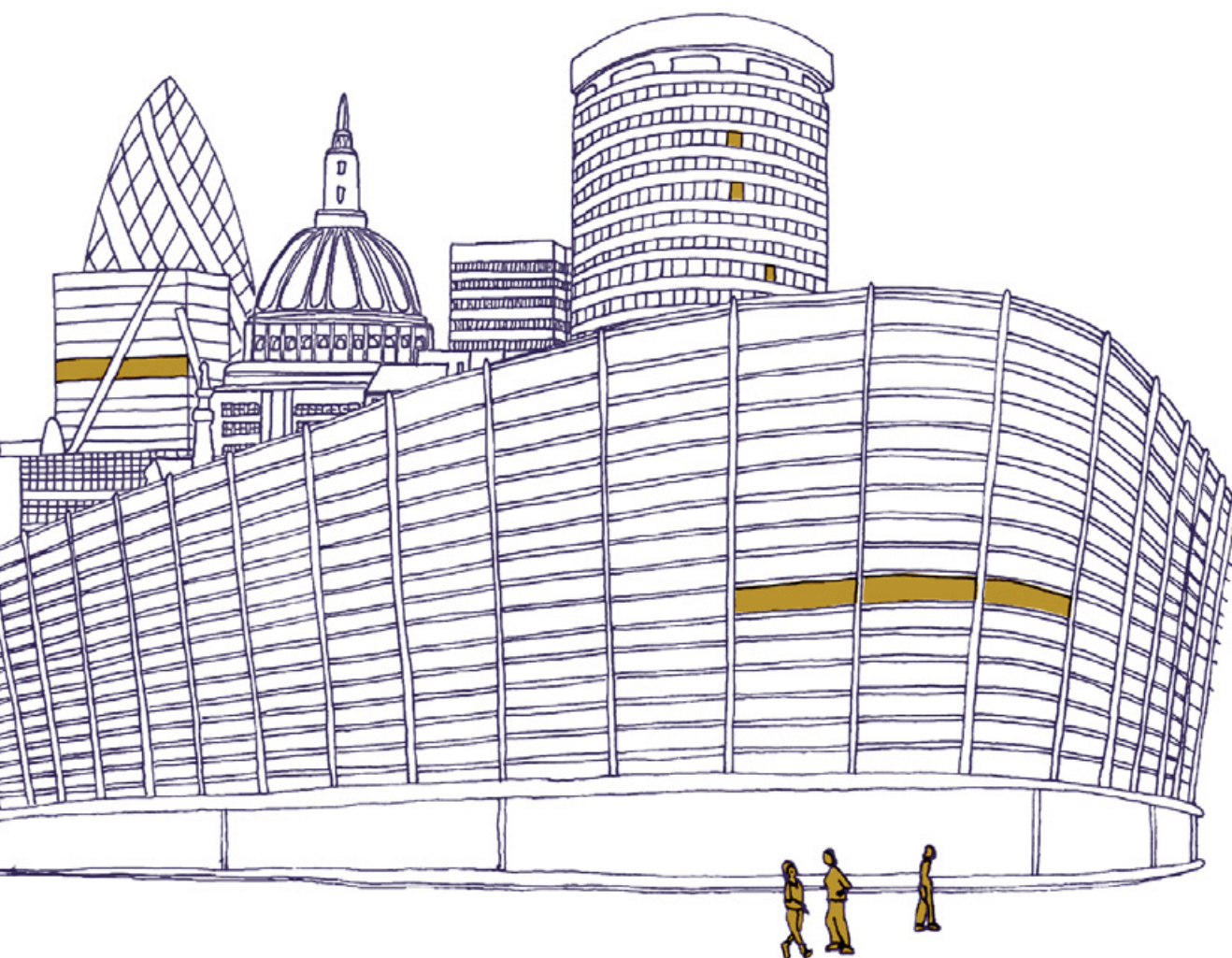
