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## ALPHA REAL TRUST LIMITED

(a Guernsey authorised closed-ended collective investment scheme registered as a company limited by shares with registered number 44786)

## Tender Offer for up to 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares at 175p per Ordinary Share

Applications by Qualifying Shareholders to tender Ordinary Shares for purchase under the Tender Offer may only be made on the Tender Form together with the relevant share certificate(s) and/or any other document(s) of title or, in the case of Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST), by making an appropriate CREST instruction (a **TTE Instruction**). Enclosed with this document is a personalised Tender Form for use by Qualifying Shareholders in connection with the Tender Offer. To be effective, such Tender Forms and share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title must be returned as indicated thereon so as to be received as soon as possible and, in any event, not later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022 by Computershare Investor Services PLC at Corporate Actions, Bristol, BS99 6AH. A first class reply-paid envelope is enclosed for use in the United Kingdom only.

The availability of the Tender Offer to Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom may be affected by the laws of the relevant jurisdiction in which they are located. Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom should read the paragraph headed "Restricted Shareholders and other Overseas Shareholders" in Part 4 of this document.

This document does not constitute an offer to purchase, or solicitation of an offer to sell Ordinary Shares in any jurisdiction in which, or to or from any person to or from whom, it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation under applicable securities laws.

Accordingly, unless otherwise determined by Panmure Gordon (in consultation with the Company) and permitted by applicable law and regulation, the accompanying Tender Form is not being, nor may it be, directly or indirectly, mailed, transmitted or otherwise forwarded, distributed or sent in, into or from any Restricted Territory, and persons receiving the Tender Form (including, without limitation, trustees, nominees or custodians) must not mail or otherwise forward, distribute or send it in, into or from such Restricted Territories as to do so will invalidate any purported acceptance of the Tender Offer. In particular, the Tender Offer is not being made, directly or indirectly, in or into or by the use of mails by any means or instrumentality (including, without limitation, facsimile transmission, internet, telex and telephone) of interstate or foreign commerce, or any facility of a national securities exchange of the United States, nor is it being made directly or indirectly in or into Canada, Australia, Japan or the Republic of South Africa and the Tender Offer cannot be accepted by any such use, means, instrumentality or facility or from within the United States, Canada, Australia, Japan or the Republic of South Africa.

Your attention is drawn to the section headed "Part 1 – Letter from the Chairman" on page 4 of this document.

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## EXPECTED TIMETABLE OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS

	2022
Latest time and date for receipt of Tender Forms or for settlement of TTE Instructions in respect of the Tender Offer	3.00 p.m. on 13 July
Record Date for participation in the Tender Offer	6.00 p.m. on 13 July
Results of the Tender Offer announced	14 July
Settlement date: cheques despatched and CREST accounts credited with proceeds in respect of successfully tendered Ordinary Shares	from 15 July
Balancing certificates despatched and CREST accounts credited in respect of unsold Ordinary Shares	from 18 July

Each of the times and dates in the expected timetable may be extended or brought forward without further notice. If any of the above times and/or dates change, the revised time(s) and/or date(s) will be notified to Shareholders by an announcement through a Regulatory Information Service provider.

All references to times are to London times.

## PART 1

## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

## ALPHA REAL TRUST LIMITED

(a Guernsey authorised closed-ended collective investment scheme registered as a company limited by shares with registered number 44786)

Directors

William Simpson (Chairman) Jeff Chowdhry Peter Griffin Phillip Rose Melanie Torode Registered office PO Box 286 Floor 2, Trafalgar Court Les Banques St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 4LY

Dear Shareholder,

## 29 June 2022

## Tender Offer for up to 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares at 175p per Ordinary Share

## 1. Introduction

On 6 August 2021, Ordinary Shareholders approved an ordinary resolution to enable the Company to buy back up to 9,137,840 Ordinary Shares, representing a maximum of 14.99 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital as at the latest practicable date prior to the date of publication of the 2021 AGM Notice, being 23 June 2021.

In order to continue to provide liquidity to Ordinary Shareholders the Board believes a return of capital by way of tender offer is appropriate.

The purpose of this document is to explain the mechanics of the Tender Offer, to provide Qualifying Shareholders with the terms and conditions applicable to the Tender Offer and to explain how Qualifying Shareholders may tender Ordinary Shares, should they wish to do so.

The Tender Offer will be conducted at a fixed price of 175 pence per Ordinary Share, being the Tender Offer Price which represents a premium of 22.5 per cent. to the average middle market closing price of an Ordinary Share for the 30 days prior to the Latest Practicable Date and a discount of 19.0 per cent. to the audited NAV per Ordinary Share as at 31 March 2022 of 216.0 pence.

This letter is not a recommendation for Qualifying Shareholders to tender any Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer. Whether or not Qualifying Shareholders tender any Ordinary Shares will depend on, among other things, their view of the Company's prospects and their own individual circumstances, including their tax position, on which they should seek their own independent advice.

## 2. Background to and reasons for the proposed Tender Offer

## 2.1 Background

The Company remains committed to growing its diversified investment portfolio. In recent years the Company focused on reducing exposure to direct development risk and recycling capital into cashflow driven investments. The Company is currently focused on continuing to grow and diversify its loan portfolio and also on its wider investment strategy which targets investments offering inflation protection via index linked income adjustments and investments that have potential for capital gains.

In light of the fact that the Company's Ordinary Shares are currently trading at a discount to the NAV per Ordinary Share (such discount being approximately 40.3 per cent. as at the Latest Practicable Date, based on the NAV per Ordinary Share as at 31 March 2022 of 216.0 pence), the Board believes that it is in the Company's interests, and in the interest of Shareholders, to provide Qualifying Shareholders who wish to realise part or all of their investment in the Company with an opportunity to access liquidity which might otherwise not be available in the market.

The Board therefore wishes the Company to make a return of capital to Qualifying Shareholders by way of a tender offer for up to 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 10 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital.

The Board has sought to ensure that as many Shareholders as possible can participate in the return of capital whilst allowing Shareholders individually to choose whether to participate in the Tender Offer or not (without incurring disproportionate costs in making the Tender Offer to persons other than Qualifying Shareholders). Qualifying Shareholders can decide whether to tender all or any of their Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer or to continue to hold them.

Qualifying Shareholders tendering all of their Ordinary Shares may be subject to scaling back (but not below their Basic Entitlement) and in this event they will still retain Ordinary Shares in the Company.

The Company was authorised to buy back up to 9,137,840 Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Authority which was approved by Shareholders on 6 August 2021. Since 6 August 2021, the Company has bought back a total of 201,309 Ordinary Shares under its share buyback programme.

The Tender Offer will be financed from the Company's existing cash resources. As at 31 March 2022, the Company had cash and deposits totalling £54.3 million. The Tender Offer is conditional upon the Directors being satisfied that the Company will satisfy the solvency test as prescribed by the Companies Law. The solvency test will be satisfied if, immediately after the completion of the Tender Offer:

- the Company will be able to pay its debts as they become due; and
- the value of the Company's assets is greater than the value of its liabilities.

Following the proposed Tender Offer, the Board believes that the Company will remain in a net cash position with a strong balance sheet.

## 2.2 **Summary information on the Tender Offer**

Full details of the Tender Offer, including the terms and conditions on which it is being made, are set out in Part 4 of this document and, in the case of Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, on the Tender Form.

The Tender Offer is only available to Qualifying Shareholders on the register of members of the Company on the Record Date in respect of the Ordinary Shares held by them on the Record Date.

Qualifying Shareholders can choose whether they wish to tender all or any of their Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer. Qualifying Shareholders are not obliged to tender any of their Ordinary Shares if they do not wish to do so.

The Tender Offer involves the following:

- Panmure Gordon, acting as principal, will acquire the successfully tendered Ordinary Shares at the Tender Price up to a maximum of 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares on and subject to the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer and to sell such tendered Ordinary Shares to the Company pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement.
- The Company will acquire all of the tendered Ordinary Shares from Panmure Gordon pursuant to the existing Share Purchase Authority and such Ordinary Shares will then be cancelled by the Company (or held in treasury).
- 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares represent approximately 10 per cent. of the current Voting Share Capital of the Company (excluding Ordinary Shares held in treasury).
- All Qualifying Shareholders are being given the opportunity to participate in the Tender Offer.

- Qualifying Shareholders may tender such number of Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer as they choose.
- Qualifying Shareholders do not have to tender any of their Ordinary Shares if they do not wish to do so.
- All Ordinary Shares tendered by any Qualifying Shareholder up to their Basic Entitlement (which represents such Qualifying Shareholder's *pro rata* share of the maximum number of Ordinary Shares to be acquired under the Tender Offer) will be accepted in full on and subject to the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer set out in Part 4 of this document and, in the case of Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, the Tender Form.
- Each Qualifying Shareholder's Basic Entitlement will be calculated by the Registrars as at the Record Date by reference to the Qualifying Shareholder's holding of Ordinary Shares as at that date.
- If the number of Ordinary Shares validly tendered is 6,428,353 or less, all such Ordinary Shares will be purchased under the Tender Offer on and subject to the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer set out in Part 4 of this document.
- If the number of Ordinary Shares validly tendered is more than 6,428,353 tenders will be accepted in the order set out below:
  - (i) all Ordinary Shares tendered by Qualifying Shareholders up to their Basic Entitlement will be accepted in full; and
  - (ii) tenders of Ordinary Shares in excess of the Qualifying Shareholders' Basic Entitlements will be satisfied *pro rata* in proportion to the amount tendered in excess of Basic Entitlements (rounded down to the nearest whole number of Ordinary Shares) or otherwise at the discretion of Panmure Gordon, in consultation with the Board.
- Ordinary Shares will be purchased without commissions and dealing charges that would otherwise be payable if Qualifying Shareholders were to sell their shares through their broker.
- Qualifying Shareholders are able to tender their Ordinary Shares until 3.00 p.m. on the closing date of the Tender Offer, which is 13 July 2022. In order to participate in the Tender Offer:
  - Qualifying Shareholders holding Ordinary Shares in certificated form as at the Record Date must return the accompanying personalised Tender Form together with any share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title in accordance with the instructions set out on the Tender Form by 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022; and
  - Qualifying Shareholders holding Ordinary Shares in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST) are directed to paragraph 3.2 of Part 4 of this document which details specific procedures for those holders.

Qualifying Shareholders who choose not to participate in the Tender Offer and who therefore do not tender their Ordinary Shares will not receive any cash proceeds in respect of their Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer but will benefit from owning a greater percentage of the Voting Share Capital as there will be fewer Ordinary Shares in issue after completion of the Tender Offer and the subsequent repurchase of the tendered Ordinary Shares by the Company pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement.

Ordinary Shares may be traded in the normal way during the period in which the Tender Offer remains open, but Qualifying Shareholders should note that, once tendered, their Ordinary Shares may not be sold, transferred, charged or otherwise disposed of other than in accordance with the Tender Offer.

The purchase from Qualifying Shareholders and the subsequent sale of the tendered Ordinary Shares to the Company will be effected by Panmure Gordon, as principal, "On Exchange" in accordance with the Rules of the London Stock Exchange.

The Tender Offer is only available to Qualifying Shareholders and is not available to Shareholders in Australia, Canada, Japan, the Republic of South Africa or the United States of America or to Shareholders who are otherwise within a Restricted Territory.

