

The Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order
1989

Administrator’s progress report


Name of Company WB 2019 Realisations Limited (formerly Wrightbus Limited)	Company number NI006119
In the High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland Chancery Division (Company Insolvency)	Court case number 24961 of 2019

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administrator of the above company attach a progress report for the period

From	To
(b) 25 September 2022	(b) 24 March 2023

Signed  Administrator

Dated 29 March 2023



Wrights Group Limited (“Wrights Group”)

WB 2019 Realisations Limited (formerly Wrightbus Limited) (“Wrightbus”)

WBED 2019 Realisations Limited (formerly Wright En-Drive Limited) (“En-Drive”)

WBC 2019 Realisations Limited (formerly Wright Composites Limited) (“Composites”)

WBM 2019 Realisations Limited (formerly Metallix Limited) (“Metallix”)

(All in Administration) together (“the Companies” or “the Group”)

Registered Offices: Lincoln Building, 27-45 Great Victoria Street, Belfast, BT2 7AQ

Progress Report for the period 25 September 2022 to 24 March 2023 pursuant to Rule 2.048 of the Insolvency Rules (Northern Ireland) 1991 (as amended) (“the Rules”).

Michael John Magnay of Deloitte LLP and Peter Michael Allen of Deloitte (NI) Limited were appointed Joint Administrators of the Companies on 25 September 2019. Michael John Magnay was removed and subsequently replaced by Daniel James Mark Smith as Administrator on 20 January 2021. Daniel James Mark Smith was removed as Administrator on 29 April 2021, with Peter Michael Allen remaining the sole appointed Administrator. The affairs, business and property of the Companies are managed by the Administrator. The Administrator acts as agent of the Companies and contracts without personal liability. Peter Allen is licensed in the UK to act as an Insolvency Practitioner by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland. The Administrator is bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics which can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/insolvency-practitioner-code-of-ethics>.

For the purposes of paragraph 101(2) of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (as amended) (“the Order”), the Administrator confirms that, during the period of Joint Administration, the Joint Administrators were authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either of them jointly and severally.

Council Regulation (EC) No 1346/2000 applies and these are the main proceedings as defined in Article 3(1) of that regulation.

29 March 2023

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Statutory Information

	Wrights Group Limited	WB 2019 Realisations Limited	WBC 2019 Realisations Limited	WBED 2019 Realisations Limited	WBM 2019 Realisations Limited
Company number	NI036890	NI006119	NI056421	NI616004	NI606381
Registered office	Deloitte (NI) Ltd Lincoln Building 27-45 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7AQ	Deloitte (NI) Ltd Lincoln Building 27-45 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7AQ	Deloitte (NI) Ltd Lincoln Building 27-45 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7AQ	Deloitte (NI) Ltd Lincoln Building 27-45 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7AQ	Deloitte (NI) Ltd Lincoln Building 27-45 Great Victoria Street Belfast BT2 7AQ
Previous names	N/A	Wrightbus Limited	Wright Composites Limited	Wright En-Drive Limited	Metallix Limited
Court	High Court of Justice, Northern Ireland	High Court of Justice, Northern Ireland	High Court of Justice, Northern Ireland	High Court of Justice, Northern Ireland	High Court of Justice, Northern Ireland
Court reference	24965 of 2019	24961 of 2019	24963 of 2019	24964 of 2019	24962 of 2019
Company directors	Steven Francey Amanda Knowles Brian Maybin Lorraine Rock William Wright	Steven Francey Brian Maybin Lorraine Rock John McGarry	Steven Francey Brian Maybin Lorraine Rock	Steven Francey Brian Maybin Lorraine Rock	Steven Francey Lorraine Rock
Company secretary	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Key messages

