

**BUTE INVESTMENTS LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
SSS PROPERTIES LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
("Companies")**

Company numbers: 879705 and 1126354

New Zealand Business Numbers: 9429037979423 and 9429036954605

Joint Liquidators' First Report to Creditors and Shareholders

1. Introduction

Iain Bruce Shephard and Jessica Jane Kellow, Licensed Insolvency Practitioners of BDO Wellington, (Registration Numbers: IP71 and IP75 respectively) were appointed joint and several liquidators (“Liquidators”) of Bute Investments Limited & SSS Properties Limited (“Companies”) on 31 March 2022 at 11.30am, both by special resolution of the shareholders in accordance with section 241(2)(a) of the Companies Act 1993 (“the Act”).

In addition to our statutory obligations, we are also bound by the RITANZ Code of Professional Conduct (“Code”) when carrying out all professional work relating to our appointment as Liquidators.

In accordance with section 255 of the Act we report on the Companies’ affairs together with our proposals for conducting the liquidation.

Liquidators of insolvent companies are required to be licensed insolvency practitioners. Further details regarding the regulation of insolvency practitioners are available from the Registrar of Companies at: www.companiesoffice.govt.nz/all-registers/insolvency-practitioners/.

2. Restrictions

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We do not assume any responsibility or liability for any losses occasioned to any party as a result of the circulation, publication, reproduction or use of this report contrary to the provisions of this paragraph.

We reserve the right (but will be under no obligation) to review this report and if we consider it necessary to revise the report in the light of any information existing at the date of this report which becomes known to us after that date.

3. Company Information

Bute Investments Ltd (In Liquidation)

Date of Incorporation: 29 October 1997

Registered Office: 129 Te Anau
(Prior to liquidation) Haitaitai
Wellington 6021

Type of Business: Investments

Shareholders: Michael John Brodie 50 shares
Jillian Linda Brodie & Michael John Brodie 50 shares

Directors: Jillian Linda Brodie
Michael John Brodie

Date of Liquidation: 31 March 2022

SSS Properties Ltd (In Liquidation)

Date of Incorporation: 27 March 2001

Registered Office: 129 Te Anau Road
(Prior to liquidation) Hataitati
Wellington 6021

Type of Business: Residential Property

Shareholders: Michael John Brodie 99 shares
Jillian Brodie 1 share

Directors: Jillian Brodie
Michael John Brodie

Date of Liquidation: 31 March 2022

4. Background and Reasons for Liquidation

The shareholders have restructured their affairs and the purpose for which Bute Investments Limited and SSS Properties Limited was incorporated no longer exists.

Shareholders resolved to appoint liquidators on 31 March 2022.

5. Statement of Affairs

The Liquidators have not prepared an estimated statement of affairs on the basis that the entities have no known assets. The Directors believe there may be a small Inland Revenue debt and we await confirmation of this from Inland Revenue.

We are unaware of any current or pending proceedings to which the Companies is party.

6. Creditors

6.1. List of creditors

Attached as **Appendix 1** is a full list of the names and addresses of creditors in accordance with section 255(2)(c)(i) of the Act.

6.2. Unsecured creditor claims

We attach as **Appendix 2** our Public Notice which sets 6 May 2022 as the day on or before which the creditors of the Companies are to make their claims, and to establish any priority their claims may have under section 312 of the Act or to be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before the debts are claimed or from objecting to the distribution.

Please complete our Unsecured Creditor's Claim form and return to us at the following address or by email:

The Liquidators
Bute Investments Limited (In Liquidation) / SSS Properties Limited (In Liquidation)

C/- BDO Wellington
PO Box 10-340
Level 1, Chartered Accountants House
50 Customhouse Quay
Wellington
Email: wlg.bri@bdo.co.nz

6.3. Secured creditors notice

Creditors claiming a security interest (including retention of title or other claims) in the Companies' assets who:

- have not advised the Liquidators of their security interest; or
- have not received correspondence from the Liquidators concerning their security interest,

Should contact the Liquidators immediately and should not file a claim as an unsecured creditor unless they wish to surrender their charge to the Liquidators.

This report constitutes notice under section 305(8) of the Act to any secured creditor receiving it that pursuant to section 305(8) of the Act, you as a secured creditor of the Companies are required to (unless you have already advised the Liquidators in writing of such an election or have already received such a notice) elect and notify the Liquidators in writing within 20 working days (by 6 May 2022) after receipt of this notice, which of the following powers they wish to exercise:

- a. Realise the property subject to your charge, if entitled to do so; or
- b. Value the property subject to your charge and claim in the liquidation as an unsecured creditor for the balance due, if any; or
- c. Surrender the charge to the Liquidators for the general benefit of creditors and claim in the liquidation as an unsecured creditor for the whole debt.