Any rights of Qualifying Shareholders who choose not to tender their Ordinary Shares will be unaffected by the Tender Offer.

The Directors reserve the right, at any time prior to the announcement that the Tender Offer has become unconditional in all respects, to decline from proceeding with the Tender Offer if they conclude that its implementation is no longer in the interests of the Company and/or Shareholders as a whole.

Full details of the Tender Offer, including the terms and conditions on which it is made, are set out in Part 4 of this document.

#### 2.3 The City Code

As a company which has its registered office in Guernsey and its Shares admitted to trading on the Specialist Fund Segment, the Company is subject to the City Code.

Under Rule 9 of the City Code (**Rule 9**) any person who acquires, whether by a series of transactions over a period of time or not, an interest in shares which (taken together with shares in which persons acting in concert with him are interested) carry 30 per cent. or more of the voting rights of a company; or any person, together with persons acting in concert with him, is interested in shares which in the aggregate carry not less than 30 per cent. of the voting rights of a company but does not hold shares carrying more than 50 per cent. of such voting rights and such person, or any person acting in concert with him, acquires an interest in any other shares which increases the percentage of shares carrying voting rights in which he is interested, such person shall extend offers, on the basis set out in Rules 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 of the City Code, to the holders of any class of security whether voting or non-voting and also to the holders of any other class of transferable securities carrying voting rights.

An offer under Rule 9 must be in cash and at the highest price paid within the twelve months prior to the announcement of the offer for any interest in shares in the Company by the person required to make the offer or any person acting in concert with him.

Alpha Global (a company owned directly by the partners in ARC, the investment manager to the Company) owns 39.3 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital of the Company and, under the City Code, is deemed to be acting in concert with the partners in ARC and the shareholders in Alpha Global.

The aggregate shareholding of Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties in the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date was 49,119,994 Ordinary Shares, being approximately 79.25 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital as set out in the table below. The table below also sets out details of the maximum number of Ordinary Shares and the percentage of Voting Share Capital of the Company which would be held by Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties were the maximum number of Ordinary Shares to be tendered under the Tender Offer and subsequently repurchased by the Company from Panmure Gordon assuming that none of Alpha Global or the other Concert Parties tenders any of their Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer.

	As at the Latest Practicable Date		In the event the Tender Offer is fully taken up	
	Number of Ordinary	% of Voting	Number of Ordinary	% of Voting
Shareholder	Shares	Share Capital	Shares	Share Capital
Alpha Global	24,332,844	39.26	24,332,844	43.80
Other Concert Parties	24,787,150	39.99	24,787,150	44.62
Total	49,119,994	79.25	49,119,994	88.41

Further information on ARC, Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties can be found in paragraph 3 of Part 6 of this document.

As the aggregate shareholding of Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties represents more than 50 per cent. of the total Voting Share Capital, they are able to block and pass ordinary resolutions of the Company; and, for so long as they continue to be treated as acting in concert, may increase their aggregate interest in Voting Share Capital without incurring any obligation under Rule 9 to make a general offer. Accordingly, any increase in the percentage of Voting Share Capital held by Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties as a result of the implementation of the Tender Offer and the subsequent repurchase of the tendered Ordinary Shares by the Company will not require Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties to make an offer under Rule 9.

ARC, Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties have indicated to the Company that their intentions are for the Company to remain admitted to trading on the SFS and to pursue its investment strategy.

## 3. Dividends

Successfully tendered Ordinary Shares will be cancelled by the Company (or held in treasury) and will not rank for any future dividends.

Ordinary Shares will be purchased by Panmure Gordon "ex" dividend. The dividend record date for the dividend of 1.0 pence per Ordinary Share announced by the Board on 10 June 2022 is 24 June 2022 and therefore a person who was a registered holder of Ordinary Shares at the close of business on 24 June 2022 will be entitled to receive the dividend (either in cash or by the scrip issue of Ordinary Shares) in respect of those Ordinary Shares regardless of whether or not they successfully tender those Ordinary Shares.

For the avoidance of doubt, any Ordinary Shares that Qualifying Shareholders may elect to receive in lieu of the dividend of 1.0 pence per Ordinary Share announced by the Board on 10 June 2022 are not expected to be valid for acceptance under the Tender Offer.

## 4. Tax

A guide to certain UK tax consequences of the Tender Offer for Shareholders under current UK law and HMRC practice is set out in Part 5 of this document.

Qualifying Shareholders who are in any doubt as to their tax position or who are subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the United Kingdom should consult a professional adviser. It should also be noted that Shareholders who are temporarily non-resident in the UK may, under anti-avoidance legislation, still be liable to UK tax on capital gains and, therefore, should seek professional advice.

## 5. Overseas Shareholders

The attention of Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom is drawn to paragraph 9 of Part 4 of this document headed "Restricted Shareholders and other Overseas Shareholders".

## 6. Action to be taken by Qualifying Shareholders who wish to participate in the Tender Offer

The procedure for tendering Ordinary Shares depends on whether Ordinary Shares are held in certificated or uncertificated form and is summarised below.

## (a) Ordinary Shares held in certificated form

Qualifying Shareholders who hold Ordinary Shares in certificated form and who wish to tender all or any of their existing holding of Ordinary Shares should complete the Tender Form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon (including a witnessed signature) and in Part 4 of this document and return it to Computershare Investor Services PLC. A prepaid envelope is enclosed for this purpose. Qualifying Shareholders who hold their Ordinary Shares in certificated form should also return their share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title in respect of the Ordinary Shares tendered. Completed Tender Forms must be received by not later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022. Further details of the procedures for tendering and settlement are set out in Part 4 of this document and in the accompanying Tender Form.

## (b) Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form

Qualifying Shareholders who hold their Ordinary Shares in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST) and who wish to tender all or any of their existing holdings of Ordinary Shares should tender electronically through CREST so that the TTE Instruction settles by not later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022. Further details of the procedures for tendering and settlement are set out in Part 4 of this document.

The CREST manual may also assist you in making a TTE Instruction.

If you have any queries regarding the procedure for tendering Ordinary Shares, please contact Computershare Investor Services PLC on 0370 707 4040 or +44 370 707 4040 if calling from outside the UK. The helpline is open from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., Monday to Friday excluding public holidays in England and Wales. Please note that Computershare Investor Services PLC cannot provide any financial, legal or tax advice and calls may be recorded and monitored for security and training purposes.

## 7. Recommendation

The Board is making no recommendation to Qualifying Shareholders in relation to participation in the Tender Offer. Whether or not Qualifying Shareholders decide to tender all or any of their Ordinary Shares will depend, among other things, on their view of the Company's prospects and their own individual circumstances, including their tax position. Qualifying Shareholders are recommended to consult their duly authorised independent advisers and make their own decision.

None of the Directors or any of Alpha Global or the Concert Parties, the beneficial holdings of which amount to, in aggregate, 49,119,994 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 79.25 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital as at the Latest Practicable Date, intends to tender any of their Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer.

If you are in any doubt about the contents of this document or the action you should take, you should seek your own independent financial or legal advice immediately.

Yours sincerely,

William Simpson Chairman

## PART 2

## RISK FACTORS RELATING TO THE TENDER OFFER

Qualifying Shareholders should carefully consider the risks relating to the Tender Offer described below, together with all other information contained in this document, before deciding whether or not to participate in the Tender Offer.

# 1. Risks relating to the Ordinary Shares if a Qualifying Shareholder chooses to retain all or some of his Ordinary Shares

## 1.1 The Ordinary Shares are admitted to trading on SFS

The Ordinary Shares have been admitted to trading on the Specialist Fund Segment (the **SFS**), a segment of the Main Market and is designed for highly specialised investment entities. An investment in shares quoted on the SFS may carry a higher risk than an investment in shares quoted on the Official List.

The market price of the Ordinary Shares may be volatile and may go down as well as up and current and prospective Shareholders may therefore be unable to recover their original investment. The Company's operating results and prospects from time to time may be below the expectations of market analysts and investors.

At the same time, equity investment market conditions may affect the Ordinary Shares regardless of the operating performance of the Company. Share market conditions are affected by many factors, such as general economic and political conditions, terrorist activity, movements in or outlook on interest rates and inflation rates, currency fluctuations, commodity prices, the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic or the geopolitical situation connected to the Russia/Ukraine conflict, changes in investor sentiment towards particular market sectors and the supply and demand of capital.

Accordingly, the market price of the Ordinary Shares may not reflect the underlying value of the Company's assets, and the price at which investors may dispose of their Ordinary Shares at any point in time may be influenced by a number of factors, only some of which may pertain to the Company while others may be outside the Company's control. The Company does not have a fixed winding up date and therefore, unless Shareholders vote to wind up the Company, Shareholders will only be able to realise their investment through the market.

## 1.2 Limited regulatory control compared with the Official List

The holders of the Ordinary Shares do not enjoy any protection or rights other than those reflected in the Articles and those rights conferred by law. The Listing Rules do not apply to the SFS.

In particular, the SFS imposes no equivalent requirements to those under the Listing Rules for applicable companies with a listing on the London Stock Exchange who wish to cancel their listing to obtain shareholder approval for such cancellation from a majority of not less than 75 per cent. of the total votes cast.

As a Guernsey registered company traded on the Specialist Fund Segment, the Company is not required to comply with the UK Corporate Governance Code (the **UK Code**). However, as the Company is authorised by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission (the **GFSC**), it is required to follow the principles and guidance set out in the Finance Sector Code of Corporate Governance issued by the GFSC with effect from 1 January 2012 (as the same may be amended from time to time) (the **Guernsey Code**).

## 1.3 There is no guarantee that dividends will be paid

There can be no assurance that projects in which the Company invests will increase in value or provide increased dividends over time, or that future investments will increase the Company's cash available for distributions. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the Company will be able or pay or maintain distributions or that distributions will increase over time. If the Company

determines that it will pay dividends, there can be no assurance that it will be able to pay dividends in the future.

## 1.4 **Potential impact of the Tender Offer on secondary market liquidity**

Depending on the level of participation of Qualifying Shareholders in the Tender Offer, there is a risk that the lower number of Ordinary Shares in issue following completion of the Tender Offer and the subsequent repurchase of any tendered Ordinary Shares may reduce the secondary market liquidity in the Ordinary Shares which could adversely affect a Shareholder's ability to sell their Ordinary Shares in the market.

Furthermore, given that none of the Directors or any of Alpha Global or the Concert Parties intends to tender any of their Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer, the maximum percentage of Voting Share Capital which would be held by Alpha Global and the Concert Parties, were the maximum number of Ordinary Shares to be tendered under the Tender Offer and subsequently repurchased by the Company, is 88.4 per cent. Accordingly, there is also a risk that the percentage of the Company's Ordinary Shares in public hands may fall following completion of the Tender Offer and the subsequent repurchase of any tendered Ordinary Shares. Were the London Stock Exchange to determine that such circumstances could jeopardise orderly trading of the Ordinary Shares on the Specialist Fund Segment, the London Stock Exchange might suspend or cancel the trading of the Ordinary Shares.

#### 1.5 **Reduction of the Company's available funds**

If any Ordinary Shares are tendered under the Tender Offer, the issued ordinary share capital of the Company will be reduced as a result of the Tender Offer and the subsequent repurchase and cancellation of the tendered Ordinary Shares and consequently the Company will be smaller. As a result, the funds used by the Company to repurchase the Ordinary Shares acquired by Panmure Gordon pursuant to the Tender Offer will no longer be available for application in the ordinary course of the Company's business or to meet contingencies, and the fixed costs of the Company will be spread over fewer Ordinary Shares.

