

Transactions in own shares

Date of purchase: 12 March 2024
Aggregate number of ordinary shares purchased: 3,128
Lowest price paid per share GBp 172.20
Highest price per share GBp 173.40
Average price per share GBp 172.62

The company intends to cancel the purchased shares.

Since 17 May 2023, the Company has purchased 15,537,731 shares at a cost (including dealing and associated costs) of \$31,143,427.20 (£24,772,912.55).

Following the above transaction, the company holds 0 of its ordinary shares in treasury and has 1,119,861,866 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: 12 March 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	172.62	3,128	172.20	173.40
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
12-Mar-24	09:34:34	31	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJ25G
12-Mar-24	11:41:15	45	173.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJ625
12-Mar-24	11:41:15	87	173.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJ626
12-Mar-24	12:29:56	45	173.00	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJ77T
12-Mar-24	12:29:56	128	173.20	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJ77S
12-Mar-24	12:30:15	176	173.00	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJ7AK
12-Mar-24	13:50:10	247	172.80	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJB6C
12-Mar-24	13:50:10	255	173.00	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJB6B
12-Mar-24	14:32:42	127	172.80	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJDGC
12-Mar-24	14:32:44	82	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJDGG
12-Mar-24	14:32:44	143	172.60	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJDGF
12-Mar-24	15:44:19	403	172.60	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJHUH
12-Mar-24	15:44:20	13	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJHUI
12-Mar-24	15:44:20	443	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJHUJ
12-Mar-24	16:00:16	176	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJUII
12-Mar-24	16:09:31	3	172.20	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJJFU
12-Mar-24	16:09:31	62	172.20	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJJFT
12-Mar-24	16:09:31	322	172.20	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJJG0
12-Mar-24	16:18:15	95	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJK14
12-Mar-24	16:18:15	245	172.40	XLON	0XL09170000000005MJK13

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](#).