
LOG	London Oil & Gas Limited (in administration)
MdR	Mishcon de Reya LLP, the joint administrators' appointed legal advisors
Proposals	The joint administrators' proposals dated 25 March 2019
QFCH	Qualifying Floating Charge Holder - a secured creditor which has the power to appoint an administrator
RPS	Redundancy Payments Service
Sch B1	Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 If preceded by P this denotes a paragraph number
SFO	Serious Fraud Office
SIP	Statement of Insolvency Practice (England & Wales)
SOA	Statement of Affairs
SURGE	SURGE Financial Limited

2. Introduction & Summary

This report provides an update on the progress in the administration of the Company for the six-month period ended 29 January 2022. It should be read in conjunction with our previous reports. By way of reminder, we, Finbarr O'Connell, Adam Henry Stephens, Colin Hardman and Henry Shinnars of Smith & Williamson LLP, 25 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6AY, were appointed administrators of the Company on 30 January 2019. Geoff Rowley of FRP Advisory Trading LLP, 110 Cannon Street, London, EC4N 6EU was subsequently appointed as conflict administrator by the Court on 30 October 2019.

- The HM Treasury compensation scheme (“the Scheme”), facilitated by the FSCS, commenced the issue of compensation cheques to LCF Bondholders in November 2021. The FSCS has confirmed that all eligible Bondholders will receive their offer of compensation by 20 April 2022. Further information regarding the Scheme can be found at section 4.2 of this report.
- The FSCS has now paid out c.£58m under its own compensation scheme rules and a further £99m has been paid out and received by LCF Bondholders in respect of the HM Treasury scheme. Consequently, the FSCS is now the majority creditor of LCF, with a subrogated claim equating to at least 66% of the outstanding capital sums that were invested by Bondholders. The claim of the FSCS will only continue to increase, as further compensation cheques are issued to and banked by Bondholders. The FSCS has confirmed that it has made payments to over 10,000 Bondholders so far, under both compensation schemes.
- It was recognised that the Creditors’ Committee would become inquorate, should payments under the Scheme be accepted by the majority of the members of the Creditors’ Committee. For this reason and given the increasing significance of the quantum of the claim of the FSCS, it was agreed that the Creditors’ Committee would formally come to an end on 31 December 2021. The former members of the Creditors’ Committee will remain subject to Non-Disclosure Agreements. The joint administrators formally thank the former members of the Creditors’ Committee, and also the observers to that Committee, for all of the time which they spent in those roles.
- As a consequence of the dissolution of the Creditors’ Committee, the joint administrators are now obliged to seek approval for the basis of their remuneration from the creditors, by way of a Decision Process by correspondence. It should be noted that the outcome of any Decision Process will be determined by the voting position of the FSCS, as the majority creditor.
- In December 2020, we first announced to the Bondholders that the joint administrators of both LCF and LOG had issued claims against 15 defendants (‘the Main Proceedings’), seeking to recover c.£237m of Bondholders’ funds invested in LCF. A legal ruling continues to restrict the amount of information which can be shared in respect of these proceedings. However, we will update all creditors with further information when we are legally able to do so. It is likely that, due to the complexity of the case and the number of defendants, a Court date for the hearing of the Main Proceedings will not be scheduled until 2023.
- In addition to the Main Proceedings referred to above, the joint administrators are pursuing other routes for recoveries into the administration for the benefit of the Company’s creditors. Again, once we are in a position to disclose further details of our other activities without prejudicing the potential outcome, we will inform the creditors.
- Objective 3(1)(b), which is one of the 3 statutory purposes of administration, is currently being pursued, which is to achieve a better result for the creditors than would have been the case had the Company been wound up (without first being in administration). There has been no change to our original strategy as first documented in our Proposals, which were issued in March 2019.
- An extension to the administration period for a further 24 months, up to 29 January 2024, was granted by an order of the Court on 19 January 2022. This extension was sought to allow the joint administrators to continue with their ongoing legal claims and investigations for the ultimate benefit of the Company’s creditors, including the FSCS. We have previously reported that, due to the level of complexity of this case and the scale of the financial loss to the Bondholders and creditors, this case would be expected to last a number of years before the officeholders have finalised their investigations and realisation of assets for the benefit of the creditors.

- As detailed at section 4, the joint administrators of LCF, including the conflict administrator, alongside the LOG joint administrators have obtained a funding facility to allow them to progress with their investigations and ongoing legal claims. This funding has been obtained in order to allow them to continue with pursuing asset realisations for the benefit of the creditors of LCF and LOG (LCF is the sole secured creditor in the LOG administration). This funding will be repaid by both LCF and LOG in due course. An amount of £10m has been drawn down from this facility during this reporting period and the manner in which it has been applied is set out in the receipts and payments account at appendix II of this report and is also explained further in the relevant sections of this report.
- It is not anticipated that there will be a surplus, beyond the sums payable to the Bondholders/FSCS, who are secured creditors for this purpose, to enable a dividend to be paid to either the preferential creditors or to the unsecured creditors (other than if there were to be a Prescribed Part fund available, as explained in section 7.2).
- At the outset of the administration, it was estimated that secured creditors would eventually receive back at least 25% of the funds owed to them. These payments to creditors, prior to the enactment of the Scheme, would have taken place over a number of years. The joint administrators still expect that the total return to the secured creditors will represent at least 25% of their claims. Please note that for the vast majority of Bondholders who have received compensation as a result of the 2 compensation schemes which the FSCS is administering, will not receive any further distributions from the joint administrators. All of their financial arrangements with regard to the Company will be through the FSCS.

3. Progress of the administration

Attached at Appendix II is our receipts and payments account for the period from 30 July 2021 to 29 January 2022. This account includes cumulative figures for the period from 30 January 2019 to 29 January 2022.

There is no available comparison with a director's SOA values, as the director, Michael Andrew "Andy" Thomson, has not complied with the administrators' formal request to deliver a SOA. In the Proposals dated 25 March 2019, the administrators provided an estimated financial position of the Company as at 30 January 2019, based on information provided by the Company's former accountants.

3.1 Administration strategy

There have been no changes to the administrators' strategy, as documented in their Proposals dated 25 March 2019, which is to achieve a better result for LCF's creditors as a whole than would be likely if LCF was wound up (without first being in administration).

The administrators are continuing to pursue this objective and the outstanding matters to be concluded in the administration are set out in section 8 of this report. Readers should note that these matters (being primarily legal proceedings) will necessarily require a number of years to reach a conclusion. However, as a result of the payments made under the HM Treasury Scheme, the majority of Bondholders are no longer stakeholders in the administration process, leaving primarily the FSCS to monitor the continued strategy and progress with the administrators.

3.2 Amounts due to the Company from Borrowers

Given the complex nature of this case, the administrators consider it is useful to provide a recap to creditors as to the background of the case and a summary of how their investments were treated (a) within the books and records of LCF and (b) in reality (to the extent to which we are currently able to disclose that information), in terms of the flow of funds.

The total outstanding sum invested by Bondholders prior to our appointment as administrators was c.£237m, which, as we have previously explained, was booked in the Company's accounts as loans to a small number of entities/borrowers. These 12 entities and the loans allocated to each borrower are summarised in Appendix VII.

As you will recall, all LCF borrowers had ceased paying the interest payments due on their loans to LCF by September 2018. From this point, payments made to Bondholders in respect of interest and matured bonds were funded by new Bondholder subscriptions.

It became clear to the joint administrators that the LCF borrowers had insufficient assets to be able to meet their loan obligations and it is also the case that the loans booked to LCF's accounts cannot be reconciled to the actual movement of funds out of LCF to these borrowers.

The following table summarises the four main borrower groupings. (A large number of these entities, especially of the non-independent entities, have entered into formal insolvency processes since the date when LCF and LOG went into administration.):

Controlling groups/ entities	Amount due to LCF as at 30 January 2019 (£ million)
London Group LLP	154.6
(London Oil & Gas Limited, LPE Support Limited, Cape Verde Support Limited and CV Resorts Limited)	
Prime Resort Development Limited	70.1
(Waterside Villages Limited, Waterside Support Limited, Costa Support Limited, Costa Property Holdings Limited, Colina Support Limited and Colina Property Holdings Limited)	
FS Equestrian Services Limited	12.3
London Financial Group Limited	0.8
Total	237.8

The creditors are reminded that, regrettably, there are very few assets of any value in the above groups. The principal asset is LOG's investment in AIM-listed IOG Plc, formerly Independent Oil & Gas Plc, ("IOG"). IOG is a completely unconnected company and is a LOG borrower and not an LCF borrower. As regards the remainder of the loan portfolio, there are a limited number of potential avenues for future realisations. (See Appendix VII for further financial information about the LCF loan portfolio and Appendix IX for further financial and diagrammatical information about, specifically, the London Group loan position).

By way of reminder, 25% commission was paid to SURGE for introducing the Bondholders to LCF, with therefore the intention that only 75% of the loan funds would be passed on to the LCF borrowers in cash. Whilst this statement is true as a matter of general principle, as mentioned earlier in this report, there are numerous discrepancies between the amounts that LCF loans are shown at in the accounts of LCF and the actual amounts of cash advanced to the LCF borrowers. In any event, the LCF borrowers assumed liability for repayment of the full 100% grossed up loan amounts to LCF.

Update on the London Group LLP (£154.6m owed to LCF)

The lending to London Group LLP, and the entities controlled by it, (see Appendix IX) and the on-lending by those entities can be broken down further as follows:

LOG (£124M)

By way of reminder, LOG owes LCF £124M, significant interest upon which continues to accrue in respect of unpaid balances. We are aware that LOG made various investments with the funds obtained from LCF and the following table is a summary of the on-lending due to LOG as at 30 January 2019.

(The difference between the LCF lending to LOG of c.£124m and LOG's on lending of c.£83.1m (see below) is the subject of various investigations by the joint administrators of LCF and of LOG.):

Debtor	Sum advanced (£ million)
Independent Oil & Gas plc ("IOG")	34.6
London Group LLP ("LG")	32.6
London Power Corporation Ltd ("LPC")	8.3
p/f Atlantic Petroleum ("AP")	3.8
Intelligent Technology Investments Ltd ("ITI")	3.8
Total	83.1

The following updates as regards the various investments and loans made by LOG can be found in more detail in the LOG administration reports, which are publicly available for download from Companies House, however, they are summarised here for the benefit of the LCF creditors:

IOG (£34.6m)

The LOG administrators have continued to work with their advisers, Cenkos Securities Plc, in order to monitor the IOG investment with a view to maximising any recoveries for the benefit of LOG's creditors, including LCF.

Between 6 January 2022 and 12 January 2022, the LOG administrators sold a further 1,350,000 shares for total consideration of £492,960. The value of LOG's investment in IOG as at 13 January 2022, with a share price at that time of 36p per share, including the proceeds from the shares which have already been sold, was £84.8 million which represents a significant increase from that reported in July 2021 of £66.6 million. Any recoveries made will be subject to tax calculations.

IOG is expected to first produce gas by the end of Q1 2022.

LG (£32.6m) - in administration

Background on LG can be found in previous progress reports. The joint administrators' investigations into the business and trading of LG are continuing. The LG administrators remain uncertain as to the quantum of any recoveries being made in LG for the benefit of its creditors, the main creditor being LOG.

LPC (£8.3m) - in administration

The joint administrators of LOG are continuing to investigate what, if any, recoveries might be made from the debt due from LPC.

By way of reminder, the administrator of LPC submitted a claim in the LOG administration which was rejected in full by the LOG administrators. The administrator of LPC subsequently filed an application to court to seek to overturn the rejection and a hearing date was set for October 2021. The LPC administrator has since withdrawn this application and will not participate in any distributions in the LOG administration. Further information regarding this matter can be found in the most recent LOG administrators' progress report.

AP (£3.8m)

The standstill agreement between AP and LOG remains in place, however, no funds have been received by LOG as a result of this agreement since June 2020. The joint administrators of LOG continue to maintain a close dialogue with the AP board regarding these outstanding funds and a full update can be found in the most recent LOG progress report.

As a result of the improvement of the oil and gas markets during 2021, the LOG administrators consider that the likelihood of recovering the full debt owed by AP has increased.

ITI (£3.8m) - in liquidation

- **ITI loans to Asset Mapping (“AM”) £3m**

The joint liquidators of ITI remain uncertain as to the timing and quantum of any return from AM and continue to monitor the situation, although some level of recovery is expected.

- **ITI shares in Reserec Ltd (“RL”) c.£1m**

Recoveries in respect of ITI’s investment in RL remain uncertain and dependent upon the ongoing performance and development of RL’s business.

LPE Support Ltd (“LPES”) (£18.2m) - in administration

Background on the debt owed by LPES can be found in previous reports. LPES remains under the control of its joint administrators. It remains unclear whether any value will be recovered from LPES for the ultimate benefit of the LCF creditors.

Cape Verde - Cape Verde Support Limited (CVS) and CV Resorts Limited (CVR) (together, “the Cape Verde Companies”) (c£12m)

Detailed background on the Cape Verde Companies, and the monies owed by them to LCF, can be found in our previous reports. The joint administrators do not expect that any recoveries will be made in respect of the Cape Verde Companies and still have very serious concerns as to why LCF was exposed as a creditor to the Cape Verde Companies for such a significant sum.

Update on the Prime Group (£70.1m)

LCF is owed money from six companies (“the Prime Companies”) which consist of three leisure investments: one in Cornwall (Waterside Resort) and two in the Dominican Republic (Colina and Costa).

