

The Insolvency Act 1986

Statement of administrators' proposals

Name of Company JJB Sports plc	Company number 01024895
In the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, Companies Court [full name of court]	Court case number 7447 of 2012

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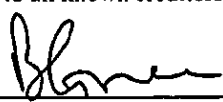
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JJB Sports plc - (in administration)
("the Company")

**Report to Creditors pursuant
to Paragraph 49 of Schedule
B1 to the Insolvency Act
1986**

KPMG LLP

21 November 2012

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This Proposal has been prepared by Brian Green, David Costley-Wood and Richard Fleming, the Joint Administrators of JJB Sports plc, solely to comply with their statutory duty under Paragraph 49 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 to lay before creditors a statement of their proposals for achieving the purposes of the administration order, and for no other purpose. It is not suitable to be relied upon by any other person, or for any other purpose, or in any other context.

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Brian Green and David Costley-Wood are authorised to act as insolvency practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales.

Richard Fleming is authorised to act as an insolvency practitioner by the Insolvency Practitioners Association.

The Joint Administrators act as agents for JJB Sports plc and contract without personal liability. The appointments of the Joint Administrators are personal to them and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, KPMG LLP does not assume any responsibility and will not accept any liability to any person in respect of this Proposal or the conduct of the administration.

Glossary

the Act	The Insolvency Act 1986
Adidas	Adidas (U K) Limited
Administration Order	The Administration Order granted by the High Court of Justice Chancery Division Companies Court, in respect of JJB Sports plc on 1 October 2012 Court Administration Order number 7447 of 2012
APA	Asset and Purchase Agreement relating to the sale and purchase of certain of the business and assets of JJB Sports plc, Blane Leisure Limited and SSL Retail Limited dated 1 October 2012
the Bank	Lloyds TSB Bank plc
Blane	Blane Leisure Limited – (in administration) (Company registered number SC109050)
Brodies	Brodies LLP
the Company or JJB	JJB Sports plc - (in administration) (Company register number 01024895)
the Companies	JJB Sports plc, Blane Leisure Limited and SSL Retail Limited
CVA	Company Voluntary Arrangement
DSGI	Dicks Sporting Goods Inc
the Directors	David Adams Richard Bernstein Lawrence Christensen Robert Corliss Mike McTighe Sir Matthew Pinsent David Williams
the Group	JJB Sports plc group of companies as a whole
Herbert Smith	Herbert Smith Freehills LLP
Joint Administrators	Brian Green, David Costley-Wood and Richard Fleming of KPMG LLP



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KPMG	KPMG LLP
the Proposals	Report to Creditors pursuant to Paragraph 49 of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 dated 21 November 2012
Prime Retail	Prime Retail Property Consultants LLP
the Purchaser	various subsidiaries of Sports Direct International plc
ROT	Retention of Title
the Rules	The Insolvency Rules 1986
SIP	Statement of Insolvency Practice
Sports Division Eire	Sports Division (Eireann) Limited - (in provisional liquidation) (Company registered number 234356)
SSL	SSL Retail Limited - (in administration) (Company registered number 01296016)
TUPE	Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations
VPS	Vacant Property Specialists UK Limited
VAT	Value Added Tax

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1 Introduction

Brian Green, David Costley-Wood and Richard Fleming of KPMG LLP were appointed as Joint Administrators of the Company on 1 October 2012 by the Directors of the Company, pursuant to Paragraph 22 of Schedule B1 of the Act

In accordance with Paragraph 100(2) of Schedule B1 to the Act, the functions of the Joint Administrators are being exercised by any or all of the Joint Administrators

In accordance with Paragraph 49 of Schedule B1 to the Act, the Joint Administrators now set out their Proposals for achieving the purpose of the administration and for the conduct of the administration. This document in its entirety constitutes the Joint Administrators' Proposals to creditors. A summary of the Proposals is provided at Section 12

This report also includes certain information required to be provided to creditors in accordance with Rule 2.33 of the Rules. The appropriate statutory information is set out in Appendix 1

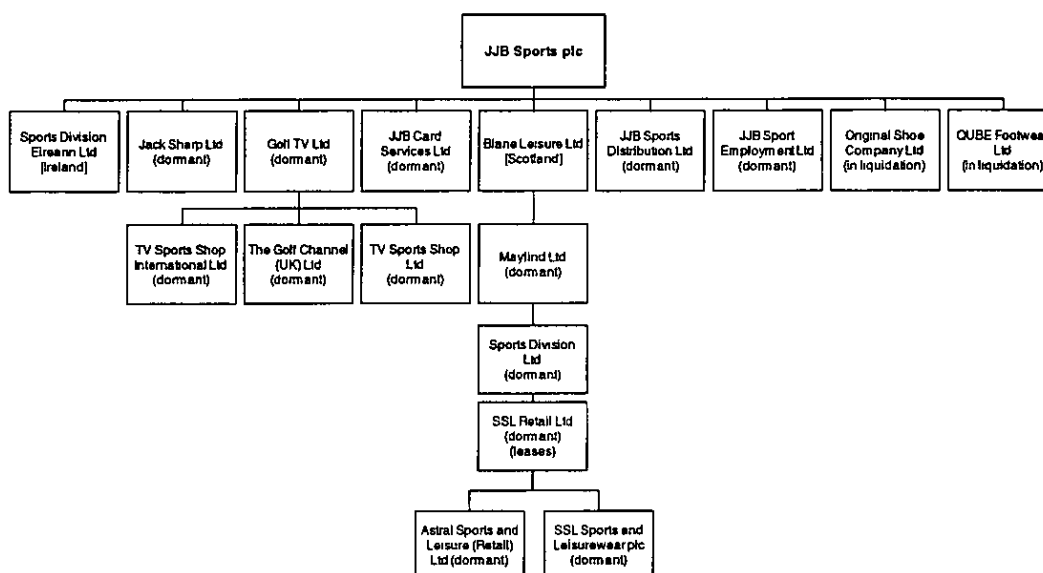
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2 Background

2.1 History of the Company

JJB Sports plc was incorporated on 22 September 1971 and had grown to become one of the UK's leading retailers of sports equipment and clothing. The Company was the main trading entity and parent company of the Group.

The UK Group structure is set out below.



The Group had three trading entities, namely Blane Leisure Limited, which was incorporated in 1988 in Scotland, Sports Division (Eireann) Limited, incorporated in 1995 in the Republic of Ireland and JJB Sports plc, all of which held leases for stores trading under the JJB name.

At the date of the Joint Administrators' appointment, the Group traded from 159 leasehold stores in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland and through its websites, www.jjbsports.com and www.jjbteamwear.com and via an online shop with eBay.

The Group had a further 68 stores that had been closed but not yet surrendered to landlord's following the Company Voluntary Arrangements of 2009 and 2011.

The leases held by the Group were divided as follows:

- 109 trading leases and 55 CVA stores were held by the Company and located throughout England and Scotland,
- 41 of the Group's trading stores and 10 of the CVA stores were in the name of Blane and located throughout England and Scotland,



- four trading stores located in the Republic of Ireland were held by Sports Division Eire,
- four trading leases and two CVA stores were held in SSL Retail Limited, which was incorporated in 1977, and was a non-trading entity, and
- one trading lease and one CVA store was held by SSL Sportswear and Leisure plc. Incorrect Group information stated that these leases were held within SSL, but the Joint Administrators were able to ascertain the correct ownership following a review of the relevant lease documents

The other subsidiaries of the Company are dormant and non-trading, or in liquidation

2.2 Financial information

The Group's consolidated financial position as detailed in the last two sets of filed accounts as at 29 January 2012 and 30 January 2011 and management accounts as at 29 July 2012 is summarised on the next page



JJB Sports plc - (in administration)
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Group Consolidated Statement of Financial Position	As at 29 July 2012	As at 29 January 2012	As at 30 January 2011
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Non-current assets			
Other intangible assets	13,796	13,796	13,796
Property, plant and equipment	10,483	10,405	20,175
Investments in subsidiaries	45,931	46,091	64,859
	<u>70,210</u>	<u>70,292</u>	<u>98,830</u>
Current assets			
Inventories	56,359	47,302	52,725
Trade and other receivables	6,919	7,792	9,077
Cash and cash equivalents	4,859	4,638	5,859
	<u>68,137</u>	<u>59,732</u>	<u>67,661</u>
Total assets	<u>138,347</u>	<u>130,024</u>	<u>166,491</u>
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	(60,026)	(45,689)	(68,384)
Tax liabilities	(16)	-	-
Provisions	(12,577)	(6,488)	(6,636)
Derivative financial instruments	(4)	(958)	(113)
	<u>(72,623)</u>	<u>(53,135)</u>	<u>(75,133)</u>
Net current assets (liabilities)	<u>(4,486)</u>	<u>6,597</u>	<u>(7,472)</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Bank loans and overdrafts	(20,557)	(15,915)	(24,678)
Loan notes	(18,900)	-	-
Other creditors	(10,427)	-	-
Provisions	(19,864)	-	-
Trade loan	(1,088)	-	-
Deferred lease incentives	-	(10,292)	(11,733)
Cash and cash equivalents	-	(19,708)	(10,876)
	<u>(70,836)</u>	<u>(45,915)</u>	<u>(47,287)</u>
Total liabilities	<u>(143,459)</u>	<u>(99,050)</u>	<u>(122,420)</u>
Net assets (liabilities)	<u>(5,112)</u>	<u>30,974</u>	<u>44,071</u>
Equity			
Share capital	35,949	34,824	32,542
Share premium account	266,037	258,221	174,055
Capital redemption reserve	1,069	1,069	1,069
Investment in own shares	5,268	(3,083)	(3,083)
Share based payment reserve	(3,083)	4,703	2,993
Foreign currency reserve	(691)	(829)	(703)
Retained losses	(309,661)	(263,931)	(162,802)
Net current liabilities	<u>(5,112)</u>	<u>30,974</u>	<u>44,071</u>

Source Audited and Management Accounts

3 Events leading to the appointment of the Joint Administrators

As reported in the SIP 16 memorandum attached at Appendix 6, the Group had experienced trading difficulties over a number of years due to being unable to differentiate its brands from its principal competitors resulting in price and margin pressure impacting on profitability

Since 2008 the Group had sought to address these issues by restructuring their business through the disposal of non-core elements of its business and closure of underperforming stores, raising cash from existing shareholders and latterly, new lenders

This process included entering into two separate Company Voluntary Arrangements – one in 2009 and another in 2011. The aim of the first CVA was to compromise liabilities arising from the leases of 140 stores which the Company and Blane had previously vacated. This CVA was successfully completed in June 2010.

