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### 1 Company details

Company number 0 5 4 3 3 4 5 1

Company name in full Basset & Gold Plc

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### 2 Administrator's name

Full forename(s) Anthony

Surname Murphy

### 3 Administrator's address

Building name/number Harrison's Business Recovery & Insolvency (London) Limited

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### 6 Period of progress report

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To date	<sup>d</sup> 3	<sup>d</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 9	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0

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signature

Signature

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Signature date

<sup>d</sup> 3	<sup>d</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0
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- REC1, REC2, REC3
- LIQ02, LIQ03, LIQ05, LIQ13, LIQ14,
- WU07, WU15
- COM1, COM2, COM3, COM4
- NDISC

## 2 Insolvency practitioner's name

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Surname Clements

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# Joint Administrators' Progress Report



Basset & Gold Plc  
- In Administration

For the period from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020

## BASSET & GOLD PLC - IN ADMINISTRATION

### CUSTOMER WARNING

What should I do if I am approached by someone saying they work for B & G Finance Limited or **Basset & Gold Plc ( "the Company") or Harrison's Business Recovery & Insolvency (London) Limited ("Harrison's") or the Joint Administrators and want to help me submit a claim?**

Customers will not be approached by any Harrison's or Company staff directly to assist in submitting your claim. Details of how to submit a claim are posted on both the Company's and Harrison's' websites.

Do not give details of your claim to anyone who approaches you, alleging that he or she works for Harrison's or the Company, or otherwise. If you do require assistance or are unsure as to the validity of any correspondence you have received, please contact us at [bassetgold@harrisons.uk.com](mailto:bassetgold@harrisons.uk.com) or on 0207 317 9160.

What should I do if someone has indicated they can ensure I can get a higher claim amount, but I have to pay them a fee first?

The Joint Administrators are under a duty to treat each claim equally. Every claim will therefore be assessed in the same way, irrespective of who submits the claim., Customers do not need to use a Claims Management Company ("CMC") or third party to submit a claim. Using a CMC or third party will not accelerate the claims process, nor entitle you to a higher claim amount. It may also expose you to charges that may be deducted from any final payment you might receive.

The FSCS has produced some points to consider at <https://www.fscs.org.uk/how-we-work/customer-info/cms/>

Will anyone ask for my bank details?

We may ask you to confirm that your previous bank details are still valid and give you the opportunity to update your bank details (e.g. if you have closed/changed bank accounts), although further proof of ID and other supporting evidence will be required.

### IMPORTANT:

Where financial firms enter into Administration, experience is that fraudsters may sometimes approach investors claiming to be able to recover their investment in return for an advance fee. Sometimes the fraudsters claim to be from the Companies or the Administrators. You should be wary of any unexpected call, email or other contact which asks you for money in this manner. FCA guidelines are available at:

[www.fca.org.uk/consumers/protect-yourself-scams](http://www.fca.org.uk/consumers/protect-yourself-scams)

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**THE ADMINISTRATOR'S PROGRESS REPORT****1 Glossary**

the Company / B&G	Basset & Gold Plc
The Administrators / Joint Administrators	Paul Robert Boyle, David Michael Clements and Anthony Murphy
Harrisons	Harrisons Business Recovery & Insolvency (London) Limited
RBUK	River Bloom UK Services Limited -a company registered in the UK, company number 10830818
RBC	River Bloom Limited – a company incorporated in Cyprus
BGF	B & G Finance Limited
Uncle Buck / UB	Uncle Buck Finance LLP
Gallium	Gallium Fund Solutions Limited
Thornbridge	Thornbridge Investment Management LLP
AR	Appointed Representative of an FCA regulated firm
SIP	Statement of Insolvency Practice (England & Wales)
IA86	Insolvency Act 1986
	If preceded by S this denotes a section number
Sch B1	Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986
	If preceded by P this denotes a paragraph number
IR16	Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016
	If preceded by R this denotes a rule number
SofA	Statement of Affairs
CVL	Creditors Voluntary Liquidation
HMRC	HM Revenue & Customs
RPS	Redundancy Payments Service
HCSTC	High Cost Short Term Credit
FCA	Financial Conduct Authority
FSCS	Financial Services Compensation Scheme
FOS	Financial Ombudsman Service
VREQ	Voluntary Application for Imposition of Requirements



