Extract of the 2020 Remuneration Report

Remuneration Policy Report

The Remuneration policy set out in this section is to be submitted to a binding Shareholder vote at the 2020 AGM and it is intended that this policy will apply for three years from that date. The key changes from the previous remuneration policy and the rationale for the changes are explained in the Committee Chair's introduction on pages 113 to 115.

Key principles of the Remuneration policy

Our policy for Executive Directors reflects a preference that we believe is shared by the majority of our shareholders – to rely more heavily on the value of variable performance-related rewards, rather than on the fixed elements of pay, to incentivise and reward success. The focus of our executive remuneration is, therefore, weighted towards performance-related pay with a particular emphasis on long-term performance. We believe that, properly structured and with suitable safeguards, variable, performance-related rewards are the best way of linking pay to strategy, risk management and shareholders' interests.

Remuneration policy for Executive Directors				

Benefits	

Performance Share Plan (PSP) Purpose and link to To incentivise delivery of top-quartile shareholder returns and earnings growth over the longer term. strategy Long-term measures guard against short-term steps being taken to maximise annual rewards at the expense of future performance. The Committee has the ability to grant nil-cost options or conditional share awards under the PSP. Operation The award levels and performance conditions, on which vesting depends, are reviewed from time to time to ensure they remain appropriate. Participants will receive cash or shares equal to the value of any dividends that would have been paid over the vesting period on awards that vest. The Committee has the ability to exercise discretion to override the PSP outcome in circumstances where strict application of the performance conditions would produce a result inconsistent with the Company's remuneration principles.

Approach to recruitment remuneration

In the case of hiring or appointing a new Executive Director, the Committee may make use of any of the components of remuneration (and subject to the same limits) set out in the Policy above.

In determining appropriate remuneration for new Executive Directors, the Committee will take into consideration all relevant factors (including quantum, the nature of remuneration and where the candidate was recruited from) to ensure that arrangements are in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders. The Committee may also make an award in respect of a new external appointment to 'replace' incentive arrangements forfeited on leaving a previous employer over and above the limits set out in the Policy in the table above. In doing so, the Committee will consider relevant factors, including any performance conditions attached to these awards, time to vesting and the likelihood of those conditions being met. The fair value of the compensatory award would not be greater than the awards being replaced. In order to facilitate like-for-like compensatory awards on recruitment, the Committee may avail itself of the relevant Listing Rule, if required.

When appointing a new Executive Director by way of promotion from an internal role, the pay structure will be consistent with the policy for external hires detailed above. Where an individual has contractual commitments, outstanding incentive awards and/or pension arrangements prior to their promotion to Executive Director, the Company may honour those arrangements; however, where appropriate, these would be expected to transition over time to the arrangements stated above.

When recruiting a new Non-Executive Director, the Committee or Board will structure pay in line with the existing policy, namely a base fee in line with the current fee schedule, with additional fees for fulfilling the role of Senior Independent Director and Chairmanship of the Audit and Risk, and Remuneration Committees.

Payments from existing awards and commitments

Executive Directors are eligible to receive payment from any award or other commitment made prior to the approval and implementation of the Remuneration Policy detailed in this report.

Performance measure selection and approach to target-setting

The measures used under annual bonus plans are selected annually to reflect the Group's main strategic objectives for the year and reflect both financial and non-financial priorities. Performance targets are set to be stretching but achievable, taking into account the Company's strategic priorities and the economic environment in which the Company operates. Financial targets are set taking into account a range of reference points, including the Group's strategic and operating plan.

The Committee considers at length the appropriate financial conditions and non-financial objectives to attach to annual bonus awards as well as the financial targets to attach to share awards to ensure they continue to be: (i) relevant to the Group's strategic objectives and aligned with shareholders' interests, mindful of risk management; and (ii) fair by being suitably stretching whilst realistic.

The Committee believes that TSR, EPS, cashflow and ROCE are effective measures of long-term performance for the Company, providing a good balance between shareholder value creation and line of sight for Executives.

The Remuneration Committee has the discretion to make adjustments to the calculation of short and long-term performance outcomes in circumstances where application of the formula would produce a result inconsistent with the Company's remuneration principles. Such circumstances may include: changes in accounting standards and certain major corporate events such as rights issues, share buybacks, special dividends, corporate restructurings, acquisitions and disposals.

The Committee reviews the performance conditions for share awards prior to the start of each cycle to ensure they remain appropriate. No material reduction in long-term incentive targets for future awards would be made without prior consultation with our major shareholders.

