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**10 September 2018**

**RECOMMENDED ALL-SHARE OFFER**

**for**

**VIRGIN MONEY HOLDINGS (UK) PLC (“VIRGIN MONEY”)**

**by**

**CYBG PLC (“CYBG”)**

**to be effected by means of a scheme of arrangement  
under Part 26 of the Companies Act 2006**

**RESULTS OF VIRGIN MONEY SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS**

The Boards of Virgin Money and CYBG are pleased to announce that, at the Court Meeting and the General Meeting held earlier today in connection with the recommended all-share offer by CYBG for the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of Virgin Money (the “**Offer**”) to be implemented by means of a scheme of arrangement under Part 26 of the Companies Act 2006 (the “**Scheme**”), all the resolutions proposed were duly passed.

Full details of the resolutions passed are set out in the notices of the Court Meeting and General Meeting contained in the scheme document dated 31 July 2018 (the “**Scheme Document**”), which, subject to certain restrictions relating to persons resident in Restricted Jurisdictions, is available on Virgin Money’s website at <https://uk.virginmoney.com/virgin/investor-relations/>.

**Voting results of the Court Meeting**

The Scheme was approved by the requisite majority on a poll vote at the Court Meeting held at 11.00 a.m. on 10 September 2018. A majority in number of the Scheme Shareholders who voted (and who were entitled to vote), either in person or by proxy, representing over 75 per cent. in value of the Scheme Shares held by such Scheme Shareholders present and voting, voted to approve the Scheme.

The results of the poll at the Court Meeting held on 10 September 2018 were as follows:

Results of Court Meeting	Number of Scheme Shares voted	Percentage of Scheme Shares voted	Number of Scheme Shareholders who voted	Percentage of Scheme Shareholders who voted	Number of Scheme Shares voted as a percentage of issued ordinary share capital entitled to vote on the Scheme
FOR	326,022,821	99.98	205	93.61	73.09
AGAINST	55,708	0.02	14	6.39	0.01
TOTAL	326,078,529	100.0	219	100.0	73.10

### Voting results of the General Meeting

The Resolutions were passed by the requisite majority on a poll vote at the General Meeting held at 11.15 a.m. on 10 September 2018.

The results of the poll at the General Meeting held on 10 September 2018 were as follows:

Ordinary Resolutions	FOR		AGAINST		TOTAL	WITHHELD*
	No. of eligible Votes	% eligible Votes	No. of eligible Votes	% eligible Votes	No. of eligible Votes	No. of eligible Votes
<i>Resolution 1</i> To approve, for the purposes of Note 2 to Rule 16 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, the amendment and restatement of the trade mark licence dated 1 October 2014, as set out in the Notice of the General Meeting.	170,260,213	99.94	109,483	0.06	170,369,696	15,512
<i>Resolution 2</i> To approve, for the purposes of Listing Rule 11.1.7R(3), the amendment and restatement of the	170,315,449	99.97	54,247	0.03	170,369,696	15,512

trade mark licence dated 1 October 2014, as set out in the Notice of the General Meeting.						
<b>Special Resolution</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>	<b>% Votes</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>	<b>% Votes</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>
<i>Resolution 3</i> To give effect to the Scheme, including the amendments to the articles of association of Virgin Money, as set out in the Notice of General Meeting.	325,319,992	99.97	109,483	0.03	325,429,475	76,186
<b>Ordinary Resolution</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>	<b>% Votes</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>	<b>% Votes</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>	<b>No. of Votes</b>
<i>Resolution 4</i> To approve the amendment of the directors' remuneration policy, as set out in the Notice of General Meeting.	280,801,260	86.95	42,126,622	13.05	322,927,882	2,577,779

Notes:

\* A vote withheld is not a vote in law and counts neither "For" nor "Against" a Resolution.

The Offer was also approved by the shareholders of CYBG at the CYBG General Meeting which was also held today.

Commenting on the results of the Meetings, Jayne-Anne Gadhia said:

"I am delighted with the support from our shareholder base in approving the recommended all-share offer for Virgin Money by CYBG. Bringing together the complementary strengths of Virgin Money and CYBG will create the UK's first true national competitor in UK banking, improving competition and choice for all UK consumers, while enabling the Virgin Money franchise to continue to flourish."

Completion of the Offer remains subject to a number of conditions including (but not limited to) those relating to the Prudential Regulation Authority and the Financial Conduct Authority as well as the Court sanctioning the Scheme at the Court Hearing which is expected to take place in the fourth quarter of 2018.

The total number of Virgin Money shares in issue at close of business on Friday 7 September 2018, being the latest practicable business day prior to the General Meeting, was 446,067,336

ordinary shares of 0.01 pence per share, each with one vote and 10,052,161 Deferred Shares of 0.1 pence per share (held in treasury), with no voting rights.

A copy of the special resolution passed at the General Meeting has been submitted to the Financial Conduct Authority and will shortly be available for inspection on the National Storage Mechanism at [www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/NSM/](http://www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/NSM/).

Except as otherwise defined herein, capitalised terms used but not defined in this Announcement have the same meanings as given to them in the Scheme Document dated 31 July 2018.

