## **DS Smith Plc - Court Meeting Admittance Card**

## **Electronic communications**

If you receive paper documents and would prefer to receive an email in future, you can register for electronic communications via Shareview, a secure internet-based platform provided by our Registrar, Equiniti.

Just go to www.shareview.co.uk and follow the 'Register' link in the top right corner. You will need your Shareholder Reference Number, which is provided on the proxy form and to select 'electronic' as your preferred method of delivery of communications. You will then receive an email each time a shareholder document is placed on our website, giving you full details of where and how to



By an order dated 9 August 2024 made in the matter of the Company, the Court has granted the Company permission to convene a meeting (the "Court Meeting") of the Scheme Shareholders (as defined in the scheme document dated 11 September 2024 accompanying this Form of Proxy (the "Scheme Document")) for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving (with or without modification) a scheme of arrangement proposed to be made pursuant to Part 26 of the Companies Act 2006 between the Company and the Scheme Shareholders and that such meeting be held at 2:00 p.m. (London time) on 7 October 2024 at De Vere Grand Connaught Rooms, 61-65 Great Queen Street, London WC2B 5DA.

Nearby tube stations: Holborn and Covent Garden.

Please read the Notice of Court Meeting in Part Ten of the Scheme Document and the explanatory notes to this Form of Proxy before completing this form.

To be effective all Forms of Proxy must be received by the Company's Registrar, Equiniti, not later than 2:00 p.m. (London time) on 3 October 2024 (or in the case of an adjourned meeting, not less than 48 hour period falling on a public holiday in

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ns by marking 'X' in the appropriate box.  Joint the Chair of the Court Meeting, or the the Court Meeting to be held on  Date  Date	of the resolution 2 and 3) lers hereby appoint	Please indicate how you wish to vote on each of the resolutions by marking 'X' in the appropriate box.  Number of shares being voted (see note 2 and 3)  Member (Form of Proxy)  I/We being a DS Smith Shareholder/Shareholders hereby appoint the Chair of the Court Meeting, or the following person (see note 2)  Name  Name  Signature  Date  Date			
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## Explanatory Notes

To be valid, the Form of Proxy must reach Equiniti, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing BN99 6DA by 2:00 p.m. (London time) on 3 October 2024 (or in the case of an adjourned meeting, not less than 48 hours before the time of such adjourned meeting (excluding any part of such 48 hour period falling on a weekend or a public holiday in the UK)). However, if this Form of Proxy is not received by the relevant time, it may be handed to the Registrar or to the Chair of the Court Meeting at any time before the commencement of the Court Meeting and will still be valid.

