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1 Company details

Company number 0 9 3 2 4 2 2 7

Company name in full Mike Hughes Limited

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Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Scott

Surname Kippax

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number c/o Begbies Traynor , Balliol House

Street Southernhay Gardens

Post town Exeter

County/Region Devon

Postcode E X 1 1 N P

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Julie

Surname Palmer

① Other liquidator

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another liquidator.

5 Liquidator's address ②

Building name/number Units 1-3 Hilltop Business Park

Street Devizes Road

Post town Salisbury

County/Region Wiltshire

Postcode S P 3 4 U F

Country

② Other liquidator

Use this section to tell us about
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6 Period of progress report

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7 Progress report

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8 Sign and date

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Mike Hughes Limited **(In Creditors'** Voluntary Liquidation)

Progress report

Period: 19 July 2022 to 18 July 2023

Important Notice

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1. INTERPRETATION

<u>Expression</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
"the Company"	Mike Hughes Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)
"the liquidation"	The appointment of liquidators on 19 July 2021.
"the liquidators", "we", "our" and "us"	Scott Kippax of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, Balliol House, Southernhay Gardens, Exeter, EX1 1NP and Julie Anne Palmer of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, Units 1-3 Hilltop Business Park, Devizes Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP3 4UF
"the Act"	The Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)
"the Rules"	The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
"secured creditor" and "unsecured creditor"	Secured creditor, in relation to a company, means a creditor of the company who holds in respect of his debt a security over property of the company, and "unsecured creditor" is to be read accordingly (Section 248(1)(a) of the Act)
"security"	(i) In relation to England and Wales, any mortgage, charge, lien or other security (Section 248(1)(b)(i) of the Act); and (ii) In relation to Scotland, any security (whether heritable or moveable), any floating charge and any right of lien or preference and any right of retention (other than a right of compensation or set off) (Section 248(1)(b)(ii) of the Act)
"preferential creditor"	Any creditor of the Company whose claim is preferential within Sections 386, 387 and Schedule 6 to the Act

2. COMPANY INFORMATION

Company registered number:	09324227
Company registered office:	c/o Begbies Traynor , Balliol House, Southernhay Gardens, Exeter, Devon, EX1 1NP
Former trading address:	99 Chard Road, Exeter, Devon, EX1 3AS

3. DETAILS OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATORS

Date winding up commenced:	19 July 2021
Date of liquidators' appointment:	19 July 2021
Change in liquidator:	None

4. PROGRESS DURING THE PERIOD

Receipts and Payments

Attached at Appendix 1 is our abstract of receipts and payments for the period from 19 July 2022 to 18 July 2023. You will note that there have been no receipts or payments in the period.

What work has been done in the period of this report, why was that work necessary and what has been the financial benefit (if any) to creditors?

Details of the types of work that generally fall into the headings mentioned below are available on our firm's website - <http://www.begbies-traynorgroup.com/work-details>. Under the following headings we have explained the specific work that has been undertaken on this case. Not every piece of work has been described, but we have sought to give a proportionate overview which provides sufficient detail to allow creditors to understand what has been done, why it was necessary and what financial benefit (if any) the work has provided to creditors.

The details below relate to the work undertaken in the period of this report only. Our previous report contains details of the work undertaken since our appointment.

General case administration and planning

Case planning is necessary to ensure sufficient winding up of the Company. It is ensured that all appropriate data on the Company is recorded and filed both electronically and in paper format. It is also necessary to keep appropriate records on the progress of the case, including all decisions made and reasoning behind them.

The following work has been undertaken:

- ☐ Liaising with the director regarding the case
- ☐ Collating information and preparing schedules required to ensure effective management of the case
- ☐ Conducting periodic case reviews to ensure efficient management and compliance of the case
- ☐ Preparing and updating estimated outcome statements

Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice

There are various bodies which must be notified of our appointment, as well as creditors, and we advertise our appointment in the London Gazette. We must keep proper accounting records in order to report to creditors on the monies that we receive and pay out. In addition, we must have a bond in place to protect against funds being misappropriated and the level of this must be kept under review.

The following work has been undertaken:

- ☐ Opening a new bank account for the case, and reviewing and recording any receipts and payments
- ☐ Reviewing the bond level to ensure it is sufficient at all times
- ☐ Preparing an annual report to creditors

Investigations

The Liquidators have a duty to enquire into the affairs of an insolvent company to determine its assets and liabilities and to identify any actions which could lead to the recovery of funds. In addition, a Liquidator is also required to consider the conduct of the Company's directors and make an appropriate submission to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

Our investigations remain ongoing.

Realisation of assets

At the date of Liquidation, the Company held no assets and therefore no work has been necessary under this heading in the period.

Dealing with all creditors' claims (including employees), correspondence and distributions

In order to comply with rules, regulations and best practice guides as well as receive and agree claims from preferential and unsecured creditors, the following tasks have been undertaken:

- ❑ Communication with creditors as appropriate; dealing with queries in a timely manner and updating them as requested
- ❑ Maintaining a list of creditors' claims

Other matters which include seeking decisions from creditors (via Deemed Consent Procedure and/or Decision Procedures), tax, litigation, pensions and travel

The following work has been undertaken:

- ❑ VAT and CT administration, including returns and forms

5. ESTIMATED OUTCOME FOR CREDITORS

Details of the sums owed to each class of the Company's creditors were provided in the directors' statement of affairs and in our progress report for the period 19 July 2021 to 18 July 2022.

