

**WEMBLEY NORTH CONSERVATIVE CLUB LTD
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1 Statutory and general information

The Club's Name	Wembley North Conservative Club Ltd ("the Club")
Registration number:	13109R (registered with the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") on its Mutsals Public Register
Date of liquidation:	20 February 2015
Liquidator:	Virgil Harsham Levy of LA Business Recovery Limited, 1 Beasley's Yard, 126 High Street, Uxbridge, Middlesex, UB8 1JT ("Labr").
Date of appointment:	20 April 2017 by Block Transfer Order of the High Court of Justice
Previous Liquidators:	Peter Maurice Levy (deceased) of Labr: Appointed 20 February 2015 to 10 November 2016 Ashok Bhardwaj of Bhardwaj Insolvency: Appointed 24 February 2017 to 20 April 2017

2 Summary of matters dealt with during the course of the liquidation

- 2.1 No ethical issues have come to light during the period reported on.
- 2.2 Members wishing to contact the Liquidator, should email him at virgil@labr.co.uk in the first instance.
Steps taken by the first liquidator, Peter M Levy (deceased) ("First Liquidator")
- 2.3 Members will recall that the First Liquidator presided over the principal matters and legal issues that were encountered following the Club going into liquidation. The issues to be resolved were:
 - 2.3.1 the uncertainty surrounding the correct legal method of distribution to the members;
 - 2.3.2 whether two individuals held valid membership; and
 - 2.3.3 whether the claim from the Association of Conservative Clubs Limited was valid.
- 2.4 Further information was provided in the detailed update that was provided to Members outlining the issues and the proposed resolutions that led to applications being made to the High Court of Justice. In the First Liquidator's first progress report dated 16 April 2016, he summarised the updated position insofar as there was a third hearing set for July 2016, relating to the orders sought in respect of the matters outlined in 2.3 above.
- 2.5 Brethertons Solicitors were advising the First Liquidator and advised that calculating distributions to club members required a Court decision as the members disagreed as to how the distributions should be dealt with. Further, there was an order sought to authenticate the membership of Pamela Rainbow (known as Pamela Porter) and Terence Porter.
- 2.6 Brethertons also advised the First Liquidator to append to the July 2016 application a request to the Court to consider whether the Association of Conservative Clubs Limited ("ACC") was entitled to a payment of £100,000 by way of a donation.
- 2.7 The First Liquidator identified that the Club's rules were not clear as to whether this payment was due to the ACC in respect of a claim put forward by the ACC to the First Liquidator. The matter was put before the Court in 2015 and resulted in a third and final hearing in July 2016.
Summary of matters dealt with during the period 20 February 2016 to 19 February 2017
- 2.8 Two block transfer orders were subsequently made after Mr Levy's death. Mr Bhardwaj, who was appointed on 24 February 2017 and performed no tasks because Mr Virgil H Levy had by then attained his license from his regulatory body to take over this insolvency appointment. Pursuant to internal agreements between Labr, Mr Virgil H Levy and Mr Bhardwaj, a Block Transfer Order was swiftly sought and obtained replacing Mr Bhardwaj with Mr Levy being appointed as liquidator on 20 April 2017.

- 2.9 I, Virgil H Levy, was able to submit my first (the Club's second) annual progress report dated 17 April 2018. The progress report that fell due in February 2017 was not submitted following the Court making an order which stated that I was not required to submit any reports that were overdue upon my appointment.
- 2.10 In April 2018 report I was able to inform members that the 2016 High Court application determined that the distributions should be based on an 'equal' payment, ie each member should receive an equal distribution as opposed to being based on the length of membership, which some members had contended was the correct method of distribution.
- 2.11 The court also determined that £100,000 was payable to ACC, despite this being disputed by the Club's members. Furthermore, Pamela Rainbow and Terence Porter's Club memberships were confirmed to be valid, which entitled them to receive capital distributions.
- 2.12 My final receipts and payments account should be read in conjunction with my previous progress reports and my receipts and payments account which is attached as appendix 1; please note that the figures are shown net of VAT.

