



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
28 June 2021**

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**Escape Hunt plc  
Belmont House  
Station Way  
Crawley, England  
RH10 1JA**

**26 May 2021**

Dear Shareholder,

I am pleased to send you details of the forthcoming annual general meeting ("AGM") of Escape Hunt plc ("Company"), together with the annual report and accounts for the financial period ended 31 December 2020.

The AGM will be held on 28 June 2021 at 10.00 a.m. at Escape Hunt, Roof Terrace, Westgate Shopping Centre, Castle Street, Oxford, OX1 1TR. The AGM Notice is set out on page 6 of this document.

The Company continues to monitor developments relating to the outbreak of Covid-19, including the related public health guidance and legislation issued by the UK Government as well as the "roadmap out of lockdown" published on 22 February 2021.

At present, it is expected that it will be possible to hold a physical Annual General Meeting and to welcome the maximum number of shareholders we are able within safety constraints and in accordance with government guidelines that will apply at the time.

However, given the constantly evolving nature of the situation, we want to ensure that we are able to adapt these arrangements efficiently to respond to changes in circumstances. On this basis, should the situation change such that we consider that it is no longer possible for shareholders to attend the meeting, we will adopt contingency plans and notify shareholders of the change via an RNS announcement as early as is possible before the date of the meeting. Any updates to the position will also be included on our website at [www.escapehunt.com/investors/](http://www.escapehunt.com/investors/). Should we have to change the arrangements in this way, it is likely that we will not be in a position to accommodate shareholders beyond the minimum required to hold a quorate meeting which will be achieved through the attendance of employee shareholders.

Shareholders intending to attend the Annual General Meeting, should this be possible, are asked to register their intention as soon as practicable (and the Company strongly encourages them to advise the Company at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting) by emailing the Company Secretary at [graham.bird@escapehunt.com](mailto:graham.bird@escapehunt.com). Any such communication shall not provide a guarantee that admittance to the Annual General Meeting will be permitted where to do so would be in breach of rules governing public gatherings and/or the need to protect the health and safety of those already in the meeting.

Given the uncertainty around whether shareholders will be able to attend the Annual General Meeting because of tighter restrictions due to a change in the situation with the COVID-19 pandemic, we encourage all shareholders to complete and return the accompanying Form of Proxy appointing the Chair of the meeting as their proxy. This will ensure that your vote will be counted if ultimately you (or any other proxy you might otherwise appoint) are not able to attend the meeting. A proxy card is attached to this Notice and is also available on the Company's website at [www.escapehunt.com/investors/](http://www.escapehunt.com/investors/). Please note the deadline for the receipt of proxies by our registrar, Equiniti Limited, is 10.00 a.m. on 24 June 2021. Proxy appointments should be submitted in accordance with the Notes to the AGM Notice on pages 10 and 11.

All resolutions at the AGM will be decided on a poll.

Any member attending an annual general meeting has the right to ask questions in accordance with section 319A of the Companies Act 2006 and the Company must cause to be answered any such question relating to the business being dealt with at the meeting, unless to do so would interfere unduly with preparation for the meeting, involve the disclosure of confidential information, the answer has already been given on a website or it is undesirable in the interests of the Company or good order of the meeting that the question be answered.

A copy of this document is available on the Company's website at [www.escapehunt.com/investors/](http://www.escapehunt.com/investors/). Neither the content of the Company's website nor any website accessible by hyperlinks to the Company's website is incorporated in, or forms part of, this document.

The following documents are enclosed with this letter:

- Notice of AGM
- Report and Accounts
- Form of Proxy (and prepaid envelope)

**Action to be taken**

You are requested to complete and return the Form of Proxy in accordance with the instructions printed on it so that it arrives no later than 10.00 a.m. on 24 June 2021.

**Recommendation**

The Board considers the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM to be in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole. The Directors unanimously recommend that you vote in favour of the resolutions as they intend to do in respect of their own beneficial holdings. In making this recommendation, any Director who is standing for reappointment abstains in relation to the resolution for his or her own reappointment and each Director abstains in relation to resolution 12.

