

Liverpool FC – sale or bust

The Liverpool FC board has accepted a £300m offer to buy the club from New England Sports Ventures (NESV). Current owners Tom Hicks and George Gillett oppose the sale – which would leave them facing substantial losses – and value the club at around £600m



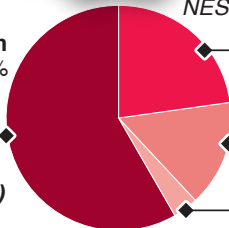
Hicks and Gillett

NESV co-owner John W. Henry

IN THE RED

2007: Hicks and Gillett buy *Liverpool Football Club* with £298m bank loan to holding company *Kop Football Holdings (KFH)*

£174.1m for 100% equity



KFH debt

£298m

£421.6m

£472.5m

Liabilities

Current debt to be confirmed

After £350m refinancing of loan

Assets

350m

LFC debt

£45m

£202m

£226m

£237m (refinancing with £144m loan from KFH)

237m

Oct 15 – £237m loan to be repaid or £60m penalty due

2007

2008

2009

2010

While KFH may be technically insolvent – where liabilities exceed assets – LFC is still solvent and remains profitable, with £185m revenue in 2008-09