## Liquidator's Progress Report

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

To the Registrar of Companies

Company Number

05764687

Name of Company

Wey Bridging Limited

I / We Timothy John Edward Dolder 11th Floor 66 Chiltern Street London W1U 4JT

Colin David Wilson 11th Floor 66 Chiltern Street London W1U 4JT

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

The Progress Report covers the period from 02/11/2011 to 01/11/2012

Signed

Date

RSM Tenon Restructuring 11th Floor 66 Chiltern Street

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# Wey Bridging Limited (In Liquidation) Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments

From 04/11/2011 To 01/11/2011	From 02/11/2011 To 01/11/2012		Statement of Affairs
		HIRE PURCHASE	
NI	NIL	Motor Vehicle - Bentley	Uncertain
NI	NIL	V W Finance	Uncertain
NI	NIL	Motor Vehicle - Mini Cooper	Uncertain
NI	NIL	Finance Company (3)	Uncertain
NI	NIL		
		ASSET REALISATIONS	
NI	NIL	Fixtures & Fittings	NiL
NI	NIL	Furniture & Equipment	NIL
NI	NIL	Loan Book	Uncertain
NI	NIL	Shares & Investments - Client Credit Lt	Uncertain
N!	NIL	Tax Refund	
NI	NIL	Insurance Refund	
239 7	239 70	Administration Surplus	
8,400 0	8,400 00	Voluntary contribution	
N	NIL	Cash In Hand	
8,639 7	8,639 70		
		COST OF REALISATIONS	
234 0	234 00	Specific Bond	
7,000 0	7,000 00	Agents/Valuers Fees	
5 0	5 00	Tax Deducted at Source	
(7,239 00	(7,239 00)		
		PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS	
N	NIL	DE Arrears & Holiday Pay	Uncertain
N	NIL	Employee Arrears/Hol Pay	Uncertain
N	NIL	, ,	
		UNSECURED CREDITORS	
N	NIL	Employees	Uncertain
N	NIL	Redundancy Payments Office	Uncertain
N	NIL	H M Revenue & Customs - VAT	Uncertain
N	NiL		
1,400 7	1,400 70		
		REPRESENTED BY	
1,400 0		Vat Receivable	
0.7		Interest Bearing Current Account	
1,400 7			

Timothy John Edward Dolder Joint Liquidator

#### Wey Bridging Limited – In Liquidation ("the Company")

## Joint Liquidators' First Progress Report for the year from appointment on 2 November 2011 to 1 November 2012

Issued on: 17 December 2012

Timothy John Edward Dolder and Colin David Wilson were appointed Joint Administrators' of the Company on 25 November 2010 The Joint Administrators were subsequently appointed as Joint Liquidators on 4 November 2011 pursuant to Paragraph 83 of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986

This is the Joint Liquidators' first progress report to the creditors and members of the Company, showing how the Liquidation has been conducted. The report covers the period from 2 November 2011 to 1 November 2012.

#### 1. Statutory Information

Statutory information relating to the Company is attached at Appendix 1

#### 2. Joint Liquidators' Receipts and Payments Account

A summary of the Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account relating to the relevant period, from commencement of the Liquidation to 1 November 2012 is attached at **Appendix 2** 

#### 3. Background from Administration

The Company was incorporated to provide short-term bridging finance of sums ranging from £25,000 to £500,000. The loans were reported to be for the purchase or refurbishment of residential properties. Additionally the Company purported to provide loans to solicitors in respect of legal fees. All loans were, in theory, to be secured against a borrower's property, other assets, or by solicitor's undertaking.

Following appointment in November 2010 the Joint Administrators' staff attended the Company's premises in Knightsbridge to secure the Company's records, and specifically records relating to the loan book. However, a director had previously removed the records located at site and passed them to a firm of solicitors, Rosenblatts. The records were subsequently delivered to the Joint Administrators' but they did not contain the information expected to facilitate collection of sums lent by the Company. Therefore, it proved necessary to start a process of reconstructing the loan book, predominately from the Company's bank statements.

Significant progress has been made in the reconstruction and demands have been made against certain borrowers for repayment of their loans

#### 4. Actions taken by the Joint Liquidators since Appointment

The reconstruction of the loan book has not been a straight-forward exercise given difficulties in interpreting information shown on bank statements i.e. solicitor names being listed in place of the borrower

In order to confirm the identity of a borrower and the sum of their liability, it has been necessary in some instances to obtain records from the solicitors named on the bank statements (or the Solicitors' Regulation Authority should the solicitor have ceased trading) to allocate transactions, both advances and repayments, against the respective loan accounts

Searches of the Land Registry's database have also provided information to confirm the existence of both lending and security in favour of the Company

As a direct result of the reconstruction exercise, the Joint Liquidators have agreed settlement of certain undischarged loans. In respect of these, borrowers are in the process of raising finance or selling property.

