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## Notice of progress report in voluntary winding up



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Company number 0 2 7 9 6 7 9 6

Company name in full Marples Limited

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### 2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Simon Robert

Surname Haskew

### 3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number St James Court

Street St James Parade

Post town Bristol

County/Region

Postcode B S 1 3 L H

Country

### 4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Neil Frank

Surname Vinnicombe

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Telephone **0117 937 7130**

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## Marples Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

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### Progress report

Period: 21 April 2020 to 20 April 2021

This report has been produced during the Covid-19 HM Government restrictions. As a result, our access to information within our physical case files has been limited as our firm has implemented remote working wherever possible in line with HM Government guidance in order to protect its employees and to limit the spread of the virus. Consequently this report has been prepared from information we are able to access remotely. We have taken every reasonable step to ensure that the information is accurate, but if anything is incorrect or incomplete, we will provide an explanation and corrected information in our next progress report.

### Important Notice

This progress report has been produced solely to comply with our statutory duty to report to creditors and members of the Company on the progress of the liquidation. The report is private and confidential and may not be relied upon, referred to, reproduced or quoted from, in whole or in part, by creditors and members for any purpose other than this report to them, or by any other person for any purpose whatsoever.

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## 1. INTERPRETATION

<u>Expression</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
"the Company"	Marples Limited (In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)
"the liquidation"	The appointment of liquidators on 21 April 2015.
"the liquidators", "we", "our" and "us"	Simon Robert Haskew and Neil Frank Vinnicombe both of Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP, St James Court, St James Parade, Bristol, BS1 3LH
"the Act"	The Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended)
"the Rules"	The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
"secured creditor" and "unsecured creditor"	Secured creditor, in relation to a company, means a creditor of the company who holds in respect of his debt a security over property of the company, and "unsecured creditor" is to be read accordingly (Section 248(1)(a) of the Act)
"security"	(i) In relation to England and Wales, any mortgage, charge, lien or other security (Section 248(1)(b)(i) of the Act); and (ii) In relation to Scotland, any security (whether heritable or moveable), any floating charge and any right of lien or preference and any right of retention (other than a right of compensation or set off) (Section 248(1)(b)(ii) of the Act)
"preferential creditor"	Any creditor of the Company whose claim is preferential within Sections 386, 387 and Schedule 6 to the Act

## 2. COMPANY INFORMATION

Trading name(s):	Marples Limited
Company registered number:	02796796
Company registered office:	St James Court, St James Parade, Bristol, BS1 3LH
Former trading address:	1 Budbury Ridge, Bradford On Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 1QP

## 3. DETAILS OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATORS

Date winding up commenced:	21 April 2015
Date of liquidators' appointment:	21 April 2015
Changes in liquidator (if any):	None

## 4. PROGRESS DURING THE PERIOD

### Receipts and Payments

Attached at Appendix 1 is our abstract of receipts and payments for the period from 21 April 2020 to 20 April 2021.

### RECEIPTS

No receipts have been received during the period.

### PAYMENTS

No payments have been received during the period.

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

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

The costs incurred in relation to each heading are set out in the Time Costs Analysis which is attached at Appendix 2. There is an analysis for the period of the report and also an analysis of time spent on the case since the date of our appointment.

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

#### General case administration and planning

Although there is no direct financial benefit to the liquidation, the liquidators are required to maintain records to demonstrate how the case is administered and to document the reasons for any decisions that materially affect the case.

#### Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice

Again, there is no direct financial benefit to the liquidation, the liquidators are required to comply with statutory reporting requirements. To date, we have fulfilled all our statutory duties by reporting to the creditors, members and the Registrar of Companies. We have also ensured that the liquidators' specific bond is in place.

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

We have also been in communication with HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") in respect of Corporation tax returns and obtaining clearance to close the liquidation.

## 5. ESTIMATED OUTCOME FOR CREDITORS

Details of the sums owed to each class of the Company's creditors were provided in the directors' statement of affairs included with the report sent to creditors further to our appointment as liquidators on 21 April 2015

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

Secured creditors

There are no known secured creditors.

Preferential creditors

There are no known preferential creditors.

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

Details of how the prescribed part for unsecured creditors is calculated were provided in our progress report for the period 21 April 2015 to 20 April 2016.

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

Marples Construction Limited – in liquidation is the sole creditor. The parent company Aveng has provided an indemnity to the liquidators to settle costs and claims of the liquidation, up to the value of its debt of £3,547,000.

## 6. REMUNERATION & EXPENSES

Remuneration

Our remuneration has been fixed by a resolution of creditors at a meeting on 21 April 2015 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 winding up and we are authorised to draw disbursements for services provided by our firm and/or entities within the Begbies Traynor group, in accordance with our firm's policy, which is attached at Appendix 2 of this report.

Our time costs for the period from 21 April 2020 to 20 April 2021 amount to £3,428.50 which represents 15 hours at an average rate of £228.57 per hour.

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

- ☐ Time Costs Analysis for the period 21 April 2020 to 20 April 2021
- ☐ Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charging policy

To 20 April 2021, we have drawn the total sum of £7,500 on account of our remuneration, against total time costs of £20,102 incurred since the date of our appointment.

