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Notice of move from administration to creditors' voluntary liquidation



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Company number 0 8 2 8 3 1 4 9

Company name in full Index Labs Limited

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2 Court details

Court name High Court of Justice, Business and Property Courts
of England and Wales, Insolvency and Companies

Court case number C R - 2 0 2 1 - 0 0 1 3 9 1

3 Administrator's name

Full forename(s) Neville

Surname Side

4 Administrator's address

Building name/number 2nd Floor, 2 City Place

Street Beehive Ring Road

Post town Gatwick

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Postcode R H 6 0 P A

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Administrator's name ①

Full forename(s)

William Matthew

Surname

Tait

① Other administrator

Use this section to tell us about another administrator.

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Administrator's address ②

Building name/number

55 Baker Street

Street

Post town

London

County/Region

Postcode

W 1 U 7 E U

Country

② Other administrator

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Appointor/applicant's name

Give the name of the person who made the appointment or the administration application.

Full forename(s)

the Directors of the Company

Surname

8

Proposed liquidator's name

Full forename(s)

William Matthew

Surname

Tait

Insolvency practitioner number

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Proposed liquidator's address

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10 Proposed liquidator's name^①

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Surname	Side
Insolvency practitioner number	1 5 0 3 0

① Other liquidator

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11 Proposed liquidator's address^②

Building name/number	
Street	2nd Floor, 2 City Place
	Beehive Ring Road
Post town	Gatwick
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12 Period of progress report

From date	^d 0 ^d 2	^m 0 ^m 2	^y 2 ^y 0	^y 2 ^y 2
To date	^d 2 ^d 9	^m 0 ^m 7	^y 2 ^y 0	^y 2 ^y 2

13 Final progress report☒ I have attached a copy of the final progress report.**14** Sign and date

Administrator's signature	<div>Signature</div> 	X		
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Index Labs Limited In Administration

Joint Administrators' final progress report from
2 February 2022 to 29 July 2022

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Abbreviation or term	Meaning
'Act'	Insolvency Act 1986
'Final Period'	2 February 2022 to 29 July 2022
'Final Progress Report'	Prepared in accordance with Rules 3.53 and 18.3 of the Rules
'GDA'	GDA Luma Special Opportunities Warehouse LLC ("GDA").
'HMRC'	HM Revenue & Customs
'Joint Administrators' or 'we'	William Matthew Tait and Neville Side
'net property'	Floating charge realisations after costs and payment of preferential and secondary preferential creditors in full
'preferential creditors'	Claims for unpaid wages earned in the four months prior to Administration up to £800, holiday pay and unpaid pension contributions in certain circumstances. Where a decision is being sought from preferential creditors these will include secondary preferential creditors
'Prescribed Part'	Where a company has granted a floating charge after 15 September 2003, under Section 176A of the Act a proportion of the net property available to a QFCH is set aside for the unsecured creditors of that company
'Proposals'	The Joint Administrators' statement of proposals for achieving the purpose of the Administration
'QFCH'	Qualifying Floating Charge Holder
'Rules'	Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
'Sch.B1 to the Act'	Schedule B1 to the Act
'secondary preferential creditors'	Where a company enters into Administration on or after 1 December 2020, claims for unpaid VAT, PAYE deductions, Employee National Insurance Contributions (NICs) deductions, student loan repayment deductions and amounts withheld under the construction industry scheme
'secured creditors'	Creditors whose debt is secured, in accordance with Section 248 of the Act
'the Company/ILL'	Index Labs Limited
'the Group'	The Company and its subsidiaries BetIndex Limited (in liquidation) ("BetIndex"), Tradex Limited (in liquidation) ("Tradex") and Rocket Sports Media Group Limited (in liquidation) ("Rocket")
'unsecured creditors'	Creditors who are neither secured nor preferential

KEY INFORMATION

Background

William Matthew Tait and Neville Side were appointed Joint Administrators of the Company on 2 August 2021.

The affairs, business and property of the Company are being managed by the Joint Administrators, who act as agents of the Company and without personal liability.

Purpose of the Final Progress Report

This is the Final Progress Report which provides you with a final update of the implementation of the Proposals and statutory purpose of the Administration achieved.

The Final Progress Report can be reviewed in conjunction with all other reports regarding this Administration, on the brportal.bdo.co.uk portal.

