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### 1 Company details

Company number 0 4 4 5 6 4 9 4

Company name in full Woodford Group Plc

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Please complete in typescript or in bold black capitals.

### 2 Liquidator's name

Full forename(s) Daniel James Mark

Surname Smith

### 3 Liquidator's address

Building name/number PO Box 500

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Post town Manchester

County/Region

Postcode M 6 0 2 A T

Country

### 4 Liquidator's name ①

Full forename(s) Daniel Francis

Surname Butters

① Other liquidator  
Use this section to tell us about another liquidator.

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Street Leeds

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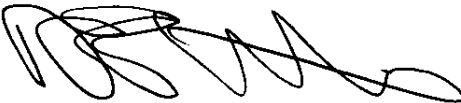
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To date	<sup>d</sup> 2	<sup>d</sup> 1	<sup>m</sup> 0	<sup>m</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 2	<sup>y</sup> 0	<sup>y</sup> 1	<sup>y</sup> 8	

**7** Progress report

The progress report is attached

**8** Sign and date

Liquidator's signature	Signature X		X						
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- The company name and number match the information held on the public Register.
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**You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the address below:**

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**Woodford Group Plc  
(In Liquidation)  
Joint Liquidators' Summary of Receipts & Payments**

Statement of Affairs £	From 22/01/2017 To 21/01/2018 £	From 22/01/2016 To 21/01/2018 £
	<u>NIL</u>	<u>NIL</u>
REPRESENTED BY		<u>NIL</u>

Note:



Daniel James Mark Smith  
Joint Liquidator

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## **Woodford Group Plc (in liquidation)** **("the Company")**

Progress report to creditors for the 12 month period to 21 January 2018 pursuant to Rule 18.8 of the Insolvency (England & Wales) Rules 2016 ("the Rules").






W K Dawson and D F Butters ("the Joint Liquidators") were appointed Joint Liquidators of Woodford Group Plc by the Court following cessation of the administration on 22 January 2016. W K Dawson retired on 31 May 2017 and D J M Smith was appointed as succeeding appointee by court order dated 9 May 2017. All licensed Insolvency Practitioners of Deloitte LLP ("Deloitte") are licensed in the UK to act as Insolvency Practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

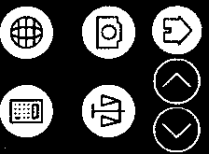
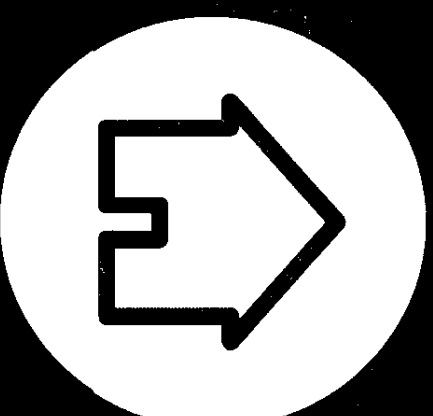
For the purposes of Section 231 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (as amended), ("the Act"), the Joint Liquidators confirm that they are authorised to carry out all functions, duties and powers by either of them jointly and severally.

Council Regulation (EU) No 2015/848 applies and these are the main proceedings as defined in Article 3(1) of that regulation.

Court Case No. 2052 of 2016  
High Court of Justice,  
Manchester District Registry,  
Chancery Division  
Company Number: 04456494

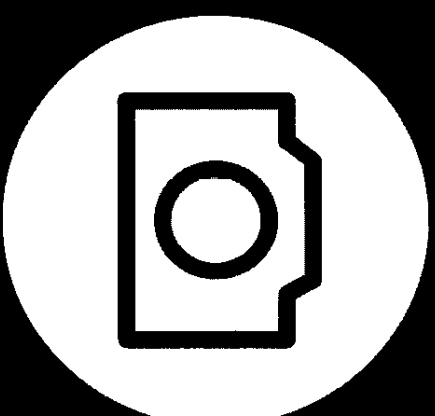
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# Key messages



## Key messages

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[liquidation.aspx](http://liquidation.aspx)

Tel: 0161 455 8144



### Progress of the liquidation during the report period

### Commentary

The corporate simplification exercise of the Company's subsidiaries is ongoing. The work is being undertaken by Cowgill Holloway LLP ("Cowgills"). The process is managed by the Group's Directors who are updating the Secured Creditor directly.

