

1. Issuer Details**ISIN**

GB0000066554

Issuer Name

ABERFORTH SMALLER COMPANIES TRUST PLC

UK or Non-UK Issuer

UK

2. Reason for Notification

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights

3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation**Name**

Rathbones Investment Management Ltd

City of registered office (if applicable)

London

Country of registered office (if applicable)

United Kingdom

Name	City of registered office	Country of registered office
Investec Wealth & Investment (Channel Islands)	St Peter Port	Guernsey
Investec Wealth & Investment Limited	London	United Kingdom
Rathbones Investment Management International Limited	St Helier	Jersey

4. Details of the shareholder

Name	City of registered office	Country of registered office
Torch Nominees Limited	St Peter Port	Guernsey
Hero Nominees Limited	St Peter Port	Guernsey
Ferlim Nominees Limited	London	United Kingdom
BNP Paribas Limited	London	United Kingdom
Rathbone Nominees Limited	London	United Kingdom

5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached

25-Oct-2024

6. Date on which Issuer notified

28-Oct-2024

7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation

	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8.A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)	Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights held in issuer
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	11.998200	0.000000	11.998200	10095274
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	12.071000	0.000000	12.071000	Â

8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached**8A. Voting rights attached to shares**

Class/Type of shares ISIN code (if possible)	Number of direct voting rights (DTR5.1)	Number of indirect voting rights (DTR5.2.1)	% of direct voting rights (DTR5.1)	% of indirect voting rights (DTR5.2.1)
GB0000066554	Â	10095274	Â	11.998200
Sub Total 8.A	10095274		11.998200%	

8B1. Financial Instruments according to (DTR5.3.1R.(1) (a))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/conversion period	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted	% of voting rights
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Sub Total 8.B1	Â		Â	Â

8B2. Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to (DTR5.3.1R.(1) (b))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/conversion period	Physical or cash settlement	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
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Sub Total 8.B2	Â			Â	Â

9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation

2. Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively

held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entities (please add additional rows as necessary)

Ultimate controlling person	Name of controlled undertaking	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold
Rathbones Group Plc	Rathbones Investment Management Limited	6.673600	Â	6.673600%
Rathbones Group Plc	Rathbones Investment Management International Limited	0.002000	Â	0.002000%
Rathbones Group Plc	Investec Wealth & Investment Limited	5.293300	Â	5.293300%
Rathbones Group Plc	Investec Wealth & Investment (Channel Islands) Limited	0.029400	Â	0.029400%

10. In case of proxy voting

Name of the proxy holder

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The number and % of voting rights held

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The date until which the voting rights will be held

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11. Additional Information

None

12. Date of Completion

28-Oct-2024

13. Place Of Completion

Port of Liverpool Building, Liverpool L3 1NW