Commentary

Purpose of administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The purpose of the Administrations is to achieve a better result for creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Companies were wound up.
Progress of administrations	<p>Wrightbus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A settlement amounting to £800,000 was reached in a previous reporting period in respect of an outstanding balance due to Wrightbus. The total amount of £800,000 has been received. <p>Wrights Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">A settlement in the sum of £400,000 was reached during the previous reporting period in respect of a balance due to Wrights Group. In the period, a further £150,000 was received. The total amount of £400,000 has now been received. <p>Composites, En-Drive and Metallix</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">No funds have been received, or are expected to be received in future periods, in these administrations other than minimal bank interest. <p>All companies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Work in relation to the Protective Award claim to the Employment Tribunal has now completed. There are some additional outstanding Employment Tribunal claims which are required to be resolved. Further detail is provided on page 11.
Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The basis on which the Administrator is to be remunerated in each company has been fixed as a combination of a percentage of realisations and a set amount. During the period, the Administrator drew remuneration totalling £160,000 plus VAT in line with the fee approval received. No disbursements were drawn or incurred during the period. Further details, including a breakdown per company, can be found on page 12.
Outstanding matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Orpington lease;Investigation matters, including any asset recovery actions;Payment of the Protective Award and resolution of other employee related matters;Payment of the Preferential Dividend;Prescribed Part distributions (where applicable);Ongoing tax and VAT compliance and finalisation of matters prior to closure; andPersonal injury claims.

Key messages

Commentary

Dividend prospects

- Secured creditors: Invest Northern Ireland (“INI”) has been paid as at 25 September 2019. The Administrator does not expect there to be sufficient asset realisations to enable repayment to Bank of Ireland (“BoI”) in full. A distribution of £500,000 was made to BoI during the reporting period, this distribution was from fixed charge asset realisations.
- The Administrator anticipates that preferential creditors of Wrightbus, Composites, En-Drive and Metallix will all be paid in full. No preferential claims have been received in relation to Wrights Group.
- In previous reports, the Administrator made creditors aware of an Employment Tribunal claim in relation to holiday pay which will need to be resolved before the preferential claims are finalised. This is due to any award in respect of holiday pay being classified as a preferential claim and, if successful, will therefore directly impact on the level of dividend payable to the preferential creditors.
- A judgement has now been agreed, by way of consensual agreement, in respect of the Productive Award claim. The associated payments are currently being actioned by the Redundancy Payments Service.
- The Administrator and his legal advisors have also received a number of claims from individuals which are currently being progressed.
- The Administrator has considered the merits of paying an interim preferential dividend but, as discussed on page 11, at this stage does not believe that would be in the best interests of all creditors. This position will however be kept under review.
- The Administrator does not expect there to be sufficient asset realisations to enable distributions to unsecured creditors, other than by way of a Prescribed Part in each company.
- Further detail can be found on pages 10 and 11.

Extension to Administrations

- The period of the administration for all Companies was originally extended to 25 March 2023. In order to fully close out on the outstanding matters within the Administration, the Administrator submitted an application requesting a further extension by way of approval from the Court. A further extension was granted by the Court to 25th March 2025. See page 12 for further detail.
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Progress of the Administrations

Summary

Progress of the Administrations

Details on the background to the Administrations, the initial work undertaken by the Administrator and the realisation of assets was provided in the Administrator's Proposals and previous Progress Reports.

Leasehold Property

Orpington – as set out in the previous report, following the exit of Bamford Bus Company Limited from the property, the Administrator handed back the keys and entered into discussions with the landlord and their agent in terms of a formal release from the lease. The discussions have culminated in an understanding being reached between the Administrator and landlord which will hopefully enable the landlord to provide a formal release to the lease prior to the end of the Administration. As such, costs to the administration estate have been minimised insofar as it is possible which will benefit creditors.

Recovery actions

A settlement amounting to £800,000 was reached in a previous reporting period in respect of an outstanding balance due to Wrightbus. The full amount of £800,000 has now been received.

A settlement in the sum of £400,000 was reached during the previous reporting period in respect of a balance due to Wrights Group made up of amounts due in relation to both the pre and post appointment periods. In the previous period, £250,000 of the total settlement amount of £400,000 was received. The balance of £150,000 was received during this reporting period. The full amount of £400,000 has now been received.

The terms of all of the settlement agreements are confidential, but the Administrator is happy that, based on all the available information and the circumstances concerning the balances and the (separate) third parties, the settlements were in the best interests of creditors. Additionally, the settlements have avoided the need for High Court litigation to take place with the third parties which would have been both costly and prolonged.

As set out in the previous Administrator's report, there are a number of other potential recoveries that have been identified. Due to the nature and commercial sensitivity of these claims, it is not possible to provide a detailed update in respect of same. Creditors will be updated on those matters when the Administrator is in a position to do so.