# 2. Risks relating to the Ordinary Shares if a Qualifying Shareholder chooses to participate in the Tender Offer

#### 2.1 Past performance not necessarily indicative of likely future performance

Shareholders should be aware that past performance is not necessarily indicative of likely future performance. The price of the Ordinary Shares may increase going forward and a Shareholder, to the extent a Shareholder participates in the Tender Offer, will lose the benefit of such gains.

Qualifying Shareholders tendering Ordinary Shares for sale under the Tender Offer will receive the Tender Offer Price per Ordinary Share which may be less than the price at which they bought such Ordinary Shares or the price or value at which they might ultimately realise their Ordinary Shares should they continue to hold them.

## 2.2 Changes in tax laws affecting Shareholders

The levels of, and reliefs from, taxation may change. The tax reliefs referred to in this document are those currently available and their value depends on the individual circumstances of investors. Investors should have regard to the information in relation to the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer set out in Part 4 of this document and the information in relation to taxation set out in Part 5 of this document and should seek their own advice on their tax position.

#### 2.3 **Exchange rate fluctuations**

Qualifying Shareholders who successfully tender their Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer will be paid in Sterling. Overseas Shareholders will therefore bear any associated exchange rate risks.

## PART 3

## LETTER FROM PANMURE GORDON

Panmure Gordon (UK) Limited One New Change London EC4M 9AF

## To: Qualifying Shareholders of Alpha Real Trust Limited

29 June 2022

Dear Shareholder,

## **Conditional Tender Offer**

As explained in the letter from your Chairman in Part 1 of this document, Qualifying Shareholders (but not Restricted Shareholders) on the Register on the Record Date are being given the opportunity to tender up to approximately 10 per cent. of their Ordinary Shares for purchase in the Tender Offer in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer as set out below and in Part 4 of this document. The purpose of this letter is to set out the principal terms and conditions of the Tender Offer being made by Panmure Gordon to Qualifying Shareholders.

Panmure Gordon hereby invites Qualifying Shareholders (but not Restricted Shareholders) on the Register on the Record Date to tender up to approximately 10 per cent. of their Ordinary Shares for purchase for cash at the Tender Offer Price. Each Qualifying Shareholder will be entitled to have accepted in the Tender Offer valid tenders of Ordinary Shares to Panmure Gordon in respect of their Basic Entitlement. Such Qualifying Shareholders may tender fewer Ordinary Shares than their Basic Entitlement, or they may tender Ordinary Shares in excess of their Basic Entitlement. If the aggregate number of Ordinary Shares tendered exceeds the Basic Entitlement of all Qualifying Shareholders, excess tenders will be satisfied *pro rata* in proportion to the excess over the Basic Entitlement tendered (rounded down to the nearest whole number of Ordinary Shares) as determined in accordance with paragraph 2.15 of Part 4 of this document or otherwise at the discretion of Panmure Gordon, in consultation with the Board.

The Tender Offer is made on the terms and subject to the conditions set out in Part 4 of this document and, for Qualifying Shareholders holding their Ordinary Shares in certificated form, the Tender Form, the terms of which will be deemed to be incorporated in this document and form part of the Tender Offer.

Panmure Gordon is acting exclusively for the Company in connection with the Tender Offer and for no one else and will not be responsible to anyone other than the Company for providing the protections afforded to clients of Panmure Gordon nor for providing advice in relation to the Tender Offer, the contents of this document or any other matter referred to in this document.

## **Procedure for tendering Ordinary Shares**

Qualifying Shareholders who hold their Ordinary Shares in certificated form and who wish to tender Ordinary Shares should complete the Tender Form in accordance with the instructions set out therein and in Part 4 of this document and return the completed Tender Form by post to Computershare Investor Services PLC at Corporate Actions Projects, Bristol, BS99 6AH or by hand (during normal business hours only) to Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol, BS13 8AE to arrive as soon as possible and by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.

# Qualifying Shareholders who hold their Ordinary Shares in certificated form should also return the share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title in respect of the Ordinary Shares tendered with their Tender Form.

Qualifying Shareholders who hold their Ordinary Shares in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST) will not receive a Tender Form as described above and should, therefore, arrange for their Ordinary Shares to be transferred to escrow by way of TTE Instruction as soon as possible and in any event so that the TTE Instruction settles by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022 as described in paragraph 3.2 of Part 4 of this document.

Qualifying Shareholders should note that, once tendered, Ordinary Shares may not be sold, transferred, charged or otherwise disposed of other than in accordance with the Tender Offer.

Full details of the procedure for tendering Ordinary Shares are set out in Part 4 of this document and, for Qualifying Shareholders who hold their Ordinary Shares in certificated form, on the Tender Form.

If you have any queries regarding the procedure for tendering, please contact Computershare Investor Services PLC on 0370 707 4040 or +44 370 707 4040 if calling from outside the UK. The helpline is open from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., Monday to Friday excluding public holidays in England and Wales. Please note that Computershare Investor Services PLC cannot provide any financial, legal or tax advice and calls may be recorded and monitored for security and training purposes.

## Validity of tenders

The Tender Offer will close at 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022. Tender Forms and TTE Instructions which are received after 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022 may be rejected in Panmure Gordon's absolute discretion. Tender Forms or TTE Instructions which are received before that time but are incorrectly completed or are not accompanied by all the relevant documents or instructions may be rejected in Panmure Gordon's absolute discretion.

Tender Forms which are received by Computershare Investor Services PLC after 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022 or which at that time are incorrectly completed or not accompanied by all relevant documents may be rejected and returned to Qualifying Shareholders or their appointed agent, together with any accompanying share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title.

Panmure Gordon reserves the right to treat as valid Tender Forms which are not entirely in order and which are not accompanied by the relevant share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title or a satisfactory indemnity in lieu thereof.

## **Overseas Shareholders**

The Tender Offer is not available to Shareholders with registered or mailing addresses in Restricted Territories, or who are citizens or nationals of, or resident in, any of the Restricted Territories and such Restricted Shareholders should read paragraph 9 of Part 4 of this document and the relevant provisions of the Tender Form.

Overseas Shareholders (not being Restricted Shareholders) who wish to accept the Tender Offer should also read paragraph 9 of Part 4 of this document and satisfy themselves that they have fully observed any applicable requirements under the laws and regulations of the relevant jurisdiction.

## Conditions

The Tender Offer is conditional on the terms specified in paragraph 2 of Part 4 of this document.

## Termination of Tender Offer

The Tender Offer may be terminated in the circumstances described in paragraph 2 of Part 4 of this document.

## Settlement

Subject to the Tender Offer becoming unconditional, payment of the Tender Offer Price due to Qualifying Shareholders whose tenders under the Tender Offer have been accepted will be effected in Sterling by the despatch of cheques drawn on account of a branch of a United Kingdom clearing bank or the crediting of CREST accounts as appropriate on or as soon as practicable after 15 July 2022.

## The City Code

Shareholders should note the important information in paragraph 2.3 of Part 1 of this document relating to certain provisions of the City Code.

## **Further information**

Your attention is drawn to the information contained in the rest of this document, including, in particular, the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer in Part 4 of this document.

Yours faithfully,

## **Atholl Tweedie**

*Director* For and on behalf of Panmure Gordon (UK) Limited

## PART 4

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE TENDER OFFER

## 1. Tenders

- 1.1 All Qualifying Shareholders (but not Restricted Shareholders) may tender Ordinary Shares for purchase by Panmure Gordon as principal, subject to the terms and conditions set out in this document and, in respect of Qualifying Shareholders holding their Ordinary Shares in certificated form, in the accompanying personalised Tender Form (which together with this document constitute the Tender Offer). Qualifying Shareholders are not obliged to tender any Ordinary Shares.
- 1.2 The Tender Offer will be made at the Tender Offer Price. The consideration for each tendered Ordinary Share acquired by Panmure Gordon pursuant to the Tender Offer will be paid in accordance with the settlement procedures set out in paragraph 4 of this Part 4.
- 1.3 Upon the Tender Offer becoming unconditional and unless the Tender Offer has lapsed or has been terminated in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 2 of Part 4, Panmure Gordon will accept the offers of Qualifying Shareholders validly made in accordance with this Part 4. Each Qualifying Shareholder will be entitled to sell to Panmure Gordon any number of Ordinary Shares up to their Basic Entitlement. Qualifying Shareholders may also tender additional Ordinary Shares in excess of their Basic Entitlement and such additional Ordinary Shares may be purchased by Panmure Gordon to the extent that other Qualifying Shareholders tender less than their Basic Entitlement. Any such excess tenders will be satisfied *pro rata* in proportion to the amount tendered in excess of the Basic Entitlement (rounded down to the nearest whole number of Ordinary Shares) as determined in accordance with paragraph 2.15 of this Part 4 or otherwise at the discretion of Panmure Gordon, in consultation with the Board.
- 1.4 A maximum number of 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares, representing approximately 10 per cent. of the existing Voting Share Capital (excluding Ordinary Shares held in treasury) as at the Latest Practicable Date, will be acquired by Panmure Gordon under the Tender Offer.

## 2. Terms and Conditions of the Tender Offer

## 2.1 The Tender Offer is conditional upon the following:

- (a) Panmure Gordon being satisfied that the Company has procured payment of an amount equal to the Tender Offer Price multiplied by the number of Ordinary Shares successfully tendered to Panmure Gordon in accordance with the Repurchase Agreement by no later than 5.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022;
- (b) the Directors being satisfied that the Company will satisfy the solvency test as prescribed by the Companies Law immediately following the completion of the Tender Offer and the subsequent repurchase of the tendered Ordinary Shares by the Company pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement;
- (c) the Tender Offer not having been terminated in accordance with paragraph 2.20 of this Part 4 prior to the fulfilment of the conditions referred to in sub-paragraphs 2.1(a) and 2.1(b) above; and
- (d) the Repurchase Agreement not having been terminated in accordance with its terms.

Panmure Gordon will not purchase any Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer unless the conditions (**Conditions**) set out in this paragraph 2.1 have been satisfied. The Conditions, other than 2.1(a), may not be waived by Panmure Gordon. If the Conditions are not satisfied by 10.00 a.m. on 29 July 2022, the Tender Offer will lapse.

2.2 Qualifying Shareholders may tender such number of Ordinary Shares under the Tender Offer as they may choose. Qualifying Shareholders do not have to tender any Ordinary Shares if they do not wish to do so.