- No preferential claims have been received during the report period.
- No unsecured creditor claims have been received during the report period.

### Costs

- Our fees have been fixed on a time cost basis in the preceding administration. HSBC Bank Plc ("HSBC", "the Secured Creditor") has agreed to fund the costs of the liquidation (£3,000 per annum) by private treaty.
- Third party costs of £12,40 have been incurred in the report period.
- No Category 2 disbursements have been incurred in the report period. Please refer to page 13 for further details.

### Outstanding matters

- The completion of the corporate simplification exercise of the subsidiary entities.
- The finalisation of matters in relation to the Company's share interests.

### Dividend prospects

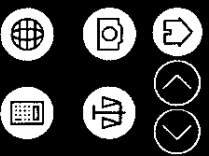
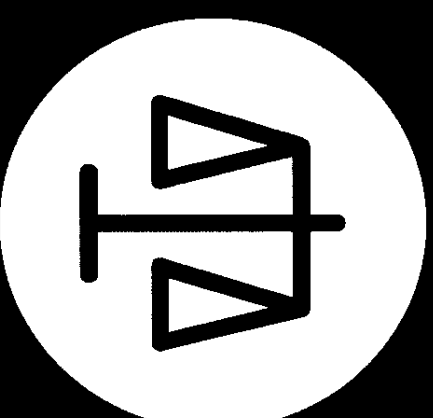
- We do not anticipate any distributions from the liquidation.
- The Secured Creditor has suffered a significant shortfall and will not be paid in full.
- No preferential or unsecured claims have been received during the report period. In light of the shortfall suffered by the Secured Creditor, we do not anticipate any funds to be available to distribute to unsecured creditors.





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# Progress of the liquidation Summary

## Progress of the liquidation

W K Dawson retired on 31 May 2017 and D J M Smith was appointed as succeeding appointee by court order dated 9 May 2017.

The purpose of the compulsory liquidation is to assist the orderly disposal of the subsidiary companies' assets and the ultimate closure of the subsidiaries in a managed wind down in order to maximise the recoveries for the Secured Creditor under its cross-guarantee over the group entities.

This corporate simplification exercise is ongoing and is being undertaken by Cowgills. The process is overseen by the Company's former Directors, who are also the Directors of all group entities.

It is anticipated that the Secured Creditor will still suffer a shortfall despite the outcome of the corporate simplification exercise.

### Work done during the report period

We have continued to fulfil the statutory requirements, such as statutory reporting and corporation tax return filing, during the report period.

### Asset Realisations

The shares in subsidiary entities are the only remaining assets of the Company. At present, no value is being attributed to these shares, primarily due to the significant shortfall suffered by the Secured Creditor, which has a cross-guarantee over the group entities.

### Estimated future realisations

No future realisations are anticipated.

## Statutory tasks

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

- case management;
- statutory reporting;
- corporation tax return filing; and
- case reviews.

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

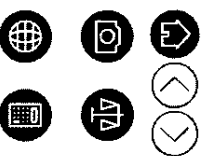
### Cost of the work done during the report period

The following costs were incurred during the report period:

- Joint Liquidators' remuneration and expenses. Further information on these costs is provided on page 10.

The Joint Liquidators time costs for the report period have not yet been paid. The Secured Creditor has agreed to fund the Joint Liquidators' costs of £3,000 per annum by private treaty. Thus, these costs will be not be settled from the realisations and will not be reflected in the receipts and payments account in the future.

The costs for the prior year of the liquidation have been paid during the report period.



