



Administrator's Progress Report

**Black Capital Partners Ltd
- In Administration**

For the period from 12 October 2023 to 11 April 2024

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THE ADMINISTRATOR'S PROGRESS REPORT

1 Introduction

- 1.1 I was appointed Administrator of Black Capital Partners Ltd (**the Company**) on 12 October 2022. The appointment was made by Mr. Ravneet Ubhi being the sole director of the Company.
- 1.2 This Administration is being handled by FTS Recovery Limited at Ground Floor, Baird House, Seebeck Place, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes, MK5 8FR. The Administrator's contact details are by phone on 01908 754 666 or via email at rachel.ennis@ftsrecovery.co.uk. The Administration is registered in the High Court of Justice Business and Property Courts of England and Wales Insolvency and Companies, reference number 003624 of 2022.
- 1.3 As Administrator, I am required to provide a progress report covering the period of six months commencing from the date the Company entered Administration and every subsequent period of six months. This progress report covers the period from 12 October 2023 to 11 April 2024 (**the Period**) and should be read in conjunction with my earlier proposals report.
- 1.4 Information about the way that we will use, and store personal data on insolvency appointments can be found at www.ftsrecovery.co.uk. If you are unable to download this, please contact us and a hard copy will be provided to you.
- 1.5 The trading address of the Company was Partis House Davy Avenue, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes, MK5 8HJ.
- 1.6 The registered office of the Company was Partis House Davy Avenue, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes, MK5 8HJ and its registered number 12289761.

2 Receipts and Payments

- 2.1 At Appendix A is my Receipts and Payments Account covering the period of this report, attached in Appendix B is a cumulative Receipts and Payments Account from the date of my appointment as Administrator to 11 April 2024.

3 Progress of the Administration

- 3.1 You may recall that the statutory objective being pursued in the Administration was achieving a better result than would be likely if the Company were to be wound up. In addition to the pursuance of this statutory objective, the Administrator has duties imposed by insolvency and other legislation, some of which may not provide any financial benefit to creditors.
- 3.2 This section of the report provides creditors with an update on the progress made in the Period, both in terms of the achievement of the statutory objective, but also work which is required of the Administrator under other related legislation.

Administration (including statutory compliance & reporting)

- 3.3 As noted above, the Administrator must comply with certain statutory obligations under the Insolvency Act 1986 and other related legislation. Details about the work that I anticipated would need to be done in this area was outlined in my initial fees estimate which was previously agreed by creditors.

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- 3.4 Where the costs of statutory compliance work or reporting to creditors exceeds the initial estimate, it will usually be because the duration of the case has taken longer than anticipated, possibly due to protracted investigations and or asset realisations, which have in turn placed a further statutory reporting requirement on the Administrator.
- 3.5 As noted in my initial fees estimate, this work will not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors but is required on every case by statute.
- 3.6 On this category of work (administration and reporting), I have spent £7,356.50 of time costs during the Period. I anticipate that further costs will be incurred in this category of work including the sending of this report, any further progress reports and a final report in due course.

Realisation of Assets

- 3.7 Although time has been recorded against this category, this time will not be drawn against as asset realisations are to be billed as a % of realisations only and as previously agreed by creditors. No remuneration has been drawn in this category of work to date. We are actively pursuing a number of routes to recovery of assets, detailed further below.

Cash at Bank

- 3.8 No further realisations are expected having liaised with all of the known Company bankers following my appointment and in respect of any residual cash balances held by the Company at the time of my appointment.

Introducers Fee

- 3.9 Investors will recall the Company attempted monetisation of the bond transaction deal prior to my appointment, but was unsuccessful.

During my appointment and following legal review of the relevant correspondence within the Company records, this was considered to be the most notable potential asset, with a statutory duty to explore the possibility of realisation further.

The nature of the agreement in place between parties reflected that the asset was always contingent on successful completion of the funding of the transaction, which was outside of our control.

As reported within my annual report in October 2023, no further work will be undertaken by this firm in relation to this matter. This was following a failed funding attempt in quarter one 2023 and various correspondence with relevant third parties including the bond custodian and owner, from which we subsequently have been made aware that this is now considered a to be closed as a route to recovery for the Company.

As a result of reaching this conclusion, we have been able to focus our attention and efforts since on the points raised below.

Investment Property

- 3.10 I am reviewing a loan provided by connected company RS Property Partners Ltd to a non-connected third party entity. The loan was in the sum of over £700,000 and for the purpose of purchasing development land in Wales, plus we understand as to cover the VAT element of the relevant land acquisition.