What you need to do

The purpose of the Final Progress Report is to provide you with an update only and the creditors of the Company do not need to take any actions at this time.

Creditors' rights

An overview of the rights of creditors are detailed in Appendix B.

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PROGRESS IN THE FINAL PERIOD AND IN THE ADMINISTRATION

Asset realisations in the Final Period

The receipts and payments account attached at Appendix C details the asset realisations during the Final Period. Our comments regarding the asset realised during the Final Period are set out below.

Chattel Assets

Agents Hilco Valuation Services ("HVS") were instructed to assist in securing the Company's chattel assets and arranging their subsequent sale/auction. This included arranging collection of Company assets held off site by employees and former employees of the Company.

Following a marketing exercise, the whole of the inventory of computer equipment, principally made up of laptops, was sold by way of a private treaty to the IT contractor who assisted in the collection of the laptops. The purchase price for the laptops was £20,000 and after deduction of the costs of collection, a net amount of £17,500 was received.

In addition, sporting memorabilia owned by the Company was sold by HVS on our behalf for £1,340.

Chattel Assets	£
Computer Equipment	20,000
Waiver of IT consultant's costs	(2,500)
Net Realised for Computer Equipment	17,500
Sports Memorabilia	1,340
Total	18,840

Bank interest

Bank interest of £57 was received during the Final Period.

Assets realised in prior periods and detailed in previous Reports

The following table provides a summary of asset realisations that have occurred in prior periods. For a full explanation regarding the below asset realisations, please refer to our previous Reports.

Asset	£	Comment
BetIndex cost contribution	13,250	A contribution received from BetIndex Limited (in liquidation) ("BetIndex") towards the costs of retaining the skeleton staff in the Administration for, amongst other things, processing BetIndex customer records, supporting BetIndex customer withdrawals and transferring data that was the property of BetIndex.
Cash at Bank	416,540	In line with the expectation shown in the directors' statement of affairs, this amount was recovered from the Company's bank account and Pleo payment card account shortly after our appointment.
Bank Interest	77	Total bank interest received on funds held in the Administration estate.
Directors' Loan Account	434	Received in payment in full of the Directors' Loan Account.
Tradex intercompany balance	235,000	Sums recovered from Tradex Limited ("Tradex") prior to Tradex being placed into a solvent liquidation on 17 November 2021.

Assets not yet realised or considered to be of nil value

Intercompany debtor balances

Intercompany debtor balances totalling £2,361,000 were owed to the Company as at 2 August 2021. Below we provided our comments in relation to each of the balances owing from the different group companies and the prospects of future recovery.

BetIndex Limited (in liquidation)

BetIndex was placed into administration on 26 March 2021 and subsequently placed into liquidation on 5 November 2021.

The total amount owed to ILL by BetIndex as at 2 August 2021 was £2,009,966. This debt can be split into two time periods; the debt that existed as at 26 March 2021 ("the Pre-Administration Debt") when BetIndex entered into an insolvency process, and the debt that was incurred during the BetIndex administration ("the Post Administration Debt").

The Pre-Administration Debt totals £707,271. We have lodged a claim for the full amount of the Pre-Administration Debt in the insolvency proceedings of BetIndex. The debt, to the extent that the claim is admitted by the liquidators, will rank as an unsecured claim in the liquidation of BetIndex. We await the BetIndex liquidators' formal response to the Company's claim and their guidance as to dividend prospects. We understand that considerable cash balances remain in BetIndex but the dividend outcome for unsecured creditors is yet to be determined.

The Post Administration Debt totals £1,302,695. Following its administration, the BetIndex administrators explored a rescue of the company via a Company Voluntary Arrangement ('CVA'). In order to support the CVA that was being proposed, such that it remained a viable option, ILL continued to provide services to BetIndex under the Services Agreement between the two companies. ILL raised invoices totalling £2,065,827 for the services provided to BetIndex during the period from 26 March 2021 to 2 August 2021. Of that amount, only £763,132 has been paid by BetIndex. The remaining debt has been disputed by the BetIndex former administrators.

