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This document is important and requires your immediate attention. If you are in any doubt about the action you should take, you should immediately consult your stockbroker, solicitor, accountant, bank manager or other independent financial adviser who is authorised under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.

If you have sold or otherwise transferred all of your Ordinary shares please send this document, together with the accompanying Form of Proxy, as soon as possible to the purchaser or transferee or to the stockbroker, bank or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected, for delivery to the purchaser or transferee. The Form of Proxy, if used, should be lodged with the Company's Registrar, Capita Asset Services, not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting.

Dear Shareholder

Annual General Meeting 2015 and Financial Results for the year ended 31 March 2015

Please find attached to this letter the Notice of our 2015 Annual General Meeting, together with notes explaining the business of the meeting. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, 30 July 2015, starting at 11.00 a.m. at the Exeter Golf and Country Club, Topsham Road, Countess Wear, Exeter EX2 7AE. Details of how to reach this venue are set out on the first page of the Notice. Free parking will be available.

If you are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting please register your vote with us electronically by visiting **capitashareportal.com**. Registering your vote electronically is entirely secure and ensures the privacy of your personal information. Alternatively please complete and return your Form of Proxy by post.

Your Directors consider that all the proposals to be considered at the Annual General Meeting are in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole and recommend shareholders to vote in favour of the Resolutions as they intend to do so in respect of their own shareholdings.

Electronic communications

The Company's policy is to provide all shareholder documents electronically whenever possible. As a consequence you will only receive copies of the Annual Report and certain other shareholder communications by post if you have specifically opted to do so or if you became a shareholder on the register after 19 March 2013. For those of you who have not requested to receive shareholder communications by post you can now view a copy of the Company's Annual Report on the Company's website **www.pennon-group.co.uk**

Using our website allows us to offer you greater choice on how you receive your shareholder communications. Electronic communications are not only secure, but they are also quicker, more cost effective, and are in line with the Company's sustainable development objectives as less resources are required compared with traditional printing and distribution methods.

If you previously elected to receive a written copy of the Annual Report, a copy is enclosed. If a copy of the Annual Report is not enclosed and you wish to receive a copy rather than viewing it on the Company's website, a copy may be obtained on request from our Registrar, Capita Asset Services, by telephoning 0371 664 9234 (lines are open from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday; or +44 371 664 9234 (from outside the UK) and quoting your Investor Code which can be found on your Form of Proxy. For both UK and overseas shareholders calls are charged at a standard rate.

If you have not already done so and now wish to sign up to receive future shareholder communications electronically, you can do so via the share portal service provided by our Registrar. To register simply go to **capitashareportal.com** and select 'Account Registration' and then follow the on-screen instructions by inputting your surname and your Investor Code. You will also need to input your postcode as well as entering an e-mail address and selecting a password.

Pennon Group's financial and operational results for the year ended 31 March 2015

I am pleased to set out overleaf a summary of the highlights of Pennon Group's financial and operational results for the year ended 31 March 2015. Full details are contained in the Company's Annual Report.

Yours sincerely

Ken Harvey Chairman

Summary of Pennon Group's financial and operational results

for the year ended 31 March 2015

Pennon Group

- Revenue up by +2.7% to £1,357.2m
- EBITDA⁽¹⁾ up by +0.9% to £411.0m
- South West Water up +0.1% to £331.3m, despite 2014/15 tariff freeze thanks to continued cost efficiency
- Viridor EBITDA up +5.4% to £80.4m, with Energy Recovery Facilities (ERFs) contributing significantly
- Profit before tax⁽²⁾ up +1.6% to £210.7m
- South West Water up +3.3% to £167.9m
- Viridor up +0.4% to £27.7m
- Net exceptional post-tax charge of £11.0m
- impairment of a small number of landfill sites, and underperforming contracts, partly offset by a reduction in environmental provisions and reduced retirement benefit obligations following pension scheme benefit changes
- Net debt stable at £2,197.1m, implying Net Gearing of 61.9%⁽³⁾
- reflects Pennon Group's efficient financing
- convertible bonds of £125m fully converted; 20.9m Pennon shares issued
- financing of £100.3m cash consideration for Bournemouth Water via successful equity placing after year end
- Strong liquidity and financing position
- cash and committed facilities of £1,741m, of which £771m in cash balances
- Earnings per share⁽⁴⁾ down (6.6%) to 39.8p
- reflecting underlying impact of tariff freeze, which will be recovered on an NPV neutral basis over 2015 – 2020
- Full year dividend up +4.9% to 31.80p
- policy of 4% year-on-year dividend growth over RPI inflation to continue to 2020

South West Water and Viridor highlights are set out overleaf.

⁽¹⁾ EBITDA: Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and exceptional items

⁽²⁾ Before exceptional items. Group statutory profit before tax £197.0m

⁽³⁾ Net borrowings/(equity + net borrowings)

⁽⁴⁾ Before exceptional items and deferred tax. Basic earnings per share (statutory basis) 32.3p.

