Equinox (Eclipse 2006-1) Plc Quarterly Surveillance Report for the Collection Period 26 April 2020 – 25 July 2020 Issue Date: 8 September 2020



# Content

# **INDEX**

1.	Deal Overview	3
2.	Special Servicing	4
3.	Contact Details	8
4.	Link to Deal Summary Report	8
5.	Disclaimer	9



2

# **Deal Overview**

#### **Deal Overview**

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.

Link Asset Services 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: £63,866,966.03

#### Special Servicing

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

Date	
17 August 2020	https://ww2.linkassetservices.com/media/2wte5ebs/equinox- eclipse-2006-1-ris-notice-2020-08-17.pdf

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

#### Update on the Strategy for the Portfolio

Of the trading care homes initially marketed in the summer of 2019, five homes have now been sold, with a further two homes currently in legal documentation.

The marketing process for the sale of the further fifteen trading care homes which commenced in Autumn 2019 has been concluded and the Propcos and the Special Servicer have reviewed the final offers in conjunction with the agent.

Prior to the Covid-19 pandemic, offers had been accepted on twelve of the fifteen care homes. An offer on one further home has been accepted post the lock-down period commencing.

Subsequently, three of these offers were withdrawn, two homes have been sold, with the remainder in various states of progress, as the buyers have had to focus on their existing care homes, in light of the on-going challenges within the care home sector.

As these offers progress, the Special Servicer will update noteholders accordingly.

Ultimately, it is the intention of the Special Servicer, working with the Asset Manager and the Operator to continue preparing batches of trading homes for future marketing for sale so that eventually the entire portfolio is sold and recoveries made for the Lenders.

### Covid-19

An update on the effects the current Coronavirus outbreak is having on the UK-mainland and Northern Ireland operations is included in the respective trading updates set out in Schedule 1 of the notice.

In terms of the effects on the disposal strategy, the lock-down of the care home sector and specifically the Larchwood Care business, has resulted in any non-essential visits being prohibited.

This in turn means that no visits by buyers advisors (<u>e.g.</u> valuers) are currently permitted and hence, the anticipated timeframes for progressing the current offers are expected to be elongated as a consequence.

In addition, it is unclear as to the effect the current pandemic will have on the various regulators and their ability to respond to applications from buyers to change the registration of the care homes.

### UK-mainland portfolio

#### Closed properties

Currently, there are 5 closed properties remaining of which:

- one exchanged contracts on a conditional basis, subject to the purchaser obtaining a satisfactory planning consent (Warren Park), which has now been satisfied. A period of c.5 months has to elapse from exchange to allow for any form of judicial review and for certain ground investigations to be concluded, in advance of completion occurring. Whilst this period has now been completed, a revised completion date of the 4 October has been agreed with the purchaser.
- three (Copper Beeches, Heathmount and Silver Birches, situated on the same site); and
- one Mountwood situated on a separate site

are currently being evaluated for possible alternative use including residential redevelopment.

A "pre-app" request has been submitted to the local planning authority in relation to the redevelopment of the site upon which the Copper Beeches, Heathmount and Silver Birches properties are situated, the outcome of which is awaited.

A "pre-app" request has also been submitted to the local planning authority for the residential redevelopment of the Mountwood site and a response has now been received from the planners. A data-room will now be established for use in the future sale of the property and also a sales agent selected to undertake the marketing for sale of the site.

Below is a summary of the number of closed care homes remaining in the Ashbourne portfolio.

<u>Status</u>	Location	<u>No of</u> homes	<u>For</u> sale	<u>%age for</u> sale	Offer Accepte d	<u>In the</u> legal process	Contracts Exchange d
Closed	England	4	0	0%	0	0	0
66	Scotland	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100%</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
		5	1	20%	1	0	1

As the sales processes for the remaining closed properties develop toward a conclusion, the Special Servicer will update noteholders accordingly.

#### Trading care homes

Following the completion of the various sales, currently there are seventeen care homes being marketed for sale or are in legal documentation following a marketing process. Of these seventeen, ten homes are currently in the legal process.

Below is a summary of the number of trading care homes remaining in the Ashbourne portfolio.

					<u>Offer</u>	In the	<b>Contracts</b>
<u>Status</u>	Location	<u>No of</u>	For	%age for	Accepte	legal	Exchanged
		<u>homes</u>	<u>sale</u>	<u>sale</u>	<u>d</u>	process	
Trading	England	35	8	23%	8	8	1
66	Scotland	6	1	17%	1	1	0
66	Wales	2	1	50%	1	1	0
66	NI	7	7	<u>100%</u>	7	<u>0</u>	0
	Total	50	17	34%	17	10	1

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 typically taking between 12 - 24 weeks to conclude.

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

#### Northern Ireland portfolio

As previously disclosed, the sale of the Northern Ireland business has been placed on hold.

No resolution of the issues preventing the sale has been achieved. Based on the current information available to the Special Servicer, it is now considered unlikely that a sale of the Northern Ireland portfolio will proceed as previously envisaged.

