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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

3 October 2024

#### THE BRITISH LAND COMPANY PLC ("BRITISH LAND" OR THE

"COMPANY")

# **RESULTS OF PLACING, RETAIL OFFER AND DIRECTORS' SUBSCRIPTION**

British Land announces the successful pricing of the non-pre-emptive placing of new ordinary shares of 25 pence each in the capital of the Company (the "**Ordinary Shares**") announced on 2 October 2024 (the "**Placing**").

Simon Carter, Chief Executive, said: "We are delighted with the outcome of this important equity placing for British Land, which we are using to acquire this attractive portfolio of retail parks with strong rental growth prospects. We would like to thank all existing and new shareholders for their support as we continue to execute on our strategy."

A total of 69,512,111 new Ordinary Shares in the capital of the Company (the "**Placing Shares**") have been placed by Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc ("**Morgan Stanley**") and UBS AG London Branch ("**UBS**") (together, the "**Joint Global Coordinators**") at a price of 422 pence per Placing Share (the "**Placing Price**"). Goldman Sachs International ("**Goldman Sachs**", and together with the Joint Global Coordinators, the "**Joint Bookrunners**", or the "**Banks**") acted as a joint bookrunner in connection with the Placing.

Concurrently with the Placing, retail and other investors have subscribed in the offer made by the Company via the PrimaryBid platform for a total of 1,577,937 new Ordinary Shares (the "**Retail Offer Shares**") at the Placing Price (the "**Retail Offer**"). In addition, certain directors of the Company intend to subscribe for an aggregate of 137,261 Ordinary Shares at the Placing Price following publication of the Company's interim results for the period to 30 September 2024.

# The Placing, Retail Offer and Subscription in aggregate comprised 71,227,309 new Ordinary Shares which will raise gross proceeds of approximately £301 million for the Company.

The Placing Price of 422 pence represents a discount of 3.6 per cent. to the closing price on 2 October 2024, which was 437.80 pence. The Placing Shares, Retail Offer Shares and Subscription Shares, in aggregate, represent approximately 7.7 per cent. of the existing issued ordinary share capital of British Land prior to the Placing.

British Land consulted with a number of its major shareholders prior to the Placing and has respected the principles of pre-emption through the allocation process.

Applications have been made to the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and London Stock Exchange plc (the "LSE") respectively for the admission of the Placing Shares and Retail Offer Shares to the Equity Shares (Commercial Companies) ("ESCC") listing category of the Official List and to trading on the London Stock Exchange's main market for listed securities ("Admission"). It is expected that Admission will become effective on or before 8.00 a.m. on 7 October 2024. The Placing, Retail Offer and Subscription are conditional upon, amongst other things, Admission becoming effective and upon the placing agreement between the Company and the Banks not being terminated in accordance with its terms.

The Placing Shares, Retail Offer Shares and Subscription Shares will, when issued, be credited as fully paid and rank *pari passu* in all respects with the existing Ordinary Shares, including, without limitation, the right to receive all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid after the date of issue.

For purposes of the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules, following Admission, the total number of shares in issue in the Company will be 1,010,266,294. British Land currently holds 11,266,245 shares as treasury shares, and, therefore, following Admission, the total number of voting shares in British Land in issue will be 999,000,049. This figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the Company under the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules.

## Directors' participation in the Subscription

The following directors of the Company intend to subscribe for the following number of Ordinary Shares at the Placing Price as part of the Subscription:

Name	Number of Ordinary Shares
Simon Carter	37,500
William Rucker	50,000
Mark Aedy	23,696
Amanda James	11,848
Mary Ricks	11,848
Loraine Woodhouse	2,369

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# **Pre-Emption Group Reporting**

The Placing is a non-pre-emptive issue of equity securities for cash and accordingly the Company makes the following post-transaction report in accordance with the most recently published Pre-Emption Group Statement of Principles (2022).

Name of issuer	The British Land Company plc
Transaction details	In aggregate, the Placing, Retail Offer and Subscription of
	71,227,309 ordinary shares represents approximately 7.7 per
	cent. of the Company's issued ordinary share capital prior to
	the Placing.
	Settlement for the Placing Shares and Retail Offer Shares is
	expected to take place on or before 8.00 a.m. (London time)
	on 7 October 2024.
Use of proceeds	The net proceeds of the Placing, Retail Offer and
-	Subscription will be used to fund the consideration for the
	acquisition of a portfolio of seven retail parks for a total
	consideration of $\pounds$ 441 million, with the remainder financed
	from existing cash and in place facilities. Further details can
	be found in the acquisition announcement published on 2 October 2024, which should be read in conjunction with this
	Announcement.
Quantum of	In aggregate, the Placing, Retail Offer and Subscription will
proceeds	raise gross proceeds of approximately £301 million and net
	proceeds of approximately £295 million.
Discount	The Placing Price represents a discount of approximately
	3.6 per cent. to 437.80 pence, which was the closing price
	on 2 October 2024.
Allocations	Soft pre-emption has been adhered to in the allocations process. The Company was involved in the allocations
	process, which has been carried out in compliance with all
	applicable MiFID II allocation requirements. Allocations
	made outside of soft pre-emption were preferentially
	directed towards existing shareholders in excess of their pro
	rata, and wall-crossed accounts.
Consultation	The Joint Global Coordinators undertook a pre-launch wall-
	crossing process, including consultation with major
	shareholders, to the extent reasonably practicable and permitted by law.
Retail investors	The Placing was accompanied by a Retail Offer, for a total
Retail investors	of 1,577,937 Ordinary Shares, via the PrimaryBid platform.
	Retail investors who participated in the Retail Offer were
	able to do so at the same Placing Price as all other investors
	participating in the Placing.
	The Retail Offer was made available to existing
	shareholders and new investors in the UK. Investors were
	able to participate through PrimaryBid's free-to-use direct
	channel. As such, to the extent practicable on the
	transaction timetable, eligible UK retail investors (including
	certificated retail shareholders) had the opportunity to
	participate in the Retail Offer alongside institutional
Subserinti	investors.
Subscription	Certain directors of the Company intend to subscribe for an aggregate of 137,261 Ordinary Shares at the Placing Price
	following publication of the Company's interim results for
	the period to 30 September 2024.
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# About British Land

British Land is a UK commercial property company focused on real estate sectors with the strongest operational fundamentals: London campuses, retail parks, and London urban logistics. It owns or manages a portfolio valued at

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£13.0bn (British Land share: £8.7bn) as at 31 March 2024.

British Land's purpose is to create and manage Places People Prefer - outstanding places that deliver positive outcomes for all British Land's stakeholders on a long term, sustainable basis. The Company does this by leveraging its best in class platform and proven expertise in development, repositioning and active asset management.

British Land has both a responsibility and an opportunity to manage its business in an environmentally and socially responsible manner. The Company's approach to sustainability is focused on three pillars: Greener Spaces, Thriving Places and Responsible Choices. Read more about us at <u>www.britishland.com</u>.

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