My legal team continue to work on this matter with the co-operation of both Mr Ubhi and Mr Patel, in addition to the loan recipient. We understand that the land was acquired with a view to obtaining planning, which remains outstanding at today's date. This will obviously impact the potential value of the land and is something which we are considering further.

No realisations have been made to date, however, we understand that loan monies were paid from the DKA Resourcing Ltd ("DKA") paymaster account. Therefore, we believe it is likely that the monies used to make the loan payments were investor funds.

Legal work is ongoing and we have formally requested bank statements from the DKA Liquidator as to reconcile our own financial investigation and confirm the movement of funds behind the loan agreement.

If the funds are indeed reconciled to have been loaned using investor monies as we believe to be the case, then we intend to instruct our lawyers to pursue the loan amounts for repayment immediately.

Digital Asset Investigations

- 3.11 A request has been made for the withdrawal of funds recently identified in respect of digital assets held by a third party, believed to have been acquired again using Black Capital Partners Limited investor monies.

Investors should note that these funds are not likely to realise in excess of more than £5,000 based on the current value of the relevant digital currency. My ongoing investigations indicate that the digital assets may have been acquired for a far greater sum than their current value (somewhere in the region of between £100-200,000 tbc).

We will also now be considering with our lawyers the possibility of pursuing the difference between what was paid out to the recipient against the current value of the asset.

Investigations into other possible assets purchased using Company investors monies are ongoing. The key to this being the ongoing reconciliation of the DKA paymaster account and the subsequent tracing of funds using the DKA bank statements. Please note the headline findings to date in further detail below.

Claims against Banks and Trading Platforms

- 3.12 We have instructed the law firm Stewarts to investigate whether there may be ability to bring claims against both the former bankers and the Company's main trading brokers Mt. Cook Financial.

Stewarts is currently considering whether it is likely to be possible to secure funding for the further investigation of claims, in order to understand what claims may be brought against Mt. Cook and whether the claims are likely to lead to recoveries. Any claims would require litigation funding, which is a part of the ongoing considerations.

Stewarts' provisional view is that viable claims should be capable of securing funding. However, owing to the relative complexity of the claims, further analysis and discussions are going to be required before a definitive view will be possible on this aspect. Stewarts will provide further information and advice regarding which claims may be possible to pursue once they have fully completed their initial assessment.

DKA Resourcing Limited – in Liquidation

- 3.13 It is understood that the Company's paymaster DKA is holding funds in its Liquidation estate account of approximately £722,099.01. These funds are believed to be the residual cash balances held upon DKA's Liquidation, potentially including funds connected to the Black Capital Partners Limited paymaster account.

My legal team is currently undertaking discussions with the lawyers acting for the Liquidators of DKA to ascertain if any of those funds were held on trust for the Company and as such are an asset of Black Capital Partners Limited, as we believe is possible to be the case.

If verified we intend to take legal action if required, as to recover any monies due to Black Capital Partners Ltd (in Administration).

- 3.14 As mentioned above, we have also requested bank statements from the DKA Liquidator, concerning the Black Capital Partners Limited paymaster account, as to reconcile the receipts and payments master schedule previously obtained from DKA directly.

This request follows previous requests for bank statements made to DKA's former Director, which to date have not achieved a satisfactory outcome. Under relevant sections of the Insolvency legislation, we have the power as Administrator of the Company to make an application to court for disclosure of the statements, given how critical they are deemed to be to our ongoing investigations. If no satisfactory response is received within the next few weeks then we will instruct our lawyers to proceed with the application.

Once the DKA paymaster account is fully reconciled then we will also be able to consider further any wider claims that we may have.

Currently, our investigations have highlighted that £32m was paid into the DKA paymaster account, with £24m paid back to what appear to be a very large quantum of investors (not isolated to simply a few, rather hundreds).

Almost half of the £8m balance appears to have been moved to the trading accounts (then geared up against by MT Cook, which we continue to investigate with Stewarts).

The remaining balance of close to £4m forms a part of our ongoing investigations in respect of potential routes to recovery against the beneficiaries.

It is also now deemed appropriate to commence a full legal review of the £24m worth of payments paid back to investors in more detail and alongside our instructed lawyers.

The reason for this is to understand whether any of these payments could be pursued under the relevant legislation against those parties who may have had a net benefit.

The commerciality of this exercise also needs to be considered alongside ongoing legal advice.

Other Assets

- 3.15 During the period part of the funds received from the sale of the replica F1 car have been remitted to the third-party owner as per comments made in my previous reports.
- 3.16 A sale of the remaining Equipment was also completed during this period.