Consequently, the Special Servicer, in conjunction with the Asset Manager will start exploring an alternative approach to the disposal of the Northern Ireland homes, likely a combination of individual home sales and the sale of clusters of two or more care homes, depending upon the interest shown during the marketing process. A process for selecting a sales agent to undertake the alternative strategy will also be pursued.

For the avoidance of doubt (and as outlined in the latest trading statement in Schedule 1), the Northern Ireland business performance continues to be positive.

As the revised marketing process develops, the Special Servicer will update noteholders accordingly.

#### Larchwood portfolio summary

Below is a summary of the number of care homes remaining in the Ashbourne portfolio, their status (<u>e.g.</u> Closed or Trading) and the number of properties currently being marketed for sale.

	Location		For		Offer	In the	Contracts
Status		No of	sale	%age for	Accepted	legal	Exchanged
		homes		sale		process	
Closed	England	4	0	0%	0	0	0
66	Scotland	1	1	<u>100%</u>	1	<u>1</u>	1
		5	1	20%	1	1	1
					nich are situate		
					aximise recove		future sale of
them, as t	hey provide r	esidential a	and comme	rcial redevelo	pment opportu	inities.	
	Location		For		Offer	In the	<b>Contracts</b>
<u>Status</u>		No of	<u>sale</u>	%age for	<b>Accepted</b>	legal	Exchanged
		homes		sale		process	
Trading	England	35	8	23%	8	8	1
66	Scotland	6	1	17%	1	1	0
66	Wales	2	1	50%	1	1	0
66	NI	7	7	<u>100%</u>	7	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	Total	50	17	34%	17	10	1
	Total	55	18	33%	18	11	2

### 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.

# **Contact Details**

## For any questions, please contact:

Rob Hook Senior Asset Manager Link Asset Services 6th Floor, 65 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7NQ

rob.hook@linkgroup.co.uk

## Link to the Deal Summary Report

http://loans.linkassetservices.com

Unless otherwise noted, this document has been prepared by Asset Services, a trading name of Link ASI Limited, or one of its affiliated companies (collectively referred to as "LASI"), acting as Primary Servicer and/or Special Servicer (collectively referred to as "the Servicer") in relation to Equinox (Eclipse 2006-1) plc.

With respect to documents that have been issued as a RIS Notice, such documents have been issued by the issuer of the notes and have not necessarily been prepared by the Servicer. Deal Summary, CMSA and Asset Surveillance reports will not generally be issued as RIS Notices.

This document is provided for information purposes to holders of the relevant notes from time to time and prospective investors who may lawfully receive, and have read, the prospectus for such notes. The information contained herein must be read in conjunction with, and is qualified by, such prospectus.

This document is not directed to, or intended for distribution to or use by, any person or entity that is a citizen or resident or located in any locality, country, state or other jurisdiction where such distribution, publication, availability or use would be contrary to law or regulation or which would require any registration or licensing within such jurisdiction.

The document does not constitute any form of commitment, advice or recommendation on the part of LASI or its officers, affiliates, advisors, agents or representatives in relation to any transaction. Nothing in any of the documents on this site constitutes any promotion in respect of any invitation, endorsement or offer to invest in any securities in any jurisdiction.

The document is not intended to represent an offer of securities for sale in the United States or to U.S. persons (within the meaning of Regulation S under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "U.S. Securities Act"). LASI does not offer or purports to offer investment, tax, regulatory, accounting or legal advice and these documents should not and cannot be relied upon as such.

Neither LASI, nor any officer or employee thereof of Link ASI Limited or any affiliate accepts any liability whatsoever for any direct or consequential losses arising from any use of information contained herein, including, without limitation, the reliance on any information, data or model, or the use of the documents in the preparation of your financial books and records. You must rely solely on your own examinations of the prospectus for the relevant notes, and consult your own investment, tax, regulatory,

accounting or legal advisors prior to making any investment decisions or taking any other action relating to the information contained on this document.

Certain information contained in this document is derived from information provided to or obtained by the Servicer from third parties, including the relevant cash managers. LASI has not independently verified any of such information. Accordingly, LASI does not guarantee or provide any warranties as to their accuracy or completeness and they should not be relied upon as such.

LASI does not purport that the information contained in this document is all-inclusive or contains all of the information that an investor may require to make a full analysis of the relevant notes. Each recipient of this document must make its own independent investigation and analysis of the information and the notes and its own determination of the suitability of any investment in the relevant notes, with particular reference to its own investment objectives and experience and any other factors which may be relevant to it in connection with such investment and on such other information and advice from its own legal, accounting and tax advisers as it deems relevant and without reliance on the document.

Any modelling or back-testing included is not an indication as to future performance of the applicable notes. No representation is made by LASI as to the reasonableness of the assumptions made within or the accuracy or completeness of any modelling or back-testing contained herein.

Link ASI Limited, trading as Asset Services, is regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. It is registered in Ireland as a private company limited by shares and its registered number is 315348.

The document or information contained herein (whether in whole or in part) may not be reproduced, distributed or transmitted to any other person or incorporated into another document or other material without the prior written permission of LASI."