# Progress of the liquidation

## Receipts and payments

### Joint Liquidators' receipts and payments account

#### 22 Jan 2016 to 21 Jan 2018

	£	SoA values	Notes	Period	To date
Receipts		-		-	-
Total receipts		-		-	-
Payments				-	-
Total payments				-	-
Balance					-

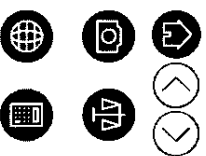
A receipts and payments account is provided opposite. There have been no receipts and payments during the report period to 21 January 2018, and since our appointment.

#### Notes to receipts and payments account

Note 1 – No future realisations are anticipated.

No claims have been received by preferential or unsecured creditors.

As discussed previously, HSBC has agreed to fund the liquidation and settle the Joint Liquidators' fees of £3,000 per annum.

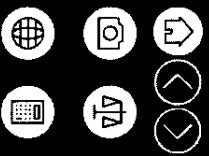
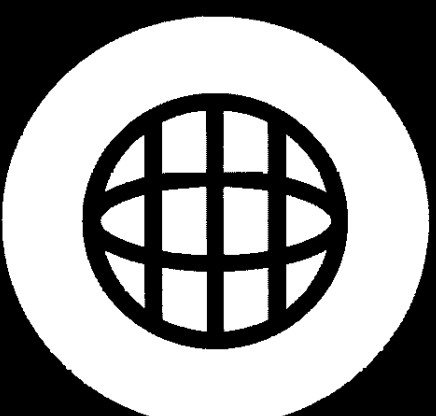




# Information for creditors

Outcome

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## Information for creditors Outcome

### Secured creditors

The Secured Creditor submitted a claim of £24,768,319 in respect of the Company's borrowings as at the date of the Joint Administrators' appointment. Distributions totalling £5,087,073 were made during the course of the administration. No future distributions are anticipated.

The Statement of Affairs showed an amount owing to the Secured Creditor of £122,800,000, which was based on the Group's total indebtedness to HSBC by virtue of a cross-guarantee in place between the Company and its subsidiaries as at the date of the Joint Administrators' appointment.

### Preferential creditors

No preferential claims have been received.

### Prescribed Part

The Prescribed Part does not apply as the Company's floating charge pre-dates the timeframe set out in the Enterprise Act 2002.

### Unsecured creditors

No claims have been received from unsecured creditors. In light of the shortfall to the Secured Creditor, there will be no funds available to distribute to unsecured creditors.

### Claims process – creditors with debts of £1,000 or less

You do not need to prove your debt for dividend purposes if the amount you are owed is £1,000 or less.

We will notify you if funds become available for dividend purposes. Your claim will be admitted in the amount shown in the Company's records/statement of affairs. If you disagree with that amount you will be provided with an opportunity to notify us of the correct amount.

### Claims process – creditors with debts of more than £1,000

Unsecured creditors with claims of more than £1,000 are invited to submit their claims to us by completing a proof of debt form, which is available on the administration website and which should be sent to the address on page 3, marked for the attention of Gabija Rudinskyte.

As there is no prospect of a distribution for unsecured creditors, we do not intend to undertake any work to agree any creditor claims received.

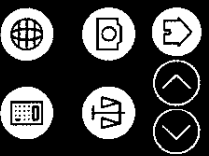
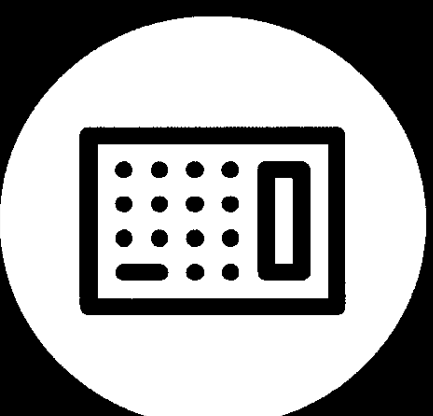




## Remuneration and expenses

Joint Liquidators' remuneration

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### Joint Liquidators' remuneration

"A Creditors' Guide to Remuneration" is available for download at [www.deloitte-insolvencies.co.uk](http://www.deloitte-insolvencies.co.uk).

