In accordance with Rule 18.7 of the Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 and Sections 92A, 104A and 192 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

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# Notice of progress report in voluntary winding up



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## Talk Financial Solutions Limited (In Liquidation) Liquidator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments

Statement of Affairs		From 01/08/2016 To 31/07/2017
	ASSET REALISATIONS	
407.52	Contribution from Shareholder	NIL
	Cash at Bank	12.80
		12.80
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	REPRESENTED BY	
	Interest Bearing Estate Account	12.80
		12.80

Note:



#### Talk Financial Solutions Limited – In Members' Voluntary Liquidation Liquidator's Progress Report to Members for the Year Ending 31 July 2017

#### STATUTORY INFORMATION

Company name:

Talk Financial Solutions Limited

Registered office:

Gable House

239 Regents Park Road

London N3 3LF

Former registered office:

Hello House

135 Somerford Road

Christchurch Dorset BH23 3PY

Registered number:

07105098

Liquidator's name:

Myles Jacobson

Liquidator's address:

Gable House

239 Regents Park Road

London N3 3LF

Liquidator's date of

appointment:

1 August 2016

#### LIQUIDATOR'S ACTIONS SINCE APPOINTMENT

There is certain work that I am required by the insolvency legislation to undertake in connection with the liquidation that provides no financial benefit for the members. A description of the routine work undertaken since my appointment as liquidator is contained in Appendix 1.

#### **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT**

My receipts and payments account for the period from 1 August 2016 to 31 July 2017 is attached.

The balance of funds are held in an interest bearing estate bank account.



#### **ASSETS**

#### Cash at Bank

The sum of £13 was received from Lloyds Bank Plc, representing the credit balance held in the company's bank account at the date of liquidation.

#### LIABILITIES

As per the Declaration of Solvency there were no outstanding creditors.

#### **Crown Creditors**

All pre-appointment returns were submitted to HM Revenue & Customs which confirmed there were no outstanding liabilities.

#### Share Capital

No distributions have been made during the period due to the limited funds available.

#### PRE-APPOINTMENT REMUNERATION

The board previously authorised the payment of a fixed fee of £3,000 plus VAT for preparing the Declaration of Solvency, convening and holding the meeting of members and dealing with all post-appointment work prior to my appointment at a meeting held on 1 August 2017.

The fee for preparing the Declaration of Solvency and convening the meeting was paid by Mr Guy Stout, the sole shareholder and director of the company.

#### LIQUIDATOR'S REMUNERATION

No resolution was proposed for my remuneration at the members' meeting as the fixed fee, mentioned above, had been agreed and paid pre-appointment. I have therefore not drawn any remuneration in this matter.

A copy of 'A Members' Guide to Liquidators' Fees' may be found at <a href="http://www.streetsspw.co.uk/sites/www.streetsspw.co.uk/files/images/78mvlamembersguidetofe">http://www.streetsspw.co.uk/sites/www.streetsspw.co.uk/files/images/78mvlamembersguidetofe</a> esapril2017 1.pdf. A hard copy can be obtained on request from this office. Enclosed is an explanatory note which shows Streets SPW's practice fee recovery policy.

#### LIQUIDATOR'S EXPENSES

I have incurred expenses to 31 July 2017 of £260.

I have not been able to draw any expenses in this matter.

I have incurred the following expenses in the period since my appointment as liquidator:-

Type of expense	Amount incurred/accrued in the reporting period
	(£)
Specific Bond	20
Statutory Advertising	240

These costs have been paid by Streets SPW and will be recovered from Mr Stout directly.

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

A member may, with the permission of the court or with at least 5% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company request further details of the liquidator's remuneration and expenses, within 21 days of receipt of this report.

A member may, with the permission of the court or with at least 10% of the total voting rights of all the members having the right to vote at general meetings of the company, apply to court to challenge the amount of remuneration charged by the liquidator as being excessive, and/or the basis of the liquidator's remuneration, and/or the amount of the expenses incurred as being excessive, within 8 weeks of their receipt of this report.

Since the commencement of the liquidation, I have received several complaints from former clients in respect of advice provided by the company. In the first instance, any claims were forwarded to the director for his comments, following which one was rejected. Where the complaints have not been resolved, clients have the option to pass the matter to the Financial Ombudsman. I am, at present, aware that the rejected claim was forwarded to the Financial Ombudsman and not upheld.

Until such time that a decision on the validity of these potential claims has been made, I am unable to take the necessary steps to conclude the administration of the liquidation. Once the outcomes are known, the liquidation will be finalised and my files will be closed.

If members have any queries regarding the conduct of the liquidation, or if they want hard copies of any of the documents made available on-line, they should contact Lisa Pollack on 020 8371 5000, or by email at <a href="mailto:lisa.pollack@spwca.com">lisa.pollack@spwca.com</a>.

