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Proposed c.£552 million Rights Issue, and c.£274 million disposal of VIA Outlets, to raise total gross proceeds of c.£825 million

Transactions to strengthen Hammerson's financial and strategic position

Hammerson today announces a proposed rights issue to raise gross proceeds of approximately £552 million (the "Rights Issue") and the sale of substantially all of the Company's 50% interest in VIA Outlets ("VIA") to a mutual fund managed by APG Asset Management N.V. ("APG") for estimated cash proceeds of approximately €301 million (equivalent to approximately £274 million) (the "Disposal"), to raise a combined total gross proceeds of approximately £825 million (the "Transactions").

Key Highlights

- The Transactions will significantly strengthen Hammerson's financial position, reducing absolute indebtedness and providing liquidity headroom and financial flexibility as it continues to refocus its portfolio towards flagship destinations in the UK and Ireland and, over the medium term, invests in its mixed-use City Quarters development opportunities.

- Hammerson is pro-actively taking measures to deal with the substantial impact on its business driven by major structural changes to the retail industry, which have been exacerbated by the effects of COVID-19.
- The Disposal represents a strategic opportunity for the Group to realise cash from the sale of its interest in VIA in challenging markets and in conjunction with APG's support for the Rights Issue.
- Hammerson has received irrevocable undertakings from its two largest shareholders, APG and Lighthouse Capital Limited ("Lighthouse"), who hold approximately 20% and 14% of the current issued share capital of the Company respectively, to vote in favour of the Rights Issue, and to take up their rights in full. Lighthouse has also undertaken to vote in favour of the Disposal, which APG is not entitled to do as it is a related party of Hammerson for these purposes.
- In light of the scale of uncertainty and challenge presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, Hammerson remains focused on reducing further its financial leverage and increasing its overall liquidity. It therefore intends to increase the scope of its disposal programme as soon as market conditions stabilise, with the aim of achieving an appropriate capital structure for the long-term.
- Hammerson is also introducing a new leasing model in the UK based on experiences with brands, its existing lease structures in Continental Europe and the more collaborative approach of premium outlets. This new approach will include more flexible leases, rebased rents at more affordable levels, indexation replacing the existing rent review system and an omnichannel top-up element. This new approach will provide a sustainable, growing income stream, which in turn will stabilise capital values.
- The Directors expect to use the entire estimated net proceeds of the Transactions of approximately £794 million to reduce Hammerson's outstanding net debt. Following completion of both Transactions, the Group's net debt would reduce to £2.2 billion on a pro forma basis as at 30 June 2020 and LTV would fall to 41.7% on a fully proportionally consolidated basis. Assuming completion of the Rights Issue only, net debt and LTV would fall to £2.5 billion and 44.7% respectively on the same basis.

Rights Issue and Capital Reorganisation

Hammerson is proposing to raise gross proceeds of approximately £552 million by way of the Rights Issue.

In conjunction with the Rights Issue, Hammerson will implement a capital reorganisation, comprising a sub-division and share consolidation (the "Capital Reorganisation") to reduce the nominal value of Hammerson's existing ordinary shares (the "Existing Shares"). This should result in a higher market price for the consolidated ordinary shares (the "Consolidated Shares") and, accordingly, a more appropriate issue price in the Rights Issue.

The Capital Reorganisation will result in Hammerson shareholders holding:

1 Consolidated Share of 5 pence nominal value for every 5 Existing Shares of 25 pence nominal value

Taking into account the Capital Reorganisation, the Rights Issue will be made on the basis of:

24 new Consolidated Shares ("New Shares") for every 1 Consolidated Share

The Rights Issue will result in an offer of 3,678,209,328 New Shares, representing approximately 2,400% of the Company's Consolidated Shares that will be in issue immediately following the Capital Reorganisation and approximately 96% of the enlarged share capital following completion of Capital Reorganisation and the Rights Issue.

