

# Notice of Annual General Meeting

## GLI Finance Limited

*(a non-cellular company limited by shares incorporated in Guernsey with registration number 43260)*

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If you have sold or otherwise transferred all of your Ordinary Shares in the Company, you should send this document, together with the accompanying proxy form, at once to the purchaser or transferee or to the bank, stockbroker or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected for delivery to the purchaser or transferee.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the annual general meeting of GLI Finance Limited (the “**Company**”) will be held at Sarnia House, Le Truchot, St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 1GR on Friday, 11 May 2018 at 10:30hrs for the transaction of the following business:

### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions, each of which will be proposed as an ordinary resolution:

1. THAT the Financial Statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2017 with the Report of the Directors and Auditors thereon be received and adopted.
2. THAT the Directors’ Remuneration Report for the year ended 31 December 2017 be approved.
3. THAT Mr Patrick Firth be re-elected as a Director of the Company.
4. THAT Mr Andrew Whelan be re-elected as a Director of the Company.
5. THAT Mrs Emma Stubbs be re-elected as a Director of the Company.
6. THAT Deloitte LLP be re-appointed as auditors of the Company (the “**Auditors**”) to hold office until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.
7. THAT the Directors be authorised to fix the remuneration of the Auditors for their next period of office.

### **SPECIAL BUSINESS**

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions of which resolutions 8, 9 and 10 will be proposed as ordinary resolutions and resolution 11 will be proposed as a special resolution:

8. THAT, in accordance with article 44 of the Company's articles of incorporation (the “**Articles**”), the Board may, in respect of dividends declared for any financial period or periods of the Company ending prior to the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held in 2019, offer shareholders the right to elect to receive further shares, credited as fully paid, instead of cash in respect of all or part of any dividend or dividends declared in respect of any such period or periods.
9. THAT the Company be and is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised, in accordance with Section 315 of The Companies (Guernsey) Law 2008 (as amended) (the “**Law**”), to make market acquisitions (as defined in that Law) of ordinary shares of no par value in the capital of the Company (“**Ordinary Shares**”), provided that:
  - a. the maximum number of Ordinary Shares hereby authorised to be purchased shall be 14.99% of the issued Ordinary Shares on the date on which this resolution is passed;
  - b. the minimum price which may be paid for an Ordinary Share shall be 1p;
  - c. the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for an Ordinary Share shall be 105% of the average of the middle market quotations (as derived from the Daily Official List) of the Ordinary Shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of purchase; and

- d. the authority hereby conferred shall expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company held in 2019 or 18 months from the date of this resolution, whichever is the earlier, unless such authority is varied, revoked or renewed prior to such time, save that the Company may, prior to such expiry, enter into a contract to purchase Ordinary Shares under such authority and may make a purchase of Ordinary Shares pursuant to any such contract.
10. THAT the Company be and is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised, in accordance with Section 315 of The Companies (Guernsey) Law 2008 (as amended) (the “**Law**”), to make market acquisitions (as defined in that Law) of redeemable zero dividend preference shares in the capital of the Company (“**ZDP Shares**”), provided that:
- a. the maximum number of ZDP Shares hereby authorised to be purchased shall be 14.99% of the issued ZDP Shares on the date on which this resolution is passed;
- b. the minimum price which may be paid for a ZDP Share shall be 1p;
- c. the maximum price (exclusive of expenses) which may be paid for a ZDP Share shall be 105% of the average of the middle market quotations (as derived from the Daily Official List) of the ZDP Shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of purchase;
- d. the authority hereby conferred shall expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company held in 2019 or 18 months from the date of this resolution, whichever is the earlier, unless such authority is varied, revoked or renewed prior to such time, save that the Company may, prior to such expiry, enter into a contract to purchase ZDP Shares under such authority and may make a purchase of ZDP Shares pursuant to any such contract; and
- e. the Cover Test (as defined in the Articles) will continue to be met immediately following any such acquisition of ZDP Shares, or the A Cover and B Cover is otherwise increased immediately following any such acquisition.
11. THAT pursuant to Article 8.7 of the Articles, the provisions of Article 8.2 of the Articles shall not apply and shall be excluded in relation to the issue of up to an aggregate number of Ordinary Shares as represents less than 20 per cent. of the number of Ordinary Shares admitted to trading on London Stock Exchange plc’s Alternative Investment Market for listed securities immediately following the passing of this resolution, provided that such disapplication and exclusion shall expire on the date which is 18 months from the date of the passing of this resolution or, if earlier, at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company following the date of the passing of this resolution (unless previously renewed, revoked or varied by the Company by special resolution) save that the Company may before such expiry make an offer or agreement which would or might require Ordinary Shares to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot Ordinary Shares in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the disapplication and exclusion conferred hereby had not expired.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

