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## Notice of progress report in voluntary winding up



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### 1 Company details

Company number 1 0 8 7 0 8 6 7

Company name in full L Cafe Limited

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bold black capitals.

### 2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Jonathan

Surname Lord

### 3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number 125/127 Union Street

Street

Post town Oldham

County/Region Lancashire

Postcode O L 1 1 T E

Country United Kingdom

### 4 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s)

Surname

#### Other liquidator

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another liquidator.

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### 6 Period of progress report

From date	1	9	0	2	2	0	1	9
To date	1	8	0	2	2	0	2	0

### 7 Progress report

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### 8 Sign and date

Liquidator's signature

Signature

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Signature date

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**L Cafe Limited – In Creditors' Voluntary Liquidation**  
**LIQUIDATORS' PROGRESS REPORT TO CREDITORS AND MEMBERS**

**Period: 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

I write following my appointment as Liquidator of the above Company on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

It is now 1 year since my appointment in this matter, and I am therefore writing to all members and creditors in accordance with Section 104A of The Insolvency Act 1986, to advise you of my dealings in the liquidation and to lay before you an account of my receipts and payments.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The liquidation remains ongoing, whilst further investigations into various matters continue. I anticipate that these investigations will be completed in 6-9 months.

It is not likely that a dividend will be declared to non-preferential unsecured creditors.

**STATUTORY INFORMATION**

Company name:	L Cafe Limited
Trading address & former registered office:	Unit 119 1-5 South Frenchgate Centre Doncaster DN1 1TT
Registered office:	125/127 Union Street Oldham OL1 1TE
Registered number:	10870867
Liquidator names:	Jonathan Lord
Liquidator address:	Bridgestones 125/127 Union Street Oldham OL1 1TE

**LIQUIDATORS' ACTIONS SINCE APPOINTMENT**

At the date of my appointment, the Company had presented a Statement of Affairs indicating its assets and liabilities. The only assets shown thereon were furniture & equipment.

My initial strategy in dealing with the case was to try to realise any assets and to commence my investigations.

After carrying out my investigations as required by statute, I have revealed a number of transactions entered into by the Company in the period prior to cessation of trade which require further analysis. My investigations therefore remain ongoing in this regard.

There is certain work that I am required by the insolvency legislation to undertake work in connection with the liquidation that provides no financial benefit for the creditors. A description of the routine work undertaken since my appointment as Liquidator is contained in Appendix [3].

## **RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

My Receipts & Payments Account for the period from 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 is attached at Appendix 1.

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

## **ASSETS**

The following assets were listed on the Company's statement of affairs, which was drawn up to the date of liquidation.

I have made comments in relation to the progress made in collection of each asset.

### Furniture & Equipment

At the time the Company ceased to trade it held a small amount of Kitchen Equipment and other associated items that the Director believed to have an estimated to realise value of £500.

Due to the age and condition of the assets there were no offers to purchase the equipment, resulting in it being left in situ. The cost of uplift and sale would far exceed any possible realisation and as such there were no realisations made in this regard.

### Bank Interest, Net of Tax

Funds received by the Liquidator are lodged in an interest bearing account in the Company's name. Interest credited to this account becomes a receipt in the Liquidation. The sum of £0.05 was received.

## **LIABILITIES**

### Secured Creditors

An examination of the Company's mortgage register held by the Registrar of Companies, showed that the Company has no outstanding charges over its assets.

### Preferential Creditors

The statement of affairs anticipated no preferential claims being made against the liquidation, and this remains accurate.

### Crown Creditors

The statement of affairs included an estimated liability of £9,897.51 as being owed to HM Revenue & Customs by way of PAYE & VAT.

However, HM Revenue & Customs have not yet submitted a final integrated claim in the liquidation.

### Non-preferential unsecured Creditors

In addition to the crown creditors as detailed above, the statement of affairs also included 9 additional non-preferential unsecured creditors with an estimated total liability of £79,080.70.

I have received claims from 6 creditors at a total of £60,528.70.

## **DIVIDEND PROSPECTS**

It is not likely that a dividend will be declared to non-preferential unsecured creditors.

