

Joint Administrators' progress report from 22 June 2024 to 21 December 2024

SGLB Realisations 2023 Limited and AHB Realisations
Limited - Both in Administration

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Abbreviations and definitions

The following table shows the abbreviations and insolvency terms that may be used in this report:

Abbreviation or definition	Meaning
Administrators-in-waiting/Joint Administrators/we/us/our	Edward Williams, Tim Higgins and Peter Dickens
AHB	AHB Realisations Limited (formerly A.H.Baldwin & Sons Limited) (In Administration)
Barclays	Barclays Bank PLC
Bird & Bird	Bird & Bird LLP
Companies	AHB and SGLB (both in Administration), each a Company
DB pension schemes	Defined Benefit Pension Schemes
Directors	Directors as at the date of appointment/administration SGLB: Kevin Fitzpatrick Dr Philip Kinns Tom Pickford Henry G Wilson AHB: Kevin Fitzpatrick Neil R Paisley Tom Pickford Henry G Wilson
Eversheds	Eversheds Sutherland (International) LLP
First ranking preferential creditors	Creditors with claims defined in IA86 as first ranking preferential debts: These include claims for: • unpaid remuneration earned in the four months before the relevant date of the insolvency up to a maximum of £800, an unlimited amount of accrued holiday pay, unpaid pension contributions in certain circumstances.
Group	Stanley Gibbons Group Plc and its subsidiaries
Hilco	Hilco Appraisal Ltd
HMRC	HM Revenue and Customs
IA86	Insolvency Act 1986
IP	Intellectual Property
IR16	Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016
Mallett Scheme	Mallett Retirement Benefits Scheme, a DB pension scheme sponsored by Milsom Street Limited, a non-trading company in the Group
Period	22 June 2024 to 21 December 2024
Phoenix	Phoenix S.G. Limited, the secured creditor and ultimate beneficial owner of the Group

Prescribed part	The amount set aside for unsecured creditors from floating charge funds in accordance with section 176A IA86 and the Insolvency Act 1986 (Prescribed Part) Order 2003
Proposals	Joint administrators' proposals for achieving the purpose of the administrations dated 29 December 2023
Purchaser	PSG Holdco 1 Limited (now Strand Collectibles Limited)
PwC	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Regulations	Administration (Restrictions on Disposal etc. to Connected Persons) Regulations 2021
Ringfenced Stock	Certain stamp stock, with a book value of £8.1m, to which SGLB granted security to the Pension Schemes in place of pension deficit repair contributions totalling £1.6m
Sale	Pre-packaged sale of the business and substantially all of the assets to the Purchaser on 22 December 2023
Sch B1 IA86	Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986
Secondary preferential creditors	Creditors with claims defined in IA86 as secondary preferential debts to be paid after first ranking preferential debts, if there are sufficient funds. These include claims for certain HMRC debts owed at the date of insolvency, consisting of VAT and relevant amounts deducted by the Company from payments due to another taxpayer and due to be paid over to HMRC (e.g. PAYE, employee NICs and Construction Industry Scheme deductions). Penalties and interest do not form part of HMRC's preferential claim.
Secured creditor	A creditor with security in respect of their debt, in accordance with section 248 IA86
SGLB	SGLB Realisations 2023 Limited (formerly Stanley Gibbons Limited) -In Administration
SG and Mallett Schemes / Pension Schemes	Together the SG Scheme and Mallett Scheme
SG Scheme	Stanley Gibbons Holdings PLC Pension and Assurance Scheme, a DB pension scheme sponsored by SGLB and Stanley Gibbons Holdings Limited.
Showpiece	Showpiece Technologies Limited, a group company
SIP	Statement of Insolvency Practice. SIPs are issued to insolvency practitioners under procedures agreed between the insolvency regulatory authorities. SIPs set out principles and key compliance standards with which insolvency practitioners are required to comply
SIP 9	Statement of Insolvency Practice 9: Payments to insolvency office holders and their associates
SIP 13	Statement of Insolvency Practice 13: Disposal of assets to connected parties in an insolvency process
SIP 16	Statement of Insolvency Practice 16: Pre-packaged sales in administrations
s.75	Section 75 or "s.75" debt being the deficit due from an employer of an underfunded defined benefit occupational pension scheme

SPA	The agreement for the sale and purchase of the business and assets of the Companies dated 22 December 2023 and made between the Companies, the Administrators, the Purchaser and Castelnau Group Limited (as guarantor)
TFAAG	The Fine Art Auction Group Limited, a non-trading group company
TSA	Transitional Services Agreement
TUPE	Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006
Unsecured Creditors	Creditors who are neither secured nor preferential
VAT	Value Added Tax

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Key messages

Why we've sent you this report

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You can still view our earlier reports on our website at www.pwc.co.uk/stanleygibbonsbaldwin. Please get in touch with Josh Liburd on 0113 289 4000 or at uk_stanleygibbonscreditors@pwc.com or uk_ahbaldwincreditors@pwc.com if you need any of the passwords to access the reports.

How much creditors may receive

The following table summarises the possible outcome for creditors, based on what we currently know

Creditors of SGLB

Class of creditor	Paid to date (p in the £)	Estimated total (p in the £)	Previous estimate (p in the £)	Forecast timing
Phoenix	51.1p	52p	52.1p	Within 12 months
Pension Scheme	Nil	100p	100p	Within 12 months
First ranking preferential creditors	100p	100p	100p	Paid
Secondary preferential creditors	N/A	100p	100p	4-6 months
Unsecured creditors (via Prescribed Part)	Nil	Up to 1p	Up to 1p	Within 12 months

Creditors of AHB

Class of creditor	Paid to date (p in the £)	Estimated total (p in the £)	Previous estimate (p in the £)	Forecast timing
Phoenix	12.2p	12p	12.2p	Within 12 months
First ranking preferential creditors	100p	100p	100p	Paid
Secondary preferential creditors	N/A	100p	100p	4-6 months
Unsecured creditors (via Prescribed Part)	Nil	Up to 8p	Up to 8p	Within 12 months

Secured creditors

Phoenix

As discussed in our Proposals, the indebtedness to Phoenix was £28.6m, with £18.8m of this amount due directly from SGLB and the remaining £9.8m due from TFAAG. However, Phoenix benefits from a cross group guarantee and therefore the full indebtedness is admissible in the administration processes of both SGLB and AHB. We do not believe that Phoenix will be repaid in full from the assets realised; based on current information we anticipate that the return to Phoenix will be c.64p/£.

Pension Scheme (SGLB only)

SGLB granted security to the SG and Mallett Schemes in relation to their entire indebtedness. This ranks below Phoenix, other than in relation to specified 'Ringfenced' stock which, according to SGLB's financial records, had a carrying amount of £8.1m. As at the date of appointment, the SG and Mallett Schemes had a prior ranking secured charge of £1.61m over the 'Ringfenced' stock relating to accrued deficit repair contribution liabilities that are subject to an agreed contribution deferral between the Group and the trustees of the Schemes. The SG and Mallett Schemes also have s.75 liabilities estimated by the scheme actuary (Spence & Partners) at £3.3m and £2.9m respectively. The Mallett Scheme's s.75 liability is principally a creditor of Milsom Street Limited (the Mallett Scheme's sponsor), which is now in liquidation.

