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JAMES HALSTEAD PLC

(the 'Group')

Chairman's Statement to the Annual General Meeting

James Halstead plc, UK manufacturer and global seller of commercial flooring, is holding its AGM today at 12.00 noon at which the Chairman, Mr Anthony Wild, will make the following statement:

"Firstly, let me welcome you all to our AGM. This is my last AGM as I am stepping down as Chairman.

Today we will approve our final dividend of 6.0p per ordinary share – yet another record dividend. This marks the 48th year of increase.

I am pleased to report that trading in the current financial year is on track to meet our expectations of continued progress.

In addition, cash levels remain strong and ahead of the prior year.

I, and the Board, remain positive about the market most particularly in the healthcare, education and aged care sectors, all of which are areas of government focus on investment both in the UK and overseas."

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