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THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CONTAINS INSIDE INFORMATION.

26 July 2021 For immediate release

Ascential plc

Proposed Placing of Ordinary Shares in Ascential plc ("Ascential" or the "Company")

Ascential, the specialist information, analytics and ecommerce optimisation company, today announces its intention to conduct a placing of 35.5 million new ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (the "Placing Shares"), representing approximately 9% of the current issued ordinary share capital of the Company (the "Placing"). The issue and allotment of the Placing Shares will be within existing authorities granted at the Company's most recent annual general meeting (the "2021 AGM").

The Placing will be conducted through an accelerated bookbuild process (the "**Bookbuild**") which will be launched immediately following this announcement, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Placing set out in the Appendix.

Rationale for the Placing and Use of Proceeds

As announced on 16 July 2021, Ascential acquired a 51% stake in ASR Group Holdings LLC ("ASR") (the "Acquisition"). ASR is a digital content optimisation business that enables brands to grow sales through eCommerce marketplaces. Through its software-driven solutions, ASR helps drive higher consumer engagement rates for marketplace content and higher sales for the featured brands. ASR's expertise offers an exciting new area of expansion for the Digital Commerce Business Unit, building on our current offer by allowing us to directly connect professional independent content with brands' products at the point of purchase to enhance the impact of their advertising in the marketplaces.

The Acquisition was for an initial cash consideration of US\$122m. Ascential also has an option to acquire two further 24.5% stakes in ASR based on a pre-determined multiple of trailing EBITDA between July 2022 and June 2025.

Further details of the Acquisition are set out in the Company's announcement of 16 July 2021. It is intended that the first 20,143,100 Placing Shares will be issued under the non-pre-emptive authority granted at the 2021 AGM for the purposes of an acquisition or specified capital investment (the relevant transaction being the Acquisition), with the remaining shares being issued under the general non-pre-emptive authority granted at the 2021 AGM.

Ascential believes there are further opportunities to both expand capabilities and drive greater growth synergies through further acquisitions. The Placing will provide Ascential with greater balance sheet flexibility to use its proven M&A playbook and execute on its strong pipeline of attractive, on-strategy target opportunities, predominantly in Digital Commerce, Ascential's most significant business opportunity.

Before the net proceeds of the Placing and post the ASR acquisition, leverage is anticipated to be c.3.0-3.5x EBITDA as at 31 December 2021. Following the Placing and before any further acquisitions, leverage is anticipated to be reduced to c.1.5x EBITDA as at 31 December 2021.

Interim results for the six months ended 30 June 2021

Ascential has separately today announced its results for the six-month period ended 30 June 2021 (the "**H1 2021 Results Announcement**"). This Announcement should be read in conjunction with the H1 2021 Results Announcement.

Details of the Placing

J.P. Morgan Securities plc (which conducts its UK investment banking activities as J.P. Morgan Cazenove ("J.P. Morgan Cazenove")) and Numis Securities Limited ("Numis") are acting as joint bookrunners (together the "Joint Bookrunners" or the "Banks") in connection with the Placing.

The Placing is subject to the terms and conditions set out in the Appendix to this announcement.

The Banks will commence the Bookbuilding Process immediately following the release of this Announcement in respect of the Placing. The price at which the Placing Shares are to be placed (the "**Placing Price**") will be determined following the close of the Bookbuilding Process by agreement between the Company and the Banks.

The book will open with immediate effect following this Announcement. The timing of the closing of the book, pricing and allocations are at the absolute discretion of the Banks and the Company. Details of the Placing Price and the number of Placing Shares to be allotted and issued will be announced as soon as reasonably practicable after the close of the Bookbuilding Process.

The Placing Shares, when issued, will be fully paid and will rank pari passu in all respects with each other and with the existing ordinary shares of the Company, including, without limitation, the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid after the date of issue.

Applications will be made to (i) the Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA") for admission of the Placing Shares to listing on the premium listing segment of the Official List; and (ii) London Stock Exchange plc for admission of the Placing Shares to trading on its main market for listed securities (together, "Admission").

Settlement for, and Admission of, the Placing Shares is expected to take place on or before 8.00 a.m. on 29 July 2021. The Placing is conditional upon, among other things, Admission becoming effective. The Placing is also conditional upon the placing agreement between the Company and the Banks (the "Placing Agreement") becoming unconditional and not being terminated in accordance with its terms. The Appendix to this Announcement sets out further information relating to the terms and conditions of the Placing.

This Announcement should be read in its entirety. In particular, you should read and understand the Information provided in the "Important Notices" section of this Announcement.

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About Ascential

Ascential delivers specialist information, analytics and eCommerce optimisation platforms to the world's leading consumer brands and their ecosystems. Our world-class businesses improve performance and solve problems for our customers by delivering immediately actionable information combined with visionary longer-term thinking across Digital Commerce, Product Design and Marketing. We also serve customers across Retail & Financial Services.

With more than 2,000 employees across five continents, we combine local expertise with a global footprint for clients in over 120 countries. Ascential is listed on the London Stock Exchange.

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No action has been taken by the Company, J.P. Morgan Securities plc (which conducts its UK investment banking activities as J.P. Morgan Cazenove) ("J.P. Morgan Cazenove") or Numis Securities Limited ("Numis") or any of their respective affiliates, or any of its or their respective directors, officers, partners, employees, advisers or agents (collectively, "Representatives") that would, or is intended to, permit an offer of the Placing Shares or possession or distribution of this Announcement or any other publicity material relating to such Placing Shares in any jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required. Persons receiving this Announcement are required to inform themselves about and to observe any restrictions contained in this Announcement. The distribution of this Announcement, and the Placing and/or the offer or sale of the Placing Shares, may be restricted by law in certain jurisdictions. Persons (including, without limitation, nominees and trustees) who have a contractual or other legal obligation to forward a copy of this Announcement should seek appropriate advice before taking any action. Persons distributing any part of this Announcement must satisfy themselves that it is lawful to do so.

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Members of the public are not eligible to take part in the Placing. This Announcement is directed at and is only being distributed to: (a) if in a member state of the European Economic Area, persons who are "qualified investors" within the meaning of Article 2 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 (the "Prospectus Regulation"); or (b) if in the United Kingdom, persons who are "qualified investors" within the meaning of Article 2 of the UK version of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 as it forms part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (the "UK Prospectus Regulation") and who (i) have professional experience in matters relating to investments and who fall within the definition of "investment professionals" in Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended (the "Order"), or (ii) are persons who fall within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order; and (c) persons to whom it may otherwise lawfully be communicated (each such person in (a), (b) and (c), a "Relevant Person"). No other person should act or rely on this Announcement and persons distributing this Announcement must satisfy themselves that it is lawful to do so. By accepting the terms of this Announcement, you represent and agree that you are a Relevant Person. This Announcement must not be acted on or relied on by persons who are not Relevant Persons. Any investment or investment activity to which this Announcement or the Placing relates is available only to Relevant Persons, and will be engaged in only with Relevant Persons.