Creditors (claims and distributions)

Administrators are not only required to deal with correspondence and claims from unsecured creditors (which may include retention of title claims), but also those of any secured and preferential creditors of the Company. This may involve separate reporting to any secured creditor and dealing with distributions from asset realisations caught under their security, most typically a debenture.

- 3.17 Since 1 December 2020, claims from preferential creditors now fall into one of two categories, either ordinary (typically involving employee claims and payments made on behalf of the Company by the Redundancy Payments Service following dismissal, which rank equally among themselves), or secondary (which are claims by HMRC for VAT or other relevant tax deductions such as PAYE and employee NIC deductions, together with student loans and CIS deductions, which also rank equally among themselves). Ordinary preferential claims rank ahead of secondary preferential claims and all preferential creditors must be paid in full before any distribution can be made to the unsecured creditors of a company.
- 3.18 Work undertaken by Administrators in dealing with a company's creditors may only bring a financial benefit to certain classes of creditor such as a secured creditor or the preferential creditors, however an Administrator is required by statute to undertake this work. Similarly, if a distribution is to be paid to any class of creditor, work will be required to agree those claims and process the dividend payments to each relevant class of creditor. The more creditors a company has, the more time and cost will be involved by the Administrator in dealing with those claims.
- 3.19 More information on the anticipated outcome for all classes of creditor in this case can be found in Section 4 below.
- 3.20 At this stage, I consider the following matters worth bringing to the attention of creditors:
- There are no secured creditors.
 - I anticipate claims from the secondary preferential creditor (HM Revenue & customs) totalling £21,835.98.
 - There were approximately 270 unsecured creditor claims in this case with a value per the estimated financial position statement of the company of £40,000,000.00. Claims to date have been significantly higher.
 - We have established during our appointment and following legal advice that only a very small proportion of those claiming in the Administration process are contractually Black Capital Partners Limited creditors.

We further understand that there are ongoing wider insolvency processes underway which will likely catch the non-Black Capital Partners Limited creditors.

We will continue to work to realise as much as possible for Company creditors.

As has been discussed previously, we also retain the benefit of the shareholders waivers, in the event that assets realised are at a level where there would be a possibility of returning funds to the non Company "black capital" creditors.

- 3.21 During the period I have incurred time costs of £12,610.00 in this area. To date time I have incurred time costs of £156,646.00 against my fee estimate of £144,205.00. I expect that I will incur further time in this category and in excess of my original estimate.

Investigations

- 3.22 You may recall from my first progress report to creditors that some of the work Administrators are required to undertake is to comply with legislation such as the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986 (CDDA 1986) and Statement of Insolvency Practice 2 - Investigations by Office Holders in Administration and Insolvent Liquidations and many not necessarily bring any financial benefit to creditors, unless these investigations reveal potential asset recoveries that can be pursued for the benefit of creditors.

- 3.23 My report on the conduct of the Directors of the Company to the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy under the CDDA 1986 was submitted during the first period of the Administration and is confidential.

- 3.24 My investigations are confidential as required by statute. We have been liaising with the Insolvency Service in respect of our ongoing investigations and findings throughout my appointment. The Insolvency Service holds various powers including seeking disqualification of Directors, as well as having a separate criminal investigations team.

It is for those departments to determine whether it is appropriate for them investigate and pursue action.

- 3.25 I have incurred time costs to date of £68,432.00 in this category. I have incurred time costs during the period of £8,556.00. There remains a significant amount of work to be undertaken in this category.

- 3.26 My investigations remain ongoing in various areas. As discussed above, our focus will be to pursue areas for possible recoveries, resulting from prior investigation work. In addition, ongoing investigative work will include finalising a bank statement led reconciliation of the DKA paymaster account and pursuing and lodging claims where appropriate.

What remains to be done in the Administration

- 3.27 The period of extension expires on 11 October 2024.
- 3.28 Asset realisations and investigation matters detailed above will continue to be progressed. The likely timeframe for this will be dependant in part on the responding parties speed in presenting information and their approach. In the event that it is in the Company creditors interest to seek to extend the Administration as to continue these areas of work, then this will be done via court application.
- 3.29 Only following the outcome of the ongoing work will I be in a position to reach a decision on the appropriate closure strategy and route.

4 Estimated Outcome for Creditors

- 4.1 Attached at Appendix F is an updated Estimated Outcome Statement. This represents my estimate of the outcome of the Administration as at the end of the Period covered by this report.
- 4.2 At the present time, it remains unclear whether there will be sufficient funds realised to pay the expenses of Administration and after defraying those expenses (if possible) for the Administration to then pay a dividend to creditors.
- 4.3 Further updates will however be provided in future progress reports.

