

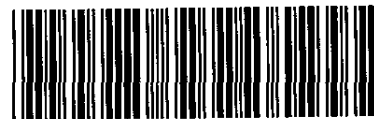
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Company name in full Andy Blake and Company's Unique Solutions Limited

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2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Andrew

Surname Bland

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number DMC Recovery Limited

Street 41 Greek Street

Stockport

Post town Cheshire

County/Region

Postcode S K 3 8 A X

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s)

Surname

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7 Progress report

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 Presenter information	
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Company name	DMC Recovery Limited
Address	41 Greek Street
Stockport	
Cheshire	
Post town	
County/Region	
Postcode	S K 3 8 A X
Country	
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Telephone	0161 474 0920
 Checklist	
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<input type="checkbox"/> You have attached the required documents.	
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 Important information	
All information on this form will appear on the public record.	
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Liquidator's Second Progress Report to Creditors

**Andy Blake and Company's Unique Solutions Limited ("the company")
- In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation**

Period of report: 30 October 2016 to 29 October 2017

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For further information please email: creditors@dmcrecovery.co.uk

**Andy Blake and Company's Unique Solutions Limited ("the company")
In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation**

1. Introduction

I am required to report on the progress of the case within 2 months of my appointment anniversary.

The purpose of this report is to detail my acts and dealings as Liquidator for the period 30 October 2016 to 29 October 2017.

As such, this report should be read in conjunction with previous progress reports that have been issued.

It should give sufficient information to enable you to understand what has been achieved in the period, however, any creditor that may require additional details on costs should refer to Appendix C of this report for details.

All rule references relate to Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016, unless otherwise stated.

2. Statutory Information

Company Details

Registered number:	05126681
Company name:	Andy Blake and Company's Unique Solutions Limited
Former name:	No change of registered name filed within the last 12 months
Other trading name:	Abacus
Registered office:	c/o 41 Greek Street, Stockport, Cheshire SK3 8AX
Former registered office:	Alpha House, 4 Greek Street, Cheshire SK3 8AB
Trading address:	16 Springfield Close, Off Holt Road, Weybourne, Holt, Norfolk NR25 7TB

Appointment Details

Liquidator's name:	Andrew M Bland
Liquidator's address:	DMC Recovery Limited, 41 Greek Street, Stockport, Cheshire SK3 8AX
Office holder number:	9472
Contact number:	(0161) 474 0920
Date of appointment:	30 October 2015
Appointed by:	Members and creditors
Former Liquidator:	None

3. Background

At the board meeting I was instructed to prepare the relevant notices in order to wind up the company.

I was consequently appointed Liquidator of the company by a written resolution of the members on 30 October 2015. Creditors later ratified this appointment.

The company's principle activity was as architectural technicians.

The director advised that the company's main causes of failure were due to low profit margins, the poor standard of work by sub-contractors and the failure of Medlock FRB to pay for extra work.

4. Investigations

As part of my statutory duties, I performed an initial investigation into the company's affairs to establish whether there were any potential asset recoveries or conduct matters that justified further investigation, taking into account issues such as public interest, potential recovery and the costs involved.

I can confirm that I have submitted the relevant documentation to the Secretary of State for his consideration and the contents of this submission are confidential.

Rights in Action

During my investigation into the company's affairs, I may identify a right in action pursuable under the relevant sections of Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended).

In performing my statutory duties into the investigation of the company's affairs, I have not identified any right in action, as defined by statute.

5. Asset Realisations

All assets detailed in the company's original statement of affairs are shown below.

The assumed realisable value at the time of my appointment, together with actual realisations made are shown in the attached cumulative receipts and payments account for the entire period.

While the contents are largely self-explanatory, I would comment as follows:

Motor Vehicles

Motor vehicles had an estimated to realise value of £8,500 in the statement of affairs.

As previously reported the company owned an encumbered vehicle with an approximate value of £8,500. The vehicle was recovered, valued and marketed by my agents JPS Surveyors of Manchester ("JPS"). A total of £9,900 was received prior to the period of this report. The vehicle also had a cherished number plate but this had a negligible value once the costs of sale were taken into account.

No further realisations are due in this regard.