M. Jacobson Liquidator



#### Appendix 1

#### 1. Administration

- Case planning devising an appropriate strategy for dealing with the case and giving instructions to the staff to undertake the work on the case.
- Setting up physical/electronic case files.
- Setting up the case on the practice's electronic case management system and entering data.
- Issuing the statutory notifications required on appointment as office holder, including gazetting the office holder's appointment.
- Obtaining a specific penalty bond.
- Dealing with all routine correspondence and emails relating to the case.
- Opening, maintaining and managing the office holder's estate bank account.
- Creating, maintaining and managing the office holder's cashbook.
- Undertaking regular bank reconciliations of the bank account containing estate funds.
- Reviewing the adequacy of the specific penalty bond on a quarterly basis.
- Undertaking periodic reviews of the progress of the case.
- Overseeing and controlling the work done on the case by case administrators.
- Preparing and reviewing an annual progress report to members.

#### 2. Creditors

• Dealing with potential creditor correspondence, emails and telephone conversations regarding their claims.

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## Licensed Insolvency Practitioners

#### **Practice Fee Recovery Policy for Streets SPW**

#### introduction

The insolvency legislation was changed in October 2015, with one or two exceptions, for insolvency appointments made from that time. This sheet explains how we intend to apply the alternative fee bases allowed by the legislation when acting as office holder in insolvency appointments. The legislation allows different fee bases to be used for different tasks within the same appointment. The fee basis, or combination of bases, set for a particular appointment is/are subject to approval, generally by a committee if one is appointed by the creditors, failing which the creditors in general meeting, or the Court.

Further information about creditors' rights can be obtained by visiting the creditors' information micro-site published by the Association of Business Recovery Professionals (R3) at www.streetsspw.co.uk/creditors-guides. Details about how an office holder's fees may be approved for each case type are available in a series of guides issued with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP 9) and can be accessed at www.streetsspw.co.uk/creditors-guides. Alternatively a hard copy may be requested from Streets SPW, Gable House, 239 Regents Park Road, London N3 3LF. Please note that we have provided further details in this policy document.

Once the basis of the office holder's remuneration has been approved, a periodic report will be provided to any committee and also to each creditor. The report will provide a breakdown of the remuneration drawn. If approval has been obtained for remuneration on a time costs basis, i.e. by reference to time properly spent by members of staff of the practice at our standard charge out rates, the time incurred will also be disclosed, whether drawn or not, together with the average, or "blended" rates of such costs. Under the legislation, any such report must disclose how creditors can seek further information and challenge the basis on which the fees are calculated and the level of fees drawn in the period of the report. Once the time to challenge the office holder's remuneration for the period reported on has elapsed, then that remuneration cannot subsequently be challenged.

Under the old legislation, which still applies for insolvency appointments commenced before 6 April 2010, there is no equivalent mechanism for fees to be challenged.

#### Time cost basis

When charging fees on a time costs basis we use charge out rates appropriate to the skills and experience of a member of staff and the work that they perform. This is combined with the amount of time that they work on each case, recorded in 6 minute units with supporting narrative to explain the work undertaken.

#### Streets SPW charge-out rates

Grade of Staff	Current charge-out per hour (£) effective from 1 February 2016	Previous charge-out per hour (£) effective from 1 January 2015
Partner (appointment-taker)	400-500	400-500
Manager	250	250
Assistant manager	200	•
Administrator (all levels)	175	150
Assistants & support staff	100	90

Where necessary and appropriate, members of staff from SPW (UK) LLP, a connected accountancy and tax practice of which Streets SPW is a trading name in respect of insolvency work undertaken by the LLP, will undertake work on a case on either a time cost (charged at their normal charge-out rate) or fixed fee basis.

#### SPW (UK) LLP charge-out rates

Grade of staff	Current charge-out rate per hour (£) effective from 1 January 2015	
Partner	275	
Associate	175	
Manager	150	
Senior	105	
Semi-senior	65	
Junior	45	

These charge-out rates charged are reviewed on 1 January each year and are adjusted to take account of inflation and the firm's overheads. No increase has been applied to SPW (UK) LLP's rates since 1 January 2015.

Time spent on casework is recorded directly to the relevant case using a computerised time recording system and the nature of the work undertaken is recorded at that time. Each unit of time is 6 minutes. The work is recorded under the following categories: -

- · Administration and Planning
- Case Specific Matters
- Creditors
- Investigations
- Realisation of Assets
- Trading

In cases where we were appointed prior to 1 October 2015, most of our fees were recovered on a time costs basis and appropriate authority was obtained from the creditors or the committee as set down in the legislation. The legislation changed on 1 October 2015 and on new appointments we may seek time costs for all categories.

