

# Liquidator's Progress Report

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Pursuant to Sections 92A and 104A and 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

To the Registrar of Companies

Company Number

07210689

Name of Company

Snooks Sprinkler Services Limited

I / We

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the liquidator(s) of the company attach a copy of my/our Progress Report under section 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986

The Progress Report covers the period from 09/05/2014 to 08/05/2015

Signed

Date

6/7/15

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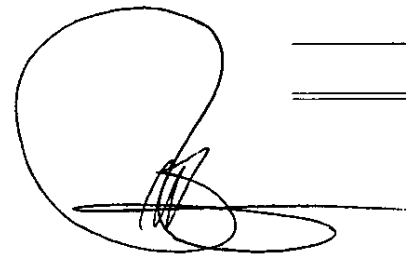
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**Snooks Sprinkler Services Limited  
(In Liquidation)  
Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs	From 09/05/2014 To 08/05/2015	From 09/05/2013 To 08/05/2015
<b>ASSET REALISATIONS</b>		
1,440 00	Book Debt	NIL
4,800 00	Book Debt - Sale of Assets	NIL
	Bank Interest Gross	4,000 00
		7 29
		4,007 29
<b>COST OF REALISATIONS</b>		
	Statement of Affairs Fee	1,000 00
	Storage Costs	200 00
		343 92
		(3,677 25)
<b>UNSECURED CREDITORS</b>		
(2,000 00)	James Snooks	NIL
(3,000 00)	H M Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	NIL
(40 00)	H M Revenue & Customs (CT)	NIL
(19,553 00)	H M Revenue & Customs (VAT)	NIL
		NIL
<b>DISTRIBUTIONS</b>		
(100 00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL
		NIL
<b>(18,453.00)</b>	<b>(1,195.65)</b>	<b>330.04</b>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>		
	Vat Receivable	735 45
	Bank 1 Interest Bearing Current	394 59
	Vat Payable	(800 00)
		<b>330.04</b>
		<b>330.04</b>



Lloyd Biscoe  
Joint Liquidator

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## **Snooks Sprinkler Services Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)**

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Progress report pursuant to Section 104A of the Insolvency Act 1986 and Rule 4.49C of the Insolvency Rules 1986

Period: 9 May 2014 to 8 May 2015

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### **Important Notice**

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# 1. INTERPRETATION

<b><u>Expression</u></b>	<b><u>Meaning</u></b>
"the Company"	Snooks Sprinkler Services Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)
"the liquidation"	The appointment of liquidators pursuant to Section 98 of the Act on 9 May 2013
"the liquidators", "we", "our" and "us"	Lloyd Biscoe and Dominik Thiel Czerwinke of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, The Old Exchange, 234 Southchurch Road, Southend on Sea, SS1 2EG
"the Act"	The Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)
"the Rules"	The Insolvency Rules 1986 (as amended)
"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

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## 2. COMPANY INFORMATION

Trading name(s)	Snooks Sprinkler Services Limited
Company registered number	07210689
Company registered office	The Old Exchange, 234 Southchurch Road, Southend on Sea, SS1 2EG
Former trading address	17 Sandhurst Avenue, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN2 4JZ

## 3. DETAILS OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATORS

Date winding up commenced	9 May 2013
Date of liquidators' appointment	9 May 2013
Changes in liquidator (if any)	None

## 4. PROGRESS DURING THE PERIOD

Attached at Appendix 1 is our abstract of receipts and payments for the period from 9 May 2014 to 8 May 2015

### **Book Debt**

The sum of £1,440 was owed to the company in respect of one debt which the director believed would be realised in full. Unfortunately, this debt has proved unrealisable.

### **Sale of Assets**

Plant and machinery was held with a net book value of £4,390. These assets were sold to Essex Fire & Protection Limited for the sum of £4,000 plus VAT. This was an associated company and further information was disclosed in the Section 98 report in accordance with our best practise guidelines. To date the sum of £4,000 has been realised.