## 2 Executive Summary

- 2.1 There are c.1,800 bond holders owed in excess of £35m, several of whom have invested in more than one bond.
- 2.2 The Company invested substantially the whole of the funds received from bond holders through RBUK into the HCSTC lender UB. UB was placed into Administration on 27 March 2020. Paul Boyle, David Clements and Anthony Murphy are also the Joint Administrators of UB.
- 2.3 From the work in the Administration of UB, it is unlikely that there will be any material recoveries for bond holders in the Company from the Administration of UB via recoveries made from RBUK.
- 2.4 We have realised £2.3m from B&G funds held with third parties and the Company's bank account.
- 2.5 The main prospects of bond holders recouping any of their investment is through claims made to the FSCS or third parties for compensation for the mis-selling of the bonds. Please note that whilst the Administrators are actively working to assist bond holders in being able to make claims for compensation through the identification and provision of information to the relevant parties, it remains the bond-holders responsibility to prove that they have in fact been mis-sold any of their investment(s).
- 2.6 The responsibility for marketing the bonds during the lifetime of the Company has been through various companies acting in different regulatory capacities. We have contacted bond holders to advise them of the different claim periods, the parties involved and the relevant contact details for those parties
- 2.7 Bond holder records were held across a number of different software platforms and various applications. Following substantial work, access has been gained to the records that will be required by the Administrators to assist bond holders, the FSCS and other relevant parties in dealing with claims for compensation.
- 2.8 The Administrators have continued to liaise with the relevant third parties to assist bond holders with their claims.
- 2.9 The Joint Administrators continue to review the circumstances surrounding the transfer of bond holders monies to RBUK to make loans in UB and the contracts entered into.
- 2.10 We have received confirmation in recent days from the FSCS that they consider BGF in default and are commencing to agree and pay compensation claims.

### 3 Introduction

- 3.1 I, together with Paul Boyle and Anthony Murphy, was appointed Joint Administrator of Basset & Gold Plc (the Company) on 1 April 2020. The appointment was made by the Directors.
- 3.2 This Administration is being handled by Harrisons Business Recovery and Insolvency (London) Limited at 20 Midtown, 20 Procter Street London WC1V 6NX. The Administrators' contact details are by phone on 0207 317 9160 or via email at [london@harrisons.uk.com](mailto:london@harrisons.uk.com). The Administration is registered in the In The High Court of Justice Business & Property Courts of England & Wales, reference number CR-2020-002075.
- 3.3 As Joint Administrators, we are required to provide a progress report covering the period of six months commencing from the date the Company entered Administration and every subsequent period of six months. This progress report covers the period from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020 (the Period) and should be read in conjunction with my earlier proposals report.
- 3.4 Information about the way that we will use, and store personal data on insolvency appointments can be found at <http://harrisons.uk.com/privacy-policy>. If you are unable to download this, please contact us and a hard copy will be provided to you.
- 3.5 The trading address of the Company was 23 Finsbury Circus, (3rd Floor), London, EC2M 7EA.
- 3.6 The registered office of the Company is 20 Midtown, 20 Procter Street, London, WC1V 6NX and its registered number 05433451.

## 4 Progress of the Administration

- 4.1 You may recall that the statutory objective being pursued in the Administration was achieving a better result than would be likely if the company were wound up. In addition to the pursuance of this statutory objective, the Administrators have duties imposed by insolvency and other legislation, some of which may not provide any financial benefit to creditors.
- 4.2 This section of the report provides creditors with an update on the progress made in the Period, both in terms of the achievement of the statutory objective, but also work which is required of the Administrators under other related legislation.
- 4.3 At Appendix A is our Receipts and Payments Account covering the period of this report.
- 4.4 Further information about the basis of remuneration agreed in this case and the Administrators' fees estimate can be found in section 6 of this report, together with any relevant information about revisions to my initial estimate, where applicable.