The Purchaser guaranteed payment of the SG and Mallett Scheme's prior ranking secured amount. As a consequence, we believe the SG and Mallett Schemes will be repaid in full with respect to their £1.61m priority ranking secured indebtedness.

We don't believe that the SG and Mallett Schemes will be repaid in full regarding their other secured indebtedness as, based on current information, we consider it unlikely that Phoenix will be repaid in full.

AHB does not sponsor any DB pension schemes.

First ranking preferential creditors

All employees of the Companies were transferred to the Purchaser under TUPE, thereby mitigating claims from employees. We therefore said in our Proposals that we did not expect any First ranking preferential creditors. However, we've established that there were some unpaid pension contributions in SGL and AHB which are considered as First ranking preferential claims.

First ranking preferential claims were admitted totalling £7,543 in SGLB and £770 in AHB. A Notice of Intended Dividend was issued to First ranking preferential creditors on 6 November 2024 and the final date for proving debts was 29 November 2024.

We confirm that the First ranking preferential creditors were paid in full on 19 December 2024.

Secondary preferential creditors (HMRC)

The directors' statement of affairs showed secondary preferential claims of approximately £471k in SGLB and £83k in AHB. We are liaising with HMRC to confirm their claims in the estates. On the basis of the statement of affairs figures, a distribution will be made at a rate of 100p/£ from both estates.

Unsecured creditors

SGLB

Based on claims received to date, we think the Company's unsecured creditors totalling £56,107,678 will get a dividend of about 1p from the prescribed part only.

AHB

Again, based on claims received to date, we think the unsecured creditors of AHB totalling £5,312,188 will get a dividend of about 8p in the £ from the Prescribed part only.

The value of any dividends to unsecured creditors is dependent upon the levels of asset realisations, the level of Secondary ranking preferential claims, the final amount of unsecured creditor claims received, together with costs of the administrations and therefore may be subject to change. We do not expect to make distributions to the unsecured creditors of either company until the deferred consideration has been received into each estate.

What you need to do

If you haven't already done so, please send your claim to us so that we can agree to it. Our preferred method for creditors to submit claims and supporting documents is via the Turnkey (IPS) online portal, as this is the most efficient and cost effective way for us to deal with your claim and also allows you to better track its status, so we recommend the use of the online portal for claim submission. Your unique login details will be sent to you separately. If you have not received these details please email either uk_stanleygibbonscreditors@pwc.com or uk_ahbaldwincreditors@pwc.com to request a copy.

All creditors wishing to receive the anticipated dividend payment must submit a proof of debt.

We may decide that some or all creditors who are owed £1,000 or less by the Company won't be required to submit a proof of debt in order to receive the anticipated dividend payment.

A creditor who we decide is not required to submit a proof of debt will be notified when we deliver notice of our intention to pay a dividend of the amount we'll treat as their admitted debt for the purpose of the dividend, unless the creditor advises us that the amount is incorrect (in which case a proof of debt will be required) or not owed.

Please note that should you wish to vote in relation to any decision procedure during the administration [or any subsequent liquidation] or object to a decision sought by deemed consent, you'll need to submit a proof of debt, even if one is not required for dividend purposes.

Overview of what we've done to date

As explained in our earlier report, immediately following our appointment, the business and substantially all of the Companies' assets were sold to the Purchaser. Further information on the Sale is provided in our Proposals and in our SIP16 disclosure within the Proposals (www.pwc.co.uk/stanleygibbonsbaldwin). We completed the Sale to the Purchaser for total consideration of £18.2m (SGLB) and £4.1m (AHB). Details of the Sale and the mechanism by which the purchase was made can be found in our Proposals and in our SIP 16 report to creditors, on our website.

We remain in office mainly because we need to realise the full amount of the deferred consideration, make distributions to the Companies' floating charge holders, agree any preferential and non preferential claim from HMRC, finalise the Companies' tax and VAT affairs (which typically requires all other substantive matters to have been concluded) and such other outstanding matters.

When we last reported, the key outstanding matters in the administration estates were as follows:

- Complete the work required under the sublease agreements (SGLB only);
- Complete the work required to finalise TSA matters (SGLB only);
- Complete book debt collection;
- Receive the rest of the deferred consideration;
- Seek fee approval from the relevant classes of creditors;
- Agree and adjudicate unsecured creditor claims;
- Distribute funds to the Pension scheme under their security;
- Distribute further funds to Phoenix under their floating charge;
- Make a distribution to the First and Secondary ranking preferential creditors;
- Seek an extension to the administration to facilitate receipts of the deferred consideration which is to be paid over 18 months from the date of appointment;
- Submit periodic and final VAT and Corporation Tax returns;
- Issue further progress reports; and
- Deal with closure matters including drafting and issuing the final progress report, closure of our internal systems, obtaining clearances from third parties and release of the Joint Administrators' bond.

Due to the time it will take to realise the deferred consideration in full, make the relevant distributions and fulfil our obligations as Administrators, we sought an extension to the administration term during the Period via the consent of the Secured creditors and via a decision of the preferential creditors. Further information regarding the extension is provided later in this report.

During the Period, we have also:

- Finalised the book debt collections in relation to SGLB;
- Directly corresponded with potential AHB debtors;
- Progressed matters in relation to the sublease agreement;
- Paid a first and final distribution to the RPS as First ranking preferential creditors in both administrations;
- Sought and obtained an extension of the administration terms;
- Received claims from unsecured creditors and dealt with relevant queries;
- Obtained approval for the basis of our remuneration from the fee approving bodies;
- Submitted the relevant VAT returns (SGLB only); and
- Prepared two corporation tax returns for each administration.

Progress since we last reported

Realisation of other assets

Deferred consideration

Throughout the Period, we have continued to receive amounts of deferred consideration relating to the Sale. During the Period we have received £72,320 in SGLB which is split between standard non-ringfenced stock (shown on the receipts and payments account as Inventory) and Ringfenced stock. We have received £39,441 in AHB (shown as Inventory). This brings the totals received to date, including the amounts paid at the time of the Sale, as £1,658,849 (SGLB) and £305,676 (AHB). Total consideration as per the SPA was £2,672,597 and £593,250 respectively, leaving further deferred consideration due of £1,013,748 and £287,574.

These amounts can be seen on the receipts and payments account at Appendix A.

Book debts

SGLB

According to the director's Statement of Affairs, at the date of appointment SGLB's debtor book had a book value of £364k and an estimated to realise value of £150k. The difference in this balance was due to the Directors anticipating that the book value in the accounts was likely to include balances which were no longer due.

As previously reported, as a consequence of the inaccurate company records, we were not able to obtain an accurate debtor ledger. Notwithstanding this, we previously contacted 49 potential debtors with a total outstanding balance of £518k. The vast majority of responses disputed the outstanding balance and we have not been provided with reliable information which could be used to chase outstanding balances, such as invoices.

We adopted an approach whereby we have pursued material debtor balances and pre-appointment commissions from auction proceeds. During the Period, we received a further £2k in book debts.

To date, this has resulted in the successful collection of £195,851 which can be seen in our receipts and payments account at Appendix A. No further realisations are expected from SGLB's debtor ledger.

Intercó debts

One of the companies in the wider group (Mallett Inc) entered into a Chapter 11 process in the USA, which led to a distribution of Mallett Inc's assets being made to its creditors, one of which being SGLB. During the Period, a balance of £43,600 was remitted to the estate in relation to this claim.