By way of reminder, Prime Resorts Developments Ltd (“PRDL”), the parent company of the Prime Group, was placed into administration by LCF as QFCH, in order to obtain access to the available books and records of the Prime Companies (See Appendix X for a group structure of the Prime Group) to investigate the purported lending of c.£70m listed in the books of LCF. The next progress report for PRDL is due for issue by 1 March 2022, where further detail will be available.

The extension of the PRDL administration until 2 February 2024 was granted by an order of the Court on 19 January 2022, to allow for further investigations/potential asset realisations to continue.

Update on Waterside Resort

The holiday village, land and lodge titles are held within the following companies within the Prime Group, all of which were placed into administration on 17 March 2020, with Finbarr O’Connell and Colin Hardman of S&W LLP and Lane Bednash of CMB Partners (UK) Ltd being appointed as joint administrators:

- International Resorts Management Ltd (“IRML”)
- Waterside Villages Ltd (“WVL”)
- Waterside Cornwall Group Ltd (“WCGL”)
- Waterside Cornwall Operations Ltd (“WCOL”).

The combined progress reports issued to date are available for download from Companies House, with the next report due for release by 15 April 2022.

WCOL is the only trading company within the Prime Group and holds the operating business of the Waterside holiday village situated in Bodmin, Cornwall, UK. The joint administrators of WCOL have continued to trade the Waterside resort with the aim of preserving the site’s value as a going concern, until a sale of the entire site can be facilitated. The challenging circumstances and uncertainty brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic has meant that the strategy has been subject to regular review.

The resort was placed on the open market in September 2021 and has gained a significant amount of interest and competing bids. The WCOL administrators expect that a sale may be completed by the end of March 2022, at the earliest.

The extensions of the administrations of IRML, WVL, WCGL and WCOL until 2 February 2024 was granted by an order of the Court on 19 January 2022.

Update on Dominican Republic
Colina Property Holdings Ltd and Colina Support Ltd
Costa Property Holdings Ltd and Costa Support Ltd

By way of reminder, following a site visit in February 2020, it was evident that there remain significant complexities regarding ownership of the Dominican Republic investments, which continue to require work by our lawyers and the local agents retained for this purpose. The administrators will only continue to pursue recoveries, where there is a net (after all costs) commercial justification for doing so, for the benefit of creditors.

These 4 legal entities will be removed from Companies House, following compulsory strike off, as they are not required to be maintained as part of the joint administrators' enquiries and do not own any property assets. The joint administrators are in possession of copies of any relevant books and records of these companies.

Update on FS Equestrian Services Limited ('FSE') (£12.3m)

The background to the issues surrounding FSE is detailed in previous reports.

By way of reminder, due to the continued lack of cooperation from the director of FSE, LCF, as the significant creditor, petitioned for the compulsory winding up of FSE. The winding up order was granted on 27 January 2021 and the Official Receiver is now in control of FSE. Our conversations with the OR are ongoing, however, it remains unlikely that will seek an appointment as liquidators over FSE as we do not believe that such an appointment would be for the financial benefit of the creditors of the relevant companies. We will continue to monitor the position regarding FSE.

4. Investigations

By way of reminder, as a result of the investigations undertaken by the joint administrators and their legal advisors, we have been able to issue the Main Proceedings in the total amount of £237m. Further information can be found in our previous progress report and our email to Bondholders of 17 December 2020.

In addition to the Main Proceedings, the joint administrators are continuing to explore other potential claims that can be pursued on behalf of the Company's creditors. Only those claims which are anticipated to generate a significant net return to the administration estate will be pursued. This includes investigations and claims which are necessary to amass all of the relevant information and evidence required for the Main Proceedings.

Due to legal restrictions, we are unable to share further information regarding the Main Proceedings and any potential future claims at present. However, we are confident that the proceedings entered into will allow substantial recoveries to be made which, in turn, will enable future dividends to be paid to the Company's creditors, including the FSCS and we will provide further updates as and when we are able.

The joint administrators, alongside the Conflict Administrator and the LOG joint administrators, have recently entered into a funding agreement, by way of a loan facility from a third-party provider, in order to continue pursuing those legal claims which are anticipated to generate significant returns to the respective estates. Various other funding options were considered (such as litigation funding) but were ultimately discounted as not appropriate in these circumstances. A number of parties tendered to provide the funding and their terms were compared accordingly, for both cost and flexibility, prior to the successful party being selected. This approach was discussed with the FSCS in advance of securing the facility.

Following the disbanding of the Creditors' Committee, we will continue to engage closely with the FSCS in respect of our intended and ongoing actions. Please note that the FSCS is also bound by a non-disclosure agreement.

4.1 Conflict administrator – progress on specific investigation matter

As you are aware, Geoff Rowley of FRP was appointed as Conflict Administrator to the Company by the Court on 30 October 2019, as a result of matters arising in the course of the administration which could not have been reasonably foreseen when the Joint Administrators were originally appointed. The purpose of this appointment is to undertake certain investigatory work into the Company's affairs.

As previously reported, in the interest of minimising costs in the administration, the Conflict Administrator has been, subject to the references to Mr Hudson of FRP below, limiting his investigations to one specific matter whilst maintaining a proportionate level of involvement and overview of the administration generally. The Conflict Administrator has continued to progress his investigations into this specific matter which has included requests for information from third parties, collation and processing of relevant information, and ongoing liaison with the administrators' solicitors to determine appropriate avenues of investigation and potential litigation. The Conflict Administrator has also engaged independent third-party specialists to provide advice as regards the merits of any potential claim. This area of work is expected to become increasingly concentrated during the next six months.

Given that these investigations are ongoing and to ensure that the Company's position is not prejudiced, it would not be appropriate to provide further details at this stage. Updates will be provided once the matter concludes during the relevant future reporting periods.

As previously reported by the Conflict Administrator, Mr Hudson has continued his work in relation to the wider investigations, assets realisations and associated ongoing legal matters related to the Company and LOG. As notified previously, Mr Hudson's time is now included as part of the Conflict Administrator's time incurred for this period, which had previously been solely attributable to the one specific matter which the Conflict Administrator had been appointed to carry out.

4.2 HM Treasury Compensation Scheme

Details of the Scheme, which was first announced in April 2021, which have been released by HM Treasury to date, are summarised below:

- The Scheme opened in November 2021 and all eligible Bondholders will receive an offer of compensation from the FSCS by 20 April 2022.
- The Scheme will compensate Bondholders for 80% of their initial investment, up to a maximum of £68,000 (being 80% of the maximum FSCS compensation limit of £85,000).
- The Scheme will be available to all LCF Bondholders who have not already received the maximum compensation available from the FSCS.
- Where Bondholders have received coupon payments from LCF (prior to the intervention of the FCA in December 2018), or the 2.5% distribution from the administrators paid in early 2020, these amounts will be deducted from the compensation payable under the Scheme.
- **Bondholders will not need to use a claims' management company, solicitor, or any other organisation to help them claim under the Scheme. Any such correspondence received in this regard, should be treated as a scam.**
- The Scheme is being administered by the FSCS, on behalf of HM Treasury.

Information regarding the Scheme can be found in our prior Bondholder communications and on HM Treasury's webpage available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/london-capital-finance-compensation-scheme>. We strongly advise that Bondholders read the full FAQ provided by HM Treasury. If the full FAQ document does not answer your queries regarding the scheme, the FSCS can be contacted on 0800 091 0030 or LCFenquiries@fscs.org.uk.

Please be aware that the joint administrators play no part in determining which Bondholders are compensated or to what extent and we do not have a role in the operation of the Scheme. Consequently, we are unable to answer questions beyond the information that has already been made public, such as, the estimated timing of any compensation payments to Bondholders. However, we will continue to provide updates on this matter to the Bondholders as and when they become available from either HM Treasury or the FSCS.

4.3 FSCS

By way of reminder, following their investigations into the activities of the Company, the FSCS were able to identify a significant number of Bondholders who were eligible for FSCS compensation. Please note that this is separate to the compensation provided under the HM Treasury Compensation Scheme.

The last update in respect of the FSCS compensation was issued by the FSCS on 19 April 2021 and is summarised as follows:

“We have now finished reviewing all of the evidence we received from LCF and Surge, and we have identified and contacted all LCF customers who we believe are eligible for FSCS compensation. In total, we have now paid out £57.6m to 2,871 LCF bondholders who held 3,900 LCF bonds”.

If any Bondholder believes that they have a valid claim under the FSCS compensation scheme but haven't received any communications from the FSCS, they can send their relevant evidence to the FSCS for consideration. The full update from the FSCS, including details on how to share any relevant evidence with it, can be accessed here: <https://www.fscs.org.uk/failed-firms/lcf/>

The joint administrators cannot assist with requests or queries regarding compensation, nor communicate with the FSCS on behalf of individual Bondholders; the joint administrators do not determine the criteria for compensation, which is limited to the eligibility rules of the FSCS.

4.4 FCA - complaints

On 15 February 2022, the Financial Regulators Complaints Commission issued their final report to the FCA on the LCF complaints that had been submitted to the Office of the Complaints Commissioner. The FCA has advised that it is considering this report and will provide a published response by 15 March 2022.

The FCA updated its statement, which confirms their broad approach to assessing complaints made to the FCA in relation to LCF, which can be found here:

<https://www.fca.org.uk/news/statements/fca-sets-out-broad-approach-assessing-lcf-complaints>.

In summary, given the exceptional circumstances surrounding LCF, the deadline for individuals to submit complaints to the FCA about their handling of LCF has been extended for a further 3 months, until 17 March 2022.

4.5 SFO

The joint administrators continue to assist the SFO with their information requests.

Updates in respect of the SFO's investigation can be found here: <https://www.sfo.gov.uk/cases/london-capital-finance-plc/>. The joint administrators are unable to provide any other information to Bondholders in respect of the SFO/FCA investigations, which remain separate from our own, but clearly there is a lot of cooperation between the joint administrators, who are officers of the court, and the SFO and the FCA.

5. Administrators' remuneration

5.1 Pre-administration costs

By way of reminder, the pre-administration costs total £253,166; a full breakdown of these costs can be found in the joint administrators' proposals, issued in March 2019.

No agreement had been formalised, prior to the disbanding of the Creditors' Committee in December 2021 with regard to these pre-administration costs. We will now seek the appropriate authority from the creditors, to approve the basis of the joint administrators' remuneration.

5.2 Administration costs

The basis of the joint administrators' remuneration has not yet been fixed. As the Creditors' Committee has been dissolved, we are now obliged to seek the appropriate authority from the relevant creditors, to approve the basis of the joint administrators' remuneration.

The administrators' time costs are:

Period	Total hours hrs	Total costs £	Average hourly rate £/hr	Fees drawn £
30 January 2019 to 29 July 2019	5,619	2,316,159	412	1,500,000*
30 July 2019 to 29 January 2020	4,036	1,362,096	337	-
30 January 2020 to 29 July 2020	3,589	1,308,274	365	-
30 July 2020 to 29 January 2021	1,404	647,903	461	-
30 January 2021 to 29 July 2021	1,201	587,943	490	-
<i>Adjusted time**</i>	<i>48</i>	<i>35,893</i>	<i>748</i>	<i>-</i>
30 July 2021 to 29 January 2022	1,134	627,518	553	-
Total	17,031	6,885,786	404	1,500,000

** Fees on-account, totalling £1,500,000 have been drawn, with the consent of the Creditors' Committee in office at the time, against time costs incurred during the period from 30 January 2019 to 29 July 2019. Of these fees, £500,000 was paid in the period ending 29 July 2020 and £1,000,000 was paid in the period ending 29 January 2021.*

*** Due to an issue within the time reporting system, the costs for the period ended 30 July 2021 were understated by £35,893. The cumulative SIP9 report at Appendix V reflects this amount in the total time costs.*

Attached at Appendix IV is a time analysis which provides details of the activity costs incurred by staff grade during the period of this report in respect of the costs incurred by reference to time properly spent by the administrators and their staff in attending to matters arising in the administration. Details of work carried out in the period are also included in the body of this report. No fees have been drawn on account of the joint administrators' time costs during this reporting period.

Also attached at Appendix V is a cumulative time analysis for the period from 30 January 2019 to 29 January 2022, which provides details of the administrators' time costs since appointment. A total of £1,500,000 has been drawn on account of these costs, following approval from the former Creditors' Committee.

The joint administrators' costs incurred for the first three years of the administration are £6,885,787, compared to our estimate for this period of £10,181,085. A comparison of the costs incurred against our estimate, by breakdown of task, can be found at Appendix V. Going forward, the joint administrators anticipate future costs to be in the region of £2,205,068 and Appendix VI provides a detailed breakdown of our anticipated future costs. Our original estimates year on year have varied from the actual incurred figures, largely due to the phasing of the legal actions, whereby less activity has been incurred than expected to date, however, the progress and eventual outcome of the legal proceedings, will affect how these estimates will ultimately compare to total incurred costs. It is not anticipated that our actual costs will exceed those estimated, as a cumulative figure.

A detailed narrative explanation of our anticipated future costs can be found in 'Outstanding matters' at section 8 of this report. Please note that this estimate is based on present information and may change due to unforeseen circumstances arising. In the event that any approved fee estimate is likely to be exceeded, the joint administrators will need to provide an update and seek approval from the appropriate creditors before drawing any additional sums. Fee estimates may be given up to a certain event/stage or for a designated period if it is not possible to provide an accurate estimate at any given point.