The purpose of the second CVA was to compromise the leases of a further 89 stores which were to be closed over a period not exceeding two years. Rents were reduced by 45% from the onset of the CVA to closure of each of these stores, whilst there was also a movement to pay rents on a monthly rather than quarterly basis. The majority of store closures had taken place but the CVA also contained obligations for the Company and Blane to make further funds available to the landlords of these stores in April 2013.

In April 2012, the Group announced that it had secured £30 million of additional financing which introduced Dicks Sporting Goods Inc as a strategic investor and Adidas as a third charge holder.

DSGI became a strategic partner to the Group, and invested £20 million through convertible loan notes whilst Adidas, one of the Group's key supplier partners, agreed to the provision of a loan of up to £15 million. This financial restructuring was formalised by an inter-creditor agreement between the Group, Lloyds TSB Bank plc, DSGI and Adidas dated 27 April 2012 and led to the creation of second and third priority secured charge holders.

It was disclosed at the time that this refinancing did not provide sufficient funds for the foreseeable future and it was envisaged that a further round of funding would be required. At that time, it was anticipated that this additional funding would be obtained in the first quarter of 2013.

Trading remained difficult and the Group experienced further deterioration in trading performance against its forecast, particularly in May and June 2012 when it expected a peak in sales in connection with sales of replica football shirts and associated products generated from consumer interest in the European Football Championship. This was exacerbated by the poor summer weather which adversely impacted sales of seasonal products. Consequently both sales and margin fell materially short of expectations.

Therefore the Group entered into discussions with strategic partners regarding a further capital raising exercise whilst attempting to mitigate trading costs via store closures, wage compromises and clearance stores to facilitate the turnaround of the Group's trading performance. However, the Group was unable to raise the level of funds required to implement the turnaround. As a result, the Directors decided to commence a formal sales process of the Group.

On 30 August 2012, the Group instructed KPMG, to assist them in seeking a buyer for the Company or the Group. KPMG monitored the process, which remained under the direction and control of the Directors, from the outset and this has been summarised in the SIP 16 memorandum, which was circulated to all creditors on 1 October 2012. A further copy of that document is included at Appendix 6.

Following the marketing process no credible share offers had been received by the Group and the Directors decided to file a notice of intention to appoint an administrator on 24 September 2012.

The proposed administrators subsequently reviewed the offers received by the Directors and based on information available at the time concluded that, the offer from Sports Direct International plc (through a number of its subsidiaries) provided

- the best return to creditors when compared to the other offers received, and
- the best return to creditors compared to other options available to the Administrators (such as a trading administration)

On 1 October 2012, the Joint Administrators were appointed over the Companies and a sale of the majority of the business and assets was completed shortly after the appointments. A consideration of £23.8 million was paid in full on completion.

On the same day, Kieran Wallace of KPMG Ireland was appointed as provisional liquidator of Sports Division Eire. Please note all of the assets of Sports Division Eire, including the four leasehold properties in the Republic of Ireland, were excluded from the sale to the Purchaser.

4 Statement of Prior Professional Relationship

In October 2008 KPMG was instructed by the Company to undertake work on communication with stakeholders, assistance with cash management procedures, contingency planning and separation issues for the wider JJB Group. This resulted in two additional pieces of work.

Firstly, in January 2009 KPMG were instructed to prepare an information memorandum ("IM") on behalf of management for the sale of Original Shoe Company Limited and Qubefootwear Limited (both subsidiaries of the Group). KPMG prepared the IM but the offers received were not deemed acceptable by management and Richard Fleming, David

Costley-Wood and Blair Nimmo were subsequently appointed Joint Administrators over both companies on 19 February 2009. Both companies were subsequently placed into liquidation with the administrators of each entity being appointed as the Liquidators.

Secondly, in February 2009 KPMG was asked to consider the feasibility of the Company and Blane proposing Company Voluntary Arrangements. KPMG assisted both the Company and Blane in the preparation of a CVA proposal and Richard Fleming and Brian Green of KPMG subsequently acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of the Company and Richard Fleming, Brian Green and Blair Nimmo acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of Blane.

The preparatory work carried out prior to acting as Nominees dealt with the specific issue of seeking to compromise each company's liabilities to landlords in respect of stores which had been closed. The creditors and members of both companies approved the CVAs and the appointment of the above individuals as Supervisors. The CVAs were successfully implemented and terminated on 16 June 2010.

Subsequent to this, in November 2010, KPMG was asked to consider the feasibility of the Company and Blane proposing second CVAs. KPMG assisted both the Company and Blane in the preparation of CVA proposals which were issued in March 2011. Richard Fleming and Brian Green of KPMG subsequently acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of the Company and Richard Fleming, Brian Green and Blair Nimmo acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of Blane.

The preparatory work carried out prior to acting as Nominees dealt with the specific issue of seeking to compromise each company's liabilities to landlords in respect of a number of stores which the companies had earmarked for closure over a 12 month or two year period, together with a move to pay all rents on a monthly, rather than quarterly, basis. The creditors and members of both companies approved the CVAs and the appointment of the above individuals as Supervisors. The CVAs had been expected to conclude in April 2013.

All those directors who were in office at the time of the first CVA have since resigned their positions and, of the seven directors currently in office, only four were appointed prior to the second CVA being approved.

In December 2011 KPMG was engaged to assist the Group in considering alternative sources of funding and contingency planning. This led to an instruction to run a process to seek to secure a strategic investment in JJB. During this process the management team presented their business plan to a number of potential strategic investors. In April 2012, additional finance was provided to the Company by DSGI and Adidas, both of whom were separately professionally advised.

In July 2012 KPMG was instructed by the Company, to carry out contingency planning work and assistance with communication with stakeholders.

In August 2012 KPMG was instructed by the Company to carry out research on the UK sportswear market. The results of this research were presented to the Company for its internal use.

Further, in August 2012 KPMG were instructed to assist the Company with marketing the Group for sale

KPMG was not instructed by the Directors of the Group to advise them on their personal positions. The Joint Administrators understand the Directors sought their own independent advice.

The Joint Administrators have fully considered the relevant guide to professional conduct and ethics as issued by the relevant regulatory bodies and are satisfied that the existence of this prior relationship does not create any conflict of interest or threat to independence as office holders.

5 Purpose, initial strategy and progress of the administration

5.1 Purpose of the administration

In accordance with Paragraph 3(1) of Schedule B1 to the Act the Joint Administrators have the following hierarchy of objectives. In order these are:

- (a) rescuing the company as a going concern, or
- (b) achieving a better result for the company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the company were wound up, or
- (c) realising property in order to make a distribution to one or more secured or preferential creditors

A share sale was explored by the Directors following the commencement of a formal sales process of the Companies on 30 August 2012 but was deemed not possible to complete as no credible offers for shares were received. As a result, the Joint Administrators did not deem rescuing the Company as a going concern viable.

In this case, the Joint Administrators are pursuing purpose 3(1)(b), achieving a better result for the Company's creditors than would be likely in a winding up.