Taking into account the Capital Reorganisation, the UK issue price of 15 pence per New Share represents:

- a discount of 94.6% to the LSE Closing Price of 279.80 pence per ordinary share on 5 August 2020 (being the last business day prior to the date of this announcement, the "Latest Practicable Date")
- a 41.4% discount to the theoretical ex-rights price of 25.59 pence per ordinary shares calculated by reference to the LSE Closing Price on 5 August 2020

Taking into account the Capital Reorganisation, the SA issue price of ZAR3.41 per New Share represents:

- a discount of 94.6% to the JSE Closing Price of ZAR63.50 per ordinary share on 5 August 2020 (being the Latest Practicable Date)
- a 41.4% discount to the theoretical ex-rights price of ZAR5.81 per New Share calculated by reference to the JSE Closing Price on 5 August 2020

Where the Capital Reorganisation results in any shareholder being entitled to a fraction of a Consolidated Share, that fraction will not be allotted to such shareholder and arrangements will be put in place for any such fractional entitlements to be aggregated and sold in the market on behalf of the relevant shareholders. Amounts of less than £5.00 (or the equivalent in ZAR) will not be paid to such shareholders and will instead be retained by the Company.

APG and Lighthouse have irrevocably undertaken to take up their rights in full in connection with the Rights Issue. The Rights Issue is fully committed and underwritten, taking into account the APG irrevocable, the Lighthouse irrevocable and the underwriting agreement.

The Rights Issue and the Capital Reorganisation are subject to shareholder approval and are conditional on all resolutions, including the resolution to approve the Disposal, having been passed by shareholders at the General Meeting. However, the Rights Issue is not conditional on completion of the Disposal ("Completion"), which is expected to occur in the fourth quarter of 2020.

Disposal of VIA

Hammerson also announces today the proposed disposal of its 50% interest in VIA (excluding the Retained Minority Stake, as described further below) to the APG Strategic Real Estate Pool (the "Purchaser"), a mutual fund managed by APG, for estimated cash proceeds of approximately €301 million (equivalent to approximately £274 million).

The Disposal consideration is based on a gross asset value for Hammerson's share of the VIA portfolio of approximately €641 million and represents a net initial yield of 6.5% and an 18.7% discount to gross asset value as at 30 June 2020. The final consideration is subject to a number of customary balance sheet adjustments at completion.

As part of the Disposal, Hammerson has agreed to assign at par (for cash consideration) to the Purchaser at completion of the Disposal a shareholder loan advanced by Hammerson to Zweibrücken Lux Holdco S.à r.l. (under which approximately €120,000 is owing).

Completion of the Disposal is subject to a number of conditions including shareholder approval and obtaining merger control approvals in Germany, Spain and Portugal.

The Directors are confident that the Purchaser will receive the necessary regulatory approvals for the Disposal in the first phase and without any requirement to give undertakings to any regulatory authority, and expect the Disposal to complete in the fourth quarter of 2020.

Because of its size, the Disposal constitutes a Class 1 transaction for the purposes of the Listing Rules and requires the approval of Shareholders. The Disposal also constitutes a related party transaction under the Listing Rules, as APG is a substantial shareholder in the Company, and therefore requires approval of Shareholders (excluding APG and its associates). The Disposal is conditional on all resolutions, including the resolutions to approve the Rights Issue and Capital Reorganisation, having been passed by shareholders at the General Meeting, and admission of the New Shares to the Official List becoming effective.

VIA

VIA is a 50:50 joint venture between Hammerson and APG. VIA operates eleven premium outlets in nine European countries providing over 267,000 m² of floor space and over 1,130 stores. VIA is one of the leading premium outlet operators in Europe, with the third largest portfolio by area. As at 30 June 2020, the market value of the VIA portfolio was approximately £1.4 billion, of which the Group's 50% interest was approximately £716 million. For the six months ended 30 June 2020, the loss attributable to VIA was £20.9 million. VIA is managed by a management team led by Chief Executive Officer Otto Ambagtsheer and Peter Stals, Chief Financial Officer.

Retained Minority Stake

As part of the Disposal, Hammerson has agreed that the Group will retain an indirect 7.26% stake in Via Outlets Zweibrücken B.V (the "German Propco") (the "Retained Minority Stake"). The Retained Minority Stake represents approximately 4% of the Group's current interests in VIA, based on its net asset value of approximately €17 million as at 30 June 2020.

In order for the Company to retain an indirect 7.26% stake in the German Propco, on 5 August 2020, the Company acquired, through Hammerson Via No 2 Limited ("Hammerson Via 2"), 16% of the shares in one of the German Propco holding vehicles, Zweibrücken Lux Holdco S.à r.l. (previously held 50:50 by Hammerson Via 2 and the Purchaser) from the Purchaser for cash consideration of approximately €3 million, such that the shares in Zweibrücken Lux Holdco S.à r.l. are now held, and will be held following completion of the Disposal, by Hammerson Via 2 (66%) and the Purchaser (34%). The consideration of €3 million is based on the same terms as the Disposal consideration. This acquisition is a smaller related party transaction under Listing Rule 11.1.10.