Time Costs Analysis

The Time Costs Analysis for the period of this report attached at Appendix 2 shows the time spent by each grade of staff on the different types of work involved in the case, and gives the total costs and average hourly rate charged for each work type. An additional analysis is also attached which details the time costs for the entire period for which we have administered the liquidation.

Please note that each analysis provides details of the work undertaken by us and our staff following our appointment only.

A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Liquidators Fees (E&W) 2011' which provides guidance on creditors' rights on how to approve and monitor a Liquidator's remuneration and on how the remuneration is set can be obtained online at [www.begbies-traynor.com/creditorsguides](http://www.begbies-traynor.com/creditorsguides). Alternatively, if you require a hard copy of the Guide, please contact our office and we will arrange to send you a copy.



## Expenses

To 20 April 2021, we have also drawn expenses in the sum of £1,106.48.

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## 7. LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES

A cumulative statement showing the total expenses incurred since the date of our appointment also appears at Appendix 3.

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

The parent company Aveng has provided an indemnity to the liquidators to settle all costs and claims of the liquidation, up to the value of its debt of £3,547,000.

Due to the complexities with claims against the associated company, Marples Construction Limited, the liquidation cannot be closed prior to the closure of the liquidation of Marples Construction Limited (Members' voluntary liquidation). We are also still awaiting approval from HMRC to close the liquidation.

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

### General case administration and planning

Although there will be no direct financial benefit to the liquidation, the liquidators will continue to maintain sufficient records to demonstrate how the case is being administered and will perform regular reviews to ensure that the case matters are progressed.

### Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice

Again, although there will be no direct financial benefit to the liquidation, insolvency legislation requires that the liquidators do the following:

- Prepare annual reports
- Prepare a final report
- Ensure the case is adequately bonded and review on a regular basis

Although not a statutory requirement, we have a duty to prepare receipts and payments vouchers together with regular bank reconciliations.

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

Marples Construction Limited – in liquidation is the sole creditor of the Company. Both companies are connected with Aveng being the parent company of both.

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

Corporation tax returns will have to be prepared throughout the course of the liquidation. However, we have applied for tax clearance to close the liquidation and although formerly not yet received, we were advised that tax clearance has been given, and a confirmation will be sent to us, although not yet received. Due to COVID-19, HMRC employees were transferred to the COVID-19 department to deal with COVID-19 related queries.

How much will this further work cost?

The 'further work' detailed above has always been anticipated, but at this point in the proceedings, it has not yet been completed. As you know, this work is necessary in order that we may complete the liquidation as envisaged. The cost of completing this work will not exceed any amounts approved by creditors previously.

We anticipate our future time costs will be approximately £3,617.50, as per time cost schedule below, bringing total times costs to finalise the liquidation to £23,719.50.

**THE LIQUIDATORS' ESTIMATE OF THE INCREASED TIME COSTS THAT THEY WILL INCUR**

Details of the work that the liquidators and their staff propose to undertake	Hours	Time cost £	Average hourly £
General case administration and planning	3	675.	225.00
Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice	7.5	1,932.50	257.67
Investigations	Nil	Nil	Nil
Realisation of assets	Nil	Nil	Nil
Trading	Nil	Nil	Nil
Dealing with all creditors' claims (including employees correspondence and distributions	3	785.00	261.67
Other matters which includes seeking decisions from creditors (via Deemed Consent Procedure or via Dec Procedures), tax, litigation, pensions and travel	1	225.00	225.00
Total hours	14.5		
Total time costs		3,617.50	
Overall average hourly rate £			249.48

Details of the expenses that we expect to incur in connection with the work that remains to be done referred to above are provided in Appendix 3:

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

We anticipate that the total amount paid to us for administering the case in full will be £13,500, of which we have drawn £7500 to date.

## 9. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

### Use of personal information

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

## 10. CREDITORS' RIGHTS

### Right to request further information

Pursuant to Rule 18.9 of the Rules, within 21 days of the receipt of this report a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors, including that creditor, (or an unsecured creditor with less than 5% in value of the unsecured creditors, but with the permission of the court) may request in writing that we provide further information about our remuneration or expenses which have been incurred during the period of this progress report.

### Right to make an application to court

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

## 11. CONCLUSION

We are required to report again in approximately twelve months' time or at the conclusion of the liquidation, whichever is the sooner. In view of the stage reached in this case, we anticipate being able to conclude the winding up of the Company in the next three months. This estimated timescale is subject to obtaining formal written HMRC clearances, in respect of the Company's pre- and post-liquidation tax affairs.