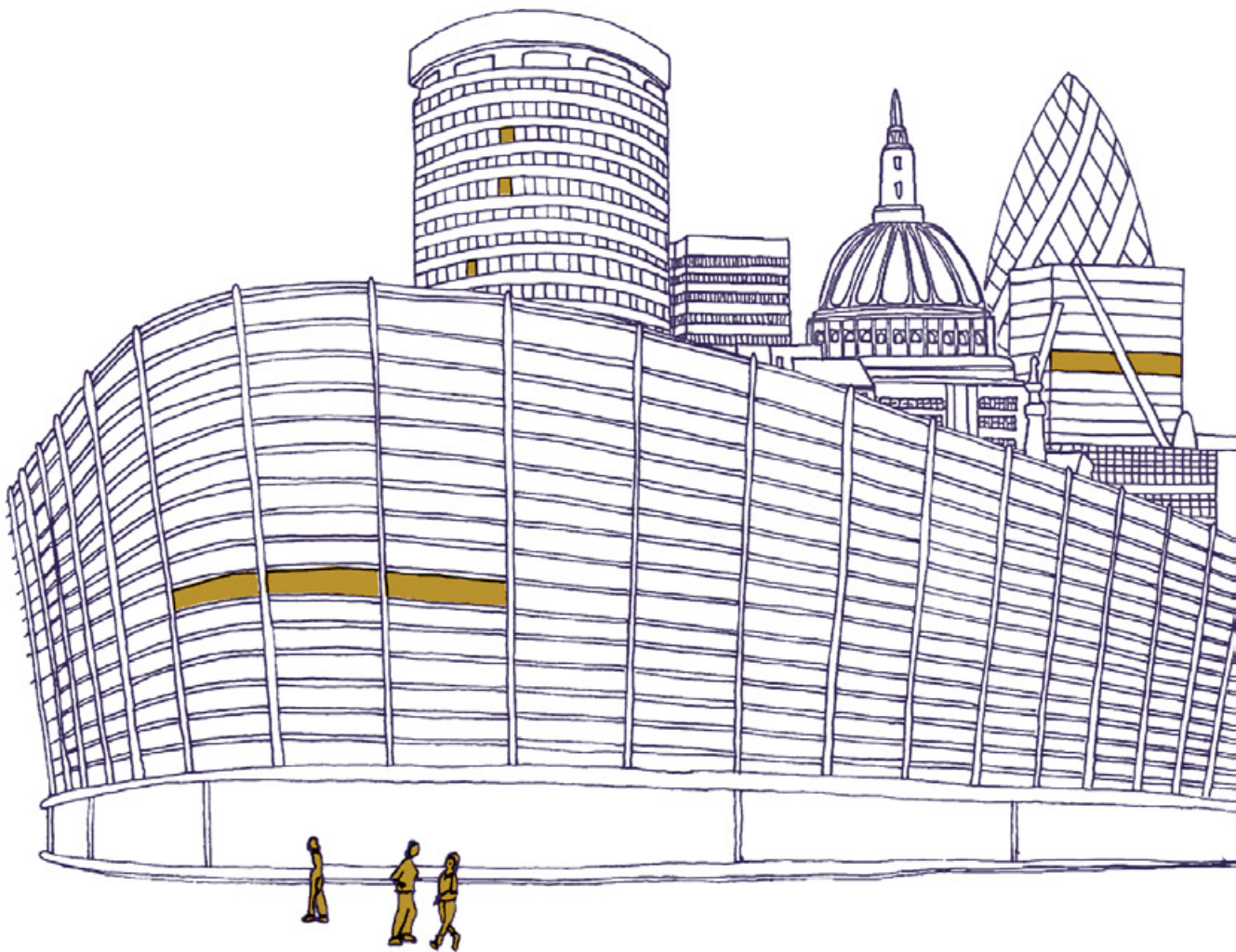