We continue to pursue the collection of the Post Administration Debt and we consider it to be an expense of the administration, charged over the assets held in the liquidation of BetIndex, which we understand to be sufficient to pay the Post Administration Debt in full. We remain in correspondence with the liquidators of BetIndex regarding the recovery of the full amount of the debt owed by BetIndex. For reasons of commercial confidentiality, we consider it inappropriate to make any further detailed comment at this time regarding the recovery of these debts. We will report further on this asset in the subsequent reports to creditors in the succeeding liquidation.

Rocket Sports Media Group Limited (in liquidation) ("Rocket") - £114,822

This debt was owing at the time that Rocket was placed into liquidation on 8 September 2021. An unsecured claim for this debt has been lodged in the liquidation of Rocket. We understand that the outcome of this claim is also dependent upon the outcome of the BetIndex liquidation and therefore the amount of any recovery is currently uncertain.

Shares in subsidiaries

Shares in Subsidiary	%	Comment
BetIndex	100	BetIndex has been placed into insolvent liquidation. The Company's investment in the shares of BetIndex do not hold any value.
Rocket	100	Rocket has been placed into an insolvent liquidation. The Company's investment in the shares of Rocket do not hold any value.
Tradex	100	Tradex was placed into a solvent liquidation on 17 November 2021. The Company's shares in Tradex were subject to security in favour of GDA. With our consent, GDA enforced its security appointing David Buchler and Paul Davis, both of Buchler Phillips Group LLP, as Fixed Charge Receivers ("the Receivers") over the entire share capital of Tradex on 3 November 2021. As such no direct realisations will be received by the Company. See also the secured creditor section below.

VAT

A VAT refund of £32,636 for the period leading up to the date of the Administration order was submitted. HMRC is entitled to set off this refund amount against any liabilities that are owed by the Company.

The amount that was owing to HMRC as at 2 August 2021 exceeded the amount of this VAT refund and therefore no funds will be recovered into the Administration estate. However, the amount of HMRC's secondary preferential creditor claim will be reduced accordingly.

VAT reclaimed in respect of expenses incurred in the administration have not yet been paid by HMRC. These amounts will be recovered in the subsequent liquidation.

Other Debtors

As reported previously, in addition to the assets listed in the directors' statement of affairs, we have listed below all of the debtors that we have discovered or been made aware of during the course of the Administration to date.

Debtor	Book Value £	Anticipated Recovery	Comment
Nasdaq Prepayment	25,000	Nil	Nasdaq and WeWork have non-preferential unsecured creditor claims in the Administration proceedings and these claims are expected to exceed the debtor amounts stated opposite. Mutual set off is understood to apply and therefore no funds will be received in relation to the debts, the liability will be reduced accordingly.
WeWork Control Account	246	Nil	
WeWork Retainer	24,200	Nil	
Other Debtors	131	Nil	Unspecified Other debtors have not been recovered. Due to the nominal amount involved it is not economical to investigate this further.
EBT funding	85,000	Uncertain	Shares purchased from a former employee were intended to be set aside to create an employee benefit trust. Investigations into the recoverability of this potential debt will be continued in the liquidation.
Rental Deposit Gibraltar	4,300	Nil	On further investigation, the rental deposit for the Tradex office in Gibraltar formed part of the intercompany debt that was owed by Tradex to the Company. This debt had already been settled as part of a loan repayment that occurred prior to our appointment.

Intellectual Property

As reported previously, the Joint Administrators have retained the underlying code in the intellectual property asset ("IP"). This IP has been fully backed up and retained in an independent code storage hub.

The IP was subject to the security in favour of GDA. As detailed above, with our consent GDA enforced its security appointing the Receivers on 3 November 2021.

The IP has been made available to the Receivers and falls under their control. Any realisations in this respect will, first, be payable into the Fixed Charge Receivership to reduce the indebtedness of GDA. To date, the Receivers have not made any realisations in respect of the IP.

If a sale of the IP is achieved by the Receivers, funds would only be received into the Administration or subsequent Liquidation of the Company if there was a surplus of funds received in excess of the debt owing to GDA and the costs of the Receivership. We will continue to seek updates from the Receivers in this regard.

Investigations

As previously advised, the Joint Administrators have completed a review of the Company's affairs and have submitted a confidential statutory report on the conduct of the directors to the disqualification unit of the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy.

The Joint Administrators are not aware of any actions, other than as mentioned above, to pursue for the benefit of creditors.