Creditors should be aware that some of the work is required by statute and may not necessarily provide any financial benefit to creditors. Examples would include issuing and preparing the joint administrators' progress reports and dealing with the Company's tax returns.

A copy of "A Creditor's Guide to Administrator's Fees", as produced by R3, is available free on request or can be downloaded from their website as follows:

<https://www.r3.org.uk/technical-library/england-wales/technical-guidance/fees/more/29113/page1/administration-a-guide-for-creditors-on-insolvency-practitioner-fees/>

Details of Smith & Williamson LLP's charge out rates and policies in relation to the use of staff are provided at Appendix XI.

Please note that following the merger of Tilney and Smith and Williamson on 1 September 2020 there has been a recent change to our financial year-end and our charge-out rates will be changing on 1 July 2022 and then again on 1 January 2023, with a return to annual reviews thereafter. In common with many professional firms, our scale rates may rise to cover annual inflationary cost increases. It is anticipated that the rate of any increase on 1 January 2023 will take into account that only six months will have passed from the date of the last review and so will not cause any prejudice to creditors and stakeholders.

We and our team charge our time for the work we need to do in the case. We delegate tasks to suitable grades of staff, taking into account their experience and any specialist knowledge that is needed and we supervise them properly to maximise the cost effectiveness of the work done. Anything complex or important matters of exceptional responsibility are handled by our senior staff or us.

All of our staff who work on the case (including our cashiers (who are centralised and London rates apply), support and secretarial staff) charge time directly to the assignment and are included in any analysis of time charged. Each grade of staff has an hourly charge-out rate which is reviewed from time to time. Work carried out by our cashiers, support and secretarial staff is charged for separately and is not included in the hourly rates charged by partners or other staff members. Time up to 31 July 2020 is recorded in units representing 3 minutes or multiples thereof. From 1 August 2020 time is recorded in 1 minute units or multiples thereof. The minimum time chargeable is one minute. We do not charge general or overhead costs.

It may be necessary/appropriate to utilise staff from both regional and London offices, subject to the specific requirements, eg, geographical location, of individual cases.

A schedule of the maximum charge-out rates per hour for the grades of our staff who already or who are likely to work on the case was issued to creditors in the joint administrators' proposals. Any changes to the charge-out rates during the case are included in the relevant appendix to each progress report.

Finally, please note that we have no business or personal relationships with the parties who approve our fees. We have no business or personal relationships with any legal or professional advisors who provide services to the administration where the relationship could give rise to a conflict of interest.

5.3 PRDL remuneration

As detailed at section 3.2, PRDL was placed into administration in order to assist the LCF joint administrators with their ongoing investigations. The LCF joint administrators have agreed to indemnify the administrators of PRDL for their fees and disbursements, to the extent that these cannot be recovered from the assets of PRDL and its subsidiaries. This indemnity extends to PRDL's pre-appointment fees and expenses.

We have provided this indemnity on the basis that according to the books and records of LCF, the Prime Group owed LCF c.£70.m and, as administrators of LCF, we have a duty to the LCF creditors to pursue this debt and to recover as much of it as possible. As part of this process, we believe it is necessary to grant a proportionate indemnity to the administrators of PRDL, and its subsidiaries, for their reasonable fees and costs.

5.4 Conflict Administrator's remuneration

Basis of remuneration

The basis of the Conflict Administrator's remuneration has not yet been fixed. As the Creditors' Committee has been dissolved, approval will now be sought from the appropriate creditors.

Time incurred

The Conflict Administrator has incurred 556.75 hours during the period from 30 July 2021 to 29 January 2022 and is summarised below:

Tasks	Total Hours
Administration and Planning	63.70
Investigation	392.15
Statutory Compliance	5.00
Asset Realisation	95.90
Total Hours	556.75

The Conflict Administrator has incurred 1,357.55 hours during the period from his appointment on 30 October 2019 to 29 January 2022 and this is summarised below:

Tasks	Total Hours
Administration and Planning	144.75
Investigation	905.45
Statutory Compliance	45.65
Asset Realisation	261.70
Total Hours	1,357.55

Fees drawn to date

To date, no fees have been paid in respect of the Conflict Administrator's work.

6. Administration expenses and loans

Expenses are amounts properly payable by us as administrators from the estate. The tables at Appendices XII to XV provide details of our expenses. The tables exclude distributions to creditors. The tables also exclude any potential tax liabilities that we may need to pay as an administration expense because the amounts becoming due will depend on the position at the end of the tax accounting period.

The tables should be read in conjunction with the receipts and payments account at Appendix II which shows expenses actually paid during the period and the total paid to date.

6.1 Subcontractors

We have not utilised the services of any subcontractors in this case.

6.2 Professional advisers

On this assignment we have used the professional advisers listed in the table at Appendix XII. We have also indicated alongside the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis.

Comparison to revised estimate

Our current expenses estimate is £3,305,000 in respect of costs incurred for the period 30 January 2021 to 29 January 2022. Details of our original estimated and actual expenses incurred as at 29 January 2022 can be broken down as follows:

- **Legal fees** - Estimated £2,225,000, Incurred £1,959,457.
- **Legal disbursements** - Estimated £1,000,000, Incurred £560,314.
- **Professional advisors** - Estimated £80,000, Incurred £142,684.

The main differences between our estimates of expenses and the expenses incurred is the phasing of certain workstreams and does not necessarily represent a saving on estimated costs. It is expected that significant legal fees and disbursements will continue to be incurred as the joint administrators continue to progress their investigations and deal with the ongoing litigation.

As referred to earlier in this report, our original estimates year on year have varied from the actual incurred figures, largely due to the phasing of the legal actions, whereby less activity has been incurred than expected to date, however, the progress and eventual outcome of the legal proceedings, will affect how these estimates will compare to actual costs. It is not anticipated that our actual costs will exceed those estimated, as a cumulative figure.

The expected cost for professional advisors was underestimated as, at the time of preparing this estimate, the conflict administrator did not have sufficient information in order to determine the quantum of the expenses to be incurred in respect of their investigation stream.

Details of the joint administrators' future estimate for professional advisors can be found at Appendix VI.

6.3 Administrators' expenses

Details of the joint administrators' expenses incurred and/or paid in the current period can be found at Appendix XI to Appendix XIII.

Conflict Administrator's disbursements

The following Conflict Administrator's disbursements have been incurred:

Description	Incurred in current period £	Paid in current period £	Total costs outstanding at period end £
Advertising	Nil	Nil	72
Bonding	Nil	Nil	18
Computer Consumables	Nil	Nil	597
Electronic Storage Costs	Nil	Nil	3
Total	Nil	Nil	690

Note: Total costs outstanding may include costs incurred in prior periods, but not yet paid.

6.4 Category 2 expenses

The table at Appendix XIII includes Category 2 expenses that have been incurred and/or paid in the current period. Approval to recover the Category 2 expenses shown above will be sought from the relevant creditors.

Conflict administrator's category 2 expenses

The Conflict Administrator has incurred no category 2 disbursements in the current period.

Comparison to revised estimate

Creditors may recall that our current expenses estimate for 'Category 2 expenses' for the 12 months from 30 January 2021 to 29 January 2022 was £500,212. Our expenses total incurred for the above category for this time period are £456,097 which is lower than originally anticipated, as the Smith & Williamson LLP forensic team are in the process of moving the data hosting function to Mishcon de Reya.

We are now seeking the appropriate authority from the creditors to approve the outstanding category 2 disbursements, as part of the Decision Process by correspondence.

6.5 Other expenses and loans

The administrators of LCF have made loans to the administrators of LOG and the Prime Companies, as explained below.

Entity	Nature of sum incurred	Loaned in current period £	Repaid in current period £	Total loan outstanding at period end £
Loan to Prime Group	Loan to support investigation matters	496,365	-	532,817
Loan to Waterside group	Loan to support trading	138,067	-	534,863
Loan to LOG	Funding loan to support legal claims for the ultimate benefit of LCF creditors	3,372,739	-	3,372,739
Total		3,947,171	-	4,440,419

Note: Total loans outstanding comprise loans made in prior periods, but not yet repaid.

Loan to the administrators of the Prime Companies/Waterside - in order to maximise the value within the Prime Companies, including assessing the position in the Dominican Republic and to ensure the continuing trade of the Waterside Holiday Village, the joint administrators of LCF have funded certain essential costs. These payments are being treated as a loan, in the anticipation that funds will be repaid at such time that the relevant Prime/ Waterside companies make sufficient future realisations. Without this funding from LCF, the value of the Prime Companies' assets would have been significantly impacted. A breakdown of how these loans have been utilised can be found in the Prime/ Waterside progress reports.

Loan to the administrators of LOG - following a drawdown from the funding facility obtained to progress the joint administrators' legal claims, LCF has settled a number of outstanding invoices on behalf of the administrators of LOG. These invoices have been settled in order to progress with the LOG investigations and ongoing litigation and will be repaid in due course. All payments to LOG have been made in order to maximise returns to LOG and therefore maximise recoveries to LCF, in order to achieve the best possible outcome for LCF's creditors. A breakdown of how these funds have been utilised can be found in the next LOG progress report.

Other expenses (i.e., those not detailed in the preceding sections) paid during the period covered by this report are detailed at Appendix XIII and are included in the receipts and payments summary at Appendix II. Also detailed in the table are expenses incurred but not paid in the current period.

Comparison to revised estimate

Creditors may recall that our current expenses estimate for 'other expenses' for the 12 months from 30 January 2021 to 29 January 2022 was £94,725. Our actual expenses incurred for the above category for this time period are only £156. At the time of preparing the revised estimate, it was anticipated that a fee assessor would be reinstructed to assist the former Creditors' Committee with their role of approving the basis of the joint administrators' remuneration. During the period, there were no costs incurred arising from the engagement of a fee assessor. However, it is now estimated that this cost will be incurred in the next reporting period.

6.6 Policies regarding use of third parties and expense recovery

Appendix XI provides details of Smith & Williamson LLP's policies in relation to the use of subcontractors and professional advisers, and the recovery of expenses.

7. Estimated outcome for creditors

The estimated outcome for each class of creditors is set out below.

Please note that, where creditors have submitted claims in foreign currency, they have been converted to £Sterling at the applicable rate on the 30 January 2019. If any creditor considers the rate to be unreasonable, they may apply to court for determination.

7.1 Secured creditors

By way of reminder, GST held a debenture containing fixed and floating charges over the Company's assets. This debenture was held on trust, by GST as security trustee, on behalf of the Bondholders. The security is in respect of all assets of the Company. The debenture documentation reflects that a valid trust is in place and that the Bondholders' position is secured.

As detailed in our previous report, GST was removed as security trustee by an order of the Court and Madison Pacific Trust Limited was subsequently appointed as an independent security trustee.

For dividend purposes, any remaining uncompensated Bondholders and the FSCS, as a subrogated creditor, are considered to be secured creditors.

Future Dividend Prospects

At the outset of the administration, it was estimated that, as a minimum, Bondholders would eventually receive 25% of the funds invested by them. These payments to Bondholders would have taken place over a number of years and, in April 2020, the joint administrators paid a first dividend of c.£6m representing 2.5% of the Bondholders' capital investment.

The actual percentage return to the majority of Bondholders is now much higher than the original estimate, due to the commencement of the HM Treasury Scheme, which will compensate Bondholders for 80% of their initial investment, up to a maximum of £68,000, as detailed at section 4.2. Accordingly, many Bondholders who were not eligible for FSCS compensation have already, or will, benefit from the Scheme and will receive a return equating to 80% of their initial investment, rather than the 25% initially estimated. Also, payments from the Scheme will reach Bondholders much more quickly than would be generated by the administrators, given the unavoidably protracted litigation process and the ongoing investigatory work required in order to realise a number of highly complex assets.

It is recognised that there will be a small number of Bondholders, who, due to investing amounts significantly in excess of the FSCS compensation limit, will receive a percentage which is much less than 80% of their capital invested. There are very few Bondholders, however, that by opting for HM Treasury compensation, would be receiving 25% or less than what is currently estimated to be recovered by the administrators.

The FSCS has now become a subrogated creditor as regards the claims of those Bondholders that have already received compensation through both the FSCS Compensation Scheme and the HM Treasury Compensation Scheme and therefore the FSCS will stand in the compensated Bondholders' shoes as the majority creditor of LCF.

As such, it should be noted that the FSCS will be entitled to receive a proportionate dividend for the value of its subrogated claim, which we understand is currently in the region of £160m. Therefore, the FSCS will receive the majority of the estimated minimum 25% dividend which has been referred to in previous reports.

We are aware that a small number of Bondholders will not be eligible for compensation under the Scheme and they will have a residual claim in the administration. For the avoidance of doubt, these Bondholders are expected to receive future dividends in the administration.

Should the occasion arise whereby asset realisations significantly surpass expectations and recover amounts higher than have been paid out by the FSCS, then the FSCS will pass on any 'top-up' balance to Bondholders. It should be noted that this is an unlikely scenario, however welcome it would be to all those concerned.

7.2 Prescribed Part

The Company granted floating charges on 29 and 30 December 2015. Accordingly, in the event that there is net floating charge property of sufficient value, we would be required to create a Prescribed Part fund out of the Company's net floating charge property for unsecured creditors.