When we seek time costs approval we have to set out a fees estimate. That estimate acts as a cap on our time costs so that we cannot draw fees of more than the estimated time costs without further approval from those who approved our fees. When seeking approval for our fees, we will disclose the work that we intend to undertake, the hourly rates we intend to charge for each part of the work, and the time that we think each part of the work will take. We will summarise that information in an average or "blended" rate for all of the work being carried out within the estimate. We will also say whether we anticipate needing to seek approval to exceed the estimate and, if so, the reasons that we think that may be necessary.

The disclosure that we make should include sufficient information about the insolvency appointment to enable you to understand how the proposed fee reflects the complexity (or otherwise) of the case, any responsibility of an exceptional kind falling on the office holder, the effectiveness with which the office holder has carried out their functions, and the value and nature of the property with which the office holder has to deal.

If we subsequently need to seek authority to draw fees in excess of the estimate, we will say why we have exceeded, or are likely to exceed the estimate; any additional work undertaken, or proposed to be undertaken; the hourly rates proposed for each part of the work; and the time that the additional work is expected to take. As with the original estimate, we will say whether we anticipate needing further approval and, if so, why we think it may be necessary to seek further approval.

#### Percentage basis

The legislation allows fees to be charged on a percentage of the value of the property with which the office holder has to deal (realisations and/or distributions). Different percentages can be used for different assets or types of assets. In cases where we were appointed prior to 1 October 2015, most of our fees were recovered on a time costs basis and appropriate authority was obtained from the creditors or the committee as set down in the legislation. The legislation changed on 1 October 2015 and we now seek remuneration on a percentage basis more often. A report accompanying any fee request will set out the potential assets in the case, the remuneration percentage proposed for any realisations and the work covered by that remuneration, as well as the expenses that will be, or are likely to be, incurred. Expenses can be incurred without approval, but must be disclosed to help put the remuneration request into context.

The percentage approved in respect of realisations will be charged against the assets realised, and where approval is obtained on a mixture of bases, any fixed fee and time costs will then be charged against the funds remaining in the liquidation after the realisation percentage has been deducted.

The disclosure that we make should include sufficient information about the insolvency appointment to enable you to understand how the proposed fee reflects the complexity (or otherwise) of the case, any responsibility of an exceptional kind falling on the office holder, the effectiveness with which the office holder has carried out their functions, and the value and nature of the property with which the office holder has to deal.

If the basis of remuneration has been approved on a percentage basis then an increase in the amount of the percentage applied can only be approved by the committee or creditors (depending upon who approved the basis of remuneration) in cases where there has been a material and substantial change in the circumstances that were taken into account when fixing the original level of the percentage applied. If there has not been a material and substantial change in the circumstances then an increase can only be approved by the Court.

#### Fixed fee

The legislation allows fees to be charged at a set amount. Different set amounts can be used for different tasks. In cases where we were appointed prior to 1 October 2015, most of our fees were recovered on a time costs basis and appropriate authority was obtained from the creditors or the committee as set down in the legislation. The legislation changed on 1 October 2015 and we now seek remuneration on a fixed fee basis more often. A report accompanying any fee request will set out the set fee that we proposed to charge and the work covered by that remuneration, as well as the expenses that will be, or are likely to be, incurred. Expenses can be incurred without approval, but must be disclosed to help put the remuneration request into context.

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If the basis of remuneration has been approved on a fixed fee basis then an increase in the amount of the fixed fee can only be approved by the committee or creditors (depending upon who approved the basis of remuneration) in cases where there has been a material and substantial change in the circumstances that were taken into account when fixing the original level of the fixed fee. If there has not been a material and substantial change in the circumstances then an increase can only be approved by the Court.

#### Members' voluntary liquidations and voluntary arrangements

The legislation changes that took effect from 1 October 2015 did not apply to members' voluntary liquidations (MVL), Company Voluntary Arrangements (CVA) or Individual Voluntary Arrangements (IVA). In MVLs, the company's members set the fee basis, often as a fixed fee. In CVAs and IVAs, the fee basis is set out in the proposals and creditors approve the fee basis when they approve the arrangement.

#### All bases

With the exception of Individual Voluntary Arrangements and Company Voluntary Arrangements which are VAT exempt, the officeholder's remuneration invoiced to the insolvent estate will be subject to VAT at the prevailing rate.

#### Agent's costs

Charged at cost based upon the charge made by the Agent instructed, the term Agent includes:

- Solicitors/Legal Advisors
- Auctioneers/Valuers
- Accountants
- Quantity Surveyors
- Estate Agents
- · Other Specialist Advisors

In new appointments made after 1 October 2015, the office holder will provide details of expenses to be incurred, or likely to be incurred, when seeking fee approval. When reporting to the committee and creditors during the course of the insolvency appointment the actual expenses incurred will be compared with the original estimate provided.