The original intercompany claim was £213k, but as part of the Chapter 11 process, the claim was agreed at 85%. The amount received to date represents 20.5% of the original claim, it is not clear whether there are further amounts to be realised from the Chapter 11 bankruptcy however we are making enquiries. This amount can be seen on the receipts and payments account at Appendix A.

AHB

According to the director's Statement of Affairs, at the date of appointment AHB's debtor book had a book value of £379k and an estimated to realise value of £50k. The difference highlighted reflects the Directors' view that the debtor book was likely to contain disputed balances in the same way as the SGLB figures.

During the Period, we were provided with the details of 15 potential debtors totalling £106k whom we have subsequently contacted. We have not yet had any receipts in relation to these and only one balance has been disputed to date. We anticipate that we will finalise this work in the next period and will provide an update in our next report.

As reported previously, we received £38,232 in relation to AHB commissions which are included within "Book debts" in the respective receipts and payments account at Appendix A. We're not aware of any further commission which is due.

Interco debts

AHB has a significant claim in SGLB's estate and the receipt of the dividend due from this claim would be required in order to pay AHB's Prescribed part distribution. Due to this, AHB's NOID will be issued a week or two later than SGLB's NOID, to allow time to receive the funds from SGLB's distribution.

Sundry debts & refunds

During the Period, we have realised £3,562 in sundry debts and refunds in relation to SGLB. This relates to a rates refund and accrued interest on the sale completion funds. There have been no realisations of sundry debts and refunds in AHB.

Pension scheme refund (SGLB)

We were advised that a former employee of SGLB opted out of the pension scheme which led to a refund of contributions being payable. During the Period, we received £570 from the pension scheme, of which £253 related to the employee contribution and the remainder being the employer contribution. The Purchaser repaid £253 to the former employee and we subsequently repaid this amount to the Purchaser.

The receipt and payment can be seen on the receipts and payments account at Appendix A.

Bank interest gross

During the Period, bank interest has been received totalling £27,425 in SGLB and £8,161 in AHB. We expect to receive further bank interest until we're in a position to distribute available funds to creditors.

Connected party transactions

As we have previously reported, the Purchaser of the Companies' business and assets is a connected person in relation as defined by the Regulations because it is a subsidiary of Phoenix, which is a secured creditor to SGLB and another Group company, TFAAG, with total debt outstanding of £28.6m. Phoenix is also the majority shareholder of the Group.

We are continuing to liaise with the Purchaser regarding ongoing trading and property matters, as well as receiving deferred consideration.

Administration extensions

The administrations were due to expire on 21 December 2024. As discussed in our previous report, due to the structure of the Sale including an element of deferred consideration, it was necessary to remain in office to receive the deferred consideration and to enable us to make distributions to the various classes of creditors. We therefore need to remain in office for longer than 12 months to fulfil our duties as Administrators. The extension was sought for a period of 12 months to 21 December 2025.

The extension was obtained via the consent of the Secured creditors and decision of the Preferential creditors in line with insolvency legislation, and was granted on 25 November 2024. The extension should allow for the remaining matters to be concluded.

Other issues

Leasehold properties- SGLB Only

As reported previously, the Joint Administrators agreed to provide the Purchaser with an initial period of occupation of six months for the two sites from which the Companies traded - the office and shop premises at 399 Strand, London and the Ringwood office in Hampshire. Both of these leases were in the name of Stanley Gibbons Limited (now SGLB). The leases did not form part of the Sale but the Purchaser wished to continue trading from the premises.

As part of the transaction, the estate was put in funds for an initial three month period to meet ongoing rent and other costs. The Joint Administrators have continued to facilitate the Purchaser occupying the premises whilst the Purchaser worked towards putting a longer term solution in place. Negotiations between the Purchaser and the landlord took longer than initially anticipated. The Ringwood office was vacated during the Period and on 11 December 2024, the Strand lease was surrendered by SGLB and a new lease was subsequently entered into between the landlord and the Purchaser.

Aside from concluding a reconciliation of all receipts and payments relating to the sublease agreement, we do not anticipate any further work on property related matters.

Transitional Services Agreement - SGLB Only

As part of the SPA, the Joint Administrators entered into a TSA with the Purchaser in which we agreed to provide banking services and certain other services to them. This included making payments to critical suppliers, payments to landlords as part of the sublease agreement and facilitating cash sweeps from the Companies' pre-appointment bank accounts to the Purchaser's new accounts. Although cash has been swept in relation to AHB, all of this has been covered within the TSA of SGLB.

During the Period, we continued to process cash sweeps from the pre-appointment bank accounts to the Purchaser's accounts. These relate to both funds due to the Purchaser and client specific funds, neither of which form part of the administration estates. This work continued for longer than we'd originally anticipated due to the length of time it took for the Purchaser to get adequate banking facilities in place. The Purchaser has now obtained the appropriate bank accounts and we are working with the Purchaser on a final reconciliation of funds, and will be sweeping the final amount to the Purchaser, in due course.

Statutory and compliance work

In addition to the work described above, during the Period we have also:

- Prepared and submitted the VAT returns (SGLB only) for the periods ended 30 June 2024 and 30 September 2024;
- Delivered our first progress report and associated filing at Companies House;
- Liaised with the Purchaser to prepare a further assignment of Trademarks;
- Sought approval on the basis of our remuneration from the Secured and Preferential creditors, including issuing a remuneration report and convening relevant decision procedures;
- Prepared and submitted pre-appointment tax returns for the period 31 March 2023 to 21 December 2023; and
- Prepared and submitted post-appointment tax returns for the period 22 December 2023 to 31 March 2024.

Further details of the statutory and compliance work we have done during the period can be seen in the table at Appendix C below.

Investigations and actions

Nothing has come to our attention during the period under review to suggest that we need to do any more work in line with our duties under the Company Directors' Disqualification Act 1986 and Statement of Insolvency Practice No.2.

Our receipts and payments account

We set out at Appendix A an account of our receipts and payments in the administration from 22 June 2024 to 21 December 2024.

Our expenses

We set out at Appendix B a statement of the expenses we've incurred to the date covered by this report and an estimate of our future expenses.

The statement excludes any potential tax liabilities that we may need to pay as an administration expense in due course because amounts due will depend on the position at the end of the tax accounting period.

Our fees

We set out at Appendix C an update on our remuneration which covers our fees, disbursements and other related matters in this case.

Pre-administration costs

You can find at Appendix D information about the approval of the unpaid pre-administration costs previously detailed in our proposals.

Creditors' rights

Creditors have the right to ask for more information within 21 days of receiving this report as set out in Rule 18.9 IR16. Any request must be in writing. Creditors can also challenge fees and expenses within eight weeks of receiving this report as set out in Rule 18.34. This information can also be found in the guide to fees at:

<https://www.icaew.com/-/media/corporate/files/regulations/insolvency/creditors-guides/2021/administration-creditor-fee-guide-1-april-2021.ashx>

You can also get a copy free of charge by telephoning Josh Liburd on 0113 289 4000.