Yours sincerely

**Richard Rose**  
**Chairman**

## **Resolutions to be proposed at the AGM**

Set out below is an explanation of the resolutions set out in the Notice of AGM.

### ***Resolution 1 – to receive the annual report and accounts – ordinary resolution***

The Chairman will present the Annual Report and Accounts for the financial period ended 31 December 2020 to the annual general meeting. A copy of the Annual Report and Accounts accompanies this notice to shareholders.

### ***Resolutions 2 and 3 – appointment of auditors and auditors’ remuneration – ordinary resolutions***

Resolution 2 relates to the appointment of Crowe U.K. LLP as auditors of the Company to hold office until the next general meeting of the Company at which accounts are laid, expected to be the next annual general meeting of the Company.

Resolution 3 authorises the Directors to set the remuneration of the Company’s auditors.

### ***Resolutions 4 – 8 – re-election of Directors – ordinary resolutions***

John Story was appointed as a director since the last annual general meeting and so shall retire and be proposed for re-election. In line with best practice, all of the other Directors will also retire and be proposed for re-election at the annual general meeting. Resolutions 4 – 8 seek your approval to re-elect these individuals as Directors of the Company.

All of the Directors have indicated their willingness to offer themselves for re-election. The Board, having considered the mix of skills, knowledge and experience of the Directors, confirms that each Director continues to perform his or her duties effectively, showing integrity and high ethical standards whilst maintaining sound, independent judgement in respect of all decisions taken at both Board and, where applicable, Board Committee level to ensure the Company’s long term sustainable success.

### ***Resolution 9 – authority to allot shares – ordinary resolution***

The Companies Act 2006 provides that Directors shall only allot shares with the authority of shareholders in general meeting. The authority given to the Directors at the last annual general meeting to allot (or issue) shares pursuant to section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 expires on the date of this year’s annual general meeting.

Resolution 9 will be proposed as an ordinary resolution for the renewal of the Directors’ general authority to issue shares in the Company and to grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares in the Company up to an aggregate nominal amount of £369,250.38 representing approximately one third of the current issued share capital of the Company (excluding treasury shares). In addition, the resolution seeks authority for the Directors to allot shares by way of a preemptive rights issue up to an aggregate nominal amount of £369,250.38 representing a further third of the current issued share capital of the Company (excluding treasury shares). The Directors have no present intention of exercising either of these authorities.

### ***Resolutions 10 and 11 – disapplication of preemption rights – special resolutions***

The Companies Act 2006 also provides that any allotment of new shares for cash must be made pro rata to individual shareholders’ holdings, unless such provisions are disapplied under section 570 of the Companies Act 2006.

Resolution 10 will be proposed as a special resolution for the renewal of the Directors’ authority to allot equity securities for cash, without first offering them to shareholders pro rata to their holdings. This authority facilitates issues made by way of rights to shareholders which are not strictly in accordance with section 561(1) of the Companies Act 2006, and authorises other allotments of shares up to a maximum aggregate nominal amount of £55,387.55, representing approximately 5 per cent. of the current issued ordinary share capital of the Company. The Directors have no present intention of exercising this authority.

Resolution 11 will be proposed as a special resolution. It will, in addition to any authority granted pursuant to resolution 10 above, give the Directors authority to allot equity securities free of preemption rights, up to a nominal value of £55,387.55, representing an additional 5 per cent. of the issued share capital, for transactions which the Board determines to be an acquisition or other specified capital investment.

The disapplication authority proposed by resolutions 10 and 11 is in line with institutional shareholder guidance and, in particular, with the PreEmption Group’s Statement of Principles of 2015 (the “PreEmption Principles”). The PreEmption Principles were revised in 2015 to allow the authority for an issue of shares otherwise than in connection with a preemptive offer to be increased from 5 per cent. to 10 per cent. of the

Company's issued ordinary share capital, provided that the Company confirms that it intends to use the additional 5 per cent. authority only in connection with an acquisition or specified capital investment. The Board therefore confirms, in accordance with the PreEmption Principles that, to the extent that the authority in paragraph (i) of resolution 11 is used for an issue of ordinary shares in addition to the amount referred to at paragraph (ii) of resolution 10, it intends that it will only be used in connection with an acquisition or specified capital investment which is announced contemporaneously with the issue, or which has taken place in the preceding six month period and is disclosed in the announcement of the issue.