5.2 Initial strategy

A number of courses of action were considered by the proposed Joint Administrators, including but not limited to:

- seeking further funding to avoid an insolvency process,
- managed wind down through a trading administration,
- a sale of the business through a trading administration, and

- a sale of the business immediately following the appointment of Joint Administrators via a pre-packaged sale

After due consideration, the proposed Joint Administrators concluded that the pre-packaged sale immediately following their appointment would produce the best anticipated return to creditors

This included a sale of the Group's interest in 20 of the 159 trading leasehold stores, freehold property in Wigan, assignment of intellectual property rights, intellectual property licences, goodwill, furniture and equipment and stock in stores, warehouses and in transit. Of the 20 stores assigned to the purchaser

- 13 of the leases were vested in the Company,
- five in Blane, and
- two in SSL

However, the sale excluded the 207 remaining leasehold stores held in the Group's property portfolio, book debts, cash in transit and various registered trademarks held by the Group. In addition and as stated previously, all assets owned by Sports Division Eire were also excluded from the sale

5.3 Joint Administrators' initial actions since appointment

Since 1 October 2012, the Joint Administrators have been engaged primarily in

- completion of the sale of the business and assets of the Companies,
- securing the trading leasehold stores that were excluded from the sale, including collection of any cash and Company records with the assistance of VPS,
- assisting the Purchaser with the release of assets sold under the APA, including stock and furniture and equipment,
- the set-up of an administration website with relevant communication for trade creditors, customers creditors and employees, including relevant job opportunities for those staff who had been made redundant,
- dealing with some matters in relation to ROT,
- marketing the Group's remaining leasehold property portfolio and completing any assignments and/or surrenders,
- reconciliation and recovery of the Group's cash in transit, including pre-appointment bank accounts, merchant acquirer and PayPal accounts,
- analysis and collection of Company's book debts,

- completion of the sale of the remaining registered trademarks not acquired by the Purchaser,
- assisting various third parties with the uplift of any assets not owned by the Group at the date of appointment,
- collection of rent from the Purchaser and rent payments to landlords,
- correspondence with landlords in respect of leasehold properties,
- dealing with creditor claims and queries, including employees,
- dealing with customers' queries in respect of outstanding orders and gift cards,
- regular reporting to secured lenders,
- establishing the tax and VAT position of the Company, and,
- statutory and compliance matters

5.4 Store closures

Following their appointment, the Joint Administrators staff attended all of the 135 UK stores that were to be closed following the completion of the sale, secured the premises, collected any cash and books and records and made the remaining staff at the stores redundant. Each of the store managers was retained for the first week of the administration to assist with providing access to the Purchaser to remove the stock, fixtures and fittings in line with the APA.

Subsequently, and to reduce the Joint Administrators' time costs, VPS were appointed

- to give access to the Purchaser to complete the asset removal process,
- to continue to secure the premises,
- to remove any books and records, and
- to collect any remaining cash in stores

5.5 Marketing of leasehold property

Additionally, the Joint Administrators instructed Prime Retail to market the remaining 177 of the Group's property portfolio of stores. These stores comprised 129 of the 133 stores closed on the date of appointment and a number of stores closed under the CVA which had not yet been surrendered back to the appropriate landlord or were considered to have no value.

Four stores were not marketed due to quarter rent dates prohibiting the marketing process, or due to a break notice being served by the landlord.

The marketing campaign ran to 15 October 2012 and Prime Retail received strong interest from five external parties. Additionally, a number of landlords expressed an interest in taking back their leases for a surrender premium payable to the Company or to Blane.

The Companies received offers from three external parties for a combined total of 28 of the Group's property portfolio. The Joint Administrators pursued the three offers but unfortunately two of the parties subsequently withdrew.

At the date of reporting, the Joint Administrators have completed 12 surrenders for total gross premiums of £602,500 and a further 3 stores have been assigned for gross consideration of £75,000 from the Group's property portfolio.

The realisations in relation to the Company for the surrender premiums are detailed at Paragraph 7.1.2. Please note the funds in relation to the assignments are currently held by our solicitors and therefore do not appear in the receipts and payments account.

Following the marketing exercise, it was confirmed that the remainder of the leases held no value and the Joint Administrators have begun a process of offering these leases for surrender. At the reporting date, the Joint Administrators had offered 131 of the Companies' leases for surrender and all of the CVA leases. Unfortunately to date none have been accepted.

5.6 Cash in transit

Following the completion of the sale, the Company's principal unrealised asset is cash in transit. Cash in transit can be categorised into the following areas:

Pre-appointment bank accounts

The Company held pre-appointment bank accounts with Lloyds TSB Bank plc, NatWest Bank plc, Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc and Ulster Bank Limited. All funds held in the Company's pre-appointment bank accounts have now been transferred to the Joint Administrators' account with the exception of those funds held by Lloyds. For a breakdown of the amounts received please see Paragraph 7.1.9.

First Data Merchant Services

First Data Merchant Services ("First Data") provided the merchant acquirer facility for the Group. Funds held by First Data are the principal element of the cash in transit asset. As per Paragraph 7.1.9, to date First Data have transferred £1,330,000 in relation to card receipts at the date of appointment. The Joint Administrators remain in negotiations with First Data and anticipate that the remainder of the funds will be paid in due course.

PayPal/American Express/Creation Financial Services Limited

The Group held three PayPal accounts to manage their online services and further card facilities with both American Express and Creation Financial Services Limited, the latter providing store card facilities. The Joint Administrators continue to work alongside these providers in order to reconcile the accounts and recover the monies due to the Company.

Cash at stores

As stated previously, following the appointment the Joint Administrators' staff attended each store and the head office and collected cash totalling £282,039

Any cash remaining at stores was securely deposited in the store safe and was collected by VPS in conjunction with their other duties. At the date of reporting VPS held a further £83,913 in relation to the Company's stores

Voucher companies

Various third party companies sold vouchers to customers who subsequently redeemed these vouchers in JJB stores. From the Company's books and records, a total of £68,777 of these companies had already been invoiced, with a further £13,469 still to be recovered and invoiced at a later date. Current realisations are detailed in Paragraphs 7.1.6 and 7.1.7

5.7 Sundry refunds

The Joint Administrators have instructed DTZ to pursue rates refunds in relation to the Group's property portfolio to enhance recoveries. Please note the rates refunds indicated in Paragraph 7.1.11 were received prior to DTZ's instruction and therefore will not suffer any commission

DTZ consider that the principal source of recovery will arise from appeals on current and historic rating list entries. In addition, they are pursuing a number of vacant rates claims in respect of stores closed under the CVAs. At this point in time, we are unable to provide any further details regarding anticipated recoveries

In addition, the Joint Administrators have instructed CAPA to investigate potential recoveries of over payments on the purchase ledger and we are currently awaiting their initial findings

5.8 Book debts

A summary of the Company's debtors and prepayments is outlined below

Title	Amount (£)
Sales ledger	1,322,481
Voucher companies	68,777
Other debtors	582,176
Sundry financial debtors	134,524
Insurance claims	92,932
Automatic prepayments	10,247,524
Manual prepayments	1,024,653
Total	<u>13,473,067</u>

Sales ledger

The gross sales ledger at the date of appointment totalled £1,322,481. The Joint Administrators have secured all invoices and supporting documentation from the Company's books and records and continue to chase these debts. Recoveries to date total £48,956.

Automatic prepayments

Automatic prepayments relate to property prepayments of rent, rates, service charge and insurance. As described previously, we have instructed DTZ and CAPA to investigate any potential recoveries although the vast majority of these debts will be set off against landlords' claims or be irrecoverable due to non-payment of non-domestic rates in September 2012.

The Joint Administrators continue to investigate and pursue the remaining debts on the ledger.

5.9 Retention of Title

To date we have received 41 Retention of Title claims, and a further three claims in relation to stock sold as "sale or return". Under the terms of the APA the Purchaser took responsibility for dealing with all ROT claims.

According to the Company's books and based on the claims received to date, the ROT creditors accounted for approximately 77% of the Group's total stock value at appointment.

5.10 Employees

At the date of appointment, the Company employed 2,947 members of staff.

Following the completion of the sale of the business and assets to the Purchaser:

- 548 employees transferred to the Purchaser under TUPE regulations,
- 2,225 members of staff were made redundant, and
- 174 employees continued to be employed by the Joint Administrators to assist with the administration.

All of the 174 employees retained to assist the Joint Administrators have now been made redundant.

6 Joint Administrators' remuneration

6.1 Post-appointment time and disbursements

The statutory provisions relating to Joint Administrators' remuneration are set out in Rule 2.106 of the Rules. Further information is given in the Association of Business Recovery

Professionals' publication 'A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' Fees', a copy of which can be obtained at

http://www.r3.org.uk/media/documents/publications/professional/Guide_to_Administrators_Fees_Nov2011.pdf

If you are unable to access this guide and would like a copy please contact Andrew Thompson on 0113 231 3317

The Joint Administrators will seek to draw remuneration on the basis of time properly given by them and their staff in dealing with matters arising in the administration at their normal hourly rate of charging (as detailed in Appendix 3)

In accordance with Rule 52(1)(b) of the Rules, the Joint Administrators do not intend to hold a meeting of creditors and will instead seek approval for the payment of their fees and expenses from the secured and preferential creditors

Attached at Appendix 3 is a detailed analysis of time spent, and in Appendix 4 charge out rates, for each grade of staff for the various areas of work carried out to 11 November 2012, as required by the Association of Business Recovery Professionals' Statement of Insolvency Practice (SIP 9)

In the period to 11 November 2012, the Joint Administrators have incurred time costs of £1,630,273 representing 4,766 hours at an average hourly rate of £342. This includes work undertaken in respect of tax, VAT, pensions and Health and Safety specialists

Joint Administrators' expenses incurred to date total £11,118

7 Receipts and payments to date

An analysis of receipts and payments for the period 1 October 2012 to 14 November 2012 is attached at Appendix 2

This takes account of receipts and payments on a cash basis and does not show accrued receipts and/or payments

Funds held in the Joint Administrators' bank accounts as at 14 November 2012 total £6,020,775

7.1 Receipts

7.1.1 Sale of business and its assets

The Joint Administrators successfully completed a sale of the business and majority of the Companies assets shortly after appointment. The sale included the following apportionment of the assets to the Company

Asset	Consideration (£)
Freehold Property	8,000,000
Leasehold Property	1,300,000
Assigned Intellectual Property	99,998
Intellectual Property Licences	800,000
Goodwill	75,000
Furniture and Equipment	750,000
Stock	*9,480,708
Total	£20,505,706

*the figure attributable to stock differs from that quoted in the SIP16 memorandum, attached at Appendix 6, as a total of £11,772,352 was paid on completion with £2,291,644 subsequently apportioned to Blane

7.1.2 Leasehold Property

The Joint Administrators have realised £140,000 in relation to surrender premiums for leases vested in the Company as detailed in Paragraph 5.5.