On the basis of realisations to date we estimate an outcome for each class of the Company's creditors as follows:

Secured creditors

The Company has not granted any charges over its assets.

Preferential creditors

Preferential claims of employees for arrears of wages, salary and holiday pay were estimated at £3,734. We have received a claim from the National Insurance Fund for £2,261.51 in this respect

Based upon realisations to date and estimated future realisations, it is anticipated there will be insufficient funds available to enable a dividend to be paid to the preferential creditors.

Secondary preferential creditors

There are no known secondary preferential claims.

Prescribed Part for unsecured creditors pursuant to Section 176A of the Act

To the best of our knowledge and belief, the Company's undertaking and assets are not subject to any unsatisfied floating charges and the provisions of section 176A of the Act have no application and consequently the value of both the prescribed part and the Company's net property is nil.

Unsecured creditors

Unsecured creditors were estimated at £30,598.

Based upon realisations to date and estimated future realisations it is anticipated there will be insufficient funds available to enable a dividend to be paid to the unsecured creditors.

6. REMUNERATION & EXPENSES

Work undertaken prior to appointment

The costs relating to work undertaken prior to our appointment in assisting with the preparation of the statement of affairs and seeking the decisions of creditors on the nomination of Liquidators in the sum of £4,000 plus VAT were approved by the creditors on 15 September 2021, and to 18 July 2023 we have drawn £2,800.

Remuneration

We have not sought approval for a resolution in respect of work carried out post-Liquidation, due to insufficient funds.

We are authorised to draw expenses for services provided by our firm and/or entities within the Begbies Traynor group, in accordance with our firm's policy, which is attached at Appendix 2 of this report.

Expenses

To 18 July 2023, we have also drawn expenses in the sum of £199.

Category 2 Expenses

No Category 2 expenses have been charged to the case since the date of our appointment.

A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Liquidators Fees (E&W) 2021' which provides guidance on creditors' rights on how to approve and monitor a Liquidator's remuneration and on how the remuneration is set can be obtained online at www.begbies-traynor.com/creditorsguides. Alternatively, if you require a hard copy of the Guide, please contact our office and we will arrange to send you a copy.

7. LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES

A statement of the expenses incurred during the period of this progress report is attached at Appendix 2.

Expenses actually incurred compared to those that were anticipated

Creditors will recall that we estimated that the expenses of the Liquidation would total £231. That estimate has not been exceeded and we do not expect it to be exceeded if matters progress to conclusion as envisaged.

8. ASSETS THAT REMAIN TO BE REALISED AND WORK THAT REMAINS TO BE DONE

As detailed in the directors' statement of affairs, the Company held no assets.

What work remains to be done, why is this necessary and what financial benefit (if any) will it provide to creditors?

General case administration and planning

We will continue to maintain appropriate records on the progress of the case. Periodic reviews will be carried out to ensure the case is managed effectively.

Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice

We will continue to account for receipts and payments in the case and review the bond level to ensure that the case is adequately bonded.

In addition, The Insolvency Act and Rules require IPs to produce progress reports on each anniversary of the case. A final report must also be prepared at the conclusion of the Liquidation. This information is filed with the Registrar of Companies.

Investigations

We will continue our investigations into the Company's activities prior to liquidation and will report to creditors accordingly.

Dealing with all creditors' claims (including employees), correspondence and distributions

All creditor queries will continue to be dealt with in a timely manner. Should a dividend become available, we will write to all creditors who have not yet submitted claims, requesting that they lodge their claims. These claims would then be reviewed and agreed by the Joint Liquidator in advance of a dividend being paid.

Other matters which include seeking decisions from creditors (via Deemed Consent Procedure and/or Decision Procedure, tax, litigation, pensions and travel

We will continue to submit returns to H M Revenue & Customs as and when they fall due.

How much will this further work cost?

The 'further work' detailed above has always been anticipated, but at this point in the proceedings, it has not yet been completed. As you know, this work is necessary in order that I may complete the Liquidation as envisaged. We estimate the cost of completing this work to be in the region of £2,000.

Expenses

Details of the expenses that we expect to incur in connection with the work that remains to be done referred to above are as set out in the estimate of anticipated expenses sent to creditors on 16 August 2021 which included all of the expenses that we anticipated would be incurred throughout the Liquidation.

What is the anticipated payment for administering the case in full?

We have not previously provided an estimate for the cost of administering the case due to the fact that there are limited assets, which has resulted in insufficient funds available for remuneration to be drawn, and we therefore have not sought a resolution in respect of work carried out post-Liquidation. Accordingly, I can estimate that total remuneration drawn post-appointment will be nil.

9. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Connected party transactions

We have not been made aware of any sales of the Company's assets to connected parties.