South West Water

Performed strongly against the 2010-15 regulatory contract

- Despite impact of a price freeze, delivered growth in revenue and strong cost control
- Cumulative K5 cost increases were lower than inflation and the company focused on delivering efficiencies ahead of the 2009 Final Determination
- Capital efficiency delivered for K5 ahead of expectations
- Due to outperformance South West Water delivered a dividend to Pennon above the 2009 Final Determination assumptions

Well-placed to deliver the 2015-2020 regulatory contract

- South West Water's business plan for the 2014 Price Review received enhanced status from Ofwat
- Based on the company's track record of efficiency and outperformance, well-placed to deliver the K6 regulatory contract
- · Attaining enhanced status has allowed the advancement of K6 projects and the targeting of early delivery
- South West Water has the highest potential Return on Regulated Equity (RoRE) in the sector, in excess of 10% for outperformance

Engaged and prepared for future regulatory reform

- Prepared for market liberalisation; developed wholesale and retail strategies
- Supporting development of Upstream reform
- Targeting outperformance of the K6 Final Determination

Viridor

Financial performance in line with expectations

 2014/15 EBITDA +5.4% year-on-year to £80.4m and Underlying EBITDA⁽¹⁾ +7.5% year-on-year to £135.3m. Contribution from ERFs more than offsetting the declining trend in landfill and softening of recycling markets

Passed strategic point of inflexion

- Strategic orientation of Viridor business model around 'Energy' and 'Recycling & Resources'
- Five new ERFs Exeter, Ardley, Cardiff, Runcorn I & II delivered
- Clear regulatory drivers for recycling from the EU and UK Government, alongside expectations from leading companies, laying the foundations for strong, ongoing demand for recycling over the next fifteen years. Viridor well-placed to grow market share. Input, Throughput and Output Optimisation (ITOO) programme yielding productivity benefits
- Landfill Energy continues to provide good cash generation focus on reducing landfill operations, optimising energy production and alternative uses for sites now being realised

Energy Recovery Facilities (ERF) business now operational

- Two thirds of ERF portfolio now operational
- Construction substantially advanced at Peterborough and Glasgow. Dunbar also commenced. Notice to Proceed with construction of Beddington ERF issued
- All plants full at opening c.80% of the waste inputs required across the committed portfolio secured, of which three-quarters is from long-term contracts
- On track for c.£100m of EBITDA in 2016/17 from ERFs

(1) EBITDA plus IFRIC 12 interest receivable and share of joint venture EBITDA.

The above summary is not intended to be a substitute for reading the full Annual Report and Accounts 2015 (ARA) and does not constitute summary financial statements. It does not contain sufficient information to allow for the same level of understanding of the results and state of affairs of the Company, including the principal risks and uncertainties and notice relating to forward-looking statements, as would be provided by the ARA.



Notice of Annual General Meeting

The twenty-sixth Annual General Meeting of Pennon Group Plc will be held at

Exeter Golf and Country Club, Topsham Road, Countess Wear, Exeter EX2 7AE

on Thursday, 30 July 2015 at 11.00 a.m.

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This Notice of Annual General Meeting should be read in conjunction with Pennon Group Plc's Annual Report and Accounts in respect of the year ended 31 March 2015.

Copies of this Notice of Annual General Meeting and the Annual Report and Accounts are available to view and download from the Company's website:

pennon-group.co.uk

How to get to the Pennon Group Plc Annual General Meeting at Exeter Golf and Country Club, Topsham Road, Countess Wear, Exeter EX2 7AE

By road:

From junction 30 on the M5 take the third exit at the first roundabout, A379 for Exeter, Dawlish and Topsham. Follow the signs to Topsham for 1.8 miles to the Countess Wear roundabout. Take the first exit left to Topsham. The venue is 300 metres on the left hand side. Free parking will be available at the venue.

By rail:

Exeter's mainline station is Exeter St David's, which is located 3.2 miles from the venue. The nearest main line rail station is Exeter Central, which is situated 2.7 miles from the venue.

Annual General Meeting

The twenty-sixth Annual General Meeting of Pennon Group Plc will be held at Exeter Golf and Country Club, Topsham Road, Countess Wear, Exeter EX2 7AE on Thursday, 30 July 2015 at 11.00 a.m. for the transaction of the following business:

The following resolutions will be proposed as ordinary resolutions:

Report and accounts

Resolution 1

That the Directors' report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2015 be received and adopted, together with the report of the auditor.

Dividend

Resolution 2

That a final dividend of 21.82 pence per Ordinary share recommended by the Directors for the year ended 31 March 2015 be declared for payment on 2 October 2015.

Annual report on remuneration

Resolution 3

That the Annual report on remuneration for the financial year 2014/15, as contained in the Company's Annual Report 2015, be approved.

Directors

Resolution 4

That Sir John Parker who is retiring in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and the UK Corporate Governance Code be elected as a Director.

Resolution 5

That Mr M D Angle who is retiring in accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code be re-elected as a Director.