## **INVESTIGATION INTO THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY**

I undertook an initial investigation into the Company's affairs to establish whether there were any potential asset recoveries or conduct matters that justified further investigation, taking account of the public interest, potential recoveries, the funds likely to be available to fund an investigation, and the costs involved. Specifically, I recovered, listed and reviewed the Company's accounting records; obtained and reviewed copy bank statements for the 16 months prior to the Company ceasing to trade from the Company's bankers; and compared the information in the Company's last set of accounts with that contained in the statement of affairs lodged in the liquidation and made enquiries about the reasons for the changes.

After completing an analysis of the Company's financial information, I have highlighted certain transactions that require further investigation. It is currently uncertain as to whether the result of these investigations will lead to any funds becoming available for the benefit of the liquidation.

Within three months of my appointment as Liquidator, I am required to submit a confidential report to the Secretary of State to include any matters which have come to my attention during the course of my work which may indicate that the conduct of any past or present Director would make them unfit to be concerned with the management of the Company. I would confirm that my report has been submitted.

## **PRE-APPOINTMENT REMUNERATION**

At the virtual meeting of creditors, held on the 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019, it was authorised that Bridgestones be paid £3,500 + VAT for their assistance in the preparation of the Statement of Affairs and the summoning of the first virtual meeting of creditors in accordance with section 100 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

This sum has been paid by the Director.

## **LIQUIDATORS' REMUNERATION**

My remuneration was previously authorised by the creditors at a virtual meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 by a written resolution dated 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019. My remuneration was authorised on a time cost basis based on a fee estimate of £31,665.00. The fees estimate acts as a cap and I cannot draw remuneration in excess of that estimate without first seeking approval from the creditors.

For the information of the creditors, the total time costs to date relating to work performed by myself and my staff in administering to the liquidation is £8,882.00, which equates to 45.60 hours charged at an average rate of £194.78 per hour.

I have drawn remuneration totalling £583.33 to date.

A schedule of my time costs incurred to date and in the period since 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019 is attached as Appendix 2

As at 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 I do not anticipate that the total time costs I will incur in this matter in respect of the categories of work for which I am being remunerated on a time cost basis will exceed the total estimated remuneration I set out in my fees estimate when my remuneration was authorised by the creditors.

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 <http://www.creditorinsolvencyguide.co.uk/>. A copy of 'A Creditors Guide to Liquidators' Fees' also published by R3, together with an explanatory note which shows Bridgestones' fee policy are available at the link [www.bridgestones.co.uk](http://www.bridgestones.co.uk). Please note that there are different versions of the Guidance Notes and in this case you should refer to the April 2017 version.

## LIQUIDATORS' EXPENSES

Although I have accrued the following category 1 expenses in the period since my appointment, due to a lack of realisations these have not been drawn:

Type of category 1 expenses	Amount incurred/ accrued in the reporting period
Statutory Advertising	£127.86
Specific Bond	£44.00
Vision Blue Solutions (Case Management System)	£110.00

Although I have accrued the following category 2 disbursements in the period since my appointment, due to a lack of realisations these have not been drawn:

Type of category 2 disbursement	Amount incurred/ accrued in the reporting period
Printed Paper being 88 sheets at £0.15 per sheet	£13.20
Copy Paper being 192 sheets at £0.10 per sheet	£19.20
Box Storage being 2 boxes at £2.50 per box per month	£60.00

As at 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 I do not anticipate that the expenses I will incur in this matter will exceed the total expenses I estimated I would incur when my remuneration was authorised by the creditors.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the Court, or with the concurrence of 5% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), request further details of the Liquidators' remuneration and expenses within 21 days of their receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may request the same details in the same time limit.

An unsecured creditor may, with the permission of the Court, or with the concurrence of 10% in value of the unsecured creditors (including the creditor in question), apply to Court to challenge the amount of remuneration charged by the Liquidator as being excessive, and/or the basis of the Liquidators' remuneration, and/or the amount of the expenses incurred as being excessive, within 8 weeks of their receipt of this report. Any secured creditor may make a similar application to court within the same time limit.

