

BLOOMSBURY PUBLISHING PLC

Annual General Meeting – Special Business resolutions

23 July 2015

Special Business

Pursuant to Listing Rule LR 9.6.2, the following are the resolutions passed at the AGM on 23 July 2015 other than resolutions concerning ordinary business. Resolution 7 was passed as an ordinary resolution and resolutions 8 and 9 were passed as special resolutions.

7. THAT:

- a) the Directors be generally and unconditionally authorised pursuant to section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 (“the Act”) to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot any shares in the Company and to grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company to such persons and on such terms as they think proper up to a maximum aggregate nominal amount of £312,484 provided that:
 - i) this authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the passing of this resolution or, if earlier, 15 months from the date of passing of this resolution, unless previously varied, revoked or renewed by the Company in general meeting; and
 - ii) the Company shall be entitled to make, before the expiry of such authority, any offer or agreement which would or might require shares to be allotted or rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company to be granted after the expiry of such authority and the Directors may allot any shares pursuant to such offer or agreement as if such authority had not expired; and
- b) all prior authorities to allot any shares in the Company and to grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company given to the Directors by resolution of the Company be revoked but without prejudice to the allotment of any shares already made or to be made pursuant to such authorities.

8. THAT, subject to the passing of resolution 7 referred to in the notice of the Annual General Meeting (“the Notice”) at which this resolution is being proposed:

- a) the Directors be granted power pursuant to section 570 and section 571 of the Companies Act 2006 (“the Act”) to allot equity securities (within the meaning of section 560 of the Act) wholly for cash pursuant to the authority conferred on them by resolution 7 in the Notice as if section 561 of the Act did not apply to any such allotment provided that this power shall be limited to the allotment of equity securities:
 - i) in connection with a rights issue, open offer or other pre-emptive offer in favour of holders of Ordinary Shares in the Company (“Ordinary Shares”) where the equity securities respectively attributable to the interests of all such holders of Ordinary Shares are proportionate (as nearly as may be) to the respective numbers of and/or rights attaching to Ordinary Shares held by them, subject to such exceptions, exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient to deal with fractional entitlements or legal or practical problems

under the laws of any territory or the requirements of any regulatory body or any stock exchange or otherwise in any territory;

ii) pursuant to the terms of the Company's existing employees' share or share option schemes or any other employees' share scheme approved by the members of the Company in general meeting;

iii) (other than pursuant to paragraphs (i) or (ii) above) up to a nominal value not exceeding in aggregate £46,877;

and shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after passing this resolution or, if earlier, 15 months from the date of passing of this resolution, unless previously varied, revoked or renewed by the Company in general meeting, and provided that the Company may, before such expiry, make any offer or agreement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot equity securities pursuant to any such offer or agreement as if the power hereby conferred had not expired; and

b) all prior powers granted under section 571 of the Act be revoked provided that such revocation shall not have retrospective effect.

9. THAT the Company is authorised, pursuant to section 701 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act"), to make market purchases (as defined in section 693 (4) of the Act) of any of its Ordinary Shares of 1.25p each ("Ordinary Shares") in such manner and on such terms as the Directors may from time to time determine provided that:

a) the maximum number of Ordinary Shares authorised to be purchased is 7,500,373 shares being approximately 10% of the issued Ordinary Shares of the Company;

b) the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for each Ordinary Share is an amount equal to 105 per cent of the average of the middle market quotations for an Ordinary Share taken from the London Stock Exchange Daily Official List for the five business days immediately preceding the date on which such share is contracted to be purchased and the minimum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for each Ordinary Share is 1.25 pence;

c) the authority hereby conferred shall, unless previously varied, revoked or renewed, expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held after passing this resolution or 15 months from the date of passing of this resolution, whichever shall be the earlier; and

d) the Company shall be entitled under such authority to make at any time before its expiry or termination any contract to purchase its own shares which will or might be concluded wholly or partly after the expiry or termination of such authority and may purchase its own shares pursuant to such contract.