- 2.3 The Tender Offer is only available to Qualifying Shareholders on the register of members of the Company on the Record Date in respect of the number of Ordinary Shares registered in their names on that date.
- 2.4 Tenders are irrevocable once submitted and cannot be withdrawn. Tenders in respect of certificated Ordinary Shares will be irrevocable upon receipt by the Registrars of duly completed Tender Forms and tenders of uncertificated Ordinary Shares will be irrevocable upon the input and settlement of the TTE Instruction and cannot be withdrawn.
- 2.5 The Tender Offer will close at 3.00 p.m. on the Closing Date and no tenders received after that time will be accepted unless otherwise determined by Panmure Gordon at its absolute discretion.
- 2.6 All or any part of a holding of Ordinary Shares may be tendered. Ordinary Shares successfully tendered will be sold to Panmure Gordon, acting as principal, with full title guarantee and be fully paid and free from all liens, charges, equitable interests and encumbrances and with all rights attaching to the same. Successfully tendered Ordinary Shares will then be repurchased from Panmure Gordon by the Company and such Ordinary Shares will subsequently be cancelled by the Company (or held in treasury) and will not rank for any future dividends.
- 2.7 Tenders in respect of Ordinary Shares held in certificated form must be made on the Tender Form duly completed in accordance with the instructions set out below and in the Tender Form (which constitute part of the terms of the Tender Offer). Such tenders will only be valid when the procedures contained in this document and in the Tender Form are complied with.
- 2.8 Tenders in respect of Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form in CREST must be made by the input and settlement of a TTE Instruction in CREST in accordance with the instructions set out in this Part 4 and the relevant procedures in the CREST manual which together constitute part of the terms of the Tender Offer. Such tenders will only be valid when the procedures contained in this document and in the relevant parts of the CREST manual are complied with.
- 2.9 The Tender Offer and all tenders will be governed by and construed in accordance with English law.
- 2.10 Delivery of a Tender Form or the input of a TTE Instruction in CREST, as applicable, will constitute submission to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.
- 2.11 The results of the Tender Offer and, if applicable, the extent to which tenders will be subject to scaling back, is expected to be announced on 14 July 2022.
- 2.12 All documents and remittances sent by or to Qualifying Shareholders and all instructions made by or on behalf of a Qualifying Shareholder in CREST will be sent or made (as the case may be) at the risk of the person entitled thereto. If the Tender Offer does not become unconditional and lapses, in respect of Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, Tender Forms, share certificates and other documents of title will be returned by post not later than ten Business Days after the date of such lapse or, in respect of Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST), the escrow agent will provide instructions to Euroclear to transfer all Ordinary Shares held in escrow balances by TFE Instruction to the original available balances to which those Ordinary Shares relate.
- 2.13 If only part of a holding of Ordinary Shares is successfully tendered pursuant to the Tender Offer, the relevant Qualifying Shareholder will be entitled to receive the following:
  - (a) for Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, a certificate in respect of the unsold Ordinary Shares; or
  - (b) for Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST), the credit of the balance of the unsold Ordinary Shares by the Registrar by an ARAN message.
- 2.14 Further copies of the Tender Form may be obtained on request from Computershare Investor Services PLC or 0370 707 4040 or +44 370 707 4040 if calling from outside the UK.

2.15 If:

- (a) any Qualifying Shareholder tenders a number of Ordinary Shares in excess of his/her Basic Entitlement (each an Individual Excess Tender and, in aggregate, the Total Excess Tenders); and
- (b) any Qualifying Shareholder has validly tendered a number of Ordinary Shares less than his/her Basic Entitlement which, upon aggregation of the unused portions of all Qualifying Shareholders' Basic Entitlements, results in a pool of Ordinary Shares available to be allocated between the Individual Excess Tenders (the **Total Available Shares**),

then the Total Available Shares shall be allocated between the Individual Excess Tenders as follows:

 (i) if the Total Excess Tenders exceeds the Total Available Shares, all Individual Excess Tenders will be scaled-back by the application of the following ratio (provided that the total number of Ordinary Shares purchased pursuant to the Tender Offer shall not exceed 6,428,353):

## Total Available Shares

#### Total Excess Tenders

or otherwise at the discretion of Panmure Gordon in consultation with the Board; or

- (ii) if the Total Excess Tenders are less than or equal to the Total Available Shares, all Individual Excess Tenders will be satisfied in full (subject to the Tender Offer not being terminated or lapsing prior to its completion and satisfaction of the other terms and conditions set out in this Part 4 and (where relevant) the Tender Form.
- 2.16 All Ordinary Shares successfully tendered will be purchased by Panmure Gordon, as principal, at the Tender Offer Price.
- 2.17 All guestions as to the number of Ordinary Shares tendered, the validity, form, eligibility (including the time of receipt) and acceptance for payment of any tender of Ordinary Shares will be determined by Panmure Gordon at its sole discretion, which determination shall be final and binding on all of the parties (except as otherwise required under applicable law). Panmure Gordon reserves the absolute right to reject any or all tenders it determines not to be in proper form or the acceptance or payment for which may, in the opinion of Panmure Gordon, be unlawful. Panmure Gordon also reserves the absolute right to waive any defect or irregularity in the tender of any particular Ordinary Shares or any particular holder thereof. No tender of Ordinary Shares will be deemed to be validly made until all defects or irregularities have been cured or waived. In the event of a waiver, the consideration under the Tender Offer will not be despatched (in respect of certificated Ordinary Shares) or made by way of a CREST payment (in respect of uncertificated Ordinary Shares), until after (in the case of certificated Ordinary Shares) the Tender Form is complete in all respects and the share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title or an indemnity in lieu thereof satisfactory to Panmure Gordon have been received or (in the case of uncertificated Ordinary Shares), the relevant TTE Instruction has settled. None of the Company, Panmure Gordon and the Registrars, nor any other person is or will be obliged to give notice of any defects or irregularities in tenders, and none of them will incur any liability for failure to give any such notice.
- 2.18 Ordinary Shares will be purchased pursuant to the Tender Offer free of commissions and dealing charges that would otherwise be payable if Qualifying Shareholders were to sell their shares through their broker.
- 2.19 The failure of any person to receive a copy of this document or the Tender Form shall not invalidate any aspect of the Tender Offer.
- 2.20 The Directors reserve the right to require that Panmure Gordon does not proceed with the Tender Offer if they conclude, at any time prior to completion of the Tender Offer, that its implementation is no longer in the best interests of the Company and/or the Shareholders as a whole.

## 3. Procedure for tendering Ordinary Shares

## 3.1 Ordinary Shares held in certificated form (that is, not in CREST)

- 3.1.1 To tender your Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, you must complete, sign and return the accompanying personalised Tender Form together with the relevant share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title in accordance with the instructions printed on the Tender Form (which shall be deemed to form part of the Tender Offer) by post to Computershare Investor Services PLC at Corporate Actions Projects, Bristol BS99 6AH or by hand (during normal business hours only) to Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS13 8AE as soon as possible and in any event by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.
- 3.1.2 If you hold Ordinary Shares in certificated form but under different designations, you should send a separate Tender Form for each holding.
- 3.1.3 The completed and signed Tender Form should be sent either by post to Computershare Investor Services PLC at Corporate Actions Projects, Bristol BS99 6AH or by hand (during normal business hours only) to Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS13 8AE so as to arrive as soon as possible and in any event by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022. Tender Forms received after this time may be rejected. No acknowledgement of receipt of documents will be given. Any Tender Form received in an envelope postmarked from a Restricted Territory or otherwise appearing to Panmure Gordon, the Company or any their respective agents to have been sent from any Restricted Territory may be rejected as an invalid tender. Further provisions relating to Restricted Shareholders are contained in paragraph 9 of this Part 4.
- 3.1.4 The completed and signed Tender Form should be accompanied by the relevant share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title. If your share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title are not readily available (for example, if they are with your stockbroker, bank or other agent), the Tender Form should nevertheless be completed, signed and returned as described above so as to be received by post to Computershare Investor Services PLC at Corporate Actions Projects, Bristol BS99 6AH or by hand (during normal business hours only) to Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS13 8AE not later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022 together with any share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title you may have available, accompanied by a letter stating that the (remaining) share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title will be forwarded as soon as possible thereafter and, in any event, not later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.
- 3.1.5 If you have lost your share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title, you should write to the Registrars at Computershare Investor Services (Jersey) Limited, 2nd Floor, Queensway House, Hilgrove Street, St Helier, Jersey JE1 1ES for a letter of indemnity in respect of the lost share certificate(s) which, when completed in accordance with the instructions given, should be returned by post to Computershare Investor Services PLC at Corporate Actions Projects, Bristol BS99 6AH or by hand (during normal business hours only) to Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS13 8AE so as to be received by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.

## 3.2 Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST)

- 3.2.1 If the Ordinary Shares which you wish to tender are held in uncertificated form you should not complete a Tender Form. You should take (or procure to be taken) the action set out below to transfer (by means of a TTE Instruction) the number of Ordinary Shares which you wish to tender in the Tender Offer to an escrow balance, specifying Computershare Investor Services PLC in its capacity as a CREST receiving agent under its participant ID (referred to below) as the escrow agent, as soon as possible and, in any event, so that the TTE Instruction settles not later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.
- 3.2.2 If you are a CREST sponsored member, you should refer to your CREST sponsor before taking any action. Your CREST sponsor will be able to confirm details of your participant ID and the member account ID under which your Ordinary Shares are held. In addition,

only your CREST sponsor will be able to send the TTE Instruction to Euroclear in relation to the Ordinary Shares which you wish to tender.

- 3.2.3 You should send (or, if you are a CREST sponsored member, procure that your CREST sponsor sends) a TTE Instruction to Euroclear, which must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear's specification and which must contain, in addition to other information that is required for the TTE Instruction to settle in CREST, the following details:
  - the ISIN number of the Ordinary Shares which is GB00B13VDP26;
  - the number of uncertificated Ordinary Shares to be transferred to an escrow balance;
  - your member account ID;
  - your participant ID;
  - the participant ID of the escrow agent, Computershare Investor Services PLC in its capacity as a CREST receiving agent, which is 8RA12;
  - the member account ID of the escrow agent, Computershare Investor Services PLC in its capacity as a CREST receiving agent, which is ARTTEN01;
  - the Corporate Action Number for the Tender Offer. This is allocated by Euroclear and can be found by viewing the relevant corporate action details in CREST;
  - the intended settlement date for the TTE Instruction. This should be as soon as possible and in any event by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022;
  - input with the standard delivery instruction, priority 80; and
  - a contact telephone number to be inserted in the shared note field.
- 3.2.4 After settlement of the TTE Instruction, you will not be able to access the Ordinary Shares concerned in CREST for any transaction or for charging purposes, notwithstanding that they will be held by Computershare Investor Services PLC as your escrow agent until completion or lapsing of the Tender Offer. If the Tender Offer becomes unconditional, Computershare Investor Services PLC will transfer the Ordinary Shares which are accepted for purchase by Panmure Gordon to Panmure Gordon for onward sale to the Company pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement.
- 3.2.5 You are recommended to refer to the CREST manual published by Euroclear for further information on the CREST procedures outlined above.
- 3.2.6 In addition, you should arrange separate TTE Instructions for Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form but under different member account IDs.
- 3.2.7 You should note that Euroclear does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular corporate action. Normal system timings and limitations will therefore apply in connection with a TTE Instruction and its settlement. You should therefore ensure that all necessary action is taken by you (or by your CREST sponsor) to enable a TTE Instruction relating to your Ordinary Shares to settle prior to 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.
- 3.2.8 In connection with this, you are referred in particular to those sections of the CREST manual concerning practical limitations of the CREST system and timings.

#### 3.3 Deposits of Ordinary Shares into, and withdrawals of Ordinary Shares from, CREST

Normal CREST procedures (including timings) apply in relation to any Ordinary Shares that are, or are to be, converted from uncertificated to certificated form, or from certificated to uncertificated form, during the course of the Tender Offer (whether such conversion arises as a result of a transfer of Ordinary Shares or otherwise). Qualifying Shareholders who are proposing to convert any such Ordinary Shares are recommended to ensure that the conversion procedures are implemented in sufficient time to enable the person holding or acquiring the

Ordinary Shares as a result of the conversion to take all necessary steps in connection with such person's participation in the Tender Offer (in particular, as regards delivery of share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title or transfer to an escrow balance as described above) prior to 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022.