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For the avoidance of doubt, the UK Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (a) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of Chapters 9A or 10A, respectively of the FCA Handbook Conduct of Business Sourcebook; or (b) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to the Placing Shares. Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the Placing Shares and determining appropriate distribution channels.

EU Product Governance Requirements

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APPENDIX: TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PLACING

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EACH PLACEE SHOULD CONSULT ITS OWN ADVISERS AS TO LEGAL, BUSINESS, FINANCIAL, TAX AND RELATED ASPECTS OF ACQUIRING THE PLACING SHARES.

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Persons who are invited to and who choose to participate in the placing (the "Placing") of the Placing Shares (as defined below) by making an oral or written offer to acquire Placing Shares (including any individuals, funds or others on whose behalf a commitment to acquire Placing Shares is given) ("Placees") will be deemed to have read and understood this Announcement in its entirety and to be making such offer on the terms and conditions, and to be providing (and shall only be permitted to participate in the Placing on the basis that they have provided) the representations, warranties, indemnities, acknowledgements, undertakings and agreements, contained in this Appendix. In particular, each such Placee represents, warrants, acknowledges and agrees to each of the Company, J.P. Morgan Cazenove and Numis that:

- 1. it is a Relevant Person and undertakes that it will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of any Placing Shares that are allocated to it for the purposes of its business;
- it is acquiring the Placing Shares for its own account or is acquiring the Placing Shares for an account with respect
 to which it exercises sole investment discretion and has the authority to make and does make the representations,
 warranties, indemnities, acknowledgments, undertakings and agreements contained in this Announcement;
- 3. it understands (or if acting for the account of another person, such person has confirmed that such person understands) the resale and transfer restrictions set out in this Announcement (including this Appendix);
- 4. it understands that the Placing Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or with any securities regulatory authority of any state or other jurisdiction of the United States and may not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, within the United States except pursuant to an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and in compliance with any applicable securities laws of any state or other jurisdiction of the United States;
- 5. it and the person(s), if any, for whose account or benefit it is acquiring the Placing Shares are either (a)(i) outside the United States and will be outside the United States at the time the Placing Shares are acquired by it and (ii) acquiring the Placing Shares in an "offshore transaction" within the meaning of Regulation S; or (b) a "qualified institutional buyer" as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act (a "QIB") who has executed and delivered to the Company and the Joint Bookrunners a US investor letter substantially in the form provided to it;
- 6. if it is resident in Canada, it is resident in either the province of Ontario, Quebec, Alberta or British Columbia; is purchasing as principal, or is deemed to be purchasing as principal in accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws, for investment only and not with a view to resale or redistribution; is not an individual; is an "accredited investor" as such term is defined in section 1.1 of National Instrument 45-106 Prospectus Exemptions ("NI 45-106") or, in Ontario, as such term is defined in section 73.3(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario); and is a "permitted client" as such term is defined in section 1.1 of National Instrument 31-103 Registration Requirements, Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations ("NI 31-103"); and
- 7. the Company and the Joint Bookrunners will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the foregoing representations, warranties, acknowledgements and agreements.

Each Placee hereby agrees with the Joint Bookrunners and the Company to be bound by these terms and conditions as being the terms and conditions upon which Placing Shares will be issued. A Placee shall, without limitation, become so bound if either of the Joint Bookrunners confirms to such Placee its allocation of Placing Shares.

The Placing Shares have not been approved or disapproved by the US Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission or other regulatory authority in the United States, nor have any of the foregoing authorities passed upon or endorsed the merits of the Placing or the accuracy or adequacy of this Announcement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence in the United States.

Bookbuild

Following this Announcement, the Joint Bookrunners will today commence the bookbuilding process in respect of the Placing (the "Bookbuild") to determine demand for participation in the Placing by Placees. The book will open with immediate effect. This Appendix gives details of the terms and conditions of, and the mechanics of participation in, the Placing. No commissions will be paid to Placees or by Placees in respect of any Placing Shares. Members of the public are not entitled to participate.

The Joint Bookrunners and the Company shall be entitled to effect the Placing by such alternative method to the Bookbuild as they may, in their absolute discretion, determine.

Details of the Placing Agreement and of the Placing Shares

J.P. Morgan Cazenove and Numis are acting as joint global co-ordinators and joint bookrunners in connection with the Placing. The Company has today entered into an agreement (the "Placing Agreement") with the Joint Bookrunners under which, subject to the terms and conditions set out therein, each of the Joint Bookrunners has agreed, severally and not jointly or jointly and severally, as agent for and on behalf of the Company, to use its reasonable endeavours to procure Placees for 35.5 million new ordinary shares of one penny each in the capital of the Company (the "Placing Shares") representing up to approximately 9 per cent. of the Company's existing issued share capital, at a price to be determined following completion of the Bookbuild and, to the extent that any Placee defaults in paying the Placing Price (as defined below) in respect of any of the Placing Shares allocated to it, each of the Joint Bookrunners has agreed, severally and not jointly or jointly and severally, to subscribe for such Placing Shares at the Placing Price.

The Placing Shares will, when issued, be credited as fully paid and will rank *pari passu* in all respects with the existing ordinary shares of one penny each in the capital of the Company (the "**Ordinary Shares**"), including the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid in respect of such Ordinary Shares after the date of issue of the Placing Shares.

Applications for listing and admission to trading

Applications will be made to the Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA") for admission of the Placing Shares to listing on the premium listing segment of the Official List of the FCA (the "Official List") and to London Stock Exchange plc (the "London Stock Exchange") for admission of the Placing Shares to trading on its main market for listed securities (together, "Admission").

It is expected that Admission will become effective at or around 8.00 a.m. on 29 July 2021 and that dealings in the Placing Shares will commence at that time. The Placing is conditional upon, among other things, Admission becoming effective and the Placing Agreement not being terminated in accordance with its terms.

Participation in, and principal terms of, the Placing

- 1. Each of J.P. Morgan Cazenove and Numis is acting as a joint global co-ordinator, joint bookrunner and agent of the Company in connection with the Placing.
- 2. Participation in the Placing will only be available to persons who may lawfully be, and are, invited to participate by the Joint Bookrunners. Each of the Joint Bookrunners and their respective agents and affiliates are each entitled to enter bids in the Bookbuild as principal.
- 3. The Bookbuild will establish a single price per Placing Share payable to the Joint Bookrunners by all Placees whose bids are successful (the "Placing Price"). The final number of Placing Shares and the Placing Price will be determined by the Company (in consultation with the Joint Bookrunners) following completion of the Bookbuild. Any discount to the market price of the existing Ordinary Shares will be determined in accordance with the FCA's Listing Rules. The Placing Price and the final number of Placing Shares to be issued will be announced on a FCA-listed regulatory information service (a "Regulatory Information Service") following the completion of the Bookbuild.