Pre-Administration costs

The Joint Administrators' pre-Administration costs of £104,949 were approved by the creditors' committee and drawn in the previous period, as shown on the enclosed receipts and payments account at Appendix C.

Pre-Administration Expenses

Prior to our appointment, the Company instructed various professional advisors to support and advise the Board in the lead up to the Administration. Some of the costs incurred by these advisors were not paid by the Company prior to our appointment.

It is our opinion that the services provided were necessary in preparation for the Administration and we have assessed the professional fees incurred as being reasonable. The following pre-administration expenses were put before and approved by the creditors' committee and have subsequently been paid as an expense of the administration

Osborne Clarke LLP ("OC"), the Company's legal advisor, was paid a total of £26,492 in respect of their pre-appointment costs.

HVS was paid £5,838 for securing and collecting the Company's realisable assets from the Company's serviced offices and its storage facility in London.

Joint Administrators' remuneration

The Joint Administrators' remuneration was approved by the creditors' committee on a time costs basis in accordance with the fees estimate.

Time costs of £790,025 have been incurred over 1,622 hours at an average rate of £487.19 per hour. During the Final Period, time costs of £126,267 were incurred over 237 hours at an average rate of £531.87 per hour. The Joint Administrators have not drawn any remuneration to date, as shown on the enclosed receipts and payments account at Appendix C.

A detailed report of the time incurred by the Joint Administrators and a narrative of the work done during the Final Period is attached at Appendix D.

Joint Administrators' expenses

Expenses paid during the Administration and in the Final Period are detailed in the receipts and payments account at Appendix C.

A breakdown of expenses incurred is set out in Appendix E.

Distributions to creditors

Secured creditor

GDA is the sole secured creditor in the Administration and its security consists of fixed and floating charges over all of the assets and undertakings of the Company. GDA were owed £505,270 at the date of our appointment.

In addition to the IP already mentioned in this report, the Company's investment in the share capital of Tradex was also subject to the fixed charge security in favour of GDA and is being recovered by the Receivers appointed by GDA. We understand that £75,000 has been recovered by the Receivers as an interim shareholder distribution from the Tradex liquidation. The Tradex liquidator currently estimates that the final total distribution from Tradex to GDA will be in the region of £150,000. This sum will reduce GDA's total indebtedness and claim in the insolvency proceedings of ILL.

Based on present information, the level of any future dividends to GDA is currently uncertain and will be dependent upon future asset realisations.

Preferential creditors

Preferential creditors' claims received to date total £116,050.

Any dividend to preferential creditors is dependent upon future asset realisations, as detailed above. Consequently, the quantum and timing of any dividend is currently uncertain. This will be addressed in the subsequent Liquidation proceedings.

Secondary preferential creditors

Secondary preferential creditors' claims received to date total £126,895. Any dividend to secondary preferential creditors is dependent upon future asset realisations, as detailed above. Consequently, the quantum and timing of any dividend is currently uncertain. This will be addressed in the subsequent Liquidation proceedings.

Unsecured creditors

Unsecured creditors' claims received to date total £179,169.

Based upon the quantum of asset realisations that remain outstanding, it is currently thought that there will be a dividend to the unsecured creditors other than via the Prescribed Part. Any such dividend to unsecured creditors is dependent upon future asset realisations, as detailed above. Consequently, the quantum and timing of any dividend is currently uncertain. This will be addressed in the subsequent Liquidation proceedings.

Prescribed Part

The Prescribed Part will apply in this case and the amount payable is dependent on the final level of asset realisations. This will be addressed in the subsequent Liquidation.

Notice of no dividend

In accordance with Rule 14.37 of the Rules, notice is given that a dividend was not paid during the Administration to preferential, secondary preferential creditors or unsecured creditors as there have been insufficient realisations to date to enable a dividend to be paid. It is thought that there will be sufficient future realisations to enable a dividend to be paid in the subsequent Liquidation proceedings.

Joint Administrators' discharge from liability

Approval that the Joint Administrators be discharged from liability on the registration of the notice to move from Administration and the final progress report with the Registrar of Companies is being obtained from the creditors' committee.

Other matters

In addition to the above matters, we have dealt with all statutory matters required by legislation and administrative work incidental to our duties as Joint Administrators in this Administration.