Additionally, solicitors, Geoffrey Leaver Solicitors LLP ("Geoffrey Leaver"), have been instructed to commence recovery action in respect of two further loans. I am unable to report further given the position of legal proceedings.

The loan book reconstruction remains on-going, having proven to be both labour intensive and time consuming

Finally, the Company's bank accounts illustrate considerable sums being transferred to third parties and associates of the Company. The Joint Liquidators are currently considering recovery action in respect of these payments.

I expect to provide further information on the collection process with my next report given the commercially sensitive nature of the collection process

#### Investigations

Liquidators have a duty to submit a confidential report or return to the government's Disqualification Unit on the conduct of those persons who acted as directors of the Company in the three year period before the Liquidation these have been completed

#### 5. Future Actions of the Joint Liquidators

The Joint Liquidators will continue to reconstruct the loan book to realise assets and will pursue repayment of other assets deemed due to the Company for the benefit of creditors. Legal action will be instigated as necessary to recover funds deemed repayable to the Company.

The Company has been joined as a party to legal proceedings brought by two creditors in the High Court of Justice. The Joint Liquidators have instructed Geoffrey Leaver and in turn Counsel to represent them. The Joint Liquidators' have reserved their position and due to the sensitive nature of the matters are not able to comment further.

#### 6. Liabilities and Dividends

#### National Westminster Bank Plc ("NatWest")

The Company granted a debenture in favour of NatWest on 31 December 2007 which was registered on 5 January 2008. This comprises fixed and floating charges over the undertaking and all property and assets both present and future, including goodwill, uncalled share capital, buildings, fixtures and fixed plant & machinery NatWest's liability is considered to be circa £2,600,000.

#### **Preferential Creditors**

The only known preferential creditors are former employees of the Company for unpaid arrears of pay and holiday pay. Their claims are subject to a maximum limited set by the insolvency legislation.

None of the Company's former employees have submitted claims in the Administration

#### Prescribed Part

There are provisions of the insolvency legislation that require a liquidator to set aside a percentage of a company's assets for the benefit of the unsecured creditors in cases where the company gave a 'qualifying floating charge' over its assets to a lender on or after 15 September 2003. This is known as the 'prescribed part of the net property'. A company's net property is that left after paying the preferential creditors, but before paying the lender who holds a floating charge. A liquidator has to set aside.

- 50% of the first £10,000 of the net property, and
- 20% of the remaining net property up to a maximum of £600,000

As the Company granted a fixed and floating charge to NatWest, as detailed above, the prescribed part provisions will apply. Given the uncertainty surrounding the realisable value of the Company's loan book I am unable to provide an estimate of the prescribed part of the net property available for unsecured creditors.

#### **Unsecured Creditors**

#### Trade and Expense Creditors

Claims submitted amount to £685,792 02 Dependent upon final realisations, a return to unsecured creditors is anticipated

I expect former employees of the Company to have unsecured claims for unpaid notice pay and redundancy pay Their claims are subject to a maximum set by the insolvency legislation and mitigation. None of the employees have submitted a claim to date

#### <u>Directors/Shareholders' Loans</u>

Directors, shareholders and associates have submitted unsecured claims totalling £2,905,932 against the Company

#### Maven Capital Partners UK LLP ("Maven")

Maven loaned the Company £2,000,000 and £1,000,000 in January 2010 and October 2010 respectively

The Company granted a debenture to Maven on 25 January 2010 which comprised of fixed and floating charges over the Company's assets

We are informed that Maven has rescinded its loan agreements and that it maintains its rights as an unsecured creditor for the sums advanced. Maven has neither submitted a claim nor provided confirmation of its position to the Joint Liquidators.

#### 7. Former Joint Administrators' Remuneration, Disbursements and Expenses

In the Joint Administrators' final report to creditors dated 30 November 2011 it was reported that the final time costs were £168,121 50 and disbursements amounted to £795 77. In accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9, a full breakdown was included in that report. To date no fees or disbursements have been drawn from the Administration or Liquidation.

