



# NOTICE OF MEETING AND INVITATION TO POST-AGM 150 YEAR CELEBRATION LUNCH

## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The chairman, Peter Hadsley-Chaplin, is delighted to invite all shareholders, as usual, to the Group's annual general meeting, which this year is taking place at 11am on Friday 9 June, at Mansion House in London. In addition, to mark the Group's 150-year history, the AGM will be followed by a celebratory lunch, held at the same venue. To register for attendance at the lunch, shareholders should log on to the investor section of the Group's website ([www.mpevans.co.uk](http://www.mpevans.co.uk)) where registration information will be made available. Registration is required by 21 April 2023 at the latest. Shareholders may also contact Harriette Pike with any questions at [harriette.pike@mpevans.co.uk](mailto:harriette.pike@mpevans.co.uk). Places at the lunch must inevitably be limited, but we hope to see as many shareholders in attendance as possible.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of M.P. Evans Group PLC will be held at Mansion House, London EC4N 8BH on 9 June 2023 at **11am BST**. The Company also aims to make the meeting available to view online. Further details will be provided in advance of the meeting on the Company's AGM website page. The meeting will be for the following purposes, and unless a poll is validly demanded, voting will be decided on a show of hands:

| <b>AS ORDINARY BUSINESS</b>  | <b>RESOLUTION ON<br/>FORM OF PROXY</b> |
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| 1 To receive and consider the report of the directors and the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.             | No 1                                   |
| 2 To receive and consider the directors' remuneration report as set out in the annual report and accounts for the financial year ended 31 December 2022. | No 2                                   |
| 3 To elect Michael Sherwin as a director.  | No 3                                   |
| 4 To elect Tanya Ashton as a director.   | No 4                                   |
| 5 To elect Lee Yuan Zhang as a director.   | No 5                                   |
| 6 To re-elect Philip Fletcher as a director.   | No 6                                   |
| 7 To re-elect Bruce Tozer as a director.   | No 7                                   |
| 8 To re-elect Matthew Coulson as a director.   | No 8                                   |
| 9 To declare a final dividend.   | No 9                                   |
| 10 To appoint BDO LLP as auditors and to authorise the directors to determine their remuneration.  | No 10                                  |

| <b>AS SPECIAL BUSINESS</b>  | <b>RESOLUTION ON<br/>FORM OF PROXY</b> |
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| To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution, as a special resolution:  |  |
| 11 That the Company is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised to make market purchases (within the meaning of section 693 of the Companies Act 2006) of shares of 10p each in the capital of the Company provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the maximum number of shares hereby authorised to be purchased is 5,401,372;</li> <li>b) the minimum price which may be paid for each share is 10p (exclusive of expenses);</li> <li>c) the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for each share is an amount equal to 105% of the average of the middle-market quotations for such shares as derived from the Daily Official List of the London Stock Exchange for the five business days immediately preceding the day of purchase; and</li> <li>d) the authority hereby conferred shall expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company or on 30 June 2024 whichever shall be the earlier save that the Company may, before the expiry of this authority, make a contract of purchase which will or may be executed wholly or partly after such expiry and may make a purchase of shares pursuant to any such contract.</li> </ul> | No 11                                  |

By order of the board

**Katya Merrick**  
Company secretary

21 March 2023

**NOTES**

- 1) A member of the Company entitled to attend, speak and vote at the meeting convened by this notice may appoint a proxy to exercise all or any of his or her rights to attend, speak and vote at the meeting on his or her behalf. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. Appointment of a proxy will not subsequently preclude a member from attending and voting at the meeting in person if he or she so wishes. A member may appoint more than one proxy provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to different shares held by the member. The form of proxy contains instructions on how to appoint more than one proxy.
- 2) A form of proxy for use at the meeting is enclosed. Please return the form of proxy as soon as possible. To be valid, it must be received by post or (during normal business hours only) by hand at the office of the registrars, Computershare Investor Services PLC, at The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol, BS99 6ZZ no later than 11am on 7 June 2023 (or, if the meeting is adjourned, no later than 48 hours before the time for holding the adjourned meeting, or, if a poll is taken otherwise than at or on the same day as the meeting at which it is demanded, no later than 24 hours before the time appointed for the taking of the poll). Alternatively, you may appoint a proxy electronically.

If you wish to submit your form of proxy via the internet, you will need your Control Number, Shareholder Reference Number (“SRN”) and Personal Identification Number (“PIN”) which are printed on the Form of Proxy. To appoint a proxy via the internet you should log on to the Computershare website at [www.investorcentre.co.uk/eproxy](http://www.investorcentre.co.uk/eproxy). You will be asked to agree to the terms and conditions for electronic proxy appointment. It is important that you read these terms and conditions as they set out the basis on which proxy appointment via the internet shall take place. This electronic address is provided only for the purpose of communications relating to electronic appointment of proxies.

CREST members wishing to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service should refer to the more detailed instructions posted on the AGM page of the Group’s website ([www.mpevans.co.uk](http://www.mpevans.co.uk)).

- 3) The right to appoint a proxy does not apply to persons whose shares are held on their behalf by another person and who have been nominated to receive communications from the Company in accordance with section 146 of the Companies Act 2006 (“nominated persons”). Nominated persons may have a right under an agreement with the registered shareholder who holds the shares on their behalf to be appointed (or to have someone else appointed) as a proxy.

Alternatively, if nominated persons do not have such a right, or do not wish to exercise it, they may have a right under such an agreement to give instructions to the person holding the shares as to the exercise of voting rights.

- 4) Pursuant to regulation 41 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001, the Company has specified that only those shareholders registered on the register of members of the Company at 11.00 p.m. on 7 June 2023 (or, if the meeting is adjourned, 48 hours before the time of the adjourned meeting) shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting in respect of the number of shares registered in their name at that time. Changes to the register of members after that time will be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the meeting.
- 5) As at 21 March 2023, the Company’s issued share capital consisted of 54,013,727 shares carrying one vote each. Therefore the total number of voting rights in the Company as at that date was 54,013,727.
- 6) Copies of the directors’ service contracts and terms and conditions of appointment will be available for inspection at the registered office of the Company during normal business hours and at the place of the meeting from 15 minutes prior to the meeting until its conclusion.
- 7) 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, but powers purported to be exercised by more than one authorised representative in respect of the same shares will be treated as not exercised.
- 8) Save as provided below, members who wish to communicate with the Company in relation to the meeting should do so by writing to the Registrars at The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS99 6ZZ. No other methods of communication will be accepted. In particular, no person may use any electronic address to communicate with the Company for any purposes other than those expressly stated in the relevant document.
- 9) Members have the right to require notice of a resolution to be moved or a matter to be included in the business of the meeting.

**Any addressee of this notice who has sold or transferred all of the shares of the Company held by him or her, should pass the annual report, of which this notice forms part (including the form of proxy enclosed herewith), to the person through whom the sale was effected for transmission to the transferee or purchaser.**

**THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY 9 JUNE 2023 AT 11AM**

**VENUE**

Mansion House, London EC4N 8BH

**CLOSEST TRANSPORT LINKS**

Mansion House (*District and Circle Lines*)  
 Cannon Street (*District and Circle Lines, National Rail Services*)  
 Bank (*Central, Northern and Waterloo & City Lines*)

**ORDER OF EVENTS**

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| 10am | Registration/coffee           |
| 11am | AGM                           |
| 12pm | Drinks reception              |
| 1pm  | Lunch (by prior registration) |