If there is a Prescribed Part distribution to be made, this will be distributed by the joint administrators in the administration, following the changes made by the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 with effect from 26 May 2015.

7.3 Ordinary preferential creditors

In accordance with the Employment Rights Act 1996, certain former members of staff were able to claim for any arrears of wages and holiday pay through the RPS. The RPS has now submitted details of its preferential claim against the Company, and we set out below a summary of ordinary preferential claims received:

Ordinary preferential creditor	Claims received £
RPS	1,073
Total	1,073

Due to insufficient funds, we have not taken steps to agree the ordinary preferential creditor claims.

7.4 Unsecured creditors

We have received 13 claims totalling £93,661. We anticipate that there will be insufficient realisations from the Company's assets to enable a dividend to unsecured creditors in this case, apart from via the Prescribed Part, as referred to in section 7.2.

8. Outstanding matters

The joint administrators' costs incurred for the first three years of the administration are £6,885,787, as detailed in section 5.2 and a fee estimate for the next two years of the administration has been provided at Appendix VI. To clarify, given the costs incurred of £6,885,787 and the predicted future costs of £2,205,068, it is expected that the administrators' fees incurred to 29 January 2024 will not exceed £9,090,855.

This estimate is based on present information and may change due to unforeseen circumstances arising. In the event that the fees estimate is likely to be exceeded, the joint administrators are required to provide an update and to seek approval from the creditors' committee, should one exist, or to seek the appropriate authority from the creditors before drawing any additional sums. Fee estimates may be given up to a certain milestone or for a designated period if it is not possible to provide an accurate estimate at any given point.

The principal actions to be concluded in the administration are as follows:

Investigations

To avoid prejudicing the outcome of potential legal proceedings and for confidentiality reasons, the joint administrators are unable to disclose specific information in addition to those details provided within this report, at this time. It would not be appropriate for the joint administrators to provide details of their intended strategy or to identify the potential defendants as regards future actions. The majority of the investigation work in respect of the main proceedings, detailed below, has now been completed and the amount of work carried out in this category is expected to continue to decrease significantly. The work undertaken is expected to provide a material financial benefit to creditors of the Company, including the FSCS.

Actual and potential actions

- Main Proceedings

The purpose of the proceedings is to make recoveries from the defendants to the claim for the benefit of the Company's creditors, including the FSCS, although it should be noted that these proceedings are anticipated to be protracted. However, successful claims will provide a direct financial benefit to the Company's creditors, including the FSCS. Further details regarding these proceedings can be found in our email update to Bondholders on 17 December 2020.

- Potential actions

The joint administrators are continuing to consider any additional legal actions that are available to them that will likely result in future net recoveries.

A summary of all actual and potential claims has been shared with the Creditors' Committee including an outline of the estimated costs of the work involved and these details have now also been provided to the FSCS. The Creditors' Committee members remain bound by non-disclosure agreements. The FSCS has also entered into a non-disclosure agreement.

Other matters

Other actions that remain outstanding include:

- agreeing the basis of the joint administrators' remuneration;
- statutory obligations, including preparing and issuing the joint administrators' progress reports;
- further dividends to the Company's creditors, including to the FSCS;
- consideration of any tax implications within the administration; and
- closure of the administration at the appropriate time.

Details of the estimated future costs of these workstreams can be found in the joint administrators' fee estimate for the next two years of the administration at Appendix VI.

9. Privacy and data protection

As part of our role as joint administrators, I would advise you that we may need to access and use data relating to individuals. In doing so, we must abide by data protection requirements. Information about the way that we will use and store personal data in relation to insolvency appointments can be found at: <https://smithandwilliamson.com/rsgdpr>

If you are unable to download this, please contact my office and a hard copy will be provided free of charge.

To the extent that you hold any personal data of the Company's data subjects provided to you by the Company or obtained otherwise, you must process such data in accordance with data protection legislation. Please contact us if you believe this applies.

10. Ending the administration

At the appropriate time the joint administrators will use their discretion to exit the administration by way of one of the following means:

- (i) If, having realised the assets of the Company, the joint administrators think that a distribution will be made to the unsecured creditors other than by virtue of the Prescribed Part, they may file a notice with the Registrar of Companies which will have the effect of bringing the appointment of the joint administrators to an end and will move the Company automatically into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation ('CVL') in order that the distribution can be made, but only if they consider that the associated incremental costs of a CVL are justified. We anticipate that this exit route will be utilised in this administration due to there being a need for further investigations as described below and/or for other reasons.
- (ii) If the joint administrators have, with the permission of the court, made a distribution to unsecured creditors in addition to any Prescribed Part distribution, or they think that the Company otherwise has no property which might permit a distribution to its unsecured creditors, subject to there being a need for further investigations as described below, they will file a notice, together with their final progress report, at court and with the Registrar of Companies for the dissolution of the Company. The joint administrators will send copies of these documents to the Company and its creditors. The joint administrators' appointment will end following the registration of the notice by the Registrar of Companies.

Administrators have the power to bring claims against former officers of the Company in respect of transactions that may have caused or exacerbated the Company's insolvency. Claims with a good prospect of success may be pursued by administrators but there may be cases where it would be more appropriate if a liquidator brought the claim or where the timeframe would not be long enough, given the maximum extension period available to administrators. The proposed exit route would, in these cases, be liquidation. It is expected that this case will follow this course, being paragraph (i) followed by paragraph (ii), and that either the administration will continue as long as is appropriate or the Company will move from administration into liquidation in order that certain investigations can continue.

Geoff Rowley of FRP was not nominated as a potential joint liquidator of the Company when the Proposals were issued as he was only appointed as a conflict administrator by the court on 30 October 2019. However, it is envisaged that if the administration converts into a liquidation, whether a CVL or a compulsory liquidation, that an application will subsequently be made to Court for the appointment of Geoff Rowley as an additional liquidator of the Company to take on the role of a conflict liquidator, should a conflict liquidator be required.

We are now seeking authorisation for the joint administrators to be discharged from liability under P98(3) of Sch B1 immediately upon their appointment as administrators ceasing to have effect, from the creditors by way of a Decision Process by correspondence.

11. Creditors' rights

Within 21 days of the receipt of this report, a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors or otherwise with the court's permission) may request in writing that the administrators provide further information about their remuneration or expenses which have been itemised in this report.

Any secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors or otherwise with the court's permission) may within 8 weeks of receipt of this report make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the administrators' remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred (including any paid) by the administrators, as set out in this report, are excessive.

The above rights apply only to matters which have not been disclosed in previous reports.

On a general note, if you have any comments or concerns in connection with our conduct, please contact Finbarr O'Connell or Adam Henry Stephens in the first instance. If the matter is not resolved to your satisfaction, you may contact our Head of Legal by writing to 25 Moorgate, London EC2R 6AY or by telephone on 020 7131 4000.

Thereafter, if you wish to take the matter further you may contact the Insolvency Services directly via Insolvency Complaints Gateway. They can be contacted by email, telephone or letter as follows:

i) Email: insolvency.enquiryline@insolvency.gsi.gov.uk

ii) Telephone number: +44 300 678 0015

iii) Postal address: The Insolvency Service, IP Complaints, 3rd Floor, 1 City Walk, Leeds LS11 9DA.

12. Next report

We are required to provide a further report on the progress of the administration within one month of the end of the next six-month period of the administration unless we have concluded matters prior to this, in which case we will write to all creditors with our final report.



Finbarr O'Connell, Adam Henry Stephens, Colin Hardman, Henry Shinnars and Geoff Rowley

Joint Administrators

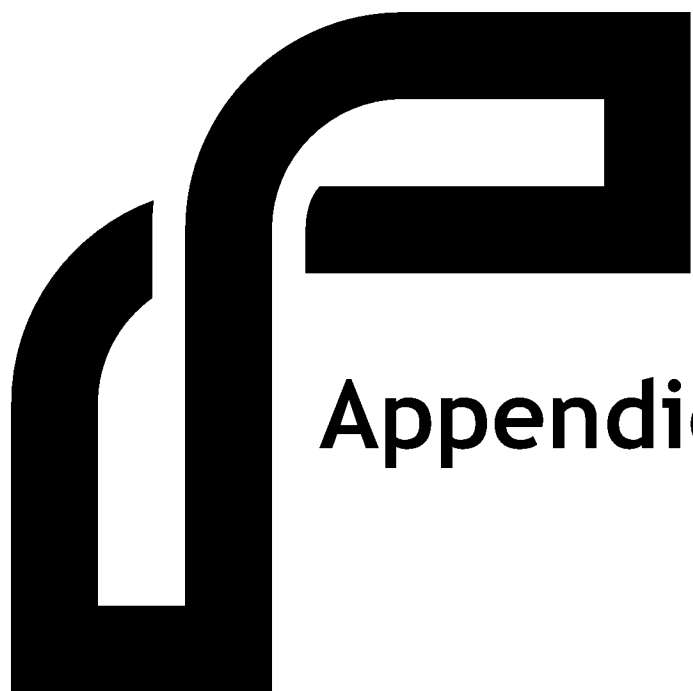
Date: 25 February 2022

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Appendices

I Statutory information

Relevant Court	High Court of Justice
Court Reference	CR-2019-000755
Trading Name(s)	London Capital & Finance
Trading Addresses	The Old Coach House, Eridge Park, Eridge Green, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN3 9JS
Former Name(s)	London Capital & Finance Limited
Registered Office	25 Moorgate, London EC2R 6AY
Registered Number	08140312
Joint Administrators	Finbarr O'Connell, Adam Henry Stephens, Colin Hardman and Henry Anthony Shinnars all of Smith & Williamson, 25 Moorgate, London, EC2R 6AY and Geoff Rowley of FRP Advisory Trading LLP, 110 Cannon Street, London EC4N 6EU. (IP No(s) 7931, 9748, 16774, 9280 and 8919) In accordance with P100 (2) Sch B1 1A 86 a statement has been made authorising the Joint Administrators to act jointly and severally.
Date of Appointment	30 January 2019 (Geoff Rowley was appointed as an additional administrator on 30 October 2019)
Appointor	Directors
Directors	Michael Andrew "Andy" Thomson, Floris Jakobus Huisamen, Kevin Maddison and Katherine Ruth Simpson
Shareholder(s)	London Financial Group Limited (owned 100% by Andy Thomson)
Secretary (if applicable)	CAA Registrars Limited
Extension to period of administration	The administration was extended by consent of the Court on 16 January 2020 for a period of up to two years ending on 29 January 2022. The administration was further extended by consent of the Court on 19 January 2022 for a period of up to two years ending on 29 January 2024.

II Receipts and payments account

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/07/2021 To 29/01/2022 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/01/2022 £
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Bank Interest Gross	13.13	11,242.64
Cash at bank	-	3,189,912.30
Funding	10,000,000.00	10,000,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	-	127.12
Insurance Refund	-	7,902.72
Loan Accounts	-	100,383.28
Loan Repayment - London Financial Group	-	130,298.27
Loan Repayment - London Oil & Gas Ltd	-	10,000,000.00
Funds held by MdR	159,745.48	159,745.48
Motor Vehicles	-	203,110.39
Rates Refund	-	513.40
	<u>10,159,758.61</u>	<u>23,803,235.60</u>
COST OF REALISATIONS		
Administrators' Expenses	-	330.75
Administrators' Fees	-	1,500,000.00
Agents/Valuers Expenses	-	645.45
Agents/Valuers Fees	-	105,845.69
Bank Charges	24.40	445.88
Committee Expenses	-	4,000.62
Consultant expenses	-	574.90
Fee Assessor costs	-	47,000.00
HP Finance	-	888.45
ICO Renewal	-	80.00
Insurance	-	7,571.42
Internet, Telephone Costs & Network	-	69,771.86
Irrecoverable VAT	996,612.57	2,253,555.26
Legal Expenses	321,313.24	1,153,089.24
Legal Fees	2,954,885.24	6,010,113.94
Loan to LOG	3,372,739.27	3,372,739.27
Loan to Prime Group	532,816.54	532,816.54
Loan to Waterside Group	101,615.27	534,862.93
Meeting costs	-	4,575.17
Other Property Expenses	-	237.50
PAYE & NI	-	245.73
Pension contributions	-	822.80
Petitioners Deposit	-	1,891.00
Professional Expenses	3,002.12	4,195.88
Professional Fees	2,242.50	212,601.25
Rates	-	1,107.02
Re-Direction of Mail	-	1,787.00
Rents Payable	-	1,666.66
Security Trustee/ Dividend costs	52.22	24,552.37
Specific Bond	-	140.00
Stationery & Postage	-	19,470.81
Statutory Advertising	-	169.00
Storage Costs	-	2,906.56
Transfer to LCF dividend a/c	-	5,902,219.07
Travel & Sustenance	-	15,514.94
Wages & Salaries	-	12,753.98
Prime/WCOL loan reallocations	(82,215.42)	-
	<u>(8,203,087.95)</u>	<u>(21,801,188.94)</u>
	<u>1,956,670.66</u>	<u>2,002,046.66</u>
REPRESENTED BY		
Clients Deposit (Interest Bearing)		2,002,046.66
		<u>2,002,046.66</u>

Dividend Account

Statement of Affairs £	From 30/07/2021 To 29/01/2022 £	From 30/01/2019 To 29/01/2022 £
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Bank Interest Gross	14.87	2,051.31
Transfer from LCF main account	NIL	5,902,219.07
	<u>14.87</u>	<u>5,904,270.38</u>
UNSECURED CREDITORS		
Bondholders	4,107.50	5,536,156.00
FSCS	NIL	77,093.07
	<u>(4,107.50)</u>	<u>(5,613,249.07)</u>
	<u>(4,092.63)</u>	<u>291,021.31</u>
REPRESENTED BY		
Clients Deposit account - Dividend A/c*		291,021.31
		<u>291,021.31</u>

Note: All unbanked dividend cheques, totalling £70,125 were cancelled in order to allow the FSCS to facilitate the HMT compensation scheme. It is expected that any residual funds held in this account will ultimately be transferred to the FSCS via a catch up dividend, once they have finalised their claim.