Secured Creditors

- 4.4 The Company did not grant any security over the Company's assets, therefore there are no secured creditors.

Preferential Creditors

- 4.5 A summary of the preferential claims and details of any distributions paid to date can be found below:

Ordinary preferential claims	Agreed Claim £	Statement of Affairs Claim £	Dividend paid p in the £1	Date dividend paid
N/A	Nil	Nil	Nil	NA
Secondary preferential claims	Agreed Claim £	Statement of Affairs Claim £	Dividend paid p in the £1	Date dividend paid
PAYE, Employee NIC & CIS deductions (HMRC)	Interim Claim £21,835.98 to be adjudicated	Nil	Nil	NA

- 4.6 A dividend will only be payable to the secondary preferential creditors if there are sufficient assets to allow such a dividend.

Unsecured Creditors

- 4.7 I have received claims totalling £108,775,190.31 from 362 creditors. I have yet to receive claims from 65 creditors whose debts total £8,196,642.04 as per the estimated financial position statement of the company.
- 4.8 Due to the number of claims made to date and the current value of these claims being significantly higher than the estimated financial position of the Company we have requested all creditors provide evidence to support the claims made. We will also be able to reconcile what has been repaid to investors prior to my appointment and as a part of the ongoing DKA reconciliation work.
- 4.9 No claims have been adjudicated due to a lack of assets and subsequent legal advice, effectively confirming that only a very small percentage of creditors contractually have a legal relationship with Black Capital Partners Limited. This work will

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be ongoing alongside the remaining investigations and attempted asset realisation work.

- 4.10 The Company did not grant any floating charges to a secured creditor. Accordingly, there is no requirement to create a fund out of the Company's net floating charge property for unsecured creditors (known as the **Prescribed Part**), which only applies to charges created after 15 September 2003.

5 Pre-administration Costs

- 5.1 On 16 November 2022 the following amounts in respect of pre-administration costs were approved:

Name of recipient	Brief description of services provided	Total amount approved	Total Paid to date
FTS Recovery Ltd	Pre-appointment fee, dealing with appointment process.	£20,647.50	£4,500 + VAT
Mezzle Law (with the lead partner having taken the case across from previous employer Howes Percival)	Fee for formalities of appointment process	£2,160.00	£Nil

- 5.2 My time costs relating to pre-appointment work totalled £20,647.50, as approved by creditors decision process on 16 November 2022.
- 5.3 I have, to date drawn £4,500 plus VAT on account of these time costs, these fees were paid by a third party following my appointment and were not drawn from asset realisations of the estate.
- 5.4 Howes Percival have not been remunerated for the pre-appointment work undertaken to date.

Administrators Post Appointment Fees

- 5.5 The basis of the Administrator's fees has been fixed in the Administration by a combination of time properly spent by him and his staff in managing the Administration and as a percentage of realisations. My fees estimate was originally provided to creditors when the basis of my remuneration was approved and was based on information available to me at that time.
- 5.6 A copy of the approved fees estimate for the Administration is reproduced below:

Category of work	Estimated Number of Hours	Average blended charge out rate £	Estimated cost £
Administration (inc statutory compliance & reporting)	373.5	275	102,685.00
Realisation of assets	Nil	Nil	Nil
Creditors (claims & distributions)	485.0	297	144,205.00
Investigations	774.0	301	233,100.00
Trading (where applicable)	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total estimated fees	1,632.50		£479,990.00

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- 5.7 My time costs for the Period are £31,679.00. This represents 90.60 hours at an average rate of £349.66 per hour. Attached at Appendix C is a Time Analysis which provides details of the activity costs incurred by staff grade during the Period in respect of the costs fixed by reference to time properly spent in managing the Administration.
- 5.8 Attached at appendix D is my cumulative Time Analysis for the period 12 October 2022 to 11 April 2024 which provides details of the time costs incurred since my appointment. My cumulative time costs are £319,463.50. This represents 1,044.10 hours at an average rate of £305.97 per hour. To date, nil has been paid on account of these time costs, due to insufficient realisations. Should there remain insufficient funds in the case it is likely that these time costs will be written off prior to closure of the case.
- 5.9 At the date of this report, I would confirm that my time costs fee estimate for the Administration remains unchanged.
- 5.10 I do not currently anticipate that any further approval will be necessary following the revision of my original estimate, in order to conclude the Administration.
- 5.11 Part of the basis of the Administrator's remuneration was agreed by creditors as a percentage of realisations made into the estate. Details of the realisations to date and associated remuneration drawn on account of those realisations is set out below. Any fees not yet drawn will be dealt with prior to closure and the final amount paid to my firm in this regard will be confirmed in my final progress report in due course.