**Praxis Fund Services Limited**

*Company Secretary*

13 April 2018

1st Floor  
10 Lefebvre Street  
St Peter Port  
Guernsey

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES:**

### **Re-election of Mr Patrick Firth – resolution 3:**

As of June 2017, Mr Patrick Firth had served as a director of the Company for twelve years. Having considered his independence, the Board remains satisfied that no other relationships or circumstances exist which may affect Mr Firth's ability to exercise independent judgement. Notwithstanding, the Board has adopted the policy that any long standing directors shall stand for re-election at each annual general meeting. Biographical details for Mr Firth are provided in the Company's 31 December 2017 Annual Report.

Other than through their respective holdings of Ordinary Shares listed below, or as notified by the Company to the market through a regulatory information service, none of the Directors has or has had any relationship, transaction or arrangements with the Company, the other Directors, the Executive Management Team or any of their associates.

The Company considers that each of the Directors is and will continue to be an effective Director given that they each have the relevant experience and skills to allow them to effectively carry out their functions as a Board in respect of the Company, and in light of their continuing demonstration of commitment to their respective roles.

As disclosed in the Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2017, the Company currently complies with the principles of good governance contained in the UK Corporate Governance Code and has determined that each of the Directors is independent in accordance with such principles.

### **Re-appointment and remuneration of the Auditors – resolutions 6 – 7:**

Shareholders are asked to vote on the re-appointment of Deloitte LLP as the Company's Auditors until the conclusion of the next AGM to be held in 2019, and to grant authority to the Directors to determine Deloitte LLP's remuneration for their services as Auditors to the Company in respect of their next period of office.

### **Scrip dividends - resolution 8:**

This resolution allows the Directors to offer shareholders the right to elect to receive further Ordinary Shares, credited as fully paid, instead of cash in respect of all or any part of any dividend (a scrip dividend). The Directors believe that the ability for shareholders to receive future dividends from the Company wholly or partly in the form of new Ordinary Shares in the Company will benefit the Company as it will benefit from the ability to retain cash which would otherwise be paid as dividends. It may also benefit certain shareholders depending on their tax status.

### **Market acquisitions – resolutions 9 and 10:**

This resolution renews the share buy-back authority that was given by the Company's shareholders on 10 May 2017. Resolution 9 gives the Company authority to make market acquisitions of the Company's own Ordinary Shares, up to a maximum of 14.99 per cent. per annum of the Company's Ordinary Shares in issue (as at the time immediately following the passing of the resolution) and subject to minimum and maximum purchase prices as set out in parts b. and c. of resolution 9. This authority will only be invoked if, after taking proper advice, the Directors consider that benefits will accrue to shareholders generally.

In normal market circumstances the Directors intend to favour pro rata capital distributions ahead of Ordinary Share repurchases in the market, however, if the Ordinary Shares have traded at a significant discount to Net Asset Value for a prolonged period the Board will seek to prioritise the use of net income after the payment of dividends on market repurchases over other uses of capital. If the Board does decide that the Company should repurchase Ordinary Shares, purchases will only be made through the market for cash at prices below the estimated prevailing Net Asset Value per Ordinary Share where the Directors believe such purchases will result in an increase in the Net Asset Value per Ordinary Share.

For 2018 shareholders are being asked to give the Company authority to make market acquisitions of the Company's own ZDP shares. If approved, any such acquisitions will only be made subject to the terms set out in resolution 10, and conditional on the relevant Cover Test ratios (as defined in the Articles) continuing to be met following any such acquisitions.

### **Disapplication of pre-emption rights - resolution 11:**

This resolution grants the Directors the authority to allot Ordinary Shares for cash without first offering them to existing holders on a pro rata basis. The number of shares allotted under this power must be less than 20 per cent. of the number of Ordinary Shares admitted to trading on London Stock Exchange plc's Alternative Investment Market for listed securities immediately following the passing of this resolution.

**Note from the Board:**

Members are requested to submit their votes in respect of all of the resolutions proposed in this Notice of AGM. It is the recommendation of the Board that members vote in favour of each resolution on the basis that the Board considers their passing to be in the best interests of the members as a whole.