7.1.3 Intellectual Property Licences

The Joint Administrators realised a further £160,000 in relation to registered trademarks held by the Company that were not acquired by the Purchaser

7.1.4 Licence Fee

Upon completion of the APA, a licence fee payment was made in respect of the rent, service charge and insurance for the period from 1 October 2012 to 25 December 2012 for the stores that the Purchaser occupied under a Licence to Occupy. The Purchaser has currently transferred £613,490 in relation to the 13 stores where the leases are in the name of the Company

7.1.5 Third party funds held by JJB

The Company currently holds £691,569 in relation to potential third party funds. These need to be reconciled, ownership confirmed and then these will be transferred to the appropriate owners

7.1.6 Post-Appointment Invoicing

At the date of this Report, total monies of £14,878 had been recovered from third party voucher companies following invoicing post-appointment

7.1.7 Book debts

The Joint Administrators have recovered £48,956 in relation to pre-appointment book debts in the period. Of this amount £47,295 relates to pre-appointment voucher debtors

7 1 8 **Cash from stores**

Cash of £282,039 held in those stores vested in the Company's name was collected on the date of appointment

7 1 9 **Cash at bank**

To date cash at bank of £2,068,972 has been collected and can be allocated as follows

Financial Institution	Amount (£)
Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc	581,399
/ Natwest Bank plc	
First Data Merchant Services	1,330,000
Ulster Bank Limited	157,219
American Express	354
Total	<u>2,068,972</u>

7 1 10 **Sundry refunds**

The Company has received sundry refunds totalling £25,895 from the following

- £22,846 in relation to an overpayment of water charges from United Utilities plc,
- £1,000 was a refund for unused franking machines from Neopost Limited,
- £15 refunded from Her Majesty's Court Service, and
- £2,034 in relation to legal costs awarded to the Company following an employee tribunal case

7 1 11 **Rates refunds**

The Joint Administrators have received rates refunds totalling £11,750

7 1 12 **Petty cash**

Petty cash totalling £1,263 was collected from the Company's head office on the date of appointment

7 1 13 **Bank interest**

At the date of reporting, the Joint Administrators had received bank interest of £2,342 relating to the fixed charge, £867 relating to the floating charge and £42 in relation to the completion monies held by our solicitors prior to transferring them

7.2 **Payments**

7.2 1 **Direct Labour**

The Company has incurred costs and expenses of £224,808 and £2,933 respectively for direct labour arising from the initial administration process PAYE/NIC in respect of direct labour totalled £11,699

In addition, a payment of £51,837 was made in relation to employee wages and accrued holiday up to the date of appointment, de facto eliminating employee preferential claims in the administration. Given the values and number of potential employees claims (2,947 employees) the cost benefit of this payment will improve the position of creditors as a whole.

7.2.2 Legal fees

The Joint Administrators engaged Herbert Smith and Brodies as their legal advisers, the former to advise in relation to English law and the latter with regard to Scottish law. Legal fees have been incurred as a result of work following the completion of the APA, dealing with various ROT claims and landlord complaints and other statutory obligations of the Joint Administrators.

Legal fees totalling £221,827 were incurred pre-administration, relating to the statutory filing requirements of the appointment of the Joint Administrators and advising on, and preparing all documentation necessary for, the sale of the Companies' business and assets. It is proposed that the pre-administration costs incurred by Herbert Smith will be paid as an expense of the Administration under Rule 2.33(2B)(a) of the Act.

The payment of unpaid pre-administration costs as an expense of the Administration is subject to approval under Rule 2.67A of the Rules and not part of the Proposals subject to approval under Paragraph 53 of the Act.

Accordingly and in the absence of a meeting of unsecured creditors (see Section 11), the secured and preferential creditors would agree the payment of pre-administration costs.

In addition, Dundas and Wilson LLP were engaged to assist with the leasehold property surrenders and assignments and have currently been paid £10,074 in fees and disbursements. Further legal costs of £690 have been paid in relation to the signing of appointment documents of which £360 has been invoiced to Sports Division Eire.

7.2.3 Agents'/Valuers' fees

Following the marketing of the Group's property portfolio, the Company have incurred costs of £27,500 with regard to Prime Retail's fees in relation to the premium surrenders.

In addition, the Joint Administrators paid £1,870 to Vital Property Solutions to perform Energy Performance Certificates at the Company's head office.

7.2.4 Transferred stores – rent and service charge

As discussed above at Paragraph 7.1.4, the Company received a licence fee payment in respect of the rent, service charge and insurance for the period from 1 October 2012 to 25 December 2012 for the 13 stores that the Purchaser occupied under a Licence to Occupy.

At the date of reporting, £64,503 have been paid to landlords in respect of rent and service charges.

7 2 5 **Voucher commission**

Further to Paragraph 7 1 6, under the existing contracts, commission of £6,950 has been paid to third party voucher companies in relation to vouchers redeemed at the Company stores prior to 1 October 2012

7 2.6 **Other property expenses**

£120 was paid by the Joint Administrators to secure a property following our appointment

7 2 7 **Equipment rental**

The Joint Administrators incurred £2,054 for the rental of printers at the Company's head office and £20,760 in relation to the rental of computer equipment

7 2 8 **Other expenses**

The Joint Administrators have incurred the following other expenses in the reporting period

Expense	Amount (£)
Subcontractors	400
Sundry expenses	413
Re-direction of mail	205
Statutory Advertising	77
Bank charges	66
Total	<u>1,161</u>

8 **Estimated outcome for creditors**

8 1 **Secured creditors**

Lloyds TSB Bank plc has the benefit of a first priority guarantee and debenture dated 24 May 2011, providing a fixed and floating charge over the Group's assets

The Group had received funding from Lloyds who had provided working capital facilities of £25 million plus associated ancillary facilities totalling £13 million. These total borrowings and facilities of £38 million were subject to cross guarantees between the Group and the other subsidiary entities, which are secured by debentures dated 24 May 2011

The amount owed to the Bank at the date of appointment in relation to the above facilities is approximately £23.4 million

As at the reporting date, the Joint Administrators have distributed a total of £18,287,425 to the Bank from the Company's realisations. £10,537,424 of the total distribution relates to assets secured under the Bank's fixed charge and £7,750,001 relates to assets secured under the Bank's floating charge. Please note further distributions have been made to the Bank from Blane.

In addition, the Group had received significant additional funding from DSGI and Adidas totalling approximately £20 million and £15 million respectively, which are secured by a guarantee and debenture dated 27 April 2012.

The Joint Administrators anticipate that the second priority secured creditors will ultimately suffer a material shortfall.

The Joint Administrators' solicitors, Herbert Smith, have reviewed the various charges held by Lloyds, DSGI and Adidas and have confirmed their validity.

8.2 Preferential creditors

The Joint Administrators do not anticipate any preferential claims against the Company as a result of all employees having already been paid their wage arrears and holiday pay.

8.3 Unsecured creditors

The Directors' Statements of Affairs attached in Appendix 5 indicates that unsecured claims against the Company total £212.2 million of which

- £117.3 million relates to inter-company debt,
- £29.9 million to stock suppliers,
- £28 million to property and other provisions,
- £9.1 million to landlords, and
- £27.9 million to other unsecured creditors.

In this case there will be the maximum prescribed part of £600,000 made available to unsecured creditors under the Prescribed Part Rules.

Unfortunately, there will be no distribution to unsecured creditors in the Company other than under the Prescribed Part Rules.

If the Joint Administrators deem it appropriate they will consider seeking permission of the Court to make a distribution to unsecured creditors of the Company, in respect of the prescribed part pursuant to Paragraph 65 of Schedule B1 to the Act.

8.4 Shareholders

There will be insufficient funds for a distribution to the shareholders of the Company.

9 Other matters

The EC Regulation on Insolvency Proceedings 2000 will apply in this matter and these proceedings will be the main proceedings as defined in Article 3 of the EC Regulation. The Company's registered office and centre of main interests are in the United Kingdom.

This means that the administration will be conducted according to UK Insolvency legislation and is not governed by the insolvency law of any other European Union Member State.

10 Statement of Affairs

The Directors of the Company have provided a Statement of Affairs for the Company as at the date of appointment, a copy of which is attached at Appendix 5.

Please note that the list of members has not been attached to this report due to its size. If you would like a copy of the list of members then please contact Andrew Thompson on 0113 231 3317.

No order has been made to limit the disclosure of information regarding the Company's position.

11 Creditors' meeting

Pursuant to Paragraph 52(1) of Schedule B1 to the Act, the grounds where a meeting of creditors need not be held are where the Joint Administrators consider as follows:

- (a) that the Company has sufficient property to enable each creditor of the company to be paid in full,
- (b) that the Company has insufficient property to enable a distribution to be made to unsecured creditors other than by virtue of Section 176(A)(2)(a) (Prescribed Part), and
- (c) that neither of the objectives specified in Paragraph 3(1)(a) and (b) can be achieved.