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Statutory tasks

During the period, I and my staff have carried out the following tasks which primarily relate to fulfilment of statutory and compliance obligations and other tasks of an administrative nature:

- Case management actions, including filing and regular diary reviews to ensure compliance matters are dealt with accordingly;
- Statutory reporting, including the preparation of the previous progress report;
- Drafting the extension application and all associated documents in order to make an application to Court to extend the Administration.
- Liaison with former employees and Redundancy Payments Service in relation to the Protective Award judgement and payment.
- Cashiering functions, including the preparation of monthly bank account reconciliations and various payments and receipts; and
- Interaction with HM Revenue & Customs in respect of VAT and Corporation Tax matters, including the preparation and submission of quarterly VAT returns.

These tasks are a necessary part of the engagement but do not, in some cases, generate any direct financial benefit for creditors.

Personal injury claims

The Administrator continues to receive new personal injury claims against the Companies while progressing those submitted previously. The Administrator is obliged to provide the solicitors for the insurers with relevant company and employee information for each claim. By providing this information and dealing with any queries, the Administrator is reducing the potential for any unsecured claims (i.e. claims not covered by the insurers) against the Companies.

Cost of the work done since our last report

The following professional costs and expenses were incurred during the report period:

- Legal fees :
 - A&L Goodbody (“A&L”) have been paid £20,000 plus VAT in Wrightbus and Wrights Group in respect of its work on both the settled recovery actions and those that are ongoing.
 - Gateley Plc continue to assist with the ongoing employment tribunals. Due to the protracted nature of the negotiations and discussions to date, Gateleys have been required to spend additional time on this matter which exceeded initial expectations. Gateley Plc have been paid £11,141.80 plus VAT during the period of this report.

All professional costs are reviewed and analysed in detail before any payments are approved. Payments in the period and to date are shown in the receipts and payments accounts on pages 7 to 9.

Investigations

The Administrator and former Administrators complied with their statutory duty to report on the conduct of the directors of the Companies and submitted separate confidential reports on the conduct of the directors to the Insolvency Service in line with the requirements.

Progress of the Administrations

Receipts and payments

Receipts and payments accounts for each entity, detailing the transactions in the administrations to 24 March 2023 and since the date of appointment, are provided below and on the following pages.

WB 2019 Realisations Limited formerly Wrightbus Administrator's receipts and payments account 25 September 2022 to 24 March 2023

£	SoA values	Notes	25/09/22 to 24/03/23	Total
Receipts				
Land & Buildings	5,245,000		-	4,959,999
Debtors	4,205,000		-	-
Intellectual Property	100,000		-	100,000
			-	5,059,999
Fixed Charge Account Payments				
Administrator's remuneration			-	356,076
Bank charges			-	30
Secured creditor distributions			-	4,580,000
			-	4,936,106
Fixed Charge Balance in Hand			0	123,893
Floating Charge Account Receipts				
Related Party Debtor	1,800,000		-	993,185
Plant & Machinery	292,000		-	292,000
Stock/WIP	5,004,000		-	5,004,000
Book Debts	199,000	A	-	98,643
Interest on Funded Debtor	-		-	57,962
Cash at Bank	-		-	141,053
Contribution to legal costs	-		-	16,295
Contribution to costs	-	B	-	60,907
Sundry Refunds	-		-	6,462
Rent	-		-	196,247
Licence to Occupy	-		-	581,429
Payroll Reimbursement	-		-	29,209
Bank Interest	-	C	6,786	12,323
Funds Received in Error	-	D	-	125,704
Settlement	-		-	800,000
Inter-company repayment	-	E	-	140,613
	16,845,000		6,786	8,556,030

Floating Charge Account Payments

Staff Costs			829,888
Rent Costs			77,191
IT Costs			9,324
Travel Costs			9,330
Utilities	F		46,832
Other Costs (including repairs & maintenance)	G		168,471
Licence Costs			119,859
Postage and Printing			94,415
Statutory Advertising			469
Bank Charges		2	322
Payment of Funds Received in Error	D		125,704
Pre-Appointment Legal Fees			2,163
Legal Fees		31,142	315,840
Legal Disbursements			35,178
Agents' Fees			87,112
Agents' Expenses			4,138
Other Property Expenses			10,111
Insurance			48,853
Administrator's remuneration		100,000	1,462,456
Administrator's disbursements			25,827
Secured creditor distributions		-	3,000,000
			131,144
			6,473,482
Floating Charge Balance in Hand			(124,358)
Balance in Hand - Fixed & Floating			(124,358)
Made up of:			
IB Fixed Charge Deposit A/c	C		124,504
IB Floating Charge Deposit A/c	C		1,963,692
VAT Receivable	H		83,882
VAT debtor	H		39,249
Trade Creditors	I		(4,886)
Balance in hand			2,206,441