To reflect best practice, as set out in the PreEmption Group's monitoring report and template resolutions published in May 2016, resolutions 10 and 11 are proposed as two separate resolutions.

The Board also confirms, in accordance with the Preemption Principles, that it does not intend to issue shares for cash representing more than 7.5 per cent. of the Company's issued ordinary share capital in any rolling three year period other than to existing shareholders, save as permitted in connection with an acquisition or specified capital investment as described above, without prior consultation with shareholders.

The authorities granted under resolutions 9, 10 and 11 will expire at the next annual general meeting, or, if earlier, at the close of business on the date falling 15 months after the date of the annual general meeting.

#### ***Resolution 12 – ratification of allotment of fee shares – special resolution***

Resolution 12 will be proposed as a special resolution for the ratification of the allotment and issue of 89,143 Ordinary Shares of 1.25p each by the Company in respect of fee shares on 27 January 2021 for cash without the directors having sufficient authority to allot on a non-pre-emptive basis due to a misinterpretation of the treatment of the fee shares (which should have been treated as an issue of equity securities for cash). The fee shares were allotted and issued to the Company's Nominated Adviser in consideration of their professional advice rendered in respect of the placing that was undertaken by the Company in January 2021.

#### ***Resolution 13 – purchase of own shares – special resolution***

Resolution 13 will be proposed as a special resolution for the renewal of the Company's authority to purchase its own shares in the market during the period until the next annual general meeting of the Company for up to 8,862,009 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 10 per cent. of the issued ordinary share capital of the Company. The price payable shall not be more than 5 per cent. above the average of the middle market quotation for ordinary shares as derived from the AIM Appendix to the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange for the 5 business days before the purchase is made and in any event not more than the higher of the price of the last independent trade and the highest current independent purchase bid on the trading venue where the purchase was carried out and not less than 1.25p per share, being the nominal value of the shares.

It is the Directors' intention only to exercise the authority to purchase the Company's shares where it would increase the earnings per share of those Ordinary Shares that are not repurchased. This power will only be used if the Directors consider that to do so would be in the best interests of shareholders generally. Save to the extent purchased pursuant to the regulations concerning treasury shares, any Ordinary Shares purchased in this way will be cancelled and the number of shares in issue will be accordingly reduced. The Company may hold in treasury any of its own Ordinary Shares that it purchases pursuant to the relevant regulations and the authority conferred by this resolution. This would give the Company the ability to reissue treasury shares quickly and cost effectively and would provide the Company with greater flexibility in the management of its capital base.

As at 25 May 2021 (the last practicable date prior to the publication of this document) options to subscribe for a total of 15,733,332 Ordinary Shares were outstanding under the Company's 2020 EMI Scheme representing 17.75 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company (excluding treasury shares) at that date and 19.73 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company (excluding treasury shares) if the authority sought by this resolution were to be exercised in full.

#### ***Resolution 14 – political donations – ordinary resolution***

Resolution 14 will be proposed as an ordinary resolution to authorise the making of political donations and political expenditure. Part 14 of the Companies Act 2006 requires companies to obtain the approval of shareholders before such political donations or expenditure can be made.

Although the Company does not make what were usually regarded as political donations, it may incur expenditure on such items as sponsorship or attendance at political discussions and business liaison events organised by political parties within the UK or the EU on a nonpartisan basis in order to make them aware of

industry trends and key arguments affecting our industry, as well as supporting the work of think tanks. Some of our activities may be caught by the extended definitions of the Companies Act 2006, and this resolution is being proposed on a precautionary basis to allow the Company to continue its current activities. The policy of not giving any cash contribution to political parties or independent election candidates will continue.

***Resolution 15– holding general meetings on 14 days’ notice – special resolution***

The Companies Act 2006 provides that the notice period for general meetings for traded companies is 21 clear days unless shareholders approve a shorter notice period, which cannot be less than 14 clear days. The Company is not a traded company pursuant to the Companies Act 2006. However, it has chosen to put resolution 15 to shareholders to comply with the UK Corporate Governance Code and best practice.