### Administration (including statutory compliance & reporting)

- 4.5 As noted above, the Administrators must comply with certain statutory obligations under the Insolvency Act 1986 and other related legislation. Details about the work that we anticipated would need to be done in this area was outlined in our initial fees estimate/information.
- 4.6 Where the costs of statutory compliance work or reporting to creditors exceeds the initial estimate, it will usually be because the duration of the case has taken longer than anticipated, possibly due to protracted asset realisations, which have in turn placed a further statutory reporting requirement on the Administrators.
- 4.7 As noted in our initial fees estimate/information, this work will not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors, but is required on every case by statute.

### Trading

- 4.8 The Company had ceased issuing new bonds at the end of May 2019.
- 4.9 Upon appointment, the Joint Administrators retained staff to assist with the calculation of sums due to bond holders, the information required to substantiate these claims, together with accounting information necessary for the relevant statutory and tax returns and other information for our investigations.
- 4.10 We have now made all staff redundant. We have retained one member of staff on an hourly basis as and when required to assist with specific accounting matters.

### Realisation of Assets

#### Loans to HCSTC Loan provider

- 4.11 As advised previously the substantial proportion of the funds invested in B&G were subsequently lent to UB through RBC and RBUK.
- 4.12 UB was placed into Administration on 27 March 2020. Paul Boyle, David Clements and Anthony Murphy of Harrisons Business Recovery & Insolvency (London) limited were appointed as Administrators.
- 4.13 Collections in UB have been in line with expectations despite Covid 19. A redress procedure is being carried out on the loan book of UB in accordance with industry standards and with assistance from independent consultants.

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- 4.14 The timing and likelihood of any funds being received from the administration of UB, and hence any recoveries made from RBUK, is dependent upon the redress process.
- 4.15 Any recoveries in UB are first due to be paid to RBC as they are the senior debt holders, further recoveries after payment in full to RBC are then applied to RBUK limited indebtedness and this is where recoveries for Basset & Gold Plc bond holders would come from.
- 4.16 The redress procedure will affect the amounts payable to RBC and hence any potential recoveries to RBUK. Based on current information it is unlikely that there will be a return, however we will update bond holders in our next report.
- 4.17 As advised previously, the inter relationship of the various entities is subject to investigation by the Administrators. These investigations continue and we will report further in our next report.

### Property Loan Investment

- 4.18 B&G made an investment of £100,000 in March 2019 in a peer to peer property finance loan platform Investandfund.com.
- 4.19 The initial loan was repaid in October 2019 and was subsequently re-invested in another loan.
- 4.20 The maturity of the loan was January 2021; the loan was placed for sale on the Investandfund.com website and has been sold for the sum of £109,518 including interest. The funds are in the process of being transferred from the platform.

### Cash at Bank

- 4.21 Upon our appointment, there were sums held by third parties of £2,332,840 and £91,860. These sums have been transferred to the Administration bank account following discussions with the relevant parties.

### Other Receipts

- 4.22 The Administrators during the course of their work have also secured various refunds due to the Company. The sums recovered amount to £1,953.
- 4.23 Bank Interest of £1,414 has also been received during the Period.
- 4.24 The work undertaken by the Administrators and our staff to date in realising the Company's assets has been necessary in order to maximise the likelihood of a return to creditors being made. Further details of the work performed and still to be carried out is given below. Where assets remain to be realised, these will be dealt with as the Administration progresses and further updates will be provided to creditors in my progress reports.
- 4.25 Further information on the estimated outcome of the Administration can be found in section 7 below.

### Creditors (claims and distributions)

#### Bondholders

- 4.26 As advised previously, the claims of bond holders fall into different periods and their resultant claims therefore are against various parties.

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### 4.27 FSCS

4.28 Claims for the period from 1 March 2018 are being dealt with by the FSCS as these claims relate to the period when BGF was the regulated entity responsible for marketing the bonds and arranging investments in the bonds, including roll-overs of existing bonds..

4.29 We have been advised in recent days that the FSCS has completed the assessment of at least one claim, and found it valid under their rules. Therefore, they will soon be **declaring B & G Finance Limited 'in default'** and commencing the agreement and payment of compensation claims.