Notes and further information required by SIP 7

- The basis of the joint administrators' remuneration has not yet been approved.
- We have not yet drawn any other costs that would require the same approval as our remuneration.
- No payments have been made to us from outside the estate.
- Details of significant expenses paid are provided in the body of our report.
- Information concerning our remuneration and expenses incurred is provided in the body of the report.
- Information concerning the ability to challenge remuneration and expenses of the administration is provided in our report.
- All bank accounts are interest bearing.
- There are no foreign currency holdings.
- All amounts in the receipts and payments account are shown exclusive of any attributable VAT. Where VAT is not recoverable it is shown as irrecoverable VAT. LCF is not, and has never been, registered for VAT; the issuing of bonds is a non-Vatable activity and LCF did not provide any other taxable supplies. Our VAT experts have examined the position and have determined that currently there is no viable route to recovering the VAT incurred in the administration.
- The funding facility, described as "Funding" above, accrues interest and other charges, which will be calculated upon repayment and shown accordingly in the R&P account at the relevant time.

Notes and further information required by SIP 9

Funding

As detailed at section 4, the joint administrators (including the conflict administrator of LCF), alongside the LOG joint administrators, have obtained a funding facility to allow them to progress with their investigations and ongoing legal claims. This funding has been obtained in order to allow them to continue with pursuing asset realisations for the benefit of the creditors of LCF and LOG (LCF is the sole secured creditor in the LOG administration). This funding will be repaid by both LCF and LOG in due course.

Agents & Professional Fees

A full breakdown of the fees incurred by the agents and professional advisors of the joint administrators can be found at Appendix XII.

Loan to WCOL/ the Prime Companies/ LOG

As detailed at section 6, the joint administrators have provided loans to the administrators of LOG, the Prime Companies, including Waterside, in order to maximise the realisable value of the assets held by these entities for the ultimate benefit of LCF's creditors.

A review of the WCOL/Prime loans was undertaken during the period, which has resulted in a number of payments being reallocated from LCF account codes to the respective Prime/ WCOL loan accounts. Therefore, the payments made during the period may not match the breakdown provided in the appendices. A breakdown of these reallocations is as follows:

- Professional advisors - £96,431
- Professional advisor expenses - £444
- Agent/ Valuers fees - £79,673
- Agent/ Valuers expenses - £2,847
- Storage fees - £2,375,

In addition, a total amount of £5,891 has been reallocated from the Prime/WCOL loan accounts to irrecoverable VAT.

Legal Fees

The below is a summary of the work undertaken by MdR:

- **Investigations.** This included advice relating to gathering evidence, actions to safeguard assets, and investigating possible routes to recovery.
- **Litigation** - This included dealing with litigation issued against 15 defendants seeking to recover £178m of Bondholders' funds invested in LCF. This also included dealing with litigation brought against LCF, and the administrators of LCF, by other parties and includes time and disbursements incurred in defending these actions.
- **Forensic Analysis.** This included advice relating to structuring appropriate initial search methodologies, an initial targeted review of data, and a consideration of possible legal remedies.
- **Regulatory.** This included advice relating to the FCA, FSCS, HM Treasury and the SFO, such as around the administrators' obligations and powers, attendance at various meetings, and a consideration of the potential claims for compensation and providing appropriate guidance to Bondholders.
- **Project and Document Management.** This included work around collecting, managing and processing data (please note that in excess of 1.5 million documents have been collected to date) pertaining to, amongst other matters, the asset realisation and investigatory work streams.
- **Miscellaneous.** This included advice relating to certain law enforcement activity.

In addition, MdR have undertaken the following tasks:

- Meetings and communications with the former LCF Creditors' Committee and matters arising therefrom.
- Liaison with Bondholders, where appropriate to the progress of the administrators' investigations and other matters.
- International legal research including with regard to Portugal (re Cape Verde), Ireland and Dominican Republic.
- Liaison with professional support teams.
- Undertaking interviews with a number of key individuals.
- Legal advice and analysis regarding application of recoveries.

Legal Expenses

A breakdown of the legal expenses paid during the period can be summarised as follows:

- **Counsel Fees - £128,615** - It has been necessary to seek advice from Counsel in respect of a number of litigation streams regarding the administration. As the majority of these costs have been incurred as a direct result of the joint administrators' investigations, it is necessary that the exact details remain confidential.
- **Agents and Professional Advisors - £9,159** - It has been necessary to instruct various agents to assist with the joint administrators' investigation as detailed within the body of this report.

A number of agents and professional advisors have been instructed directly by the joint administrators' legal advisors and, as these costs have been incurred as a direct result of the joint administrators' targeted confidential investigations, it is necessary that the exact details of these agents and advisors remain confidential.

- **General Legal Disbursements - £8,631** - The joint administrators' legal advisors have necessarily incurred general disbursement costs directly related to the administration. These costs include, but are not limited to, postage and courier costs and company, Land Registry and court searches.
- **E-disclosure - £22,401** - MdR has incurred these costs in dealing with the e-disclosure process which is required as part of the ongoing litigation as detailed in the body of this report.

In addition, during the reporting period, LCF has repaid £152,507 to LOG in respect of payments made by LOG to cover LCF legal disbursements. This repayment has been debited to the legal expenses category to reflect that these funds have been utilised to settle legal disbursements.

III Time analysis for the period

From 30 July 2021 to 29 January 2022

Classification of work function	Hours					Total hours	Time cost	Average hourly rate
	Partner / Director	Associate director	Manager/ Assistant Manager	Other professional staff	Assistants & support staff			
Administration and planning								
Statutory returns, reports & meetings	2.50	6.20	21.73	0.00	0.00	30.43	13,822.53	454.19
Cashiering general, including bonding	4.38	0.98	20.28	3.68	0.00	29.33	11,278.76	384.51
Job planning, reviews and progression (inc 6 month reviews and planning meetings, checklist & diary	46.70	19.85	9.33	12.68	0.00	88.57	54,934.60	620.26
Post-appointment taxation (VAT, PAYE/NIC, Corp Tax that are not trading related)	0.00	0.00	0.85	0.00	0.00	0.85	318.75	375.00
Agents and advisers, general	0.00	5.85	10.82	0.00	0.00	16.67	7,639.40	458.36
Director/manager review, approval and signing	0.85	2.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.20	2,076.88	649.03
Other	41.50	55.05	7.10	0.20	0.00	103.85	67,573.28	650.68
Investigations								
Debtor/ Loan Book and other investigations to identify asset recoveries	157.52	36.65	16.55	15.78	0.00	226.50	150,658.20	665.15
Cash and other asset tracing	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.55	0.00	1.55	523.13	337.50
Other (including liaising with various bodies i.e. SFO, FCA, FSCS)	10.15	1.20	4.18	1.50	0.00	17.03	10,422.52	611.89
Creditors								
Bondholders (dealing with Bondholder correspondence and queries)	1.10	65.65	66.12	66.55	0.00	199.42	87,235.71	437.45
Creditors' committee	37.41	23.40	34.08	0.00	0.00	94.89	55,171.29	581.40
Distributions for prefs and unsecured	0.00	0.75	2.55	0.00	0.00	3.30	1,415.63	428.98
Dealing with queries from regulatory bodies (i.e. FCA, FCSC, SFO)	13.75	7.50	16.17	0.00	0.00	37.42	20,968.82	560.41
Other	0.00	1.75	5.48	0.00	0.00	7.23	3,128.12	432.46
Prime								
Waterside	0.10	3.15	4.65	26.70	0.00	34.60	12,759.45	368.77
Corporate Tax								
Corporate Tax	3.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.75	2,925.00	780.00
Forensics								
Forensics	26.25	0.00	186.38	22.58	0.00	235.22	124,665.42	530.00
Total	345.96	230.33	406.28	151.23	0.00	1,133.81	£627,517.49	£553.46

Explanation of major work activities undertaken

Administration and planning

The joint administrators have been required to spend a considerable amount of time in planning and administration tasks in respect of the administration strategy. Due to the scale of this case, it has been crucial to ensure that all statutory matters are dealt with efficiently and that all possible options when choosing strategy are fully explored. The joint administrators and their staff have been obliged to undertake certain areas of work in order to comply with their statutory obligations and internal compliance requirements. The following work has been conducted in respect of administration and planning:

- preparing and issuing the joint administrators' six-month progress report for the period ending 29 July 2021;
- statutory case reviews (to be completed every six months);
- dealing with the extension of the administration for the period of up to two years until 29 January 2024;
- maintenance of compliance checklists;
- maintenance of the IPS compliance diary;
- general case planning and administration including case strategy decisions;
- internal case staff strategy meetings/ calls;
- dealing with case progression matters;
- attending at various meetings/ calls in respect of the administration;
- internal communications with the Forensics team;
- dealing with routine correspondence;

- maintaining schedules of professional advisor costs and expenses;
- dealing with the Company's tax affairs;
- corresponding with HMRC regarding the Company's tax affairs;
- reviewing and signing off various documents and correspondence by partners, directors and managers;
- completing necessary paperwork for payment vouchers and other cashiering instruction;
- maintaining physical case files;
- dealing with and instructing agents and other professional advisers;
- dealing with the provision of various information to the FSCS, the SFO and other parties;
- responding to various press queries in respect of the progression of the administration;
- liaising with the Smith & Williamson IT department regarding the maintenance of the LCF email mailbox and webpage; and

Cashiering time:

- maintaining and managing the administrators' cash book and bank accounts;
- reconciliation of bank account;
- correspondence with banks; and
- raising cheques/preparing telegraphic transfers.

Investigations

This section relates to the work that the joint administrators have conducted in relation to their investigations into the failure of the Company. The joint administrators have a duty to consider any potential claims that the Company may have against third parties that may give rise to potential claims for the benefit of the Company's creditors, including the Bondholders/FSCS. Whilst it is likely that the majority of this work will provide a direct financial benefit for the Company's creditors, including the Bondholders/FSCS, some streams of the investigation work that will be, or have been, carried out are required by statute and may not necessarily provide a direct financial benefit for the Company's creditors.

The Company's largest asset is its debtor book and the joint administrators have dedicated a large quantity of time to understanding this asset in great detail. This work is not only necessary but crucial to the joint administrators' ability to determine any likely returns to the Company's creditors, including the Bondholders/FSCS. By way of reminder, the joint administrators are working to identify assets to the value of £238 million which the Company is owed by a number of entities. Dealing with assets of this value will naturally result in a significant amount of time being expended in order to ensure the best chance of recoveries. The value of the time incurred by the joint administrators during the period in dealing with this asset is 0.1% of the total debtor book value. An overview of the debts totalling £237,854,124, owed to the Company, is detailed at Appendix VI of this report. The time expended thus far by the joint administrators has allowed them to carefully assess the recoverability of each debt which will ultimately provide a direct financial benefit to creditors, including the Bondholders/FSCS.

In addition to the above, the joint administrators have issued claims against a number of parties and details of this work is contained within this section of work undertaken. It is important to note that further detail, beyond that disclosed in this report, regarding these investigations is required to be kept confidential in order to prevent jeopardising any potential actions that can be taken on behalf of the Company's creditors, including Bondholders/FSCS.

The work which has been undertaken to maximise the potential return of the greatest proportion of the c£238m for the benefit of the creditors, including the Bondholders/FSCS, includes the following:

- dealing with the debtors of the Company;
- investigating the recoverability of each loan made by the Company, including investigations into the Borrower companies;
- monitoring the financial position of each of the debtors of the Company in order to determine their ability to settle the liability owed to the Company;
- liaising with our legal advisors in respect of the Borrower companies;
- reviewing the flow of funds from the Company to various entities;

- collating information on third parties associated with each of the debtors;
- discussions with LOG in respect of its financial arrangements with IOG;
- requests for information belonging to, or held on behalf of, the Company from various parties;
- investigating circumstances which might give rise to claims against various parties and hence potential realisations of assets for the benefit of the creditors, including the Bondholders/FSCS;
- reviewing and submitting various witness statements;
- dealing with ongoing litigation in respect of the Company;
- investigation of other potential litigation matters that may give rise to further recoveries for creditors, including Bondholders. At this juncture, it is necessary that these investigations remain confidential so as not to jeopardise any potential actions that may be taken.

Other work that the joint administrators have carried out in respect of their investigations includes the following:

- review of the Company's financial accounting records;
- making enquiries of parties associated with the Company in respect of the Company's finances and other business activities;
- tracing assets belonging to the Company, or purchased by the Company;
- tracing assets of third parties connected to the Company;
- assisting the FCA and the FSCS with their enquiries including providing information requested;
- liaising with the SFO; and

A great deal of time has been expended in the early stages of the administration as it was essential that the joint administrators and their team took immediate actions to gain an in-depth understanding of the Company's asset position in order to better safeguard them from any potential dissipation. As expected, the amount of time spent on these investigations has reduced significantly in the reporting period as the administrators have a greater understanding of how the Company's loans process operated and a clearer strategy of which routes of investigation they will be pursuing.

