### UNICORN AIM VCT PLC

(Registered in England and Wales No. 4266437)

# NOTICE of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the fourteenth Annual General Meeting of Unicorn AIM VCT plc (the "Company") will be held at 11.30am on Thursday, 11 February 2016 at The Great Chamber, The Charterhouse, Suttons Hospital, Charterhouse Square, London EC1M 6AN for the purposes of considering the following resolutions of which resolutions 1 to 9 will be proposed as ordinary resolutions and resolutions 10 to 12 will be proposed as special resolutions:-

- To receive and adopt the audited Annual Report and Accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2015 ("Annual Report"), together with the Directors' Report and Auditor's report thereon.
- 2. To approve the Directors' Remuneration report as set out in the Annual Report.
- 3. To re-appoint BDO LLP of 55 Baker Street, London, W1U 7EU as Auditor to the Company until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.
- 4. To authorise the Directors to determine BDO LLP's remuneration as Auditor to the Company.
- 5. To re-elect Peter Dicks as a Director of the Company.
- 6. To re-elect Jocelin Harris as a Director of the Company.
- 7. To re-elect James Grossman as a Director of the Company.
- 8. To approve the payment of a final dividend in respect of the year ended 30 September 2015 of 6.25 pence per ordinary share of 1p each, payable on 19 February 2016 to Shareholders on the register on 29 January 2016.
- That, in substitution for any existing authorities, the Directors of the Company be and hereby are generally and 9. unconditionally authorised pursuant to section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act") to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot ordinary shares of 1p each in the Company ("Shares") and to grant rights to subscribe for, or convert any security into, Shares ("Rights") up to an aggregate nominal value of £399,901, provided that the authority conferred by this Resolution 9 shall expire (unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company in a general meeting) on the date falling 15 months after the passing of this Resolution 9 or, if earlier, at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in 2017 but so that this authority shall allow the Company to make before the expiry of this authority offers or agreements which would or might require Shares to be allotted or Rights to be granted after such expiry and the Directors of the Company shall be entitled to allot Shares or grant Rights pursuant to any such offers or agreements as if the authority conferred by this Resolution 9 had not expired.
- That, subject to the passing of Resolution 9 set out in this notice and in substitution for any existing authorities, the 10. Directors of the Company be and hereby are empowered in accordance with sections 570 and 573 of the Act to allot or make offers or agreements to allot equity securities (as defined in section 560 of the Act) for cash, pursuant to the authority conferred upon them by Resolution 9 set out in this notice, or by way of a sale of treasury shares, as if section 561(1) of the Act did not apply to any such sale or allotment, provided that the power conferred by this resolution shall be limited to:
  - (i) the allotment and issue of equity securities up to an aggregate nominal value representing £319,920 in connection with offer(s) for subscription; and
  - (ii) the allotment, otherwise than pursuant to sub-paragraph (i) above, of equity securities with an aggregate nominal value of up to, but not exceeding, 10% of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time

in each case where the proceeds may be used, in whole or part, to purchase the Company's Shares in the market and provided that this authority shall expire (unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company in general meeting) on the date falling 15 months after the passing of this Resolution 10 or, if earlier, at conclusion of the Annual General Meeting to be held in 2017, except that the Company may, before the expiry of this authority, make offers or agreements which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot equity securities in pursuance of such offer or agreement as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired.

- 11. That, in substitution for any existing authorities, the Company be and hereby is authorised pursuant to section 701 of the Act to make one or more market purchases (within the meaning of section 693(4) of the Act) of its own Shares on such terms and in such manner as the Directors of the Company may determine (either for cancellation or for the retention as treasury shares for future re-issue or transfer), provided that:
  - (i) the aggregate number of Shares which may be purchased shall not exceed 11,989,036 or, if lower, such number of Shares (rounded down to the nearest whole Share) as shall equal 14.99% of the Shares in issue at the date of passing this resolution;
  - (ii) the minimum price which may be paid for a Share is 1p (the nominal value thereof);
  - (iii) the maximum price which may be paid for a Share shall be the higher of (a) an amount equal to five per cent above the average of the middle market quotations for a Share taken from the London Stock Exchange Daily Official List for the five business days immediately preceding the day on which the Share is to be purchased and (b) the price stipulated by Article 5(1) of the Buy-back and Stabilisation Regulation (EC 2273/2003);