- 4. To bid in the Bookbuild, prospective Placees should communicate their bid by telephone or in writing to their usual sales contact at either of the Joint Bookrunners. Each bid should state the number of Placing Shares which the prospective Placee wishes to subscribe for at either the Placing Price which is ultimately established by the Company and the Joint Bookrunners or at prices up to a price limit specified in its bid. Bids may be scaled down by the Joint Bookrunners on the basis referred to in paragraph 11 below.
- 5. A bid in the Bookbuild will be made on the terms and subject to the conditions in this Appendix and will be legally binding on the Placee on behalf of which it is made and, except with the Joint Bookrunners' consent, will not be capable of variation or revocation by Placees after the time at which it is submitted. Each Placee's obligations will be owed to the Company and the Joint Bookrunners. Each Placee will also have an immediate, separate, irrevocable and binding obligation, owed to each of the Joint Bookrunners as agent of the Company, to pay in cleared funds immediately on the settlement date, in accordance with the registration and settlement requirements set out below, an amount equal to the product of the Placing Price and the number of Placing Shares such Placee has agreed to subscribe for and the Company has agreed to allot to them.
- 6. The Bookbuild is expected to close later today/no later than 11.59 p.m. (London time) on 26 July 2021, but may be closed earlier or later at the absolute discretion of the Joint Bookrunners. The Joint Bookrunners may, in agreement with the Company, accept bids that are received after the Bookbuild has closed.
- 7. Each prospective Placee's allocation will be agreed between the Joint Bookrunners and the Company and will be confirmed orally or in writing by either of the Joint Bookrunners (each as agent of the Company) following the close of the Bookbuild. This confirmation to such Placee will constitute an irrevocable legally binding commitment upon that person (who will at that point become a Placee) in favour of the Joint Bookrunners and the Company to subscribe for the number of Placing Shares allocated to it at the Placing Price on the terms and conditions set out in this Appendix and in accordance with the Company's articles of association and each Placee will be deemed to have read and understood this Announcement (including this Appendix) in its entirety.
- 8. All obligations under the Bookbuild and Placing will be subject to fulfilment or, where applicable, waiver of the conditions referred to below under "Conditions of the Placing" and to the Placing not being terminated on the basis referred to below under "Right to terminate under the Placing Agreement".
- 9. By participating in the Bookbuild, each Placee will agree that its rights and obligations in respect of the Placing will terminate only in the circumstances described below and will not be capable of rescission or termination by the Placee after confirmation (oral or otherwise) by a Joint Bookrunner.
- 10. Each prospective Placee's allocation and commitment will be evidenced by a contract note or trade confirmation issued to such Placee by either of the Joint Bookrunners. The terms of this Appendix will be deemed incorporated by reference therein.
- 11. Subject to paragraphs 4 and 5 above, the Joint Bookrunners may choose to accept bids, either in whole or in part, on the basis of allocations determined in agreement with the Company and may scale down any bids for this purpose on such basis as they may determine. The Joint Bookrunners may also, notwithstanding paragraphs 4 and 5 above, subject to the prior consent of the Company (i) allocate Placing Shares after the time of any initial allocation to any person submitting a bid after that time; and (ii) allocate Placing Shares after the Bookbuild has closed to any person submitting a bid after that time. The Company reserves the right (upon agreement with the Joint Bookrunners) to reduce or seek to increase the amount to be raised pursuant to the Placing.
- 12. Except as required by law or regulation, no press release or other announcement will be made by the Joint Bookrunners or the Company using the name of any Placee (or its agent), in its capacity as Placee (or agent), other than with such Placee's prior written consent.
- 13. Irrespective of the time at which a Placee's allocation pursuant to the Placing is confirmed, settlement for all Placing Shares to be subscribed for pursuant to the Placing will be required to be made at the same time, on the basis explained below under "Registration and settlement".
- 14. To the fullest extent permissible by law, neither of the Joint Bookrunners or the Company or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives shall have any responsibility or liability (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) to Placees (or to any other person whether acting on behalf of a Placee or otherwise). In

particular, none of the Joint Bookrunners or the Company or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives shall have any responsibility or liability (whether in contract, tort or otherwise and including to the fullest extent permissible by law, any fiduciary duties) in respect of the conduct of the Bookbuild or of such alternative method of effecting the Placing as the Joint Bookrunners and the Company may agree.

Conditions of the Placing

The Placing is conditional upon the Placing Agreement becoming unconditional and not having been terminated in accordance with its terms. The obligations of the Joint Bookrunners under the Placing Agreement in respect of the Placing Shares are conditional on, inter alia:

- 1. the Company complying in all respects with its obligations and undertakings under the Placing Agreement, save in any respect which, in the opinion of the Joint Bookrunners, is not material in the context of the Placing, so far as the same fall to be performed or satisfied on or prior to Admission;
- each of the representations and warranties of the Company contained in the Placing Agreement being true and accurate and not misleading at the date of the Placing Agreement the pricing date and the date of Admission, by reference to the facts and circumstances then subsisting;
- 3. agreement being reached between the Company and the Joint Bookrunners on the Placing Price and the number of Placing Shares to be issued pursuant to the Placing;
- 4. there not having occurred any Material Adverse Change (as such term is defined in the Placing Agreement);
- 5. the Company allotting and issuing, subject only to Admission, the Placing Shares in accordance with the terms of the Placing Agreement; and
- 6. Admission occurring not later than 8.00 a.m. (London time) on 29 July 2021 (or such later time and/or date as may be agreed between the Company and the Joint Bookrunners).

The Joint Bookrunners have discretion to waive compliance with certain of the conditions and/or agree an extension in time for their satisfaction. Any such extension or waiver will not affect Placees' commitments as set out in this Announcement.

If (a) any of the conditions contained in the Placing Agreement, including those described above, are not fulfilled (or, where permitted, waived or extended in writing by the Joint Bookrunners) or become incapable of fulfilment on or before the date or time specified for the fulfilment thereof (or such later date and/or time as the Joint Bookrunners may agree); or (b) the Placing Agreement is terminated in the circumstances specified below, the Placing will not proceed and the Placees' rights and obligations hereunder in relation to the Placing Shares shall cease and terminate at such time and each Placee agrees that no claim can be made by the Placee in respect thereof.

Neither the Joint Bookrunners nor any of their respective affiliates nor any of their respective Representatives shall have any responsibility or liability to any Placee (or to any other person whether acting on behalf of a Placee or otherwise) in respect of any decision they may make as to whether or not to waive or to extend the time and/or the date for the satisfaction of any condition to the Placing nor for any decision they may make as to the satisfaction of any condition or in respect of the Placing generally, and by participating in the Placing each Placee agrees that any such decision is in the absolute discretion of the Joint Bookrunners.

Lock-up

The Company has undertaken that it will not, and will procure that none of its subsidiaries will, at any time between the date of the Placing Agreement and the date which is 180 days after the date of the Placing Agreement without the prior written consent of the Joint Bookrunners enter into certain transactions involving or relating to the Ordinary Shares, subject to certain customary carve-outs agreed between the Joint Bookrunners and the Company.

By participating in the Placing, Placees agree that the exercise by the Joint Bookrunners of any power to consent to waive the undertaking by the Company of a transaction which would otherwise be subject to the lock-up under the Placing Agreement shall be within the absolute discretion of the Joint Bookrunners, and that they do not need to make any reference to, consult with, or seek consent from, Placees and that the Joint Bookrunners shall have no liability to Placees whatsoever in connection with any such exercise of the power to grant consent or failure so to exercise.