What we still need to do

- Finalise TSA matters and sweep surplus funds to the Purchaser (SGLB only);
- Complete book debt collection (AHB only);
- Realise the deferred consideration;
- Deregister SGLB for VAT purposes but continue to recover VAT incurred on expenses for each estate;
- Finalise the position with HMRC, including submitting final tax returns for each estate;
- Agree and adjudicate unsecured creditor claims;
- Issue Notices of Intended Dividends;
- Make distributions to various classes of creditors (including Secondary preferential creditors, unsecured creditors and a distribution to Phoenix, under their floating charge);
- Draw our fees and expenses;
- Continue to prepare and issue progress reports as required by insolvency legislation; and
- Deal with closure matters including drafting and issuing the final progress report, closure of our internal systems, obtaining clearances from third parties and release of the Joint Administrators' bond.

Future dividends for creditor

We have provided an estimate of the amount and likely timing of dividends to the preferential and unsecured creditors in the Key Messages section at the beginning of this report.

Next steps

We are currently considering the best strategy for ending the administration. We'll provide an update on this in our next report.

We expect to send our next report to creditors at the end of the administration or in about six months, whichever is the sooner.

If you've got any questions, please get in touch with Josh Liburd on 0113 289 4000.

Yours faithfully
For and on behalf of

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Higgins', with a stylized, flowing script.

Tim Higgins
Joint Administrator

Appendix A: Receipts and payments

SGLB

Statement of Affairs	Notes	22 December 2023 to 21 June 2024	22 June 2024 to 21 December 2024	Total to 21 December 2024
£		£	£	£
Fixed charge assets				
10,000,000.00	Goodwill, Contracts and IP	9,999,998.00	-	9,999,998.00
1.00	Client accounts and client monies	1.00	-	1.00
4,000,000.00	1c Magenta Stamp	4,000,000.00	-	4,000,000.00
	Showpiece sale shares	1.00	-	1.00
		14,000,000.00	-	14,000,000.00
Fixed charge creditors				
28,358,000.00	Phoenix ("PAMP")	(14,000,000.00)	-	(14,000,000.00)
		(14,000,000.00)	-	(14,000,000.00)
Floating charge assets				
	Bank interest gross	20,854.96	27,425.37	48,280.33
150,000.00	Book debts	193,851.20	2,000.00	195,851.20
	Catalogue rights	1.00	-	1.00
	Customer data	1.00	-	1.00
	Intercompany debtors	-	43,581.76	43,581.76
2,468,000.00	Inventory	896,932.72	44,114.91	941,047.63
	Litigation claim	1.00	-	1.00
	Pension scheme refund	-	570.00	570.00
66,000.00	Plant & Machinery	65,850.00	-	65,850.00
69,000.00	Pre-appointment cash at bank	67,597.84	-	67,597.84
1,612,000.00	Ringfenced stock	581,030.38	28,204.62	609,235.00
	Royal Warrant	1.00	-	1.00
	Software	1.00	-	1.00
	Sundry debts & refunds	45,272.46	3,561.61	48,834.07
	Tax allowance / repayment of tax claim	1.00	-	1.00
		1,871,395.56	149,458.27	2,020,853.83

Cost of realisations

Data recovery costs		(1,925.00)	-	(1,925.00)
Employee pension contribution refund		-	(253.34)	(253.34)
Insurance		(224.00)	(224.00)	(448.00)
Pre-appointment legal fees	3	-	(80,024.12)	(80,024.12)
Pre-appointment agents' fees	3	-	(13,514.00)	(13,514.00)
Statutory advertising		(95.00)	-	(95.00)
		(2,244.00)	(94,015.46)	(96,259.46)

First ranking preferential creditors

Redundancy Payments Service	4	-	(7,543.21)	(7,543.21)
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Floating charge creditors

Phoenix ("PAMP")	2	(602,390.80)	-	(602,390.80)
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Floating charge balance

1,266,760.76	47,899.60	1,314,660.36
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Purchasers' funds

Funds received for Purchaser		510,816.21	57,737.78	568,553.99
Funds paid to the Purchaser		(510,816.21)	(57,737.78)	(568,553.99)
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Third party funds

TSA monies	6	2,750.00	(907.38)	1,842.62
Client accounts	5	55,543.67	(30,523.29)	25,020.38

VAT Control		-	(20,297.92)	(20,297.92)
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Barclays Bank Plc - interest bearing		1,266,760.76	27,601.68	1,294,362.44
TSA Account (non interest bearing)	6	2,750.00	(907.38)	1,842.62
Client account (non interest bearing)	5	55,543.67	(30,523.29)	25,020.38
		1,325,054.43	(3,828.99)	1,321,225.44

Notes to the SGLB R&P

1. These assets were sold as part of the Sale. However as noted above 61% of the deferred consideration received to date has been allocated to Inventory and 39% has been allocated to Ringfenced stock, During the Period, the realisations are £44,115 and £28,205 respectively.
2. These amounts reflect how much was distributed to the Purchaser via the credit bid.
3. The pre-administration costs were approved by the secured and preferential creditors on 13 November 2024.
4. On 19 December 2024 we paid a dividend to the first ranking preferential creditor at the rate of 100p in the £.
5. During the Period, we have continued to maintain the pre-appointment client accounts as there were delays faced by the Purchaser in obtaining bank accounts. The amounts in these accounts are third party client monies and do not form part of the administration estate. During the Period, we have swept funds paid into the pre-appointment bank accounts across to the Purchaser, as and when requested. A summary of these transactions can be seen below:

Client funds	22 December 2023 to	22 June 2024 to	Total to
	21 June 2024 (£)	21 December 2024 (£)	21 December 2024 (£)
Client account receipts	1,346,160.52	5,288.78	1,351,449.30
Client account funds swept to the Purchaser	(1,290,616.85)	(35,812.07)	(1,326,428.92)
	55,543.67	(30,523.29)	25,020.38

6. As noted above, a TSA has been in place in which we have facilitated payments between the Purchaser and key suppliers, including landlords, while the Purchaser arranged new banking facilities - these funds do not form part of the administration estate. A summary of the TSA receipts and payments can be seen below.

TSA Account	22 December 2023 to	22 June 2024 to	Total to
	21 June 2024 (£)	21 December 2024 (£)	21 December 2024 (£)
Funding for sublease agreement	225,208.92	280,074.88	505,283.80
Funding for other TSA transactions	44,163.75	-	44,163.75
Contribution to legal costs	-	4,600.00	4,600.00
Finance/ Bank interest and charges	-	(1,507.38)	(1,507.38)
Legal fees relating to sublease extension	-	(4,000.00)	(4,000.00)
Payments relating to sublease agreement	(254,341.42)	(280,074.88)	(534,416.30)
Payments of other TSA transactions	(12,281.25)	-	(12,281.25)
TSA surplus/ (deficit)	2,750.00	(907.38)	1,842.62

7. Amounts shown exclude VAT. Funds currently held may include monies due to HMRC or other members of a VAT group, or exclude monies which will be received in due course from these parties.