### **Bank Interest Gross**

The sum of £7.29 has been received as interest on monies held in the Liquidation account.

## 5. ESTIMATED OUTCOME FOR CREDITORS

Details of the sums owed to each class of the Company's creditors were provided in the director's statement of affairs included within the report sent to creditors further to our appointment as liquidators.

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

#### **Secured creditor**

There are no secured creditors

#### **Preferential creditors**

There are no known preferential claims

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

Section 176A of the Act provides that, where the company has created a floating charge on or after 15 September 2003, the liquidator must make a prescribed part of the Company's net property available for the unsecured creditors and not distribute it to the floating charge holder except in so far as it exceeds the amount required for the satisfaction of unsecured debts. Net property means the amount which would, were it not for this provision, be available to floating charge holders out of floating charge assets (i.e. after accounting for preferential debts and the costs of realising the floating charge assets). The prescribed part of the Company's net property is calculated by reference to a sliding scale as follows

- 50% of the first £10,000 of net property,
- 20% of net property thereafter,
- Up to a maximum amount to be made available of £600,000

A liquidator will not be required to set aside the prescribed part of net property if

- the net property is less than £10,000 and the liquidator thinks that the cost of distributing the prescribed part would be disproportionate to the benefit, (Section 176A(3)) or
- the liquidator applies to the court for an order on the grounds that the cost of distributing the prescribed part would be disproportionate to the benefit and the court orders that the provision shall not apply (Section 176A(5))

To the best of our knowledge and belief, there are no unsatisfied floating charges created or registered on or after 15 September 2003 and, consequently, there is no net property as defined in Section 176A(6) of the Act and, therefore, no prescribed part of net property is available for distribution to the unsecured creditors

#### **Unsecured creditors**

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 & DISBURSEMENTS**

This firm's fee for assisting with the preparation of the Statement of Affairs was agreed at £5,000 plus VAT. To date the sum of £3,333.33 plus VAT has been paid towards these costs.

Our remuneration has been fixed by a resolution of creditors at the meeting held pursuant to Section 98 of the Act by reference to the time properly given by us (as liquidators) and the various grades of our staff calculated at the prevailing hourly charge out rates of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP in attending to matters arising in the liquidation and we are authorised to draw disbursements, including disbursements for services provided by our firm (defined as category 2 disbursements in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9) in accordance with our

firm's policy, details of which accompanied the Statement of Affairs and other information presented to the meeting of creditors convened pursuant to Section 98 of the Act and which is attached at Appendix 2 of this report

Our time costs for the period from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2015 amount to £5,997 50 which represents 26 20 hours at an average rate of £228 91 per hour

The following further information in relation to our time costs and disbursements is set out at Appendix 2

- Table of time spent and charge-out value for the period 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2015
- Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's policy for re-charging disbursements
- Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charge-out rates

#### **Storage Costs**

The sum of £343 92 has been paid to Archive Facilities (Southend) Limited for storage of the company's books and records. Archive Facilities (Southend) Limited is associated to partners of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, and therefore the payment is categorised as a Category 2 disbursement which requires creditor approval. Approval was gained at the initial meeting held pursuant to the S98 of the Act.

## **7. LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES**

A statement of the expenses incurred during the period of this progress report is attached at Appendix 3

These costs remain outstanding

## **8. ASSETS THAT REMAIN TO BE REALISED**

As detailed above, the company's book debts are still being pursued by debt collectors

## **9. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

#### **Investigations and reporting on directors conduct**

You may be aware that a liquidator has a duty to enquire into the affairs of an insolvent company to determine its property and liabilities and to identify any actions which could lead to the recovery of funds. In addition, as explained in the report circulated at the meeting of creditors convened pursuant to Section 98 of the Act, such report having also been sent to creditors following the meeting, a liquidator is also required to consider the conduct of the Company's directors and to make an appropriate submission to the Department for Business Innovation and Skills. We can confirm that we have discharged our duties in these respects.