Pursuant to section 305(9) of the Act, if a creditor fails to notify the Liquidators in compliance with this notice within 20 working days (by 6 May 2022) they will be taken as having surrendered their charge to the Liquidators for the general benefit of creditors and they may then claim in the liquidation as an unsecured creditor for the whole debt.

6.4. Creditors meeting

In accordance with section 245 of the Act, for the reasons given in the formal notice attached at **Appendix 3**, we have dispensed with the meeting of creditors.

7. Proposals for Conducting the Liquidation

The Liquidators will conduct an investigation of the Companies' books and records to further establish if there are any potentially voidable transactions that require investigation, and further to ensure that the directors have complied with the duties and obligations imposed on them under the Companies Act 1993.

In the event that there are funds available for a distribution, the Liquidators will admit creditor claims and make a distribution.

The Liquidators will then complete a final report and request that the Registrar of Companies remove the Companies' from the register.

8. Estimated Date of Completion

We anticipate the liquidation will be completed within the next three months.

9. Contact Information

If you require any further information, please direct enquiries to:

Matthew Pearn
DDI: (+64 4) 498 3871
Email: matthew.pearne@bdo.co.nz

BDO Wellington
PO Box 10-340
Level 1, Chartered Accountants House
50 Customhouse Quay
Wellington

Dated this 1st day of April 2022



IAIN SHEPHARD
Liquidator

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - List of Company Creditors

Creditor Name	Address 1
Accident Compensation Corporation*	business@acc.co.nz
Inland Revenue Department*	insolvency.notification@ird.govt.nz

** We await confirmation from the Inland Revenue & ACC whether there are any outstanding liabilities.*



Appendix 2 - Public Notice of Appointment

**BUTE INVESTMENT LIMITED, FTBG CONSULTANCY LIMITED, RPM STOPPERS LIMITED
& SSS PROPERTIES LIMITED (ALL IN LIQUIDATION)
COMPANY NUMBERS: 879705, 7069463, 7805298 & 1126354
("Companies")**

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF LIQUIDATORS
AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO CLAIM**

**Pursuant to Section 255(2)(a) and
Liquidation Regulation 12 of the Companies Act 1993**

We, Iain Bruce Shephard and Jessica Jane Kellow, Licensed Insolvency Practitioners of BDO Wellington, (Registration Numbers: IP71 and IP75 respectively), were appointed joint and several liquidators of the Companies by special resolution of the shareholders on 31 March 2022 at 11.30am.

NOTICE is hereby given that as joint and several liquidators of the Companies, we fix the 6 May 2022, as the day on or before which the creditors of the Companies are to make their claims, and to establish any priority their claims may have under section 312 of the Companies Act 1993 or to be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before the debts are claimed, or as the case may be, from objecting to the distribution.

Creditors and shareholders may direct enquiries during normal business hours to:

Matthew Pearn
BDO Wellington
PO Box 10-340
Level 1, Chartered Accountants Building
50 Customhouse Quay
Wellington

Telephone (04) 498 3871
Email matthew.pearn@bdo.co.nz

DATED this 1st day of April 2022.

**IAIN SHEPHARD
Liquidator**



Appendix 3 - Notice of Liquidators Decision to Dispense with Meetings of Creditors

**BUTE INVESTMENT LIMITED & SSS PROPERTIES LIMITED (BOTH IN LIQUIDATION)
COMPANY NUMBERS: 879705 & 1126354
("Companies")**

**Notice of Liquidators Decision to Dispense with Meetings of Creditors
(Pursuant to section 245 Companies Act 1993)**

We, Iain Bruce Shephard and Jessica Jane Kellow, Licensed Insolvency Practitioners of BDO Wellington, (Registration Numbers: IP71 and IP75 respectively), were appointed joint and several liquidators of the Companies by special resolution of the shareholders on 31 March 2022 at 11.30am.

We do not consider that a meeting of creditors should be held because there are insufficient assets to meet the cost of holding such a meeting and there are limited prospects of funds being available for payment of a dividend to creditors other than to those who hold specific security or have a preferential claim.

No meeting of creditors will be called unless we receive notice in writing from a creditor requiring us to hold a meeting of creditors pursuant to section 314 of the Companies Act 1993 within 10 working days of their receipt of this notice. The Liquidators may decline a request by a creditor or a shareholder to call a meeting on the grounds that:

- a. The request is frivolous or vexatious;
- b. The request was not made in good faith;
- c. The costs of calling a meeting could be out of proportion to the value of the Companies' assets.

The decision to decline a request may be reviewed by the Court on the application of any creditor, or shareholder

Notices should be forwarded to:

Matthew Pearn
BDO Wellington
PO Box 10-340
Level 1, Chartered Accountants House
50 Customhouse Quay
Wellington

By email: matthew.pearne@bdo.co.nz

DATED this 1st day of April 2022.

