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Press Release

ShareSoc suggests shareholders should consider very carefully the Offer for Lees Foods

ShareSoc (the "UK Individual Shareholders Society") advises shareholders to look very carefully at the offer for Lees Foods. Lees Foods is proposing a recommended management buy-out of the company for a total of £5.6m via a scheme of arrangement. But many shareholders are displeased with the level of the offer.

ShareSoc director David Stredder, a holder of shares in this company, was quoted extensively in the Scottish Herald and the Scotsman newspapers on this subject (Lees Foods is a Scottish company). He suggested that any external valuation of the company would likely put a value of more like £3 per share on the company rather than the £2.30 per share offered. He was also quoted as saying that *"It listed seven years ago at £2 per share—so an exit at 230p doesn't seem a very good return. It seems opportunistic"*.

The offer of 230p was only at a very small premium to the previous closing price when it was first revealed. Bearing in mind that the insiders involved in the take-over bid may not be able to vote on the offer, it may be possible to frustrate the bid.

Shareholders in Lees Foods should contact ShareSoc to co-ordinate action on this issue or go to this web site to register your interest and express your opinion:

www.freesharedata.com/lees-foods

There are other peculiar aspects of this matter. There is, for example, a suggestion that the year-end accounts are being delayed, with only 2011 interim accounts being referenced in the offer document.

Is this yet another example of the poor corporate governance demonstrated by many AIM companies?

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About the UK Individual Shareholders Society (ShareSoc)

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