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the best results for their clients.”**



Although 2010 saw the United Kingdom officially come out of recession, there's no doubt that the impact of the most severe downturn since the 1930s has affected all parts of the economy. Many businesses have focused over the last year on reducing leverage and ensuring that they can survive the recession. The road to recovery, across all sectors, will be long and challenging.

However, liquidity is returning to the financial markets and there are signs that private equity investors and trade buyers are taking advantage of the opportunities to be found. Whilst there is unlikely to be a return to the levels of activity seen in the run up to 2008, there is clear evidence of a return of confidence to markets and, for those with access to funding, a willingness to invest strategically.

This is also evident in our own business. We were delighted to expand our national footprint in July 2010 when we opened our new Manchester office in the landmark building, Ship Canal House. This was a major step for Gateley, when we were joined by over 200 partners and staff from the former Halliwells commercial practice in Manchester and a further nine in London. We have already seen a number of significant transactions completed by our Manchester team, in banking, private equity and capital markets.

Last year our Corporate and Banking & Finance teams acted on over 200 transactions, many of which are highlighted in this publication. This performance led to our team being ranked in the top 20 most active legal advisors for 2010[†], ahead of many of our much larger rivals.

Inevitably in the current environment, many of these deals involved the acquisition of businesses out of insolvency and restructuring. But it is pleasing that there are also so many traditional corporate finance transactions, including flotations and the establishment of four new private equity funds, providing a more positive outlook for the future.

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“don't shy away from making commercial decisions”

Looking forward, 2011 presents an uncertain picture. Whilst the United Kingdom economy stutters its way towards recovery, any upturn is likely to be gradual and uneven. There is no doubt that businesses continue to struggle and the return to more 'normal' interest rates and growth will present challenges to cashflow management. The indications are that we will continue to see business failures, particularly in the mid-market, before we start to feel any sustained improvement in market conditions.

In this context, it has never been more important that business is supported by the very best commercial legal advice. We have a broad experience in dealing with all types of corporate and banking transactions: from capital markets to owner-managed businesses; private equity to asset and invoice finance; M&A to restructuring. We recognise the need, as your business advisors, to work with you, understand your business and provide robust guidance that is grounded in an understanding of commercial reality and a deep understanding of the markets in which we live and work. By doing this we can help to add value to your business and to get your deal done.

To find out how we can add value to your business and help with your deal, contact any one of the partners listed in this publication.

[†] Corpfm Advisor League Tables 2010

Highlights of 2010 include acting for:

- The Hut Group on the **£19.6 million** acquisition of Look Fantastic Group Limited.
- HSBC Bank plc on funding the **£32.8 million** acquisition of Spice Telecoms Limited by SIATEL Holdings Limited.
- Vipera plc on its **£10 million** reverse takeover, placing and admission to AIM.
- Key Technologies plc on its **£13.5 million** acquisition of Primetake Limited.
- Maven Capital Partners UK LLP on the **£9.6 million** MBO of Attraction World Holdings Limited.
- The management team on the **£50 million** MBO of CitySprint.
- Lloyds TSB Bank plc, HSBC Bank plc and Yorkshire Bank on the provision of **£75 million** acquisition facilities provided to Daisy Group plc.
- Panoramic Growth Equity Fund LP in the establishment of a **£34 million** equity fund.
- The management in relation to a **£25 million** investment in Sunseeker International (Holdings) Limited.

January

Sale of Filtermist Limited. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Financing of Student Residential Investments Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Acquisition of Concept Sign and Display Limited by Ensko 758 Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of Lawrence Skip Hire Limited by Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of Peter Honey Publications Limited by Education Development International plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Secondary buyout of PJ Douglas Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Refinancing of Femcare Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Lloyds TSB Bank plc.*

Debt for equity exchange in Aurum Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Financing of Charlestown Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Lender, Charlestown Holdings Limited Small Self-Administered Pension Scheme.*

February

Placing by Real Estate Investors plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Investment in Metrasens Limited by Octopus Ventures. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of certain assets of Cockburns of Leith Limited (in administration) to Wine Importers (Edinburgh) Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Return of capital to shareholders by Dunelm Group plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Purchase of own shares by D&I Building Services Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Financing of Leicester City Council by East Midlands Development Agency. *Solicitors to the Council.*

Sale of the business and assets of Express Service Stations Limited (in administration) to Leopard No. 3 Investments LLP and Murco Petroleum Limited. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Refinancing of Rossmark Hotels (Glasgow) Limited by Allied Irish Bank plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of home collected credit business and certain assets of Ramsdens Financial Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

