

## **Billington Holdings Plc**

("Billington", "the Group" or "the Company")

### **Board Changes**

Billington confirms today that Ian Michael Lawson, aged 61 has been appointed as Non-Executive Chairman of the Group with effect from 1 October 2018.

The board also confirms that Peter Hems, currently Non-Executive Chairman of the Group, will step down as Chairman from 1 October 2018 but has agreed to remain as a Non-Executive Director of the Company until 31 December 2018.

Mr Lawson brings a wealth of construction sector knowledge and experience to the Group. He was previously a main Board Director of Kier Group Plc, where he enjoyed a 13-year career and more recently was CEO of Severfield Plc. Mr Lawson was appointed to the Board of Kier Group Plc as Executive Director in 2005 with responsibility initially for its Services division and later he also assumed responsibility for the Property division.

#### **Mark Smith, Chief Executive of Billington, commented:**

*"We are delighted to welcome Ian Lawson to the Billington Holdings Plc Board. His wealth of experience and knowledge in the industry will be invaluable in guiding Billington. The roles Ian has previously held in the wider construction industry will bring a new perspective which will have a further positive impact on Group performance and results."*

*"Everyone at Billington would like to thank Peter Hems for his years of service and dedication to the Company since being appointed in 2007. We wish him the very best for the future and a long and happy retirement."*

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#### **Additional Disclosures:**

##### **Additional Current Directorships/Partnerships**

Mr Lawson is currently a director or partner of the following companies/partnerships: Tolent Plc.

**Past Directorships/Partnerships**

In addition, Mr Lawson was a director or partner of the following companies/partnerships in the last five years: Severfield Plc (and its subsidiaries Severfield (NI) Limited, Severfield (Design & Build) Limited and Severfield (UK) Limited)

**Disclosures:**

Mr Lawson was a director of KHR Realisations Limited that went into administration in 1993. It was a subsidiary of Hatfield Estates Plc that had, at the time of administration, recently been purchased by FJC Lilley Limited ("Lilley"), a Scottish civil engineering business. Lilley (and its subsidiaries including KHR Realisations) were put into administration due to experiencing very difficult market conditions and an over exposure to property development. The assets were stripped by the new purchaser, and the group subsequently wound up.

There is no further information that falls to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 17 and Schedule 2; paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules for Companies.