



**PRESTIGED.CO.NZ LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
("Company")**

Company number: 5568705

New Zealand Business Number: 9429041576496

**Liquidators' Final 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 Prestiged.co.nz Limited (“Company”) on 20 May 2019 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 sections 257(1)(a)(i) and 257(1)(c) of the Act we are obliged to report to all creditors, shareholders, and the Registrar that the liquidation has been completed. This report should be read in conjunction with our previous reports pursuant to section 255(2)(d) of the Act.

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. Background

Prestiged.co.nz Ltd (“the Company”) operated as a scaffolding construction business. Having previously operated under ‘Baltic Scaffolding Ltd’, the Company was successful in gaining several contracts throughout the wider Auckland region since 2015.

However, the Company did not have sufficient capital at the outset to purchase the scaffolding required, and as such it entered a lease agreement for the majority of its plant and equipment. This resulted in reduced margins, and the Company’s turnover was insufficient to meet its repayment obligations. Cash flow difficulties were further compounded by historic tax debts.

The Director/Shareholder sought professional advice and, having attempted to reduce the outgoing expenses, resolved to place the Company into liquidation on 20 May 2019.

4. Liquidators' Actions

The Liquidators have liaised with parties including Inland Revenue, the Companies Office, the New Zealand Gazette and the Accident Compensation Corporation, and completed a review of all information received.

The Liquidators advertised their appointment in the relevant publications and made a call for creditor claims. The Liquidators also directly contacted all known creditors and answered any queries they may have had. The Liquidators subsequently reviewed all completed creditor claim forms received.

The Liquidators reviewed the actions of the director with consideration as to whether there were any potential breaches of appropriate sections of the Companies Act 1993. The Liquidators' investigations included interviewing the director, examining the Company's financial statements and considering the Company's bank transactions. Nothing arose from these investigations that may be of benefit to creditors of the Company.

The liquidation was completed at the date and time that this report was filed with the Registrar.

4.1 Schedule of Receipts and Payments

Attached as **Appendix 1** is a schedule of receipts and payments for the duration of the liquidation.

Attached as **Appendix 2** is a remuneration schedule, in accordance with the RITANZ Code of Conduct, covering the duration of the liquidation.

4.2 Asset Realisations

Pre-Liquidation Bank Account

The Liquidators have received a total of \$395 from the Company's pre-liquidation bank accounts.

Sale of Assets

The Liquidators sold miscellaneous residual scaffolding equipment for a total of \$17,250.00 (including GST).

Debtors

The accounts receivable opening balance was \$93,435.35. The Liquidators collected debtor payments totalling \$39,856.25 to date. The remaining balance has either been written off as unrecoverable or it was paid prior to our appointment.

The Liquidators attended a hearing at the disputes tribunal with one of the largest debtors to determine whether there was joint liability for the invoices. The referee determined there was no joint liability, and the principal party had been struck off (and was likely insolvent). These invoices were therefore written off.

Shareholders' Current Account

The most recent financial statements showed the shareholder has an overdrawn current account totalling \$95,240.00. The director was adjudicated bankrupt on 18 March 2021. After a review of the circumstances of the bankruptcy, the Liquidators determined this balance was unrecoverable.

4.3 Creditors Claims

Secured Creditors

One creditor held registered security interests over the Company however no claim was filed.

Preferential Creditors

The Liquidators received three preferential claims from employees in respect wages and holiday pay totalling \$9,186.16. A net amount of \$1,634.97 was paid to two employees for the wages in the week leading up to liquidation. Preferential claims in relation to holiday pay were paid 80 cents in the dollar.

Inland Revenue filed a preferential claim in the amount \$151,060.70.

Unsecured Creditors

The Liquidators received four claims from unsecured creditors totalling \$50,532.19.

Included in this amount is an unsecured claim from the Inland Revenue Department in the amount of \$32,715.64.

4.1. Other Matters

The *preferential and unsecured* creditors' claims were unable to be satisfied in full due to a shortfall in the realisation of the Company's assets. Both the preferential creditors and unsecured creditors comprised mostly of Inland Revenues claims.

The final remaining balance owed to creditors that filed a claim is outlined below:

Preferential creditors - \$152,274.93

Unsecured creditors - \$50,532.19

5. Liquidators' Statement

All known assets have been disclaimed, or realised, or distributed without realisation.

All proceeds of realisation have been distributed.

The Company is ready to be removed from the New Zealand Register of Companies.

For the purposes of regulation 9(g) of the Companies (Reporting by Insolvency Practitioners) Regulations 2020, the liquidation of the Company is completed at the date and time the notice is provided to the Registrar of Companies.

6. Removal from New Zealand Register of Companies

As Liquidators, we are obliged to give public notice of the intention to have the Company removed from the Register of Companies. A copy of our notice is attached as **Appendix 3**.