March

Refinancing of the History Press Limited. *Solicitors to the Funder, Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited.*

Investment in Network Centric Technology Limited by Savox Communications UK Limited. *Solicitors to the Investor.*

Sale of the business and certain assets of West Midlands Waterski Centre. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Restructuring of Astrum Holdings and its subsidiaries. *Solicitors to the Funder, Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited.*

Acquisition of the business and certain assets of Advent Computer Training Limited (in administration) by Computeach International Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of Naismiths LLP. *Solicitors to the Members.*

Refinancing of JVM Castings Limited.

Solicitors to the Funder, Venture Finance plc.

Acquisition of the business and certain assets of Reelform Limited (in administration) by McCorquodales 2005 (UK) Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Purchase of own shares by Ramtech Electronics Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of shares in Clegg Development Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Acquisition of two businesses of Chem-Dry UK Limited by Hartan Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Establishment and fund-raising for Panoramic Enterprise Capital, a government sponsored private equity fund. *Solicitors to the Fund Manager, Panoramic Growth Equity.*

Acquisition of the PPEKIT and CHEFSKIT businesses by Workwear Kit Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Biduhappy Limited (trading as Orso.com). *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of certain assets of Adventi Limited (in administration), Scotsys Limited (in administration) and Integral Arm Limited (in administration) to Castle Computers Limited. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Financing of Franklin Steel Stockholders plc. *Solicitors to the Lender, Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ).*

April

Refinancing of Crescent Trustees Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Sale of Surgi C Limited to Ensko 767 Limited. *Solicitors to the Sellers and the Management.*

Financing to Uralsib Leasing Company. *Solicitors to the Lender, Credit Suisse AG.*

Investment in Lawrence Recycling and Waste Management Limited by Maven Capital Partners UK LLP. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Financing of Wem Mill Developments Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Sale of shares in Fish4Dogs Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Refinancing of Slimma plc by Lloyds TSB Bank plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of certain assets of JS Childrenswear Limited (in administration). *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Buyout of Brian Maddison from Bridgeway Consulting Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of certain assets of Simms & Woods Limited (in administration). *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Acquisition of U.C.I. Healthcare Limited by Salts Healthcare Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of Hewitt Robins (Holdings) Limited to TRF Singapore PTE Ltd. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Purchase of own shares by Welbeck Bridge Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Medespa Limited by Beverly Payne – Company Growth Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Joint venture between Renfrewshire Council and Park Lane Group. *Solicitors to Renfrewshire Council.*

Investment in Novawind Limited (now Ampair Energy Limited) by Sigma Sustainable Energy Fund II LP. *Solicitors to the Investor.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Natural Stone Limited by S6S Suppliers Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of the business and assets of Express Service Stations Limited (in administration). *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Financing of HCP 1 (Dennistoun) LLP. *Solicitors to the Bank, Barclays Corporate.*

Investment in Ciqua Limited by Scottish Enterprise and the Par Equity Syndicate. *Solicitors to the Investor, Par Equity Syndicate.*

Establishment and fund-raising for HCP Commercial Property Fund LP. *Solicitors to the Fund.*

Investment in 9dots Consulting Limited by Southwestern/Great American Inc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Investment in Carbon Control Software Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Establishment and fund-raising for Panoramic Growth Equity Fund LP. *Solicitors to the Fund.*

Establishment and fund-raising for HCP Commercial Property Fund LP. *Solicitors to the Fund.*

May

Sale of Mayfair Fire Protection Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Acquisition of 1st Access Rentals Limited and Pinnacle Platforms Limited by Kimberly Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of the business and assets of Professional Fire Solutions Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Acquisition of Spice Telecoms Limited by SIATEL Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Reorganisation of G.C. Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of certain assets of Cobrar (Hampstead) Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Refinancing of Façade Pension Scheme. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of MSK Fabrications Limited (in administration) by Sandiacre Metal Solutions Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Financing of First Provincial Properties Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Santander UK plc.*

Sale of the business and certain assets of Cooper Parry Wealth Financial Strategies Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