### 4.30 Gallium

4.31 Claims for the period from 1 February 2017 to 1 March 2018 have been directed to Gallium as B&G were registered as an AR of Gallium during this period of time. Gallium have rejected all claims and a number of bond holders have referred Gallium's decision to the FOS. We await the outcome of the FOS investigations.

### 4.32 Thornbridge

4.33 Claims for the period between 31 October 2016 and 22 December 2016 have been directed to Thornbridge as B&G were registered as an AR of Thornbridge during this period of time. Thornbridge have rejected all claims and a number of bond holders have referred Thornbridge's decision to the FOS. We await the outcome of the FOS investigations.

### 4.34 Others

4.35 Claims which fall outside of these periods have a direct unsecured claim against B&G.

4.36 Further information on the anticipated outcome for creditors in this case can be found at section 7 of this report. The Administrators are not only required to deal with correspondence and claims from unsecured creditors, but also those of any preferential creditors of the Company.

4.37 Claims from preferential creditors typically involve employee claims and payments made on behalf of the Company by the Redundancy Payments Service following dismissal.

4.38 The above work will not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors generally, however the Administrators are required by statute to undertake this work. Similarly, if a distribution is to be paid to any class of creditor, work will be required to agree those claims and process the dividend payments to each relevant class of creditor. The more creditors a company has, the more time and cost will be involved by the Administrators in dealing with those claims.

4.39 We consider the following matters worth noting in our report to creditors at this stage:

- There are approximately 1,810 unsecured creditor claims (including bond holders) in this case with a value per the director(s) statement of affairs of £37,503,293
- We anticipate claims from preferential creditors totalling £13,923
- We have been advised in recent days that the FSCS has completed the assessment of at least one claim, and found it valid under their rules. Therefore, they will soon be declaring B & G Finance Limited 'in default' and commencing the agreement and payment of compensation claims.

### Investigations

4.40 Some of the work the Administrators are required to undertake is to comply with legislation such as the Company Directors' Disqualification Act 1986 (CDDA 1986) and Statement of

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Insolvency Practice 2 – Investigations by Office Holders in Administration and Insolvent Liquidations and may not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors, unless these investigations reveal potential asset recoveries that the Administrators can pursue for the benefit of creditors.

- 4.41 We can confirm that we have submitted a report on the conduct of the Directors of the Company to the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy under the CDDA 1986. As this is a confidential report, we are unable to disclose the contents.
- 4.42 From our investigations to date we set out below an analysis of the utilisation of funds lent to the HCSTC lender UB by B&G via RBUK.

Description	Amount £	Amount £
Funds lent to HSTC lender UB		36,313,740
Losses stated in accounts:		
Year to 31 March 2017	(1,489,369)	
Year to 31 March 2018	(2,899,852)	
Year to 31 March 2019	(3,371,687)	
11 Months to 28 February 2020	(3,459,995)	
		(11,220,903)
		25,092,837
Further impairment in 2018 accounts (reported January 2020)		(6,848,270)
Residual funds		18,244,567
Loan book Collections since appointment		7,416,877
Remaining funds represented by estimated value of residual loan book.		10,827,690

The actual gross value of the residual UB loan book is £15,048,168. Of this, £4,739,609 is currently paying, subject to various payment plans and the remainder is non performing.

There is likely to be a further significant impairment charge to the gross loan book as a result of the non performing element and the redress process that is being carried out on the UB loan book.

- 4.43 Funds were not made available to UB via RBUK after April 2019. Therefore a significant element of the loan impairment and losses on the HTSTC loan book appear to have been incurred after funds stopped being lent to UB via RBUK.
- 4.44 An element of the losses incurred by UB relate to intermediary fees paid for the securing of the finance to UB. During the funding period, £8,542,459 was paid in intermediary fees. The intermediaries are connected parties to B&G and the terms of the contract are being reviewed by the Administrators.
- 4.45 Any recoveries may fall due under the charge in RBUK, however recoveries from this source are uncertain at this time.