Of those Directors who hold shares in the Company, each intends to vote in favour of all resolutions (other than the resolution in respect of his or her own re-election) proposed in this Notice of AGM. Their holdings as at 13 April 2018 were as follows:-

	Ordinary Shares of no par value each held	Percentage of total issued share capital
Patrick Firth	278,669	0.09%
Andrew Whelan	8,051,912	2.58%
Emma Stubbs	1,005,485	0.32%
John Whittle	104,550	0.03%

Information as to how to vote can be found in the Notes below or contained in the notes to the Form of Proxy, which accompanies this Notice of AGM.

## NOTES:

1. A copy of this Notice of Annual General Meeting will be available for inspection at the registered office of the Company during normal business hours on any weekday (excluding Saturday, Sunday and public holidays) and at <http://www.glifinance.com> from the date of the Notice of Annual General Meeting until (and including) the date of the Annual General Meeting and for 15 minutes prior to and during the Annual General Meeting.
2. Any shareholder entitled to attend, speak and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, speak and, on a poll, vote instead of him. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. A shareholder may appoint more than one proxy in relation to the meeting provided that each proxy is appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by the shareholder. A shareholder entitled to more than one vote need not, if he votes, use all his votes or cast all the votes he uses in the same way. A proxy may be an individual or a body corporate who need not be a shareholder of the Company.
3. In the case of a shareholder which is a company, the instrument appointing a proxy must be executed under the shareholder's common seal (or in any other manner permitted by law and having the same effect as if executed under seal) or under the hand of a duly authorised officer, attorney or other person.
4. The Form of Proxy, together with, if appropriate, any power of attorney or other authority or a notarially certified copy of any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed, must be deposited at the Company's receiving agent, Link Asset Services, PXS 1, 34 Beckenham Road, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4TU, not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting.
5. To appoint more than one proxy to vote in relation to different shares within your holding you may photocopy the form. Please indicate the proxy holder's name and the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy (which in aggregate should not exceed the number of shares held by you). Please also indicate if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All Forms of Proxy must be signed and should be returned together in the same envelope.
6. In the case of joint holders, the vote of the senior holder who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, will be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders and, for this purpose, seniority will be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of shareholders in respect of the joint holding.
7. Any corporation which is a shareholder of the Company may, by resolution of its directors or other governing body, authorise such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at any meeting of any class of shareholders of the Company and the person so authorised shall be entitled to exercise the same power on behalf of the corporation which he represents as that corporation could exercise if it were an individual shareholder of the Company.
8. To change your proxy instructions, simply submit a new proxy appointment using the method set out above. 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. Please note that the cut-off time for receipt of proxy appointments also applies in relation to amended instructions; any amended proxy appointment received after the relevant cut-off time will be disregarded.
9. Return of a completed Form of Proxy will not preclude a shareholder from attending and voting personally at the meeting. If you have appointed a proxy and attend the meeting in person, your proxy appointment will automatically be terminated.
10. Pursuant to the Articles, the Company specifies that only shareholders entered on the register of shareholders of the Company will be entitled to receive notice of the meeting. In addition, only shareholders registered in the register of shareholders of the Company 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting or adjourned meeting shall be entitled to attend, speak and vote at the meeting in respect of the number of shares registered in their name at that time. Changes to entries on the register after such time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend or vote at the meeting.
11. The quorum for a meeting of shareholders is two or more shareholders holding 5% or more of the voting rights (provided that they are entitled to vote on the business to be transacted at the meeting) present in person or by proxy.
12. If, within half an hour from the appointed time for the meeting, a quorum is not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to the same date in the next week at the same time and place or to such time and place as the Board may determine. If at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for the holding of the meeting, the meeting shall be dissolved.
13. The majority required for the passing of the ordinary resolutions is more than fifty per cent (50%) of the total number of votes cast in favour of each resolution. The majority required for the passing of special resolutions (if any) is not less than seventy five per cent (75%) of the total number of votes cast in favour of the resolution.
14. If the resolutions are duly passed at the meeting (or any adjourned meeting thereof), and other necessary formalities are completed, this will result in all of the proposed resolutions becoming binding on each shareholder in the Company whether or not they voted in favour of the resolutions, or voted at all.
15. To allow effective constitution of the meeting, if it is apparent to the chairman that no shareholders will be present in person or by proxy, other than by proxy in the chairman's favour, then the chairman may appoint a substitute to act as proxy in his stead for any shareholder, provided that such substitute proxy shall vote on the same basis as the chairman.