#### 3.4 Validity of tenders

Notwithstanding the powers in paragraph 8.5 below, Panmure Gordon reserves the right to treat as valid only Tender Forms which are received entirely in order by 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022, and which are accompanied by the relevant share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title or a satisfactory indemnity in lieu thereof.

Notwithstanding the completion of a valid Tender Form, the Tender Offer may be terminated or lapse in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer set out in this Part 4.

The decision of Panmure Gordon as to which Ordinary Shares have been validly tendered shall be conclusive and binding on Qualifying Shareholders who participate in the Tender Offer.

#### 3.5 Information on procedure for tendering

If you have any queries regarding the procedure for tendering, please contact Computershare Investor Services PLC on 0370 707 4040 or +44 370 707 4040 if calling from outside the UK. The helpline is open from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., Monday to Friday excluding public holidays in England and Wales. Please note that Computershare Investor Services PLC cannot provide any financial, legal or tax advice and calls may be recorded and monitored for security and training purposes.

## 4. Announcement of the results of the Tender Offer and settlement

- 4.1 Unless terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Part 4 the Tender Offer will close for Qualifying Shareholders at 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022 and it is expected that on 14 July 2022 the Company will make a public announcement of the total number of Ordinary Shares tendered and any scaling back which may be required in respect of excess tenders.
- 4.2 Delivery of cash to Qualifying Shareholders for the Ordinary Shares to be purchased pursuant to the Tender Offer will be made by Computershare Investor Services PLC (on behalf of Panmure Gordon who will act as agent for tendering Qualifying Shareholders for the purpose of receiving the cash and transmitting such cash to tendering Qualifying Shareholders). Interest will not be paid on the cash to be paid by Panmure Gordon regardless of any delay in making such payment, unless Panmure Gordon determines otherwise in its absolute discretion.
- 4.3 If any tendered Ordinary Shares are not purchased because of an invalid tender, the lapse or termination of the Tender Offer or otherwise, relevant certificates evidencing any such Ordinary Shares and other documents of title, if any, will be returned or sent by post as promptly as practicable, to the tendering Qualifying Shareholder, or, in the case of Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST), Computershare Investor Services PLC will provide instructions to Euroclear to transfer all Ordinary Shares held in escrow balances by TFE Instruction to the original available balances to which those Ordinary Shares relate.
- 4.4 Settlement of the consideration to which any Qualifying Shareholder is entitled pursuant to valid tenders accepted by Panmure Gordon is expected to be effected by the despatch of cheques or the crediting of CREST accounts on or as soon as practicable after 18 July 2022 as set out below. The payment of any consideration to Qualifying Shareholders for Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer will be made only after the relevant TTE Instruction has settled or (as the case may be) timely receipt by Computershare Investor Services PLC of share certificate(s) and/or other requisite document(s) evidencing such Ordinary Shares, a properly completed and duly executed Tender Form and any other documents required by the Tender Form.

## 4.4.1 Ordinary Shares held in certificated form (that is, not in CREST)

Where an accepted tender relates to Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, cheques for the consideration due will be despatched by Computershare Investor Services PLC by first class post to the person or agent whose name and address is set out in Box 1 (or, if

relevant, Box 5 of the Tender Form), or if none is set out, to the registered address of the tendering Qualifying Shareholder or, in the case of joint holders, the address of the first named. All cash payments will be made in Sterling by cheque drawn on a UK clearing bank.

## 4.4.2 Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST)

Where an accepted tender relates to Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form, the consideration due will be paid through CREST by Computershare Investor Services PLC (on behalf of Panmure Gordon) procuring the creation of a CREST payment in favour of the tendering Qualifying Shareholder's payment bank in accordance with the CREST payment arrangements.

- 4.5 Where the Ordinary Shares are held in certificated form (that is, not in CREST), the relevant Qualifying Shareholder will be entitled to receive a certificate in respect of the balance of the remaining Ordinary Shares.
- 4.6 Where the Ordinary Shares are held in uncertificated form (that is, in CREST) unsold Ordinary Shares will be transferred by Computershare Investor Services PLC by the credit of the balance of the unsold Ordinary Shares by the Registrar by means of an ARAN message to the original available balance from which those Ordinary Shares came.

## 5. Tenders by means of a Tender Form

- 5.1 Each Qualifying Shareholder by whom, or on whose behalf, a Tender Form is executed irrevocably undertakes, represents, warrants and agrees to and with Panmure Gordon (for itself and for the benefit of the Company) (so as to bind itself and its personal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns) that:
  - 5.1.1 the execution of the Tender Form shall constitute an offer to sell to Panmure Gordon the number of Ordinary Shares inserted or deemed to be inserted in Box 2 of the Tender Form, on and subject to the terms and conditions set out or referred to in this document and the Tender Form and that, once lodged, such offer shall be irrevocable;
  - 5.1.2 if in Panmure Gordon's determination, in its absolute discretion, an entry has been made in Box 2B which is greater than the number of Ordinary Shares held by the Qualifying Shareholder to whom the Tender Form relates as at the Record Date, then, provided that the Tender Form is otherwise in order and accompanied by all other relevant documents, the tender will be deemed to be a tender in respect of all the Ordinary Shares held by that Qualifying Shareholder as stated above in Box 1. The figure stated in Box 1 shows the number of Ordinary Shares held by the Shareholder as at 6.00 p.m. on 27 June 2022. Any tender in excess of the relevant Qualifying Shareholder's Basic Entitlement will be satisfied only to the extent that other Qualifying Shareholders have not tendered all or any part of their Basic Entitlement. Tenders in excess of the Basic Entitlement will be satisfied *pro rata* in proportion to the excess over the Basic Entitlement tendered (rounded down to the nearest whole number of Ordinary Shares) as determined in accordance with paragraph 2.15 of this Part 4 or otherwise at the discretion of Panmure Gordon, in consultation with the Board;
  - 5.1.3 such Qualifying Shareholder has full power and authority to tender, sell, assign or transfer the Ordinary Shares in respect of which such offer is accepted (together with all rights attaching thereto) and, when the same are purchased by Panmure Gordon, it will acquire such Ordinary Shares with full title guarantee and free from all liens, charges, encumbrances, equitable interests, rights of pre-emption or other third party rights of any nature and together with all rights attaching thereto on or after the Closing Date, including the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, paid or made after that date;
  - 5.1.4 the execution of the Tender Form will, subject to the Tender Offer becoming unconditional, constitute the irrevocable appointment of any director or officer of Panmure Gordon as such Qualifying Shareholder's attorney and/or agent (**attorney**), and an irrevocable instruction to the attorney to complete and execute all or any instruments of transfer and/or

other documents at the attorney's discretion in relation to the Ordinary Shares referred to in paragraph 5.1.1 above in favour of Panmure Gordon or such other person or persons as Panmure Gordon may direct and to deliver such instrument(s) of transfer and/or other document(s) at the discretion of the attorney, together with the share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) relating to such Ordinary Shares, for registration within six months of the Tender Offer becoming unconditional and to do all such other acts and things as may in the opinion of such attorney be necessary or expedient for the purpose of, or in connection with, the Tender Offer and to vest in Panmure Gordon or its nominee(s) or such other person(s) as Panmure Gordon may direct such Ordinary Shares;

- 5.1.5 such Qualifying Shareholder agrees to ratify and confirm each and every act or thing which may be done or effected by Panmure Gordon or any of its directors or officers or any person nominated by Panmure Gordon in the proper exercise of its or his or her powers and/or authorities hereunder;
- 5.1.6 such Qualifying Shareholder will deliver to Computershare Investor Services PLC his/her share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title in respect of the Ordinary Shares referred to in paragraph 5.1.1 above, or an indemnity acceptable to Panmure Gordon in lieu thereof, or will procure the delivery of such document(s) to Computershare Investor Services PLC as soon as possible thereafter and, in any event, by no later than 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022;
- 5.1.7 such Qualifying Shareholder shall do all such acts and things as shall be necessary or expedient and execute any additional documents deemed by Panmure Gordon to be desirable, in each case to complete the purchase of the Ordinary Shares and/or to perfect any of the authorities expressed to be given hereunder;
- 5.1.8 if such Qualifying Shareholder is an Overseas Shareholder, (a) he/she is not in a Restricted Territory or in any territory in which it is unlawful to make or accept the Tender Offer, (b) he/she has fully observed any applicable legal and regulatory requirements of the territory in which such Overseas Shareholder is resident or located, and (c) the invitation under the Tender Offer may be made to and accepted by him/her under the laws of the relevant jurisdiction;
- 5.1.9 such Qualifying Shareholder has not received or sent copies or originals of this document or the Tender Form or any related documents to a Restricted Territory and has not otherwise utilised in connection with the Tender Offer, directly or indirectly, the mails or any means or instrumentality (including, without limitation, facsimile transmission, internet, telex and telephone) of interstate or foreign commerce, or of any facility of a national securities exchange, of any Restricted Territory, that the Tender Form has not been mailed or otherwise sent in, into or from any Restricted Territory and that such Qualifying Shareholder is not tendering any Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer from any Restricted Territory;
- 5.1.10the provisions of the Tender Form shall be deemed to be incorporated into the terms and conditions of the Tender Offer;
- 5.1.11 the despatch of a cheque in respect of the Tender Offer Price to a Qualifying Shareholder at his/her registered address or such other address as is specified in the Tender Form will constitute a complete discharge by Panmure Gordon of its obligations to make such payment to such Qualifying Shareholder;
- 5.1.12on execution the Tender Form takes effect as a deed; and
- 5.1.13the execution of the Tender Form constitutes such Qualifying Shareholder's submission to the exclusive jurisdiction of the High Court of England and Wales (the **Court**) in relation to all matters arising out of or in connection with the Tender Offer or the Tender Form.
- 5.2 A reference in this paragraph 5 to a Qualifying Shareholder includes a reference to the person or persons executing the Tender Form and in the event of more than one person executing a Tender Form, the provisions of this paragraph will apply to them jointly and to each of them.