Progress of the Administrations

Receipts and payments

Wrights Group Limited Administrator's receipts and payments account 25 September 2022 to 24 March 2023

£	SoA values	Notes	25/09/22 to 24/03/23	Total
<i>Fixed Charge Account Receipts</i>				
Land and Buildings	1,200,000		-	950,000
Bank Interest			823	823
International share Sale	100,000			100,003
			823	1,050,826
<i>Fixed Charge Account Payments</i>				
Legal Fees			-	23,755
Agent fees			-	13,165
Insurance		J	-	29,102
Secured Creditor Distribution			500,000	500,000
Administrator's remuneration			-	450,000
			500,000	1,016,022
Fixed Charge Balance in Hand			(499,177)	34,804
<i>Floating Charge Account Receipts</i>				
Loans	1,350,000		-	-
Settlement			150,000	912,810
Contribution to Costs	-	B	-	4,799
Rent	-		-	2,778
Licence to Occupy	-		-	85,908
Bank Interest Gross	-	C	1,027	2,922
IT Services	-		-	-
Funds Received in Error	-	D	-	127,571
	2,650,000		151,027	1,136,787
<i>Floating Charge Account Payments</i>				
Staff Costs			-	15,574
Agent costs			-	3,000
IT Services			-	21
Bank Charges			11	45
Payment of Funds Received in Error		D	-	127,571
Pre-Appointment Legal Fees			-	28,900
Legal Fees			-	74,316
Legal Expenses			-	15,856
Postage			7,681	7,856
Administrators' remuneration			60,000	284,500
Administrators' disbursements			-	7,927
Utilities			-	963
Rent settlement		E	-	76,333
Inter-company repayment		E	-	26,866
			67,692	669,727
Floating Charge Balance in Hand			83,335	467,061
Balance in Hand - Fixed & Floating			(415,842)	501,865
Made up of:				
IB Fixed Charge Deposit A/c		C		34,804
IB Floating Charge Deposit A/c		C		442,799
VAT Receivable		H		24,262
Balance in hand				501,865

WBC 2019 Realisations Limited formerly Wright Composites Administrator's receipts and payments account 25 September 2022 to 24 March 2023

£	SoA values	Notes	25/09/22 to 24/03/23	Total
<i>Floating Charge Account Receipts</i>				
Plant & Machinery	235,000		-	235,000
Stock/WIP	15,000		-	15,000
Book Debts	190,000		-	200,092
Sales		L	-	63,739
Contribution to costs			-	6,440
Bank Interest		C	1,136	2,086
	440,000		1,136	522,357
<i>Floating Charge Account Payments</i>				
Staff Costs			-	49,572
Agent costs			-	1,500
Other Costs			-	343
Bank Charges			0.20	58
Pre Appointment Legal Fees			-	2,163
Legal Fees			-	34,781
Legal Expenses			-	585
Administrator's remuneration			-	56,000
Postage			-	1,262
Corporation tax		C	7	51
Inter-company repayment		E	-	13,229
			7	159,544
Floating Charge Balance in Hand				362,813
Made up of:				
IB Floating Charge Deposit A/c		C		362,939
VAT Payable		H		
Payroll Deductions		K		(126)
Balance in hand				362,813

Progress of the Administrations

Receipts and payments

WBED 2019 Realisations Limited formerly Wright En-Drive Administrator's receipts and payments account 25 September 2022 to 24 March 2023

