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1 Company details

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Company name in full Quarters Living Ltd

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Please complete in typescript or in
bold black capitals.

2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Nicholas

Surname Simmonds

3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number 2nd Floor

Street Arcadia House

Post town 15 Forlease Road

County/Region Maidenhead

Postcode S L 6 1 R X

Country

4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Chris

Surname Newell

① Other liquidator

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another liquidator.

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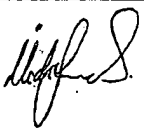
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Contact name **Nicholas Simmonds**

Company name **Quantuma Advisory Limited**

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County/Region **Herts**

Postcode **W D 1 7 1 A P**

Country

DX

Telephone **01923 954170**



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Quarters Living Ltd

(In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation)

("the Company")

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' PROGRESS REPORT

23 May 2023

Nicholas Simmonds and Chris Newell of Quantuma Advisory Limited, 2nd Floor, Arcadia House, 15 Forlease Road, Maidenhead, SL6 1RX, were appointed Joint Liquidators of Quarters Living Ltd on 29 March 2019.

Nicholas Simmonds is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Insolvency Practitioners Association and Chris Newell is licensed to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Insolvency Practitioners Association

This report has been prepared for circulation solely to comply with the Joint Liquidators' statutory duty to report to Creditors under the provisions of The Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016 and for no other purpose. This report is intended for the statutory recipients. The report cannot be used or relied upon by any party other than for its intended statutory purpose.

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ABBREVIATIONS

For the purpose of this report the following abbreviations shall be used:

"the Act"	Insolvency Act 1986
"the Rules"	Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
"the Joint Liquidators"	Nicholas Simmonds and Chris Newell of Quantuma Advisory Limited
"the Company"	Quarters Living Ltd (in Liquidation)
"EOS"	Estimated Outcome Statement
"SIP"	Statement of Insolvency Practice (England & Wales)
"Review Period"	Period covered by the report from 29/03/2022 to 28/03/2023
"Whole Period"	Period covered by the report from 29/03/2019 to 28/03/2023

1. INTRODUCTION

Introduction

This report has been prepared to provide Members and Creditors with an update on the progress of the Liquidation of the Company since the last report dated 11 May 2022.

Please note that on 1 August 2020, Quantuma LLP transferred its business to Quantuma Advisory Limited

Given the information previously provided to Members and Creditors in earlier reports, detailed background information in respect of the Company has not been included and this report focusses on the progress of the CVL subsequent to those reports.

A schedule of statutory information in respect of the Company is attached at **Appendix 1**.

Details of the appointment of the Joint Liquidators

Nicholas Simmonds and Chris Newell of Quantuma Advisory Limited were appointed Joint Liquidators of the Company on 29 March 2019.

The Joint Liquidators confirm that they are authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either one or both of them.

2. THE PROGRESS OF THE LIQUIDATION

The Joint Liquidators' Receipts and Payments Account

Attached at **Appendix 2** is a Receipts and Payments account covering the Review Period together with a summary of the transactions in the previous Review Periods. In accordance with the requirements of SIP 7, the Joint Liquidators confirm that the account has been reconciled with that held at the bank.

The rest of this report describes the key developments in the Liquidation over the Review Period. A summary is provided of the main asset realisations during the Review Period and an estimation of those assets yet to be realised, together with details of costs incurred but as yet remaining unpaid.

Administrative, Statutory & Regulatory Tasks

The Joint Liquidators have met a considerable number of statutory and regulatory obligations. Whilst many of these tasks have not had a direct benefit in enhancing realisations for the insolvent estate, they have assisted in the efficient and compliant progressing of the Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation, which has ensured that the Joint Liquidators and their staff have carried out their work to high professional standards. Details of the tasks carried out during the Review Period are included in **Appendix 6**.

Realisation of assets

There have been no further realisations during the period of this review other than £0.92 in respect of bank interest from funds held in the liquidation bank account.

Estimated Future Realisations

No further realisations are anticipated in this regard.

3. CREDITORS: CLAIMS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Secured Creditors

There are no secured creditors in this matter.

Preferential Creditors

There are no preferential creditors in this matter.