The acquisition set out above will be unwound in the event that the Disposal does not complete, to restore the 50:50 shareholding of the Purchaser and Hammerson Via 2 in Zweibrücken Lux Holdco S.à r.l. that was in place prior to such acquisition.

As part of the Disposal, at any time following Completion, the Purchaser will have a call option to acquire the Retained Minority Stake from the Group at the net asset value at the time of exercise of the option. The Group will also have a put option to sell the Retained Minority Stake on the same terms after a lock-in period of three years from Completion, or earlier in certain circumstances. In addition, as part of the Disposal, there will be customary drag and tag provisions.

The call option and the drag provision are related party transactions and will be included in the resolution to approve the Disposal at the General Meeting.

Directors' Participation in the Rights Issue

Each of the Hammerson Directors who is a Shareholder has irrevocably undertaken to take up in full his or her rights to subscribe for New Shares and/or sell a sufficient number of his or her nil paid rights during the nil paid dealing period to meet the costs of taking up the balance of his or her entitlement to New Shares. As at 5 August 2020, the holdings of the Hammerson Directors amounted to in aggregate 916,656 Existing Shares (representing approximately 0.1% of the Company's existing issued share capital).

Expected summary timetable of principal events in the UK

Publication of the Prospectus	Thursday 6 August 2020
Restrictions on transfers between the UK Register and SA Register begin	Monday 24 August 2020 (6:00 p.m. UKT)
Latest time and date for receipt of Forms of Proxy	Thursday 27 August 2020 (9:00am UKT)
General Meeting	Tuesday 1 September 2020 (9:00am UKT)
Record date for the Capital Reorganisation	Tuesday 1 September 2020 (5:30pm UKT)
Effective date for the Capital Reorganisation (new ISIN: GB00BK7YQK64)	Wednesday 2 September 2020 (8:00am UKT)
Record Date for entitlements under the Rights Issue	Monday 7 September 2020 (5:30pm UKT)
Despatch of Provisional Allotment Letters	Wednesday 9 September 2020
Dealings in New Shares, nil paid, commence on the London Stock Exchange (ISIN: GB00BK7YQL71 and LSE code HMON)	Thursday 10 September 2020 (8:00am UKT)
Shares marked ex-Rights	Thursday 10 September 2020 (8:00am UKT)
Latest time and date for acceptance and payment in full and registration of renounced Provisional Allotment Letters	Thursday 24 September 2020 (By 11:00am UKT)
Dealings in the New Shares to commence on the London Stock Exchange fully paid (ISIN: GB00BK7YQM88 and LSE code HMOF)	Friday 25 September 2020 (08:00 UKT)

Restrictions on transfers between the UK Register and SA Register end	Friday 25 September 2020 (6:00 p.m. UKT)
Expected summary timetable of principal events in South Africa	
Publication of the Prospectus	Thursday 6 August 2020
Restrictions on transfers between the UK Register and SA Register begin	Monday 24 August 2020 (7:00 p.m. SAST)
Last day to trade to attend and vote at the General Meeting	Monday 24 August 2020
Latest time and date for receipt of Forms of Proxy	Thursday 27 August 2020 (10:00am SAST)
Record time and date for voting at the General Meeting	Thursday 27 August 2020
General Meeting	Tuesday 1 September 2020 (10:00am SAST)
Last day to trade in order to qualify to participate in the Capital Reorganisation	Tuesday 1 September 2020
Finalisation and results of General Meeting Announcement on SENS by	Tuesday 1 September 2020 (12:00 p.m. SAST)
Date for trading in Consolidated Shares under the new ISIN GB00BK7YQK64	Wednesday 2 September
Announcement released on SENS in respect of the cash payment applicable to fractional entitlements as a result of the Capital Reorganisation, based on the volume weighted average price of Shares traded on 2 September 2020, less 10%	Thursday 3 September 2020
Record date for the Capital Reorganisation	Friday 4 September 2020 (9:00am SAST)
Last day to trade Shares in order to qualify to participate in the Rights Issue on the JSE (cum rights)	Friday 4 September 2020
Expected date that accounts of dematerialised shareholders at their CSDP or broker will be updated and will receive fraction allocation payments	Monday 7 September 2020
Expected despatch of definitive share certificates for Consolidated Shares in certificated form, provided that the previous share certificates have been lodged by 12:00 p.m. on the Record date for the Capital Reorganisation	Monday 7 September 2020
Listing of and trading in the Letters of Allocation commence under JSE code HMNN and ISIN GB00BMCZL472	Monday 7 September 2020
Shares commence trading ex-rights on the JSE	Monday 7 September 2020
Despatch of the Form of Instruction to Qualifying South African Shareholders who hold their Shares in certificated form	Tuesday 8 September 2020
Record Date for entitlements under the Rights Issue	Wednesday 9 September 2020
Rights Issue opens	Thursday 10 September 2020 (9:00am SAST)