Resolution 6

That Mr N Cooper who is retiring in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and the UK Corporate Governance Code be elected as a Director.

Resolution 7

That Mrs S J Davy who is retiring in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association and the UK Corporate Governance Code be elected as a Director.

Resolution 8

That Mr C Loughlin who is retiring in accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code be re-elected as a Director.

Resolution 9

That Mr I J McAulay who is retiring in accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code be re-elected as a Director.

Resolution 10

That Ms G Rider who is retiring in accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code be re-elected as a Director.

Re-appointment of auditor

Resolution 11

That Ernst & Young LLP be re-appointed auditor of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting at which accounts are laid before the Company.

Auditor's remuneration

Resolution 12

That the Audit Committee be authorised to determine the remuneration of the auditor on behalf of the Board.

Political donations

Resolution 13

That in accordance with Section 366 of the Companies Act 2006 the Company, and all companies that are subsidiaries of the Company at any time during the period for which the resolution has effect, be generally and unconditionally authorised to:

- (a) make political donations to political parties and/or independent election candidates not exceeding £75,000 in total;
- (b) make political donations to political organisations other than political parties not exceeding £75,000 in total: and
- (c) incur political expenditure not exceeding £75,000 in total,

during the period from the date of this resolution to the date of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company in 2016, or if earlier at the close of business on 1 October 2016 provided that the aggregate amount of any such donations and expenditure shall not exceed £75,000 and that for the purpose of this resolution the terms 'political donations', 'political parties', 'independent election candidates', 'political organisations' and 'political expenditure' have the meanings set out in Sections 363 to 365 of the Companies Act 2006.

It continues to be the policy of the Company and its subsidiaries not to make political donations, but as explained in more detail under the 'Political Donations' section of the Explanatory Notes on page 10 of this Notice, it is considered to be necessary to obtain such authorisation to avoid any possible technical breach of the Companies Act 2006 due to the uncertainty created by the wide definitions in the Act of what can be regarded as a political donation or political expenditure.

Authority to allot shares

Resolution 14

That:

- (a) the Directors be generally and unconditionally authorised, in accordance with Section 551 of the Companies Act 2006, to exercise all powers of the Company to allot shares in the Company and grant rights to subscribe for, or convert any security into, shares in the Company:
 - (i) up to a maximum nominal amount of £55,765,009 (such amount to be reduced by the nominal amount of any equity securities (as defined in Section 560 of the Companies Act 2006) allotted under paragraph (ii) below in excess of £55,765,009); and
 - (ii) comprising equity securities (as defined in Section 560 of the Companies Act 2006) up to a maximum nominal amount of £111,530,018 (such amount to be reduced by any shares allotted or rights granted under paragraph (i) above) in connection with an offer by way of a rights issue:
 - (A) to holders of Ordinary shares in proportion (as nearly as may be practicable) to their existing holdings; and
 - (B) to holders of other equity securities if this is required by the rights of those securities or, if the Directors consider it necessary, as permitted by the rights of those securities;

and so that the Directors may make such exclusions or other arrangements as they consider expedient in relation to treasury shares, fractional entitlements, record dates, shares represented by depositary receipts, legal or practical problems under the laws in any territory or the requirements of any relevant regulatory body or stock exchange or any other matter;

- (b) this authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the passing of this resolution or, if earlier, at the close of business on 1 October 2016;
- (c) the Company may, before this authority expires, make an offer or enter into an agreement which would or might require shares to be allotted or rights to be granted after it expires and the Directors may allot shares or grant rights in pursuance of such offer or agreement as if this authority had not expired; and
- (d) all previous unutilised authorities under Section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 shall cease to have effect (save to the extent that the same are exercisable pursuant to Section 551(7) of the Companies Act 2006 by reason of any offer or agreement made prior to the date of this resolution which would or might require shares to be allotted or rights to be granted on or after that date).

The following resolutions will be proposed as special resolutions:

Authority to disapply pre-emption rights

Resolution 15

That:

- (a) the Directors be given power:
 - (i) subject to the passing of Resolution 14 above, to allot equity securities (as defined in Section 560 of the Companies Act 2006) for cash pursuant to the authority conferred on them by that resolution under Section 551 of that Act; and
 - (ii) to allot equity securities as defined in Section 560(3) of that Act (sale of treasury shares) for cash, in either case as if Section 561 of that Act did not apply to the allotment or sale, but this power shall be limited:
 - (A) to the allotment of equity securities in connection with an offer or issue of equity securities (but in the case of the authority granted under Resolution 14(a)(ii), by way of a rights issue only) to or in favour of:
 - (I) holders of Ordinary shares in proportion (as nearly as may be practicable) to their existing holdings; and
 - (II) holders of other equity securities if this is required by the rights of those securities or, if the Directors consider it necessary, as permitted by the rights of those securities;
 - and so that the Directors may make such exclusions or other arrangements as they consider expedient in relation to treasury shares, fractional entitlements, record dates, shares represented by depositary receipts, legal or practical problems under the laws in any territory or the requirements of any relevant regulatory body or stock exchange or any other matter; and
 - (B) to the allotment of equity securities pursuant to the authority granted under Resolution 14(a)(i) and/or by virtue of Section 560(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (in each case otherwise than under paragraph (A) above) up to a maximum nominal amount of £16,729,502; and
- (b) this power shall expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company after the passing of this resolution or, if earlier, at the close of business on 1 October 2016;
- (c) all previous unutilised authorities under Sections 570 and 573 of the Companies Act 2006 shall cease to have effect; and
- (d) the Company may, before this power expires, make an offer or enter into an agreement, which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after it expires and the Directors may allot equity securities in pursuance of such offer or agreement as if this power had not expired.

