

Songbird Estates plc Directorate Change

Songbird Estates plc (the "Company") announces that in accordance with the corporate governance arrangements outlined at the time of the capital raising in 2009 the Board has unanimously approved the appointment of John Botts as the second Independent Director of the Company effective 23 April 2010. John will work alongside David Pritchard, who remains as Independent Non-executive Chairman of the Company, and the other Board members.

John Botts, 69, is Chairman of the investment company Botts & Company Limited, and Senior Adviser to Allen & Company Advisors Limited, a subsidiary of the New York based investment banking company. In addition, Mr Botts is Non-executive Chairman of United Business Media Limited and Glyndebourne Arts Trust and a Non-executive Director of Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC and Tisbury Master Fund Limited. Mr Botts currently holds, and in the last five years has resigned from, numerous subsidiary directorships associated with the above companies. Mr Botts is also a director of Alternative Equity Partners Limited, ICDG Limited, MediCapital Bank, SimplifyDigital Limited and Tate Foundation.

Previously Mr Botts held various worldwide positions within Citibank ("Citi") between 1973 and 1986 and was appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Citi's investment banking division in Europe in 1980.

In accordance with paragraph (g) of Schedule Two of the AIM Rules, John Botts has notified the Company that previously he was a director of Artesian Holdings Limited which was put into members' voluntary liquidation and dissolved on 9 September 2009. There are no further details to be disclosed in respect of John Botts under paragraphs (ii) to (viii) of Schedule Two (g) of the AIM Rules.

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