Right to terminate under the Placing Agreement

Each of the Joint Bookrunners, for itself in its capacity as joint global co-ordinator and joint bookrunner, is entitled, in its absolute discretion acting in good faith and after consultation with the Company, at any time before Admission, to terminate the Placing Agreement by giving notice to the Company if, amongst other things, (a) there has been a breach by the Company of is obligations or undertakings which is material in the context of the Placing and/or Admission; (b) there has been a breach of any of the warranties given by the Company; (c) any of the conditions under the Placing Agreement is not satisfied or waived by the Joint Bookrunners; (d) there has occurred certain market disruption or force majeure events.

Upon termination, the parties to the Placing Agreement shall be released and discharged (except for any liability arising before or in relation to such termination) from their respective obligations under or pursuant to the Placing Agreement, subject to certain exceptions.

By participating in the Placing, each Placee agrees that (a) the exercise or non-exercise by the Joint Bookrunners of any right of termination or other discretion under the Placing Agreement shall be within the absolute discretion of such Joint Bookrunner, and that they do not need to make any reference to, consult with, or seek consent from, Placees and that the Joint Bookrunners shall have no liability to Placees whatsoever in connection with any such exercise or failure so to exercise; and (b) its rights and obligations terminate only in circumstances described above under "Right to terminate under the Placing Agreement" and "Conditions of the Placing", and its participation will not be capable of rescission or termination by it after confirmation (oral or otherwise) by a Joint Bookrunner.

No prospectus

No offering document or prospectus has been or will be prepared or submitted to be approved by the FCA (or any other authority) or submitted to the London Stock Exchange or in any other jurisdiction in relation to the Placing or Admission and no such prospectus is required (in accordance with the UK Prospectus Regulation) to be published in the United Kingdom or any equivalent document in any other jurisdiction.

Placees' commitments will be made solely on the basis of their own assessment of the Company, the Placing and the Placing Shares based on information contained in this Announcement (including this Appendix) and any information publicly announced to a Regulatory Information Service by or on behalf of the Company simultaneously with or prior to the date of this Announcement and subject to the further terms set forth in the contract note or trade confirmation to be provided to individual prospective Placees.

Each Placee, by accepting a participation in the Placing, agrees that the content of this Announcement (including this Appendix) and all other publicly available information previously and simultaneously published by or on behalf of the Company by notification to a Regulatory Information Service is exclusively the responsibility of the Company and has not been independently verified or approved by the Joint Bookrunners. Each Placee, by accepting a participation in the Placing, further confirms that it has neither received nor relied on any other information, representation, warranty or statement made by or on behalf of the Company or the Joint Bookrunners or any other person and none of the Company or Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives will be liable for any Placee's decision to participate in the Placing based on any other information, representation, warranty or statement which the Placee may have obtained or received. Each Placee acknowledges and agrees that it has relied on its own investigation of the business, financial or other position of the Company in accepting a participation in the Placing. Nothing in this paragraph shall exclude or limit the liability of any person for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation by that person.

Registration and settlement

Settlement of transactions in the Placing Shares (ISIN: GB00BYM8GJ06) following Admission will take place within the CREST system, subject to certain exceptions. In the event of any difficulties or delays in the admission of the Placing Shares to CREST or the use of CREST in relation to the Placing, the Company and the Joint Bookrunners may agree that the Placing Shares should be issued in certificated form. The Joint Bookrunners and the Company reserve the right to require settlement for and delivery of the Placing Shares (or a portion thereof) to Placees in certificated form or by such other means as they deem necessary if delivery or settlement is not possible or practicable within the CREST system or would not be consistent with the regulatory requirements in the Placee's jurisdiction.

Following the close of the Bookbuild, each Placee allocated Placing Shares in the Placing will be sent a contract note or trade confirmation stating the number of Placing Shares to be allocated to it at the Placing Price, the aggregate amount owed by

such Placee to the Joint Bookrunners and settlement instructions. It is expected that such contract note or trade confirmation will be despatched on or around 27 July 2021 and that this will also be the trade date.

Each Placee agrees that it will do all things necessary to ensure that delivery and payment is completed in accordance with the standing CREST or certificated settlement instructions that it has in place with the relevant Joint Bookrunner.

The Company will deliver the Placing Shares to a CREST account operated by the Joint Bookrunners (or either one of them) as agent for the Company and the relevant Joint Bookrunner will enter its delivery (DEL) instruction into the CREST system. The Joint Bookrunners (or either one of them) will hold any Placing Shares delivered to this account as nominee for the Placees until settlement. The input to CREST by a Placee of a matching or acceptance instruction will then allow delivery of the relevant Placing Shares to that Placee against payment.

It is expected that settlement will be on 29 July 2021 on a T+2 basis and on a delivery versus payment basis in accordance with the instructions given to the Joint Bookrunners.

Interest is chargeable daily on payments not received from Placees on the due date in accordance with the arrangements set out above at the rate of two percentage points above LIBOR as determined by the Joint Bookrunners.

Each Placee is deemed to agree that, if it does not comply with these obligations, the Joint Bookrunners may sell any or all of the Placing Shares allocated to that Placee on such Placee's behalf and retain from the proceeds, for the account and benefit of each of the Joint Bookrunners, an amount equal to the aggregate amount owed by the Placee plus any interest due. The relevant Placee will, however, remain liable for any shortfall below the aggregate amount owed by it and may be required to bear any stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax or other similar taxes (together with any interest or penalties thereon) imposed in any jurisdiction which may arise upon the sale of such Placing Shares on such Placee's behalf. By communicating a bid for Placing Shares, each Placee confers on each of the Joint Bookrunners all such authorities and powers necessary to carry out any such transaction and agrees to ratify and confirm all actions which each of the Joint Bookrunners lawfully takes on such Placee's behalf.

If Placing Shares are to be delivered to a custodian or settlement agent, Placees should ensure that the contract note or trade confirmation is copied and delivered immediately to the relevant person within that organisation.

Insofar as Placing Shares are registered in a Placee's name or that of its nominee or in the name of any person for whom a Placee is contracting as agent or that of a nominee for such person, such Placing Shares should, subject as provided below, be so registered free from any liability to UK stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax. If there are any other circumstances in which any stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax or other similar taxes (and/or any interest, fines or penalties relating thereto) is payable in respect of the allocation, allotment, issue or delivery of the Placing Shares (or for the avoidance of doubt if any stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax is payable in connection with any subsequent transfer of or agreement to transfer Placing Shares), none of the Joint Bookrunners or the Company shall be responsible for the payment thereof.

Placees (or any nominee or other agent acting on behalf of a Placee) will not be entitled to receive any fee or commission in connection with the Placing.