## **10. CREDITORS' RIGHTS**

#### **Right to request further information**

Pursuant to Rule 4.49E 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 detailed in this progress report

**Right to make an application to court**

Pursuant to Rule 4.131 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 as set out in 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



**Lloyd Biscoe**  
Joint Liquidator

Dated 6 July 2015

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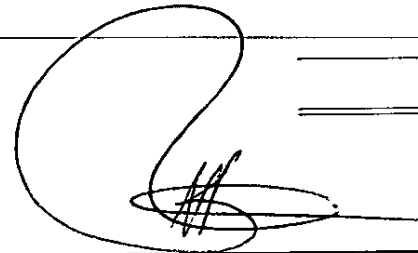
# ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Period 9 May 2014 to 8 May 2015

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**Snooks Sprinkler Services Limited**  
**(In Liquidation)**  
**Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments**

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	<u>4 35</u>	<u>4,007 29</u>
	<b>COST OF REALISATIONS</b>	
	1,000 00	3,333 33
	200 00	343 92
	<u>(1,200 00)</u>	<u>(3,677 25)</u>
	<b>UNSECURED CREDITORS</b>	
(2,000 00)	NIL	NIL
(3,000 00)	NIL	NIL
(40 00)	NIL	NIL
(19,553 00)	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>
	NIL	NIL
	<b>DISTRIBUTIONS</b>	
(100 00)	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>
	NIL	NIL
<b>(18,453.00)</b>	<b>(1,195.65)</b>	<b>330.04</b>
	<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>	
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		394 59
		(800 00)
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## TIME COSTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

- a Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's policy for re-charging expenses/disbursements
  - b Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charge-out rates
  - c Table of time spent and charge-out value for the period from 9 May 2013 to 8 May 2015
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Time and Expenses Report - Summary

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Action/Code	Partner	Director	Senior Manager	Manager	Semior Case Administrator	Case Administrator	Support & Cashiering	Other	Total Hours	Total Cost	Avg Rate
Bonding	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.10	18.50	185.00
VAT and TAX	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.40	0.00	1.40	224.00	160.00
Banking	0.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	2.70	0.00	7.10	1,352.00	190.42
Investigations	1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.50	0.00	3.50	795.00	227.14
CDDA reporting and followup	0	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.70	276.50	395.00
Administration	15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	4.20	0.00	7.00	1,505.00	215.00
Closing	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.60	141.00	235.00
Case strategy and planning	0	0.00	0.00	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.40	441.00	315.00
Statutory reports and returns	16	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	3.80	1,148.50	302.24
Claims, profits and distributions	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.30	48.00	160.00
Tax & VAT	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.30	48.00	160.00
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>4.50</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>0.60</b>	<b>5.40</b>	<b>12.90</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>26.20</b>	<b>5,997.50</b>	
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>1,799.50</b>	<b>553.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>441.00</b>	<b>141.00</b>	<b>999.00</b>	<b>2,064.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>			

## BEGBIES TRAYNOR CHARGING POLICY

### INTRODUCTION

This note applies where a licensed insolvency practitioner in the firm is acting as an office holder of an insolvent estate and seeks creditor approval to draw remuneration on the basis of the time properly spent in dealing with the case. It also applies where further information is to be provided to creditors regarding the office holder's fees following the passing of a resolution for the office holder to be remunerated on a time cost basis. Best practice guidance<sup>1</sup> requires that such information should be disclosed to those who are responsible for approving remuneration.

In addition, this note 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 and also where payments are to be made to outside parties in which the office holder or his firm or any associate has an interest. Best practice guidance<sup>2</sup> requires that such charges should be disclosed to those who are responsible for approving the office holder's remuneration, together with an explanation of how those charges are calculated.

### OFFICE HOLDER'S FEES IN RESPECT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF INSOLVENT ESTATES

The office holder has overall responsibility for the administration of the estate. He/she will delegate tasks to members of staff. Such delegation assists the office holder as it allows him/her to deal with the more complex aspects of the case and ensures that work is being carried out at the appropriate level. There are various levels of staff that are employed by the office holder and these appear below.