Resolution 15 will be proposed as a special resolution to authorise the calling of general meetings of the Company (other than an annual general meeting) on not less than 14 clear days’ notice.

The authority granted by this resolution 15 (if passed) will be effective until the next annual general meeting of the Company. It is the Directors’ intention not to call a general meeting on less than 14 working days’ notice unless there is a need for urgency and the shorter notice period is not intended to be used as a matter of routine.

## ESCAPE HUNT PLC

(Registered in England and Wales with number 10184316)

(“Company”)

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of the Company will be held at 10.00 a.m. on 28 June 2021 at Escape Hunt, Roof Terrace, Westgate Shopping Centre, Castle Street, Oxford, OX1 1TR for the following purposes:

#### Ordinary Business

1. To receive and adopt the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020, together with the Reports of the Directors and of the Auditors thereon.
2. To appoint Crowe U.K. LLP as auditors to the Company, to hold office until the end of the next general meeting at which accounts are laid before the Company.
3. To authorise the Directors to determine the remuneration of the auditors of the Company.
4. To re-elect John Story, who was appointed since the last annual general meeting, as a Director.
5. To re-elect Karen Bach as a Director.
6. To re-elect Richard Harpham as a Director.
7. To re-elect Richard Rose as a Director.
8. To re-elect Graham Bird as a Director.

To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

#### Special Business

As special business, to consider and if thought fit pass the following resolutions which will be proposed as to resolutions 9 and 14 as ordinary resolutions and as to resolutions 10, 11, 12, 13 and 15 as special resolutions:

9. (i) THAT, subject to and in accordance with Article 7 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the board be and it is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised pursuant to section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 (in substitution for any existing authority to allot shares) to allot shares in the Company and to grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares in the Company up to an aggregate nominal amount of £369,250.38 provided that such authority shall expire at the end of the next annual general meeting of the Company after the passing of this resolution (or, if earlier, at the close of business on 28 September 2022), save that the Company may, before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require such shares to be allotted or rights to subscribe for or convert securities into shares to be granted after such expiry, and the board may allot shares and grant rights to subscribe or convert securities into shares in pursuance of such offer or agreement as if the authority conferred by this resolution had not expired, and further,
- (ii) THAT, the board be and it is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise all powers of the Company to allot equity securities (within the meaning of section 560 of the said Act) in connection with a rights issue in favour of ordinary shareholders where the equity securities respectively attributable to the interests of all ordinary shareholders are proportionate (as nearly as may be) to the respective numbers of ordinary shares held by them up to an aggregate nominal amount of £369,250.38 provided that this authority shall expire at the end of the next annual general meeting of the Company after the passing of this resolution (or, if earlier at the close of business on 28 September 2022), save that the Company may, before such expiry, make an offer or agreement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the board may allot equity securities in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired.

10. THAT, if resolution 9 as set out in the notice of this meeting is passed and in accordance with Article 7 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the board be authorised pursuant to section 570 of the Companies Act 2006 to allot equity securities (as defined in section 560 of said Act) for cash under the authority given by that resolution and/or to sell ordinary shares held by the Company as treasury shares for cash as if section 561(1) of the said Act did not apply to any such allotment or sale, such authority to be:

- (i) in connection with or pursuant to an offer by way of rights, open offer or other preemptive offer to the holders of shares in the Company and other persons entitled to participate therein in proportion (as nearly as practicable) to their respective holdings, subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may consider necessary or expedient to deal with fractional entitlements or legal or practical problems under the laws of any territory or the regulations or requirements of any regulatory authority or any stock exchange in any territory; and
- (ii) otherwise than under paragraph (i) above, up to a nominal amount of £55,387.55,

such authority to expire at the end of the next annual general meeting of the Company (or, if earlier, at the close of business on 28 September 2022) but in each case, prior to its expiry, the Company may make offers, and enter into agreements, which would, or might, require equity securities to be allotted (and treasury shares to be sold) under any such offer or agreement as if the authority had not expired.