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- 4.46 What remains to be done in the Administration
- 4.47 The Administrators continue to liaise with third parties and provide information to assist bond holders with their claims for miss-selling.
- 4.48 We continue to review the contracts entered into by the Company to establish whether there are any avenues for recoveries available to the Company.
- 4.49 We shall continue to monitor the collection of the remaining loan book in UB to establish whether there will be any realisations available for the Company.

## 5 Pre-administration Costs

5.1 On 9 June 2020 the following amounts in respect of pre-administration costs were approved:

Harrisons Business Recovery & Insolvency (London) Limited	Liaison with regulatory bodies and preparation of communications to bond holders. Assistance to directors to place company into administration	£67,255
Walker Morris	Liaison with regulatory bodies and preparation of communications to bond holders. Assistance to directors to place company into administration	£22,500



## 6 Joint Administrators' Remuneration

- 6.1 The basis of the Administrators' fees has been fixed in the Administration as a combination of bases if applicable. Our fees estimate/information were originally provided to creditors when the basis of our remuneration was approved and was based on information available to us at that time. The bases agreed was as follows:
- A fixed fee of £1,750,000.
  - 25% of any further realisations in the Administration.
- 6.2 The Administrators have not drawn any fees in the period against the total set fee agreed of £1,750,000 approved by creditors.
- 6.3 A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' Fees' is available on request or can be downloaded from <http://harrisons.uk.com/creditors-guide-fees>
- 6.4 Attached at Appendix B is additional information in relation to the Administrators' fees, expenses and disbursements, including where relevant, information on the use of subcontractors and professional advisers.

## 7 Estimated Outcome for Creditors

7.1 An Estimated Outcome Statement as at 30 September 2020 is attached at Appendix C.

### Preferential Creditors

7.2 A summary of preferential claims is detailed below.

Preferential claim	Agreed Claim £	Statement of Affairs Claim £	Dividend paid p in the £1
Employee claims (Total number of claims )	Nil	13,923	Nil
Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS)	Unknown	Nil	Nil

### Unsecured Creditors

7.3 There are in excess of 1,800 bond holders with claims against the Company for sums in excess of £35m.

7.4 The likelihood of a dividend to unsecured creditors from the Administration is largely dependent upon potential realisations from the Administration of UB and recoveries from any other sources identified through our ongoing investigations into the affairs of the business.

7.5 The investment in River Bloom UK Services Limited represents the bond holders monies lent to RBUK which was subsequently lent on to UB, (although intermediary fees were deducted from this total amount, the net amount being received by UB). As indicated above, it is currently unlikely that there will be any material recoveries for bond holders from RBUK given uncertainties of any recoveries from the Administration of UB.

7.6 There are a number of matters that require further investigation by the Joint Administrators. At this stage it is too early to be able to establish whether any additional recoveries can be made for the benefit of the Administration.

7.7 As advised above, for bondholders, the only real prospect of recouping any substantial funds is through compensation claims for the mis-selling of the mini bonds. Those with claims via the FSCS are likely to receive compensation up to the £85,000 limit.

7.8 The Company did not grant any floating charges to a secured creditor. Accordingly, there is no requirement to create a fund out of the Company's net floating charge property for unsecured creditors (known as the Prescribed Part), which only applies to charges created after 15 September 2003.

## 8 Ending the Administration

- 8.1 If, having realised the assets of the Company the Administrators think that a distribution will be made to the unsecured creditors, they propose filing a notice with the Registrar of Companies which will have the effect of bringing the appointment of the Administrators to an end and will move the Company automatically into Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation (CVL) in order that the distribution can be made. In these circumstances, it is proposed that the Administrators in office at the date of conversion to CVL will become the Joint Liquidators in the CVL. The acts of the Joint Liquidators may be undertaken by either or all of them.
- 8.2 If the Administrators think that the Company has no property which might permit a distribution to its creditors, they will file a notice with the Court and the Registrar of Companies for the dissolution of the Company
- 8.3 The Administrators will be discharged from liability under Paragraph 98(3) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 immediately upon their appointment as Administrators ceasing to have effect.