Outcome of the Administration

In accordance with Paragraph 3(1)(c) of Sch.B1 to the Act, the Joint Administrators have sufficiently achieved the statutory purpose of the Administration realising property in order to make a distribution to one or more secured or preferential creditors.

In order to recover the assets that have yet to be realised and to continue with their investigations, the Joint Administrators now consider it appropriate for the Company to exit from Administration and to move to Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation as was proposed by the Joint Administrators in their Proposals and approved by the creditors. The necessary forms to effect this move will be filed with the Registrar of Companies alongside the Final Progress Report.

APPENDIX A

STATUTORY INFORMATION

Information

Company name	Index Labs Limited
Company registration number	08283149
Registered office	C/o BDO LLP, 5 Temple Square, Temple Street, Liverpool, L2 5RH
Court name and reference	High Court of Justice, Business and Property Courts of England and Wales, Insolvency and Companies List (ChD) - CR-2021-001391
Date of appointment	2 August 2021
Appointor	The directors pursuant to Paragraph 22 of Sch.B1 to the Act
Joint Administrators	William Matthew Tait Neville Side <i>Under the provisions of paragraph 100(2) of Sch.B1 to the Act the Joint Administrators carry out their functions jointly and severally meaning any action can be done by one Administrator or by both of them.</i>
Joint Administrators' address	BDO LLP, 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU
Data Control and GDPR	William Matthew Tait and Neville Side are authorised to act as Insolvency Practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales in the UK. The Joint Administrators are Data Controllers as defined by the General Data Protection Regulations. BDO LLP will act as Data Processor on the instruction of the Data Controllers. Personal data will be kept secure and processed only for matters relating to the Administration of Index Labs Limited. Please see the privacy statement at https://www.bdo.co.uk/en-gb/privacy-notice/insolvencies
Summary of the Proposals	The Joint Administrators proposals were that: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> They continue to manage the Company's business and realise assets in accordance with Objective (c) of the statutory purpose of the Administration, and that they make payments to the secured and preferential creditors and distribute to the unsecured creditors from the Prescribed Part. They will continue to investigate the management and affairs of the Company in the lead up to its insolvency. In addition, they shall do all such other things and generally exercise all their powers as Joint Administrators as they in their discretion consider desirable in order to achieve Objective (c) of the statutory purpose of the Administration.

- c) They exit the Administration by way of a Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation and that William Matthew Humphries Tait and Neville Side will be the Joint Liquidators and will act jointly and severally.

The following resolution was also proposed to creditors:

- d) That a creditors' committee be established if sufficient creditors are willing to be members (such committee must comprise of between 3 and 5 creditors).

The Proposals and resolutions a) to c) were passed.

A creditors' committee was formed.

APPENDIX B

CREDITORS' RIGHTS

Within 21 days of receipt of the Final Progress Report (1) a secured creditor, (2) an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value (including the creditor in question) of the unsecured creditors; or (3) any unsecured creditor with the permission of the court, may request in writing that the Joint Administrators provide further information about their remuneration or expenses which are itemised in the Final Progress Report.

Within 14 days of receipt of the request, the Joint Administrators must provide all of the information asked for, unless they think that:

- the time or cost in preparing the information would be excessive, or
- disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the administration or might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person, or
- the Joint Administrators are subject to confidentiality obligations in respect of the information.

The Joint Administrators must give reasons for not providing all of the requested information.

Any secured creditor or an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors may, within eight weeks of receipt of the Final Progress Report, make an application to court that the basis fixed for the Joint Administrators' remuneration, the remuneration charged, or the expenses incurred by the Joint Administrators, as set out in the Final Progress Report, are excessive.

Copies of BDO LLP's charging and expenses policy, 'A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' Fees' and information on the rights, duties and functions of a creditors' committee are available at <https://www.bdo.co.uk/en-gb/insights/advisory/business-restructuring/creditors-guides> or by requesting a copy from my office in writing or by telephone.

The Insolvency Service has established a central gateway for considering complaints in respect of Insolvency Practitioners. In the event that you make a complaint to us but are not satisfied with the response, then you should visit <https://www.gov.uk/complain-about-insolvency-practitioner> where you will find further information on how you may pursue the complaint.

The Joint Administrators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to this Administration. A copy of the code can be found at <https://www.icaew.com/technical/ethics/icaew-code-of-ethics/icaew-code-of-ethics>.