£	SoA values	Notes	25/09/22 to 24/03/23	Total
<i>Floating Charge Account Receipts</i>				
Plant & Machinery	73,000		-	73,000
Stock/WIP	303,000		-	303,000
Contribution to costs	-		-	9,267
Bank Interest	-	C	835	1,572
	<u>376,000</u>		<u>835</u>	<u>386,840</u>
<i>Floating Charge Account Payments</i>				
Staff Costs			-	58,502
Pre Appointment Legal Fees			-	2,163
Bank Charges			0	21
Legal Fees			-	2,250
Legal Expenses			-	329
Administrator's remuneration			-	41,000
Postage			-	495
Corporation tax		C	6	37
Inter-company repayment		E	-	15,297
			<u>6</u>	<u>120,094</u>
Floating Charge Balance in Hand				<u>266,745</u>
Made up of:				
IB Floating Chge Deposit A/c		C		266,745
VAT Receivable		H		-
Balance in hand				<u>266,745</u>

WBM 2019 Realisations Limited formerly Metallix Administrator's receipts and payments account 25 September 2022 to 24 March 2023

£	SoA values	Notes	25/09/22 to 24/03/23	Total
<i>Floating Charge Account Receipts</i>				
Plant & Machinery	162,000		-	162,000
Stock/WIP	26,000		-	26,000
Cash at Bank	-		-	20,195
Book debts	-		-	17,032
Rates Refund	-		-	12,047
Bank Interest	-	C	627	1,146
	<u>188,000</u>		<u>627</u>	<u>238,420</u>
<i>Floating Charge Account Payments</i>				
Bank Charges			0	1
Pre Appointment Legal Fees			-	2,163
Legal Fees			-	2,250
Legal Expenses			-	329
Administrator's remuneration			-	24,000
Postage			-	456
Corporation tax		C	4	70
Inter-company repayment		E	-	8,888
			<u>4</u>	<u>38,158</u>
Floating Charge Balance in Hand				<u>200,262</u>
Made up of:				
IB Floating Charge Deposit A/c		C		200,262
VAT Receivable		H		-
Balance in hand				<u>200,262</u>

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Receipts and payments

Notes to all receipts and payments accounts

A – net of balance due to Bamford Bus Company Limited (“BBCL”).

B – Funds were received from Jans Composites Limited and BBCL to contribute to the administration costs while the sales completed.

C - All funds are held in an interest bearing account. The associated corporation tax on interest received will be accounted for to HM Revenue & Customs. In the period, corporation tax payments were made in certain of the companies as indicated on the relevant receipts and payments accounts.

D - Funds were paid into the Companies’ bank accounts in error. As these funds do not form part of the Companies’ estates, they have been refunded.

E – An inter-company reconciliation was undertaken in a previous reporting period. Payments were made by Wrights Group, Wright Composites, Wright En-Drive and Metallix to Wrightbus to account for their share of costs paid by Wrightbus. A breakdown is shown opposite. As part of this exercise the agent costs in Wrights group was moved from the floating to the fixed account.

F – This payment related primarily to the final electricity liabilities.

G – This payment related to the cost of disposal of old batteries under a lease.

H - All sums shown are shown net of VAT, which is recoverable and will be accounted for to HM Revenue & Customs in due course. The Wrightbus balance includes a VAT debtor amount, accounted for to HMRC but not yet received.

I - Invoices received are logged, recorded and posted to the cash book on an accruals basis, the balance noted represents invoices received and posted to the cash book but not yet paid from the bank accounts.

J – Final insurance premium.

K – Deductions from employee wages (including attachment of earnings) to be reconciled and paid across to requisite authority.

L – This figure represents the total of the only trading receipts received during the limited trading period.

Rounding note - In preparing this report, figures have been rounded (for presentational purposes only). There may therefore appear to be rounding errors.

Note E summary

Below is a breakdown of the amounts paid by each entity to Wrightbus as noted in the respective receipts and payments accounts as inter-company repayments. Additionally, Wrights Group repaid a rental payment which had been paid by Wrightbus on its behalf.

£	Composites	En-Drive	Metallix	Wright's Group
Share of IT costs	220	331	165	-
Share of security costs	1,454	2,187	1,094	-
Share of legal fees	1,096	847	781	25,667
Share of agent fees	1,258	1,892	946	-
Share of postage and printing	8,660	9,226	5,495	1,199
Share of insurance costs	542	814	407	-
Total	13,229	15,297	8,888	26,866
Repayment of rental payment				76,333
Grand total	13,229	15,297	8,888	103,199

Information for creditors

Outcome

Secured creditors

The Companies' records show the secured creditors as being owed the following across the Group as at 25 September 2019:

- Bol - £38.1m secured by way of fixed and floating charges granted by the Companies on 11 October 2013.
- INI - £2.5m. INI entered into an inter-creditor agreement with Bol in June 2019.