Representations and warranties

By submitting a bid and/or participating in the Placing, each prospective Placee (and any person acting on such Placee's behalf) irrevocably acknowledges, confirms, undertakes, represents, warrants and agrees (as the case may be) with each Joint Bookrunner and the Company, in each case as a fundamental term of its application for Placing Shares, that:

- it has read and understood this Announcement (including this Appendix) in its entirety and that its participation in the Bookbuild and the Placing and its acquisition of Placing Shares is subject to and based upon all the terms, conditions, representations, warranties, indemnities, acknowledgements, agreements and undertakings and other information contained herein and it undertakes not to redistribute or duplicate this Announcement and that it has not relied on, and will not rely on, any information given or any representations, warranties or statements made at any time by any person in connection with Admission, the Bookbuild, the Placing, the Company, the Placing Shares or otherwise;
- 2. no offering document or prospectus has been or will be prepared in connection with the Placing or is required under the Prospectus Regulation or UK Prospectus Regulation and it has not received and will not receive a

prospectus or other offering document in connection with Admission, the Bookbuild, the Placing or the Placing Shares;

- 3. the Placing does not constitute a recommendation or financial product advice and the Joint Bookrunners have not had regard to its particular objectives, financial situation and needs;
- 4. (i) it has made its own assessment of the Company, the Placing Shares and the terms of the Placing based on this Announcement and any information publicly announced to a Regulatory Information Service by or on behalf of the Company simultaneously with or prior to the date of this Announcement (the "Publicly Available Information"); (ii) the Ordinary Shares are admitted to listing on the premium listing segment of the Official List of the FCA and the Company is therefore required to publish certain business and financial information in accordance with the Regulation (EU) No. 596/2014 ("MAR"), in the period up to and including 31 December 2020, and from 1 January 2021 in accordance with the UK version of Regulation (EU) No. 596/2014 as it forms part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 ("UK MAR") and the rules and practices of the London Stock Exchange and relevant regulatory authorities (the "Exchange Information"), which includes a description of the nature of the Company's business, most recent balance sheet and profit and loss account, and similar statements for preceding years, and it has reviewed such Exchange Information as it has deemed necessary or that it is able to obtain or access the Exchange Information without undue difficulty; and (iii) it has had access to such financial and other information (including the business, financial condition, prospects, creditworthiness, status and affairs of the Company, the Placing and the Placing Shares, as well as the opportunity to ask questions) concerning the Company, the Placing and the Placing Shares as it has deemed necessary in connection with its own investment decision to acquire any of the Placing Shares and has satisfied itself that the information is still current and relied on that investigation for the purposes of its decision to participate in the Placing. Each Placee further acknowledges and agrees that it has relied on its own investigation of the business, financial or other position of the Company in deciding to participate in the Placing;
- 5. if it received any "inside information" as defined in the UK MAR concerning the Company or its shares or other securities or related financial instruments in advance of the Placing, it has not (i) dealt in the securities of the Company; (ii) encouraged or required another person to deal in the securities of the Company; or (iii) disclosed such information to any person except as permitted by UK MAR and any delegating acts, implementing acts, technical standards and guidelines thereunder, prior to the information being made publicly available;
- 6. it has the power and authority to carry on the activities in which it is engaged, to subscribe and/or acquire Placing Shares and to execute and deliver all documents necessary for such subscription and/or acquisition;
- 7. none of the Joint Bookrunners or the Company or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on behalf of any of them has provided, and none of them will provide, it with any material or information regarding the Placing Shares or the Company or any other person other than this Announcement, nor has it requested any of the Joint Bookrunners, the Company or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on behalf of any of them to provide it with any such material or information;
- 8. (i) none of the Company or the Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf has made any warranties or representations to it, express or implied, with respect to the Company, the Placing and the Placing Shares or the accuracy, fairness, completeness or adequacy of the Publicly Available Information or the Exchange Information, and each of them expressly disclaims any liability in respect thereof; and (ii) it will not hold the Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf responsible for any misstatements in or omissions from any Publicly Available Information or any Exchange Information. Nothing in this paragraph or otherwise in this Announcement excludes the liability of any person for fraudulent misrepresentation made by that person;
- 9. the content of this Announcement is exclusively the responsibility of the Company and that neither the Joint Bookrunners nor any of their respective affiliates nor any of their respective Representatives nor any person acting on their behalf has or shall have any responsibility or liability for any information, representation or statement contained in this Announcement or any information previously or subsequently published by or on behalf of the Company, including, without limitation, any Publicly Available Information or Exchange Information, and will not be liable for any Placee's decision to participate in the Placing based on any information, representation or

statement contained in this Announcement or any information previously or simultaneously published by or on behalf of the Company or otherwise. Each Placee further represents, warrants and agrees that the only information on which it is entitled to rely and on which such Placee has relied in committing itself to acquire the Placing Shares is contained in this Announcement and any Publicly Available Information including (without limitation) the Exchange Information, such information being all that it deems necessary and/or appropriate to make an investment decision in respect of the Placing Shares and that it has neither received nor relied on any other information given, investigation made or representations, warranties or statements made by either of the Joint Bookrunners or the Company or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf and neither the Joint Bookrunners nor the Company nor any of their respective affiliates nor any of their respective Representatives nor any person acting on its or their behalf will be liable for any Placee's decision to accept an invitation to participate in the Placing based on any other information, representation, warranty or statement;

- it may not rely and has not relied on any information relating to the Company contained in any research reports prepared by the Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf and understands that (i) none of the Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf has or shall have any liability for public information or any representation; (ii) none of the Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf has or shall have any liability for any additional information that has otherwise been made available to such Placee, whether at the date of publication, the date of this Announcement or otherwise; and (iii) none of the Joint Bookrunners or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf makes any representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the truth, accuracy or completeness of such information, whether at the date of publication, the date of this Announcement or otherwise;
- in making any decision to acquire Placing Shares, (i) it has such knowledge and experience in financial, business and international investment matters as is required to evaluate the merits and risks of taking up the Placing Shares; (ii) it is experienced in investing in securities of a similar nature to the Ordinary Shares and in the sector in which the Company operates and is aware that it may be required to bear, and is able to bear, the economic risk of participating in, and is able to sustain a complete loss in connection with, the Placing; (iii) it has relied on its own examination, due diligence and analysis of the Company and its affiliates taken as a whole, including the markets in which the Company and its affiliates operate, and the terms of the Placing, including the merits and risks involved, and not upon any view expressed or information provided by or on behalf of either of the Joint Bookrunners; (iv) it has had sufficient time and access to information to consider and conduct its own investigation with respect to the offer and purchase of the Placing Shares, including the legal, regulatory, tax, business, currency and other economic and financial considerations relevant to such investment and has so conducted its own investigation to the extent it deems necessary for the purposes of its investigation, and (v) it will not look to the Company, the Joint Bookrunners, any of their respective affiliates, any of their respective Representatives or any person acting on their behalf for all or part of any such loss or losses it or they may suffer;
- 12. it satisfies any and all standards for investors in the Placing Shares imposed by the jurisdiction of its residence or otherwise;
- (i) unless otherwise specifically agreed with the Joint Bookrunners, it and each account it represents is not and, at the time the Placing Shares are acquired, will not be, a Restricted Jurisdiction or any other jurisdiction in which it is unlawful to make or accept an offer to acquire the Placing Shares; (ii) it and each account it represents is either (1)(a) outside the United States and will be outside the United States at the time the Placing Shares are acquired by it and (b) acquiring the Placing Shares in an "offshore transaction" within the meaning of Regulation S; or (2) a QIB who has executed and delivered to the Company and the Joint Bookrunners a US investor letter substantially in the form provided to it; and (iii) it is not acquiring any of the Placing Shares as a result of any form of "directed selling efforts" within the meaning of Regulation S or as a result of any form of "general solicitation" or "general advertising" within the meaning of Rule 502(c) under the Securities Act;
- 14. (i) it and each account it represents is acquiring the Placing Shares for investment purposes, and is not acquiring the Placing Shares with a view to the offer, sale, resale, transfer, delivery or distribution, directly or indirectly of any such Placing Shares in or into the Restricted Jurisdictions or any other jurisdiction in which the same would be unlawful; and (ii) it understands, and each account it represents has been advised, that the Placing Shares have not been and will not be registered or qualified for distribution by way of a prospectus under the securities