## 6. Tenders through CREST

- 6.1 Each Qualifying Shareholder by whom, or on whose behalf, a tender through CREST is made irrevocably undertakes, represents, warrants and agrees to and with Panmure Gordon (for itself and for the benefit of the Company) (so as to bind itself and its personal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns) that:
  - 6.1.1 the input of the TTE Instruction shall constitute an offer to sell to Panmure Gordon such number of Ordinary Shares as are specified in the TTE Instruction or deemed to be tendered, on and subject to the terms and conditions set out or referred to in this document and that once the TTE Instruction has settled, such offer shall be irrevocable;
  - 6.1.2 such Qualifying Shareholder has full power and authority to tender, sell, assign or transfer the Ordinary Shares in respect of which such offer is accepted (together with all rights attaching thereto) and, when the same are purchased by Panmure Gordon, it will acquire such Ordinary Shares with full title guarantee and free from all liens, charges, encumbrances, equitable interests, rights of pre-emption or other third party rights of any nature and together with all rights attaching thereto, on or after the Closing Date, including the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, paid or made after that date;
  - 6.1.3 the input of the TTE Instruction will, subject to the Tender Offer becoming unconditional, constitute the irrevocable appointment of Computershare Investor Services PLC as the escrow agent for the Tender Offer and an irrevocable instruction and authority to Computershare Investor Services PLC: (i) subject to the Tender Offer becoming unconditional, to transfer to itself by means of CREST and then to transfer to Panmure Gordon (or to such person or persons as Panmure Gordon may direct) by means of CREST all of the Relevant Shares (as defined below) in respect of which the Tender Offer is accepted or deemed to be accepted (but not exceeding the number of Ordinary Shares which have been tendered pursuant to the Tender Offer); and (ii) if the Tender Offer is terminated or does not become unconditional and lapses, or there are Ordinary Shares which have not been successfully tendered under the Tender Offer, to give instructions to Euroclear, as promptly as practicable after such lapse, termination or unsuccessful tender, to transfer the Relevant Shares to the original available balances from which those Relevant Shares came. For the purposes of this paragraph, "Relevant Shares" means Ordinary Shares in uncertificated form in respect of which a transfer or transfers to escrow has or have been effected pursuant to the procedures described in this paragraph;
  - 6.1.4 such Qualifying Shareholder agrees to ratify and confirm each and every act or thing which may be done or effected by Panmure Gordon or any of its directors or any person nominated by Panmure Gordon or Computershare Investor Services PLC in the proper exercise of its powers and/or authorities hereunder;
  - 6.1.5 such Qualifying Shareholder shall do all such acts and things as shall be necessary or expedient and execute any additional documents deemed by Panmure Gordon to be desirable, in each case to complete the purchase of the Ordinary Shares and/or to perfect any of the authorities expressed to given hereunder;
  - 6.1.6 if such Qualifying Shareholder is an Overseas Shareholder, (a) he/she is not in the Restricted Territories or in any territory in which it is unlawful to make or accept the Tender Offer, (b) he/she has fully observed any applicable legal and regulatory requirements of the territory in which such Overseas Shareholder is resident or located, and (c) the Overseas Shareholder has ensured that the invitation under the Tender Offer may be made to and accepted by him/her under the laws and regulations of the relevant jurisdiction;
  - 6.1.7 such Qualifying Shareholder has not received or sent copies or originals of this document or any related documents to a Restricted Territory and has not otherwise utilised in connection with the Tender Offer, directly or indirectly, the mails or any means of instrumentality (including, without limitation, facsimile transmission, internet, telex or telephone) of interstate or foreign commerce, or of any facility of a national securities exchange, of any Restricted Territory, and that such Qualifying Shareholder is not tendering any Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer from any Restricted Territory;

- 6.1.8 the creation of a CREST payment in respect of the Tender Offer Price in favour of such Qualifying Shareholder's payment bank in accordance with the CREST payment arrangements as referred to in paragraph 4 of this Part 4 will constitute a complete discharge by Panmure Gordon of its obligations to make such payment to such Qualifying Shareholder; and
- 6.1.9 the input of the TTE Instruction constitutes such Qualifying Shareholder's submission to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court in relation to all matters arising out of or in connection with the Tender Offer or the TTE Instruction.
- 6.2 If the appointment of Computershare Investor Services PLC as escrow agent for the Tender Offer under paragraph 6.1.3 above shall be unenforceable or invalid or shall not operate so as to afford the benefit or authority expressed to be given in paragraph 6.1.3, the Qualifying Shareholder shall with all practicable speed do all such acts and things and execute all such documents that may be required to enable Computershare Investor Services PLC to secure the full benefits of paragraph 6.1.3 above.
- 6.3 If, for any reason, any Ordinary Shares in respect of which a TTE Instruction has been made are, prior to the Closing Date, converted into certificated form, the tender through CREST in respect of such Ordinary Shares shall cease to be valid and the Qualifying Shareholder will need to comply with the procedures for tendering Ordinary Shares in certificated form as set out in this Part 4 in respect of the Ordinary Shares so converted, if he/she wishes to make a valid tender of such Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer.

## 7. Additional provisions

- 7.1 Each Qualifying Shareholder may tender by the Closing Date some of their holding of Ordinary Shares on the Record Date up to their Basic Entitlement. In respect of Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, if (i) Box 2 of the Tender Form is not completed, or (ii) in Panmure Gordon's determination (in its absolute discretion) Box 2 of the Tender Form has not been validly completed, provided that the Tender Form is otherwise in order and accompanied by all other relevant document(s), the tender may be accepted as a valid tender in respect of the whole of the tendering Qualifying Shareholder's Basic Entitlement.
- 7.2 Ordinary Shares acquired by Panmure Gordon in the Tender Offer will be acquired "On Exchange" in accordance with the Rules of the London Stock Exchange and will be a "market acquisition" (within the meaning of section 316 of the Companies Law).
- 7.3 Ordinary Shares sold by Qualifying Shareholders pursuant to the Tender Offer will be acquired with full title guarantee and free from all liens, charges, encumbrances, equitable interests, rights of pre-emption or other third party rights of any nature and together with all rights attaching thereto on or after the Closing Date, including the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, paid or made after that date.
- 7.4 Each Qualifying Shareholder who tenders or procures the tender of Ordinary Shares will thereby be deemed to have agreed that, in consideration of Panmure Gordon agreeing to process its tender, such Qualifying Shareholder, will not revoke its tender or withdraw its Ordinary Shares. Shareholders should note that once tendered, Ordinary Shares may not be sold, transferred, charged or otherwise disposed of pending completion of the Tender Offer.
- 7.5 Any omission to despatch this document or the Tender Form or any notice required to be despatched under the terms of the Tender Offer to, or any failure to receive the same by, any person entitled to participate in the Tender Offer shall not invalidate the Tender Offer in any way or create any implication that the Tender Offer has not been made to any such person.
- 7.6 No acknowledgement of receipt of any Tender Form, share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title will be given. All communications, notices, certificates, documents of title and remittances to be delivered by or sent to or from Qualifying Shareholders (or their designated agents) will be delivered by or sent to or from such Qualifying Shareholders (or their designated agents) at their own risk.

- 7.7 All powers of attorney and authorities on the terms conferred by or referred to in this Part 4 or in the Tender Form are given by way of security for the performance of the obligations of the Qualifying Shareholders concerned and are irrevocable in accordance with Part 4 of the Powers of Attorney Act 1971.
- 7.8 Subject to paragraphs 8 and 9 below, all tenders by Qualifying Shareholders holding their Ordinary Shares in certificated form must be made on the accompanying personalised Tender Form, fully completed in accordance with the instructions set out thereon which constitute part of the terms of the Tender Offer. A Tender Form will only be valid when the procedures contained in these terms and conditions and in the Tender Form are complied with. The Tender Offer will be governed by and construed in accordance with English law.
- 7.9 If the Tender Offer is terminated or lapses, all documents lodged pursuant to the Tender Offer will be returned promptly by post, within 14 Business Days of the Tender Offer terminating or lapsing, to the person or agent whose name and address is set out in Box 1 or, if relevant, Box 5 of the Tender Form or, if none is set out, to the tendering Qualifying Shareholder or, in the case of joint holders, the first named at his or her registered address as shown in Box 1 of the Tender Form. In these circumstances, Tender Forms will cease to have any effect. In the case of Ordinary Shares held in uncertificated form, Computershare Investor Services PLC in its capacity as the escrow agent will, within 14 Business Days of the Tender Offer being terminated or lapsing, give instructions to Euroclear to transfer all Ordinary Shares held in escrow balances and in relation to which it is the escrow agent for the purposes of the Tender Offer by TFE Instruction to the original available balances from which those Ordinary Shares came.
- 7.10 The instructions, terms, provisions and authorities contained in or deemed to be incorporated in the Tender Form shall constitute part of the terms of the Tender Offer. The definitions set out in this document apply to the terms and conditions set out in this Part 4.
- 7.11 Subject to paragraphs 8 and 9 below, the Tender Offer is open to Qualifying Shareholders (but not Restricted Shareholders) on the Register on the Record Date in respect of the Ordinary Shares held by them on the Record Date and will close at 3.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022. Tender Forms, share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title or indemnities or TTE Instructions received after that time may be accepted or rejected by Panmure Gordon in its absolute discretion.
- 7.12 Further copies of this document and copies of the Tender Form may be obtained on request from Computershare Investor Services PLC on 0370 707 4040 or +44 370 707 4040 if calling from outside the UK. The helpline is open from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., Monday to Friday excluding public holidays in England and Wales. Please note that Computershare Investor Services PLC cannot provide any financial, legal or tax advice and calls may be recorded and monitored for security and training purposes.
- 7.13 Each Qualifying Shareholder tendering Ordinary Shares in the Tender Offer represents, warrants and confirms to Panmure Gordon (for itself and for the benefit of the Company) that it has observed all relevant legislation and regulations, in particular (but without limitation) that relate to anti-money laundering, economic sanctions anti-boycott and trade restrictions (the Anti-Money Laundering and Sanctions Legislation); and, in all such cases, its offer to tender Ordinary Shares in the Tender Offer is made on the basis that it accepts full responsibility for any and all such requirements under the Anti-Money Laundering and Sanctions Legislation and warrants and represents that such requirements have been satisfied; and each Qualifying Shareholder tendering Ordinary Shares in the Tender Offer acknowledges that, due to money laundering prevention requirements operating within their respective jurisdictions, the Company, Panmure Gordon, the Administrator, the Registrars and Computershare Investor Services PLC may require proof of addresses and identity or corporate existence, as applicable, before an offer to tender Ordinary Shares can be processed and that each of the Company, Panmure Gordon, the Administrator, the Registrars and Computershare Investor Services PLC shall be held harmless and indemnified by each such Qualifying Shareholder against any loss ensuing due to the failure to process a Qualifying Shareholder's offer to tender Ordinary Shares if such information as has been required, has not been provided by it.

## 8. Miscellaneous

- 8.1 Any changes to the terms, or any extension or termination of the Tender Offer will be followed as promptly as practicable by a public announcement thereof by no later than 8.00 a.m. on the Business Day following the date of such changes. Such an announcement will be released to a Regulatory Information Service of the London Stock Exchange. References to the making of an announcement by the Company includes the release of an announcement on behalf of the Company by Panmure Gordon to the press and delivery of, or telephone or facsimile or other electronic transmission of, such announcement to a Regulatory Information Service of the London Stock Exchange.
- 8.2 Ordinary Shares purchased pursuant to the Tender Offer will, following the completion of the Tender Offer, be acquired from Panmure Gordon, as principal, by the Company on the London Stock Exchange pursuant to the Repurchase Agreement and such Ordinary Shares will subsequently be cancelled by the Company (or held in treasury).
- 8.3 Tendering Qualifying Shareholders will not be obliged to pay brokerage fees, commissions or transfer taxes, stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax in the UK or Guernsey on the purchase by Panmure Gordon of Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer.
- 8.4 Except as contained in this document, no person has been authorised to give any information or make any representations with respect to the Company or the Tender Offer and, if given or made, such other information or representations should not be relied on as having been authorised by Panmure Gordon or the Company. Under no circumstances should the delivery of this document or the delivery of any consideration pursuant to the Tender Offer create any implication that there has been no change in the assets, properties, business or affairs of the Company since the date of this document.
- 8.5 Panmure Gordon reserves the absolute right to inspect (either itself or through its agents) all Tender Forms and TTE Instructions and may consider void and reject any tender that does not in Panmure Gordon's sole judgement meet the requirements of the Tender Offer. Panmure Gordon also reserves the absolute right to waive any defect or irregularity in the tender of any Ordinary Shares, including any Tender Form and/or TTE Instruction (in whole or in part) which is not entirely in order or which is not accompanied by the related share certificate(s) and/or other document(s) of title or an indemnity acceptable to Panmure Gordon in lieu thereof. In that event, however, the consideration in the Tender Offer will only be despatched when the Tender Form is entirely in order and the related share certificate(s) or other document(s) of title or indemnities satisfactory to Panmure Gordon has/have been received. None of Panmure Gordon, the Company, Computershare Investor Services PLC or any other person will be under any duty to give notification of any defects or irregularities in tenders or incur any liability for failure to give any such notification.
- 8.6 The provisions of the UK Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 do not apply to the Tender Offer.