Receipts and payment

- 2.13 My receipts and payments account, which is attached as appendix 1 confirms that asset realisations have been generally in line with the declaration of solvency.
- 2.14 Greater detail is provided later in this account. Please note that much of the information in this account is included in my previous annual reports, however I am legally obliged to include details of all matters relating to the conduct of the liquidation in this account.
- 2.15 For the sake of transparency, I consider it necessary to summarise the receipts and payments made in the period 20 February 2016 to 19 February 2017 (the 'missing' progress reporting period). These were also summarised in the 2018 report.
- 2.16 Receipts in the missing period related to a utility refund of £480.00 (noted as MISC Refund) and gross bank interest of £2,876.71 on cash held with Metro Bank PLC.
- 2.17 In my progress report dated 17 April 2018, I confirmed that following the High Court determination, £100,000 was paid to the ACC in the missing reporting period.
- 2.18 Sums were also deemed to be due to two litigants in person who attended those hearings. £75 was paid each to Mr Fred Meakes and Mr John Gibb.
- 2.19 A court application fee was recovered and paid to Labr in this sum of £280.00.
- 2.20 Accountancy fees due to Abbots Chartered Certified Accountants of £1,250 plus VAT were paid in respect of their ongoing assistance to the First Liquidator at that time and for producing financial statements.
- 2.21 Legal fees due and paid to Coffin Mew Solicitors (case files transferred from Brethertons Solicitors) in the sum of £19,750.29 plus VAT. Counsel's fees were paid in full in the sum of £10,612.50 plus VAT.
- 2.22 Metro Bank was paid a banking fee of 53p.
- 2.23 Liquidator's fees were drawn in the sum of £28,062.00 plus VAT.
- 2.24 The First Liquidator agreed to pay Mr Meakes and Mr Gibb £150 each in respect of the agree storage of Company files, which were helpful to the High Court application. These were paid in that period.
- 2.25 It transpired over that period that a sum was due to a former employee in the sum of £3,128.00, which was paid in full.
- 2.26 Given the conclusion of the legal matters, I, as Liquidator, made total capital distributions in September 2016 of £2,408,600 to members.

Assets

- 2.27 The declaration of solvency provided for an estimated net property (sales proceeds) following the completion of the Club's sale of its property agreed to prior to commencement of the liquidation of £3,220,696.00. The First Liquidator noted the completion of the sale and received £3,231,919 upon his appointment by the Club's members.
- 2.28 The Club held £46,897.00 in its bank account as at the date of the declaration of solvency. Upon commencement of the liquidation £36,443.06 was transferred to the estate account. The difference was stated to have been payments made out to the Club's legal advisers and trade and expense creditors prior to the appointment of a liquidator. These were confirmed in the Club's financial statements later filed with the FCA.

- 2.29 A VAT refund was estimated to be £13,384.00. I confirm that in the period 2017-2018, the first reporting period for my appointment, I collected £13,311.41.
- 2.30 I noted there was an incorrect sum of VAT received prior to my appointment, which was repaid to HMRC during my first year of appointment. I refer to my progress report dated 17 April 2018.
- 2.31 I reported last year that over the period of the liquidation to 19 February 2022, I received a closing balance from the club's former bankers, Lloyds Bank PLC, of £68.36.
- 2.32 Total bank interest received was £4,363.01.
- 2.33 Investment gains in respect of the cash at bank that was invested by the Club were £5,235.18.

Other matters

- 2.34 In addition to my responsibility to realise the Club's assets, I am required to comply with various legislative and best practice obligations and deadlines.
- 2.35 These obligations include filing of documents with the Registrar of Companies, ensuring that all receipts and payments are promptly dealt with, and proper accounting records are maintained. In addition, I am required to undertake periodic case reviews to monitor progress, advise creditors of the liquidation and record any claims received.
- 2.36 Furthermore, I am obliged to deal with any other day to day matters that may arise during the liquidation.
- 2.37 In subsequent reports I have submitted, I have been dealing with residual capital distributions made to members and have had to deal with administrative distribution matters where certain members have died or failed to bank their distributions.

3 Liabilities

Unsecured creditors

- 3.1 All claims received from the employee and the ACC were unforeseen; however, the sums involved were vastly outweighed by the cash in hand. Settlements were paid to those two creditors.
- 3.2 In the declaration of solvency, an estimated sum due in respect of corporation tax on the sale of the property was £505,606. Following assistance from the Club's accountants and their submissions, total corporation tax and statutory interest was paid by the First Liquidator to HM Revenue & Customs of £522,503.96.