Prescribed Part

Under Section 176A of the Insolvency Act 1986, where after 15 September 2003 a company has granted to a creditor a floating charge, a proportion of the net property of the company must be made available purely for the Unsecured Creditors. This equates to:

- 50% of net property up to £10,000;
- Plus, 20% of net property in excess of £10,000.
- Subject to a maximum of £600,000.

The Company has not granted a floating charge to any Creditor after 15 September 2003 and consequently there will be no prescribed part in this Creditors Voluntary Liquidation.

Unsecured Creditors

Unsecured claims were estimated at £21,000.00 in the Director's Estimated Statement of Affairs and, to date, three claims have been received totalling £254,175.09. This figure includes a claim of £253,301.20 from HM Revenue & Customs.

As per our previous progress report, it is not anticipated that a dividend will be paid to Unsecured Creditors.

4. OTHER MATTERS AND INFORMATION TO ASSIST CREDITORS

Further Information

To comply with the Provision of Services Regulations, some general information about Quantuma Advisory Limited, including the complaints policy and Professional Indemnity Insurance, can be found at <https://www.quantuma.com/legal-information>.

Information about this insolvency process may be found on the R3 website here <http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk>.

General Data Protection Regulation

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation, Creditors, Employees, Shareholders, Directors and any other Stakeholder who is an individual (i.e. not a corporate entity) in these insolvency proceedings is referred to the Privacy Notice in respect of Insolvency Appointments, which can be found at this link <http://www.quantuma.com/legal-notices>.

5. ETHICS

Please note that the Joint Liquidators are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics when carrying out all professional work relating to an insolvency appointment. Further information can be viewed at the following link <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics>. Additionally the Joint Liquidators are also bound by the regulations of their Licensing Bodies.

General Ethical Considerations

During the Review Period, no new threats to compliance with the Code of Ethics have been identified and the safeguards put in place to mitigate threats previously identified have been reviewed and they are effectively managing those threats.

Specialist Advice and Services

When instructing third parties to provide specialist advice and services or having the specialist services provided by the firm, the Joint Liquidators are obligated to ensure that such advice or work is warranted and that the advice or work contracted reflects the best value and service for the work undertaken. The firm reviews annually the specialists available to provide services within each specialist area and the cost of those services to ensure best value. The specialists chosen usually have knowledge specific to the insolvency industry and, where relevant, to matters specific to this insolvency appointment. Details of the specialists specifically chosen in this matter are detailed below.

6. THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' FEES AND EXPENSES

A copy of 'A Creditors Guide to Liquidators' Fees' effective from 1 April 2021 together with Quantuma Advisory Limited's current schedule of charge-out rates and chargeable expenses, which includes historical charging information, may be found at <https://www.quantuma.com/guide/creditors-guide-fees/>.

A hard copy of both the Creditors' Guide and Quantuma Advisory Limited's current and/or historic charge-out rate and expenses policies may be obtained on request at no cost.

Joint Liquidators' Fees

The basis of the Joint Liquidators' fees was fixed on 13 May 2019 by postal resolutions considered and approved by creditors on 13 May 2019 as follows:

1. That the basis of the Joint Liquidators' fees be fixed by reference to the time properly given by the Joint Liquidators' and their staff in attending to matter as set out in the fees estimate, such time to be charged at the prevailing standard hourly charge out rates used by Quantuma LLP at the time when the work is performed (plus VAT)
2. That the Joint Liquidators be authorised to recover all Category 2 disbursements, calculated on the bases detailed in Quantuma LLP's summary.

In accordance with this resolution, fees of £5,000 have been drawn during the Review Period. A total of £17,500 plus VAT has been drawn since the commencement of the liquidation.

Comparison of Estimates

The Joint Liquidators' time costs incurred to date (whether or not they have been charged to the Liquidation estate) are compared with the original fees estimate and the actual time costs incurred to the end of the Review Period. The fees estimate covered the life of the case.

For a detailed schedule of work undertaken by the Joint Liquidators during the Review Period and the Whole Period, see **Appendix 5**. A detailed narrative list of the work undertaken during the Review Period is provided at **Appendix 6**.