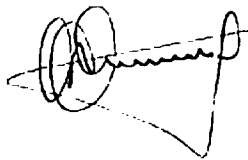
## **9 Creditors' Rights**

- 9.1 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) may request in writing that the Administrators provide further information about their remuneration or expenses (other than pre-administration costs) which have been itemised in this progress report.
- 9.2 Any secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors) may within 8 weeks of receipt of this progress report make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the Administrators' remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred by the Administrators, as set out in this progress report, are excessive.

## 10 Next Report

- 10.1 The Administrators are required to provide a progress report within one month of the end of the next six months of the Administration or earlier if the Administration has been finalised or he wishes to extend it.

For and on behalf of  
Basset & Gold Plc



David Clements  
Joint Administrator

**BASSET & GOLD PLC - IN ADMINISTRATION**
**Appendix A**
**Receipts and Payments Account from 1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020**

**Basset & Gold Plc  
(In Administration)  
Joint Administrators' Summary of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs £	From 01/04/2020 To 30/09/2020 £	From 01/04/2020 To 30/09/2020 £
<b>ASSET REALISATIONS</b>		
	1,414.83	1,414.83
13.00 Bank Interest Gross	NIL	NIL
2,332,640.00 Basset and Gold Capital (UK) Limited	2,332,840.00	2,332,840.00
91,860.44 Cash at Bank - Gallium Monies	91,860.44	91,860.44
13.00 Cash at Bank - Transferwise, PAYPAL,	NIL	NIL
Minkbridge Limited	1,953.18	1,953.18
Sundry Refund	2,428,068.45	2,428,068.45
<b>COST OF REALISATIONS</b>		
	95.02	95.02
Advertising	207.00	207.00
Bank Charges	17,800.00	17,800.00
Call Centre services	600.00	600.00
Cat 1 Agents/Valuers Fees	1,380.00	1,380.00
Cat 1 Bordereau Bonding	1,445.60	1,445.60
Cat 1 Insurance of Assets	11,462.83	11,462.83
Irrecoverable VAT	351,615.00	351,615.00
IT costs, Data retrieval and CRM	15,840.00	15,840.00
Professional Fees	22,669.00	22,669.00
Telecommunication costs	52,210.71	52,210.71
Wages & Salaries	(475,325.16)	(475,325.16)
<b>PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS</b>		
(10,970.35) Employees Holiday Pay	NIL	NIL
(2,952.22) Employees Wage Arrears/Pensions	NIL	NIL
<b>UNSECURED CREDITORS</b>		
(151,261.00) B and G Finance Limited	NIL	NIL
(37,508,293.00) Basset and Gold PLC Investors	NIL	NIL
(5,670.00) Creative Geeks	NIL	NIL
(9,727.46) Employees-Redundancy/Arrears of Wa	NIL	NIL
(16,077.00) HM Revenue & Customs - PAYE/NI	NIL	NIL
(47,455.00) HM Revenue & Customs -Withholding	NIL	NIL
(260,575.14) Trade & Expense Creditors	NIL	NIL
<b>DISTRIBUTIONS</b>		
(50,000.00) Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	NIL
	NIL	NIL
<b>(35,638,454.73)</b>	<b>1,952,743.29</b>	<b>1,952,743.29</b>
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>		
Bank 2 - 32 IF ISA Incoming		0.02
Bank 2 - 65 Non ISA		2.77
Bank 2 - Current		1,952,560.53
Trade Creditors		179.97
		<b>1,952,743.29</b>

Note:

David Clements  
Joint Administrator

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### Appendix B

#### Additional Information in Relation to the Joint Administrators' Fees, Expenses & Disbursements

## 1 Staff Allocation and the Use of Sub-Contractors

- 1.1 The general approach to resourcing our assignments is to allocate staff with the skills and experience to meet the specific requirements of the case.
- 1.2 The constitution of the case team will usually consist of a Director, a Manager, and an Administrator or Assistant. The exact constitution of the case team will depend on the anticipated size and complexity of the assignment and the experience requirements of the assignment.
- 1.3 We are not proposing to utilise the services of any sub-contractors in this case.

## 2 Professional Advisors

- 2.1 On this assignment we have used the professional advisors listed below. We have also indicated alongside, the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis.