IAIN SHEPHARD
Liquidator

Appendix 4 - Interests Statement & Declaration of Independence, Relevant Relationships and Indemnities

(Pursuant to section 255A of the Act and the Code)

We declare that:

- we have undertaken a proper assessment of risks to independence in accordance with the law, the Code and applicable professional standards;
- we have determined that the assessment identified no circumstance, relationship, or other fact that creates, or could reasonably be perceived as creating, real or potential risks to independence;
- in all cases, we are not otherwise aware of any impediments to taking the appointment.

i. Circumstances of Appointment:

We have been appointed by:

- a special resolution of the Companies' shareholders pursuant to section 241(2)(a) the Companies Act 1993;
- the following pre-liquidation meeting was held
 - March 2022 - Initial meeting to discuss potential liquidation
- no remuneration has been received for this meeting
- this does not result in a conflict of interest because
 - it is recognised that there is a need for practitioners to provide advice on an insolvency process and the options available for the Company. It is not considered that such advice could constitute a conflict; and
 - the nature of the advice was general in nature and concerned the general process of appointing liquidators to the Company.
- the referring entity was the Companies' Accountant.
- no other information or advice was provided to the Companies or their advisors.

ii. Relevant Relationships (excluding Professional Services to the Companies)

We declare that:

- neither we, nor a member of our firm, have had any relevant relationships with the Companies or known associates in the previous two years;

iii. Prior Professional Services to the Companies

We declare that:

- neither we, nor our firm, have provided prior professional services to the Companies or its known associates in the previous two years.

iv. No Other Relationships to Declare

We declare that:

- There are no other relevant relationships, including business and professional relationships, from the previous two years with the Companies, a known associate of the Companies (excluding relatives, except where the relative has a business relationship with the Companies), a former insolvency practitioner appointed to the Companies or any person or entity that has a charge over the whole or substantially whole of the Companies' property that should be disclosed.

Indemnities and Upfront Payments

We declare that:

- An upfront payment has been received.

DATED this 1st day of April 2022



IAIN BRUCE SHEPHARD
Liquidator
Licensed Insolvency Practitioner
Registration Number: IP71



JESSICA JANE KELLOW
Liquidator
Licensed Insolvency Practitioner
Registration Number: IP75



Appendix 5 – Initial Remuneration Notice

**BUTE INVESTMENT LIMITED & SSS PROPERTIES LIMITED (BOTH IN LIQUIDATION)
COMPANY NUMBERS: 879705 & 1126354
("Company")**

The purpose of this Remuneration Notice is to provide you with information about how our remuneration for undertaking the liquidation will be set.

Remuneration Methods

There are four basic methods that can be used to calculate the remuneration charged by an Insolvency Practitioner. These are:

a) Time Based Hourly Rates

This is the most common method of charging. The total fee charged is based on the hourly rate charged for each person who carried out the work multiplied by the number of hours spent by each person on each of the tasks performed.

b) Fixed Fee

The total fee charged is normally quoted at the commencement of the liquidation and is the total cost for the liquidation.

c) Percentage

The total fee charged is based on a percentage of a particular variable, such as the gross proceeds of assets realisations.

d) Success or Contingency Fees

The practitioner's fee is structured to be contingent on a particular outcome being achieved.

Remuneration Method Chosen

Given the nature of this liquidation, remuneration has been calculated on a fixed fee basis.

Charge out Rates

Fees are charged on an hourly basis at the following rates and staffing levels:

Staffing Level	Hourly Rate (Excl GST) (\$)	General Experience
Liquidator	445 - 495	Licensed Insolvency Practitioners with a vast range of industry knowledge and experience. Significant experience in complex insolvency engagements. Leads assignments with overall responsibility for strategy and implementation.
Manager	325 - 395	RITANZ member with at least five years of insolvency experience. Well-developed technical and commercial skills and is responsible for small insolvency assignments.
Assistant Manager	295 - 325	RITANZ member and insolvency specialist with up to four years' experience. Assists planning and control of small to medium jobs.
Senior Analyst	245 - 295	RITANZ member and insolvency specialist with up to three years' experience. Degree qualified and undertakes work stream tasks subject to supervision.
Analyst	150 - 245	RITANZ member and insolvency specialist with one to three years of insolvency experience. Depending on the complexity of the administration, required to either control or assist with day to day fieldwork.
Support Staff	130 - 145	Skilled in administration and process management, specifically experienced working with insolvency related files.

Note: Rates charged by BDO are subject to change.

Disbursements

Disbursements are those out of pocket expenses incurred during the course of an appointment. They are recovered from available funds and are broadly grouped into three types:

- a) Costs paid from the Appointment's bank account directly to third parties not associated with the Practitioner or their firm; or
- b) Costs paid by the Practitioner to third parties not associated with the Practitioner or their firm and later claimed back from the Appointment; or
- c) Costs claimed by the Practitioner for non-professional services provided by the Firm (e.g. phone calls, photocopying & printing, stationery, data room hosting) and/or outlays incurred by their staff in the proper conduct of the Appointment.