4 Distributions to Members

- 4.1 The following distributions were made to the Club's 172 members, who each held one share

Date	Amount of distribution (£)	Rate of distribution (p in the £)
13 July 2015	85,500.00	497.09 per share
30 September 2016	2,408,600.00	14,003.48 per share
23 October 2018	35,332.00	205.42 per share

- 4.2 Signed indemnities were obtained in order to facilitate the early distribution in 2015.
- 4.3 No further capital distributions are to be made.

5 Liquidator's remuneration

- 5.1 In light of the interaction with the members and the other legal matters detailed in this account, notable additional work was undertaken by the First Liquidator.
- 5.2 Members were kept apprised of time costs in a detailed update published to every member dated 24 September 2015 and in each annual report.
- 5.3 The liquidator's remuneration was approved by the members on 20 February 2015 to be on time costs properly incurred in dealing with the liquidation.
- 5.4 Members should be made aware that this resolution, which was passed by members, remains valid for the duration of the liquidation, irrespective of the fact that there has been more than one liquidator dealing with this case.

- 5.5 Total time costs incurred in the final period of £1,120.00 shall be written off on closure. All other time costs incurred have been paid.
- 5.6 Total time costs incurred and paid to 19 February 2022 were £76,708.66, which represented 327.30 hours at an average charge out rate of £274.37.
- 5.7 I attach as appendix 2 schedules of the time costs incurred.(Time Entry – Detailed SIP9 Time & Cost Summary) The first report covers the period 20 February 2014 to 19 February 2022. The second report covers the period 20 February 2022 to 23 January 2023, and the final report combines these two reports.

6 Liquidator's expenses

- 6.1 Details of the expenses that I have paid are shown on the attached receipts and payments account.
- 6.2 When considering which professionals to instruct to assist with a liquidation of this type, a liquidator would consider the skills, expertise and capacity of the adviser. Here, Brethertons and Coffin Mew acted for the First Liquidator. The solicitor involved is a qualified insolvency practitioner and experienced insolvency solicitor. He moved from Brethertons to Coffin Mew, hence the change of firms when files were handed over. Legal expenses included a Court fee and experienced Counsel to ensure the High Court was fully apprised of the background and the remit of the Court to make determinations.
- 6.3 Abbots were instructed because they held all of the Club's financial data and were readily able to submit tax returns and closing accounts to the FCA.
- 6.4 I considered those agents to have charged fairly and reasonably given the complexities involved.

7 Conclusion

- 7.1 There being no further business to tend to in this matter, I am submitting my draft final account.
- 7.2 This now brings the liquidation to a conclusion and following the expiration of the notice period detailed in the notice of final account, I will file the final account with the FCA and procure my release as Liquidator and shall vacate office.
- 7.3 Should you have any queries regarding this matter please contact me on 01895 819460.

Yours faithfully,



Virgil H Levy
Liquidator

Wembley North Conservative Club Ltd
(In Liquidation)
Liquidator's Summary of Receipts & Payments

Declaration of Solvency		From 20/02/2022 To 23/01/2023	From 20/02/2015 To 23/01/2023
£		£	£
	ASSET REALISATIONS		
	Bank Interest Gross	NIL	4,363.01
46,897.00	Cash balance on Club Bank Acc	NIL	36,443.06
	Closing Balance at Lloyds Bank	NIL	68.36
	Investment Gains	NIL	5,235.18
	MISC Refund	NIL	480.00
3,220,696.00	Net Property Sale Proceeds	NIL	3,231,919.00
	Utility Refund	NIL	648.39
13,384.00	VAT Refund	NIL	13,311.41
		<u>NIL</u>	<u>3,292,468.41</u>
	COST OF REALISATIONS		
	Accountancy Fees	NIL	6,000.00
	Banking Fee	NIL	0.53
	Corporation Tax	NIL	1,930.44
	Court Application Fee	NIL	280.00
	Legal (agents) Fees	NIL	10,715.50
	Legal Fees (1)	NIL	36,167.97
	Litigant in Person	NIL	150.00
	Office Holders Fees	NIL	72,056.65
	Other Agents	NIL	800.00
	Preparation of S. of A.	NIL	4,000.00
	Specific Bond	NIL	1,938.00
	Statutory Advertising	NIL	204.15
		<u>NIL</u>	<u>(134,243.24)</u>
	UNSECURED CREDITORS		
	Association of Conservative Clubs Ltd	NIL	100,000.00
(505,606.00)	Corporation Tax	NIL	522,503.96
	Employees	NIL	3,128.00
	Trade & Expense Creditors	NIL	3,161.21
		<u>NIL</u>	<u>(628,793.17)</u>
	DISTRIBUTIONS		
(172.00)	Ordinary Shareholders	NIL	2,529,432.00
		<u>NIL</u>	<u>(2,529,432.00)</u>
<u>2,775,199.00</u>		<u>NIL</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	REPRESENTED BY		<u>NIL</u>