Creditors/ Bondholders

This section is in relation to time spent in dealing with correspondence from creditors including both Bondholders and trade and expense creditors. It should be noted that at the outset of the administration there were over 11,700 Bondholders who had been affected by the administration of the Company and consequently the joint administrators and their staff have incurred a significant amount of time in dealing with a wide range of communications with Bondholders. As the FSCS continue to compensate eligible Bondholders, the number of affected individuals will fall resulting in less time spent by the joint administrators and their teams dealing with various queries Bondholders have.

Whilst the bulk of this work does not provide a direct financial benefit to the Company's creditors, it is crucial that all Bondholders are kept up to date on the progress being made in the administration and, given the continuous volume of correspondence being dealt with, these costs cannot be avoided. Bondholders received a direct financial benefit from the work undertaken by the joint administrators and their team in processing the first dividend payment. The indirect financial benefit to the creditors from this work is the assistance given to the joint administrators by the creditors/ Bondholders with regard to their investigations.

It should also be noted that, as the FSCS has compensated the majority of Bondholders, they are now the largest creditor of the Company and time spent liaising with them is included in this section. In addition, it is expected that time incurred in this section will eventually be significantly reduced. This section involves the following work streams:

- dealing with personal information update requests from Bondholders including email addresses and postal addresses;
- dealing with telephone calls received from Bondholders;
- drafting and issuing responses to written correspondence received from Bondholders;
- drafting and issuing responses to written correspondence received from Members of Parliament on behalf of Bondholders;
- dealing with correspondence received in respect of deceased Bondholders;

- sending physical copies of correspondence to Bondholders;
- monitoring and responding to emails received to the dedicated LCF mailbox;
- managing the MailChimp account for ease of communication to Bondholders;
- preparing updates to Bondholders and issuing these updates through the MailChimp service;
- Maintaining the RingCentral phone system used to deal with Bondholder calls;
- liaising with the FSCS in respect of Bondholder compensation;
- liaising with the FSCS in respect of HMT compensation;
- dealing with queries in respect of the FSCS' announcement in respect of compensation;
- liaising with the former Creditors' Committee;
- planning and organising former Creditors' Committee meetings;
- attending former Creditors' Committee meetings;
- preparing and circulating minutes following former Creditors' Committee meetings;
- liaising with the former Creditors' Committee in respect of the fee assessor assignment;
- dealing with requests made by the former Creditors' Committee;
- dealing with all other correspondence with the former Creditors' Committee;
- dealing with correspondence from Sherman Sterling
- continuing to adjudicate Bondholder claims received after the dividend in March 2020 (i.e. reconciling the proof of debt forms received to the Company's records);
- arranging for cheques to be reissued at the request of Bondholders, primarily for uninformed changes to address;
- preparing data for processing catch up dividends to those Bondholders who were unable to submit a proof of debt for in time for the March dividend;
- dealing with correspondence by email, telephone and physical post from Bondholders in respect of the dividend;

Corporate Tax

- internal discussions with the joint administrators to develop an understanding of the case and to ensure that all potential tax liabilities are mitigated insofar as possible;

Forensics

- maintaining the joint administrators' data hosting platform;
- mining information from the Eclipse system in order to support the joint administrators' investigations; and
- provision of information to various bodies including the SFO, MdR and conflict administrator.

IV Cumulative time analysis

Smith & Williamson LLP - From 30 January 2019 to 29 January 2022

Classification of work function	Hours					Total hours	Time cost	Average hourly rate
	Partner / Director	Associate director	Manager/ Assistant Manager	Other professional staff	Assistants & support staff			
Administration and planning								
Statutory returns, reports & meetings	205.25	37.00	125.13	217.87	14.00	599.25	275,427.51	459.62
Initial post-appointment notification letters, including creditors	13.10	0.00	7.85	5.40	0.00	26.35	13,237.00	502.35
Cashiering general, including bonding	5.23	2.17	20.28	293.33	0.00	321.02	83,615.58	260.47
Job planning, reviews and progression (inc 6 month reviews and planning meetings, checklist & diary	542.23	79.28	198.23	331.18	4.00	1,154.93	591,146.94	511.85
Post-appointment taxation (VAT, PAYE/NIC, Corp Tax that are not trading related)	1.10	3.10	2.85	5.48	0.00	12.53	5,323.77	424.77
Protection of company records (incl electronic)	8.15	0.00	1.25	8.10	0.00	17.50	8,034.75	459.13
Insurance & general asset protection	14.70	0.75	0.00	2.60	0.00	18.05	10,723.00	594.07
Travelling	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Filing, file and information management	5.70	0.00	2.25	1.50	0.00	9.45	5,062.50	535.71
Pre-appointment non creditor tax	1.60	0.00	1.75	0.00	0.00	3.35	1,852.50	552.99
Company searches	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Agents and advisers, general	76.70	9.35	15.07	31.47	0.00	132.58	72,819.10	549.23
Correspondence with joint liquidator	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.70	0.00	1.80	996.25	553.47
Filing - Administration and planning	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.30	87.00	290.00
Director/manager review, approval and signing	24.03	20.10	19.25	5.95	0.00	69.33	40,209.27	579.94
Other	49.65	55.05	11.60	30.78	0.00	147.08	83,775.52	569.58
Investigations								
Correspondence with directors	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.75	0.00	4.75	1,586.00	333.89
Creditor & shareholder complaints	0.00	1.75	0.75	0.00	0.00	2.50	949.00	379.60
Review of the Company's books and records	9.00	21.10	2.20	27.50	4.50	64.30	25,398.25	395.00
Debtor/ Loan Book and other investigations to identify asset recoveries	2,596.97	134.55	163.90	156.92	0.00	3,052.34	1,887,191.34	618.28
SIP2 obligations (inc liaising with the insolvency service)	11.15	0.00	4.25	13.50	0.00	28.90	12,945.00	447.92
Cash and other asset tracing	66.05	163.50	692.65	133.80	0.00	1,056.00	436,013.63	412.89
Enquiries of advisers (including legal advisors and other professional advisors)	18.40	0.00	8.05	7.20	0.00	33.65	17,611.75	523.38
S235/6 hearings & applications	73.60	0.00	1.45	6.55	0.00	81.60	47,372.25	580.54
Director/manager review, approval and signing	0.55	6.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.05	3,788.00	537.30
Other (including liaising with various bodies i.e. SFO, FCA, FSCS)	38.35	1.90	29.68	14.43	0.00	84.37	44,617.31	528.85
Realisation of assets								
Debtors subject to invoice discounting/factoring	0.25	0.95	0.00	2.43	0.00	3.63	1,472.52	405.27
Debtors	24.30	0.00	0.00	18.10	0.00	42.40	19,264.25	454.35
Other chattel assets	3.75	0.00	2.00	0.85	0.00	6.60	3,050.00	462.12
Financed assets	8.25	0.00	0.00	0.75	0.00	9.00	4,920.00	546.67
Cash at Bank	0.30	0.00	3.75	2.00	0.00	6.05	2,433.25	402.19
Liaising with agents (general)	0.00	0.00	1.75	0.40	0.00	2.15	909.00	422.79
Director/manager review, approval and signing	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	337.50	675.00
Other	15.25	0.00	2.95	0.25	0.00	18.45	8,466.25	458.88
Trading/ Premises								
Trading on decision and day 1-3 operations	0.00	0.00	2.50	0.00	0.00	2.50	1,150.00	460.00
Purchasing/suppliers (not landlord)	2.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.40	1,560.00	650.00
Accounting	0.60	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00	3.60	1,770.00	491.67
Insurances	0.00	0.00	8.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	3,698.75	462.34
Staff and payroll (inc PAYE/NIC for trading period)	0.00	0.00	0.75	1.50	0.00	2.25	735.00	326.67
Premises issues (inc landlord and site clearance)	0.00	0.00	4.50	12.25	0.00	16.75	5,275.00	314.93
Shutdown or handover	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.50	0.00	15.50	4,030.00	260.00
Other	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.35	0.00	0.95	367.00	386.32
Creditors								
Bondholders (dealing with Bondholder correspondence and queries)	202.37	154.37	554.13	1,910.72	628.52	3,450.10	1,042,825.27	302.26
Floating charge creditors	18.30	0.00	0.00	24.20	7.50	50.00	17,566.00	351.32
HP & lease creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.85	0.00	0.85	245.00	288.24
RPO and ERA claims & tribunals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	130.00	260.00
Employees & pension	1.50	0.75	0.00	18.83	0.00	21.08	6,212.99	294.69
Crown (not RPO etc)	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.75	0.00	2.15	1,105.00	513.95
Unsecured creditors	0.80	0.70	7.00	7.20	0.00	15.70	6,069.50	386.59
Creditors' committee	233.21	104.05	160.90	210.87	0.00	709.03	355,668.54	501.63
ROT Claims	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Distributions for prefs and unsecured	19.15	19.38	204.97	949.00	1,414.70	2,607.20	489,782.62	187.86
Dealing with queries from regulatory bodies (i.e. FCA, FCSC, SFO)	34.00	15.50	40.22	28.50	7.00	125.22	60,446.10	482.73
Dealing with creditor queries (i.e. SAR requests)	0.85	2.00	9.50	10.05	7.00	29.40	9,618.50	327.16
Filing- creditors	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.33	0.00	6.33	1,783.82	281.66
Director/manager review, approval and signing	0.00	0.00	18.00	2.45	0.00	20.45	9,724.25	475.51
Other	5.50	1.75	20.58	8.20	0.00	36.03	15,607.62	433.14

Prime								
Dominican Republic	92.70	6.25	0.00	5.70	0.00	104.65	67,810.25	647.97
Waterside	99.80	18.33	4.65	27.25	0.00	150.03	89,125.76	594.04
Corporate Tax								
Corporate Tax	64.68	0.40	18.33	6.75	0.00	90.17	54,765.50	607.38
Assurance & Business Services								
Assurance & Business Services	24.00	2.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	26.50	15,163.50	572.21
Forensics								
Forensics	221.25	0.00	1,367.92	926.40	0.00	2,515.57	912,914.94	362.91
Total	4,837.73	863.03	3,744.45	5,498.25	2,087.22	17,030.68	£6,885,786.91	£404.32

FRP Advisory Trading LLP - From 30 January 2019 to 29 January 2022

London Capital & Finance Plc - FRP Time Costs

London Capital & Finance PLC - FRP Time Costs						
	Time incurred to date					
	Time charged for the period 30 October 2019 to 29 January 2022					
	Appointment Takers / Partners	Managers / Directors	Other Professional	Junior Professional & Support	Total Hours	Total Costs Incurred
Task						
Administration and Planning	82.75	31.80	30.20	-	144.75	81,581.00
Asset Realisation	261.20	0.50	-	-	261.70	181,256.50
Investigation	435.75	365.70	98.60	5.40	905.45	505,351.50
Statutory Compliance	19.45	12.80	13.40	-	45.65	22,328.25
Total:	799.15	410.80	142.20	5.40	1,357.55	790,517.25

Time comparison for time incurred by the joint administrators (Excluding the conflict administrator)

The following gives a summary of our estimated administrators' fees for the third year of the administration, provided in our previous progress report, and the actual time costs incurred for the 12 months to 29 January 2022, for ease of comparison:

Task	Estimated fees to be incurred for the third year of the administration to 29 January 2022 £	Actual Fees incurred for the third year of the administration to 29 January 2022 £
Administration and Planning	468,680	242,636
Investigations (including Prime)	798,625	426,456
Realisation of Assets	64,825	1,473
Creditors	542,390	354,798
Corporate Tax and VAT	23,205	6,533
Forensics	209,035	219,459
Total	2,106,760	1,251,355

The following gives a summary of our estimated administrators' fees for the second year of the administration, provided in our previous progress report, and the actual time costs incurred for the 12 months to 29 January 2021, for ease of comparison:

Task	Estimated fees to be incurred for the second year of the administration to 29 January 2021 £	Actual Fees incurred for the second year of the administration to 29 January 2021 £
Administration and Planning	511,300	474,074
Investigations (including Prime)	1,598,775	537,460
Realisation of Assets	52,750	-
Creditors	919,200	771,927
Corporate Tax and VAT	21,250	23,318
Assurance & Business Services	6,750	537
Forensics	495,000	196,821
Total	3,605,025	2,004,137

The following gives a summary of the joint administrators costs for the first year of the administration, provided in our previous progress report, and the actual time costs incurred as at 29 January 2020 for ease of comparison:

Task	Estimated fees to be incurred for the first year of the administration to 29 January 2021 £	Actual Fees Incurred for the first year of the administration to 29 January 2020 £
Administration and Planning	596,745	468,101
Investigations	2,394,930	1,677,993
Realisation of Assets	312,330	39,380
Trading	30,615	18,586
Creditors	746,790	890,059
Corp Tax and VAT	36,170	24,916
Assurance & Business Services	22,700	14,626
Forensics	329,020	496,635
Total	4,469,300	3,630,296