legislation of the Restricted Jurisdictions and, subject to certain exceptions, may not be offered, sold, acquired, renounced, distributed or delivered or transferred, directly or indirectly, within or into those jurisdictions or in any country or jurisdiction where any such action for that purpose is required;

- it understands, and each account it represents has been advised that, (i) the Placing Shares have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act or with any regulatory authority of any state or other jurisdiction of the United States; (ii) the Placing Shares are being offered and sold only (a) to persons reasonably believed to be QIBs in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act or (b) in an "offshore transaction" within the meaning of and pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act; and (iii) the Placing Shares may only be reoffered or resold in transactions exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act and no representation has been made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any relevant state or other jurisdiction's securities laws for the reoffer, resale, pledge or transfer of the Placing Shares;
- it will not distribute, forward, transfer or otherwise transmit this Announcement or any other materials concerning the Placing (including any electronic copies thereof), directly or indirectly, whether in whole or in part, in or into the United States, Australia, Canada, the Republic of South Africa or Japan;
- 17. if it is a pension fund or investment company, its acquisition of Placing Shares is in full compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- 18. neither it, nor the person specified by it for registration as holder of Placing Shares is, or is acting as nominee or agent for, and the Placing Shares will not be allotted to, a person who is or may be liable to stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax under any of sections 67, 70, 93 and 96 of the Finance Act 1986 (depositary receipts and clearance services), it is not participating in the Placing as nominee or agent for any person to whom the allocation, allotment, issue or delivery of the Placing Shares would give rise to such a liability and the Placing Shares are not being acquired in connection with arrangements to issue depositary receipts or to issue or transfer Placing Shares into a clearance service;
- it has complied and will continue to comply with its obligations under the Criminal Justice Act 1993, MAR, UK MAR, any delegating acts, implementing acts, technical standards and guidelines thereunder, and in connection with money laundering and terrorist financing under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (as amended), the Terrorism Act 2000 (as amended), the Terrorism Act 2006, and the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017 (as amended) and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines issued, administered or enforced by any government agency having jurisdiction in respect thereof (the "Regulations") and the Money Laundering Sourcebook of the FCA and, if making payment on behalf of a third party, that satisfactory evidence has been obtained and recorded by it to verify the identity of the third party as required by the Regulations. If within a reasonable time after a request for verification of identity, the Joint Bookrunners have not received such satisfactory evidence, the Joint Bookrunners may, at their absolute discretion, terminate the Placee's Placing participation in which event all funds delivered by the Placee to the Joint Bookrunners will be returned without interest to the account of the drawee bank or CREST account from which they were originally debited;
- 20. if it is a financial intermediary, as that term is used in Article 5(1) of the UK Prospectus Regulation, that (a) any Placing Shares subscribed for by it in the Placing will not be subscribed for on a non-discretionary basis on behalf of, nor will they be subscribed for with a view to their offer or resale to, persons in the United Kingdom other than UK Qualified Investors, or in circumstances in which the prior consent of the Joint Bookrunners has been given to the proposed offer or resale; or (b) where Placing Shares have been subscribed for by it on behalf of persons in the United Kingdom other than UK Qualified Investors, the offer of those Placing Shares to it is not treated under the UK Prospectus Regulation as having been made to such persons;
- 21. if it is a financial intermediary, as that term is used in Article 5(1) of the Prospectus Regulation, that (a) any Placing Shares subscribed for by it in the Placing will not be subscribed for on a non-discretionary basis on behalf of, nor will they be subscribed for with a view to their offer or resale to, persons in any member state of the EEA other than EU Qualified Investors, or in circumstances in which the prior consent of the Joint Bookrunners has been given to the proposed offer or resale; or (b) where Placing Shares have been subscribed for by it on behalf of persons in any member state of the EEA other than EU Qualified Investors, the offer of those Placing Shares to it is not treated under the Prospectus Regulation as having been made to such persons;

- 22. if it is in the United Kingdom it is a UK Qualified Investors, and if it is in a member state of the EEA it is a EU Qualified Investor, and it undertakes that it will subscribe for, hold, manage or dispose of any Placing Shares that are allocated to it for the purposes of its business;
- 23. it understands that any investment or investment activity to which this Announcement relates is available only to Relevant Persons and will be engaged in only with Relevant Persons, and further understands that this Announcement must not be acted on or relied on by persons who are not Relevant Persons;
- 24. it has not offered or sold, prior to the expiry of a period of six months from Admission, will not offer or sell any Placing Shares to persons in the United Kingdom, except to persons whose ordinary activities involve them acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business or otherwise in circumstances which have not resulted and which will not result in an offer to the public in the United Kingdom within the meaning of section 85(1) of the FSMA;
- that any offer of Placing Shares may only be directed at persons in member states of the EEA who are Qualified Investors and represents, warrants and undertakes that it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any Placing Shares to persons in the EEA prior to Admission except to Qualified Investors or otherwise in circumstances which have not resulted in and which will not result in an offer to the public in any member state of the EEA within the meaning of the Prospectus Regulation;
- 26. it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of FSMA) relating to the Placing Shares in circumstances in which section 21(1) of FSMA does not require approval of the communication by an authorised person and it acknowledges and agrees that this Announcement has not been approved by the Joint Bookrunners in their capacity as an authorised person under section 21 of the FSMA and it may not therefore be subject to the controls which would apply if it was made or approved as a financial promotion by an authorised person;
- 27. it has complied and will comply with all applicable laws (including all relevant provisions of FSMA in the United Kingdom) with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Placing Shares;
- 28. if in the United Kingdom, unless otherwise agreed by the Joint Bookrunners, it is a "professional client" or an "eligible counterparty" within the meaning of Chapter 3 of the FCA's Conduct of Business Sourcebook and it is purchasing Placing Shares for investment only and not with a view to resale or distribution;
- 29. no action has been or will be taken by either the Company or the Joint Bookrunners or any person acting on behalf of the Company or the Joint Bookrunners that would, or is intended to, permit a public offer of the Placing Shares in any country or jurisdiction where any such action for that purpose is required;
- 30. it is acting as principal only in respect of the Placing or, if it is acting for any other person: (i) it is duly authorised to do so and has full power to make the acknowledgments, undertakings, representations and agreements and give the indemnities herein on behalf of each such person; and (ii) it is and will remain liable to the Company and/or the Joint Bookrunners for the performance of all its obligations as a Placee in respect of the Placing (regardless of the fact that it is acting for another person). Each Placee agrees that the provisions of this paragraph shall survive the resale of the Placing Shares by or on behalf of any person for whom it is acting;
- 31. (i) it and any person acting on its behalf is entitled to acquire the Placing Shares under the laws of all relevant jurisdictions which apply to it; (ii) it has paid any issue, transfer or other taxes due in connection with its participation in any territory; (iii) it has fully observed such laws and obtained all such governmental and other guarantees, permits, authorisations, approvals and consents which may be required thereunder and complied with all necessary formalities and that it has not taken any action or omitted to take any action which will or may result in the Joint Bookrunners, the Company or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective Representatives acting in breach of the legal or regulatory requirements of any jurisdiction in connection with the Placing; and (iv) the acquisition of the Placing Shares by it or any person acting on its behalf will be in compliance with applicable laws and regulations in the jurisdiction of its residence, the residence of the Company, or otherwise;