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*This announcement has been prepared for the purposes of complying with English law, the Takeover Code and the Listing Rules and the information disclosed may not be the same as that which would have been disclosed if this announcement had been prepared in accordance with the laws of jurisdictions outside England and Wales.*

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*The Offer relates to the shares of an English company and is being effected by means of a Scheme under the laws of England and Wales. A transaction effected by means of a Scheme is not subject to the proxy solicitation or tender offer rules under the US Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the US Exchange Act). Accordingly, the Offer is subject to the disclosure requirements, rules and practices applicable in the United Kingdom to schemes of arrangement, which differ from the disclosure requirements, style and format of US proxy solicitation or tender offer rules. However, CYBG reserves the right, subject to the prior consent of the Panel and in accordance with the Co-operation Agreement, to elect to implement the Offer by means of a Takeover Offer for the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of Virgin Money, as an alternative to the Scheme. If CYBG were to elect to implement the Offer by means of a Takeover Offer, it shall be made in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. If such a Takeover Offer is required to be made in the United States, it will be done in compliance with the applicable tender offer rules under the US Exchange Act, including Section 14(e) of the US Exchange Act and Regulation 14E thereunder. In addition to any such Takeover Offer, CYBG certain affiliated companies or their nominees or brokers (acting as agents) may, in accordance with normal UK practice and pursuant to Rule 14e-5(b) of the US Exchange Act, make certain purchases of, or arrangements to purchase, Virgin Money Shares outside the Takeover Offer, during the period in which such Takeover Offer would remain open for acceptance and/or the Scheme becomes Effective, lapses or is withdrawn. If such purchases or arrangements to purchase were to be made, they would be made outside the United States and would comply with applicable law, including the US Exchange Act. Such purchases or arrangements to purchase may occur either in the open market at prevailing prices or in private transactions at negotiated prices. Any information about such purchases will be disclosed as required in the United Kingdom, will be reported to the Regulatory News Service of the London Stock Exchange and will be available on the London Stock Exchange website at <http://www.londonstockexchange.com/prices-and-news/prices-news/home.htm>.*

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### **Dealing and Opening Position Disclosure Requirements of the Code**

*Under Rule 8.3(a) of the Code, any person who is interested in 1% or more of any class of relevant securities of an offeree company or of any securities exchange offeror (being any offeror other than an offeror in respect of which it has been announced that its offer is, or is likely to be, solely in cash) must make an Opening Position Disclosure following the commencement of the offer period and, if later, following the announcement in which any securities exchange offeror is first identified.*

*An Opening Position Disclosure must contain details of the person's interests and short positions in, and rights to subscribe for, any relevant securities of each of (i) the offeree company and (ii) any securities exchange offeror(s). An Opening Position Disclosure by a person to whom Rule 8.3(a) applies must be made by no later than 3.30 pm (London time) on the 10th business day following the commencement of the offer period and, if appropriate, by no later than 3.30 pm (London time) on the 10th business day following the announcement in which any securities exchange offeror is first identified. Relevant persons who deal in the relevant securities of the offeree company or of a securities exchange offeror prior to the deadline for making an Opening Position Disclosure must instead make a Dealing Disclosure.*

*Under Rule 8.3(b) of the Code, any person who is, or becomes, interested in 1% or more of any class of relevant securities of the offeree company or of any securities exchange offeror must make a Dealing Disclosure if the person deals in any relevant securities of the offeree company or of any securities exchange offeror. A Dealing Disclosure must contain details of the dealing concerned and of the person's interests and short positions in, and rights to subscribe for, any relevant securities of each of (i) the offeree company and (ii) any securities exchange offeror(s), save to the extent that these details have previously been disclosed under Rule 8. A Dealing Disclosure by a person to whom Rule 8.3(b) applies must be made by no later than 3.30 pm (London time) on the business day following the date of the relevant dealing.*

*If two or more persons act together pursuant to an agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal, to acquire or control an interest in relevant securities of an offeree company or a securities exchange offeror, they will be deemed to be a single person for the purpose of Rule 8.3.*

*Opening Position Disclosures must also be made by the offeree company and by any offeror and Dealing Disclosures must also be made by the offeree company, by any offeror and by any persons acting in concert with any of them (see Rules 8.1, 8.2 and 8.4).*

*Details of the offeree and offeror companies in respect of whose relevant securities Opening Position Disclosures and Dealing Disclosures must be made can be found in the Disclosure Table on the Takeover Panel's website at [www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk](http://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk), including details of the number of relevant securities in issue, when the offer period commenced and when any offeror was first identified. You should contact the Panel's Market Surveillance Unit on +44 (0)20 7638 0129 if you are in any doubt as to whether you are required to make an Opening Position Disclosure or a Dealing Disclosure.*

### **Publication on website**

*A copy of this announcement will be made available (subject to certain restrictions relating to persons resident in Restricted Jurisdictions), on Virgin Money's website at <https://uk.virginmoney.com/virgin/investor-relations/offer-from-cybg/> and on CYBG's website at*

*<https://www.cybg.com/investor-centre/> by no later than 12.00 noon (London time) on 11 September 2018 (being the business day following the date of this announcement) in accordance with Rule 26.1(a) of the Code. The content of the website referred to in this announcement is not incorporated into and does not form part of this announcement.*