Asset category	Value of assets realised in the Period	Total value of assets realised since appointment	Remuneration % agreed	Total fees due on realisations to date	Drawn to date
Introducers Fee	£nil	£nil	20%	£nil	£nil
Cash at Bank	£nil	£166.24	20%	£33.25	£nil
Plant & Machinery (office furniture & computers)	£3,146.00	£3,146.00	20%	£629.20	£nil
Motor Vehicles	£nil	£9,810.00	20%	£1,962.00	£nil
Bank Interest	£19.18	£21.05	20%	£4.21	£nil
Total	£3,165.18	£13,143.29		£2,628.66	£Nil

As I have not concluded my work on asset realisations no fees have been drawn in this regard.

- 5.12 A copy of 'A Creditors' Guide to Administrators' Fees' is available on request or can be downloaded from <https://www.r3.org.uk/technical-library/england-wales/technical-guidance/fees/more/29113/page/1/administration-a-guide-for-creditors-on-insolvency-practitioner-fees/>.
- 5.13 Attached at Appendix E is additional information in relation to the Administrator's fees, expenses and the use of subcontractors and other professional advisers.

6 Creditors' Rights

- 6.1 Within 21 days of the receipt of this report, a secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors) may request in writing that the Administrator provide further information about his remuneration or expenses (other than pre-administration costs) which have been itemised in this progress report.
- 6.2 Any secured creditor, or an unsecured creditor (with the concurrence of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors) may within 8 weeks of receipt of this progress report

make an application to court on the grounds that, in all the circumstances, the basis fixed for the Administrator's remuneration is inappropriate and/or the remuneration charged or the expenses incurred by the Administrator , as set out in this progress report, are excessive.

7 Ending the Administration

- 7.1 As noted above, a decision on the appropriate exit route will be made following the conclusion of my work.

It is likely that either a Compulsory Liquidation, or a Creditors Voluntary Liquidation may be appropriate to exit the Administration if investigation and potential asset recovery matters remain outstanding. If conversion to Creditors Voluntary Liquidation is proposed then the Administrator will become Liquidator following the approval of my proposals.

- 7.2 There remains the possibility of dissolution once all work is complete. This would only be appropriate if the statutory purpose of the Administration was deemed to have been achieved and no investigation or other matters remained to be dealt with.

- 7.3 The Administrator will be discharged from liability under Paragraph 98(3) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 immediately upon his appointment as Administrator ceasing to have effect.

8 Next Report

- 8.1 The Administrator is required to provide a progress report within one month of the end of the next six months of the Administration or earlier if the Administration has been finalised or he wishes to extend it. As already mentioned, an additional extension of the Administration would be required to be granted by the Court, with the Company creditors having already agreed to extend the process once, as is required under statute.

For and on behalf of
Black Capital Partners Ltd



Marco Piacquadio
Administrator

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Appendix A

Receipts and Payments Account from 12 October 2023 to 11 April 2024

Black Capital Partners Ltd			
(In Administration)			
Administrator's Summary of Receipts and Payments (Accruals Basis)			
Statement of Affairs £	From 12 October 2023 To 11 April 2024 £	From 12 October 2022 To 11 April 2024 £	
ASSET REALISATIONS			
NIL Investment Property	0.00	0.00	
4,000.00 Vehicles (Cars, Boats, Bikes etc)	0.00	9,810.00	
NIL Cash on Hand or bank	0.00	166.24	
11,000.00 Plant and Equipment	3,146.00	3,146.00	
Uncertain Introducers Fee	0.00	0.00	
Bank Interest Gross	19.18	21.05	
	3,165.18	13,143.29	
COSTS OF REALISATION			
Agents/Valuers Fees	3,146.00	6,102.25	
Legal Fees BCL LLP	3,000.00	3,000.00	
VAT - Irrecoverable	1,017.50	1,608.75	
Payment to Owner of F1 car	2,087.50	2,087.50	
	(9,251.00)	(12,798.50)	
SECONDARY PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS			
(40,000.00) HMRC	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	
UNSECURED CREDITORS			
(40,000,000.00) Trade & Expense Creditors	0.00	0.00	
(5,000.00) HMRC	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	
(40,030,000.00)	(6,085.82)	344.79	
REPRESENTED BY			
Bank 1 Current		344.79	
		344.79	

