

# ROBINSON

## Packaging Innovation

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Robinson plc

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENT

Robinson plc (“Robinson”, the “Group” or the “Company”), the custom manufacturer of plastic and paperboard packaging based in Chesterfield, is pleased to announce that Dr Helene Roberts has been appointed as the new Chief Executive joining the Company and the Board effective 4 November 2019.

#### **Dr Helene Roberts**

Helene has extensive knowledge of sustainable materials technology, global sales, marketing and innovation and people leadership. She has a degree in Materials Engineering and a PhD in Polymer Engineering.

Helene’s career started with M&S, initially as a materials technologist based in Hong Kong before spending seven years as food and drink Head of Packaging. She then spent two years with Sealed Air Corporation as European Executive Retail Director followed by three years at Benson Box, initially as Group Marketing Director before taking on the role of European Director of Marketing, Innovation and Design for Graphic Packaging International.

Helene is currently a Managing Director at Klockner Pentaplast, responsible for the UK, Ireland and Australian business across four sites, a position she took over after a period as Director of Global Marketing and Innovation. Her key achievements have been leading and developing the business’ sustainable strategy, overseeing structural change to deliver improved results from all areas in the company.

Martin McGee, who has served as Robinson plc interim Chief Executive since December 2018, will step down from the Board also effective 4 November 2019.

Alan Raleigh, Chairman, commented:

“I am delighted that Helene has chosen to join Robinson as our new Chief Executive.

Helene’s deep understanding and experience of plastics packaging - which includes materials, product design and innovation, end-to-end business improvement and the Plastics Circular Economy, combined with her obvious leadership talent, gives the Board great confidence that she can lead Robinson on the next phase of our journey.

I would also like to place on record the Board’s appreciation for the excellent contribution that Martin McGee has made as interim Chief Executive.”

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The following information is disclosed in accordance with Rule 17 and Schedule 2 paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules for Companies.

Helene Elizabeth Roberts (née John), 49, has the following current and previous directorships:

Current Directorships: None

Directorships held in last 5 years:

Kleopatra UK Limited

Klockner Pentaplast Limited

LINPAC Packaging Australia Pty Ltd

Interest in Robinson plc: None

Save for the disclosures above, there are no further disclosures to be made in accordance with Rule 17 and Schedule 2 paragraph (g) of the AIM Rules for Companies.

Note for Editors:

Headquartered in Chesterfield, with manufacturing facilities in Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Stanton Hill (Nottinghamshire), Warsaw and Lodz (Poland), Robinson currently employs around 325 people. It was formerly a family business, with its origins dating back 180 years. Today the Group's main activity is the manufacture and sale of injection and blow moulded plastic packaging. Robinson operates primarily within the food, household, drink, confectionery, cosmetic and toiletry sectors, providing niche or custom manufacture to major players in the fast-moving consumer goods market, such as McBride, Proctor & Gamble, Reckitt Benckiser, SC Johnson, and Unilever. The Group also has a substantial property portfolio with development potential.