AHB

Statement of Affairs	Notes	22 December 2023 to 21 June 2024	22 June 2024 to 21 December 2024	Total to 21 December 2024
£		£	£	£
Fixed charge assets				
2,000,000.00	Goodwill, Contracts, IP	1,999,997.00	-	1,999,997.00
	Software	1.00	-	1.00
	Client Accounts and Client Monies	1.00	-	1.00
	Sixbid Shares	1.00	-	1.00
		2,000,000.00	-	2,000,000.00
Fixed charge creditors				
(28,553,000.00)	Phoenix ("PAMP")	(2,000,000.00)	-	(2,000,000.00)
		(2,000,000.00)	-	(2,000,000.00)
Floating charge assets				
	Bank interest gross	5,855.03	8,160.74	14,015.77
50,000.00	Book debts	38,231.92	-	38,231.92
	Catalogue rights	1.00	-	1.00
2,129,000.00	Inventory	1,589,259.87	39,440.58	1,628,700.45
	Plant & Machinery	1.00	-	1.00
80,000.00	Pre-appointment cash at bank	84,845.29	-	84,845.29
	Tax allowance claim credit	1.00	-	1.00
		1,718,195.11	47,601.32	1,765,796.43
Cost of realisations				
	Pre-appointment agents' fees	-	(3,128.00)	(3,128.00)
	Pre-appointment legal fees	-	(47,271.37)	(47,271.37)
	Statutory advertising	(95.00)	-	(95.00)
		(95.00)	(50,399.37)	(50,494.37)

First ranking preferential creditors

Redundancy Payments Service	5	-	(770.00)	(770.00)
		-	(770.00)	(770.00)

Floating charge creditors

Phoenix ("PAMP")	2	(1,338,093.00)		(1,338,093.00)
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Net receipts / payments		380,007.11	(3,568.05)	377,209.06
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Client funds

Client account receipts	3	17,501.62	3,602.07	21,103.69
Client account payments	3	(17,501.62)	(3,600.00)	(21,101.62)
		0.00	2.07	2.07

Purchasers' funds

Funds received for Purchaser	4	388,454.55	9,269.03	397,723.58
Funds paid to the Purchaser	4	(389,049.93)	(8,506.98)	(397,556.91)
		(595.38)	762.05	166.67

VAT Control		(19.00)	(10,236.54)	(10,255.54)
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Barclays Bank Plc - interest bearing		379,392.73	(13,042.54)	366,350.19
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Barclays Bank Plc - Client funds		-	2.07	2.07
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		379,392.73	(13,040.47)	366,352.26
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Notes to the AHB R&P

1. These assets were sold as part of the Sale. However 100% of AHB's deferred consideration receipts are allocated to Inventory and £39,441 has been realised during the Period.
2. These amounts reflect how much was distributed to the Purchaser via the credit bid.
3. As AHB held client funds, client monies have been maintained in a separate account, none of these amounts form part of the administration estate. These amounts can be seen in the receipts and payments account above.
4. As noted above, a TSA has been in place in which we have facilitated transfers between the Companies' pre-appointment bank accounts and the Purchasers' account as and when requested, these amounts do not form part of the administration estate. The TSA is with SGLB only and the costs incurred dealing with these matters will be sought directly from the Purchaser.
5. The pre-administration costs were approved by the secured and preferential creditors on 13 November 2024.
6. On 19 December 2024 we paid a dividend to the First ranking preferential creditors at the rate of 100p in the £.
7. Amounts shown exclude VAT. Funds currently held may include monies due to HMRC or other members of a VAT group, or exclude monies which will be received in due course from these parties.

Appendix B: Expenses

Expenses are amounts properly payable by us as administrators from the estate, but excludes our fees and distributions to creditors.

These include disbursements which are expenses met by and reimbursed to an office holder in connection with an insolvency appointment.

Expenses fall into two categories:

Expense	SIP 9 definition
Category 1	Payments to persons providing the service to which the expense relates who are not an associate of the office holder.
Category 2	Payments to our firm or our associates or which have an element of shared costs (for example, photocopying and mileage disbursements, or costs shared between different insolvent estates).

We don't need approval from creditors to draw Category 1 expenses as these have all been provided by third parties but we do need approval to draw Category 2 expenses. The body of creditors who approve our fees (in this case the Secured and Preferential creditors) also has the responsibility for agreeing the basis for payment of Category 2 expenses.

The rate for services provided by the Administrators' own firm (Category 2 expenses) may periodically rise (for example to cover annual inflationary cost increases) over the period of the administration. All other disbursements to be charged at cost.

The following table provides a breakdown of the Category 2 expenses incurred in the period, together with details of the Category 1 expenses that have been incurred as disbursements by PwC and will be recharged to the case.

Category	Provided by	Policy	Costs incurred (£)	
			SGLB	AHB
		Photocopying - Up to 20 pence per side copied, only charged for circulars to creditors and other bulk copying.	2.78	-
	2 PwC			
	1 PwC	Postage	7.17	7.15
		Total for the period	9.95	7.15
		Brought forward total	2,776.20	710.49
		Cumulative total	2,786.15	717.64

The expense policy set out above has been approved by the Secured and Preferential creditors in accordance with insolvency legislation.

The tables below provides details of all the expenses incurred in the administration:

SGLB

Nature of expenses	Pre-administration costs (£)	Brought forward from preceding period (£)	Incurred in the period under review (£)	Cumulative (£)	Estimated future (£)	Anticipated total (£)	Initial estimate (£)	Variance (£)
Data recovery costs	-	1,540.00	-	1,540.00	-	1,540.00	1,540.00	-
Statutory advertising	-	95.00	-	95.00	180.00	275.00	275.00	-
Insurance	-	224.00	224.00	448.00	-	448.00	424.00	(24.00)
Pre-appointment legal fees	80,024.12	-	-	80,024.12	-	80,024.12	80,024.12	-
Employee pension contribution refund	-	-	253.34	253.34	-	-	-	-
Legal fees and expenses	-	13,215.00	12,670.50	25,885.50	5,000.00	30,885.50	18,215.00	(12,670.50)
Pre-appointment agent's fees	13,514.00	-	-	13,514.00	-	13,514.00	13,514.00	-
Pre-appointment Administrators' fees	305,117.40	-	-	305,117.40	-	305,117.40	305,117.40	-
Administrators' category 2 expenses	-	1,620.95	2.78	1,623.73	876.27	2,500.00	2,500.00	-
Administrators' category 1 expenses	-	1,155.25	7.17	1,162.42	837.58	2,000.00	2,000.00	-
Total	398,655.52	17,850.20	13,157.79	429,663.51	6,893.85	436,304.02	423,609.52	(12,694.50)

The table excludes any potential tax liabilities that we may need to pay as an administration expense because amounts becoming due will depend on the position at the end of the tax accounting period.

The bank charges incurred in the Period have been recharged to the Purchaser as these payments were incurred due to the cash sweeps we've performed for the Purchaser, as part of the TSA. The bank charges previously included were fully recharged to the Purchaser and therefore have not been included here in the above table.

Included in legal fees is £2,500 plus VAT which the Purchaser has agreed to pay, in respect of additional work requested by them in relation to purchased trademarks.

In our previous progress report, the pre-appointment agents' fees had been incorrectly classified as Professional fees, this has been updated in the table above.

