

Transactions in own shares

Date of purchase: 20 October 2023
Aggregate number of ordinary shares purchased: 18,223
Lowest price paid per share GBp 145.00
Highest price per share GBp 147.00
Average price per share GBp 146.32

The company intends to cancel the purchased shares.

Since 17 May 2023, the Company has purchased 8,664,492 shares at a cost (including dealing and associated costs) of \$17,603,502.63 (£13,991,846.94).

Following the above transaction, the company holds 0 of its ordinary shares in treasury and has 1,126,735,105 ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares and any shares purchased by the Company through Merrill Lynch International which are yet to be cancelled).

Schedule of Purchases

Shares purchased: (ISIN: GB00BL9ZF303)
Date of purchases: 20 October 2023
Investment Firm: Merrill Lynch International

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Aggregate information:

Venue	Volume-weighted average price (GBp)	Aggregated volume	Lowest price per share (GBp)	Highest price per share (GBp)
London Stock Exchange	146.31	18,022	145.00	147.00
Cboe BXE	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
Cboe CXE	147.00	201	147.00	147.00
Aquis	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
Turquoise	0.00	0	0.00	0.00

The schedule accessible via the following link contains detailed and aggregated information of the individual trades made by Merrill Lynch International as part of the buyback programme:

Detailed Purchases:

Transaction Date	Transaction Time	Volume	Price (GBp)	Platform	Transaction Reference Number
20-Oct-23	08:19:11	2744	145.00	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPFPP
20-Oct-23	08:23:37	1853	146.20	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPG50
20-Oct-23	09:41:34	202	146.60	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL3J
20-Oct-23	09:41:34	444	146.60	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL3I
20-Oct-23	09:41:39	6	146.60	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL3M
20-Oct-23	09:44:00	268	146.20	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL71
20-Oct-23	09:44:00	323	146.20	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL72
20-Oct-23	09:44:00	336	146.20	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL70
20-Oct-23	09:44:00	1074	146.20	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL73
20-Oct-23	09:44:00	4317	146.20	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPL74
20-Oct-23	09:51:55	460	146.60	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPLJU
20-Oct-23	10:16:56	201	147.00	CHIX	0XL710000000000DDPLJB
20-Oct-23	10:16:56	5995	147.00	XLON	0XL740000000000DDPN2K