Work category	Original fees estimate			Actual time costs incurred during the Review Period			Actual time costs incurred for the Whole Period		
	No. of hours	Blended hourly rate	Total fees	No. of hours	Average hourly rate	Total time costs	No. of hours	Average hourly rate	Total time costs
		£	£		£	£		£	£
Administration Planning	38.20	212.99	8,136.25	7.50	239.87	1,799.00	66.30	189.85	12,587.00
Creditors	19.70	211.36	4,163.75	2.80	285.18	798.50	33.30	214.76	7,151.50
Investigations	13.00	215.38	2,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.20	164.10	3,479.00
Realisation of Assets	28.00	174.11	1,225.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.90	190.57	1,505.50
Cashiering	6.00	204.17	23,975.00	0.80	110.00	88.00	11.45	144.54	1,655.00

Work category	Original fees estimate			Actual time costs incurred during the Review Period			Actual time costs incurred for the Whole Period		
	No. of hours	Blended hourly rate £	Total fees £	No. of hours	Average hourly rate £	Total time costs £	No. of hours	Average hourly rate £	Total time costs £
TOTAL	117.90	203.35	23,975.00	11.10	241.94	2,685.50	140.15	188.21	26,378.00

Joint Liquidators' Expenses

An amended Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 (SIP 9), was issued on 1 April 2021. The amended SIP 9 has changed some of the terminology and introduced additional disclosure requirements. The information below may therefore not reflect the information previously provided.

The expenses, which include disbursements that have been incurred and not yet paid during the Review Period and the Whole Period are detailed below. This includes a comparison of the expenses likely to be incurred in the Liquidation as a whole with the original expenses estimate, together with reasons where any expenses are likely to exceed that estimate.

Expenses	Original expenses estimate £	Actual expenses incurred in the Review Period £	Actual expenses incurred for the Whole Period £	Reason for any excess (if the expenses are likely to, or have, exceeded the original estimate)
Category 1 expenses				
Agents & Valuers Costs	3,500.00		3,500.00	
Statutory & other Advertising	169.00		169.00	
Indemnity Bond	135.00		135.00	
Printing & Postage costs of external provider.	-	2.97	18.94	Postage costs were omitted from original estimate
Other Category 1 expenses				
Category 2 expenses				
Money laundering searches	-	-	6.00	Search costs were omitted from original estimate
TOTAL	3,804.00	2.97	3,828.94	

Details of the expenses paid in the Review Period and the Whole Period are shown in the Receipts and Payments account at **Appendix 2**.

Creditors agreed that Category 2 disbursements could be drawn on,. Please note that some Category 2 expenses that have previously been approved and their estimated costs or basis of their cost provided as part of the expenses estimate may not be discharged from the estate from 1 April 2021. These are indicated in the table above.

Cost to Closure

Having regard for the costs that are likely to be incurred in bringing this Liquidation to a close, the Joint Liquidators consider that:

- the original fees estimate has been exceeded; and
- the original expenses estimate has been exceeded for the reasons given above.

The main reasons why the original fees estimate has been exceeded is explained below:

- Additional time spent dealing with creditors and admin and planning tasks.

Other Professional Costs

Agents & Valuers

Richard Birch & Co were instructed as agents and valuers in relation to value the company. Their costs have been agreed on the basis of their standard sales commission rate on a percentage of realisations, plus disbursements and VAT. The Agent's fees from the date of appointment amount to £3,500 plus VAT and they have been paid in full.

All professional costs are reviewed and analysed before payment is approved.

Creditors' right to request information

Any Secured Creditor, or Unsecured Creditor with the support of at least 5% in value of the Unsecured Creditors or with permission of the Court, may request in writing the Joint Liquidators to provide additional information regarding remuneration or expenses to that already supplied within this report. Such requests must be made within 21 days of receipt of this report.

Creditors' right to challenge remuneration and/or expenses

Any Secured Creditor, or Unsecured Creditor with the support of at least 10% in value of the Unsecured Creditors or with permission of the Court, may apply to the Court for one or more orders, reducing the amount or the basis of remuneration which the Joint Liquidators are entitled to charge or otherwise challenging some or all of the expenses incurred.