The Joint Administrators remuneration and disbursements will be subject to application and approval of the court

#### 8. Joint Liquidators' Remuneration, Disbursements and Expenses

#### **Basis of Remuneration and Disbursements**

#### Remuneration Charged and Drawn in the Period

The Joint Liquidators' time costs were incurred (exc. VAT) as follows

		Incurred	Paid
For this period	from 4 November 2011 to 3 November 2012	£80,252 50	Nil

In accordance with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9, attached at Appendix 3 is a breakdown of these time costs

#### **Disbursements Incurred and Drawn**

The Joint Liquidators' disbursements incurred and reimbursed are summarised below. Details are in the attached **Appendix 3** 

Total		£1,198.60	£Nıİ
Category 2 disbursements for this period 2012	from 4 November 2011 to 3 November	£235 45	£Nıl
2012	from 4 November 2014 to 2 November	C22E 4E	CNJ
Category 1 disbursements for this period	from 4 November 2011 to 3 November	£963 15	£Nil

#### Expenses (Professional Advisors) Charged and Drawn in the Period

The following professional advisors have been instructed in this matter

Professional Advisor
Addleshaws Goddard LLP
Gooffrey Leaver Solicitors LLP

Nature of Work Legal - Solicitors Fee Arrangement
Time Costs

Geoffrey Leaver Solicitors LLP

Legal - Solicitors

Time Costs and Conditional Fee

Jamle Riley

Legal - Barrister

Agreement ("CFA")
Time Costs and CFA

The choice of professionals and the Joint Liquidators' fee arrangement with them was based on perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, together with the complexity and nature of the assignment

Details of the costs incurred and paid by the Liquidators in relation to liquidation expenses for the period are also attached at *Appendix 3* 

#### Creditors' Guide to Fees and Statement of Creditors' Rights

Creditors have a right to request further information from the Joint Liquidators and additionally have a right to challenge the Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses time limits apply Details can be found in the document 'Remuneration Guidelines Liquidation (post 6 April 2010)' which you can access and download at http://www.rsmtenon.com/creditorguides Alternatively a copy is available free of charge upon request from the address above.

#### 9. Conclusion of the Liquidation

The Joint Liquidators will continue to realise assets for the benefit of the Liquidation

Timothy J.E. Dolder

Joint Liquidator

Licensed in the United Kingdom to act as an insolvency practitioner by the insolvency Practitioners Association

#### **Statutory Information**

Appendix I

#### **Company Information**

Company Name

Wey Bridging Limited

Previous Name

None

Company Number

05764687

Date of Incorporation

31 March 2006

Trading Address

No 1, 11 Queen's Gate Terrace, Knightsbridge, London, SW7 5PR

**Current Registered Office** 

11th Floor, 66 Chiltern Street, London, W1U 4JL

Former Registered Office

No 1, 11 Queen's Gate Terrace, Knightsbridge, London, SW7 5PR

Principal Trading Activity

The provision of bridging finance and short term loans

#### **Appointment details**

Joint Liquidators' name

and address

Timothy John Edward Dolder and Colin David Wilson

both of RSM Tenon Recovery 11th Floor, 66 Chiltern Street, London, W1U 4JT

Commencement

of previous Administration

25 November 2010

Date of appointment

4 November 2011

Appointment made by

Exit from Administration pursuant to parapagh 83 of schedule B1 of the

Insolvency Act 1986

The Joint Liquidators act jointly and severally

#### Wey Bridging Limited (In Liquidation)

#### Joint Liquidators' Abstract of Receipts & Payments

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	V W Finance	NIL
	Motor Vehicle - Mini Cooper	NIL
	Finance Company (3)	NIL
		NIL
	ASSET REALISATIONS	
	Fixtures & Fittings	NIL
	Furniture & Equipment	NIL
	Loan Book	NIL
	Shares & Investments - Client Credit Lt	NIL
	Tax Refund	NIL
	Insurance Refund	NIL
	Administration Surplus	239 70
	Sherrards Solicitors (cost contribution)	8,400 00
	Cash In Hand	NIL
		8,639 70
	COST OF REALISATIONS	
	Specific Bond	234 00
	Forensic (Sherrards Solicitor Payment)	7,000 00
	Tax Deducted at Source	5 00
		(7,239 00)
	PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS	
	DE Arrears & Holiday Pay	NIL
	Employee Arrears/Hol Pay	NIL
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#### Notes