- Full details of the resolution to be proposed at the Court Meeting, with explanatory notes, are set out in Part Ten of the Scheme
  Document made available to members of the Company on 11 September 2024. Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms in this
  Form of Proxy and these Explanatory Notes shall have the meaning as set out in that Scheme Document. Before completing this Form
  of Proxy, please also read the sections headed "Action to be Taken" set out on pages 14 to 18 and at paragraph 18 of Part Two of the
  Scheme Document.
- 2. DS Smith Shareholders are entitled to appoint a proxy to attend, speak and vote on their behalf at the Court Meeting. A proxy need not be a member of the Company, but DS Smith Shareholders are strongly encouraged to appoint the Chair of the Court Meeting as their proxy, rather than a named person who may not be able to attend the Court Meeting. If you wish to appoint a person other than the Chair of the Court Meeting, please insert the name of your chosen proxy holder in the space provided. 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 in the box provided. If left blank your proxy will be deemed to be authorised in respect of your full voting entitlement.
- 3. DS Smith Shareholders may appoint more than one proxy in relation to the Court Meeting, provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by them. Additional proxy form(s) may be obtained by contacting the Registrar or by photocopying this form. Please indicate in the box provided the number of shares in relation to which the proxy is authorised to act. All forms must be signed and should be returned together in the same envelope.
- 4. Alternatively, DS Smith Shareholders may appoint a proxy or proxies electronically by logging onto the Registrars' website at www.shareview.co.uk using your Shareholder Reference Number printed above and following the instructions therein. For an electronic proxy appointment to be valid, the appointment must be received by Equiniti not later than 48 hours prior to the time fixed for the Court Meeting or, if the Court Meeting is adjourned, at least 48 hours before the start of the adjourned meeting (in each case excluding any part of such 48 hour period falling on weekend or a public holiday in the UK). If the blue Form of Proxy is not returned by this specified time, it may be (i) scanned and emailed to Equiniti at the following address: proxyotes@equiniti.com; or (ii) handed to the Chair of the Court Meeting or Equiniti before the start of the Court Meeting (or any adjournment thereof).
- CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service for the Court
  Meeting or any adjournment(s) thereof may do so by using the procedures described in the CREST Manual (available at
  https://my.euroclear.com). 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 providers, who will be able to take the
  appropriate action on their behalf.
- 6. In order for a proxy appointment or instruction made by means of CREST to be valid, the CREST Proxy Instruction must be properly authenticated in accordance with Euroclear's specifications and must contain the information required for such instructions, as described in the CREST Manual. The message, regardless of whether it constitutes the appointment of a proxy or an amendment to the instructions given to a previously appointed proxy, must, in order to be valid, be transmitted so as to be received by the Registrar (ID RAL9) by 2:00 p.m. (London time) on 3 October 2024 (or in the case of an adjourned meeting, not less than 48 hours before the time of such adjourned meeting (excluding any part of such 48 hour period falling on a weekend or a public holiday in the UN). 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 Applications Host) from which the Registrar 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.
- 7. CREST members (and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service providers) should note that Euroclear does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular messages. Normal system timing and limitations will therefore apply in relation to the input of CREST Proxy Instructions. It is the responsibility of the DS Smith Shareholders who hold shares through CREST to take (or, if the CREST member is a CREST personal member or sponsored shareholder or has appointed a voting service provider, to procure that their CREST sponsor or voting service provider takes) such action as will be necessary to ensure that a CREST Proxy Instruction 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 service providers) are referred, in particular, to those sections of the CREST Manual concerning practical limitations of the CREST system and timings.
- The Company may treat as invalid a CREST Proxy Instruction in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the CREST Regulations.
- Any corporation which is a DS Smith Shareholder may authorise a person or persons to act as its representative(s) at the Court
  Meeting and to exercise (on behalf of the corporation) the same powers as the corporation could exercise if it were an individual
  member of the Company, provided that they do not do so in relation to the same shares. Corporations must execute this form under
  their Common Seal or under the hand of an authorised officer or attorney.
- 10. In the case of joint holders, the signature of any one holder will be sufficient, but the names of all the joint holders should be stated.
- 11. If no specific instructions are given, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting as they think fit on the specified resolutions and, unless instructed otherwise, the person appointed proxy may also vote or abstain from voting as they think fit on any other business (including amendments to resolutions) which may properly come before the meeting.
- 12. Completion of the Form of Proxy will not preclude a DS Smith Shareholder from attending and voting in person
- 13. If you prefer to return the Form of Proxy in an envelope, then please do so using the following address: FREEPOST RTHJ-CLLL-KBKU, Equiniti Limited, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, BN99 6DA. A stamp is NOT required if posted in Great Britain, Channel Islands or Northern Ireland.
- 14. DS Smith Shareholders may not use any electronic address provided in this Form of Proxy or any related documents to communicate with the Company for any purposes other than those expressly stated.

DS Smith Shareholders have the right to request information to enable them to determine that their vote was validly recorded and counted. DS Smith Shareholders that wish to receive this information should contract the Registrar, Equiniti, on +44 (0)371 384 2197. Lines are open from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays in England and Wales). Alternatively DS Smith Shareholders can write to Equiniti, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, West Sussex BN99 6DA.

If DS Smith Shareholders wish to receive a further hard copy of the documents relating to the Scheme, please call +44 (0)371 384 2197 or write to Equiniti, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, West Sussex BN99 6DA, stating their name, shareholding and Shareholder Reference Number.





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