Simon Haskew  
Joint Liquidator

Dated: 18 June 2021

# ACCOUNT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

Period: 21 April 2020 to 20 April 2021

Statement of Affairs £		From 21.04.2020 To 20.04.2021 £	From 21.04.2020 To 20.04.2021 £
	ASSET REALISATIONS		
	Bank Interest Gross	NIL	0.43
3,547,000.00	Shares & Investments	NIL	21,607.77
		NIL	21,608.20
	COST OF REALISATIONS		
	Irrecoverable VAT	NIL	3,601.29
	Legal Fees	NIL	5,400.00
	Liquidators' Expenses	NIL	1,106.48
	Liquidators' Fees	NIL	7,500.00
	Statement of Affairs Fee	NIL	4,000.00
		NIL	(21,607.77)
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
(8,476,000.00)	Owed to subsidiary	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
	DISTRIBUTIONS		
(100.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	NIL
		NIL	NIL
(4,929,100.00)		NIL	0.43
	REPRESENTED BY		
	Metro Client Account		0.43
			0.43

## COSTS AND EXPENSES

- a. Begbies Traynor (Central) LLP's charging policy;
- b. Time Costs Analysis for the period from 21 April 2020 to 20 April 2021; and
- c. Cumulative Time Costs Analysis for the period from 21 April 2015 to 20 April 2021.

## 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. It also applies where payments are to be made to parties other than the firm, but in relation to which the office holder, the firm or any associate has an interest. Best practice guidance<sup>2</sup> indicates 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.

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

Best practice guidance classifies expenses into two broad categories:

- ❑ Category 1 disbursements (approval not required) - specific expenditure that is directly related to the case and referable to an independent external supplier's invoice. All such items are charged to the case as they are incurred.
- ❑ Category 2 disbursements (approval required) - items of expenditure that are directly related to the case which include an element of shared or allocated cost and are based on a reasonable method of calculation, but which are not payable to an independent third party.

(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 is charged at the rate of £100 (London £150) per meeting;
- Car mileage is charged at the rate of 45 pence per mile;
- Storage of books and records (when not chargeable as a Category 1 disbursement) is charged on the basis that the number of standard archive boxes held in storage for a particular case bears to the total of all archive boxes for all cases in respect of the period for which the storage charge relates;

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<sup>1</sup> Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP 9) – Remuneration of insolvency office holders in England & Wales

<sup>2</sup> Ibid 1

(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 disbursement:

- 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 Bristol office as at the date of this report are as follows:

Grade of staff	Charge-out rate (£ per hour) 1 December 2018 – until further notice
Partner	495
Director	445
Senior Manager	395
Manager	345
Assistant Manager	250
Senior Administrator	225
Administrator	175
Junior Administrator	140
Support	140

Prior to 1 December 2018, the following rates applied:

Grade of staff	Charge-out rate (£ per hour)
Partner	395
Director	345
Senior Manager	310
Manager	265
Assistant Manager	205
Senior Administrator	175
Administrator	135
Junior Administrator	110
Support	60 - 110

Time spent by support staff such as secretarial, administrative and cashiering staff is charged directly to cases. It is not carried as an overhead.

Time is recorded in 6 minute units.

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Staff Grade		Consultant/Partner	Director	Snr Mngr	M mngr	A sst M mngr	Snr A dmin	A dmin	Jnr A dmin	Support	Total Hours	Time Cost £	Average hourly rate
General Case Administration and Planning	Case planning				0.4		0.8				10	270.00	270.00
	Administration	0.1					4.1				5.2	116.00	226.56
	Total for General Case Administration and Planning:	0.1			0.4		4.7		1.0		6.2	1,385.00	223.39
Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice	Appointment												0.00
	Banking and Bonding	0.1					0.2	0.6		0.2	1.1	226.60	236.32
	Case Closure												0.00
	Statutory reporting and statement of affairs	0.3				0.1	7.3				7.7	156.00	236.84
	Total for Compliance with the Insolvency Act, Rules and best practice:	0.4				0.1	7.5	0.6		0.2	8.8	2,043.50	232.22
Investigations	CCDA and investigations												0.00
	Total for Investigations:												0.00
Realisation of assets	Debt collection												0.00
	Property business and asset sale												0.00
	Retention of title third party assets												0.00
	Total for Realisation of assets:												0.00
Trading	Trading												0.00
	Total for Trading:												0.00
Dealing with all creditors claims (including employees), correspondence and distributions	Secured												0.00
	Others												0.00
	Creditors committee												0.00
	Total for Dealing with all creditors claims (including employees), correspondence and distributions:												0.00
Other matters which includes seeking decisions of creditors, meetings, tax, litigation, pensions and travel	Seeking decisions of creditors												0.00
	Meetings												0.00
	Other												0.00
	Tax												0.00
	Litigation												0.00
	Total for Other matters:												0.00
	Total hours by staff grade:	0.5			0.4	0.1	12.2	0.6	1.0	0.2	15.0		
	Total time cost by staff grade:	247.50			138.00	25.00	2,745.00	105.00	110.00	28.00		3,428.50	
	Average hourly rate £:	495.00	0.00	0.00	345.00	250.00	225.00	175.00	110.00	140.00			228.57
	Total fees drawn to date £:											7,500.00	



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## CUMULATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

Type of expense	Name of party with whom expense incurred	Amount incurred £
Irrecoverable VAT	HM Revenue & Customs	3,601.29
Legal Fees	Thrings LLP	5,400.00
*Statutory Advertising	London Gazette	306.48
*Specific Bond	Marsh Limited	800.00
TOTAL		10,107.77

\*Represents liquidators' expenses