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Appendix B

Cumulative Receipts and Payments Account from 12 October 2022 to 11 April 2024

Black Capital Partners Ltd			
(In Administration)			
Administrator's Summary of Receipts and Payments (Accruals Basis)			
Statement of Affairs £	From 12 October 2022 To 11 April 2024 £	From 12 October 2022 To 11 April 2024 £	
ASSET REALISATIONS			
NIL Investment Property	0.00	0.00	
4,000.00 Vehicles (Cars, Boats, Bikes etc)	9,810.00	9,810.00	
NIL Cash on Hand or bank	166.24	166.24	
11,000.00 Plant and Equipment	3,146.00	3,146.00	
Uncertain Introducers Fee	0.00	0.00	
Bank Interest Gross	21.05	21.05	
	13,143.29	13,143.29	
COSTS OF REALISATION			
Agents/Valuers Fees	6,102.25	6,102.25	
Legal Fees BCL LLP	3,000.00	3,000.00	
VAT - Irrecoverable	1,608.75	1,608.75	
Payment to Owner of F1 car	2,087.50	2,087.50	
	(12,798.50)	(12,798.50)	
SECONDARY PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS			
(40,000.00) HMRC	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	
UNSECURED CREDITORS			
(40,000,000.00) Trade & Expense Creditors	0.00	0.00	
(5,000.00) HMRC	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00	
(40,030,000.00)	344.79	344.79	
REPRESENTED BY			
Bank 1 Current		344.79	
		344.79	

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Appendix C

Time Analysis for the Period from 12 October 2023 to 11 April 2024

SIP9 Time & Cost Summary
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12 October 2023 to 11 April 2024

Black Capital Partners Ltd (Showing Post-Appointment only)

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professional	Assistants & Support Staff	SIP9 Additional 1	SIP9 Additional 2	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Administration & Planning	0.00	13.20	0.00	4.50	0.00	0.00	17.70	4,731.00	267.29
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	13.80	19.10	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	33.40	12,610.00	377.54
General/Progress Reporting	0.00	8.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.90	2,625.50	295.00
Investigations	7.20	16.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.00	8,556.00	356.50
Non Chargeable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pre Appointment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Realisation of Assets	5.90	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.30	3,068.00	486.98
Statutory Compliance	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	88.50	295.00
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	26.90	58.70	0.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	90.60	31,679.00	349.66
Total Fees Claimed								0.00	
Total Expenses Claimed								0.00	

SIP9 Time & Cost Summary
Black Capital Partners Ltd - 22ADM045BLA
12 October 2023 to 16 April 2024

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Expense Description (Analysis Code)	Expense Category	Amount
Postage: (POST)	Category 1	363.60
	Total	363.60

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Appendix D

Time Analysis for the Period from 12 October 2022 to 11 April 2024

SIP9 Time & Cost Summary
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Black Capital Partners Ltd (Showing Post-Appointment only)

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professional	Assistants & Support Staff	SIP9 Additional 1	SIP9 Additional 2	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Administration & Planning	1.20	78.80	0.00	130.60	0.00	0.00	210.60	36,472.00	173.18
Case Specific Matters	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Creditors	200.10	217.60	0.00	59.90	0.00	0.00	477.60	156,646.00	327.99
General/Progress Reporting	16.40	43.80	0.00	4.10	0.00	0.00	64.30	19,239.00	299.21
Investigations	90.00	82.90	0.00	27.10	0.00	0.00	200.00	68,432.00	342.16
Non Chargeable	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pre Appointment	0.00	2.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.90	652.50	225.00
Realisation of Assets	76.50	11.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	88.00	37,885.50	430.52
Statutory Compliance	0.00	0.30	0.00	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.70	136.50	195.00
Trading	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Hours	384.20	437.80	0.00	222.10	0.00	0.00	1,044.10	319,463.50	305.97
Total Fees Claimed								0.00	
Total Expenses Claimed								0.00	

SIP9 Time & Cost Summary
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12 October 2022 to 16 April 2024

Black Capital Partners Ltd (Showing Post-Appointment only)

Expense Description (Analysis Code)	Expense Category	Amount
Bordereau Premium: (BOND)	Category 1	40.00
Postage: (POST)	Category 1	926.46
Statutory Advertising: (ADVERT)	Category 1	85.60
	Total	1,052.06

Appendix E

Additional Information in Relation to the Administrator's Fees, Expenses & the use of Subcontractors

Staff Allocation and the Use of Subcontractors

The general approach to resourcing our assignments is to allocate staff with the skills and experience to meet the specific requirements of the case.

The constitution of the case team will usually consist of a Partner, a Manager, and an Administrator or Assistant. The exact constitution of the case team will depend on the anticipated size and complexity of the assignment and the experience requirements of the assignment.

We have not utilised the services of any subcontractors in this case.

Professional Advisors

On this assignment we have used the professional advisors listed below. We have also indicated alongside, the basis of our fee arrangement with them, which is subject to review on a regular basis.