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- (iv) the authority conferred by this resolution shall (unless previously renewed or revoked in general meeting) expire on the date falling 15 months after the passing of this Resolution 11 or, if earlier, at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in 2017; and
- (v) the Company may make a contract or contracts to purchase its own Shares under the authority hereby conferred prior to the expiry of such authority which will or may be executed wholly or partly after the expiry of such authority, and may make a purchase of its own Shares in pursuance of any such contract.
- 12. That the amounts standing to the credit of the share premium account of the Company and the capital redemption reserve of the Company as at the date an order is made confirming such cancellation by the Court, be cancelled.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Registered Office 2 Barnfield Crescent Exeter EX1 1QT 11 December 2015

ISCA Administration Services Limited Company Secretary

#### NOTES:

- (i) Pursuant to Regulation 41 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001, entitlement to attend and vote at the meeting (and the number of votes that may be cast thereat), will be determined by reference to the Register of Members of the Company at the close of business on the day which is two days before the day of the meeting or of the adjourned meeting. Changes to the Register of Members of the Company after the relevant deadline shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the meeting.
- (ii) A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy or proxies to attend, speak and vote on his or her behalf. A proxy need not also be a member but must attend the meeting to represent you. Details of how to appoint the chairman of the meeting or another person as your proxy using the form of proxy are set out in the notes on the form of proxy. If you wish your proxy to speak on your behalf at the meeting you will need to appoint your own choice of proxy (not the chairman) and give your instructions directly to them.
- (iii) You may appoint more than one proxy provided each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attached to different shares. You may not appoint more than one proxy to exercise rights attached to any one share. To appoint more than one proxy, you may copy the proxy form, clearly stating on each copy the shares to which the proxy relates, or to request additional copies of the proxy form contact the Company's Registrars, Capita Asset Services, on +44 (0)371 664 0324 (lines are open between 9.00 am and 5.30 pm Monday to Friday, calls are charged at standard geographic rates and will vary by provider. Calls outside the United Kingdom will be charged at applicable international rates. Different charges may apply to calls from mobile telephones and call may be recorded and randomly monitored for security and training purposes. For legal reasons Capita Asset Services will be unable to give advice on the merits of the proposals or provide financial, legal, tax or investment advice. Please indicate in the box next to the proxy holder's name the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy. Please also indicate by ticking the box provided if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All forms must be signed and returned together in the same envelope.
- (iv) The statement of the rights of members in relation to the appointment of proxies in paragraphs (ii) and (iii) above does not apply to Nominated Persons. The rights described in these paragraphs can only be exercised by members of the Company.
- (v) Any person to whom this notice is sent who is a person nominated under section 146 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act") to enjoy information rights (a "Nominated Person") may, under an agreement between him/her and the member by whom he/she was nominated, have a right to be appointed (or to have someone else appointed) as a proxy for the meeting. If a Nominated Person has no such proxy appointment right or does not wish to exercise it, he/she may, under any such agreement, have a right to give instructions to the Shareholder as to the exercise of voting rights.
- (vi) If you have been nominated to receive general shareholder communications directly from the Company, it is important to remember that your main contact in terms of your investment remains as it was (so the registered shareholder, or perhaps custodian or broker, who administers the investment on your behalf). Therefore any changes or queries relating to your personal details and holding (including any administration thereof) must continue to be directed to your existing contact at your investment manager or custodian. The Company cannot quarantee dealing with matters that are directed to us in error. The only exception to this is where the Company, in exercising one of its powers under the Act, writes to you directly for a response.

