Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of The Stanley Gibbons Group plc ("Company") will be held at Banjo Jersey, 8 Beresford Street, St Helier, Jersey JE2 4WN on Thursday 27 October 2016 at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, adopting the following resolutions relating to the ordinary and special business of the Company at the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment thereof:

### **Ordinary Business**

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions:

- 1. "THAT the Company's audited accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016 and the Directors' and Auditors' Reports thereon be approved and adopted."
- 2. "THAT HG Wilson, who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, and, being eligible, be re-elected as a Director of the Company."
- 3. "THAT A Cook, who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, and, being eligible, be re-elected as a Director of the Company."
- 4. "THAT CP Whiley, who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, and, being eligible, be re-elected as a Director of the Company."
- 5. "THAT HAJ Turcan, who retires in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, and, being eligible, be re-elected as a Director of the Company."
- 6. "THAT BDO Limited be appointed as Auditors of the Company to hold office until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting and to authorise the Directors to fix the Auditors' remuneration."

### **Special Business**

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

### Authority to purchase own Ordinary Shares

- 7. "THAT the Company be generally and unconditionally authorised to make one or more market purchases of its own Ordinary Shares, such purchases to be of Ordinary Shares of one pence (1p) each in the capital of the Company ("Ordinary Shares"), provided that:
  - (a) the maximum number of Ordinary Shares authorised to be purchased shall be 26,000,000 Ordinary Shares, being approximately 15 per cent of the issued capital of the Company; and
  - (b) the minimum price which may be paid for any such Ordinary Shares shall be 1p per Ordinary Share (exclusive of expenses); and
  - (c) the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for such Ordinary Shares shall be an amount equal to 5 per cent above the average middle market quotations of an Ordinary Share as derived from the Daily Official List of the UKLA for the five business days immediately preceding the day on which any such Ordinary Shares are purchased or contracted to be purchased;
  - (d) unless otherwise varied renewed or revoked the authority hereby conferred shall expire at the earlier of 31 January 2018 and the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in 2017; and
  - (e) prior to expiry of the authority hereby conferred the Company may enter into a contract or contracts for the purchase of Ordinary Shares which may be executed in whole or in part after such expiry and may

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purchase Ordinary Shares pursuant to such contract or contracts as if the authority hereby conferred had not so expired."

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

### Authority to allot Ordinary Shares

- 8. "THAT the Directors be generally and unconditionally authorised to exercise all powers of the Company to issue or grant equity securities (as defined in the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles")) in accordance with article 2.2(b) of the Articles:
  - (a) up to a maximum number of 71,083,357 Ordinary Shares (such number to be reduced by the number of Ordinary Shares allotted pursuant the authority in sub-paragraph (b) below) in connection with an offer by way of a rights issue:
    - (1) to holders of Ordinary Shares in proportion (as nearly as may be practicable) to their respective holdings; and
    - (2) to holders of other equity securities as required by the rights of those securities or as the Directors otherwise consider necessary,

but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient to deal with fractional entitlements, record dates, legal or practical problems in or under the laws of any territory or the requirements of any regulatory body or stock exchange; and

(b) in any other case, up to a maximum of 59,000,000 Ordinary Shares (such number to be reduced by the number of any Ordinary Shares allotted pursuant to the authority in sub-paragraph (a) above in excess of 59,000,000),

provided that this authority shall, unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company, expire on the earlier of 31 January 2018 and the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in 2017, save that the Company may, before such expiry, make offers or agreements which would or might require equity securities to be issued or granted and the Directors may issue or grant equity securities in pursuance of such offer or agreement notwithstanding that the authority conferred by this resolution has expired."

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolution as a Special Resolution:

### Disapplication of pre-emption rights

- 9. THAT, subject to the passing of the ordinary resolution numbered 8 in this notice of Annual General Meeting, the Directors be given the general power to issue or grant equity securities (as defined in the Articles) for cash either pursuant to the authority conferred by the ordinary resolution numbered 8 in this notice of Annual General Meeting or by way of a sale of treasury shares, as if the pre-emption rights contained in article 2.7 of the Articles did not apply to any such issue or grant, provided that this power shall be limited to:
  - (a) the allotment or grant of equity securities in connection with an offer of equity securities (but, in the case of the authority granted under sub-paragraph (a) of the ordinary resolution numbered 8 in this notice of Annual General Meeting, by way of a rights issue only):
    - (1) to the holders of Ordinary Shares in proportion (as nearly as may be practicable) to their respective holdings; and

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(2) to holders of other equity securities as required by the rights of those securities or as the Directors otherwise consider necessary,

but subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or expedient to deal with fractional entitlements, record dates, legal or practical problems in or under the laws of any territory or the requirements of any regulatory body or stock exchange; and

(b) the allotment or grant (otherwise than pursuant to sub-paragraph (a) above) of equity securities up to a maximum of 44,500,000 Ordinary Shares.

