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## **Deal Overview**

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The transaction originally consisted of thirteen loans totalling £401.36m, secured by one hundred and thirty six properties and originated by Barclays Bank PLC.

The loans varied in size from £3.89m to £83.18m with a weighted average of £52.72m and they similarly varied from single asset/single tenant to multi asset/multi-tenant. All but one of the loans have since been prepaid or liquidated.

The one remaining loan (the Ashbourne Portfolio A loan), originally of £79.94m, is a super-senior portion of the senior tranche of the Ashbourne Portfolio Whole Loan that also has two further senior tranches, a mezzanine tranche and a junior tranche.

BCMGlobal acts as both Primary and Special Servicer to the Issuer.

# **Special Servicing**

Ashbourne Portfolio A Loan Loan balance at cut-off £79,944,421 Current loan balance: £31,846,978.24

#### **Special Servicing**

Investors will find the most recent update to noteholders via the links in the table below:

<u>Date</u>	
7 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	

The contents of the most recent update are substantially as follows:

#### Update on the Strategy for the Portfolio

To date, since the launch of the piecemeal disposal strategy for the portfolio, forty properties marketed as trading care homes have now been sold.

In addition, twenty-one properties marketed as closed care homes have now been sold.

Currently, the remaining thirteen trading care homes are being marketed for sale.

Based on the disposal process to date and in particular what has been experienced during the first ten months of 2024, including a slower than anticipated take-up of the homes by interested parties; buyers, funders and their legal counsel being increasingly cautious, methodical and diligent in their legal enquiries; the availability of debt including the extended timeframes experienced with lenders and the regulatory approval timeframes being seen (of not less than 8 months), it is estimated that the portfolio will be exited in full by December 2025.

The regulatory authority for England has recognised that some providers have faced difficulties in using the new provider portal. In response, the regulator is implementing changes to the registration process to address these issues and enhance the overall experience for providers.

#### Trading care homes

Following the completion of the various sales, currently there are thirteen care homes that having been marketed for sale, are now in legal documentation. Below is a summary of the number of trading care homes remaining in the Ashbourne portfolio as at 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

<u>Status</u>	Location	No of homes	For sale	%age for sale	<u>Offer</u>	In the legal	<u>Contracts</u>
					<u>Accepted</u>	process	<u>Exchanged</u>
Trading	England	10	10	100%	10	10	1
"	Scotland	3	3	100%	3	3	1
	Total	13	13	100%	13	13	2

The Special Servicer has chosen not to identify such assets so as not to detract from the future trading and marketing for sale of such businesses, however it will update noteholders as the various disposal processes develop.

For those trading homes that are in the course of legal documentation, approval will be required from the relevant regulator for the proposed change of registration to the proposed new owner, with the latter taking up to 45 weeks to conclude, with prolonged re-registration periods likely to be experienced in the Scotland portfolio.

As the sales processes for the remaining trading care homes develop toward a conclusion, the Special Servicer will update noteholders accordingly.

#### **FURTHER UPDATES**

The Special Servicer continues to evaluate various options in relation to maximising recoveries under the Priority A Loan. The Special Servicer will continue to update the Issuer as the process develops.

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