Executive Director and general employee remuneration

The policy and practice with regard to the remuneration of senior executives below the Board is consistent with that for the Executive Directors. Senior executives generally participate in the same long-term incentives as the Executive Directors with similar performance measures applied. The Remuneration Policy for our Executive Directors is considered with the remuneration philosophy and principles that underpin remuneration for the wider Group in mind. The remuneration arrangements for other employees reflect local market practice and seniority of each role. As a result, the levels and structure of remuneration for different groups of employees will differ from the policy for executives as set out above but with the common intention that remuneration arrangements for all groups might reasonably be considered to be fair having regard to such factors.

Balance of remuneration for Executive Directors

The charts below provide an estimate of the potential future reward opportunities for the Executive Directors, and the potential split between the different elements of remuneration under four different performance scenarios: 'Minimum', 'On-target', 'Maximum' and 'Maximum+50%'

The latest service contracts are available for inspection at the Company's registered office and will also be available at the Company's Annual General Meeting.

The Company's policy is that Executive Directors' service contracts should be capable of being terminated by the Company on not more than 12 months' notice. The Executive Directors' service contracts entitle the Company to terminate their employment without notice by making a payment of salary and benefits in lieu of notice. Under the Executive Directors' contracts, the Company may choose to make the payment in lieu by monthly instalments and mitigation applies such that the Committee may decide to reduce or discontinue further instalments.

In addition to the contractual provisions regarding payment on termination set out above, the Company's incentive plans contain provisions for termination of employment, where the Committee has the discretion to determine the level of award vesting.

Name	Treatment on a change of control	Treatment for a good leaver*	Treatment for other leavers
Annual bonus	Will be paid a time pro-rated proportion, subject to performance during the year, generally paid immediately, with Committee discretion to treat otherwise.	Will be paid a time pro-rated proportion, subject to performance during the year, generally paid at the year end, with Committee discretion to treat otherwise.	No annual bonus entitlement, unless the Committee exercises discretion to treat otherwise.
Deferred bonus awards	Awards may be exercised in full on the change of control, with Committee discretion to treat otherwise.		

The latest written terms of appointment are available for inspection at the Company's registered office and at the Company's Annual General Meeting. The expected time commitment of Non-Executive Directors is set out in their current written terms of appointment.

The Group's Non-Executive Directors serve under letters of appointment as detailed in the table above, normally for no more than three-year terms at a time; however, in all cases appointments are terminable at will at any time by the Company or the Director. All Non-Executive Directors are subject to annual re-election by the Company in general meeting in line with the UK Corporate Governance Code.

Details of the Non-Executive Directors' terms of appointment are shown in the table. The appointment and re-appointment, and the remuneration of Non-Executive Directors are matters reserved for the Nominations Committee and Executive Directors, respectively.

The Non-Executive Directors' fees have been set at a level to reflect the amount of time and level of involvement required in order to carry out their duties as members of the Board and its Committees. The Non-Executive Directors are not eligible to participate in the Company's performance-related incentive plans and do not receive any pension contributions.

Details of the policy on fees paid to our Non-Executive Directors are set out in the table below:

Performance **Function** Operation Opportunity measures To attract and Fee levels are reviewed against market practice from Non-Executive Director fee increases retain hightime to time (by the Chair and the Executive Directors are applied in line with the outcome calibre Nonin the case of Non-Executive Director fees and by the of the periodic fee review. **Executive** Committee in respect of fees payable to the Chair), Any increases to the Non-Executive with any adjustments normally being made on 1 April Directors with Director fee will typically be in commercial and in the review year. Additional fees are payable for line with general movements in other experience additional responsibilities such as acting as Senior market levels of Non-Executive Independent Director, Chair of the Audit and Risk relevant to the Director fees. Committee, and Chair of the Remuneration Committee. Company In the event that there is a material Non-Executive Directors do not participate in any misalignment with the market incentive schemes, nor do they receive any pension or or a change in the complexity, benefits (other than the cost of nominal travel and responsibility or time commitment accommodation expenses). required to fulfil a Non-Executive Fee levels are reviewed by reference to FTSE listed Director role, the Board has companies of similar size and complexity. Time discretion to make an appropriate commitment, level of involvement required and adjustment to the fee level. responsibility are taken into account when reviewing fee levels. This may result in higher fee levels for overseas Directors.

Consideration of employee views