De-merger of Omnichem Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Investment in Loanworld Finance Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Reduction of share capital of Snowdome Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Refinancing of Currie European Transport Limited. *Solicitors to the Funder, Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited.*

Investment in Aquamarine Power Limited by Sigma Capital Group plc, Scottish and Southern Energy and others. *Solicitors to Sigma Capital Group plc.*

Acquisition of Sunseeker International (Holdings) Limited by Portofino Yacht Investments Limited. *Solicitors to the Management Sellers.*

Investment in Biduhappy Limited (trading as Orto.com). *Solicitors to the Company.*

Statutory de-merger of the non-FSA registered business of Commitments Protection Limited (a subsidiary of Lawcost Underwriting Limited) to Enesco 778 Limited. *Solicitors of Lawcost Underwriting Limited.*

June

Investment in Biowayste Limited. *Solicitors to the Investor, West Register (Investments) Limited.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Primetake Limited by Key Technologies plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Restructuring and financing of MTL Group. *Solicitors to the Funder, Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited.*

Investment in Trendy Celt Edinburgh Limited by Connection Capital. *Solicitors to Connection Capital LLP.*

EMI share option scheme and issue of shares in Nuclear Engineering Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

MBO of Becktech Limited. *Solicitors to the Funder, Leumi ABL.*

Investment in UK Acorn Finance Limited. *Solicitors to the Investors.*

Financing of Three Peaks Nottingham Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Santander UK plc.*

Acquisition of Carrington Wire Limited by Gillico Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of Belfield Furnishings Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Yorkshire Bank.*

Restructuring of Mainsforth Developments Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of Techflow Products Limited by Stuart Turner Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of the business and certain assets of Kinsey Allen Group Limited (in administration). *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Acquisition of Memex Group Limited by SAS Institute, Inc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investor buyout of Waverley TBS Limited by Huntingtower Investment Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Management.*

Investment in Extramed Limited by Barwell and Scottish Enterprise. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Refinancing of Business Homes-CALA Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Bank of Ireland.*

Investment in Curo Compensation Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Establishment and fund-raising for Par Innovation Fund 1 LP. *Solicitors to the Fund.*

Reorganisation of Optimum Property Management Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

July

Sale of the GPX Division of SDI Displays Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Investment in Stone Topco Limited by RJD Partners Limited. *Solicitors to the Management.*

Financing of 145 Kensington Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Investment in Sleeperz Hotels Limited by Connection Capital. *Solicitors to Connection Capital LLP.*

Acquisition of SJ Farmer Limited by Briggs Enterprise Management Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of the business and certain assets of B.A.W. Precision Engineering Limited by GLK Engineering Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Purchase of own shares by Morris Vermaport Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of The Station Limited (in administration) by The Station Post Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of Walter E Sturgess & Sons Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Reduction of share capital in Aurum Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Creation and funding of Bluecoats JV LP. *Solicitors to the Fund.*

Reverse takeover of Vipera GmbH, placing and admission to AIM of Vipera plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Investment in B1 Medical Limited by Scottish Enterprise's Scottish Co-investment Fund, RGU Ventures Investment Fund, LP and others. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Financing of Aberdeen Leisure Investments Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Bank of Ireland.*

Acquisition of Rossmark Hotels (Glasgow) Limited by Baronsgate Estates Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Simple Audio Limited by Scottish Enterprise, Par Equity LLP and the Par Syndicate. *Solicitors to the Investor, Par Equity LLP.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Northlands Care Home by Woodroyd Care Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Money Dashboard Limited by Par Equity LLP, the Par Syndicate and Scottish Enterprise. *Solicitors to the Investor, Par Equity LLP.*

Financing of Buccleuch ASP LLP. *Solicitors to the Bank, Barclays Corporate.*

Acquisition of SGC Engineering Inc by Senergy Alternative Energy Inc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Financing of Sheratan Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Barclays Wealth.*

Acquisition of the business and certain assets of Financial Plus Limited by Ramsdens Financial Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