Should you require a paper copy, please send your request in writing to us at the address on the front of this report and this will be provided to you at no cost.

### Basis of remuneration

The basis of our remuneration was fixed on 24 October 2009 by the Secured Creditor in the preceding administration by reference to the time properly given by the Joint Administrators and their staff in attending to matters arising in the administration calculated at the prevailing standard hourly charge out rates used by Deloitte at the time when the work is performed, plus VAT.

As no further realisations are anticipated, the Joint Liquidators will not be drawing fees from the case realisations.

The Secured Creditor has agreed to fund the Joint Liquidators' costs of £3,000 per annum, which is based on the Joint Liquidators' fee estimate for dealing with statutory matters.

### Time costs incurred

Our time costs for the period are £20,231 made up of 44.85 hours at an average charge out rate of £451.08/hour across all grades of staff.

Since the date of our appointment to 21 January 2018, we have incurred total time costs of £34,021 made up of 70.85 of hours at an average charge out rate of £480.18/hour across all grades of staff.

Details of the time costs incurred and charge out rates is provided on the following pages. Time is charged in six minute increments. Creditors may request a detailed breakdown of the time costs incurred by writing to the address at the front of this report.

### Charge out rates

#### Restructuring Services charge out rates (£/hour)

Grade	From 1 Sept 2017	From 1 Sept 2016
Partners & Directors	870 - 1,070	660 - 1,045
Assistant Directors	715 - 810	515 - 790
Managers	560 - 730	440 - 710
Assistant Managers	445 - 580	335 - 565
Assistants & Support	200 - 345	80 - 335

The range of charge-out rates for the separate categories of staff is based on our 2017 national charge-out rates as summarised above.

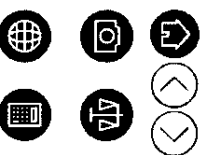
The above bands are specific to the Restructuring Services department partners and staff. In certain circumstances the use of specialists from other Deloitte departments such as Tax/VAT, Financial Advisory or Deloitte Real Estate may be required on the case. These departments may charge rates that fall outside the Restructuring Services department bands quoted above so, where such specialists have performed work on the case, average rates may also fall outside the Restructuring Services department bands.

Charge out rates increased on 1 September 2017. Details of charge out rates applicable to prior report periods were given in those reports, copies of which will be provided on request to Gabija Rudinskyte.

### Time costs – Fees drawn to date

We have drawn remuneration of £3,000 during the report period in the relation to the prior year of the compulsory liquidation. The payment was made by the Secured Creditor following the private treaty arrangement.

Disbursements of £12.40 have been incurred and paid during the period. See page 13 for details.



## Remuneration and expenses - Joint Liquidators' time costs for the period 22 January 2017 to 21 January 2018

All partners and technical staff (including cashiers) assigned to the case recorded their time spent working on the case on a computerised time recording system. Time spent by secretarial staff working on the assignment has not been recorded or recovered. The appropriate staff have been assigned to work on each aspect of the case based upon their seniority and experience, having regard to the complexity of the relevant work, the financial value of the assets being realised and/or claims agreed.

	Partners & Directors		Assistant Directors		Managers		Assistant Managers		Assistants & Support		TOTAL		Average rate/h
	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Cost (£)
Administration and Planning	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.10	33.50	0.55	111.00	0.65	144.50	222.31
Cashiering and Statutory Filing	2.50	1,890.00	0.50	350.00	34.50	15,180.00	3.30	1,303.50	1.50	315.00	42.30	19,038.50	450.08
Case Management and Closure	2.50	1,890.00	0.50	350.00	34.50	15,180.00	3.40	1,337.00	2.05	426.00	42.95	19,183.00	446.64
Investigations	-	-	0.50	350.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50	350.00	700.00
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Case Specific Matters	-	-	-	-	1.00	520.00	0.40	178.00	-	-	1.40	698.00	498.57
Tax	-	-	-	-	1.00	520.00	0.40	178.00	-	-	1.40	698.00	498.57
<b>TOTAL HOURS &amp; COST</b>	<b>2.50</b>	<b>1,890.00</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>700.00</b>	<b>35.50</b>	<b>15,700.00</b>	<b>3.80</b>	<b>1,515.00</b>	<b>2.05</b>	<b>426.00</b>	<b>44.85</b>	<b>20,231.00</b>	<b>451.08</b>
<b>AVERAGE RATE/HOUR PER GRADE</b>		<b>£ 756.00</b>		<b>£ 700.00</b>		<b>£ 442.25</b>		<b>£ 398.68</b>		<b>£ 207.80</b>			
<b>FEES DRAWN</b>													<b>3,000.00</b>