11. THAT, if resolution 10 as set out in the notice of this meeting is passed and in accordance with Article 7 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the board be authorised pursuant to section 570 of the Companies Act 2006 in addition to any authority granted under resolution 10 as set out in the notice of this meeting to allot equity securities (as defined in section 560 of said Act) for cash under the authority given by that resolution and/or to sell ordinary shares held by the Company as treasury shares for cash as if section 561(1) of the said Act did not apply to any such allotment or sale, such authority to be:

- (i) limited to the allotment of equity securities or sale of treasury shares up to a nominal amount of £55,387.55; and
- (ii) used only for the purposes of financing (or refinancing, if the authority is to be used within six months after the original transaction) a transaction which the board of the Company determines to be an acquisition or another capital investment of a kind contemplated by the Statement of Principles on Disapplying PreEmption Rights most recently published by the PreEmption Group prior to the date of this notice,

such authority to expire at the end of the next annual general meeting of the Company (or, if earlier, at the close of business on 28 September 2022) but in each case, prior to its expiry, the Company may make offers, and enter into agreements, which would, or might, require equity securities to be allotted (and treasury shares to be sold) under any such offer or agreement as if the authority had not expired.

12. THAT the allotment and issue by the Company of 89,143 Ordinary Shares of 1.25p each in respect of fee shares on 27 January 2021 for cash without the Directors having sufficient authority to allot on a non-pre-emptive basis be and is hereby ratified and approved and that, in accordance with section 239 of the Companies Act 2006, any and all breaches of the directors' duties committed as a result of and in connection with such allotment and issue and the correction thereof, be and are hereby ratified and approved.

13. THAT the Company be generally and unconditionally authorised, pursuant to section 701 of the Companies Act 2006, to make market purchases (as defined in section 693(4) of the Companies Act 2006) of up to 8,862,009 Ordinary Shares of 1.25p each in the capital of the Company (being approximately 10 per cent of the current issued ordinary share capital of the Company) on such terms and in such manner as the Directors of the Company may from time to time determine, provided that:

- (i) the amount paid for each share (exclusive of expenses) shall not be more than the higher of (1) five per cent above the average of the middle market quotation for the five business days before the date on which the contract for the purchase is made, and (2) an amount equal to the higher of the price of the last independent trade and highest current independent bid as derived from the trading venue where the purchase was carried out or less than 1.25p per share; and
- (ii) the authority herein contained shall expire at the end of the annual general meeting of the Company to be held in 2022 or on 28 September 2022, whichever is earlier, provided that the Company may, before such expiry, make a contract to purchase its own shares which would or might be executed wholly or partly after such expiry, and the Company may make a purchase of its own shares in pursuance of such contract as if the authority hereby conferred had not expired.

14. THAT the Company be authorised to make donations to political parties, to independent election candidates and to political organisations and to incur political expenditure (in each case as defined in Part 14 of the Companies Act 2006) not exceeding £20,000 in total during the period of one year beginning with the date of the 2021 annual general meeting.
15. THAT a general meeting of the Company, other than an annual general meeting, may be called on not less than 14 clear days' notice.

Dated: 26 May 2021  
Registered Office:  
Belmont House  
Station Way  
Crawley  
England RH10 1JA