SGLB - TSA related expenses

We set out below a table of TSA related expenses. As can be seen from note 6 of our receipts and payments account at Appendix A, TSA related expenses have been met from funds provided by the Purchaser, rather than the Company, and we expect the TSA receipts and payments to net off to zero in due course. For completeness we have listed below the TSA related expenses and again, this table should be read in conjunction with note 6 of Appendix A, which shows expenses actually paid during the period and the total paid to date:

Nature of expenses	Expenses incurred under the TSA (£)	Estimated future (£)	Total TSA expenses incurred (£)
Finance/ Bank interest and charges	(1,507.38)	-	(1,507.38)
Legal fees relating to sublease extension	(4,000.00)	-	(4,000.00)
Payments relating to sublease agreement	(534,416.30)	-	(534,416.30)
Payments of other TSA transactions (Printing)	(12,281.25)	-	(12,281.25)
Total	(552,204.93)	-	(552,204.93)

The tables above should be read in conjunction with the receipts and payments account at Appendix A, which show expenses actually paid during the period and the total paid to date.

AHB

Nature of expenses	Pre-administration costs (£)	Brought forward from preceding period (£)	Incurred in the period under review (£)	Cumulative (£)	Estimated future (£)	Anticipated total (£)	Initial estimate (£)	Variance (£)
Statutory advertising	-	95.00	-	95.00	180.00	275.00	275.00	-
Legal fees and expenses	-	9,309.33	-	9,309.33	5,000.00	14,309.33	14,309.33	-
Pre-appointment agents' fees	3,128.00	-	-	3,128.00	-	3,128.00	3,128.00	-
Pre-appointment Administrators' fees	118,322.10	-	-	118,322.10	-	118,322.10	118,322.10	-
Pre-appointment legal fees	47,271.37	-	-	47,271.37	-	47,271.37	47,271.37	-
Administrators' category 2 expenses	-	296.74	-	296.74	1,203.26	1,500.00	1,500.00	-
Administrators' category 1 expenses	-	413.75	7.15	420.90	1,079.10	1,500.00	1,500.00	-
Total	168,721.47	10,114.82	7.15	178,843.44	7,462.36	186,305.80	186,305.80	-

The table excludes any potential tax liabilities that we may need to pay as an administration expense because amounts becoming due will depend on the position at the end of the tax accounting period.

The bank charges previously included were fully recharged to the Purchaser and therefore have not been included here and can be seen on the SGLB - TSA Expenses table.

In our previous progress report, the pre-appointment agents' fees had been incorrectly classified as Professional fees, this has been updated in the table above.

The table should be read in conjunction with the receipts and payments account at Appendix A, which show expenses actually paid during the period and the total paid to date.

Appendix C: Remuneration update

Basis of remuneration

During the period of this report, we took steps to seek approval for the basis of our remuneration and expenses policy.

Our fees were approved on the following bases:

- A fixed fee basis for each administration,
- A percentage of realisations basis (SGLB only), being 100% of the contribution to cost realisations received by the Company from the Purchaser in respect of the Administrators' time attending to matters under the TSA.

These bases were approved via a decision of the Preferential creditors on 27 August 2024 and consent was also provided by the Secured creditors.

As this report is our first report issued after the basis of our remuneration has been fixed, we include below the details of the remuneration charged in the previous period to 21 June 2024.

Percentage of realisations basis (100%) - Relates to TSA work in SGLB only

Since the start of the administration, a transitional services agreement ("TSA") has been in place to assist the Purchaser with various post sale matters, which are of no direct benefit to the administration estate but have helped the Purchaser maintain the business, post sale.

Some of the post sale matters were included in the SPA as obligations as part of the transaction, including payments to key suppliers. However, some work we have undertaken (such as cash sweeps) have continued for longer than initially anticipated, and we've had to extend the agreement of the sublease.

The percentage of realisations basis was proposed for the following reasons:

- It is a simple mechanism which enables us to determine the contribution required from the Purchaser by reference to our time spent, and draw that amount on a 100% basis - ensuring that any additional work required can be met by the Purchaser.
- It is a mechanism by which we can segregate our remuneration for work which is not directly in connection with our statutory duties as joint administrators, is not for the benefit of creditors, and is being performed solely at the request of the Purchaser; and
- Fees approved on a percentage of realisations basis do not require the same level of analysis as fees approved on a time costs basis. Therefore by separating these costs, we are avoiding unnecessary costs of additional reporting which would be of no interest or benefit to creditors.

To date, we have not received any funding for the contribution to costs and therefore have not drawn any fees under this basis.

Fixed Fee basis

We received approval for our remuneration in respect of the work undertaken in the administrations on a fixed fee basis.

Our approved fixed fee (excluding VAT) for each of the Companies is as follows:

Company	Approved fixed fee (£)
SGLB	495,000
AHB	382,000
Total	877,000

We set out later in this Appendix details of our work to date, anticipated future work, subcontracted work and payments to associates.

Payments to associates

No payments have been made to associates or any party who could reasonably be perceived as an associate during the period of this report. Relevant parties have been chosen due to their specific area of expertise or technical knowledge and payments to those parties based on standard commercial terms.

Our work in the period

Whilst this is not an exhaustive list, in the following table we provide more detail on the key areas of work

Work undertaken	Why the work was necessary	What, if any, financial benefit the work provided to creditors OR whether it was required by statute
Accounting and treasury		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performed independent verifications of suppliers' bank details in order to process payments Dealt with receipts, payments and journals Carried out bank reconciliations and managed the investment of funds Ensured that invoices reflected the work undertaken VAT accounting Maintained separate accounts for client funds Liaised with Barclays regarding specific transfers and the closures of the pre-appointment bank accounts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complying with statutory and regulatory duties regarding the holding and accounting of funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory and regulatory duties regarding the holding and accounting of funds
Assets		
Property (SGLB only)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extended the period of the sublease agreement Liaised directly with the landlord in relation to ongoing property matters Finalised the sublease agreement following the new lease taking place between the Purchaser and the Landlord 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To realise funds for the benefit of creditors To ensure that minimal unnecessary time was spent in chasing customers with no outstanding balance, therefore minimising costs for the Administration estate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To realise funds for the benefit of creditors
Book debts (AHB)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liaised directly with the Company to obtain accurate accounting records Reviewed information from the Company with regard to debtor balances Sent initial communications to potential debtors 		

Book debts (SGLB only)

- Finalised book debt collections
- Received final book debts

Creditors**Secured creditors**

- Liaised with the Secured creditor with regard to the administrations

- Work is required by statute and for the proper management of the case

- Required by statute

First and Secondary preferential creditors

- Liaised with the RPS to finalise their claim in the administrations
- Adjudicated the RPS's claim in the administrations
- Declared and paid a first and final distribution to the first ranking preferential creditors
- Corresponded via email, post and telephone with HMRC regarding its claims in the administrations

Unsecured creditors

- Received proof of debt forms and maintained a register
- Responded to queries from creditors via telephone, email and post
- Lodged creditor claims received and dealt with creditor queries via post, email and telephone

Statutory and compliance

- Prepared and issued our first progress report of the administrations
 - Prepared and issued our remuneration report
 - Prepared and issued notices and ran a decision procedure for the approval of our remuneration
 - Sought consent of the Secured creditors to extend the administration term
 - Reviewed Secured creditor consent forms as received
- Required by statute
 - Required by statute

- Prepared and issued a deemed consent notice to preferential creditors in order to extend the period of administration
- Filed notices to confirm the administrations have been extended
- Prepared a six month review to monitor the progression of the case

Strategy and Planning

- Held regular team meetings and discussions regarding status of the administrations and progress of different work streams within the administrations
- Completed checklists and diary management system
- To ensure efficient management of the administration
- Necessary for administrative purposes and/ or complying with statutory requirements