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	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Hours	Cost (£)	Cost (£)
Administration and Planning	-	-	0.15	105.00	-	-	0.20	86.00	0.55	111.00	0.90	282.00	313.33
Cashiering and Statutory Filing	6.50	4,950.00	13.75	6,997.50	39.50	17,360.00	3.30	1,303.50	1.50	315.00	64.55	30,926.00	479.10
Case Management and Closure	-	-	1.50	750.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.50	750.00	500.00
Initial Actions	6.50	4,950.00	15.40	7,882.50	39.50	17,360.00	3.50	1,389.50	2.05	426.00	68.95	31,958.00	477.34
Investigations	-	-	0.50	350.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50	350.00	700.00
Investigations	-	-	0.50	350.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50	350.00	700.00
Creditors	-	-	2.00	1,015.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.00	1,015.00	507.50
Secured	-	-	2.00	1,015.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.00	1,015.00	507.50
Case Specific Matters	-	-	-	-	1.00	520.00	0.40	178.00	-	-	1.40	698.00	498.57
Tax	-	-	-	-	1.00	520.00	0.40	178.00	-	-	1.40	698.00	498.57
TOTAL HOURS & COST	6.50	4,950.00	17.90	9,217.50	40.50	17,880.00	3.90	1,547.50	2.05	426.00	70.85	34,021.00	480.18
AVERAGE RATE/HOUR PER GRADE		£ 761.54		£ 514.94		£ 441.48		£ 396.79		£ 207.80			
FEES DRAWN													£ 3,000.00



## Remuneration and expenses

### Detailed information

#### Category 1

##### Disbursements

These are payments made by us direct to third parties and for which no approval is required.

##### Category 2 Disbursements

These are costs and expenses initially paid by us and which are not generally made to a third party, for example, reimbursement to staff engaged on the case for their mileage costs. These may also include shared or allocated costs.

### Disbursements

Our disbursements to date are summarised below:

	Category 1 Disbursements	Total cost for the period of the appointment	Unpaid
£ (net)	Incurred in report period		
Statutory advertising	-	86	-
Postage	12	12	-
<b>Total disbursements</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>-</b>

##### Category 2 Disbursements

There were no category 2 disbursements incurred during the course of the liquidation.

### Creditors' right to request information

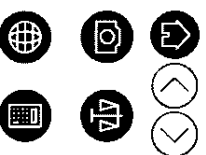
Any secured creditor or unsecured creditor (with the support of at least 5% in value of the unsecured creditors or with leave of the Court) may, in writing, request us to provide additional information regarding remuneration or expenses to that already supplied within this report. Such requests must be made within 21 days of receipt of this report, in accordance with Rule 18.9 of the Rules.

### Creditors' right to challenge remuneration and/or expenses

Any secured creditor or unsecured creditor (with the support of at least 10% in value of the unsecured creditors or with leave of the Court) may apply to the Court for one or more orders (in accordance with Rule 18.34 of the Rules), reducing the amount or the basis of remuneration which we are entitled to charge or otherwise challenging some or all of the expenses incurred.

Such applications must be made within eight weeks of receipt by the applicant(s) of the progress report detailing the remuneration and/or expenses being complained of, in accordance with Rule 18.34(3) of the Rules.

Please note that such challenges may not disturb remuneration or expenses approved or deemed to be approved under prior progress reports.



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