Plant & Machinery

Plant & machinery had an estimated to realise value of £500 in the statement of affairs.

As previously reported, following a review of these assets by JPS they advised that once the costs of collection had been taken into account, these items were not worth the cost of recovery and sale.

No further action was taken and no funds will be received in respect of plant & machinery.

Book Debts

As per the statement of affairs lodged in these proceedings the book debts had an uncertain estimated to realise value.

The trade debtors (inclusive of retentions of £295) total approximately £30,000. The collection of book debts remains uncertain. The sole debtor has resisted all attempts to collect the debt and LHS Solicitors LLP ("LHS") were instructed to assist in this regard.

LHS have also attempted to collect the outstanding monies but without success. I am currently assessing the commercial viability of pursuing the matter further through the Courts and therefore the estimated to realise value remains uncertain.

Cash at Bank

Cash at bank had an estimated to realise value of £9,756 in the statement of affairs.

As detailed in section 6 below, funds totalling £9,746 were received during the reporting period. The account has been closed and no further funds are due.

Bank Interest

For the duration of the Liquidation, £0.28 has been received in respect of interest accrued in relation to the funds held in the Liquidation bank account, all of which was received in the period of this report.

6. Liabilities

Secured Creditors

The company's file at Companies House indicates a fixed and floating charge in favour of the Royal Bank of Scotland ("RBS"), created on 4 August 2015 and registered on 5 August 2015. The balance on the company's bank account at the date of the Liquidation was £18,846. Having received confirmation of the validity of their charge from my solicitors, RBS invoked their right to set-off and netted off £8,170 in respect of the business loan taken out in March 2014. In addition sundry balances were offset in terms of the Mastercard/business credit card. The sum due to the Liquidation was £9,746 and this amount was received in full in November 2016.

As a result of the set-off there are no sums due to RBS under the floating charge.

Preferential Creditors

As per the statement of affairs, there are no preferential creditors and no such claims have been received.

Non-Preferential Creditors

The statement of affairs estimated the total liability to trade creditors at £38,844. In addition, HM Revenue & Customs ("HMRC") were estimated to be owed £14,003 in respect of VAT and £302 for CIS Tax. No further sums were owed to other HMRC departments.

Proof of debt forms have been received from 4 creditors in the sum of £25,698, together with a claim from HMRC of £23,046 for VAT and £4,408.98 for CIS Tax.

Prescribed Part Calculation

I am required to disclose amounts that have been distributed under section 176(a) of the Insolvency Act 1986, being a prescribed part calculation.

A prescribed part calculation is required when:

- the company has a qualifying floating charge that remains outstanding in full or part at the date of Liquidation;
- the charge is not repaid in full during the Liquidation; and
- the net floating charge estate (which is the balance of realisations after necessary costs) exceeds £10,000.

As detailed above, following the set-off there is no sum due to RBS under the floating charge and as such no calculation is required.

7. Dividends

Due to insufficient funds, it is not expected that there will be sufficient funds to enable a distribution to be made to the non-preferential creditors.

Small Claims

No claims have been admitted under the small claims procedure.

8. Costs and Expenses

Authority to Draw Remuneration

In the absence of a duly constituted committee of creditors, sanction to draw fees was given by those creditors present and represented at a meeting of creditors held on 30 October 2015.

Pre-Appointment Fees

Sanction to draw a pre appointment fee of £6,000 plus VAT at the prevailing rate, was authorised by creditors at the S98 Meeting on 30 October 2015. As previously reported, these fees have been paid in full from asset realisations and are shown on the attached receipts and payments account.

Liquidator's Fees

The Liquidator's remuneration was authorised by creditors at the S98 Meeting held on 30 October 2015 in accordance with the following resolution:

"That the Liquidator is authorised to draw his remuneration on the basis of the time properly spent by him and his staff, such time costs to be drawn on account from time to time as funds permit".

The Liquidator has accrued fees as follows:

Relevant Period	Fees Incurred (£)	Total Hours	Average Charge (£)
Current Period – 30 October 2016 to 29 October 2017	1,237.50	5.30	233.49
Previous Period – 30 October 2015 to 29 October 2016	2,951.00	11.80	250.08
Total	4,188.50	17.10	244.94

To date no funds have been drawn in respect of the Liquidator's remuneration.