Authority to purchase own shares

Resolution 16

That in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, the Company is generally and unconditionally authorised for the purposes of Section 701 of the Companies Act 2006 to make market purchases (within the meaning of Section 693(4) of the Companies Act 2006) of Ordinary shares of 40.7p each in the capital of the Company on such terms and in such manner as the Directors of the Company may from time to time determine, provided that:

- (a) the maximum number of Ordinary shares that may be purchased under this authority is 41,104,429 (being no more than 10% of the issued share capital exclusive of treasury shares of the Company as at 19 June 2015);
- (b) the minimum price which may be paid for each Ordinary share is 40.7p (exclusive of expenses payable by the Company in connection with the purchase);
- (c) the maximum price which may be paid for each Ordinary share purchased under this authority shall not be more than the higher of (i) an amount equal to 105% of the average of the middle market quotations for such Ordinary shares as derived from the London Stock Exchange Daily Official List for the five business days immediately preceding the day on which that Ordinary share is purchased; and (ii) the amount stipulated by Article 5(1) of the Buy-back and Stabilisation Regulation 2003 (in each case exclusive of expenses payable by the Company in connection with the purchase);
- (d) this authority will, unless previously varied, revoked or renewed, expire at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company or, if earlier, on 1 October 2016, but the Company may make a contract or contracts to purchase Ordinary shares under this authority before its expiry which will or may be executed wholly or partly after the expiry of this authority and may make purchases of Ordinary shares pursuant to any such contract; and
- (e) all existing authorities for the Company to make market purchases of Ordinary shares are revoked, except in relation to the purchase of shares under a contract or contracts concluded before the date of this resolution and which has or have not yet been executed.

Notice of general meetings

Resolution 17

That a general meeting, other than an Annual General Meeting, may be called on not less than 14 clear days' notice.

The Directors believe that all the resolutions to be considered at the Annual General Meeting are in the best interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole and recommend shareholders to vote in favour of the resolutions in respect of their own shareholdings as the Directors intend to do so in respect of their own shareholdings.

By Order of the Board

Kenneth Woodier, Group Company Secretary Pennon Group Plc Peninsula House, Rydon Lane, Exeter EX2 7HR (Registered Office) 22 June 2015

Important notes

The following notes explain your general rights as a shareholder and your rights to attend and vote at this meeting or to appoint someone else to attend and vote on your behalf.

Only those shareholders registered on the Register of Members of the Company as at 6.00 p.m. on 28 July 2015 (or, if this meeting is adjourned, at 6.00 p.m. on the two days prior to the adjourned meeting), shall be entitled to attend or vote at the Annual General Meeting in respect of the number of shares registered in their name at that time. Changes to entries in the Register after 6.00 p.m. on 28 July 2015 or, if this meeting is adjourned, at 6.00 p.m. on the two days prior to the adjourned meeting, shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any shareholder to attend or vote at the Annual General Meeting.

A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to exercise all or any of his rights to attend, speak and vote instead of him provided that each proxy is appointed to attend, speak and vote in respect of a different share or shares. A proxy need not be a shareholder but must attend the meeting for the shareholder's vote to be counted. Appointing a proxy does not prevent a shareholder from attending and voting in person if he so wishes. If a share is held by joint shareholders, and more than one of the joint shareholders votes (including by way of proxy), the only vote that will count is the vote of the person whose name is listed before the other voters on the Register for the share.

A Form of Proxy is enclosed with this Notice of Annual General Meeting. A shareholder can only appoint a proxy using the procedures set out in these notes and the notes to the Form of Proxy. Details of how to appoint the Chairman of the meeting or another person as a shareholder's proxy using the Form of Proxy are set out in the notes to the Form of Proxy. If a shareholder wishes his proxy to speak on his behalf at the meeting, he will need to appoint his own choice of proxy (not the Chairman) and give his instructions directly to them. A shareholder may appoint more than one proxy provided each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attached to different shares. To appoint more than one proxy, a shareholder must complete a separate Form of Proxy for each proxy or, if appointing multiple proxies electronically, follow the instructions given on the relevant electronic facility. Shareholders can copy their original Form of Proxy, or additional Forms of Proxy can be obtained by telephoning Capita Asset Services on 0371 664 9234 (lines are open 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday) or +44 371 664 9234 (for outside the UK). For both UK and overseas shareholders calls are charged at a standard rate. A shareholder appointing more than one proxy should indicate on the relevant Forms of Proxy the number of shares for which each proxy is authorised to act on his behalf.