To comply with the Provision of Services Regulations, some general information regarding the above can be found at [www.bridgestones.co.uk](http://www.bridgestones.co.uk).

## SUMMARY

The Liquidation will remain open until my investigations into transactions highlighted in the Company's records have been completed. I estimate that this will take approximately 6-9 months and once resolved the Liquidation will be finalised and our files will be closed.

If creditors 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 Michelle Kershaw by email at [mail@bridgestones.co.uk](mailto:mail@bridgestones.co.uk), or by phone on 0161 785 3700 before my release.



**Jonathan Lord**  
Liquidator

**L Cafe Limited - In Creditors Voluntary Liquidation**  
**Liquidator's Abstract of Receipts & Payments**

**From 19 February 2019 to 18 February 2020**

<b>S of A £</b>		<b>£</b>
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
NIL	Bank Interest Net of Tax	0.05
500	Furniture & Equipment	NIL
NIL	Third Party Funds	4,200.00
<u>500</u>		<u>4,200.05</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>		
NIL	Statement of Affairs Fee	(3,500.00)
NIL	Liquidator's Remuneration	(583.33)
NIL	Vat Receivable	(116.67)
<u>0</u>		<u>(4,200.00)</u>
<u>500</u>	<b>CASH IN HAND</b>	<u>0.05</u>

# BRIDGESTONES CHARGEOUT RATE SUMMARY

Client name: L Cafe Limited

Date: 23/03/2020

Time Spent for period: 19 February 2019 - 18 February 2020

Classification of work	Insolvency Practitioner hours	Senior Manager hours	Manager hours	Case Administrator hours	Support Staff hours	Total Hours	Total Cost	Average Rate
Statutory compliance, administration and planning	3.40	1.00	12.20	6.70	0.40	23.70	4,889.00	206.29
Investigations	1.00	0.00	2.60	5.50	3.60	12.70	2,136.00	168.19
Realisation of Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank	0.00	0.00	1.40	0.00	0.60	2.00	334.00	167.00
Creditors and Employees	0.00	0.00	7.20	0.00	0.00	7.20	1,523.00	211.53
Case specific matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total hours	4.40	1.00	23.40	12.20	4.60	45.60	8,882.00	194.78
Total fees claimed								8,882.00
Invoiced								0.00
Balance written off /carried forward								8,882.00

Charge out rate in units of 6 minutes

Chargeout rates:	2020	2019	2018
Insolvency Practitioner	440	440	430
Senior Manager	270	270	260
Manager	240	240	230
Case Administrator	190	190	160
Support Staff	130	130	125

Standard Activity	Examples of Work
Statutory compliance, administration and planning	Statutory reporting and compliance. Compliance with other regulatory requirements Case planning Administrative set up Appointment notification Maintenance of records
Investigations	SIP2 review CDDA reports Investigation antecedent identifying, securing, insuring
Realisation of assets	Negotiating with Debt collection Property, Business asset sales Management of operations
Trading	Management of operations Accounting for trading On-going employee issues
Creditors	Communicating with creditors Creditors' claims (including employees' and other



## Appendix [3]

### 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 to creditors and other required on appointment as office holder, including gazetting the office holder's appointment.
- Obtaining a specific penalty bond.
- Convening and holding general meetings of creditors and members (as applicable).
- 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, reviewing and issuing annual progress reports to creditors and members.
- Filing returns at Companies House.
- Preparing and filing VAT returns.
- Preparing and filing Corporation Tax returns.

### 2. Creditors

- Dealing with creditor correspondence, emails and telephone conversations regarding *their claims*.
- Maintaining up to date creditor information on the case management system.

### 3. Investigations

- Recovering the books and records for the case.
- Preparing a report or return on the conduct of the directors as required by the Company Directors Disqualification Act.
- Conducting an initial investigation with a view to identifying potential asset recoveries by seeking and obtaining information from relevant third parties, such as the bank, accountants, solicitors, etc.

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### 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.

Jonathan Lord

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### 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](http://www.gov.uk/companieshouse) or email [enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk)

This form is available in an alternative format. Please visit the forms page on the website at [www.gov.uk/companieshouse](http://www.gov.uk/companieshouse)