Such applications must be made within 8 weeks of receipt by the applicant(s) of the progress report detailing the remuneration and/or expenses being complained of.

Please note that such challenges may not disturb remuneration or expenses disclosed in prior progress reports.

Future of the Liquidation

All matters have now been resolved and the Joint Liquidators will shortly seek their release from office by issuing their final account to Members and Creditors.

Should you have any queries in regard to any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Richard Sutcliffe on 07469 311101 or by e-mail at richard.sutcliffe@quantuma.com.



Nicholas Simmonds
Joint Liquidator

**QUARTERS LIVING LTD
(IN LIQUIDATION)****STATUTORY INFORMATION**

Company Name	Quarters Living Ltd
Trading Address	9 Green Street, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX4 1YB
Proceedings	In Liquidation
Date of Appointment	29 March 2019
Joint Liquidators	Nicholas Simmonds Chris Newell Quantuma Advisory Limited 1st floor, 21 Station Road, Watford, Herts, WD17 1AP
Registered office Address	c/o Quantuma Advisory Limited 1st floor, 21 Station Road, Watford, Herts, WD17 1AP
Company Number	10152893
Incorporation Date	28/04/2016

**QUARTERS LIVING LTD
(IN LIQUIDATION)**

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT AS AT 28 MARCH 2023

**Quarters Living Ltd
(In Liquidation)
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs £	From 29/03/2022 To 28/03/2023 £	From 29/03/2019 To 28/03/2023 £
	ASSET REALISATIONS	
	Bank Interest Gross	0.92 25.20
	Cash at Bank	NIL 2,009.37
Uncertain	Goodwill	NIL 5,000.00
3,410.00	Offsite furnishings and equipment	NIL 20,000.00
		0.92 27,034.57
	COST OF REALISATIONS	
	Agents/Valuers Fees (1)	NIL 3,500.00
	AML Search Fee	NIL 6.00
	Office Holders Fees	NIL 17,500.00
	Postage	NIL 10.96
	Specific Bond	NIL 135.00
	Statutory Advertising	NIL 169.00
		NIL (21,320.96)
	UNSECURED CREDITORS	
(15,000.00)	Employees	NIL NIL
(6,000.00)	HM Revenue & Customs	NIL NIL
		NIL NIL
	DISTRIBUTIONS	
(100.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL NIL
		NIL NIL
(17,690.00)		0.92 5,713.61
	REPRESENTED BY	
	Bank 2 Current	1,449.42
	Vat Receivable	4,264.19
		5,713.61

VAT Basis

Receipts and payments are shown net of VAT, with any amount due from HM Revenue and Customs shown separately.

Appendix 3

**QUARTERS LIVING LTD
(IN LIQUIDATION)**
SCHEDULE OF THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS' TIME COSTS DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD AND THE WHOLE PERIOD
Time Entry - SIP9 Time & Cost Summary + Cumulative

6004010 - Quarters Living Ltd
Project Code: POST
From: 29/03/2022 To: 28/03/2023

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)	Total Hours Cum (POST Only)	Total Time Costs Cum (POST Only)
Admin & Planning	0.20	0.00	5.40	1.90	7.50	1,799.00	239.87	66.30	12,587.00
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cashiering	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80	0.80	88.00	110.00	11.45	1,655.00
Closing Procedures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	0.30	0.00	2.50	0.00	2.80	798.50	285.18	33.30	7,151.50
Investigations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.20	3,479.00
Pre Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisation of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.90	1,505.50
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours / Costs	0.50	0.00	7.90	2.70	11.10	2,685.50	241.94	140.15	26,378.00
Total Fees Claimed						17,500.00			
Total Disbursements Claimed						142.47			

Appendix 4

QUARTERS LIVING LTD (IN LIQUIDATION)