An analysis of time incurred and a description of the routine work undertaken in the Liquidation is attached at Appendix B.

Creditors have already received details of DMC Recovery Limited's fee policy under separate cover.

A copy of "A Creditors Guide to Liquidators Fees" published by the Association of Business Recovery Professionals is available on request or from the following site: <https://www.icaew.com/en/technical/insolvency/understanding-business-restructuring-and-insolvency/creditors-guides>.

Due to numerous changes in best practice since 2010, please refer to the following guide:

- A creditors' guide to Liquidators' fees effective until 5 April 2017.

Copies of the relevant guides are available in hard copy upon request to creditors@dmcreecovery.co.uk.

There has been no uplift in the DMC Recovery Limited charge out rates during the period of my appointment.

Liquidator's Disbursements and Professional Costs

Category 1 disbursements are payments to independent third parties where there is specific expenditure directly referable to the Liquidation.

These can be drawn without prior approval, although the Liquidator should disclose information about them in the same way as any other expenses.

Disbursements incurred to date are as follows:

Provider	Nature	This Period (£)	Prior Periods (£)	Outstanding (£)
Marsh	Bordereau	0.00	70.00	0.00
Legal Ads	Statutory advertising	0.00	256.00	256.00
		0.00	326.00	256.00

The Liquidator's category 2 disbursements total £23.34 and remain outstanding.

Professional Agents

As previously reported, it was necessary to instruct the following professional advisors to assist in the administration of this case:

Name of Advisor	Nature of Work Undertaken	Basis of Fees Agreed
JPS Chartered Surveyors of Manchester	Agents and valuers	Time cost basis
LHS Solicitors	Legal advice	Time cost basis

JPS are an independent firm of valuers, who are regulated by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and have confirmed that they hold Professional Indemnity Insurance. JPS were instructed in relation to the valuation and sale of the company's assets. Their fees of £1,915 plus VAT were paid in full prior to the period of this report.

LHS were instructed to review the validity of RBS's charge and to assist with the debtors. As detailed above, work in relation to the debtors is ongoing. To date no funds have been paid in respect of their outstanding fees.

The choice of professional agent was based on my perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of the fee arrangement with them. I have reviewed the fees charged for the work undertaken and I am satisfied that the fees are reasonable in the circumstances of this case.

9. Outstanding Matters

The only matter preventing the closure of this case is assessing the commercial viability of pursuing the outstanding book debts through the Courts. Discussions with my solicitors in this regard are ongoing. Once this matter has been finalised, this case will be progressed to closure and my final account will be issued.

I shall report to creditors on my progress either at the next anniversary of my appointment or earlier if the case is capable of closure before this time.

I trust that this report is sufficient; however, should you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Andrew Mark Bland
Liquidator

Andrew Mark Bland is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner in UK by Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales under office holder number 9472

**Andy Blake and Company's Unique Solutions Limited T/A Abacus
(In Liquidation)**

Liquidator's Summary of Receipts and Payments

RECEIPTS	Statement of Affairs (£)	From 30/10/2015 To 29/10/2016 (£)	From 30/10/2016 To 29/10/2017 (£)	Total (£)
Plant & Machinery	500.00	NIL	NIL	NIL
Motor Vehicles	8,500.00	9,900.00	0.00	9,900.00
Book Debts	Uncertain	NIL	NIL	NIL
Cash at Bank	9,756.00	0.00	9,746.29	9,746.29
Bank Interest Gross		0.28	0.00	0.28
		9,900.28	9,746.29	19,646.57
PAYMENTS				
Royal Bank of Scotland	(8,044.00)	NIL	NIL	NIL
Specific Bond		70.00	0.00	70.00
Preparation of S. of A.		6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
Agents/Valuers Fees		1,915.00	0.00	1,915.00
Statutory Advertising		256.00	0.00	256.00
Bank Charges		8.70	1.18	9.88
Trade & Expense Creditors	(38,844.00)	NIL	NIL	NIL
Director A Blake	(4,000.00)	NIL	NIL	NIL
HMRC CIS	(302.00)	NIL	NIL	NIL
HMRC VAT	(14,003.56)	NIL	NIL	NIL
Ordinary Shareholders	(1.00)	NIL	NIL	NIL
		8,249.70	1.18	8,250.88
Net Receipts/(Payments)		1,650.58	9,745.11	11,395.69
MADE UP AS FOLLOWS				
Vat Receivable		1,634.20	0.00	1,634.20
Bank 1 Current		323.58	9,745.11	10,068.69
Office		(307.20)	0.00	(307.20)
		1,650.58	9,745.11	11,395.69