Tax and VAT

- Prepared and submitted pre-appointment tax returns for the period 31 March 2023 to 21 December 2023
- Prepared and submitted post-appointment tax returns for the period 22 December 2023 to 31 March 2024
- Prepared and submitted the VAT return for the period ended 30 June 2024 for SGLB
- Prepared and submitted the VAT return for the period ended 30 September 2024 for SGLB
- To comply with statutory duties
- Necessary for administrative purposes and/ or complying with statutory requirements

TSA (SGLB only)

- Liaised with Barclays regarding specific cash sweeps
- Reconciled amounts swept to amounts requested
- Raised cash sweep payments to the Purchaser
- Ensured specific approvals had been given to facilitate the cash sweeps
- Liaised with the Purchaser's finance team to agree instructions/sweeps
- Liaised with lawyers and the Landlord to assist with facilitating the new lease
- Discussions with management on key suppliers
- Necessary to achieve the purpose of administration
- Necessary to achieve the purpose of administration

Our previous work

As this progress report is the first to be issued following the approval of the basis of our fees, below are details of things done by the administrators in previous periods.

Work undertaken	Why the work was necessary	What, if any, financial benefit the work provided to creditors OR whether it was required by statute
Accounting and treasury		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opened bank accounts Performed independent verifications of suppliers' bank details in order to process payments Dealt with receipts, payments and journals Carried out bank reconciliations and managed the investment of funds Ensured that invoices reflected the work undertaken Liaised with the Companies' pre appointment bankers VAT accounting Maintained separate accounts for client funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complying with statutory and regulatory duties regarding the holding and accounting of funds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory and regulatory duties regarding the holding and accounting of funds
Assets		
Pre-Packaged sale of the Company's business and assets		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed the sale of a substantial proportion of the Companies' business and assets to the Purchaser Prepared our SIP 16 disclosure on the pre-packaged sale Assisted the Purchaser with post sale requirements Set up the process for the sublease agreement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To realise funds for the benefit of creditors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To realise funds for the benefit of creditors
Property (SGLB only)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managed the sublease agreements granted to the Purchaser for an initial period of six months Granted an extension to the Purchaser to facilitate agreement between the Purchaser and the landlord Liaised directly with the landlord in relation to ongoing property matters 		
Book debts (AHB)		

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- Liaised directly with the Company to obtain accurate accounting records
 - Receipt of book debts due to the Company

Book debts (SGLB only)

- Reconciled/ cleansed the debtor ledger provided by the Company, including removal of intra-group and negative balances and significant correspondence with the Purchaser to query balances;
- Prepared and sent initial correspondence to the Company's debtors to request payment of the outstanding balance;
- Entered into significant correspondence with both debtors and the Purchaser regarding balances which debtors advised were not due;
- Accessed the Company's former system to review outstanding invoices;
- Multiple rounds of correspondence chasing payment; and
- Kept detailed records of correspondence with all debtors; and
- Receipt of book debts due to the Company

- To ensure that minimal unnecessary time was spent in chasing customers with no outstanding balance, therefore minimising costs for the Administration estate.

Creditors

Creditor enquiries

- Set up a dedicated website for delivery of initial and ongoing communications and reports
- Notified all creditors of our appointment
- Invited all creditors to submit claims in the estates
- Responded to queries from creditors via telephone, email and post
- Lodged all creditor claims received and dealt with creditor queries via post, email and telephone

- Work is required by statute and for the proper management of the case.

- Required by statute

Secured creditors

- Prepared accounting entries for a fixed charge distribution via the credit bid
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- Prepared accounting entries for a floating charge distribution via the credit bid

First and Secondary preferential creditors

- Liaised with pension companies and HMRC to receive their final claims in the administration estates

Unsecured creditors

- Received proof of debt forms and maintained a register
- Reviewed Company information to ensure all creditors have been notified of the administration and writing to creditors where applicable

Investigations

- Conducted an initial assessment as to whether there could be any matters that might lead to potential recoveries for the estates
 - Attended site to secure and catalogue the Company's hard copy records
 - Collected Company records where related to investigatory work
 - Conducted a data capture process of the Companies' electronic records, including email data for key personnel and a backup of the Companies' financial accounting data
 - Reviewed work in relation to the information and documentation obtained
 - Prepared investigation file and reported findings to the Director Conduct Reporting Service
 - Reviewed financial statements, board minutes and other key documentation
- Required by statute
 - Required by statute

Statutory and compliance

- Prepared and issued all necessary initial letters and notices regarding the administration and our appointment
 - Requested completion of the director's Statement of Affairs
 - Filed the director's Statement of Affairs at Companies House
 - Drafted and reviewed a statement of Proposals to creditors including preparing a receipts and payments account, estimated financial position and statutory information
 - Prepared and issued our SIP16 disclosure on the pre-packaged sale
 - Circulated notice of the Proposals to creditors, members and the Registrar of Companies
 - Updated creditors and the Registrar of Companies on the deemed approval of the Proposals
 - Retrieved Company books and records including taking a back up of electronic data
 - Prepared this progress report giving details of the work we expect to carry out during the cas and the expenses that are likely to be incurred
 - Prepared our remuneration report in order to convene a decision procedure for preferential creditors, and obtain consent from the secured creditors, in order to seek approval of our remuneration and other case related matters
 - Filed documents
- Required by statute
- Required by statute

Employees and pensions

- Drafted, issued and delivered initial communications and announcements
 - Issued statutory notices
 - Obtained pension information from the Companies
 - Liaised with the former pension provider to deal with the pension schemes
 - Submitted RP14 forms
- Required by statute
- Required by statute

Strategy and Planning

- Completed tasks relating to job acceptance
- Prepared fee budgets and monitoring of costs
- Held regular team meetings and discussions regarding status of the administrations and progress of different work streams within the administrations
- Completed checklists and diary management system
- To ensure efficient management of the administration
- Necessary for administrative purposes and/ or complying with statutory requirements

Tax and VAT

- Notified HMRC of the appointments
- Gathered information for the initial VAT review
- Conducted VAT review
- Prepared and submitted the VAT return for the period ended 31.03.2024 for SGLB
- Prepared and submitted the VAT return for the period ended 31.05.2024 for AHB
- Deregistered AHB for VAT purposes
- Prepared the pre-appointment tax returns
- Established an understanding of the Companies' tax position
- To comply with statutory duties
- Necessary for administrative purposes and/ or complying with statutory requirements

TSA (SGLB only)

- Liaised with Barclays regarding specific cash sweeps
- Reconciled amounts swept to amounts requested
- Raised cash sweep payments to the Purchaser
- Ensured specific approvals had been given to facilitate the cash sweeps
- Liaised with management
- Liaised with suppliers
- Dealt with merchant service providers for the continued facilitation of services
- Discussions with management on key suppliers
- Necessary to achieve the purpose of administration
- Necessary to achieve the purpose of administration

Our future work

We still need to do the following work to achieve the purpose of administration.