DETAILED NARRATIVE LIST OF WORK UNDERTAKEN BY THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD

Description of work undertaken	Includes
<u>ADMINISTRATION & PLANNING</u>	
Administration & Planning	
Initial Statutory and General Notifications & Filing e.g. Advertising the appointment, undertaking statutory notifications to Companies House, HMRC, the Pension Protection Fund, preparing the documentation and dealing with other notification of appointment	Filing of documents to meet statutory requirements Advertising in accordance with statutory requirements
Setting up electronic case files and electronic case details on IPS.	
General Administration - Dealing with all routine correspondence and emails relating to the case.	
Case strategy & completing file reviews at 1 month, 2 months & 6 months.	Discussions regarding strategies to be pursued Meetings with team members and independent advisers to consider practical, technical and legal aspects of the case Periodic file reviews Periodic reviews of the application of ethical, anti-money laundering and anti-bribery safeguards Maintenance of statutory and case progression task lists/diaries Updating checklists
VAT & Corporation Tax matters and returns.	Preparation and filing of VAT Returns Preparation and filing of Corporation Tax Returns
<u>CREDITORS</u>	
Annual/Progress Reports	Preparing, circulating and filing progress reports. Disclosure of sales to connected parties
<u>CASHIERING</u>	
Opening, maintaining and managing the Office Holders' cashbook and bank account.	Preparing correspondence opening and closing accounts Requesting bank statements Correspondence with bank regarding specific transfers Maintenance of the estate cash book
Dealing with cheque requisitions	Issuing cheques/BACS payments
Dealing with deposit forms	Banking remittances
Bank Reconciliations	

Description of work undertaken	Includes
Preparing & Filing statutory Receipts & Payments accounts	Preparing and filing statutory Receipts and Payments accounts at Companies House

Current Charge-out Rates of the staff working on the case

Time charging policy

Support staff and executive assistants do not charge their time to each case except when the initial set up is being performed or when a sizeable administrative task or appropriate ad hoc duty is being undertaken

Support staff include secretarial and administrative support.

The minimum unit of time recorded is 6 minutes.

Rates are likely to be subject to periodic increase.

Staff	Charge out rates £
CEO/Managing Directors	495.00 – 665.00
Appointment Taking Director	450.00 – 560.00
Directors	400.00 – 525.00
Senior Manager	345.00 – 460.00
Manager	325.00 – 395.00
Assistant Manager	295.00 – 360.00
Senior Administrator	250.00 – 310.00
Administrator	200.00 – 275.00
Assistant Administrator	160.00 – 210.00
Case Accountant	110.00 – 140.00
Support Staff/Executive Assistant	110.00 – 140.00

**QUARTERS LIVING LTD
(IN LIQUIDATION)**

PROOF OF DEBT

PROOF OF DEBT - GENERAL FORM

Quarters Living Ltd

Date of Resolution for voluntary winding up 29 March 2019

DETAILS OF CLAIM		
1.	Name of Creditor (if a company, its registered name)	
2.	Address of Creditor (i.e. principal place of business)	
3.	If the Creditor is a registered company: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For UK companies: its registered number For other companies: the country or territory in which it is incorporated and the number if any under which it is registered The number, if any, under which it is registered as an overseas company under Part 34 of the Companies Act 	
4.	Total amount of claim, including any Value Added Tax, as at the date of liquidation, less any payments made after this date in relation to the claim, any deduction under R14.20 of the Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 and any adjustment by way of set-off in accordance with R14.24 and R14.25	£
5.	If the total amount above includes outstanding uncapitalised interest, please state	YES (£) / NO
6.	Particulars of how and when debt incurred	
7.	Particulars of any security held, the value of the security, and the date it was given	
8.	Details of any reservation of title in relation to goods to which the debt relates	
9.	Details of any document by reference to which the debt can be substantiated. [Note the liquidator may call for any document or evidence to substantiate the claim at his discretion]	
10.	Give details of whether the whole or any part of the debt falls within any (and if so which) of the categories of preferential debts under section 386 of, and schedule 6 to, the Insolvency Act 1986	Category Amount(s) claimed as preferential £
11.	If you wish any dividend payment that may be made to be paid in to your bank account please provide BACS details. Please be aware that if you change accounts it will be your responsibility to provide new information	Account No.: Account Name: Sort code:
AUTHENTICATION		
Signature of Creditor or person authorised to act on his behalf		
Name in BLOCK LETTERS		
Date		
If signed by someone other than the Creditor, state your postal address and authority for signing on behalf of the Creditor		
Are you the sole member of the Creditor?		YES / NO