August

Sale of and further investment in the Dimensions Group by Men's Wearhouse. *Solicitors to the Sellers and the Company.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Snow Valley Limited by The BSS Group plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Financing of Phoenix Vehicle Hire Limited. *Solicitors to the Funder, Leumi ABL.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Crosbie Casco Limited (in administration) by Crosbie Casco Coatings Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of F & EV Linford Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of IN'n'OUT Servicing Limited (in administration) by IN'n'OUT Centres Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of MCD Developments Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Anglo Irish Property Lending Limited.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of the former PFB municipal vehicle hire business by Phoenix Vehicles Hire Limited. *Solicitors to the Funder, Leumi ABL.*

Financing of Bluecoats JV Limited Partnership. *Solicitors to the Borrower.*

Acquisition of Grayton Holdings Limited by PJD Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of Cash Shop Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Investment in Momentum Broker Solutions Limited by Smith Brothers (Leicester) Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Admission to AIM of Asia Ceramics Holdings plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of the online retail business and stock of Confetti Networks Limited (in administration) and CWIO Limited (in administration) by The Hut Group plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Mere Golf and Country Club Limited. *Solicitors to the Offeror.*

Takeover of Preston North End plc by Deepdale Preston North End Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Offeror.*

Investment in Kiltr Limited by Par Equity LLP, the Par Syndicate, Barwell Plc and Scottish Enterprise. *Solicitors to the Investors, Par Equity LLP and Barwell Plc.*

Refinancing of Ramsdens Financial Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of H&F Drilling Supplies Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Acquisition of the business of North West Precision Forms Limited (in administration) by North West Precision Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

September

Investment in Gardener Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Management.*

Financing of Homelux Nenplas Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Yorkshire Bank.*

Acquisition of Spraylat International Limited by Enesco 779 Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Warth Developments Limited by Roxhill Raunds Limited. *Solicitors to the Investor.*

Sale of Sothers (Holdings) Limited. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Financing of Opal Nottingham Phase 3 Limited and Opal Nottingham Phase 3 Development Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Refinancing of Stuarts Holdings Limited and Stuarts Properties Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Lloyds TSB Bank plc.*

Financing of W&S (Long Eaton) Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Acquisition of Codework Limited by Altimate Ireland Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of De Montfort International Printers Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Sale of Eden Supported Housing Limited. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Financing of Senergy Holdings Limited by The Royal Bank of Scotland plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of Senergy Holdings Limited by Senergy Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of shares in Fairbanks Environmental Limited by Tokheim UK Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of Dunedin Independent plc. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Refinancing of Montpeliers (Edinburgh) Limited by Bank of Scotland plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

October

Sale of 360 Scheduling Limited to IFS AB. *Solicitors to the Sellers.*

Funding of European Wealth Management Group plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Investment in Curo Compensation Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Refinancing of Spectrum Property Investments Limited, Tupelo Limited and GRH (Spectrum) Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, Bank of Ireland.*

Investment into Genius Foods Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of O'Connor & Company (Insurances) Limited by Brokerbilly Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, National Westminster Bank plc.*

Debt for equity exchange in relation to Heart of Midlothian plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Establishment and fund-raising for Vikare Tuscan Property Fund LP. *Solicitors to the Fund.*

Acquisition of Parkridge Care Limited by Haxted Estates Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of CKN Holdings Limited by Enesco 805 Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of the Cwmbran Training College from BAE Systems by Resource Group Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Cornerstone Private Equity Fund LP by Connection Capital. *Solicitors to Connection Capital LLP.*

Investment into Biduhappy Limited (trading as Orto.com). *Solicitors to the Company.*

Finance of Blackpool Pleasure Beach. *Solicitors to the Bank, The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.*

Investment in Probe Scientific Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

November

Acquisition of Sector Training Limited by Education Development International plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Sale of the entire issued share capital of Enesco 778 Limited to Assurant Group Limited (the UK subsidiary of a US insurance company). *Solicitors to the Shareholders.*

Acquisition of L Darby & Son Limited by Andrew Westwood, Carl Horton, David O'Shea, Ian Peacock and Peter Hucker. *Solicitors to the Buyers.*

Subscription for shares in Hive United Limited. *Solicitors to the New Shareholders.*