Use of personal information

Please note that in the course of discharging our statutory duties as Liquidators, we may need to access and use personal data, being information from which a living person can be identified. Where this is necessary, we are required to comply with data protection legislation. If you are an individual and you would like further information about your rights in relation to our use of your personal data, you can access the same at <https://www.begbies-traynorgroup.com/privacy-notice>. If you require a hard copy of the information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

10. CREDITORS' RIGHTS

Right to request further information

Pursuant to Rule 18.9 of the Rules, 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, including that creditor, (or an unsecured creditor with less than 5% in value of the unsecured creditors, but with the permission of the court) may request in writing that we provide further information about our remuneration or expenses which have been incurred during the period of this progress report.

Right to make an application to court

Pursuant to Rule 18.34 of the Rules, any secured creditor or any unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors including that creditor, (or any unsecured creditors with less than 10% in value of the unsecured creditors, but with the permission of the court) may, within 8 weeks of receipt of this progress report, make an application to court on the grounds that the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred during the period of this progress report are excessive or, the basis fixed for our remuneration is inappropriate.

11. CONCLUSION

We will report again in approximately twelve months time or at the conclusion of the Liquidation, whichever is the sooner.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CM Kippax', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Scott Kippax
Joint Liquidator

Dated: 18 September 2023

ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Period: 19 July 2022 to 18 July 2023

Mike Hughes Limited
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs £		From 19/07/2022 To 18/07/2023 £	From 19/07/2021 To 18/07/2023 £
	ASSET REALISATIONS		
	Directors contributions	NIL	4,199.00
		NIL	4,199.00
	COST OF REALISATIONS		
	Liquidators' Expenses	NIL	29.00
	Statement of Affairs Fee	NIL	2,800.00
	Statutory Advertising	NIL	170.00
		NIL	(2,999.00)
	PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS		
(3,743.00)	Estimated Employees' Claims (Count:	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
(13,000.00)	Bank	NIL	NIL
(17,598.00)	Estimated Employees' Claims (Count:	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	DISTRIBUTIONS		
(1,000.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
(35,341.00)		NIL	1,200.00
	REPRESENTED BY		
	Barclays Floating Current Account		1,200.00
	Vat Control Account		(599.80)
	Vat Receivable		599.80
			1,200.00

COSTS AND EXPENSES

- A. Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charging policy; and
- B. Statement of expenses.

BEGBIES TRAYNOR CHARGING POLICY

INTRODUCTION

This policy applies where creditor approval is sought to make a separate charge by way of expenses or disbursements to recover the cost of facilities provided by the firm. Best practice guidance* indicates that such charges should be disclosed to those who are responsible for approving the basis of the office holder's remuneration, together with an explanation of how those charges are calculated.

EXPENSES INCURRED BY OFFICE HOLDERS IN RESPECT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF INSOLVENT ESTATES

Expenses are payments from the estate which are neither an office holder's remuneration nor a distribution to a creditor or a member. Expenses also include disbursements, which are expenses that are initially paid by the office holder's own firm, but which are subsequently reimbursed from the estate when funds are available.

Best practice guidance classifies expenses into two broad categories:

- ☐ Category 1 expenses (approval not required) - Specific expenditure that is directly related to the case and referable to an independent external supplier's invoice. All such items are charged to the case as they are incurred.
- ☐ Category 2 expenses (approval required) - Items of expenditure that are directly related to the case and either:
 - (i) include an element of shared or allocated cost and are based on a reasonable method of calculation, but which are not payable to an independent third party; or
 - (ii) are items of expenditure which are payable to an associate of the office holder and/or their firm.

Shared or allocated costs (pursuant to (i) above)

The following expenses include an element of shared or allocated cost and are charged to the case (subject to approval).

- ☐ Internal meeting room usage for the purpose of physical meetings of creditors is charged at the rate of £100 (London £150) per meeting; and
- ☐ Car mileage which is charged at the rate of 45 pence per mile.

General Office Overheads.

The following items of expenditure will normally be treated as general office overheads and will not be charged to the case although a charge may be made where the precise cost to the case can be determined because the item satisfies the test of a Category 1 expense:

- ☐ Telephone and facsimile
- ☐ Printing and photocopying
- ☐ Stationery

* STATEMENT OF INSOLVENCY PRACTICE 9, (SIP9) – PAYMENTS TO INSOLVENCY OFFICE HOLDERS AND THEIR ASSOCIATES FROM AN ESTATE

STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

Type of expense	Name of party with whom expense incurred	Amount incurred £	Amount discharged £	Balance (to be discharged) £
Expenses incurred with entities not within the Begbies Traynor Group				
n/a				
Expenses incurred with entities within the Begbies Traynor Group (for further details see Begbies Traynor Charging Policy)				
n/a				

ADDITIONAL EXPENSES ANTICIPATED FOR FUTURE WORK

Expenses anticipated to be incurred prior to closure of the case	Name of party with whom expense anticipated to be incurred	Amount estimated to cost £
Specific Bond	AUA Insolvency Risk Services Limited	9.00
Specific Bond	Marsh Limited	20.00
Statutory Advertising	EPE Reynell Advertising Limited	170.00
TOTAL		199.00