Name of Professional Advisor	Basis of Fee Arrangement
Walker Morris (legal advice)	Hourly rate and disbursements
Middleton Barton (valuation and disposal advice)	Hourly rate and disbursements

- 2.2 Our choice was based on our perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of our fee arrangement with them.

## 3 Joint Administrators' Expenses & Disbursements

- 3.1 The estimate of expenses (including disbursements) which were anticipated at the outset of the Administration was provided to creditors in the Administrators' Proposals Report a copy of which is set out below:

Expense	Estimated cost £
<b>Expense</b>	<b>Estimated cost £</b>
<i>Agents' costs for marketing and sale assistance</i>	2,500
<i>Solicitors' costs for legal advice relating to the conduct of the Administration</i>	100,000
<i>IT Consultants for extracting bulk bond holder information for potential mis-selling claim evidence</i>	150,000
<i>Statutory advertising</i>	300
<i>Specific penalty bond</i>	1,380
<i>External storage of company's books and records</i>	1,500
<i>Case related travel &amp; subsistence</i>	1,000

#### Current position of Joint Administrators' expenses

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- 3.2 An analysis of the expenses paid to the date of this report, together with those incurred but not paid at the date of this report is provided below:

	Paid in prior period £	Paid in the period covered by this report £	Incurred but not paid to date £	Total anticipated cost £
Agents' costs	-	-	-	2,500.00
Solicitors' costs	-	-	22,500.00	122,500.00
IT Consultants for extracting bulk bond holder information for potential mis-selling claim evidence	-	351,615.00	-	351,615.00
Statutory advertising	-	95.02	-	300.00
Specific penalty bond	-	1,380.00	-	1,380.00
External storage of books & records	-	-	-	1,500.00
Case related travel & subsistence	-	-	-	1,000.00
Category 2 disbursements				
Business mileage	-	-	-	-
Printing Stationery & postage	-	-	-	-

- 3.3 The costs for IT consultants for the extraction of bulk bond holder information has exceeded the original estimates due to the complexity in the way the data was stored across various platforms and applications. The exercise is now complete and no further cost is anticipated in this regard.
- 3.4 Category 1 disbursements do not require approval by creditors. The type of disbursements that may be charged as a Category 1 disbursement to a case generally comprise of external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, such as postage, case advertising, invoiced travel and external printing, room hire and document storage. Also chargeable will be any properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case. These disbursements are included in the tables of expenses above.
- 3.5 Category 2 disbursements do require approval from creditors. These are costs which are directly referable to the appointment in question but are not payments which are made to an independent third party and may include shared or allocated costs that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis such as internal room hire, document storage or business mileage. Details of Category 2 disbursements charged by this firm (where appropriate) were provided in the Administrators' Proposals Report and approved by creditors. Any Category 2 disbursements incurred are specifically highlighted in the tables of expenses above.



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Appendix C

Estimated Outcome Statement as at 30 September 2020

		Estimated to realise
<b>Assets</b>		
Investment in River Bloom UK Services Limited	34,503,518	Unknown
Cash at Bank		2,424,526
Realisation from Investandfund.com		109,518
Realisations from Investigations		Unknown
		<hr/> 2,534,044
<b>Less: Costs of Administration</b>		
Pre Administration costs	89,755	
VAT thereon	17,951	
IT costs	351,615	
Other trading expenses	125,000	
<b>Administrators' Fees</b>	1,750,000	
VAT thereon	350,000	
<b>Administrators' disbursements</b>	4,500	
VAT thereon	900	
Legal Costs	100,000	
VAT thereon	20,000	
	<hr/>	(2,809,721)
		<hr/> (275,677)
<b>Unsecured non-preferential claims:-</b>		
Trade creditors	260,575	
Employees - Redundancy	3,777	
Employees – Arrears of Wages	5,950	
HM Revenue & Customs – PAYE / NIC	16,077	
HM Revenue & Customs – Withholding Tax	47,455	
Bond holders	37,508,293	
B & G Finance Limited	151,261	
Creative Geeks	5,670	
	<hr/>	(37,999,058)
Estimated deficiency to unsecured creditors		<hr/> (38,274,735) <hr/>