Subscription for shares in Monro Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Joint venture between Thamelng Group Limited and Helical Bar Plc. *Solicitors to Thamelng Group Limited.*

Sale of Mobiga Limited. *Solicitors to certain Investor Sellers.*

Refinancing of Hani Al-Salih. *Solicitors to the Bank, Bank of Ireland.*

Exercise of investment options by Par Equity LLP, the Par Syndicate and Scottish Enterprise and third party investment into Ciqua Limited. *Solicitors to Par Equity LLP.*

MBO of Hawick Knitwear Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Auckland College from Complete Educational Services Limited (in administration) by CES Guernsey Limited and Auckland Guernsey Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of Media Facility Group BV (MFG) by Printing.com plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of Aquarelle Towells Limited by Liddell Linens Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of Lookfantastic Group Limited by The Hut Group plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

AIM fundraising of Surface Transforms plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of Mankind Direct Limited (incorporating Mankind.co.uk and BeautyExpert.co.uk) by The Hut Group plc. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Investment in Natural Folk Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Higgins Insurance Brokers by Giles Insurance Brokers. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Acquisition of Troy (UK) Limited by Troy (UK) Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

December

Investment in Lawrence Recycling and Waste Management Limited by Maven Capital Partners UK LLP. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of the business and assets of Alexandra BV by Alexandra Corporate Fashion BV. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

MBO of Supply 999 Limited, Todd Research Limited and AS Fire & Rescue Equipment Limited. *Solicitors to the Management.*

Listing of loan notes of Stone Topco Limited on the Channel Island Stock Exchange. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Investment in Camwatch Limited. *Solicitors to the Investor, Maven Capital Partners UK LLP.*

Acquisition of Genitrix Limited by Dechra Pharmaceuticals plc. *Solicitors to the Bank, Bank of Scotland plc.*

Refinancing of Network Group Holdings plc by Lloyds TSB Commercial Finance Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Acquisition of Attraction World Limited by Attraction World Holdings Limited. *Solicitors to the Investor, Maven Capital Partners UK LLP.*

Restructuring of facilities provided to MMC Developments Limited. *Solicitors to the Bank, AIB Group (UK) plc.*

Amendment to the facilities of Palletways Group Limited to assist ongoing development of the group's European expansion strategy. *Solicitors to the Bank, Lloyds Corporate Markets.*

Refinancing of Busy Bees Group to repay sponsor debt. *Solicitors to the Bank, HSBC Bank plc.*

Investment in Biomass Power Limited by Peterborough Renewable Energy Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of Burcote Consultancy Limited. *Solicitors to the Seller.*

Further investment in B1 Medical Limited by Scottish Enterprise, RGU Ventures Investment Fund, LP and others. *Solicitors to the Company.*

MBO of CitySprint Limited. *Solicitors to the Management.*

Joint venture relating to Gapide Limited. *Solicitors to one of the Joint Venture parties.*

Further investment in Simple Audio Limited by Par Equity LLP, the Par Syndicate and Scottish Enterprise. *Solicitors to the Investors.*

Investment in AvilT Limited by Barwell and Scottish Enterprise. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Sale of Head Resourcing Limited's interest in Carlyle Associates Limited. *Solicitors to Head Resourcing Limited.*

Investment in a company incorporated to develop an online gaming product, 'My Bingo Town'. *Solicitors to the Management.*

Investment in Stuck Limited. *Solicitors to the Investors.*

Joint venture between Genius Foods Limited and United Central Bakeries Limited. *Solicitors to Genius Foods Limited.*

Acquisition of Fleetsbridge Randall Limited by Carnelian Properties Limited. *Solicitors to the Buyer.*

Refinancing of Winlan (Dorset) Limited by the Co-operative Bank plc. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Hive up of Handsworth Refractories Limited to Intocast UK Limited. *Solicitors to Intocast UK Limited.*

Investment in Direct Leisure Supplies Limited. *Solicitors to the Company.*

Reorganisation of Savox UK Group. *Solicitor to the Companies.*

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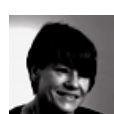
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