The firm operates a time recording system which allows staff working on the case along with the office holder to allocate their time to the case. The time is recorded at the individual's hourly rate in force at that time which is detailed below.

### OFFICE HOLDERS EXPENSES IN RESPECT OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF INSOLVENT ESTATES

Best practice guidance classifies expenses into two broad categories:

- *Category 1 expenses (approval not required)* - specific expenditure that is directly related to the case usually 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 incidental expenditure directly incurred on the case which include an element of shared or allocated cost and which are based on a reasonable method of calculation.
- (A) The following items of expenditure are charged to the case (subject to approval)
- Internal meeting room usage for the purpose of statutory meetings of creditors may be charged by some offices and is charged at the rate of £100 (London £150) per meeting. External meeting room usage is charged at cost.
  - Car mileage is charged at the rate of 45 pence per mile.

- Expenses which should be treated as *Category 2 disbursements (approval required)* – in addition to the 2 categories referred to above, best practice guidance indicates that where payments are made to outside parties in which the office holder or his firm or any associate has an interest these should be treated as *Category 2 disbursements*. The

following items of expenditure which relate to services provided by entities within the Begbies Traynor Group are to be charged to the case (subject to approval)

- Storage of books and records (when not rechargeable as a *Category 1 expense*) is charged by Archive Facilities (Southend) Limited, an associated company. The rates applying as at the date of this report are: Minimum charge of £40 per quarter for up to three boxes, Four to Two Hundred Boxes charged at £111 per quarter per box, over two hundred boxes are charged at half the aforementioned price, (£5.50 per box per quarter). Mileage for collection of books and records is charged at 55p per mile. Provision of cardboard box charged at £2.75 per box. Where Archive Facilities (Southend) Limited are required to physically pack the books and records, there is a minimum charge of 2 hours at £15 per hour per person required, and at £15 per hour for each hour thereafter. All figures stated are net.
- BTG Asset Consulting may be engaged to undertake valuations and/or disposal of assets. BTG Asset Consulting is a part of Begbies Traynor Group plc and is therefore an associated company. Their charges are based on 15% of realisations or time costs at a Partner rate of £125 per hour and Manager rate of £100 per hour. A separate charge will be levied for any valuations to be provided at a fixed fee of £500 + VAT. Disbursements are charged at cost and mileage is recovered at 40p per mile. All figures stated are net of VAT.

(B) 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

### BEGBIES TRAYNOR CHARGE-OUT RATES

Begbies Traynor is a national firm. The rates charged by the various grades of staff that may work on a case are set nationally, but vary to suit local market conditions. The rates applying to the Southend-on-Sea office are as follows:

	Charge-out Rate (£ per hour)	
Grade of staff	From 01 May 2011	01 July 2008 to 01 May 2011
Partner	495	450
Partner 2	N/A	395
Director	395	375
Senior Manager	365	350
Manager	315	300
Assistant Manager	270	250
Senior Administrator	235	220
Administrator	185	180
Junior Administrator	160	150
Support	160	150

Time spent by support staff for carrying out shorter tasks, such as typing or dealing with post, is not charged to cases but is carried as an overhead. Only where a significant amount of time is spent at one time on a case is a charge made for support staff. Time is recorded in units of 0.10 of an hour (i.e. 6 minute units).

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**STATEMENT OF EXPENSES**

Type of expense	Name of party with whom expense incurred	Amount incurred £	Amount discharged £	Balance (to be discharged) £
Telephone, Postage & Stationary	Begbies Traynor	6 30	-	6 30
Photocopies & Faxes	Begbies Traynor	35 00	-	35 00
Statutory Advertising	Stationary Office	150 00	-	150 00
Specific Penalty Bond	AUA Insolvency Risk Services	20 00	-	20 00

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