- 32. it has all necessary capacity and has obtained all necessary consents and authorities to enable it to commit to its participation in the Placing and to perform its obligations in relation thereto (including, without limitation, in the case of any person on whose behalf it is acting, all necessary consents and authorities to agree to the terms set out or referred to in this Announcement) and will honour such obligations;
- it (and any person acting on its behalf) has the funds available to pay for the Placing Shares it has agreed to acquire and acknowledges, agrees and undertakes that it (and any person acting on its behalf) will make payment for the Placing Shares allocated to it in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Announcement (including this Appendix) on the due time and date set out herein, failing which the relevant Placing Shares may be placed with other persons or sold as the Joint Bookrunners may in their absolute discretion determine and without liability to such Placee, and it will remain liable for any amount by which the net proceeds of such sale falls short of the product of the Placing Price and the number of Placing Shares allocated to it and may be required to bear any stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax or other similar taxes (together with any interest or penalties due pursuant to the terms set out or referred to in this Announcement) which may arise upon the sale of such Placee's Placing Shares on its behalf;
- 34. its allocation (if any) of Placing Shares will represent a maximum number of Placing Shares which it will be entitled, and required, to acquire, and that the Joint Bookrunners or the Company may call upon it to acquire a lower number of Placing Shares (if any), but in no event in aggregate more than the aforementioned maximum;
- 35. neither the Joint Bookrunners nor any of their respective affiliates nor any of their respective Representatives nor any person acting on behalf of any of them, are making any recommendations to it or advising it regarding the suitability or merits of any transactions it may enter into in connection with the Placing and participation in the Placing is on the basis that it is not and will not be a client of either of the Joint Bookrunners and the Joint Bookrunners have no duties or responsibilities to it for providing the protections afforded to their respective clients or customers or for giving advice in relation to the Placing nor in respect of any representations, warranties, undertakings or indemnities contained in the Placing Agreement nor for the exercise or performance of any of their rights and obligations thereunder including any rights to waive or vary any conditions or exercise any termination right;
- 36. the person whom it specifies for registration as holder of the Placing Shares will be (i) itself; or (ii) its nominee, as the case may be. Neither the Joint Bookrunners nor the Company will be responsible for any liability to stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax or other similar taxes resulting from a failure to observe this requirement. Each Placee and any person acting on behalf of such Placee agrees to indemnify on an after-tax basis and hold harmless the Company, each of the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates and each of their respective Representatives in respect of the same on an after-tax basis on the basis that the Placing Shares will be allotted to the CREST stock account of the Joint Bookrunners (or either one of them) who will hold them as nominee on behalf of such Placee until settlement in accordance with its standing settlement instructions;
- 37. it will indemnify, on an after-tax basis, and hold harmless the Company, each of the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates and their respective Representatives from any and all costs, claims, liabilities and expenses (including legal fees and expenses) arising, directly or indirectly, out of or in connection with any breach by it of the representations, warranties, acknowledgements, agreements and undertakings in this Appendix and further agrees that the provisions of this Appendix shall survive after completion of the Placing;
- 38. it acknowledges that it irrevocably appoints any director or authorised signatories of the Joint Bookrunners as its agent for the purposes of executing and delivering to the Company and/or its registrars any documents on its behalf necessary to enable it to be registered as the holder of any of the Placing Shares agreed to be taken up by it under the Placing;
- 39. in connection with the Placing, either of the Joint Bookrunners and any of their respective affiliates acting as an investor for their own account may acquire Placing Shares and in that capacity may acquire, retain, purchase or sell for their own account such Ordinary Shares in the Company and any other securities of the Company or related investments and may offer or sell such securities or other investments otherwise than in connection with the Placing. Accordingly, references in this Announcement to shares being issued, offered or placed should be read as including any issue, offering or placement of such shares in the Company to the Joint Bookrunners or their respective affiliates in such capacity. In addition, the Joint Bookrunners may enter into financing arrangements and swaps with investors in connection with which the Joint Bookrunners may from time to time acquire, hold or

dispose of such securities of the Company, including the Placing Shares. Neither the Joint Bookrunners nor their respective affiliates intend to disclose the extent of any such investment or transactions otherwise than in accordance with any legal or regulatory obligation to do so;

- 40. each of the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates may have engaged in transactions with, and provided various commercial banking, investment banking, financial advisory transactions and services in the ordinary course of their business with the Company and/or its affiliates for which they would have received customary fees and commissions. Each of the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates may provide such services to the Company and/or its affiliates in the future;
- 41. a communication that the transaction or the book is "covered" (i.e. indicated demand from investors in the book equals or exceeds the amount of the securities being offered) is not any indication or assurance that the book will remain covered or that the transaction and securities will be fully distributed by the Joint Bookrunners. The Joint Bookrunners reserve the right to take up a portion of the securities in the Placing as a principal position at any stage at their sole discretion, inter alia, to take account of the Company's objectives, MiFID II requirements and/or their allocation policies;
- 42. its commitment to acquire Placing Shares on the terms set out in this Announcement (including this Appendix) and in the contract note or trade confirmation will continue notwithstanding any amendment that may in the future be made to the terms and conditions of the Placing and that Placees will have no right to be consulted or require that their consent be obtained with respect to the Company's or the Joint Bookrunners' conduct of the Placing;
- 43. neither the Company nor the Joint Bookrunners owes any fiduciary or other duties to any Placee in respect of any acknowledgements, confirmations, representations, warranties, undertakings or indemnities in the Placing Agreement;
- 44. it may not rely on any investigation that any of the Joint Bookrunners or any person acting on its behalf may or may not have conducted with respect to the Company and its affiliates, the Placing Shares or the Placing and the Joint Bookrunners have not made any representation or warranty to it, express or implied, with respect to the suitability or merits of any transactions it may enter into in connection with the Placing, or as to the condition, financial or otherwise, of the Company and its affiliates, or as to any other matter relating thereto, and no information has been prepared by, or is the responsibility of, the Joint Bookrunners for the purposes of the Placing;
- 45. these terms and conditions and any agreements entered into by it pursuant to these terms and conditions (including any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with such agreements) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and it submits (on behalf of itself and on behalf of any person on whose behalf it is acting) to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts as regards any claim, dispute or matter arising out of any such agreements and such non-contractual obligations, except that enforcement proceedings in respect of the obligation to make payment for the Placing Shares (together with any interest chargeable thereon) may be taken by the Joint Bookrunners in any jurisdiction in which the relevant Placee is incorporated or in which any of its securities have a quotation on a recognised stock exchange; and