The attention of all creditors and shareholders is drawn to section 321 of the Act which provides that, where public notice is given of an intention to remove a company from the Register, any person may send or deliver to the Registrar, not later than the date specified in the notice, an objection to the removal on any one or more of the following grounds:

- (a) That the company is still carrying on business or there is other reason for it to continue in existence; or
- (b) That the company is party to legal proceedings; or
- (c) That the company is in Receivership, or Liquidation, or both; or
- (d) That the person is a creditor, or a shareholder, or a person who has an undischarged claim against the company; or
- (e) That the person believes that there exists, and intends to pursue, a right of action on behalf of the company under Part IX of this Act; or
- (f) That for any other reason, it would not be just and equitable to remove the company from the New Zealand register.

Creditors and shareholders should be aware of section 321(2)(b)(ii) of the Act which provides that a claim by a shareholder or any other person against a company is not an “undischarged claim” if a receiver or liquidator has notified the shareholder or that person that the company has no surplus assets.

7. Contact information

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

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Dated this 18th day of March 2022



JESSICA KELLOW
Liquidator

Appendices

- Appendix 1 - Statement of Receipts and Payments
- Appendix 2 - Remuneration Schedule
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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - Statement of Receipts and Payments

Prestiged.co.nz Limited (in Liquidation) Summary of Receipts & Payments		\$
RECEIPTS		
Accounts Receivable		39,856
Inland Revenue - GST Refund		772
Interest		11
Pre-Liquidation Bank Account		395
Sale of Assets		17,250
Total Receipts		58,284
PAYMENTS		
Inland Revenue - GST		1,695
Inland Revenue - PAYE		1,614
Liquidators' Costs and Disbursements		49,949
Preferential Distribution - Employee Wages & Holiday Pay		5,024
Resident Withholding Tax		4
Total Payments		58,284
Cash on hand		-



Appendix 2 - Remuneration Schedule

Prestiged.co.nz Limited (In Liquidation)

Remuneration Report - Period: 20 May 2019 - 17 March 2022

	Hourly Rate (\$)	Assets		Company Records		Creditors		Day One/Initial Tasks		Debtors		Employees		Financial	
		Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours
Partners	395 - 495	12,237.50	27.50	-	-	-	-	3,337.50	7.50	877.50	2.00	222.50	0.50	1,405.58	3.38
Managers	195 - 325	73.75	0.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	147.50	0.50	147.50	0.50
Analysts	110 - 295	3,697.50	15.50	-	-	1,023.75	5.25	1,852.50	9.50	1,761.25	8.25	926.25	4.75	1,698.75	7.75
Finance / Administration	195	146.25	0.75	48.75	0.25	-	-	-	-	2,632.50	13.50	97.50	0.50	2,973.75	15.25
Support Staff	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		16,155.00	44.00	48.75	0.25	1,023.75	5.25	5,190.00	17.00	5,271.25	23.75	1,393.75	6.25	6,225.58	26.88

	Hourly Rate (\$)	Admin/General		Litigation		On-Going Trading		Planning/Review		Secured Creditors		Reporting		Total	
		Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours	Cost	Hours
Partners	395 - 495	222.50	0.50	371.25	0.75	-	-	2,593.08	5.88	-	-	1,137.50	2.50	22,404.91	50.51
Managers	195 - 325	-	-	-	-	-	-	257.50	1.00	-	-	147.50	0.50	773.75	2.75
Analysts	110 - 295	1,633.75	8.25	2,700.00	12.00	-	-	2,163.75	9.75	-	-	3,398.42	15.63	20,855.92	96.63
Finance / Administration	195	2,583.75	13.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,482.50	43.50
Support Staff	100	100.00	1.00	-	-	-	-	175.00	1.75	-	-	-	-	275.00	2.75
		4,540.00	23.00	3,071.25	12.75	-	-	5,189.33	18.38	-	-	4,683.42	18.63	52,792.08	196.14

Disbursements	Costs
Advertising	500.67
Miscellaneous	402.00
Overheads	-
Travel Costs	46.09
Total	948.76

Note: The hours and costs shown in the table above are the actual WIP totals to date. All totals are exclusive of GST. Payment of \$43,421.03 (excl. GST) has been received on account for both fees and disbursements.



Appendix 3 - Notice of Intention to Remove

PRESTIGED.CO.NZ LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
Company Number: 5568705
("the Company")

Notice of Intention to Remove Company from Register
(Pursuant to Section 320 of the Companies Act 1993)

We, Iain Bruce Shephard and Jessica Jane Kellow, joint and several liquidators of the Company whose registered office is situated at:

BDO Wellington Limited
Level 1, Chartered Accountants House
50 Customhouse Quay
Wellington 6011

Hereby give notice that pursuant to section 318(1)(e) of the Companies Act 1993, and having filed with the Registrar our final report on the liquidation, it is intended to remove the Company from the New Zealand register.

Any objection to the removal pursuant to section 321 of the Companies Act 1993 must be delivered to the Registrar no later than 28 April 2022.

Dated this 31st day of March 2022

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kellow', written in a cursive style.

JESSICA KELLOW
Liquidator