Andrew M Bland
Liquidator

APPENDIX B

A summary description of the routine work undertaken in the Liquidation to date is as follows:

Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dealing with statutory obligations of appointment to the date of this report.• Dealing with case planning and routine correspondence.• Convening statutory meetings and providing progress reports.• Maintaining case estate account and dealing with taxation.
Creditors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dealing with creditor correspondence and telephone calls.• Pursuing, reviewing and admitting claims and all associated documentation.• Maintaining creditor information as appropriate.
Investigations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Liaising with director(s) and reviewing company records to identify matter that a Liquidator may take against a third party in order to recover funds for the benefit of creditors.• Pursuing such actions where is it considered appropriate to do so.• Dealing with statutory obligations in relation to the company's affairs, and preparing the relevant documentation to the Secretary of State.
Realisation of Assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Liaising with the bank regarding the funds held and closure of the account.• Liaising with agents regarding the valuation and sale of assets.• Corresponding with debtors and attempting to collect outstanding book debts.• Dealing with agent correspondence, and generally dealing with those assets shown in the statement of affairs.• Liaising with solicitors and the director regarding the recovery of funds from the bank account and validity of RBS's charge.

APPENDIX C

Creditors' and members' requests for further information in administration, winding up and bankruptcy

Insolvency Rule 18.9 IR2016

- (1) The following may make a written request to the Liquidator for further information about remuneration or expenses set out in the report:
 - a secured creditor;
 - an unsecured creditor with at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question) and/or with the permission of the court
- (2) A request, or an application to the court for permission, must be made and/or filed with the court within 21 days of receipt of the report by the person(s), (or by the last of them in the case of an application by more than one member or creditor).
- (3) Within 14 days of this request, the Liquidator must respond to the relevant person(s) by:
 - providing some or all of the information requested; or
 - declining to provide the information requested.
- (4) The office-holder may respond by providing only some of the information requested or decline to provide the information if:
 - the time or cost of preparation of the information would be excessive;
 - disclosure of the information would be prejudicial to the conduct of the proceedings;
 - disclosure of the information might reasonably be expected to lead to violence against any person; or
 - the office-holder is subject to an obligation of confidentiality in relation to the information.
- (5) A Liquidator who does not provide all the information or declines to provide the information must inform the person or persons who requested the information of the reasons for so doing.
- (6) A creditor, and a member of the company in a members' voluntary winding up, who need not be the same as the creditor or members who requested the information, may apply to the court within 21 days of:
 - the office-holder giving reasons for not providing all of the information requested; or
 - the expiry of the 14 days within which an office-holder must respond to a request.
- (7) The court may make such order as it thinks just on an application under paragraph (6).

Remuneration and expenses: application to court by a creditor or member on grounds that remuneration or expenses are excessive

Insolvency Rule 18.34 IR2016

- (1) This rule applies to an application in an administration, a winding-up or a bankruptcy made by a person mentioned in paragraph (2) on the grounds that:
 - the remuneration charged by the office-holder is in all the circumstances excessive;
 - the basis fixed for the office-holder's remuneration under rules 18.16, 18.18, 18.19, 18.20 and 18.21 (as applicable) is inappropriate; or
 - the expenses incurred by the office-holder are in all the circumstances excessive.

- (2) The following may make such an application for one or more of the orders set out in rule 18.36 or 18.37 as applicable:
- a secured creditor;
 - an unsecured creditor with either the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors (including that creditor) and/or the permission of the court.
- (3) The application by a creditor or member must be made no later than eight weeks after receipt by the applicant of the progress report under rule 18.3, or final report or account under rule 18.14, which first reports the charging of the remuneration or the incurring of the expenses in question ("the relevant report").