Time Entry - Detailed SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

ZZ1811 - Wembley North Conservative Club Ltd

From: 20/02/2015 To: 19/02/2022

All Post Appointment Project Codes

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	IP	Director	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
103 : General Administration	7.35	87.87	29.95	53.55	7.45	0.00	186.17	43,346.20	232.83
104 : Filing	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	300.00	150.00
105 : Cashiering	0.00	0.00	1.11	2.41	0.47	0.00	3.99	760.40	190.58
Admin & Planning	7.35	87.87	31.06	57.96	7.92	0.00	192.16	44,406.60	231.09
600 : Public Examination of Bankrupt / hearings	10.10	0.80	19.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.58	6,392.21	209.01
601 : Case Specific 1	1.00	0.00	5.11	1.50	0.00	0.00	7.61	1,264.85	166.21
Case Specific Matters	11.10	0.80	24.79	1.50	0.00	0.00	38.19	7,657.06	200.48
501 : Unsecured Creditors	0.00	6.40	7.00	0.00	3.60	0.00	17.00	4,145.00	243.82
502 : Employee Matters	0.00	2.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.20	605.00	275.00
504 : Statutory Reporting to Creditors	0.00	12.50	3.00	10.60	3.60	0.00	29.70	7,197.50	242.34
Creditors	0.00	21.10	10.00	10.60	7.20	0.00	48.90	11,947.50	244.33
303 : Book Debts	0.00	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	1.90	685.00	360.53
306 : Other Assets	0.00	6.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.80	2,101.25	309.01
Realisation of Assets	0.00	8.20	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	8.70	2,786.25	320.26
401 : Management of Operations	1.40	29.95	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.35	9,911.25	251.87
Trading	1.40	29.95	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.35	9,911.25	251.87
Total Hours	19.85	147.92	73.85	70.06	15.62	0.00	327.30	76,708.66	234.37

Time Entry - Detailed SIP9 Time & Cost Summary

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From: 20/02/2022 To: 23/01/2023

All Post Appointment Project Codes

Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	IP	Director	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
103 : General Administration	0.00	0.00	0.60	2.95	0.50	0.00	4.05	792.50	195.68
105 : Cashiering	0.00	0.00	0.50	1.35	0.00	0.00	1.85	327.50	177.03
Admin & Planning	0.00	0.00	1.10	4.30	0.50	0.00	5.90	1,120.00	189.83
Total Hours	0.00	0.00	1.10	4.30	0.50	0.00	5.90	1,120.00	189.83

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Classification of Work Function	Partner	Manager	Other Senior Professionals	Assistants & Support Staff	IP	Director	Total Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
103 : General Administration	7.35	87.87	30.55	56.50	7.95	0.00	190.22	44,138.70	232.04
104 : Filing	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	300.00	150.00
105 : Cashiering	0.00	0.00	1.61	3.76	0.47	0.00	5.84	1,087.90	186.28
Admin & Planning	7.35	87.87	32.16	62.26	8.42	0.00	198.06	45,526.60	229.86
600 : Public Examination of Bankrupt / hearings	10.10	0.80	19.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.58	6,392.21	209.01
601 : Case Specific 1	1.00	0.00	5.11	1.50	0.00	0.00	7.61	1,264.85	166.21
Case Specific Matters	11.10	0.80	24.79	1.50	0.00	0.00	38.19	7,657.06	200.48
501 : Unsecured Creditors	0.00	6.40	7.00	0.00	3.60	0.00	17.00	4,145.00	243.82
502 : Employee Matters	0.00	2.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.20	805.00	275.00
504 : Statutory Reporting to Creditors	0.00	12.50	3.00	10.60	3.60	0.00	29.70	7,197.50	242.34
Creditors	0.00	21.10	10.00	10.60	7.20	0.00	48.90	11,947.50	244.33
303 : Book Debts	0.00	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	1.90	685.00	360.53
306 : Other Assets	0.00	6.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.80	2,101.25	309.01
Realisation of Assets	0.00	8.20	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	8.70	2,786.25	320.26
401 : Management of Operations	1.40	29.95	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.35	9,911.25	251.87
Trading	1.40	29.95	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39.35	9,911.25	251.87
Total Hours	19.85	147.92	74.95	74.36	16.12	0.00	333.20	77,828.66	233.58