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APPENDIX D

JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' REMUNERATION

The Joint Administrators' remuneration has been approved on a time costs basis.

Time costs of £126,267 have been incurred during the Final Period and a breakdown is detailed below together with details of the work undertaken.

Activity	Partner	Director	Senior manager	Manager	Senior executive	Executive	Total hours	Time costs £	Av. Rate £
Planning and strategy	1.25	2.25	13.50			4.70	21.70	11,023.55	508.00
Statutory reporting and decisions		2.50	16.55	1.10	0.95	1.00	22.10	12,204.25	552.23
General administration		1.40	2.90	0.50	8.45	4.85	18.10	4,245.45	234.56
Assets	2.50	36.50	102.65				141.85	84,366.75	595.60
Employees and pensions		0.10	0.25	0.15			0.50	261.85	523.70
Creditors		0.50			1.35	1.00	2.85	640.00	224.56
Committee						1.40	1.40	109.20	78.00
Post appointment taxation			0.35		1.00		1.35	475.55	352.26
Closure		1.85	13.70	5.45	4.60	2.15	27.75	12,940.15	466.31
TOTAL	3.75	45.10	149.90	7.20	16.35	15.10	237.40	126,266.75	531.87

Planning and strategy

- Case reviews
- Internal meetings and discussions in respect of progression of outstanding matters
- Review and refinement of strategy documents including estimated outcome statements
- Meetings and correspondence with solicitors
- Correspondence with the Tradex liquidator
- Public Relations strategy

Statutory reporting and decisions

- Preparation of the fees and expenses schedules
- Preparation of the periodic progress report and final progress report
- Preparation of Ethics note prior to move to Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation

General administration

- Ongoing maintenance and reconciliation of the Administration bank account and other cashiering functions
- Preparation and completion of internal reviews
- Preparing and submitting VAT returns and de-registering the Company for VAT

- Dealing with queries from creditors and stakeholders and general correspondence
- Maintaining internal files
- Press and PR matters

Assets

- Liaising with solicitors to assist and advise in respect of the BetIndex debt
- Collation of specific company records and documentation and drafting detailed review relating to the BetIndex debt
- Monitoring the potential recovery of the remaining inter-company balances
- Consideration of whether potential claims could be brought for the benefit of creditors
- Maintaining protection of the IP and putting in place a procedure for the orderly handover to the Receivers

Employees and pensions

- Corresponding with employees
- Retained staff payroll and redundancy related queries
- Liaising with ERA Solutions Limited regarding ERA matters and collation of information
- Employee pension related matters

Creditors

- Consideration of the secured creditor position
- Obtaining legal advice in relation to contentious claims
- Processing of creditors' claim and proof of debt forms and entering onto IPS
- Identifying whether additional supporting evidence is required
- Dealing with creditor enquiries

Committee

- Review of creditors' committee compliance and reporting to the committee

Post appointment taxation

- Preparation and submission of VAT returns

Closure

- Closure planning, including obtaining approval from discharge from liability
 - Preparing the final progress report
 - Statutory notifications
 - Closure administration and move to liquidation
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The current hourly charge out rates of staff who may be working on the Administration are as follows:

Grade	£
Partner	920
Director	386-772
Senior Manager	322-643
Manager	176-470
Senior Executive	141-328
Executive	86-173
BDO LLP's tax department (max)	1,208

Cumulative time incurred to fees estimate comparison

Total time costs £790,025 have been incurred during the Administration to 22 July 2022 as detailed below.

Activity	Estimated			Total Incurred		
	Hours	Average rate £	Time costs £	Hours	Average rate £	Time costs £
Steps on appointment	56.65	411.66	23,320.45	61.15	427.27	26,127.45
Planning and strategy	233.40	508.57	118,701.05	292.65	566.03	165,649.65
Statutory reporting and decisions	124.05	364.06	45,162.20	173.65	540.50	93,858.35
General administration	129.25	293.20	37,896.70	160.10	322.08	51,565.00
Assets	284.45	467.60	133,009.65	555.90	551.49	306,575.80
Trading	83.35	469.73	39,151.60	84.70	463.92	39,294.10
Investigations	47.55	146.97	6,988.35	127.50	204.18	26,032.45
Employees and pensions	39.75	412.20	16,384.80	35.10	424.43	14,897.40
Creditors	72.60	421.08	30,570.65	56.55	554.22	31,341.35
Committee	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.25	525.75	7,492.00
Post appointment taxation	36.50	191.72	6,997.65	5.00	229.68	1,148.40
Closure	19.50	399.38	7,788.00	55.05	487.19	26,043.20
TOTAL	1,127.05	413.44	465,971.10	1,621.60	487.19	790,025.15