Name of Professional Advisor	Basis of Fee Arrangement
Mezzle Law (legal advice) – having taken the file over from Howes Percival. Ongoing general insolvency legal advice as and when required and covering all aspects of asset recoveries, investigations and creditor claims.	Percentage of realisations – at 10% of recoveries, plus VAT.
Stewarts Law – ongoing work in respect of claims vs banks and or trading platforms.	Conditional Fee Agreement with agreement to spend up to an initial £50k plus VAT in time costs without charge, unless otherwise able to be met from future asset realisations.
BCL Law – in correspondence with the bond custodian/owner in order to crystallise our understanding of the position due to ongoing delays.	Capped time costs of £3,000 plus VAT.
John Pye (asset valuation and disposal advice)	Time costs and % of realisations.

Our choice was based on our perception of their experience and ability to perform this type of work, the complexity and nature of the assignment and the basis of our fee arrangement with them.

Administrator's Expenses

The estimate of expenses which were anticipated in the Administration was provided to creditors when the basis of my fees was approved. The table below compares the anticipated costs against those incurred to date.

Category 1 expenses

These expenses do not require prior approval by creditors. The type of expenses that may be charged to a case as a Category 1 expense generally comprise of external supplies of incidental services specifically identifiable to the case, such as postage, case advertising,

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invoiced travel and external printing, external room hire and external storage costs. Also chargeable, will be any properly reimbursed expenses incurred by personnel in connection with the case. These expenses may include expenses which are payments first met by an office holder and then reimbursed from the estate.

Expense	Estimated overall cost £	Paid in Prior Period £	Paid in the period covered by this report £	Incurred but not paid to date £
John Pye & Sons - Agent's fees & expenses	0.00	2,956.26	3,146.00	0.00
BCL Law	0.00	Nil	3,000.00	0.00
Howes Percival/Mezzle Law, Legal fees & expenses (pre-appointment time costs) -Conditional Fee Agreement basis only	2,160.00	Nil	Nil	2,160.00
Howes Percival/Mezzle Law Legal fee & expenses (post appointment time costs) - Conditional Fee Agreement basis only	10% of realisations	Nil	Nil	10% of realisations
Stewarts Law - Legal fee & expenses (post appointment) - Conditional Fee Agreement basis only	50,000.00	Nil	Nil	43,563.68
Statutory advertising	300.00	Nil	Nil	85.60
Specific Penalty Bond	3,540.00	Nil	Nil	40.00
External storage costs	0.00	Nil	Nil	0.00
External Mail Services	3,500.00	Nil	Nil	926.46
TOTAL	Uncertain	2,956.26	6,146.00	Uncertain

Creditors should note that we did not anticipate the costs of agents in the original fee estimate, the reason for this being that we did not have access to the property or physical assets therein, due to the prior appointment of the provisional liquidator.

When access to the property was provided in late February 2023 it was decided that removal and storage of all remaining assets on site with any value would be prudent. Therefore the Administrator instructed John Pye & Sons Limited to complete this task.

Category 2 expenses

These expenses do require approval from creditors. These are costs which are directly referable to the appointment in question but are not payments which are made to an independent third party and may therefore include payments to associates of the office holder or shared or allocated costs that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis.

No Category 2 expenses were expected to be incurred or have been incurred to date.

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Charge-Out Rates

FTS Recovery Limited's current charge-out rates effective from 1 August 2023 are detailed below. Please note this firm records its time in minimum units of 6 minutes.

Grade	1 Aug 2023 – onwards (Per hour) £	1 Aug 2022 – 30 July 2023 (Per hour) £
Director	500	450
Senior Manager	395	325
Manger	355	275
Assistant Manager	295	225
Senior Administrator	240	180
Administrator	195	150
Junior Administrator	150	120
Support Staff	140	120

