

TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

**1. Issuer Details**

**ISIN**

GB00BYYN4225

**Issuer Name**

HOSTELWORLD GROUP PLC

**UK or Non-UK Issuer**

UK

**2. Reason for Notification**

An event changing the breakdown of voting rights; Other

**Comments**

Following Company's share buyback

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

**Name**

BGF Investment Management Limited

**City of registered office (if applicable)**

London

**Country of registered office (if applicable)**

United Kingdom

**4. Details of the shareholder**

Name	City of registered office	Country of registered office
Pershing Securities Limited (via Pershing Nominees Limited)	Liverpool	England

**5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached**

29-Jul-2025

**6. Date on which Issuer notified**

30-Jul-2025

**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	5.002000	0.000000	5.002000	6319111
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	4.965000	0.000000	4.965000	

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## 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)
Ordinary GB00BYYN4225		6319111		5.002000
Sub Total 8.A	6319111		5.002000%	

### 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
Sub Total 8.B1				

### 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
Sub Total 8.B2					

## 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
BGF Group Plc	BGF Investment Management Limited	5.002000		5.002000%
BGF Investment Management Limited	BGF Investments LP	5.002000		5.002000%

## 10. In case of proxy voting

Name of the proxy holder

The number and % of voting rights held

The date until which the voting rights will be held

## 11. Additional Information

## 12. Date of Completion

**13. Place Of Completion**

13-15 York Buildings, London, WC2N 6JU

**Standard Form TR-1****Standard form for notification of major holdings****NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR HOLDINGS** (to be sent to the relevant issuer and to the Central Bank of Ireland)<sup>i</sup>

<b>1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached<sup>ii</sup>:</b> Hostelworld Group plc				
<b>2. Reason for the notification</b> (please tick the appropriate box or boxes): <input type="checkbox"/> An acquisition or disposal of voting rights <input type="checkbox"/> An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An event changing the breakdown of voting rights <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) <sup>iii</sup> : Following Company's share buyback				
<b>3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation<sup>iv</sup>:</b> Name: BGF Investment Management Limited (a/c BGF Investments LP) City and country of registered office (if applicable): London, England				
<b>4. Full name of shareholder(s)</b> (if different from 3.) <sup>v</sup> : Pershing Securities Limited (via Pershing Nominees Limited)				
<b>5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached<sup>vi</sup>:</b> 29/07/2025				
<b>6. Date on which issuer notified:</b> 30/07/2025				
<b>7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:</b> >5%				
<b>8. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:</b>				
	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 9.A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 9.B.1 + 9.B.2)	Total of both in % (9.A + 9.B)	Total number of voting rights of issuer <sup>vii</sup>
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	5.002%	-	5.002%	6,319,111
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	4.965%	-	4.965%	

9. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached <sup>viii</sup> :				
A: Voting rights attached to shares				
Class/type of shares ISIN code (if possible)	Number of voting rights <sup>ix</sup>		% of voting rights	
	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect
Ordinary GB00BYYN4225		6,319,111		5.002%
<b>SUBTOTAL A</b>	6,319,111		5.002%	

B 1: Financial Instruments according to Regulation 17(1)(a) of the Regulations				
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date <sup>x</sup>	Exercise/ Conversion Period <sup>xi</sup>	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted.	% of voting rights

		<b>SUBTOTAL B.1</b>		

<b>B 2: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to Regulation 17(1)(b) of the Regulations</b>					
Type of financial instrument	Expiration date <sup>x</sup>	Exercise/ Conversion Period <sup>xi</sup>	Physical or cash settlement <sup>xii</sup>	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
			<b>SUBTOTAL B.2</b>		

**10. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation** (please tick the applicable box):

☐ Person subject to the notification obligation is not controlled by any natural person or legal entity and does not control any other undertaking(s) holding directly or indirectly an interest in the (underlying) issuer.<sup>xiii</sup>

☒ 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 entity<sup>xiv</sup>:

Name <sup>xv</sup>	% 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
BGF Group plc	5.002%		5.002%
BGF Investment Management Limited	5.002%		5.002%

**11. In case of proxy voting:** *[name of the proxy holder]* will cease to hold [% and number] voting rights as of *[date]*  
N/A

**12. Additional information<sup>xvi</sup>:**

Done at 13-15 York Buildings, London, WC2N 6JU on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

**Annex: Notification of major holdings** (only to be filed with the Central Bank of Ireland and not with the relevant issuer)

<b>A: Identity of the person subject to the notification obligation</b>
<b>Full name</b> (including legal form for legal entities) BGF Investment Management Limited
<b>Contact address</b> (registered office for legal entities) 13-15 York Buildings, London, WC2N 6JU
<b>E-Mail</b> david.murray@bgf.co.uk
<b>Phone number / Fax number</b> 0131 224 0140

<b>Other useful information</b> (at least legal a contact person for legal persons) David Murray, Company Secretary
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<b>B: Identity of the notifier, if applicable</b>
<b>Full name</b>
<b>Contact address</b>
<b>E-Mail</b>
<b>Phone number / Fax number</b>
<b>Other useful information</b> (e.g. functional relationship with the person or legal entity subject to the notification obligation)