## 9. Restricted Shareholders and other Overseas Shareholders

- 9.1 The provisions of this paragraph and any other terms of the Tender Offer relating to Restricted Shareholders may be waived, varied or modified as regards specific Shareholders or on a general basis by Panmure Gordon in consultation with the Company but only if Panmure Gordon and the Company are satisfied that such waiver, variance or modification will not constitute or give rise to a breach of applicable securities or other law.
- 9.2 Overseas Shareholders should inform themselves about and observe any applicable legal requirements. It is the responsibility of any such Overseas Shareholder wishing to tender Ordinary Shares to satisfy himself/herself as to the full observance of the laws of the relevant jurisdiction in connection herewith, the compliance with other necessary formalities and the payment of any transfer or other taxes or other requisite payments due in such jurisdiction. Any such Overseas Shareholder will be responsible for the payment of any such transfer or other taxes or other requisite payment of any such transfer or other taxes or other requisite payment of any such transfer or other taxes or other requisite payments due by whomsoever payable and Panmure Gordon and the Company and any person acting on their behalf shall be fully indemnified and held harmless by such Overseas Shareholder for any such transfer or other taxes or other requisite payments such

person may be required to pay. No steps have been taken to qualify the Tender Offer or to authorise the extending of the Tender Offer or the distribution of the Tender Forms in any territory outside the United Kingdom.

- 9.3 The Tender Offer is not being made to Restricted Shareholders. Restricted Shareholders are being excluded from the Tender Offer to avoid offending applicable local laws relating to the implementation of the Tender Offer. Accordingly, copies of this document, the Tender Form and any related documents are not being and must not be mailed or otherwise distributed into any Restricted Territory, including to Shareholders with registered addresses in Restricted Territories, or to persons who Panmure Gordon knows to be custodians, nominees or trustees holding Ordinary Shares for persons in Restricted Territories. Persons receiving such documents (including, without limitation, custodians, nominees and trustees) should not distribute or send them in or into a Restricted Territory or use such mails or any such means, instrumentality or facility in connection with the Tender Offer, as so doing will render invalid any related purported acceptance of the Tender Offer. Persons wishing to accept the Tender Offer should not use such mails or any such means, instrumentality or facility for any purpose directly or indirectly relating to acceptance of the Tender Offer. Envelopes containing Tender Forms postmarked from a Restricted Territory or otherwise despatched from a Restricted Territory or Tender Forms which provide Restricted Territory addresses for the remittance of cash or return of Tender Forms will be rendered void.
- 9.4 A Shareholder will be deemed not to have made a valid tender if (i) such Shareholder is unable to make the representations and warranties set out in paragraph 5.1.8 (if relevant) and 5.1.9 of this Part 4 or paragraph 6.1.6 (if relevant) and 6.1.7 of this Part 4, or (ii) such Shareholder inserts in Box 1 or 5 of the Tender Form the name and address of a person or agent in a Restricted Territory to whom he/she wishes the consideration to which such Shareholder is entitled in the Tender Offer to be sent; or (iii) the Tender Form received from him/her is in an envelope postmarked in, or which otherwise appears to Panmure Gordon or its agents to have been sent from, a Restricted Territory. Panmure Gordon reserves the right, in its absolute discretion, to investigate, in relation to any acceptance, whether the representations and warranties referred to in paragraph 5.1.8 (if relevant) and 5.1.9 of this Part 4 or in paragraph 6.1.6 (if relevant) and 6.1.7 of this Part 4 given by any Shareholder is correct and, if such investigation is undertaken and as a result Panmure Gordon determines (for any reason) that such representations and warranties are not correct, such acceptance shall not be valid.
- 9.5 If, in connection with making the Tender Offer, notwithstanding the restrictions described above, any person (including, without limitation, custodians, nominees and trustees), whether pursuant to a contractual or legal obligation or otherwise, forwards this document, the Tender Form or any related documents in or into a Restricted Territory or uses the mails of, or any means or instrumentality (including, without limitation, facsimile transmission, telex, internet and telephone) of interstate or foreign commerce of, or any facility of a national securities exchange in, a Restricted Territory in connection with such forwarding, such person should (i) inform the recipient of such fact; (ii) explain to the recipient that such action may invalidate any purported acceptance of the Tender Offer by the recipient; and (iii) draw the attention of the recipient to this paragraph.
- 9.6 Overseas Shareholders (who are not Restricted Shareholders) should inform themselves about and observe any applicable legal or regulatory requirements. If you are in any doubt about your position, you should consult your professional adviser in the relevant territory.

## 10. Modifications

The terms of the Tender Offer shall have effect subject to such non-material modifications or additions as the Company and Panmure Gordon may from time to time approve in writing. The times and dates referred to in this document may be amended by agreement between the Company and Panmure Gordon.

## PART 5

## TAXATION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

The following comments are intended only as a general guide to certain aspects of current UK law and HM Revenue & Customs ('HMRC') published practice and do not constitute tax advice. They are of a general nature and apply only to Shareholders who, for UK tax purposes, are resident in the UK (except where indicated) and who hold their Ordinary Shares beneficially as an investment. They do not address the position of certain classes of Shareholders such as dealers in securities, persons who are exempt from taxation or persons who acquired their shares by virtue of any office or employment. Shareholders who are subject to tax in a jurisdiction other than the UK or who are in any doubt as to the tax consequences of the Tender Offer should consult their own independent adviser. Any statements made in respect of tax rates for individual UK Shareholders assume that the Shareholder is a UK resident and domiciled individual who is neither a Scottish taxpayer nor a Welsh taxpayer. Different tax rates may apply to UK resident individuals who are Scottish taxpayers or Welsh taxpayers.

The attention of UK resident Shareholders is drawn to the paragraph "Offshore Funds" below. The following paragraphs are subject to the provisions referred to in that paragraph.

#### Tender Offer

The sale of Ordinary Shares by a Shareholder to Panmure Gordon pursuant to the Tender Offer should be treated as a disposal of those shares for United Kingdom tax purposes. This may, subject to the Shareholder's individual circumstances and any available exemption or relief, give rise to a chargeable gain (or allowable loss) for the purposes of United Kingdom taxation of chargeable gains (**CGT**).

The amount of CGT, if any, payable by a Shareholder who is an individual as a consequence of the sale of Ordinary Shares will depend on his or her own personal tax position. Broadly, a Shareholder whose total taxable gains and income in a given tax year, including any gains made on the sale of Ordinary Shares (**Total Taxable Gains and Income**), are less than or equal to the upper limit of the income tax basic rate band applicable in respect of that tax year (the **Band Limit**) (£50,270 for 2022/2023) will normally be subject to CGT at a rate of 10 per cent. in respect of any gain arising on the sale of his or her Ordinary Shares. A Shareholder whose Total Taxable Gains and Income are more than the Band Limit will normally be subject to CGT at a rate of 10 per cent. in respect of any gain arising on the sale of his or her Ordinary Shares (to the extent that, when added to the Shareholder's other taxable gains and income, the gain is less than or equal to the Band Limit) and at a rate of 20 per cent. in respect of the remainder of the gain arising on the sale of Ordinary Shares. However, no tax will be payable on any gain arising on the sale of Ordinary Shares if the amount of the chargeable gain realised by a Shareholder in respect of the sale, when aggregated with other chargeable gains realised by that Shareholder in the year of assessment (and after taking into account aggregate losses), does not exceed the annual exemption (£12,300 for 2022/2023).

A corporate Shareholder is normally taxable on all of its chargeable gains, subject to any reliefs and exemptions. Corporate Shareholders should be entitled to indexation allowance up to December 2017.

#### **Transactions in Securities**

If a corporate Shareholder obtains a corporation tax advantage as a result of the sale of Ordinary Shares it may be subject to counteraction by HMRC. However, this will not be the case if it can be shown that the transaction in question was entered into for genuine commercial reasons, or in the ordinary course of making or managing investments, and did not involve as one of its main objects the obtaining of a corporation tax advantage. No application has been made to HMRC for clearance in respect of the application of the Transactions in Securities rules contained in Part 15 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 to the Tender Offer. Shareholders who are within the charge to corporation tax are advised to take independent advice as to the potential application of the above provisions in light of their own particular motives and circumstances.

Similar rules apply to individual Shareholders pursuant to which HMRC can, in certain circumstances, counteract income tax advantages arising in relation to transactions in securities. Were those provisions

to be successfully invoked against any Shareholder, that individual Shareholder would be likely to be taxed as though the consideration for the sale of their Ordinary Shares was dividend income rather than a capital receipt. The Transactions in Securities rules for income tax only apply in connection with certain transactions involving "close companies" (as defined in Chapter 2 of Part 10 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010, including companies that would be close if they were resident in the UK). Shareholders should be aware that the Company is likely to be considered a "close company" for these purposes. No application has been made to HMRC for clearance in respect of the application of the Transaction in Securities rules contained in Part 13 of the Income Tax Act 2007 to the Tender Offer. The provisions do not result in any self-assessment obligations for individual Shareholders; they are entitled to file their self-assessment tax returns on the basis that the provisions do not apply to the Tender Offer. Individual Shareholders are advised to take independent advice as to the potential application of the above provisions.

#### **Offshore Funds**

The Directors do not consider that the Company constitutes an "offshore fund" for the purposes of current UK tax legislation. If the Company were to be treated for UK tax purposes as an "offshore fund", gains on disposals of Ordinary Shares realised by a Shareholder may be taxable as income and not as capital gains.

## Stamp duty and stamp duty reserve tax

No stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax should be payable by the Shareholders as a result of the sale of Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Tender Offer.

No stamp duty or stamp duty reserve tax should be payable by the Company on the repurchase of Ordinary Shares.

The information relating to taxation set out above is a general guide and is not exhaustive. It is based on law and published practice currently in force in the United Kingdom and is subject to changes therein (potentially with retrospective effect). If you are in any doubt as to your taxation position you should consult an appropriate professional adviser without delay.

## PART 6

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## 1. Repurchase Agreement

The Repurchase Agreement between the Company and Panmure Gordon is dated 29 June 2022. Under this agreement, the parties agree that, subject to the Tender Offer becoming unconditional in all respects and not lapsing or terminating in accordance with its terms and an aggregate amount equal to (i) the Tender Offer Price multiplied by the number of Ordinary Shares successfully tendered; and (ii) the fees and expenses payable to Panmure Gordon, being received by Panmure Gordon by no later than 5.00 p.m. on the Business Day immediately preceding the date on which Panmure Gordon is to effect purchases of Ordinary Shares, Panmure Gordon shall, as principal, purchase, "On Exchange", at the Tender Offer Price, Ordinary Shares successfully tendered to it up to a maximum of 6,428,353 Ordinary Shares (representing approximately 10 per cent of the Voting Share Capital as at the Latest Practicable Date).