Last day to trade in Letters of Allocation in order to participate in Rights Issue	Friday 18 September 2020
In respect of Qualifying South African Shareholders who hold their Shares in certificated form (or their renounees) wanting to sell all or some of their Letters of Allocation, to lodge Form of Instruction with the Transfer Secretaries by	Friday 18 September 2020
Listing and trading of New Shares on the JSE commences	Monday 21 September 2020 (9:00am SAST)
In respect of Qualifying South African Shareholders who hold their Shares in certificated form (or their renounees) wishing to exercise all or some of their Rights, payment to be made and Form of Instruction to be lodged with the SA Transfer Secretaries by	Wednesday 23 September 2020
Record date for Letters of Allocation	Wednesday 23 September 2020
Rights Issue closes	Wednesday 23 September 2020
New Shares issued	Friday 25 September 2020
Restrictions on transfers between the UK Register and SA Register end	Friday 25 September 2020 (7:00 p.m. SAST)

The Combined Prospectus and Circular

- The combined Prospectus and Circular containing full details of the Transactions is expected to be made available on the Company's website (www.hammersontransaction.com) later today.
- The combined Prospectus and Circular in relation to the General Meeting will also be submitted to the Financial Conduct Authority via the National Storage Mechanism and will be available for viewing shortly at <https://data.fca.org.uk/#/nsm/nationalstoragemechanism>.

Hammerson's Interim Results

Hammerson's results for the period ended 30 June 2020 have also been released today in a separate announcement, which includes an update on the strategic priorities for the Group and on the steps taken by Hammerson to date to reduce its capital expenditure and other costs following the outbreak of COVID-19. That announcement also outlines plans for the resumption of dividend payments, initially in the form of scrip with a discounted cash alternative.

Hammerson has its primary listing on the London Stock Exchange and a secondary inward listing on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.

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The New Shares will not be admitted to trading on any stock exchange other than the London Stock Exchange and the JSE Limited.

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Information to Distributors

Solely for the purposes of the product governance requirements contained within: (a) EU Directive 2014/65/EU on markets in financial instruments, as amended ("MiFID II"); (b) Articles 9 and 10 of Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2017/593 supplementing MiFID II; and (c) local implementing measures (together, the "MiFID II Product Governance Requirements"), and disclaiming all and any liability, whether arising in tort, contract or otherwise, which any "manufacturer" (for the purposes of the MiFID II Product Governance Requirements) may otherwise have with respect thereto, the New Shares have been subject to a product approval process, which has determined that such securities are: (i) compatible with an end target market of retail investors and investors who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties, each as defined in MiFID II; and (ii) eligible for distribution through all distribution channels as are permitted by MiFID II (the "Target Market Assessment").

Notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, distributors (such term to have the same meaning as in the MiFID II Product Governance Requirements) should note that: the price of the New Shares may decline and investors could lose all or part of their investment; the New Shares offer no guaranteed income and no capital protection; and an investment in the New Shares is compatible only with investors who do not need a guaranteed income or capital protection, who (either alone or in conjunction with an appropriate financial or other adviser) are capable of evaluating the merits and risks of such an investment and who have sufficient resources to be able to bear any losses that may result therefrom. The Target Market Assessment is without prejudice to the requirements of any contractual, legal or regulatory selling restrictions in relation to the Rights Issue. Furthermore, it is noted that, notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, the Underwriters will only procure investors (in connection with the Rights Issue) who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (a) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of MiFID II; or (b) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to the New Shares.

Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the New Shares and determining appropriate distribution channels.