<b>C: Additional information:</b>
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#### Notes

*i. Persons completing this form should have regard to the requirements of the Transparency (Directive 2004/109/EC) Regulations 2007 as amended (the "Regulations"), the Central Bank of Ireland's Transparency Rules (the "Transparency Rules") and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/761 of 17 December 2014.*

*ii Full name of the legal entity and other identifying specification of the issuer or underlying issuer, provided it is reliable and accurate (e.g. address, LEI, domestic number identity).*

*iii Other reason for the notification could be voluntary notifications, changes of attribution of the nature of the holding (e.g. expiring of financial instruments) or acting in concert.*

*iv This should be the full name of (a) the shareholder; (b) the natural person or legal entity acquiring, disposing of or exercising voting rights in the cases provided for in Regulation 15(b) to (h) of the Regulations (Article 10 (b) to (h) of Directive 2004/109/EC); or (c) the holder of financial instruments referred to in Regulation 17(1) of the Regulations (Article 13(1) of Directive 2004/109/EC).*

As the disclosure of cases of acting in concert may vary due to the specific circumstances (e.g. same or different total positions of the parties, entering or exiting of acting in concert by a single party) the standard form does not provide for a specific method how to notify cases of acting in concert.

In relation to the transactions referred to in points (b) to (h) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the following list is provided as an indication of the persons who should be mentioned:

- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (b) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the natural person or legal entity that acquires the voting rights and is entitled to exercise them under the agreement and the natural person or legal entity who is transferring temporarily for consideration the voting rights;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (c) of the Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the natural person or legal entity holding the collateral, provided the person or entity controls the voting rights and declares its intention of exercising them, and natural person or legal entity lodging the collateral under these conditions;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (d) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the natural person or legal entity who has a life interest in shares if that person or entity is entitled to exercise the voting rights attached to the shares and the natural person or legal entity who is disposing of the voting rights when the life interest is created;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (e) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the controlling natural

person or legal entity and, provided it has a notification duty at an individual level under Regulation 14 of the Regulations (Article 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC), under letters (a) to (d) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) or under a combination of any of those situations, the controlled undertaking;

- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (f) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the deposit taker of the shares, if he can exercise the voting rights attached to the shares deposited with him at his discretion, and the depositor of the shares allowing the deposit taker to exercise the voting rights at his discretion;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (g) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the natural person or legal entity that controls the voting rights;
- in the circumstances foreseen in letter (h) of Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC), the proxy holder, if he can exercise the voting rights at his discretion, and the shareholder who has given his proxy to the proxy holder allowing the latter to exercise the voting rights at his discretion (e.g. management companies).

<sup>v</sup> Applicable in the cases provided for in Regulation 15(b) to (h) of the Regulations (Article 10 (b) to (h) of Directive 2004/109/EC). This should be the full name of the shareholder who is the counterparty to the natural person or legal entity referred to in Regulation 15 of the Regulations (Article 10 Directive 2004/109/EC) unless the percentage of voting rights held by the shareholder is lower than the lowest notifiable threshold for the disclosure of voting rights holdings in accordance with the requirements of the Regulations and the Transparency Rules.

<sup>vi</sup> The date on which threshold is crossed or reached should be the date on which the acquisition or disposal took place or the other reason triggered the notification obligation. For passive crossings, the date when the corporate event took effect.

<sup>vii</sup> The total number of voting rights shall be composed of all the shares, including depository receipts representing shares, to which voting rights are attached even if the exercise thereof is suspended.

<sup>viii</sup> If the holding has fallen below the lowest applicable threshold in accordance with the Regulations and the Transparency Rules the holder is not obliged to disclose the extent of the holding only that the holding is "below 3%" or "below 5%" as appropriate.

<sup>ix</sup> In case of combined holdings of shares with voting rights attached "direct holding" and voting rights "indirect holding", please split the voting rights number and percentage into the direct and indirect columns - if there is no combined holdings, please leave the relevant box blank.

<sup>x</sup> Date of maturity/expiration of the financial instrument i.e. the date when right to acquire shares ends.

<sup>xi</sup> If the financial instrument has such a period - please specify this period - for example once every 3 months starting from [date].

<sup>xii</sup> In case of cash settled instruments the number and percentages of voting rights is to be presented on a delta-adjusted basis (Regulation 17(4) of the Regulations/Article 13(1a) of Directive 2004/109/EC).

<sup>xiii</sup> If the person subject to the notification obligation is either controlled and/or does control another undertaking then the second option applies.

<sup>xiv</sup> The full chain of controlled undertakings, starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity, has to be presented also in cases in which only on subsidiary level a threshold is crossed or reached and the subsidiary undertaking discloses the notification, as only thus will the markets get a full picture of the group holdings. In the case of multiple chains through which the voting rights and/or financial instruments are effectively held, the chains have to be presented chain by chain leaving a row free between different chains (e.g.: A, B, C, free row, A, B, D, free row, A, E, F etc.).

<sup>xv</sup> The names of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or financial instruments are effectively held have to be presented irrespective of whether the controlled undertakings cross or reach the lowest applicable threshold themselves.

<sup>xvi</sup> Example: Correction of a previous notification.

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