On the basis of current information the Joint Administrators consider that Paragraph 52(1)(b) of Schedule B1 to the Act applies. Therefore the Joint Administrators do not propose to hold an initial meeting of creditors. The Joint Administrators are, however, required to summon an initial creditors meeting if it is requested.

- (a) by creditors of the Company whose debts amount to at least 10% of the total debts of the Company,
- (b) in the prescribed manner (detailed below), and
- (c) in the prescribed period (detailed below)

A request for an initial meeting of creditors must be made in writing to the Joint Administrators on the prescribed form as set out in Rule 2.37 of the Rules and include

- a list of the creditors concurring with the request, showing the amounts of their respective debts in the administration,
- from each creditor concurring, written confirmation of his concurrence, and
- a statement of the purpose of the proposed meeting

The costs of convening and holding the meeting shall be at the expense of the creditor making the request unless it is resolved at the meeting that these costs be paid out of the assets of the Company as an expense of the administration

If you wish to request a meeting of creditors please contact Andrew Thompson of my office on 0113 231 3317

If the Joint Administrators are not requested to call a meeting within eight business days of the date on which these proposals were sent to all creditors, the proposals (excluding proposals relating to the Joint Administrators' remuneration and discharge of liability) will be deemed to have been accepted

Should any creditor request to establish a creditors committee then a creditors meeting will need to be requested by that creditor in order to establish whether any other creditors wish to participate. In accordance with Rule 2.50 of the Rules, the committee will need to comprise of 3 to 5 members whose claims against the Company have not been rejected

12 The Joint Administrators' Proposals

This document in its entirety constitutes the Joint Administrators' Proposals in accordance with Paragraph 49 of Schedule B1 to the Act. However, in summary, the Joint Administrators propose the following

- to continue to do all such things reasonably expedient and generally exercise all their powers as contained in Schedule B1 to the Act as Joint Administrators as they, in their absolute discretion, consider desirable in order to maximise realisations from the assets of the Company,
- to investigate and, if appropriate, pursue any claims the Company may have,
- to seek an extension to the administration period if deemed necessary by the Joint Administrators pursuant to Paragraph 76 of Schedule B1 to the Act,

- to seek permission of the Court to make a distribution of the prescribed part to unsecured creditors of the Company pursuant to Paragraph 65 of Schedule B1 to the Act and to seek, if appropriate, any other directions from the Court,
- when it is considered that no further distributions to creditors will be made and that the Joint Administrators have concluded their duties, to take the necessary steps to move the Company from administration to dissolution, pursuant to Paragraph 84 of Schedule B1 to the Act,
- that if issues arise which could better be dealt with in liquidation, the Joint Administrators take the necessary steps to move the Company into creditors' voluntary liquidation pursuant to Paragraph 83 of Schedule B1 to the Act to distribute the prescribed part,
- if creditors' voluntary liquidation is deemed appropriate, the Joint Administrators will seek the appointment of Brian Green, David Costley-Wood and Richard Fleming of KPMG LLP as Joint Liquidators of JJB Sports plc without any further recourse to creditors. In accordance with Paragraph 83(7) of Schedule B1 to the Act and Rule 2.117(3) of the Rules (as amended), creditors may nominate a different person as the proposed liquidator, provided that the nomination is made after the receipt of the proposals and before the proposals are approved, and
- in the event that Brian Green, David Costley-Wood and Richard Fleming are appointed Joint Liquidators then they will be allowed to act jointly and severally
- The following are a summary of Proposals that are not subject to deemed approval
- the Joint Administrators will be discharged from liability under Paragraph 98 of Schedule B1 to the Act immediately upon their appointment as Joint Administrators ceasing to have effect,
- that in the event that no creditors' committee is formed, the Joint Administrators will seek approval from the secured and preferential creditors that they be authorised to draw fees on account from the assets of the Company from time to time during the period of the Administration based on time properly spent at KPMG LLP charge out rates that reflect the complexity of the assignment. In the event that Brian Green, David Costley-Wood and Richard Fleming be appointed Joint Liquidators then they will be able to draw fees on the same basis as the Joint Administrators as agreed by the Company's creditors,
- that the costs of KPMG LLP in respect of HSE, Pension, Tax, Receivables Realisation Group and VAT advice provided to the Joint Administrators be based upon time costs and shall be paid out of the assets of the Company,
- that the Joint Administrators will be authorised to draw disbursements from time to time to include category 2 disbursements. A Schedule of such expenses incurred by the Joint Administrators to 2 November 2012 is included at Appendix 3, and
- Herbert Smith's unpaid pre-administration costs of £221,827 be paid as an expense of the Administration



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This concludes the Joint Administrators' Proposal. Should any creditor require further information, please contact my colleague, Andrew Thompson, who can be contacted on 0113 231 3317.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Blance'.

Brian Green
Joint Administrator



Appendix 1 – Statutory information

Company name	JJB Sports plc
Company registration number	01024895
Date of incorporation	22 September 1971
Previous registered office	Challenge Way Martland Park Wigan Lancashire WN5 0LD
Present registered office	KPMG LLP St James' Square Manchester Lancashire M2 6DS
Issued share capital	405,812,703 0 01p ordinary shares 65,083,186 0 49p deferred ordinary shares
Directors	Mr D Adams Mr R Bernstein Mr L Christensen Mr R Corliss Mr M McTighe Sir M Pinsent Mr D Williams
Company secretary	Mr D Williams
Employees	2,947
Previous names	J J B (Sports) Limited until 20 October 1994



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Details of the Company's consolidated trading results are shown below

	As at 29/07/2012 (unaudited) £000	As at 29/01/2012 (audited) £000	As at 30/01/2011 (audited) £000
Turnover	110,772	284,206	326,894
Operating profit / (Loss)	(32,153)	(103,450)	(181,812)
Profit / (Loss) before tax	(45,762)	(101,129)	(181,365)
Profit / (Loss) after tax	(45,762)	(101,129)	(181,365)

Appendix 2 – Joint Administrators’ receipts and payments account for the period 1 October 2012 to 14 November 2012

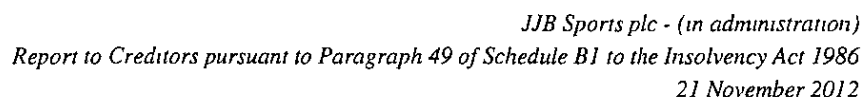
JJB Sports Plc (In Administration) Administrators' Trading Account		
Statement of Affairs	From 01/10/2012 To 14/11/2012	From 01/10/2012 To 14/11/2012
POST-APPOINTMENT SALES		
Miscellaneous income	NIL	NIL
	NIL	NIL
OTHER DIRECT COSTS		
Direct labour	276 644 51	276 644 51
Employee expenses	2 932 96	2 932 96
	(279,577 47)	(279 577 47)
TRADING SURPLUS(DEFICIT)	(279,577 47)	(279,577 47)



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Administrators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs	From 01/10/2012 To 14/11/2012	From 01/10/2012 To 14/11/2012
	FIXED CHARGE ASSETS	
8,000,000.00	Freehold property	8,000,000.00
1,400,000.00	Leasehold property	1,440,000.00
	Assigned IP	99,998.00
420,953.00	Fixtures and Fittings	NIL
1,000,000.00	IP Licences	960,000.00
	Goodwill	75,000.00
	Bank interest, gross	2,342.27
	Licence Fee	613,490.15
	Interest on completion monies	41.77
		<u>11,190,872.19</u>
	FIXED CHARGE COSTS	
	Legal fees	10,180.00
	Legal disbursements	73.90
	Agents'/Valuers' fees	29,370.00
	Bank charges	20.00
	Transferred store - Rent	64,296.34
	Transferred store - Service Charge	206.67
		<u>(104,146.91)</u>
	FIXED CHARGE CREDITORS	
(10,820,953.00)	Lloyds	<u>10,537,424.10</u>
		<u>(10,537,424.10)</u>
	ASSET REALISATIONS	
	3rd party funds held by JJB	691,568.85
371,076.00	Furniture & equipment	750,000.00
	Post Appointment invoicing	14,877.71
9,196,357.00	Stock	9,480,708.47
1,344,716.00	Book debts	48,955.81
51,753.00	Computer Equipment	NIL
	Cash from stores	282,039.08
3,307,673.00	Cash at bank	<u>2,068,971.79</u>
		<u>13,337,121.71</u>
	OTHER REALISATIONS	
	Bank interest, gross	867.00
	Sundry refunds	25,895.37
	Trading Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(279,577.47)</u>
	Rates refund	11,749.51
	Petty Cash	1,263.17
		<u>(239,802.42)</u>
	COST OF REALISATIONS	
	Subcontractors	400.00
	Sundry expenses	412.60
	Voucher Commission	6,949.55
	Legal fees	510.00
	Re-direction of mail	205.00
	Statutory advertising	76.50
	Other property expenses	120.00
	Bank charges	46.00