The Company has agreed that, immediately following the purchase by Panmure Gordon of all Ordinary Shares which it has agreed to purchase as principal under the terms of the Tender Offer, the Company will purchase from Panmure Gordon all such Ordinary Shares at a price per Ordinary Share equal to the Tender Offer Price. All transactions will be carried out on the London Stock Exchange.

Under the Repurchase Agreement, the Company has agreed to cancel (or hold in treasury) any Ordinary Shares purchased by it under the Tender Offer arrangements.

The Repurchase Agreement contains certain representations, warranties and undertakings from Panmure Gordon in favour of the Company concerning its authority to enter into the Repurchase Agreement and to make the purchase of Ordinary Shares pursuant thereto.

The Repurchase Agreement also contains representations, warranties and undertakings from the Company in favour of Panmure Gordon and incorporates an indemnity in favour of Panmure Gordon in respect of any liability which it may suffer in relation to its performance under the Tender Offer which is not due to its own neglect or default.

## 2. General

- 2.1 Panmure Gordon has given and not withdrawn its written consent to the issue of this document with the inclusion of its letter and with the references to its name in the form and context in which they are included.
- 2.2 Assuming the Tender Offer is taken up in full, the costs in connection with the Tender Offer are estimated to be approximately £100,000 (excluding VAT).

## 3. Concert Party

Under the City Code, the partners in ARC and the shareholders in Alpha Global are deemed to be acting in concert with Alpha Global. ARC is a global real estate investment manager and has arms' length management agreements with ARTL and with other real estate funds.

Concert Parties	Number of Ordinary Shares	Shareholding in Company¹	Partnership interest in ARC	Interest in Alpha Global
Alpha Global	24,332,844	39.26%	N/A	N/A
ARC partners/Alpha Global shareholders				
Rockmount ARC Limited	nil	nil%	76.02%	nil%
Rockmount Ventures Limited	23,768,517	38.35%	nil%	76.07%
Phillip Rose	959,854	1.55%	21.07%	21.09%
Brad Bauman	58,779	0.08%	2.84%	2.84%
Karl Devon Lowe	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Mark Rattigan	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Nigel Ashfield	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Patrick Grant	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Scott Gardner	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Tom Pissarro	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Edward Palmer	nil	nil%	0.01%	nil%
Total	49,119,994	79.25%	100%	100%

The interests in the Ordinary Shares and/or the partnership interests in ARC held by constituents of the Concert Party are as follows.

1 Based on Voting Share Capital of 61,984,965 as at the Latest Practicable Date

As at the Latest Practicable Date, Alpha Global holds 24,332,844 Ordinary Shares representing approximately 39.26 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital of the Company and the other Concert Parties hold approximately 39.98 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital, bringing the total holding of Alpha Global and the other Concert Parties to approximately 79.25 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital of ARTL.

## Alpha Global

Alpha Global is an investment company and the member of the Concert Party with the largest individual interest in the Ordinary Shares. Prior to 6 December 2019, Alpha Global was a 100 per cent. wholly owned subsidiary of ARC and held ARC's controlling interest in the Company. In December 2019, ARC undertook a distribution *in specie* of its shares in Alpha Global which resulted in the existing partners of ARC holding shares in Alpha Global in the same proportions as they held partnership interests in ARC at the time. The three largest shareholders in Alpha Global have since purchased the holding from the smaller shareholders.

## Rockmount ARC Limited

Rockmount ARC Limited is an investment company whose sole investment is its partnership interest in ARC. Rockmount ARC Limited is ultimately owned by Philip Gower.

## **Rockmount Ventures Limited**

Rockmount Ventures Limited is an investment company whose investments are its holdings in the Company and Alpha Global. Rockmount Ventures Limited is ultimately owned by Philip Gower.

## Phillip Rose

Phillip has over 35 years' experience in the real estate, funds management and banking industries in Europe, the USA and Australasia. Prior to founding Alpha Real Capital in 2005, he has been the Head of Real Estate for ABN AMRO Bank, Chief Operating Officer of investor and developer Brookfield and Managing Director of Lend Lease Global Investment. Phillip has served as an independent member of the Management Committee of Hermes Property Unit Trust and as a non-executive director of Great Portland Estates plc.

## **Brad Bauman**

Brad has been a Partner of Alpha Real Capital since its inception in 2005. He is Joint-Fund Manager of the Company and oversees business development opportunities for the Alpha group, including Alpha's asset-backed lending growth. Brad has over 25 years' experience across the real estate and finance industries, working within investment banks, property companies and institutions in both Australasia and Europe. Prior to joining Alpha Real Capital, Brad was Executive Director, Real Estate Investment Banking at Lehman Brothers and Managing Director of CBRE Financial Services.

## Other members of the Concert Party

None of Karl Devon-Lowe, Mark Rattigan, Nigel Ashfield, Patrick Grant, Scott Gardner, Tom Pissaro or Edward Palmer, all of who are partners in ARC, holds any Ordinary Shares in ARTL.

#### 4. Documents available for inspection

Copies of the following documents will be available for inspection at the offices of ARC at 338 Euston Road, London NW1 3BG during normal business hours on weekdays (Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted) from the date of this document until the completion, lapse or termination of the Tender Offer:

- 4.1 the Articles;
- 4.2 the Repurchase Agreement;
- 4.3 the consent letter referred to in paragraph 2.1 of this Part 6; and
- 4.4 this document.

## DEFINITIONS

2021 AGM Notice	the notice convening the 2021 annual general meeting of the Company dated 25 June 2021
Administrator	Ocorian Administration (Guernsey) Limited
Alpha Global	Alpha Global Properties Securities Fund Pte. Limited, a company incorporated in Singapore whose registered office is at 9 Raffles Place #27-00, SBF Center, Singapore 048619
ARC or Alpha Real Capital	Alpha Real Capital LLP, a limited liability partnership incorporated under the laws of England and Wales whose registered office is at 338 Euston Road, London, United Kingdom NW1 3BG
Articles	the articles of incorporation of the Company, as amended from time to time
ARTL or the Company	Alpha Real Trust Limited, a Guernsey authorised closed-ended collective investment scheme registered as a company limited by shares with registered number 44786
Basic Entitlement	in the case of each Qualifying Shareholder, the entitlement to tender in the Tender Offer up to 10 per cent. of the Ordinary Shares registered in such person's name on the Register as at the Record Date in each case rounded down to the nearest whole number
Board or your Board	the Directors
Business Day	any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in England and Wales and Guernsey certificated or in certificated form Ordinary Shares not recorded on the Register as being in uncertificated form in CREST
City Code	the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers
Closing Date	13 July 2022
Concert Parties	the persons deemed to be acting in concert with Alpha Global as set out in paragraph 3 of Part 6 of this document, and Concert Party means any one of them
Companies Law	The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008, as amended
Conditions	the conditions precedent to the Tender Offer as set out in paragraph 2 of Part 4 of this document
CREST	the relevant system (as defined in the Regulations) for the paperless settlement of share transfers and the holding of shares in uncertificated form in respect of which Euroclear is the Operator (as defined in the Regulations)
CREST member	a person who has been admitted by Euroclear as a system member (as defined in the Regulations)
CREST participant	a person who is, in relation to CREST, a system participant (as defined in the Regulations)
CREST sponsor	a CREST participant admitted to CREST as a CREST sponsor
CREST sponsored member	a CREST member admitted to CREST as a CREST sponsored member

Directors	the directors of ARTL
Euroclear	Euroclear UK & International Limited
Financial Conduct Authority	the United Kingdom Financial Conduct Authority (or any successor entity or entities) and, where applicable, acting as the competent authority for the purposes of admission to the Official List
FSMA	the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended from time to time
Guernsey	the Island of Guernsey
HMRC	H.M. Revenue & Customs
Latest Practicable Date	the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this document, being 27 June 2022
Listing Rules	the listing rules made by the Financial Conduct Authority under section 73A of FSMA
London Stock Exchange	London Stock Exchange plc
Main Market	the London Stock Exchange's main market for listed securities
NAV or Net Asset Value	net asset value of the Company which shall be the total value of all the assets of the Company less its liabilities as determined by the Board and calculated in accordance with the Company's accounting policies
NAV per Ordinary Share	the Net Asset Value divided by the number of Ordinary Shares then in issue
Official List	the official list maintained by the Financial Conduct Authority
Ordinary Shares or Shares	ordinary shares of no par value in the capital of the Company
Ordinary Shareholders or Shareholders	the holders of Ordinary Shares
Panel	the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers
Panmure Gordon	Panmure Gordon (UK) Limited
Qualifying Shareholders	Ordinary Shareholders who are on the Register on the Record Date and who are not Restricted Shareholders
Receiving Agent	Computershare Investor Services PLC
Record Date	6.00 p.m. on 13 July 2022
Register	the register of Shareholders of the Company
Registrars	Computershare Investor Services (Jersey) Limited
Regulations	the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/3755)
Regulatory Information Service	any of the services set out in the Financial Conduct Authority's list of regulated information services from time to time
Restricted Shareholders	Ordinary Shareholders who are resident in, or citizens of, a Restricted Territory
Restricted Territory	each of the United States, Australia, Canada, Japan, the Republic of South Africa and any other jurisdiction where the

mailing of the Tender Form or other documents relating to the Tender Offer into or inside such jurisdiction would constitute a violation of the laws of such jurisdiction

- Repurchase Agreement the agreement dated 29 June 2022 entered into between the Company and Panmure Gordon (acting as principal) for the repurchase by the Company on the London Stock Exchange of those Ordinary Shares purchased by Panmure Gordon pursuant to the Tender Offer, summary details of which are set out in paragraph 1 of Part 6 of this document
- Specialist Fund Segmentthe Specialist Fund Segment of the Main Market of the Londonor the SFSStock Exchange

Share Purchase Authority the general authority for the Company to make market acquisitions (within the meaning of section 316 of the Companies Law) of up to 9,137,840 Ordinary Shares (representing 14.99 per cent. of the Voting Share Capital as at 23 June 2021 being the latest practicable date prior to the publication of the 2021 AGM Notice), whether such purchases be implemented by way of a share buyback or pursuant to any tender offer effected by (or on behalf) of the Company, which was approved on 6 August 2021

- Sterling the lawful currency for the time being of the United Kingdom
- Tender Forma tender form for use by Qualifying Shareholders who hold their<br/>Ordinary Shares in certificated form in connection with the<br/>Tender Offer
- Tender Offerthe invitation by Panmure Gordon (acting as principal) to<br/>Qualifying Shareholders to tender Ordinary Shares on the terms<br/>and subject to the conditions set out in this document and, in the<br/>case of Ordinary Shares held in certificated form, on the Tender<br/>Form

Tender Offer Price175 pence per Ordinary ShareTFE Instructiona Transfer from Escrow instruction under CRESTTTE Instructiona Transfer to Escrow instruction under CRESTWith Online Offer Offer PriceMarkov (CREST)

Voting Share Capital orthe Ordinary Shares, amounting to a total of 61,984,965 ordinary<br/>voting shares as at the Latest Practicable Date