#### **Disbursements**

In accordance with SIP 9 the basis of disbursement allocation in respect of disbursements incurred by the office holder in connection with the administration of the estate must be fully disclosed to creditors. Disbursements are categorised as either category 1 or category 2.

Category 1 expenses are directly referable to an invoice from a third party, which is either in the name of the estate or Streets SPW; in the case of the latter, the invoice makes reference to, and therefore can be directly attributed to, the estate. These disbursements are recoverable in full from the estate without the prior approval of creditors either by a direct payment from the estate or, where the firm has made payment on behalf of the estate, by a recharge of the amount invoiced by the third party. Examples of category 1 disbursements are statutory advertising, external meeting room hire, external storage, specific bond insurance and company search fees.

Category 2 expenses are incurred by the firm 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 from the estate, subject to the basis of the disbursement charge being approved by creditors in advance. Examples of category 2 disbursements are photocopying, internal room hire, internal storage and mileage.

It is proposed that the following category 2 disbursements are recovered: -

Room Hire Mileage Storage Photocopying £100 45p per mile £10 per box per 6 months 15p per sheet

#### PROVISION OF SERVICES REGULATIONS SUMMARY SHEET FOR STREETS SPW

The following information is designed to draw the attention of interested parties to the information required to be disclosed by the Provision of Services Regulations 2009.

#### Licensing Body

Stella Davis, Myles Jacobson and Harold Sorsky are members of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants ("ACCA").

Streets SPW is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales ("ICAEW").

#### **Rules Governing Actions**

All insolvency practitioners ("IPs") are bound by the rules of their professional body, including any that relate specifically to insolvency. The rules of the professional body that licences Stella Davis, Myles Jacobson and Harold Sorsky can be found at:

http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA\_Global/Members/Doc/rule/acca-rulebook-2015.pdf

In addition, iPs are bound by the Statements of Insolvency Practice (SIPs), details of which can be found at https://www.r3.org.uk/what-we-do/publications/professional/statements-of-insolvency-practice.

#### **Ethics**

All IPs are required to comply with the Insolvency Code of Ethics and a copy of the Code can be found at:

http://www.accaglobal.com/gb/en/member/professional-standards/monitoring/insolvency/code-ethics.html

#### Complaints

At Streets SPW we always strive to provide a professional and efficient service. However, we recognise that it is in the nature of insolvency proceedings for disputes to arise from time to time. As such, should you have any comments or complaints regarding the administration of a particular case then in the first instance you should contact the IP acting as office holder.

If you consider that the IP has not dealt with your comments or complaint appropriately you should then put details of your concerns in writing to our complaints officer, Mr Shirish Shah of SPW (UK) LLP at Gable House, 239 Regents Park Road, London N3 3LF. This will then formally invoke our complaints procedure and we will endeavour to deal with your complaint under the supervision of a senior partner unconnected with the appointment.

Most disputes can be resolved amicably either through the provision of further information or following negotiations. However, in the event that you have exhausted our complaints procedure and you are not satisfied that your complaint has been resolved or dealt with appropriately, you may complain to the regulatory body that licences the insolvency practitioner concerned. Any such complaints should be addressed to The Insolvency Service, IP Complaints, 3rd Floor, 1 City Walk, Leeds, LS11 9DA, and you can make a submission using an on-line form available at www.gov.uk/complain-about-insolvency-practitioner; or you can email insolvency.enquiryline@insolvency.gsi.gov.uk; or you may phone 0300 678 0015 - calls are charged at up to 12p per minute from a land line, or for mobiles, between 3p and 45p per minute if you are calling from the UK.

### **Professional Indemnity Insurance**

Street SPW's Professional Indemnity Insurance is provided by Nexus Underwriting Limited, 150 Leadenhall Street, London, EC3V 4QT and the territorial scope of the cover is the United Kingdom.

#### VAT

Streets SPW is registered for VAT under registration no. 125 4271 36.

## Presenter information

You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Contact name	Lisa Pollack
Company name	Streets SPW
Address	Gable House
	239 Regents Park Road
Post town	London
County/Region	
Postcode	N 3 3 L F
Country	
DX	
Telephone	(020) 8371 5000

#### ✓ Checklist

We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing.

# Please make sure you have remembered the following:

- ☐ The company name and number match the information held on the public Register.
- ☐ You have attached the required documents.
- ☐ You have signed the form.

## Important information

All information on this form will appear on the public record.

## Where to send

You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the address below:

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ. DX 33050 Cardiff.

## Further information

For further information please see the guidance notes on the website at www.gov.uk/companieshouse or email enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk

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