

Transactions in own shares

Date of purchase: 29 February 2024
Aggregate number of ordinary shares purchased: 77
Lowest price paid per share GBp 171.60
Highest price per share GBp 174.60
Average price per share GBp 173.76

The company intends to cancel the purchased shares.

Since 17 May 2023, the Company has purchased 15,531,257 shares at a cost (including dealing and associated costs) of \$31,129,073.59 (£24,761,684.51).

Following the above transaction, the company holds 0 of its ordinary shares in treasury and has 1,119,868,340 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 | LEI: 213800HTCF8A7XM22A32)
Date of purchases: 29 February 2024
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	173.76	77	171.60	174.60
Cboe BXE	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
Cboe CXE	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
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
29-Feb-24	09:58:58	4	171.60	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARD53R
29-Feb-24	12:00:16	8	173.40	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARDDR1
29-Feb-24	13:16:07	9	174.20	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARDITE
29-Feb-24	13:16:44	7	173.60	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARDIVF
29-Feb-24	14:49:57	5	174.60	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARDVR3
29-Feb-24	15:06:58	7	174.20	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARE2RE
29-Feb-24	15:15:16	4	173.80	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARE46M
29-Feb-24	15:36:48	7	173.80	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARE7B0
29-Feb-24	16:10:48	11	173.80	XLON	0XL9700000000000ARECBL
29-Feb-24	16:29:40	15	173.80	XLON	0XL9700000000000AREFHE

This information is also available on the London Stock Exchange's website, as provided by the RNS, and can be accessed by following this embedded [Link](#).