The Joint Administrators have exceeded the fees estimate of £465,971. This was primarily due to additional work incurred in respect of investigations and work undertaken and required to enable the progression of the recovery of the Post Administration Debt due from BetIndex. In addition, significant additional costs were incurred in responding to and attending the Court applications in the High Court for the ending of the BetIndex administration and the corresponding application to wind up BetIndex in the Royal Courts of Jersey.

The Joint Administrators' remuneration can only be drawn in accordance with the time costs resolution sanctioned by the Creditors' Committee and the amount payable will ultimately be dependent on the final level of recoveries in relation to the BetIndex debt.

The Joint Administrators are not seeking approval to draw remuneration in excess of the Fees Estimate at this time and therefore we have not prepared a revised fee estimate at this time.

APPENDIX E

JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' EXPENSES

The Joint Administrators' expenses incurred and paid are detailed below.

	Estimated £	Incurred in Period 02/02/2022 to 29/07/2022 £	Total Incurred 02/08/2021 to 29/07/2022 £	Total Paid 02/08/2021 to 29/07/2022 £
Category 1				
Advertising	521.00	92.00	337.00	337.00
Agents' Fees - ERA Solutions	12,000	210.00	1,505.00	1,505.00
Agents' Fees & Expenses	25,000	17,416.23	26,276.23	26,276.23
Bank Charges	-	120.00	417.47	417.47
ICO Fee	-	40.00	40.00	40.00
Insurance	2,500.00	-	1,053.10	1,053.10
Legal Disbursements	-	-	7,351.78	5,851.78
Legal Fees & Expenses	108,500	29,825.50	355,297.52	180,386.82
PAYE & NI	-	-	32,780.00	32,780.00
Pension Contributions	-	-	5,465.19	5,465.19
Printing & Postage	1,204.00	-	726.45	726.45
Software Subscriptions	-	-	7,244.16	7,244.16
Specific Bond	200.00	-	200.00	200.00
Third Party Payroll	-	-	150.00	150.00
Wages & Salaries	-	-	43,706.48	43,706.48
Storage of company records	1,250.00	-	-	-
Company peripherals	67.00	155.64	155.64	100.95
IP- Bid Limited	-	-	245.00	245.00
Hard Drives*	-	-	100.95	100.95
Travel*	-	-	131.98	131.98
Category 2				
Mileage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

*included within disbursements on the attached receipts and payments account.

The expenses shown are largely self-explanatory however we would specifically comment on the following expenses which were incurred in the Period:

Advertising

A further amount of £92 has been paid in respect of statutory advertising.

Agents' Fees - ERA Solutions

ERA Solutions were paid an additional fee of £210 in respect of dealing with employees' pension claims.

Agents' Fees & Expenses

HVS were paid in respect of dealing with and selling the chattel assets.

Bank Charges

Bank charges of £120, including charges in respect of the prepaid Pleo card, were paid in the period.

ICO Fee

The Information Commissioner's annual fee was paid in the period.

Legal Fees & Expenses

OC were paid £75,000 in respect of legal fees in the period. A further £29,825 was incurred and this was primarily due to additional work incurred assisting the Administrators in respect of investigations and work undertaken and required to enable the progression of the recovery of the Post Administration Debt due from BetIndex.

In addition, significant additional costs were incurred in responding to and dealing with attending the Court applications in the High Court for the ending of the BetIndex administration and the corresponding application to wind up BetIndex in the Royal Courts of Jersey. These additional costs were not included in the original fee estimate.

Company peripherals

A total of £156 was incurred in purchasing four hard drives in respect of extracting company data as part of the Joint Administrators' investigations and duties. It was initially estimated that two drives would be required. A total of £101 has been paid in the period and £55 has been charged as an expense but not yet recovered from the Administration.

Travel costs of £132 have been paid in respect of attending the BetIndex winding up court hearing in Jersey and this cost was not anticipated at the time the proposals were issued.