46. if it is resident in Canada:

- (a) it understands that the offering of the Placing Shares is being made on a private placement basis only in the provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec (the "Canadian Private Placement Provinces") on a basis exempt from the requirement that the Company prepare and file a prospectus with the relevant securities regulatory authorities in Canada and as such, any resale of the Placing Shares must be made in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws;
- (b) it is resident in one of the Canadian Private Placement Provinces;
- it is purchasing the Placing Shares as principal, or is deemed to be purchasing as principal in accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws, for investment only and not with a view to resale or redistribution;

- (d) it is not an individual;
- (e) it is an "accredited investor" as such term is defined in section 1.1 of NI 45-106 or, in Ontario, as such term is defined in section 73.3(1) of the Securities Act (Ontario), as applicable;
- (f) it is a "permitted client" as such term is defined in section 1.1 of NI 31-103;
- (g) it has not received any offering memorandum (as such term is defined under Canadian securities law)from any party in respect of the Placing or the Placing Shares;
- (h) it understand that any resale of the Placing Shares acquired by it in the Placing must be made in accordance with applicable Canadian securities laws, which may vary depending on the relevant jurisdiction, and which may require resales to be made in accordance with Canadian prospectus requirements, a statutory exemption from the prospectus requirements, in a transaction exempt from the prospectus requirements or otherwise under a discretionary exemption from the prospectus requirements granted by the applicable local Canadian securities regulatory authority and that these resale restrictions may under certain circumstances apply to resales of the Placing Shares outside of Canada; and
- (i) no person has made any written or oral representations to such Placee (i) that any person will resell or repurchase the Instruments, (ii) that any person will refund the purchase price of the Placing Shares, or (iii) as to the future price or value of the Placing Shares; and
- 47. the Company, the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates and their respective Representatives and others will rely upon the truth and accuracy of the acknowledgements, representations, warranties, indemnities, undertakings and agreements set forth herein and which are given to each of the Joint Bookrunners on its own behalf and on behalf of the Company and are irrevocable and it irrevocably authorises the Company and the Joint Bookrunners to produce this Announcement, pursuant to, in connection with, or as may be required by any applicable law or regulation, administrative or legal proceeding or official inquiry with respect to the matters set forth herein. It agrees that if any of the acknowledgements, representations, warranties, undertakings and agreements made in connection with its subscribing and/or acquiring of Placing Shares is no longer true or accurate, it shall promptly notify the Company and the Joint Bookrunners.

The agreement to allot and issue Placing Shares to Placees (or the persons for whom Placees are contracting as nominee or agent) free of stamp duty and stamp duty reserve tax relates only to their allotment and issue to Placees, or such persons as they nominate as their agents, direct from the Company for the Placing Shares in question. Such agreement is subject to the representations, warranties and further terms above and assumes, and is based on the warranty and representation from each Placee, that the Placing Shares are not being acquired in connection with arrangements to issue depositary receipts or to issue or transfer the Placing Shares into a clearance service. If there are any such arrangements, or the settlement relates to any other dealing in the Placing Shares, stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax or other similar taxes may be payable, for which neither the Company nor the Joint Bookrunners will be responsible and each Placee shall indemnify on an after-tax basis and hold harmless the Company, the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates and their respective Representatives for any stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax or other similar tax paid or otherwise payable by them in respect of any such arrangements or dealings. If this is the case, each Placee should seek its own advice and notify the Joint Bookrunners accordingly.

Neither the Company nor the Joint Bookrunners is liable to bear any capital duty, stamp duty and all other stamp, issue, securities, transfer, registration, documentary or other duties or taxes (including any interest, fines or penalties relating thereto) payable in or outside the United Kingdom by any Placee or any other person on a Placee's acquisition of any Placing Shares or the agreement by a Placee to acquire any Placing Shares. Each Placee agrees to indemnify on an after-tax basis and hold harmless the Company, each of the Joint Bookrunners and their respective affiliates and their respective Representatives from any and all interest, fines or penalties in relation to any such duties or taxes.

Each Placee should seek its own advice as to whether any of the above tax liabilities arise and notify the Joint Bookrunners accordingly.

Each Placee, and any person acting on behalf of each Placee, acknowledges and agrees that the Joint Bookrunners and/or any of their respective affiliates may, at their absolute discretion, agree to become a Placee in respect of some or all of the

Placing Shares. Each Placee acknowledges and is aware that the Joint Bookrunners are receiving a fee in connection with their role in respect of the Placing as detailed in the Placing Agreement. When a Placee or person acting on behalf of the Placee is dealing with either of the Joint Bookrunners any money held in an account with the relevant Joint Bookrunner on behalf of the Placee and/or any person acting on behalf of the Placee will not be treated as client money within the meaning of the rules and regulations of the FCA made under FSMA. The Placee acknowledges that the money will not be subject to the protections conferred by the client money rules; as a consequence, this money will not be segregated from the relevant Joint Bookrunner's money in accordance with the client money rules and will be used by the relevant Joint Bookrunner in the course of its own business; and the Placee will rank only as a general creditor of the relevant Joint Bookrunner.

Past performance is no guide to future performance and persons needing advice should consult an independent financial adviser.

The rights and remedies of the Joint Bookrunners and the Company under these terms and conditions are in addition to any rights and remedies which would otherwise be available to each of them and the exercise or partial exercise of one will not prevent the exercise of others.

All times and dates in this Announcement may be subject to amendment by the Joint Bookrunners (in their absolute discretion). The Joint Bookrunners shall notify the Placees and any persons acting on behalf of the Placees of any changes.

In this Announcement, "after-tax basis" means in relation to any payment made to the Company, the Joint Bookrunners or their respective affiliates or their respective Representatives pursuant to this Announcement where the payment (or any part thereof) is chargeable to any tax, a basis such that the amount so payable shall be increased so as to ensure that after taking into account any tax chargeable (or which would be chargeable but for the availability of any relief unrelated to the loss, damage, cost, charge, expense or liability against which the indemnity is given on such amount (including on the increased amount)) there shall remain a sum equal to the amount that would otherwise have been so payable.