By Order of the Board  
Graham Bird  
Company Secretary

**Notes:**

1. The Company continues to monitor developments relating to the outbreak of Covid-19, including the related public health guidance and legislation issued by the UK Government as well as the “roadmap out of lockdown” published on 22 February 2021. At present, it is expected that it will be possible to hold a physical Annual General Meeting and to welcome the maximum number of shareholders we are able within safety constraints and in accordance with government guidelines that will apply at the time.
2. However, given the constantly evolving nature of the situation, we want to ensure that we are able to adapt these arrangements efficiently to respond to changes in circumstances. On this basis, should the situation change such that we consider that it is no longer possible for shareholders to attend the meeting, we will adopt contingency plans and notify shareholders of the change via an RNS announcement as early as is possible before the date of the meeting. Any updates to the position will also be included on our website at [www.escapehunt.com/investors/](http://www.escapehunt.com/investors/). Should we have to change the arrangements in this way, it is likely that we will not be in a position to accommodate shareholders beyond the minimum required to hold a quorate meeting which will be achieved through the attendance of employee shareholders.
3. Shareholders wishing to attend the meeting, should this be possible, are asked to register their attendance as soon as practicable by emailing the Company Secretary at [graham.bird@escapehunt.com](mailto:graham.bird@escapehunt.com). Rules around capacity at the venue and changes in health and safety requirements may mean shareholders cannot ultimately attend the meeting.
4. Given the uncertainty around whether shareholders will be able to attend the Annual General Meeting, whether because the capacity at the venue does not allow for safety reasons related to COVID-19 restrictions or due to a change in the situation with the COVID-19 pandemic, we recommend that all shareholders appoint the Chair of the meeting as proxy. This will ensure that your vote is counted even if attendance at the meeting is restricted or you or any other proxy you might appoint are unable to attend in person.
5. The return of a completed proxy form will not prevent a member attending the Annual General Meeting and voting in person if the member wishes to do so, should this be permitted under applicable COVID-19 restrictions.
6. Any member entitled to attend and vote at the annual general meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies (who need not be a member of the Company) to vote instead of the member.
7. In order to be valid, any form of proxy and power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed, or a notarially certified or office copy of such power or authority, must reach the Company’s Registrars, Equiniti Limited, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, West Sussex BN99 6DA, not less than 48 hours (excluding any part of a day which is a nonworking day) before the time of the meeting or of any adjournment of the meeting.
8. The right of members to vote at the annual general meeting is determined by reference to the register of members. As permitted by Regulation 41 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001, shareholders (including those who hold shares in uncertificated form) must be entered on the Company’s share register at 6:30 p.m. on 24 June 2021 in order to be entitled to attend and vote at the annual general meeting. Such shareholders may only cast votes in respect of shares held at such time. Changes to entries on the relevant register after that time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend or vote at the meeting.
9. Copies of the service contracts and letters of appointment of each of the Directors will be available for inspection by members on request. Requests should be sent by email to [graham.bird@escapehunt.com](mailto:graham.bird@escapehunt.com).
10. Biographical details of each Director who is being proposed for reappointment or reelection by shareholders, including their membership of Board committees, are set out in the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020, on pages 25 and 26.
11. Pursuant to regulation 41 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001, the Company specifies that in order to have the right to attend and vote at the meeting (and also for the purpose of calculating how many votes a person entitled to attend and vote may cast), a person must be entered on the register of members of the Company by no later than 6:30pm on 24 June 2021. Changes to entries on the register of members after this time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend or vote at the meeting.

CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so by using the procedures described in the CREST Manual (available via [www.euroclear.com](http://www.euroclear.com)). CREST Personal Members or other CREST sponsored members, and those CREST members who have appointed a service provider(s), should refer to their CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s), who will be able to take the appropriate action on their behalf.

In order for a proxy appointment or instruction made using the CREST service to be valid, the appropriate CREST message (a 'CREST Proxy Instruction') must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited's specifications, and must contain the information required for such instruction, as described in the CREST Manual (available via [www.euroclear.com](http://www.euroclear.com)). The message, regardless of whether it constitutes the appointment of a proxy or is an amendment to the instruction given to a previously appointed proxy must, in order to be valid, be transmitted so as to be received by Equiniti (ID RA19) by 10.00 a.m. on 24 June 2021. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the time stamp applied to the message by the CREST Application Host) from which the issuer's agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST. After this time any change of instructions to proxies appointed through CREST should be communicated to the appointee through other means.

CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors, or voting service providers should note that Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular message. Normal system timings and limitations will, therefore, apply in relation to the input of CREST Proxy Instructions. It is the responsibility of the CREST member concerned to take (or, if the CREST member is a CREST personal member, or sponsored member, or has appointed a voting service provider, to procure that his CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s) take(s)) such action as shall be necessary to ensure that a message is transmitted by means of the CREST system by any particular time. In this connection, CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting system providers are referred, in particular, to those sections of the CREST Manual concerning practical limitations of the CREST system and timings.

The Company may treat as invalid a CREST Proxy Instruction in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001.