- (vii) A personal reply paid form of proxy is enclosed with this document. To be valid, the enclosed form of proxy for the meeting, together with the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified or office copy thereof, must be deposited at the offices of the Company's Registrar, Capita Asset Services, PXS, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4TU, so as to be received not later than 11.30am on 9 February 2016 or 48 hours before the time appointed for any adjourned meeting or, in the case of a poll taken subsequent to the date of the meeting or adjourned meeting, so as to be received no later than 24 hours before the time appointed for taking the poll.
- (viii) If you prefer, you may return the proxy form to Capita Asset Services in an envelope addressed to FREEPOST CAPITA PXS.
- (ix) Please note that you can vote your shares electronically at <u>www.capitashareportal.com</u>
- (x) Appointment of a proxy or CREST proxy instruction will not preclude a member from subsequently attending and voting at the meeting should he or she subsequently decide to do so. You can only appoint a proxy using the procedure set out in these notes and the notes to the form of proxy.
- (xi) CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so by using the procedures described in the CREST Manual. CREST personal members or other CREST sponsored members, and those CREST members who have appointed a service provider(s), should refer to their CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s), who will be able to take the appropriate action on their behalf.
- (xii) In order for a proxy appointment or instruction made using the CREST service to be valid, the appropriate CREST message (a 'CREST Proxy Instruction') must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited's specifications, and must contain the information required for such instruction, as described in the CREST Manual. The message, regardless of whether it constitutes the appointment of a proxy or is an amendment to the instruction given to a previously appointed proxy must in order to be valid, be transmitted so as to be received by the issuer's agent (ID RA10) by 11.30 am on 9 February 2016. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the timestamp applied to the message by the CREST Application Host) from which the issuer's agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST. After this time any change of instructions to proxies appointed through CREST should be communicated to the appointee through other means.
- (xiii) CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors, or voting service providers should note that Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular message. Normal system timings and limitations will, therefore, apply in relation to the input of CREST Proxy Instructions. It is the responsibility of the CREST member concerned to take (or, if the CREST member is a CREST personal member, or sponsored member, or has appointed a voting service provider, to procure that his CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s) take(s)) such action as shall be necessary to ensure that a message is transmitted by means of the CREST system by any particular time. In this connection, CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting system providers are referred, in particular, to those sections of the CREST Manual concerning practical limitations of the CREST system and timings.
- (xiv) As at 10 December 2015 (being the last business day prior to the publication of this notice), the Company's issued share capital comprised 79,980,231 ordinary shares of 1p each, all of which carry one vote each. Therefore, the total voting rights in the Company as at 10 December 2015 was 79,980,231.
- (xv) The Directors' appointment letters will be available for inspection at the Company's registered office during normal business hours on any weekday (excluding Saturdays, Sunday and public holidays) and shall be available for inspection at the place of the Annual General Meeting for at least fifteen minutes prior to and during the meeting. The agreement with Jeremy Hamer's consultancy business will also be available for inspection.
- (xvi) If a corporate shareholder has appointed a corporate representative, the corporate representative will have the same powers as the corporation could exercise if it were an individual member of the Company. If more than one corporate representative has been appointed, on a vote on a show of hands on a resolution, each representative will have the same voting rights as the corporation would be entitled to. If more than one authorised person seeks to exercise a power in respect of the same shares, if they purport to exercise the power in the same way, the power is treated as exercised; if they do not purport to exercise the power in the same way, the power is treated as not exercised.