Statement of Affairs	From 01/10/2012 To 14/11/2012	From 01/10/2012 To 14/11/2012	
	Equipment rental	22,814 00 (31 533 65)	22,814 00 (31 533 65)
	FLOATING CHARGE CREDITORS		
(32,922,198 00)	Floating charge	7,750,001 00 (7 750,001 00)	7 750,001 00 (7 750 001 00)
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
(212,218 772 00)	Trade & expense	NIL	NIL
(35,948 888 00)	Issued and Called Up Share Capital	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
(266,818,283 00)		5,865,085 82	5,865,085 82
	REPRESENTED BY		
	Floating ch. VAT rec'able		1,870 01
	Fixed charge current		3,191,921.30
	Floating charge current		2,828,853 57
	Fixed charge VAT rec'able		20,785 38
	Fixed charge VAT payable		(182,698 03)
	Floating ch. VAT payable		(89 75)
	PAYENIC		11,698 84
	Pensions		(7 264 50)
			5,865,085 82



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Appendix 3 - Joint Administrators' time costs and disbursements to 11 November 2012

Activity	Partner/Director	Management	Administrators	Support	Total Hours	Total Cost £	Average Rate £
Administration & planning							
Store Closures	5.50	297.50	948.50	2.00	1,253.50	414,164.50	330.41
General (Cashiering)	6.10	37.70	244.00	21.90	309.70	94,605.50	305.47
Reconciliations (& IPS accounting reviews)	0.00	2.90	2.20	0.00	5.10	2,014.00	394.90
Books and records	0.00	0.00	65.20	1.30	66.50	17,010.50	255.80
Fees and WIP	0.00	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.70	385.00	550.00
Appointment and related formalities	20.00	50.00	167.00	1.00	238.00	77,417.00	325.28
Bonding and bordereau	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.10	1.60	257.50	160.94
Checklist & reviews	0.00	3.40	1.70	0.00	5.10	2,124.00	416.47
Reports to debenture holders	19.50	64.90	0.00	0.50	84.90	50,675.00	596.88
Statutory advertising	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	1,100.00	550.00
Statutory receipts and payments accounts	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	3.00	960.00	320.00
Strategy documents	22.50	1.30	1.60	0.00	27.40	19,126.50	698.05
	73.60	462.40	1,433.70	27.80	1,997.50	679,839.50	340.35
Creditors							
General correspondence	3.50	21.30	324.70	0.00	349.50	96,053.50	274.83
Legal claims	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	640.00	320.00
ROT Claims	0.00	26.50	94.70	0.00	121.20	38,023.00	311.72
Secured creditors	7.00	6.60	15.00	0.00	28.60	13,225.00	462.41
Statutory reports	0.00	1.00	23.40	0.00	24.40	7,510.00	307.79
	10.50	55.40	459.80	0.00	525.70	155,451.50	295.70
Employees							
Correspondence	4.20	23.40	357.40	66.10	451.10	126,769.00	281.02
Pensions reviews	0.00	1.10	12.90	0.00	14.00	3,646.00	260.43
	4.20	24.50	370.30	66.10	465.10	130,415.00	280.40
Investigation							
Directors questionnaire / checklist	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	1,340.00	670.00
Statement of affairs	2.50	3.10	0.50	0.00	6.10	3,423.00	561.15
Correspondence re investigations	0.75	1.70	4.30	0.00	6.75	2,884.75	427.37
Mail redirection	0.00	0.00	1.20	0.00	1.20	288.00	240.00
	5.25	4.80	6.00	0.00	16.05	7,935.75	494.44
Realisation of assets							
Cash and investments	5.50	156.30	125.60	0.00	287.40	115,471.00	401.78
Debtors	0.10	32.00	57.70	0.00	89.80	34,933.50	389.01
Freehold property	3.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.10	2,371.50	765.00
Goodwill	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	3,825.00	765.00
Health & safety	0.00	4.70	0.00	0.00	4.70	2,058.00	440.00
Leasehold property	19.50	347.35	695.30	0.00	1,062.15	364,164.50	342.86
Office equipment, fixtures & fittings	0.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	10.00	3,200.00	320.00
Open cover insurance	0.00	0.00	1.40	0.00	1.40	336.00	240.00
Other assets	1.00	16.80	60.40	0.00	78.20	24,501.00	313.31
Sale of business	18.50	30.40	27.70	0.00	76.60	43,746.50	571.10
Stock and WIP	8.25	1.70	36.15	0.00	46.10	15,305.50	423.98
Vehicles	0.00	0.00	5.50	0.00	5.50	1,320.00	240.00
	60.95	589.25	1,009.75	0.00	1,659.95	611,242.50	368.23
Tax							
Post Appointment VAT	24.00	30.80	25.50	0.00	80.30	34,981.50	435.64
Initial reviews CT and VAT	4.00	6.75	5.25	0.00	16.00	7,330.00	458.13
Post appointment corporation tax	2.20	3.60	0.00	0.00	5.80	3,077.00	530.52
	30.20	41.15	30.75	0.00	102.10	45,388.50	444.55
Total hours/cost	184.70	1,177.50	3,310.30	97.90	4,766.40	1,630,272.75	342.03
				Fees drawn	Hours/Costs to date		
				Bt	0.00	0.00	0.00
				In the period	0.00	4,766.40	1,630,272.75
				Ct	0.00	4,766.40	1,630,272.75
							342.03

Notes

All staff who have worked on this assignment including cashiers and secretarial staff have charged time directly to the assignment and are included in the analysis of time spent. The cost of staff employed in central administration functions is not charged directly to the assignment but is reflected in the general level of charge out rates.



Category 1 Expenses	£
Train travel	521 45
Other transportation costs	1,356 57
Overnight stay	2,233 42
Meals	1,221 41
Telephone, telefax, teleprinter	20 85
Other	70 04
Total	5,423.72

Category 2 Expenses	£
Mileage	5,694 75
Total	5,694.75

KPMG Restructuring policy for the recovery of disbursements

Where funds permit the officeholder will look to recover both category 1 and category 2 disbursements from the estate. For the avoidance of doubt, such expenses are defined within SIP 9 as follows

- **Category 1 disbursements** These are costs where there is specific expenditure directly referable both to the appointment in question and a payment to an independent third party. These may include, for example, advertising, room hire, storage, postage, telephone charges, travel expenses, and equivalent costs reimbursed to the officeholder or his or her staff.
- **Category 2 disbursements** These are costs that are directly referable to the appointment in question but not to a payment to an independent third party. They may include shared or allocated costs that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis, for example, business mileage.

Any disbursements paid from the estate are disclosed within the attached summary of disbursements.

The only Category 2 disbursements that KPMG Restructuring currently charges is mileage, this is calculated as follows:

Mileage claims fall into three categories

- Use of privately-owned vehicle or car cash alternative – 40p per mile
- Use of company car – 60p per mile
- Use of partner's car – 60p per mile



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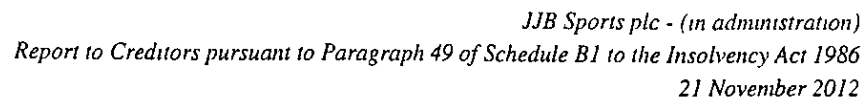


Appendix 4 – Joint Administrators' charge out rates

Chargeable rates from 1 October 2012

Grade	Rate per hour
	£
Partner	765
Associate Partner	670
Director	670
Senior Manager	550
Manager	440
Assistant Manager	320
Assistant	240
Support	125

	KPMG LLP Corporation Tax Team	KPMG LLP Pensions Team	KPMG LLP CCS Team
Grade	From 1 July 2010 £/hr	From 1 July 2010 £/hr	From 1 July 2010 £/hr
Partner	725	725	700
Associate Partner	635	635	640
Director	635	635	640
Senior Manager	525	525	550
Manager	420	420	450
Senior Administrator	305	305	310
Administrator	230	230	225
Support	120	120	180



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A1 Summary of Liabilities

	£	£
Estimated total assets available for preferential creditors (carried from page A)		14 271 575
Liabilities		
Preferential creditors		
Estimated (deficiency)/surplus as regards preferential creditors		14,271,575
Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (to carry Forward)		(600 000)
Estimated total assets available for floating charge holders		13,671,575
Fixed charge surplus/(shortfall) b/f		(32,922 198)
Estimated (deficiency)/surplus of assets after floating charge		(19,250 623)
Estimated prescribed part of net property where applicable (brought down)		600 000
Unsecured non-preferential creditors (excluding any shortfall to floating charge holders)		
Stock Suppliers	(29,868,346)	
Landlords	(9 095,855)	
Utility Suppliers	(508,623)	
General Suppliers	(2,033 119)	
Marketing Suppliers	(480,296)	
Stock Import Suppliers	(667 805)	
Capital Suppliers	(77,395)	
VAT	(1,370 055)	
PAYE	(1,591,115)	
Intercompany balances	(117 298 269)	
Other	(2,368 665)	
Property and other provisions	(27 954 134)	
Deferred lease incentives	(11 685 885)	
Dilapidations	(1 436 938)	
Employee Claims	(5 782 072)	
		(212 218 772)
Estimated (deficiency)/surplus as regards non-preferential creditors (excluding any shortfall to floating charge holders)		(211,618,772)
Shortfall to floating charge holders (brought down)		(19,250 623)
Estimated (deficiency)/surplus as regards creditors		(230,869,394)
Issued and called up share value		(35 948 888)
Estimated total (deficiency)/surplus as regards members		(266 818 283)

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Notes to accompany the statement of affairs

The statement of affairs for JJB Sports Plc ('the Company') has been prepared to account for net book values and liabilities on the same basis as the statutory accounts