Work undertaken	What, if any, financial benefit the work provided to creditors OR whether it was required by statute
Accounting and treasury	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deal with receipts, payments and journals• Perform independent verifications of suppliers' bank details in order to process payments• Perform independent verifications of payees' bank details in order to process payments• Draw remuneration• Carry out bank reconciliations and manage the investment of funds• Correspond with the bank regarding specific transfers• Close bank accounts upon finalisation of the Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Statutory and regulatory duties regarding the holding and accounting of funds
Assets	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue to liaise with the Purchaser regarding timings and amounts of deferred consideration payments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To realise funds for the benefit of creditors
Book debts (AHB only)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue to liaise with both debtors and the Purchaser regarding balances which debtors advised were not due• Further correspondence to chase payment• Maintain detailed records of correspondence with all debtors• Liaise with debtors regarding outstanding amounts and receipting book debts• Undertake a final reconciliation of debtors and ensure that collectible amounts have been collected	

Creditors

- Liaise with HMRC to receive and adjudicate on any Secondary preferential claim
- Prepare and pay a distribution to the Secondary preferential creditor, if required
- Calculating the final net property and the Prescribed Part in each estate
- Making a final floating charge distribution
- Advertise and give notice of our intention to declare dividends
- Deal with any rejected claims (if applicable)
- Adjudicate claims, including requesting further information from creditors
- Calculate dividend rate and prepare a dividend file
- Make a distribution from Ringfenced stock to the pension scheme creditor
- Prepare and distribute the Prescribed part
- Deal with any unclaimed dividends (including payment of these over to the Insolvency Service Unclaimed dividend account)
- Required by statute

Employees and Pensions

- Ensure all matters relating to the pension schemes are concluded
- Issue cease to act notices
- Required by statute

Statutory and compliance

- Deal with the Companies' records
- Prepare and issue 6 monthly progress reports and final report and filing of associated documents
- Prepare six monthly case reviews
- Update checklists and diary management system
- Required by statute

Strategy and Planning

- Strategy meetings with case staff to discuss distribution and closure strategies
- Obtain clearances from third parties
- Complete checklists and diary management system
- Close down internal systems
- File relevant forms with the registrar of companies to exit administration
- Necessary for administrative purposes and for complying with statutory requirements

Tax and VAT

- Prepare and issue tax computations
- Liaise with HMRC as required
- Prepare and submit VAT returns until deregistration (SGLB) only
- Prepare VAT 426 forms to recover VAT on expenses after deregistration
- Required by statute

Closure and exit routes

- Plan the closure strategy
- Shut down internal systems
- Final review of the case
- Obtain clearances from third parties
- Completing checklists and diary management system
- Required by statute

TSA (SGLB only)

- Final reconciliation of all TSA related funds and pay sweep remaining funds to the Purchaser
- Necessary for administrative purposes and for complying with statutory requirements

Our relationships

We have no business or personal relationships with the parties who approve our fees or who provide services to the administration where the relationship could give rise to a conflict of interest.

Details of subcontracted work

There was no work passed to subcontractors during the period of this report.

Legal and other professional firms

We've instructed the following professionals on this case:

Service provided	Name of firm	Reason selected	Basis of fees and actual/estimated cost of the work
Legal advice, including: Post sale matters including advice to the Joint Administrators	Eversheds Sutherland LLP	Industry knowledge and insolvency expertise	Time costs and disbursements SGLB <i>Actual cost in the Period: £13,157,67, plus VAT and disbursements of £57.33</i> AHB <i>Actual cost in the Period: £9,270.33, plus VAT and disbursements of £39.00</i>
Specialist IT services including: Data preservation of the Companies' records	QuoStar Solutions Limited	Industry knowledge	SGLB Set amount <i>Actual cost: £1,848.00</i>
Insurance: Insurance advice	Howden Insurance Brokers Limited	Industry knowledge and Insolvency expertise	SGLB Set amount <i>Actual cost: £224.00</i>

Appendix D: Pre-administration costs

The table below provides details of costs which were incurred before our appointment as Joint Administrators but with a view to the Companies entering administration. Details of the work done and expenses incurred follow:

	Details of agreement including date and parties to it	Paid amount (£)	Payment made by	Unpaid amount (£)	Nature of the payment
AHB: PwC as Administrators-in-waiting	Letter of engagement between the Company and PwC, dated 6 December 2023	13,905.00	SGLB	118,322.10	Work undertaken as proposed Joint Administrators as detailed below.
SGLB: PwC as Administrators-in-waiting	Letter of engagement between the Company and PwC, dated 6 December 2023	32,445.00	SGLB	305,117.40	Work undertaken as proposed Joint Administrators as detailed below.
Bird & Bird <i>SGLB: 5,973.62</i> <i>AHB: 10,226.37</i>	Pre-administration legal services. Engagement between Bird & Bird and the Group	16,199.99	SGLB AHB	16,199.99	Work undertaken in relation to placing the Companies into Administration.
<i>SGLB disbursements</i>				57.50	
<i>AHB disbursements</i>				57.50	
Eversheds <i>SGLB: 73,975.00</i> <i>AHB: 36,987.50</i>	Pre-administration legal services. No formal engagement letter	110,962.50	SGLB AHB	110,962.50	Legal advice in relation to the sale of the business and assets of the Companies
<i>SGLB disbursements</i>				18.00	
Hilco <i>SGLB: £20,514</i> <i>AHB: £5,128</i>	Pre-administration valuation services. Engagement letter between Hilco and SGLB/AHB	12,000 SGLB 3,000 AHB	The Stanley Gibbons Group Plc	8,514 SGLB 2,128 AHB	Valuation work of the Companies' assets.
<i>SGLB disbursements</i>				5,000.00	
<i>AHB disbursements</i>				1,000.00	
Total		61,350		567,359	

The pre-administration costs were approved to be paid as expenses of the administration on 27 August 2024 via a decision of the Preferential creditors and consent also provided by Secured creditors. During the Period, we have paid all pre-administration costs to all third parties listed above, being Bird & Bird, Eversheds and Hilco. We will be drawing our pre-administration fees in due course.

Appendix E: Other information

Court details for the administration:	High Court of Justice Business and Property Courts of England and Wales Insolvency & Companies List (ChD) CR-2023-007177
Company's registered name:	SGLB Realisations (2023) Limited (formerly Stanley Gibbons Limited)
Trading name:	Stanley Gibbons
Registered number:	00348043
Registered address:	399 Strand, London, England, WC2R 0LX
Date of the joint administrators' appointment:	22 December 2023
Joint administrators' names, addresses and contact details:	Edward Williams and Tim Higgins of PwC LLP, One Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3AX Peter Dickens of PwC LLP, 1 Hardman Square, Manchester M3 3EB
Extension(s) to the initial period of appointment:	The period of the administration has been extended by 12 months to 21 December 2025

Court details for the administration:	High Court of Justice Business and Property Courts of England and Wales Insolvency & Companies List (ChD) CR-2023-007253
Company's registered name:	A.H.Baldwin & Sons Limited
Trading name:	Baldwin's
Registered number:	00162789
Registered address:	399 Strand, London, England, WC2R 0LX
Date of the joint administrators' appointment:	22 December 2023
Joint administrators' names, addresses and contact details:	Edward Williams and Tim Higgins of PwC LLP, One Chamberlain Square, Birmingham B3 3AX Peter Dickens of PwC LLP, 1 Hardman Square, Manchester M3 3EB
Extension(s) to the initial period of appointment:	The period of the administration has been extended by 12 months to 21 December 2025