Wembley North Conservative Club Ltd - in liquidation

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The current legislation allows fees to be charged in a members' voluntary liquidation in several ways. Either by charging for time properly spent, a percentage of realisations, a fixed fee, or a combination.
- 1.2 The basis of any fee approval in a members' voluntary liquidation is agreed by the shareholders either by passing a resolution at a shareholders' meeting or by passing a written resolution.

2 Time cost basis

- 2.1 When charging fees on a time cost basis we use staff with the appropriate skill level for the work to be performed.

3 Charge-out rates

Grade	Charge-out rates up to DATE (£ per hour, charged in 6-minute units)
Director/Office Holder	400-500
Manager/Senior Manager	325-375
Assistant Manager	300
Administrator/Senior Administrator	190-275
Junior Administrator	150
Support Staff	90-120

- 3.1 The firms charge-out rates are reviewed periodically.

4 Percentage basis

- 4.1 Where an office holder is expecting to realise specific assets, the fee charged may be a percentage of a specific asset or the assets as a whole.
- 4.2 Once agreed, the percentage basis can only be increased where there has been a material and substantial change in the circumstances in the case. If this is not the case, any request for an increase can only be approved by the Court.

5 Fixed fee

- 5.1 An office holder may charge a fixed fee on either the case as a whole or for specific tasks to be undertaken.
- 5.2 Once agreed, the fixed fee can only be increased where there has been a material and substantial change in the circumstances in the case. If this is not the case, any request for an increase can only be approved by the Court.

6 Agents' costs

- 6.1 These are charged at cost based upon the charge(s) made by the agent instructed. The term 'agent' includes:
- Solicitors/legal fees
 - Auctioneers/valuers
 - Accountants
 - Quantity surveyors
 - Estate agents
 - Other specialist advisors

7 Expenses

- 7.1 Expenses are any payments from the estate which are neither office holder's remuneration nor a distribution to a creditor or member. Expenses also includes disbursements.
- 7.2 Disbursements are payments which are first paid by the office holder and then reimbursed to the office holder from the estate.

Notice to members of proposed final account

Name of Company
Wembley North Conservative Club Ltd (“the Company”)

Company number
13109R

This notice is given by Virgil Harsham Levy, of LA Business Recovery Limited, 1 Beasley's Yard, 126 High Street, Uxbridge, Middlesex, UB8 1JT, the liquidator of the above company. Accompanying this notice is the liquidator's proposed final account to members, dated 23 January 2023, which covers the period from 20 February 2015 to 23 January 2023.

Members are informed that the liquidator is also giving notice in accordance with Rule 5.9 of the Insolvency Rules 2016 (“the Rules”) that on 6 April 2023 notice will be given that the company's affairs are fully wound up, and the liquidator will deliver the final account to the members.

Members should note that when the final account is delivered to the Mutuels Public Register the liquidator will be released under section 171(6) of the Insolvency Act 1986.

In addition, members are informed that the affairs of the company are not fully wound up until the latest of:

- 1 the date detailed above, providing a request for information from the liquidator under Rule 18.9 of the Insolvency Rules 2016 (“the Rules”) has not been made; and
- 2 a court application to challenge the liquidator's remuneration and expenses under Rule 18.34 of the Rules has not been made.

If any request for information under Rule 18.9 of the Rules or any application to court under that Rule or Rule 18.34 of the Rules is made, the affairs of the company will not be fully wound up until that request or application is finally determined.

If members wish to contact the office-holder, please contact Kay Newman on telephone 01895 819460 in the first instance.



Signed Virgil Levy

Liquidator

Date 30 January 2023