The estimated book values are based upon the management accounts of the Company for Period 8 as at 23 September 2012 and rolled forward to the 1 October 2012

The fixed charge holders hold cross guarantees across each group company and therefore the full amounts of such debts have been included in the statement of affairs. Sums due to fixed charge holders include an estimate of amounts owed under the Ancillary Facilities of the Senior Secured Loan

Stock suppliers and stock are shown gross of Retention of Title claims

All preferential claims have been paid

The realisation value in respect of Landlords liabilities has been calculated as a sum equivalent to 3 months of rent and service charge. However the actual amount is unknown and depends upon future lettings

The book value of debtors/prepayments includes the VAT on landlords pro-forma invoices the recoverability of which is subject to the correct tax invoice being received. It has been assumed that these amounts will not be recovered

Cash and cash equivalents includes amounts owed from merchant acquirers. Realisable balances represent book value less an estimate of retentions in respect potential charge backs

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Company Credits

Name of creditor or claimant	Address	Amount of debt
2 VISION LTD	LAMCASTER HOUSE, LAMCASTER ROAD, LAMHART, MIDLETON, EAST YORKSHIRE, YO13 8DT	24,246
A F BLAIR (HOMES & SONS) LTD	LOMBARD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, ROSE HILL, NEW MILLS, WEST MIDLANDS, WY3 2P	8,857
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	THE AERIALS CENTRE, BENTLEY ROAD, HAZEL GROUND, STOCKPORT, TQ1 1XP	1,600
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	PO BOX 10, BENTLEY ROAD, HAZEL GROUND, STOCKPORT, TQ1 1XP	16,890
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	THE AERIALS CENTRE, PEPPIER ROAD, HAZEL GROUND, STOCKPORT, CHESHIRE, TQ1 5JA	10,881,809
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	VIAIMO BUNNELL PARK, BARTLEY ROAD, LEWISDALE, TQ1 1XP	11,614
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	EUROPA BOULEVARD, WESTBROOK, WARRINGTON, CHESHIRE, WA5 5ST	13,614
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	EUROPA BOULEVARD, WESTBROOK, WARRINGTON, CHESHIRE, WA5 5ST	106,932
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	VILLA PARK, TRINITY ROAD, BIRMINGHAM, B6 6HE	17,181
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	UNIT 7, KENDRICKS TRADING ESTATE, NEWBURY CLOSE, BOSTON, B4 4AX	16,881
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	11 21/25 LITTLE MANCHESTER, M4 3BS	12,247
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	BREASPAAR PARK, BREASPAAR WAY, MIMMS, HUNTSLEY, M3 2JE	16,124
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	UNIT 27, BARWELL BUSINESS PARK, LEATHERHEAD ROAD, CHESSINGTON, SURREY, KT20 7HT	3,909
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	ALFORD HALL, LEEFLOO, 347 THE BELLEVUE, LONDON, W14 7TB	1,600
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	CHAMBERLAIN PARK, TRINITY HALL, CASTLE DOWNSIDE, DORSET, DT1 1JY	2,703
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	2 B, 114/115A HANLEY BUILDINGS, LEA BANK, ALDERSHOT, CHESHIRE, CH11 8JQ	2
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	WARRINGTON FINANCE LTD, LAMPSHIRE ROAD, WARRINGTON, WEST RUSSET, B41 7BW	2,125
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	GLADSTONE ROAD, PORT CLEVER, 11 THE HOLLOW, WIDTHER, W14 1JY	1,600
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	2A QUADRANT COURT, QUADRANT, QUADRANT WAY, WYVERN, WYVERN, ST13 8ST	12,844
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	PO BOX 877, WARRINGTON, CHESHIRE, W14 8AA	17,601
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	2ND FLOOR, 118 COLLEGE ROAD, HAMMERSMITH, W14 1JY	1,600
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	WARRINGTON FINANCE LTD, WARRINGTON ROAD, WARRINGTON, W14 8AA	1,600
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	GLADSTONE PARK, HAMMERSMITH, PORTHOLM, WARRINGTON, W14 1JY	3,724
ALFA ROMEO FINANCE PRODUCTS	PO BOX 877, WARRINGTON, CHESHIRE, W14 8AA	12,822
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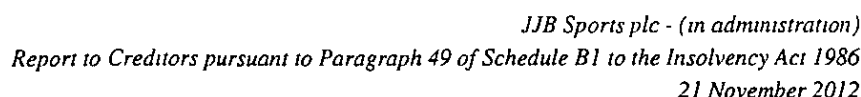
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Appendix 6 – SIP16 memorandum

JJB Sports Plc, Blane Leisure Limited and SSL Retail Limited (all in administration) - SIP 16 memorandum

Introduction

Brian Green, Richard Fleming and David Costley-Wood (all of KPMG LLP ("KPMG")) were appointed Joint Administrators of JJB Sports Plc, Brian Green, Blair Nimmo and David Costley-Wood were appointed Joint Administrators of Blane Leisure Limited and Brian Green and David Costley-Wood were appointed Joint Administrators of SSL Retail Limited ("the Companies") on 1 October 2012. On the same day the majority of the business and assets of the Companies were sold to a number of subsidiaries of the Sports Direct International PLC for a total gross consideration of £23.8 million.

This statement is made in order to comply with the Joint Administrators' responsibilities under Statement of Insolvency Practice ("SIP") 16 which came into force on 1 January 2009. Statements of Insolvency Practice are guidance notes issued by the insolvency regulatory authorities with a view to maintaining standards by setting out required practice and harmonising practitioners' approach to particular aspects of insolvency.

SIP 16 concerns arrangements where the sale of all or part of a company's business and assets is negotiated with a purchaser prior to the appointment of an administrator who effects the sale immediately on, or shortly after, his appointment. SIP 16 can be located by logging onto the R3 website at www.r3.org.uk.

Background to the administration

JJB Sports Plc ("JJB") and Blane Leisure Limited ("Blane") traded as retailers of sports equipment and clothing through 153 leasehold stores in the United Kingdom and through its websites, www.jjbsports.com and www.blanewear.com and via an online shop with eBay. SSL Retail Limited ("SSL") was a non-trading entity but held four leases from which JJB traded.

JJB was incorporated in 1971 and has a number of subsidiary entities including Blane, which was incorporated in 1988, and SSL, which was incorporated in 1977. The other subsidiaries are dormant and non-trading or in liquidation.

The Companies received funding from Lloyds Banking Group who had provided working capital facilities of £25 million plus associated ancillary facilities totalling £13 million. These total borrowings and facilities of £38 million are subject to cross guarantees between the Companies and the other subsidiary entities, which are secured by debentures. In addition, the Companies had recently received significant additional funding from Dricks Sporting Goods Inc ("DSG") and the Adidas Group ("Adidas") totalling approximately £20 million. Furthermore, the Companies have been supported financially by its shareholders, principally Invesco, Harris Associates, Crystal Amber and the Gates Foundation.

The Companies have experienced trading difficulties over a number of years due to being unable to differentiate themselves from their principal competitor resulting in price and margin pressure impacting on profitability. Since 2008 the Companies have sought to address these issues by restructuring their business through the disposal of non-core elements of its business and closure of underperforming stores, raising cash from existing shareholders and laterally, new lenders. This process included entering into two separate Company Voluntary Arrangements – one in 2009 which compromised the liabilities due to the landlords of stores which had been closed and another in 2011 which sought to compromise the liabilities due to the landlords of a number of underperforming stores which the Companies had earmarked for closure. Additional finance was provided to the Companies by DSG and Adidas in April 2012.

Trading remained difficult throughout the summer of 2012 due to very poor European Football Championship product sales, continued failure in the product range exacerbated by the poor Spring and Summer weather. Therefore the Companies entered into discussions with strategic partners regarding a further capital raising exercise and restructuring of its store portfolio to facilitate the turnaround of the Companies trading performance. However, the Companies were unable to raise the level of funds required to implement the turnaround. As a result, the directors decided to commence a formal sales process of the Companies on 30 August 2012.

As no credible offers for shares were received and the Companies' trading position continued to worsen, the directors concluded that as there was no longer a reasonable prospect of the Companies continuing to pay their debts as they fell due and therefore they had no choice other than to appoint administrators over JJB, Blane and SSL.

On 1 October 2012 Administrators were appointed over the Companies and a sale of the majority of the business and assets was completed shortly after the appointments.



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Prior involvement of the Administrators and KPMG

In October 2008 KPMG were instructed by JJB to undertake work on communication with stakeholders, assistance with cash management procedures, contingency planning and separation issues for the wider JJB Group. This resulted in two follow on pieces of work:

- Firstly, in January 2009 KPMG were instructed to prepare an information memorandum ("IM") on behalf of management for the sale of Original Shoe Company Ltd and Qubefootwear Ltd (both subsidiaries of JJB). KPMG prepared the IM but the offers received were not deemed acceptable by management and Richard Fleming, David Costley-Wood and Blair Nimmo were subsequently appointed Joint Administrators over both companies on 19 February 2009. Both companies were subsequently placed into liquidation with the Administrators of each entity being appointed as the Liquidators.
- Secondly in February 2009 KPMG were asked to consider the feasibility of JJB and Blane proposing Company Voluntary Arrangements ("CVA"). KPMG assisted both companies in the preparation of a CVA proposal and Richard Fleming and Brian Green of KPMG subsequently acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of JJB and Richard Fleming, Brian Green and Blair Nimmo acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of Blane. The preparatory work carried out prior to acting as Nominees dealt with the specific issue of seeking to compromise each company's liabilities to landlords in respect of stores which had been closed. The creditors and members of both companies approved the CVAs and the appointment of the above individuals as Supervisors. The CVAs were successfully implemented and terminated on 16 June 2010.