V Fee Estimate for the year 30 January 2022 to 29 January 2024

Classification of work function	Hours					Total hours	Time cost	Average hourly rate
	Partner / Director	Associate Director	Manager / Assistant Manager	Other professional staff	Assistants & support staff			
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Administration and planning	428.00	331.00	286.00	102.00	5.00	1,152.00	666,062.50	578.18
Statutory returns, reports & meetings	50.00	70.00	85.00	20.00	0.00	225.00	£119,000.00	£528.89
Cashiering general, including bonding	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	£49,375.00	£493.75
Job planning, reviews and progression (inc 6 month reviews and planning meetings)	300.00	125.00	100.00	50.00	0.00	575.00	£355,937.50	£619.02
Post-appointment taxation (VAT, PAYE/NIC, Corp Tax that are not trading related)	3.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	0.00	17.00	£8,850.00	£520.59
Agents and advisers, general	15.00	15.00	25.00	10.00	0.00	65.00	£33,187.50	£510.58
Correspondence with joint liquidator	10.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	0.00	35.00	£19,062.50	£544.64
Filing - Administration and planning	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	£2,337.50	£233.75
Director/manager review, approval and signing	35.00	40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00	£50,750.00	£676.67
Other	15.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	50.00	£27,562.50	£551.25
Investigations	740.00	330.00	215.00	142.00	0.00	1,427.00	871,925.00	611.02
Directors' correspondence	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	£0.00	
Statutory books and accounting records review	10.00	15.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	75.00	£20,750.00	£276.67
Borrowers/ Loan Book and other investigations to identify asset recoveries	650.00	250.00	150.00	85.00	0.00	1,135.00	£725,562.50	£639.26
Cash and other asset tracing	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	60.00	£34,375.00	£572.92
Enquiries of advisers	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00	0.00	75.00	£43,062.50	£574.17
Other (including liaising with various bodies i.e. SFO, FCA, FSCS)	35.00	20.00	15.00	12.00	0.00	82.00	£48,175.00	£587.50
Realisation of assets	80.00	45.00	20.00	23.00	0.00	168.00	102,825.00	612.05
Debtors	50.00	25.00	10.00	5.00	0.00	90.00	£58,250.00	£647.22
Liasining with agents (general)	15.00	10.00	0.00	8.00	0.00	33.00	£20,075.00	£608.33
Other	15.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	45.00	£24,500.00	£544.44
Creditors	97.00	157.00	160.00	104.00	31.00	549.00	268,042.50	488.24
Bondholders	50.00	75.00	75.00	65.00	25.00	290.00	£36,750.00	471.55
Unsecured creditors	4.00	4.00	10.00	5.00	1.00	24.00	£11,017.50	459.06
Creditors' committee	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Distributions	25.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	5.00	155.00	£77,212.50	498.15
Dealing with creditor queries in relation to regulatory bodies (i.e. FCA, FCSC, SFO)	15.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	0.00	70.00	£37,625.00	537.50
Dealing with creditor queries (i.e. SAR requests)	2.00	2.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	7.00	£3,737.50	533.93
Other	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	3.00	£1,700.00	566.67
Prime	40.00	65.00	12.00	75.00	0.00	192.00	99,625.00	518.88
Dominican Republic	15.00	20.00	6.00	25.00	0.00	66.00	£34,187.50	517.99
Prime	25.00	45.00	6.00	50.00	0.00	126.00	£65,437.50	519.35
Corporate Tax	18.00	0.00	15.00	10.00	0.00	43.00	22,500.00	523.26
Corporate Tax	18.00	0.00	15.00	10.00	0.00	43.00	£22,500.00	523.26
Forensics	65.00	0.00	175.00	175.00	5.00	420.00	174,087.50	414.49
Forensics	65.00	0.00	175.00	175.00	5.00	420.00	£174,087.50	414.49
Total	1,551.00	928.00	1,073.00	816.00	46.00	4,414.00	£2,205,067.50	£499.56

London Capital & Finance plc (in administration)
Estimated expenses in accordance with Categories 1 & 2 (SIP 9) and payable to third parties *

Case specific costs - where applicable

Agents' fees	£120,000.00
Agent's expenses	£12,000.00
Legal fees	£3,225,000.00
Legal expenses	£1,100,000.00
Other costs (i.e. mail redirection and other similar costs)	£7,500.00
Security trustee fees	£7,500.00
Storage costs	£1,200.00
Irrecoverable VAT	£917,640.00
Data hosting costs*	£85,000.00
Total	£4,195,570.00

Category 1 expenses, in accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 are specific costs payable to an independent third party and relate directly to the case in question.

* These are Category 2 expenses and are payable to the office holder's firm and are shared or allocated costs, most notably business mileage and data hosting costs.

Conflict administrators' fee estimate to 31 August 2022

Estimated Future Time						
Estimated time costs for the period 30 January 2022 to 31 August 2022						
Appointment Takers / Partners	Managers / Directors	Other Professional	Junior Professional & Support	Total Hours	Total Future Costs	Total Incurred + Future Costs
12.53	26.41	26.43	-	65.36	31,983.94	113,564.94
93.33	-	-	-	93.33	486,500.00	667,756.50
254.80	732.34	708.48	-	1,695.61	797,628.69	1,302,980.19
3.93	7.50	7.60	-	19.03	9,437.38	31,765.63
364.58	766.25	742.50	-	1,873.33	1,325,550.00	2,116,067.25

VI Loan/Borrower Position

Debtor gross loan amount as at 30 January 2019:

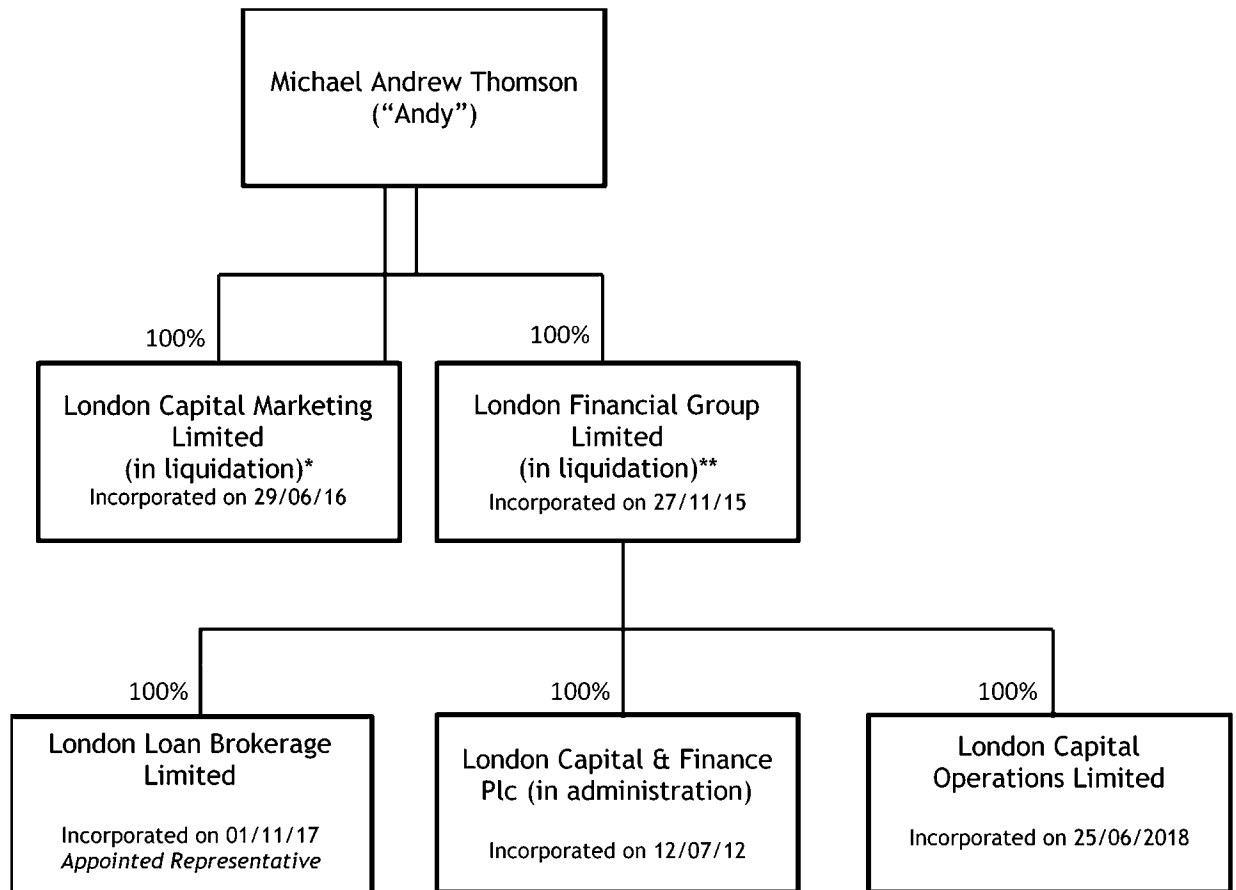
Debtor	Amount due to LCF as at 30 January 2019 (£)
London Oil & Gas Limited (in administration)	124,083,128
LPE Support Limited	18,460,382
Cape Verde Support Limited	7,268,038
CV Resorts Limited	4,796,834
Waterside Villages Limited	15,733,152
Waterside Support Limited	5,084,345
Costa Support Limited	6,603,543
Costa Property Holdings Limited	20,872,447
Colina Support Limited	5,654,890
Colina Property Holdings	16,196,319
FS Equestrian Services Limited	12,261,270
London Financial Group Limited (in liquidation)	839,776
Total	237,854,124

Debtor groups:

Controlling groups/ entities	Amount due to LCF as at 30 January 2019 (£)
London Group LLP	154,600,000
(London Oil & Gas Limited, LPE Support Limited, Cape Verde Support Limited and CV Resorts Limited)	
Prime Resort Development Limited	70,100,000
(Waterside Villages Limited, Waterside Support Limited, Costa Support Limited, Costa Property Holdings Limited, Colina Support Limited and Colina Property Holdings Limited)	
FS Equestrian Services Limited	12,300,000
London Financial Group Limited	800,000
Total	237,800,000

VII Group Structure Diagram - LCF

London Capital & Finance Plc (in administration) Group Structure



* The joint administrators issued a petition for the compulsory winding up of London Capital Marketing Limited ("LCM") on 1 July 2019. The petition was opposed by LCM, whose sole director is Mr Thomson. Following a court hearing, on 27 July 2020 a winding up order was granted and LCM entered compulsory liquidation. Finbarr O'Connell and Colin Hardman were appointed as joint liquidators of LCM on 28 August 2020.

** The joint administrators issued a petition for the compulsory winding up LFG on 24 May 2019. On 17 July 2019 the winding up order was granted and LFG entered into compulsory liquidation. On 18 September 2019, Finbarr O'Connell and Colin Hardman of Smith & Williamson LLP and Lane Bednash of CMB Partners UK Limited were appointed as joint liquidators of LFG. The final account of the LFG liquidation was delivered to creditors in November 2021 and the joint liquidators were released from office on 13 January 2022. It is expected that this entity will be dissolved by the registrar in April 2022.

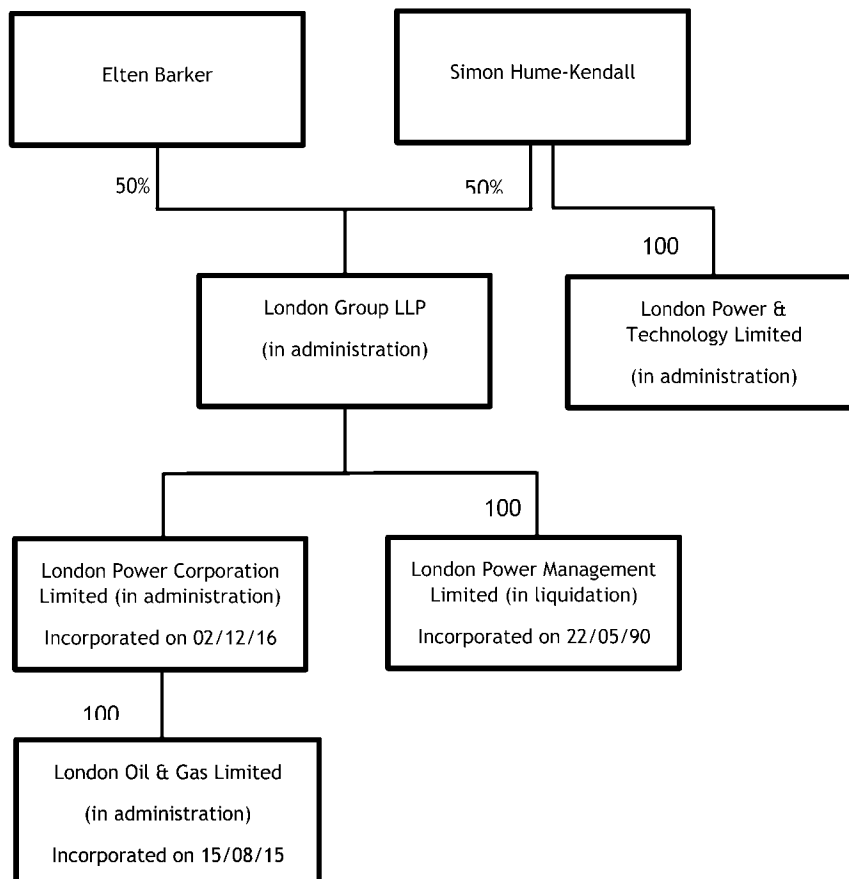
VIII Borrower schedule - London Group LLP

London Group loan position:

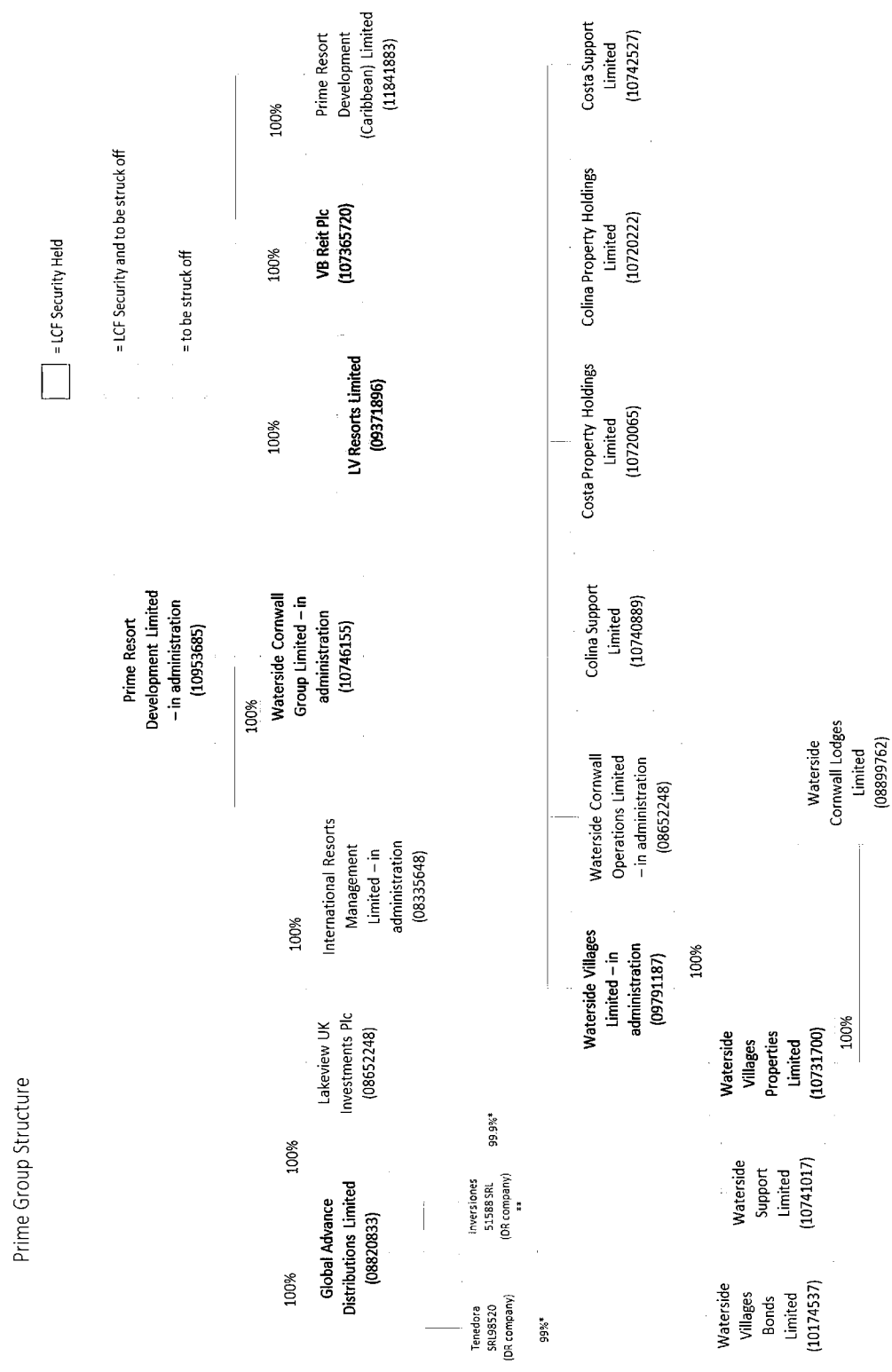
Debtor	Sum advanced (£m)
Independent Oil & Gas plc ("IOG")	34.6
London Group LLP ("LG")	32.6
London Power Corporation Ltd ("LPC")	8.3
p/f Atlantic Petroleum ("AP")	3.8
Intelligent Technology Investments Ltd ("ITI")	3.8
Total	*83.1

* Note: This sum excludes any accrued interest, costs and other charges due and payable to LOG.

Group structure diagram:



IX Group Structure Diagram - 'Prime'



X Staffing, charging, subcontractor and adviser policies and charge out rates

Introduction

Detailed below are:

- Smith & Williamson LLP's policies in relation to:
 - Staff allocation and the use of subcontractors
 - Professional advisers
 - Expense recovery
- Smith & Williamson LLP's current charge out rates

Staff allocation and the use of subcontractors

Our general approach to resourcing our assignments is to allocate staff with the skills and experience to meet the specific requirements of the case.

The constitution of the case team will usually consist of a partner and a partner or director or associate director or consultant as joint office-holders, a manager, and an administrator or assistant. The exact constitution of the case team will depend on the anticipated size and complexity of the assignment and the experience requirements of the assignment. The charge out rate schedule below provides details of all grades of staff and their experience level.

We may use subcontractors to perform work which might ordinarily be carried out by us and our staff where it is cost effective to do so and/or where the specific expertise offered by the subcontractor is required and where this will add best value and service.

Details of any subcontractors' services utilised in the period covered by this report are set out in the body of this report.

Any such arrangements will be reviewed periodically to ensure that best value and service continue to be obtained.

Use of professional advisers

We select professional advisers such as agents and solicitors on the basis of balancing a number of factors including:

- The industry and/or practice area expertise required to perform the required work.
- The complexity and nature of the assignment.
- The availability of resources to meet the critical deadlines in the case.
- The charge out rates or fee structures that would be applicable to the assignment.
- The extent to which we believe that the advisers in question can add best value and service to the assignment.
- The expertise and experience of the service provider;
- The provider holds appropriate regulatory authorisations; and
- The professional and ethical standards applicable to the service provider.

Arrangements will be reviewed periodically to ensure that best value and service continue to be obtained.

External professional advisers are third party entities. The insolvency practitioners and their firm do not have any association with any external provider of services and therefore they do not fall within the definition of an associate as defined in Section 435 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9. Payments to external professional advisers for the services they provide are therefore not a category 2 expense as defined in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 and therefore do not require prior approval from the committee or creditors.

Expenses

Category 1 expenses do not require approval by creditors. The type of expenses that may be charged as a Category 1 expense to a case generally comprise external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, such as postage, case advertising, invoiced travel and external printing, room hire and document storage. Also, chargeable will be any properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case.

Category 2 expenses do require approval from creditors. These are costs which are directly referable to the appointment in question but are not payments which are made to an independent third party and may include shared or allocated costs that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis such as internal room hire, document storage or business mileage.

Since 7 July 2012 Smith & Williamson LLP's policy is to recover only one type of Category 2 expense, namely business mileage at HMRC's approved mileage rates at the relevant time. Current mileage rates are 45p per mile plus 5p per passenger per mile. Prior to 7 July 2012 approval may have been obtained to recover other types of Category 2 expenses.

Details of any Category 2 expenses incurred and/or recovered in the period covered by this report are set out in the body of this report.

Charge out rates

A schedule of Smith & Williamson LLP's charge out rates was issued to creditors at the time the basis of the administrators' remuneration was approved. The rates applicable to this appointment are set out below. Changes to the charge out rates during the period of this report were applied with effect from 1 July 2021.

Smith & Williamson LLP	From	From	From	From
Restructuring & Recovery Services	1/7/18	1/7/19	1/7/20	1/7/21
Charge out rates				
Partner / Director	565-650	580-675	580-710	640 - 760
Associate Director	495 -525	495 - 550	495 - 580	490 - 630
Managers	250-365	340-475	350-500	370 - 540
Other professional staff	170-400	225-475	225-580	160 - 355
Support & secretarial staff	115	125	130	135 - 155

Notes

- Up to 31 July 2020 time is recorded in units representing 3 minutes or multiples thereof. From 1 August 2020 time is recorded in 1 minute units or multiples thereof.
- It may be necessary to utilise staff from both regional and London offices, subject to the requirements of individual cases.
- The firm's cashiering function is centralised and London rates apply. Up to 31 July 2020 the cashiering function time is incorporated within 'Other professional staff' rates. From 1 August 2020 the cashiering function time is split between 'Other professional staff', 'Managers' and 'Associate Director'.
- Partner includes a Consultant acting as an office-holder or in an equivalent role.

Smith & Williamson LLP	London office
Corporate Tax	£/hr
Charge out rates as at 1 January 2022	
Partner / Director	590-950
Associate Director	430-535
Managers	230-460
Other professional staff	105-245
Support & secretarial staff	60-75

Smith & Williamson LLP	London office
Corporate Tax	£/hr
Charge out rates as at 1 July 2021	
Partner / Director	550-890
Associate Director	400-500
Managers	215-430
Other professional staff	95-230
Support & secretarial staff	55-70

Smith & Williamson LLP	London office
Forensics	£/hr
Charge out rates as at 1 July 2021	
Partner	808
Managers	595
Other professional staff	196-408

XI Professional advisers

Name of advisor	Basis of fee arrangement	Costs outstanding from previous period £	Costs incurred in current period £	Costs paid in current period £	Total costs outstanding at period end £	Revised estimate £	Total costs incurred in last 12 months £	Variance to revised estimate £	Estimate future to Jan 2024 £
MdR	Hourly rate	3,461,491	983,975	2,954,885	1,490,581	2,225,000	1,939,567	(285,433)	4,150,000
	and expenses	153,778	119,657	321,313	104,629	1,000,000	560,069	(439,931)	1,000,000
Maybern Consultancy Ltd	Hourly rate	-	29,756	29,756	-	80,000	56,181	(23,819)	65,000
	and expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000
SIA Group	Fixed Fee	-	2,500	2,500	-	-	2,500	2,500	-
Berkeley Research Group (UK) Ltd	Hourly rate	-	79,831	68,918	10,913	-	79,831	79,831	85,000
	and expenses	-	3,992	3,446	546	-	3,992	3,992	7,000
D M Corbett	Hourly rate	-	180	180	-	-	180	180	200
Total		3,615,269	1,219,891	3,380,998	1,606,669	3,305,000	2,642,320	662,680	5,312,200

Note: Total costs outstanding may include costs incurred in prior periods, but not yet paid.

MdR - MdR has assisted the joint administrators in respect of a number of work streams including pre-litigation work, forensic legal analysis, advice in respect of insurance matters and general legal advice in the administration. A full explanation of major work activities undertaken by MdR can be found at Appendix II.

MdR is regulated by the Solicitors' Regulatory Authority and has a dedicated department specialising in insolvency with experience in managing complex litigation, investigations and asset recovery cases. MdR has vast case knowledge regarding the administration and is considered the most appropriate legal advisors to continue to use going forward. Please note that MdR are also acting for the conflict administrator, as they have specific expertise in the principal matter on which the conflict administrator is currently working.

Berkeley Research Group (UK) Ltd ('BRG') - BRG has assisted the conflict administrators with their investigations. As detailed at section 4, given that these investigations are ongoing and confidential, it would not be appropriate to provide further details regarding the work undertaken by BRG at this stage and updates will be provided if/when the matter becomes public, during the relevant future reporting period.

XII Administrators' expenses

Description	Costs outstanding from previous period £	Costs incurred in current period £	Costs paid in current period £	Total costs outstanding at period end £	Estimate future To Jan 2024 £
Bondholder Email Costs (MailChimp)	762	320	-	1,082	550
Network Internet & Telephone	1,836	1,970	-	3,806	1,020
Meeting costs	-	-	-	-	7,500
Stationery & Postage	18	-	-	18	20
Total	2,616	2,290	-	4,906	9,090

Note: Total costs outstanding may include costs incurred in prior periods, but not yet paid.

XIII Category 2 expenses

Description	Costs outstanding from previous period £	Costs incurred in current period £	Costs paid in current period £	Total costs outstanding at period end £	Estimate for previous 12 months £	Total costs incurred in last 12 months £	Variance to revised estimate £	Estimate future to Jan 2024 £	Anticipated future total £
Business mileage @ HMRC rates	462	-	-	462	462	462	-	-	462
Data hosting	403,285	52,350	-	455,635	499,750	455,635	(44,115)	85,000	510,635
Total	403,747	52,350	-	456,097	500,212	456,097	(44,115)	85,000	511,097

Note: Total costs outstanding may include costs incurred in prior periods, but not yet paid.

Forensic Technology Data Storage - The Company stored a large quantity of information in an electronic format which has been imaged by Smith & Williamson LLP's forensic technology team. This includes all Company emails and information stored on internal network drives. In order to easily access and search this information, it has been stored using the Forensics team's data hosting platform. These costs are necessary as accessing the Company's data has been and will continue to be crucial to the joint administrators' investigations and legal actions which, in turn, are expected to result in a return of substantial funds to the Company for the benefit of its creditors.

XV Other expenses

Description	Costs outstanding from previous period £	Costs incurred in current period £	Costs paid in current period £	Total costs outstanding at period end £	Estimate for previous 12 months £	Total costs incurred in last 12 months £	Variance to revised estimate £	Estimate future to Jan 2024 £
Datagraphic Ltd	-	52	52	-	304	156	148	-
Total		52	52	-	304	156	148	-

Note: Total costs outstanding may include costs incurred in prior periods, but not yet paid.

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