# **APPENDIX 1**

### **CASE DETAILS**

Name & address of	Account	Amount	Period of	Reason for
ratepayer	no.		occupation	write off
Surrey Dock Holdings Ltd	630246-4	£69,794.45	16/05/98-	Dissolved -
Surrey Docks Sports			24/10/11	no assets to
Centre,				claim
Salter Road,				
London SE16 5LQ				

#### Statement of account

Period	Amount due £	Payments received £	Balance o/s
01/04/02-31/03/03	22,430.38	14,497.48cr	7,932.90
01/04/03-31/03/04	9,324.00	9,324.00cr	0.00
01/04/04-31/03/05	9,676.00	9,676.00cr	0.00
01/04/05-31/03/06	9,706.00	4,951.00cr	4,755.00
01/04/06-31/03/07	9,959.00	0.00	9,959.00
01/04/07-31/03/08	10,212.00	0.00	10,212.00
01/04/08-31/03/09	10,626.00	0.00	10,626.00
01/04/09-31/03/10	11,155.00	0.00	11,155.00
01/04/10-31/03/11	9,522.00	0.00	9,522.00
01/04/11-24/10/11	5,632.55	0.00	5,632.55

# Total balance outstanding

£69,794.45

### **Notices issued:**

Date	Details
01/04/02	Bill for period 01/04/02-31/03/03
01/04/03	Bill for period 01/04/03-31/03/04
01/04/04	Bill for period 01/04/04-31/03/05

(Details are not held for other notices issued before 2005 due to a system change)

Bill for period 01/04/04-31/03/06 Reminder Summons
Bill for period 01/04/06-31/03/07 Reminder Summons
Bill for period 01/04/07-31/03/08 Reminder Summons

03/03/08	Bill for period 01/04/08-31/03/09
14/04/08	Reminder
28/05/08	Summons
10/03/09	Bill for period 01/04/09-31/03/10
14/04/09	Bill
16/04/09	Reminder
02/06/09	Summons
08/03/10	Bill for period 01/04/10-31/03/11
16/04/10	Reminder
24/06/10	Summons
08/03/11	Bill for period 01/04/11-31/03/12
27/04/11	Reminder
20/05/11	Summons
19/01/12	Closing bill up to 24/10/11

The ratepayer was registered for business rates for the period 16 May 1998 until 12 December 2011 when the company was officially dissolved. All notifications were sent to the registered office address of the company from 6 November 2006 after initially being sent direct to the property.

Bailiffs had been instructed to enforce the debt once the liability order was obtained but the property did not have assets to distrain upon in order to settle the debt as the company were not in occupation of the premises and were based in Ireland. The bailiffs could not distrain against the managing agents.

No payments were made direct to the Council or collected via the Bailiffs after 2005 whilst payments made before that date did not clear the outstanding yearly balances in full. The account was picked up as part of our debt review following the service coming back in-house and prior to this, Liberata had left it for a considerable period of time without any action being taken.

There has also been a further delay caused by trying to establish the legal position with regard to the connection between the companies, occupation of the property and whether there were any assets.

Surrey Dock Holdings Ltd occupied the property as leaseholders. The freeholders are Stadplex Ltd, who were dissolved on 1 November 2011. The Ulster Bank have a charge over the property which in November was for £12.1million. The current value of the land is £6m and the Ulster Bank have appointed Law of Property Act Receivers to claim the land. However, since there will be a shortfall of over £6m there is no further action that the council can take to recover the outstanding NNDR debt.

The company was dissolved on 13 December 2011 with no dividend to any creditors leaving the debt irrecoverable.