The power granted by this resolution will expire on the earlier of 31 January 2018 and the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in 2017 (unless renewed, varied or revoked by the Company prior to or on such date) save that the Company may, before such expiry make offers or agreements which would or might require equity securities to be allotted or granted after such expiry and the Directors may allot or grant equity securities in pursuance of any such offer or agreement notwithstanding that the power conferred by this resolution has expired."

by order of the board of Directors of The Stanley Gibbons Group plc **RK Purkis**, *Secretary* 

Dated: 3 October 2016

Registered Office Address: 2nd Floor, Minden House, Minden Place, St Helier, Jersey JE2 4WD, Channel Islands.

#### NOTES:

1. A member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the meeting convened by the notice set out above is entitled to appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of your rights to attend, speak (with permission of the Chairman) and vote on your behalf at a general meeting of the Company.

An instrument for the purposes of appointing a proxy is enclosed. A proxy does not need to be a member of the Company but must attend the meeting to represent you. To appoint a person other than the Chairman of the meeting as your proxy, insert their full name in the box on your proxy form. If you sign and return your proxy form with no name inserted in the box, the Chairman of the meeting will be deemed to be your proxy. Where you appoint as your proxy someone other than the Chairman, you are responsible for ensuring that they attend the meeting and are aware of your voting intentions. If you wish your proxy to make any comments on your behalf, you will need to appoint someone other than the Chairman and give them the relevant instructions directly.

3. You may appoint more than one proxy provided each proxy is appointed to exercise rights attached to different Ordinary Shares. In the event of a conflict between a blank proxy form and a proxy form which states the number of Ordinary Shares to which it applies, the specific proxy form shall be counted first, regardless of whether it was sent or received before or after the blank proxy form, and any remaining Ordinary Shares in respect of which you are the registered holder will be apportioned to the blank proxy form. You may not appoint more than one proxy to exercise rights attached to any one Ordinary Share. To appoint more than one proxy you 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. Members can copy their original Form of Proxy, or additional Forms of Proxy can be obtained from Capita Registrars (Jersey) Limited, PXS1, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4ZF.

The return of a completed proxy form, other such instrument or any CREST proxy instruction (as described in paragraph 13 below) does not preclude you from attending the meeting and voting in person. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.

To direct your proxy how to vote on the resolutions mark the appropriate box on your proxy form with an 'X'. To abstain from voting on a resolution, select the relevant "Vote withheld" box. A vote withheld is not a vote in law, which means that the vote will not be counted in the calculation of votes for or against the resolution. If no voting indication is given, your proxy will vote or abstain from voting at his or her discretion. Your proxy will vote (or abstain from voting) as he or she thinks fit in relation to any other matter which is put before the meeting.

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- 6. To be valid any proxy form or other instrument appointing a proxy must be:
  - completed and signed;
  - sent or delivered to Capita Registrars (Jersey) Limited, PXS1, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent, BR3 4ZF; and
  - received by Capita Registrars (Jersey) Limited no later than 11.30 am on 25 October 2016.
- 7. In the case of joint holders, where more than one of the joint holders purports to appoint a proxy, only the appointment submitted by the most senior holder will be accepted. Seniority is determined by the order in which the names of the joint holders appear in the Company's register of members in respect of the joint holding (the first-named being the most senior).
- 8. In the case of a member which is a company, your proxy form must be executed under its common seal or signed on its behalf by a duly authorised officer of the Company or an attorney for the Company.
- 9. Any power of attorney or any other authority under which your proxy form is signed (or a duly certified copy of such power or authority) must be included with your proxy form.
- 10. As an alternative to completing your hard-copy proxy form, you can appoint a proxy electronically at www.capitashareportal.com. For an electronic proxy appointment to be valid, your appointment must be received by no later than 11.30 am on 25th October 2016.
- 11. If you submit more than one valid proxy appointment, the appointment received last before the latest time for the receipt of proxies will take precedence.
- 12. You may not use any electronic address provided in your proxy form to communicate with the Company for any purposes other than those expressly stated.
- 13. CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so for the General Meeting to be held on 27 October 2016 and any adjournment(s) thereof by using 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 should refer to their CREST sponsors 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 by means of CREST 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 instructions, as described in the CREST Manual. The message must be transmitted so as to be received by the Company's agent, Capita Asset Services (CREST Participant ID: RA10), no later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the 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) from which the Company's agent is able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST in the manner prescribed by CREST.

CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsor or voting service provider should note that Euroclear UK & Ireland Limited does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular messages. 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, to procure that his CREST sponsor or voting service provider takes) 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 sponsor or voting service provider 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 Article 34 of the Companies (Uncertified Securities) (Jersey) Order 1999.

- 14. Pursuant to Article 40 of the Companies (Uncertificated Securities) (Jersey) Order 1999, the Company specifies that only those members entered on the register of members of the Company as at close of business on 25 October 2016 or, if the meeting is adjourned, 48 hours before the time fixed for the adjourned meeting shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting in respect of the number of Ordinary Shares registered in their name at that time. Changes to entries on the register of members after close of business on 25 October 2016 or, if the meeting is adjourned, on the register of members 48 hours before the time fixed for the adjourned meeting shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend or vote at the meeting.
- 15. 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 Ordinary Shares.
- 16. Any member attending the meeting has the right to ask questions. The Company has to answer any questions raised by members at the meeting which relate to the business being dealt with at the meeting unless:
  - to do so would interfere unduly with the preparation for the meeting or involve the disclosure of confidential information;
  - the answer has already been given on a website in the form of an answer to a question, or;
  - it is undesirable in the interests of the company or the good order of the meeting to answer the question.
- 17. Copies of the directors' service contracts and letters of appointment are available for inspection at the registered office of the Company during normal business hours on any business day and will be available for inspection at the place where the meeting is being held from 15 minutes prior to and during the meeting.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### Resolutions 2 - 5: Directors seeking re-election

Harry Wilson, Andrew Cook, Clive Whiley and Henry Turcan, each of whom was appointed as a Director by the Board after the last Annual General Meeting of the Company, will retire from office, and offer himself for re-election, at this year's Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association. Martin Magee will retire, and will not seek re-election as a Director at the Annual General Meeting.

Biographical details of the Directors seeking re-election are contained in the Annual Report 2016.

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### Resolution 6: Appointment of auditor

At each general meeting at which the accounts are laid before the members, the Company is required to appoint an auditor to serve until the next such meeting. The resolution also authorises the Board to determine the remuneration of the Company's auditor.

### Resolution 7: Authority for Company to purchase its own Ordinary Shares

The previous authority granted by the shareholders to the Directors for the Company to purchase its own Ordinary Shares will shortly expire and the Directors recommend that a further authority in this respect be obtained. The authority, if renewed at the Annual General Meeting, would permit the Company to purchase up to approximately 15% of its issued Ordinary Shares for a price (exclusive of expenses) which is not less than the nominal value of an Ordinary Share and not more than 5% above the average market value of an Ordinary Share for the five business days prior to the day the purchase is made. The authority granted by this resolution will expire on the earlier of 31 January 2018 and the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The Board would only authorise such purchases after careful consideration, taking account of other investment opportunities, appropriate gearing levels, the overall financial position of the group and whether the effect would be an increase on earnings per share and in the best interests of shareholders generally.

#### Resolution 8: Authority to allot Ordinary Shares

This resolution deals with the Directors' authority to allot Ordinary Shares in accordance with article 2.2 of the Articles and will, if passed, authorise the Directors to allot: (a) in relation to a pre-emptive rights issue only, up to a maximum of 71,083,357 Ordinary Shares (which represents the Company's unissued Ordinary Shares as at the date of this notice. This maximum is reduced by the number of Ordinary Shares allotted under the authority referred to in sub-paragraph (b) below; and (b) in any other case, up to a maximum of 59,000,000 Ordinary Shares (which represents approximately one-third of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares as at the date of this notice). This maximum is reduced by the number of Ordinary Shares allotted under the authority referred to in sub-paragraph (a) above in excess of 59,000,000 Ordinary Shares. Therefore, the maximum number of Ordinary Shares which may be allotted under this resolution is 71,083,357 Ordinary Shares. The authority granted by this resolution will expire on the earlier of 31 January 2018 and the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.

### Resolution 9: Disapplication of pre-emption rights

This resolution will, if passed, give the Directors power, pursuant to the authority to allot granted by resolution 8, to allot Ordinary Shares or sell treasury shares for cash up to a maximum of 44,500,000 of Ordinary Shares (which represents approximately 25% of the Company's issued Ordinary Shares as at the date of this notice) without first offering them to existing shareholders in proportion to their existing holdings. The power granted by this resolution will expire on the earlier of 31 January 2018 and the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the Company.