The total distributed to date to Bol is £5.08m (excluding any recoveries from their invoice discounting facility). Additionally, the Administrator understands that the invoice discounting liability to Bol has been repaid in full. Based on currently available information, we anticipate there will be insufficient asset realisations to repay Bol in full.

The total distributed to date to INI is £2.5m, being the loan amount outstanding as at 25 September 2019 per the Companies' records.

In total, to date £7.58m has been distributed to the secured creditors.

Preferential creditors

Based on work carried out to date, preferential claims across the Companies (including claims from the Redundancy Payments Service and the Redundancy Payments Office) are as follows:

- Wrightbus – claims totalling £553.1k;
- En-drive – claims totalling £45.9k;
- Composites – claims totalling £53.9k; and
- Metallix – claims totalling £39.1k.

No preferential claims have been received or are expected in relation to Wrights Group.

On present information, it is likely that these claims will be paid in full.

The previously referred to Employment Tribunal claim in respect of the Protective Award has been consensually resolved between the parties by way of a consent judgement. The details of the employees deemed to be within the scope of the judgement have been provided to the Department for the Economy.

The Employment Tribunal claim in respect of holiday pay is ongoing. The Administrator's employment solicitors are liaising with the Tribunal, in relation to the outstanding matters, mindful of the Administrator's overriding duty to creditors in terms of incurring costs.

As previously advised, the Administrator and his solicitors have also received a number of individual claims from the Employment Tribunal. These are currently being addressed.

The Administrator considered the merits of paying an interim preferential dividend. However, at this time he has concluded that paying an interim preferential dividend is not in the interests of creditors as a whole. This is primarily due to the uncertainties described above in respect of the remaining Tribunal claims, in particular any potential additional preferential liabilities as a result of the holiday pay claim, and when any claim may be finalised by a Tribunal, together with the costs associated with paying an interim dividend.

The Administrator and his appointed solicitors continue to work towards a resolution of these matters and it is hoped that the remaining Tribunal matters will be resolved within the next 3-6 months. The Administrator is hopeful that he will be in a position to make the preferential dividend distribution within the next 9-12 months noting that this will be dependent on the Tribunal matters being brought to a close within the timeframe set out above.

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Prescribed Part

As detailed previously, there may be a Prescribed Part available for distribution to unsecured creditors in each company, after deduction of the associated costs from the Prescribed Part funds, which chiefly comprise advertising costs, legal costs and the time costs for agreeing creditors' claims and making the distribution to them.

The Administrator is currently unable to provide a quantum for any dividends or timescales for payment, as asset realisations (primarily recovery actions) and the Tribunal claims are still ongoing.

As previously noted in this report, one of the Tribunal claims against the Companies was successful with others not yet determined, this may affect the level of unsecured claims.

Unsecured creditors

Based on present information, insufficient funds will be realised to enable a dividend to be paid to unsecured creditors in any of the Companies, other than the Prescribed Part distributions referred to previously.

Extensions to the Administrations

The Administrations were originally extended by the Court for all Companies on 18 March 2021 until 25 March 2023. Given the protracted nature of assets realisations and the various dividends still to be paid, the Administrator submitted an application to the Court to extend the Administrations for a further 24 months in order to resolve all outstanding matters and pay dividends to creditors as set out previously in the report. The extensions were granted by the Court and the Administrations have all been extended to 25 March 2025.

Should any creditor wish to object to the extension requests they should do so by writing to the Administrator at the address on page 2.

Change in Administrators

Michael John Magnay retired from Deloitte LLP and was removed as Administrator under a block transfer order made by the Court on 20 January 2021. Daniel James Mark Smith of Deloitte LLP was appointed as replacement Joint Administrator under the block transfer order on 20 January 2021.

Subsequently Deloitte LLP announced the sale of its UK restructuring division to Teneo, which completed at the end of May 2021. An application was made to Court to remove Daniel James Mark Smith as an Administrator from each of the Companies. On 29 April 2021 the Court granted the application and Daniel James Mark Smith was therefore removed as an Administrator, leaving Peter Allen as sole Administrator.