Subsequent to this, in November 2010 KPMG were asked to consider the feasibility of JJB and Blane proposing second CVAs. KPMG assisted the companies in the preparation of CVA proposals which were issued in March 2011. Richard Fleming and Brian Green of KPMG subsequently acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of JJB and Richard Fleming, Brian Green and Blair Nimmo acted as Nominees and Supervisors of a CVA in respect of Blane. The preparatory work carried out prior to acting as Nominees dealt with the specific issue of seeking to compromise each company's liabilities to landlords in respect of a number of stores which the companies had earmarked for closure over a 12 month or two year period, together with a move to pay all rents on a monthly, rather than quarterly basis. The creditors and members of both companies approved the CVAs and the appointment of the above individuals as Supervisors. The CVAs had been expected to conclude in April 2013.

All those directors who were in office at the time of the first CVA have since resigned their positions and, of the eight directors currently in office, only four were appointed prior to the second CVA being approved.

In December 2011 KPMG was engaged to assist the Companies in considering alternative sources of funding and contingency planning. This led to an instruction to run a process to seek to secure a strategic investment in JJB. During this process the management team presented their business plan to a number of potential strategic investors. In April 2012, additional finance was provided to JJB by DSG and Adidas, both of whom were separately professionally advised.

In July 2012 KPMG were instructed by JJB, to carry out contingency planning work and assistance with communication with stakeholders.

In August 2012 KPMG were instructed by JJB to carry out research on the UK sportswear market. The results of this research were presented to JJB for its internal use.

Further in August 2012 KPMG were instructed to assist JJB with marketing the Companies for sale.

KPMG was not instructed by the directors of the Companies to advise them on their personal positions. The Administrators understand the directors sought their own independent advice.

Having considered each of these matters, and their cumulative impact, the Administrators concluded that they did not in and of themselves or collectively, represent a conflict to their appointment.

Courses of action considered

The Companies' largest assets are its freehold properties, the value of which does not vary significantly in the various options considered and stock, which includes stock held in-store, stock held in the Companies' distribution centre and some stock which is in the process of being imported.

From discussions with the Directors prior to appointment, it was clear that maximising returns to creditors relied on a successful strategy to make recoveries from stock.

The following options were considered:



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1 Seeking further funding to avoid an insolvency process

Once it became clear that the additional funding provided in April 2012 was insufficient to meet the Companies' ongoing funding requirements, the Directors entered into discussions with its lenders and key shareholders in an attempt to secure additional funding or bring forward the second tranche of funding planned for early 2013.

It was not possible to reach an agreement for the required level of funding to be provided either from the lenders, major creditors or shareholders.

2 Managed wind down through a trading administration

This course of action would generate returns to creditors by selling stock through the network of stores over a period of several weeks, whilst the Companies are in administration. Over the course of trading, the Administrators would seek to reduce the number of stores with a view to closing the entire portfolio and disposing of other fixed assets when trading had concluded.

Valuations of the freehold properties owned by the Companies, prepared by CBRE, indicated a realisable value of approximately £12.8 million.

A valuation of £2 million was attributed to the rights to the Slazenger brand owned by JJB based on an offer previously received by management from a third party for that asset.

The Administrators have concluded the realisable value of fixtures and fittings is minimal due to the cost of removing these items from the stores and the potential for such removal to give rise to additional dilapidation claims from landlords.

The Administrators estimate an overall return to creditors (including secured creditors) from this strategy of approximately £15 million.

There are a number of inherent risks in trading the Companies through administration which would have affected the estimated trading outcome. These include the following:

- **Funding.** The Administrators prepared a cash flow forecast which indicated that funding would not be required to cover immediate supplier payments and wages and salaries. However, the inherent uncertainties in such a scenario mean that funding may have been required, albeit it is likely that these borrowings would be recovered from trading. Given that the outcome to creditors was improved by an immediate sale of the business, funding arrangements were not put in place.
- **Ransom creditors.** The Companies identified a number of key creditors that could have used their commercial position to either negotiate short-term payments or to disrupt trading.
- **Stock.** There were a number of issues relating to the availability of stock, leading us to conclude that realisations would be adversely affected. These included:
 - i) **Retention of Title.** Key suppliers provided stock that could be subject to retention of title. This could either increase the cost of a trading administration or disrupt trading, as certain stock would be segregated / not sold from stores. The majority of the stock was subject to robust ROT clauses and a number of key suppliers had already insisted that stock be returned to them or set aside.
 - ii) **Stock in transit.** The Companies directly import supplies from overseas manufacturers. There are practical issues in clearing stock into the UK and these could have caused delays or reductions in stock intake, as well as additional costs, in a trading administration.
 - iii) **Stock security.** There is inherent uncertainty within a trading administration that the level of security over stock may reduce.

For these reasons, and considering the historically loss-making nature of the Companies' business, the Administrators considered that trading would at best produce a marginal positive cash return and more probably reduce the funds available for creditors.

3 Sale of the business through a trading administration

Whilst pursuing the strategy to realise stock, as described above, the Administrators could have sought to market the business and assets of the Companies for sale as a going concern.

There is no evidence to suggest that a sale in administration would have achieved an enhanced value when compared to a pre-packaged sale, for the following reasons:



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- Given that the key asset of the Companies is stock, ongoing sales at discount during Administration would reduce the amount of stock available to a purchaser, thus directly reducing any offer
- Prior to administration, to avoid incurring unnecessary credit, the Companies took steps to minimise stock intake. As a result, forward orders – required for normal trading – were not in place
- The Companies had already undertaken a marketing process (which is discussed in more detail below), so there was no evidence that a sale from administration would generate additional value
- As noted above, there were significant additional costs and risks involved in trading the business during administration

4 Pre-packaged sale of business and assets

On 30 August 2012, the Companies instructed KPMG, to assist them in seeking a buyer for the Companies' business and assets. The proposed Administrators monitored the process, which remained under the direction and control of the directors, from the outset.

The following marketing was undertaken.

- Initial contact was made with 106 potential bidders, of whom 25 signed a non-disclosure agreement ("NDA")
- Those parties who had signed a NDA were given access to a virtual data room, and a number of the bidders chose to meet with management
- A deadline for indicative offers was set for 7 September 2012, by which time seven indicative offers had been received. A further offer was received after the expiry of the deadline. These were analysed by KPMG, acting as the Companies' advisors and communicated to the Companies.

Each of the offers were discussed by the Directors and the secured creditors, who determined that the offer from Sports Direct International PLC (through a number of subsidiaries), represented their preferred bid, on the basis that:

- the offer gave certainty of outcome, as consideration is all paid upon completion,
- the offer provided for a higher return to creditors than the other offers and was conditional on a pre-packaged sale, and
- the offer mitigated preferential liabilities as all of the warehouse staff together with some of the store staff transferred to the purchaser

The proposed Administrators reviewed the offers, and the Sports Direct offer provided an overall return to creditors of £24 million. This is an enhanced return to creditors when compared to the other offers received, and also the administration strategies involving ongoing trading without a pre packaged sale.

The proposed Administrators communicated with the secured and major trade creditors on a regular basis throughout the sale process as well as with HMRC.

The Administrators concluded that the pre packaged sale was consistent with their responsibilities to achieve the best possible realisation in the circumstances for the following reasons:

- There was no viable option to avoid an insolvency process
- The pre packaged sale of the Companies' business and assets provided an enhanced financial return to creditors, when compared with estimates for a trading administration
- The return from a pre-packaged sale is made quickly rather than being received over a period of time
- Given the extensive marketing process prior to administration, there was no evidence that further marketing within administration would generate a higher return to creditors
- The option of a trading administration had significant commercial risks and particular challenging in relation to the stock, which are avoided in a pre packaged sale
- The pre packaged sale preserved employment of 548 employees, and therefore mitigated total employee creditor claims

Final outcome

The sale included the following assets of the Companies

£	JJB	Blame	SSL	Total
Assigned Intellectual Property Rights	99,998	1	1	100,000
Intellectual Property Licences	800,000			800,000
Goodwill	75,000	25,000		100,000
Equipment	750,000	250,000		1,000,000



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Freehold/Leasehold Property	9,300,000	500,000	200,000	10,000,000
Stock	11,770,000		-	11,770,000
Total	22,794,998	775,001	200,001	23,770,000

The allocation of consideration is based on the number of leases acquired from each entity. The total consideration was paid on completion.

At the date of completion there was approximately £11.7 million of stock at cost (net of amounts owed to ROT creditors).

No buy-back arrangements or similar conditions were attached to the sale agreement as these were not considered to be commercially viable, given that an extensive marketing process had been undertaken prior to the appointment.

The Administrators understand that no directors or former directors, of the Companies are involved in the management or ownership of the purchaser, or of any other entity into which any of the assets are transferred and that the buyers are not connected with the directors, shareholders or secured creditors of the Companies.

The directors have not provided any guarantees to either lenders, creditors or shareholders.