To be valid any Form of Proxy must be received by the Company's Registrars, Capita Asset Services, at the address shown on the Form of Proxy or received via the **capitashareportal.com** website if the appointment is made electronically, no later than 11.00 a.m. on 28 July 2015, or 48 hours before the time for holding any adjourned meeting or (in the case of a poll not taken on the same day as the meeting or adjourned meeting) for the taking of the poll at which it is to be used or lodged using the CREST proxy voting service, details of which are given overleaf. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which the Form of Proxy is signed (or a certified copy of such authority) must be included with the Form of Proxy.

Completion of a Form of Proxy does not preclude a shareholder from attending and voting in person at the Annual General Meeting. The "Vote Withheld" option on the Form of Proxy is provided to enable shareholders 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.

As an alternative to completing a paper copy of the Form of Proxy shareholders may register a proxy appointment or voting directions electronically by visiting **capitashareportal.com** If you have already registered to receive all shareholder communications electronically you can also submit your Form of Proxy via this website. Shareholders will need their Investor Code number printed under their name on the Form of Proxy. Full instructions are given on the website. The proxy appointment and instructions should reach Capita Asset Services not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof. If you return more than one proxy appointment, either by paper or electronic communication, that received last by the Registrar before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence. You are advised to read the terms and conditions of use carefully. Any electronic communication found to contain a computer virus will not be accepted. Electronic communication facilities are open to all shareholders and those who use them will not be disadvantaged.

Any corporation, which is a member, can appoint one or more corporate representatives who may exercise on its behalf all of its powers as a member provided that they do not do so in relation to the same shares.

Any person to whom this notice is sent who is a person nominated under Section 146 of the Companies Act 2006 to enjoy information rights (a 'Nominated Person') may, under an agreement between him or her and the shareholder by whom he or she was nominated, have a right to be appointed (or to have someone else appointed) as a proxy for the Annual General Meeting. If a Nominated Person has no such proxy appointment right or does not wish to exercise it, he or she may, under any such agreement, have a right to give instructions to the shareholder as to the exercise of voting rights.

The statement of the rights of shareholders in relation to the appointment of proxies in the notes above does not apply to Nominated Persons. The rights described in these notes can only be exercised by shareholders of the Company.

Nominated Persons are reminded that they should contact the registered holder of their shares (and not the Company) on matters relating to their investments in the Company.

As soon as practicable following the Annual General Meeting the results of the voting at the meeting and the numbers of proxy votes cast for and against and the number of votes actively withheld in respect of each of the Resolutions will be announced via a Regulated Information Service and also placed on the Company's website **pennon-group.co.uk**

As at 19 June 2015 (being the last practicable date prior to the publication of this Notice of Annual General Meeting), the Company's issued share capital consists of 411,430,593 Ordinary shares of 40.7p each, of which 386,300 Ordinary shares are held in treasury. Therefore, the total voting rights in the Company as at 19 June 2015 are 411,044,293.

Electronic proxy appointment through CREST

CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so for the Annual General Meeting to be held on 30 July 2015 and any adjournment(s) thereof by following the procedures described in the CREST Manual. CREST personal members or other CREST sponsored members, and those CREST members who have appointed a voting 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.

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 (available via **euroclear.com/CREST**). 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 Company's Registrar, Capita Asset Services (ID RA10) by no later than 11.00 a.m. on 28 July 2015, or, if the meeting is adjourned, 48 hours before the time fixed for the adjourned meeting. For this purpose the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the time stamp applied to the message by the CREST Application Host) at which the Company's agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST. After this time, any change of instruction to proxies appointed through CREST should be communicated to the appointees through other means.

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(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 **euroclear.com/CREST**

The Company may treat as invalid a CREST Proxy Instruction in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001.

Members satisfying the thresholds in Section 527 of the Companies Act 2006 can require the Company to publish a statement on its website setting out any matter relating to (a) 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 Annual General Meeting; or (b) any circumstances 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 Companies Act 2006 and which the members propose to raise at the meeting. The Company may not require the members requesting the publication to pay its expenses in complying with Sections 527 or 528

of the Companies Act 2006. Any statement placed on the website must also be sent to the Company's auditor not later than the time it makes its statement available on the website. The business, which may be dealt with at the Annual General Meeting, includes any statement under Section 527 of the Companies Act 2006 that the Company has been required to publish on its website.

A member attending the meeting has the right to ask questions. Pursuant to Section 319A of the Companies Act 2006 the Company must cause to be answered at the Annual General Meeting any question relating to the business being dealt with at the Annual General Meeting which is put by a member attending the meeting, except in certain circumstances, including if it is undesirable in the interests of the Company or the good order of the meeting that the question be answered or if to do so would involve the disclosure of confidential information.