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- (xvii) Under section 527 of the Act, members meeting the threshold requirements set out in that section have the right to require the Company to publish on a website a statement setting out any matter relating to: (i) the audit of the Company's accounts (including the Auditor's Report and the conduct of the audit) that are to be laid before the AGM; or (ii) any circumstance connected with an auditor of the Company ceasing to hold office since the previous meeting at which annual accounts and reports were laid in accordance with section 437 of the Act. The Company may not require the Shareholders requesting any such website publication to pay its expenses in complying with sections 527 or 528 of the Act. Where the Company is required to place a statement on a website under section 527 of the Act, it must forward the statement to the Company's Auditor no later than the time when it makes the statement available on the website. The business which may be dealt with at the AGM includes any statement that the Company has been required under section 527 of the Act to publish on a website.
- (xviii) At the meeting Shareholders have the right to ask questions relating to the business of the meeting and the Company is obliged under section 319A of the Act to answer such questions, unless; to do so would interfere unduly with the preparation of the meeting or would involve the disclosure of confidential information, if the information has been given on the Company's website, <a href="https://www.unicornaimvct.co.uk">www.unicornaimvct.co.uk</a> in the form of an answer to a question, or if it is undesirable in the interests of the Company or the good order of the meeting that the question be answered.
- (xix) Further information, including the information required by section 311A of the Act, regarding the meeting is available on the Company's website, <a href="https://www.unicornaimvct.co.uk">www.unicornaimvct.co.uk</a>.
- (xx) Members satisfying the thresholds in section 338A of the Companies Act 2006 may request the Company to include in the business to be dealt with at the Annual General Meeting any matter (other than a proposed resolution) which may properly be included in the business at the Annual General Meeting. A matter may properly be included in the business at the Annual General Meeting unless (i) it is defamatory of any person or (ii) it is frivolous or vexatious. A request made pursuant to this right may be in hard copy or electronic form, must identify the matter to be included in the business, must be accompanied by a statement setting out the grounds for the request, must be authenticated by the person(s) making it and must be received by the Company not later than six weeks before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- (xxi) This notice, together with information about the total number of shares in the Company in respect of which members are entitled to exercise voting rights at the meeting at 10 December 2015 (the business day prior to the approval of this Notice) and, if applicable, any members' statements, members' resolutions or members' matter of business received by the Company after the date of this Notice, will be available on the Company's website: www.unicornaimvct.co.uk.

# ATTENDANCE CARD UNICORN AIM VCT PLC - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

 $You \ may \ submit \ your \ proxy \ electronically \ using \ The \ Share \ Portal \ service \ at \ www.capitashare portal.com$ 

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11 To authorise the Company to make market purchases of the Company's own shares (Special Resolution).

12. To authorise the Company to apply to the court to cancel the share premium account and capital redemption reserve. (Special Resolution).

**Date** 

To assist with arrangements, if you intend attending the meeting in person please place a  $'\times'$  in the box opposite.

To re-elect Peter Dicks as a Director of the

To re-elect Jocelin Harris as a Director of the

To re-elect James Grossman as a Director of the

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**Signature** 



#### **Notes**

- 1 Every holder has the right to appoint some other person(s) of their choice, who need not be a Shareholder as his or her proxy to exercise all or any of his or her rights, to attend, speak and vote on their behalf at the meeting. If you wish to appoint a person other than the Chairman, please insert the name of your chosen proxy holder in the space provided (see over). If the proxy is being appointed in relation to less than your full voting entitlement, please enter the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy. If left blank your proxy will be deemed to be authorised in respect of your full voting entitlement (or if this proxy form has been issued in respect of a designated account for a shareholder, the full voting entitlement for that designated account).
- 2 To appoint more than one proxy you may photocopy this form. Please indicate the proxy holder's name and the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy (which, in aggregate, should not exceed the number of shares held by you). Please also indicate if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All forms must be signed and should be returned together in the same envelope.
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- 4 The 'Vote Withheld' option is provided to enable you to abstain on any particular resolution. However, it should be noted that a 'Vote Withheld is not a vote in law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of the votes 'For' and 'Against' a resolution. If this form is returned without any indication as to how the person appointed proxy shall vote, he/she will exercise his/her discretion as to how he/she votes or whether he/she abstains from voting.
- 5 Entitlement to attend and vote at the meeting (and the number of votes that may be cast thereat), will be determined by reference to the Register of Members of the Company at the close of business on the day which is two days before the day of the meeting or of the adjourned meeting. Changes to the Register of Members of the Company after the relevant deadline shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the meeting.
- 6 Shares held in uncertificated form (i.e. in CREST) may be voted through the CREST Proxy Voting Service in accordance with the procedures set out in the CREST manual
- 7 The completion and return of this form will not preclude a member from attending the meeting and voting in person. If you attend the meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.
- 8 To be effective, all forms of Proxy must be completed, signed and lodged not less 48 hours before the time of the meeting at the office of Capita Asset Services at: PXS, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4TU.
- 9 If you prefer, you may return the proxy form to Capita Asset Services in an envelope addressed to FREEPOST CAPITA PXS.