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Appendix F

Estimated Outcome Statement as at 11 April 2024

Black Capital Partners Ltd (In Administration) Estimated Outcome Statement 11 April 2024				
Statement of Affairs £		Realised / Paid £	Projected £	Total £
ASSET REALISATIONS				
NIL	Investment Property	0.00	0.00	0.00
4,000.00	Vehicles (Cars, Boats, Bikes etc)	9,810.00	0.00	9,810.00
NIL	Cash on Hand or bank	166.24	0.00	166.24
11,000.00	Plant and Equipment	3,146.00	0.00	3,146.00
Uncertain	Introducers Fee	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Bank Interest Gross	21.05	0.00	21.05
		13,143.29	0.00	13,143.29
COSTS OF REALISATION				
	Office Holders Fees (Time Costs)	0.00	(479,990.00)	(479,990.00)
	Office Holders Fee 20% of Realisations	0.00	(Uncertain)	(Uncertain)
	Legal Fee 10% of Realisations	0.00	(Uncertain)	(Uncertain)
	Legal Fees Investigations	0.00	(Uncertain)	(Uncertain)
	Agents/Valuers Fees	(6,102.25)	0.00	(6,102.25)
	Legal Fees BCL LLP	(3,000.00)	0.00	(3,000.00)
	VAT - Irrecoverable	(1,608.75)	0.00	(1,608.75)
	Stationery, Postage, Office costs	0.00	(1,800.00)	(1,800.00)
	Payment to Owner of F1 car	(2,087.50)	0.00	(2,087.50)
		(12,798.50)	(481,790.00)	(494,588.50)
SECONDARY PREFERENTIAL CREDITORS				
(40,000.00)	HMRC	0.00	21,835.98	21,835.98
		0.00	(21,835.98)	(21,835.98)
UNSECURED CREDITORS				
(40,000,000.00)	Trade & Expense Creditors	0.00	40,000,000.00	40,000,000.00
(5,000.00)	HMRC	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	(40,000,000.00)	(40,000,000.00)
<u>(40,030,000.00)</u>		<u>344.79</u>	<u>(40,503,625.98)</u>	<u>(40,503,281.19)</u>
REPRESENTED BY				
	Bank 1 Current	344.79	0.00	344.79
		344.79	0.00	344.79

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Notes to Estimated Outcome Statement as at 11 April 2024

At this stage creditors should note that there are many factors that can impact a case and the outcome for the creditors and the estimates provided are based on the information that is currently available. Variations in the Administration costs, assets realisations and creditors' claims are likely to impact the eventual outcome. The following information is therefore only a provisional indication.

Secured Creditors

There are no creditors of this category, therefore no distribution is expected.

Ordinary Preferential Creditors

There are no creditors of this category, therefore no distribution is expected.

Secondary Preferential Creditors

As at December 2020 HMRC is classed as a secondary preferential creditor in all insolvency proceedings. HMRC have lodged an interim claim of £21,835.98, although this is not their final claim in the process we do not anticipate the final claim will be higher than this amount. HMRC will need to be paid in full before the unsecured creditors of the case can receive a distribution. HMRC will only be paid if assets are realised above the costs and expenses of the case to allow a surplus of funds with which to make a distribution.

Floating charge creditor

There are no creditors of this category, therefore no distribution is expected.

Ordinary Unsecured Creditors

As at today, there have been insufficient asset realisations to allow a distribution back to the unsecured creditors of the case. However, if any recoveries are made to the estate then the likelihood of a distribution will change. It is also noted that the projected sums due to creditors are taken from those provided by the director and claims would need to be adjudicated on before the quantum is known.

Administrators remuneration

As you will be aware from the resolutions following my appointment, the Administrator sought to agree his remuneration as time costs and a percentage of realisations plus VAT. These resolutions were approved by creditors on 16 November 2022.

Based on the information contained in the estimated outcome statement, the Administrator believes that he will only receive remuneration if recoveries are made from the estate.

Should realisation be made then the Administrator is to be paid his time costs up to the sum of £479,990 plus VAT and expenses and 20% of realisations made, plus VAT.

In the worst case the Administrator will not receive any remuneration towards time spent on the case or as a percentage of realisations.

Legal Fees

My instructed legal team at Mezzle Law will only receive remuneration if recoveries are made from the estate. Should realisation be made then Mezzle Law are to be paid at the rate of 10% of realisations made, plus VAT.

Litigation Fees

The litigation team at Stewarts Law have quoted time costs for their initial review of claims on at a rate set at £50,000 + VAT and expenses. They have agreed to incur up to these costs on a conditional fee agreement basis. Litigation Funders will also charge a percentage of realisations on any recoveries made, should claims be pursued and the outcome be successful, however these have yet to be agreed.

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Appendix G

Copy of Fee summary Estimate dated 28 October 2022

Activity	Estimated Hours	Estimated Cost (£)	Average Hourly rate (£)	Incurred to date
ADMINISTRATION	183.0	51,445.00	281	37,124.50
ASSET REALISATIONS	-	% of realisations	NA	37,885.50
STATUTORY COMPLIANCE AND REPORTING	190.5	51,240.00	269	19,375.50
TRADING	NA	NA	NA	Nil
INVESTIGATIONS	774.0	233,100.00	301	68,432.00
CREDITORS	485.0	144,205.00	297	156,646.00
TOTAL	1,632.5	479,990.00	-	319,463.50