A copy of this Notice, and other information required by Section 311A of the Companies Act 2006, can be found on the Company's website:

pennon-group.co.uk/investor-information/shareholder-services/agm

Please note you may not use any electronic address provided either in this Notice of Annual General Meeting or any related documents (including the Form of Proxy) to communicate with the Company for any purposes other than those expressly stated.

Documents available for inspection

Copies of the Executive Directors' service contracts and the Chairman's, the Deputy Chairman's and the Non-executive Directors' contracts for service are available for inspection during normal business hours at the Registered Office of the Company. They will also be available for inspection at the Annual General Meeting from 10.00 a.m. on 30 July 2015 until the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting.

Directors' remuneration policy

The Directors' remuneration policy, which sets out the Company's forward-looking policy on Directors' remuneration, was approved by a shareholder vote at last year's Annual General Meeting.

The Company is required to ensure that a vote on its remuneration policy takes place at least every three years unless it is proposed that the policy is to be changed before the expiry of the three-year period. In such circumstances the Company would produce a new resolution to approve any proposed revised policy.

Explanatory notes on certain business of the Annual General Meeting

Annual report on remuneration

Resolution 3 proposes the approval of the Annual report on remuneration, which is set out on pages 78 to 92 inclusive of the Annual Report. It is a requirement, pursuant to Section 439 of the Companies Act 2006, that the Directors' remuneration report be submitted to shareholders for approval. The result of Resolution 3 is advisory only and the Directors' entitlement to remuneration is not conditional on this resolution being passed.

Re-election and election of Directors

Resolutions 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 propose the re-election of Messrs M D Angle, C Loughlin, I J McAulay and Ms G Rider and the election of Sir John Parker, N Cooper and Mrs S J Davy (it being the first Annual General Meeting since their appointments) as Directors of the Company.

The Company's Articles of Association require Directors to retire and submit themselves for reappointment by shareholders at the first Annual General Meeting following their appointment and for reappointment at least every three years. Irrespective of this provision, in accordance with the UK Corporate Governance Code, all Directors will stand for reappointment at the Annual General Meeting as they have at each Annual General Meeting since 2011.

The Directors' biographies are set out below and details of the Directors' remuneration are set out in the Annual Report.

Sir John Parker GBE, FREng, DSc(Eng), ScD(Hon), DSc(Hon), DUniv(Hon), FRINA

Deputy Chairman/Non-executive Director Committees: Nomination

Appointed on 1 April 2015 – and since his appointment has served as Deputy Chairman and Chairman designate pending the retirement of Mr Ken Harvey following the AGM, at which point Sir John will be appointed as Chairman.

Sir John is the chairman of Anglo American Plc. He is also a non-executive director of Carnival Corporation and Airbus Group and deputy chairman of DP World. Sir John is a Visiting Fellow of the University of Oxford and was president of the Royal Academy of Engineering from 2011 to 2014. He was previously the chairman of National Grid plc, senior non-executive director and chair of the Court of the Bank of England, joint chair of Mondi and Chair of BVT and P&O Plc.

Martin David Angle BSc Hons, FCA, MCSI

Non-executive Director Committees: Audit, Remuneration (Chairman) Sustainability, Nomination

Appointed on 1 December 2008 – Martin currently holds non-executive directorships with Savills Plc, Shuaa Capital psc and The National Exhibition Group where he is chairman. In addition, he sits on the board of the FIA Foundation where he is vice-chairman. Formerly he had senior positions with Terra Firma Capital Partners and various of its portfolio companies, including the executive chairmanship of Waste Recycling Group Limited. Before that, he was the group finance director of TI Group Plc and held a number of senior investment banking positions with SG Warburg & Co Ltd, Morgan Stanley and Dresdner Kleinwort Benson.

Neil Cooper BSc Hons, FCMA

Non-executive Director Committees: Audit (Chairman), Sustainability, Nomination and Remuneration

Appointed on 1 September 2014 – Neil is the group finance director of William Hill Plc (but is due to leave William Hill and become the chief financial officer of Barratt Developments Plc on a date yet to be determined). He was previously group finance director of Bovis Homes Group Plc. He previously held senior finance roles with Whitbread Plc, worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers as a management consultant and held a number of roles with Reckitt & Colman Plc.

Susan Jane Davy BSc Hons, ACA

Group Director of Finance

Appointed on 1 February 2015. Prior to joining Pennon Group Plc, Susan was finance and regulatory director at South West Water Limited, a position to which she was appointed in August 2007. Previously, she held a number of senior posts for Yorkshire Water including head of regulation and head of finance in their Waste Water Unit and was head of finance for Brey Utilities, a joint venture company owned by Yorkshire Water and Earthtech Engineering Limited. She is a council member of Water UK and a graduate qualified chartered accountant.