Exit

As there will not be any funds to distribute to unsecured creditors, other than under any Prescribed Parts, the Administrator considers dissolution to be the most appropriate exit route from the Administrations.

Remuneration and expenses

Administrator's remuneration and expenses

"A Creditors' Guide to Remuneration" is available upon request in writing to the Administrator at the address on page 3, and this will be provided at no cost.

The basis of our remuneration was approved on 2 July 2020 by the secured creditors only in Wrights Group and the secured and preferential creditors in the other Companies as detailed below:

- Wrights Group – set fee amount of £500,000 and 30% of the value of realisations from recovery actions from the investigation work;
- Wrightbus – set fee amount of £2,000,000 and 30% of the value of realisations from recovery actions from the investigation work;
- En-Drive – set fee amount of £200,000 and 30% of the value of realisations from recovery actions from the investigation work;
- Composites – set fee amount of £400,000 and 30% of the value of realisations from recovery actions from the investigation work; and
- Metallix – set fee amount of £150,000 and 30% of realisations from recovery actions from the value of the investigation work.

Creditors should note that, based on current and projected realisations, it is not intended that fees will be drawn in full to these levels. To date, fees have been drawn in line with approvals as follows:

- Wrights Group – set fee of £457,000, none drawn during the period. Percentage realisations fee of £277,500, £60,000 drawn during the period;
- Wrightbus – set fee of £1,440,576.22, none drawn during the period. Percentage realisations fee of £377,956, £100,000 drawn during the period.

- En-Drive – set fee amount of £41,000;
- Composites – set fee amount of £56,000; and
- Metallix – set fee amount of £24,000.

The Administrator's direct expenses and disbursements incurred for which no approval to pay is required.

These are costs and expenses initially paid by the Administrator's firm which are not generally made to a third party, for example, reimbursement to staff engaged on the case for their mileage costs. These may also include shared or allocated costs. Specific approval is required before these costs and expenses can be drawn from the administration estates and was given by the secured creditors in Wrights Group and the secured and preferential creditors in the other Companies on 2 July 2020. Mileage is calculated at the prevailing standard mileage rate of up to 45p used by Deloitte at the time when the mileage was incurred.

Details of all category 1 and 2 expenses, and payments made in relation to same, is provided on the next page.

Remuneration and expenses

Administrator's remuneration and expenses

Wrights Group - Category 1 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Travel	1,770	-	-	-
Accommodation	1,706	-	-	-
Subsistence	2,930	-	-	-
Bonding	230	-	-	-
Land Registry Fees	56	-	-	-
Total expenses	6,692	-	-	-

Wrights Group - Category 2 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Mileage	1,235	-	1,235	-
Total expenses	1,235	-	1,235	-

Wrightbus - Category 1 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Accommodation	8,262	-	-	-
Travel	8,521	-	-	-
Subsistence	3,442	-	-	-
Bonding	230	-	-	-
Postage and Couriers	217	-	217	-
Total expenses	20,673	-	217	-

Wrightbus - Category 2 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Mileage	5,154	-	-	-
Total expenses	5,154	-	-	-

En-Drive - Category 1 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and not paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Bonding	230	-	-	230
Postage	144	-	-	144
Total expenses	374	-	-	374

Metallix - Category 1 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and not paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Bonding	230	-	-	230
Postage	144	-	-	144
Total expenses	374	-	-	374

Composites - Category 1 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and not paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Bonding	230	-	-	230
Postage	144	-	-	144
Total expenses	374	-	-	374

Composites - Category 2 expenses

£ (net)	Incurred to date and not paid	Incurred in period	Paid in period	Outstanding
Mileage	667	-	-	667
Total expenses	667	-	-	667

Creditors' claim that remuneration is excessive

For each company, any creditor with the support of at least 25% in value of the creditors (including himself) may apply to the Court for an order that the Administrator's remuneration be reduced, on the grounds that it is, in all the circumstances, excessive (in accordance with Rule 2.110 of the Rules).

On receipt of such an application, the Court will either dismiss the application, giving 7 days notice to the applicant, or set a hearing date. At least 14 days notice should be given of any such hearing by the applicant.

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