- 1 The balance of funds shown is held on an interest bearing account at Clydesdale Bank Plc 2 This statement is shown exclusive of VAT
- 3 This summary should be read in conjunction with the Joint Liquidtaors' report dated 17 December 2012
- 4 There is no requirement for a further statement of affairs to be submitted within the Liquidation

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### Wey Bridging Limited Information relating to the Joint Liquidators' Fees and Expenses

#### 1. Explanation of Liquidators' charging and disbursement recovery policies

#### 1.1. Time recording

Work undertaken on cases is recorded in 6 minute units in an electronic time recording system. Time properly incurred on cases is charged at the hourly rate of the grade of staff undertaking the work that applies at the time the work is done. The current hourly charge-out rates are

Director and Associate Director	£380 to £495
Senior Manager, Manager, Assistant Manager	£240 to £350
Other senior staff	£120 to £240
Assistants & Support Staff	£100 to £240

As of 1 September 2012 Directors are designated Partner and Associate Directors are now Directors

#### 1.2. Disbursement recovery

Disbursements are categorised as either Category 1 or Category 2

Category 1 disbursements will generally comprise external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case. Where these have initially been paid by RSM Tenon Restructuring and then recharged to the case, approval from creditors is not required. The amount recharged is the exact amount incurred.

Examples of Category 1 disbursements include postage, case advertising, specific bond insurance, company search fees, case management software system, invoiced travel and properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case, (including business mileage up to HMRC approved rate for cases commenced before 1 November 2011) Also included will be services specific to the case where these cannot practically be provided internally such as printing, room hire and document storage

Category 2 disbursements include elements of shared or allocated costs incurred by RSM Tenon Restructuring and recharged to the estate, they are not attributed to the estate by a third party invoice and/or they may include a profit element. These disbursements are recoverable in full, subject to the basis of the disbursement charge being approved by creditors in advance. Examples of Category 2 disbursements are photocopying, all business mileage (for cases commencing on or after 1 November 2011), internal room hire and internal storage.

The current levels of Category 2 disbursements recovered by RSM Tenon Restructuring are as follows

	£
Room Hire	60 00
Envelope	4 2p
Paper (photocopies per sheet)	7p
Internal Storage	32p
Business mileage @ 45p per mile	·

The costs recharged are based upon the actual cost of the materials used or the costs which would have been incurred if that service had been sourced externally

#### 2. Description of work carried out in the current period

Section 3 of this appendix outlines the time costs to date in relation to activities undertaken during this period. These can be summarised as follows

#### 2.1. Administration and planning

The following activities have been undertaken

- > Statutory duties associated with the appointment,
- > Notification of the appointment to creditors
- > Setting up case files,
- > Reviewing available information to determine appropriate strategy,
- > Setting up and maintaining bank accounts, and
- > Progress reviews of the case

Staff of different levels were involved in the above activities depending upon the experience required

#### 2.2. Investigations

The time spent includes

- > Corresponding with the former directors and management,
- > Review of questionnaires and comments provided by interested parties,
- > Review of company documentation, and
- > Completion of statutory returns to the Insolvency Service

#### 2.3. Realisation of assets

Please refer to the main body of the report

#### 2.4. Creditors and distributions

The time spent includes the following matters

- > Recording and maintaining the list of creditors,
- Dealing with employee related matters,
- > Recording creditor claims,
- > Reporting to creditors,
- > Dealing with creditor queries, and
- > Reviewing and evaluating creditor claims

#### 3. Time and charge out summary

Please see attached schedule. This provided a detailed accounting of time incurred to date, pursuant to the requirements of Statement of Insolvency Practice 9.

#### 4. Disbursements

Disbursements incurred and reimbursed from appointment to are detailed below

Disbursements	Incurred £	Paid £
Category 1	-	_
Agent Fee	30 00	0 00
Land Registry fees	649 00	0 00
Case Management Software System	7 35	0 00
Company House Searches	68 00	0 00
Parking	121 47	0 00
Storage	82 00	0 00
Subsistence	5 15	0 00
Total	963.15	0 00
Category 2		
Travel	235 45	0 00
Total	235.45	0.00

The above costs exclude VAT

#### 5. Professional advisors and expenses

The Joint Liquidators have incurred liquidation expenses in connection with the instruction of the following parties, covering the current period,

		This period	I
Name & Activity	Incurred £		Paid £
Addleshaws Goddard LLP	Nil		Nıl
Geoffrey Leaver Solicitors LLP	92,667 00		Nil
Jamie Riley (Barrister)	27,000 00		Nil
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Total	119,667.00	1	Nil

The above costs exclude VAT