Christopher Loughlin BSc Hons, MICE, CEng, MBA

Chief Executive, South West Water Committees: Sustainability

Appointed on 1 August 2006 – Chris was previously chief operating officer with Lloyds Register and earlier in his career was an executive director of British Nuclear Fuels Plc and executive chairman of Magnox Electric Plc. He was also a senior diplomat in the British Embassy, Tokyo. Chris started his career as a chartered engineer working in both the consulting and contracting sectors and subsequently held a number of senior positions with British Nuclear Fuels. Between April 2008 and March 2012, he was chairman of Water UK. Currently Chris is vice-chairman of the Cornwall Local Enterprise Partnership and a trustee and member of the audit committee of WaterAid. He is a board member (and past president) of the Institute of Water.

Ian James McAulay BEng, CEng, MICE, MCIWEM

Chief Executive, Viridor Committees: Sustainability

Appointed on 9 September 2013 – Ian was previously chief of global strategy and corporate development with MWH Global based in the US. Previously he was the managing director, capital programmes, at United Utilities Plc. Ian started his career as a consulting civil engineer and held a number of positions with Crouch & Hogg in Glasgow and subsequently Montgomery Watson, which merged in 2001 with Harza to form MWH Global. He is a member of the board of the Environmental Services Association.

Gill Rider CB. PhD. FCIPD

Senior Independent Non-executive Director Committees: Audit, Remuneration, Sustainability (Chairman), Nomination

Appointed on 1 September 2012 – Gill currently holds non-executive directorships with Charles Taylor Plc, the Chartered Institute of Personnel & Development where she is president and De La Rue Plc where she is chairman of the remuneration committee. She is also chair of the council of the University of Southampton. Formerly Gill was head of the Civil Service Capability Group in the Cabinet Office reporting to the Cabinet Secretary and prior to that held a number of senior positions with Accenture culminating in the post of chief leadership officer for the global firm.

Statement in support of re-election and election of Directors

The Board supports the re-election/election of each Director, as it believes that the particular knowledge and experience of each Director, as described in their biographies above, assists in ensuring that the Board has an appropriate balance of skills and experience for the requirements of the business. The Chairman confirms that, following the formal annual performance evaluation, each Non-executive Director continues to perform effectively and demonstrates commitment to his or her role, including commitment to time for Board and Committee meetings and other duties as they are likely to arise. The Board has determined each of the Non-executive Directors is independent.

Re-appointment of auditor

Resolution 11 proposes the reappointment of Ernst & Young LLP as auditor of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting at which accounts are laid before the Company.

Auditor's remuneration

Resolution 12 proposes that the Audit Committee be authorised to determine the level of the auditor's remuneration.

Political donations

Whilst **Resolution 13** requests shareholder approval by way of an ordinary resolution to approve donations to political parties, please note that the Company and all its subsidiaries have a policy that they do not make donations to, or incur expenditure on behalf of, political parties. However, the Companies Act 2006 contains restrictions on companies making donations or incurring political expenditure and defines these terms very widely, such that activities that form part of the normal relationship between the Company and its subsidiaries and bodies concerned with policy review, law reform and other business matters affecting the Company may be included. These types of activities, which are in the shareholders' interests for the Company and its subsidiaries to conduct, are not designed to support, or implement support for, a particular political party.

The Company believes that the authority proposed under this Resolution (which is the same as that agreed by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting last year and in previous years) is necessary to ensure that it, and its subsidiaries, do not commit any technical breach that could arise from the uncertainty generated by the wide definitions contained within the Act when carrying out activities in the furtherance of their legitimate business interests.

Authority to allot shares

Resolution 14 requests shareholder approval by way of an ordinary resolution to renew (in compliance with published institutional guidelines) until 1 October 2016 or, if earlier, the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, the Directors' authority to allot Ordinary shares or grant rights to subscribe for or convert any security into shares in the Company in accordance with Section 551 of the Companies Act 2006. It is the Directors' intention to seek to renew this authority annually in accordance with investor guidelines.

The Investment Association ("IA") which was created following the merging of the Investment Affairs division of the Association of British Insurers ("ABI") and the Investment Management Association (in June 2014), has assumed responsibility for the guidance previously issued by the ABI on share capital management, including Directors' authority to allot shares.

As with the previous ABI guidelines, the new guidelines on Directors' authority to allot shares state that IA members will permit, and treat as routine, resolutions seeking authority to allot shares representing up to one-third of a company's issued share capital or up to two-thirds of existing issued share capital where such authority is to be applied for a fully pre-emptive rights issue.

Paragraph (a)(i) of Resolution 14 will allow the Directors to allot Ordinary shares up to a maximum nominal amount of £55,765,009 representing approximately one third (33.33%) of the Company's existing issued share capital (excluding shares held in treasury) and calculated as at 19 June 2015 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of this Notice of Annual General Meeting).

In accordance with the guidelines issued by the IA, paragraph (a)(ii) of Resolution 14 will allow Directors to allot, including the Ordinary shares referred to in paragraph (a)(i) of Resolution 14, further of the Company's Ordinary shares in connection with a pre-emptive offer by way of a rights issue to Ordinary shareholders up to a maximum nominal amount of £111,530,018 representing approximately two thirds (66.67%) of the Company's existing issued share capital (excluding shares held in treasury) and calculated as at 19 June 2015 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of this Notice of Annual General Meeting).

