

**FORM 8.5 (EPT/NON-RI)**  
**PUBLIC OPENING POSITION DISCLOSURE/DEALING DISCLOSURE BY AN**  
**EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER WITHOUT RECOGNISED INTERMEDIARY ("RI") STATUS**  
**(OR WHERE RI STATUS IS NOT APPLICABLE)**

Rule 8.5 of the Takeover Code (the "Code")

**1. KEY INFORMATION**

(a) Name of exempt principal trader:	BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LTD
(b) Name of offeror/offeree in relation to whose relevant securities this form relates:	DOWLAIS GROUP PLC
(c) Name of the party to the offer with which exempt principal trader is connected	DOWLAIS GROUP PLC
(d) Date position held/dealing undertaken:	24 Feb 2025
(e) In addition to the company in 1(b) above, is the exempt principal trader making disclosures in respect of any other party to the offer?	YES: AMERICAN AXLE & MANUFACTURING HOLDINGS INC

**2. POSITIONS OF THE EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER**

(a) Interests and short positions in the relevant securities of the offeror or offeree to which the disclosure relates following the dealing (if any)

Class of relevant security:	1p ordinary		Short Positions	
	Interests	(%)	Number	(%)
(1) Relevant securities owned and/or controlled:	24,836,636	1.85%	2,747,947	0.20%
(2) Cash-settled derivatives: and/or controlled:	2,228,147	0.17%	23,784,916	1.77%
(3) Stock-settled derivatives (including options) and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>27,064,783</b>	<b>2.01%</b>	<b>26,532,863</b>	<b>1.97%</b>

(b) Rights to subscribe for new securities (including directors and other executive options)

Class of relevant security in relation to which subscription right exists	
Details, including nature of the rights concerned and relevant percentages:	

**3. DEALINGS (IF ANY) BY THE EXEMPT PRINCIPAL TRADER**

(a) Purchases and sales

Class of relevant security	Purchase/sale	Total number of securities	Highest price per unit paid/received	Lowest price per unit paid/received
1p ordinary	Purchase	689,681	0.7270 GBP	0.7140 GBP
1p ordinary	Sale	371,868	0.7270 GBP	0.7139 GBP

(b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

Class of relevant	Product description	Nature of dealing	Number of reference	Price per unit

security			securities	
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	78,617	0.7139 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	4,849	0.7140 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	805	0.7159 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	20,318	0.7162 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	751	0.7179 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	56,314	0.7181 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	35,679	0.7183 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	22,050	0.7184 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	7,955	0.7186 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	64,159	0.7189 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	3,362	0.7191 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	21,607	0.7200 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	5,441	0.7203 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	15,033	0.7207 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	9,401	0.7229 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	109,740	0.7140 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	6,208	0.7155 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	3,777	0.7170 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	19,657	0.7171 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	5,972	0.7173 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	8,136	0.7177 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	194,806	0.7181 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	257,936	0.7183 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	367	0.7185 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	819	0.7187 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	550	0.7189 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	3,491	0.7191 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	30,377	0.7196 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	15,208	0.7202 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	759	0.7210 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	4,571	0.7228 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	546	0.7240 GBP

(c) Stock-settled derivative transactions (including options)

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

Class of relevant security	Product description	Writing, purchasing, selling, varying etc	Number of securities to which option relates	Exercise price per unit	Type	Expiry date	Option money paid/received per unit

(ii) Exercising

Class of relevant security	Product description	Exercising/exercised against	Number of securities	Exercise price per unit

(d) Other dealings (including subscribing for new securities)

Class of relevant security	Nature of Dealings	Details	Price per unit (if applicable)

**4. OTHER INFORMATION**

(a) Indemnity and other dealings arrangements

Details of any indemnity or option arrangement, or any agreement or understanding, formal or informal, relating to relevant securities which may be an inducement to deal or refrain from dealing entered into by the exempt principal trader making the disclosure and any party to the offer or any person acting in concert with a party to the offer:
NONE

(b) Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, formal or informal, between the exempt principal trader making the disclosure and any other person relating to

**including w:**

(i) the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option;  
or  
(ii) the voting rights of future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative is referenced:

**NONE**

**(c) Attachments**

Is a Supplemental Form 8 (Open Positions) attached?	<b>NO</b>
Date of disclosure:	<b>25 Feb 2025</b>
Contact name:	<b>Large Holdings Regulatory Operations</b>
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