The Directors have no present intention of exercising this authority (other than pursuant to the Company's Scrip Dividend Alternative and employee share schemes) but they do consider that they should have this authority in order to be able to take advantage of opportunities as they arise and to retain flexibility. If they do exercise this authority, the Directors intend to follow best practice as regards its use (including as regards the Directors standing for re-election in certain cases), as recommended by the IA.

As at 19 June 2015 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of this Notice of Annual General Meeting), the Company held 386,300 Ordinary shares in treasury, which represents approximately 0.09% of the total Ordinary share capital in issue on that date (excluding shares held in treasury).

Disapplication of pre-emption rights

Resolution 15 requests shareholder approval by way of a special resolution to renew until 1 October 2016, or if earlier, the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company, the Directors' authority to allot equity securities for cash without first being required to offer such securities to existing shareholders. If approved, the Directors will be authorised to issue shares in connection with a rights issue or other preemptive offer and otherwise to issue shares for cash up to a maximum nominal amount of £16,729,502, which includes the sale on a non pre-emptive basis of any shares for cash the Company, may hold in treasury. The maximum nominal amount of equity securities to which this authority relates (excluding shares held in treasury) represents not more than 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 19 June 2015 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of this Notice of Annual General Meeting).

The Directors intend to adhere to the provisions in the Pre-Emption Group's Statement of Principles, as updated in March 2015, and not allot shares for cash on a non pre-emptive basis pursuant to the authority in Resolution 15:

- (i) in excess of an amount equal to 5 % of the total issued Ordinary share capital of the Company excluding treasury shares; or
- (ii) in excess of an amount equal to 7.5 % of the total issued Ordinary share capital of the Company excluding treasury shares within a rolling three-year period, without prior consultation with shareholders,

in each case other than in connection with an acquisition or specified capital investment, which is announced contemporaneously with the allotment, or which has taken place in the preceding six-month period and is disclosed in the announcement of the allotment.

It is the Directors' intention to seek to renew this authority annually in accordance with investor guidelines.

Authority to purchase Ordinary shares of the Company

Resolution 16 requests shareholder approval by way of a special resolution to renew the Company's authority to purchase up to 10% of its Ordinary shares in issue at or between the minimum and maximum prices specified in the Resolution. This authority is requested in order to increase the Company's flexibility to optimise the long-term financial and tax efficiency of its capital structure. It can lead to increases in future earnings per share on those shares not purchased. This Resolution complies with investor protection guidelines which limit share purchases to 10% of the issued share capital per annum. The Directors confirm that they will only purchase shares where they believe the effect would be to increase earnings per share and would be in the best interests of shareholders. The Directors have no current plans to exercise such authority.

The Companies Act 2006 allows companies to hold shares acquired by way of market purchase in treasury, rather than having to cancel them. In addition to shares already held in treasury, the Directors may decide to hold further of the Company's own shares that may be purchased pursuant to the authority conferred by this Resolution as treasury shares as an alternative to cancelling them. Shares held in treasury may subsequently be cancelled, sold for cash or issued for the purposes of satisfying share options and share awards under the Company's employee share schemes. The Directors believe that holding shares in treasury provides the Company with greater flexibility in management of its share capital. No dividends may be paid on shares held in treasury and no voting rights are exercisable in respect of treasury shares.

The total number of options to subscribe for Ordinary shares that were outstanding as at 19 June 2015 (being the latest practicable date prior to publication of this Notice of Annual General Meeting) was 2,295,626. The proportion of issued share capital that they represented at that time was 0.56%. The proportion of issued share capital that they will represent if the full authority to purchase shares is used is 0.62%.

Calling of general meetings

Resolution 17 requests shareholder approval by way of a special resolution to enable Directors to continue to be able to call general meetings, other than Annual General Meetings, on 14 clear days' notice. A similar resolution has been passed by shareholders at each Annual General Meeting since 2011. This resolution is required to reflect the changes made to the Companies Act 2006 by the Companies (Shareholders' Rights) Regulations 2009 (the "Shareholders' Rights Regulations") which increased the notice period of listed companies to call general meetings on at least 21 clear days' notice unless shareholder approval has been obtained for the holding of such meetings on not less than 14 clear days' notice, as sought by Resolution 17. The Company undertakes to meet the requirements for electronic voting under the Shareholders' Rights Regulations before calling a general meeting on 14 clear days' notice. If given, the approval will be effective until the Company's next Annual General Meeting when it is intended that a similar resolution will be proposed. The Directors will only consider taking advantage of the flexibility permitted by this authority where there is a need for urgency if (taking into account the circumstances, and noting the recommendations of the UK Corporate Governance Code 2014), it is appropriate and considered necessary to do so in the interests of the Company and shareholders as a whole.