RNS Number: 1420N Barclays PLC 30 December 2025

> FORM 8.3 PUBLIC OPENING POSITION DISCLOSURE/DEALING DISCLOSURE BY A PERSON WITH INTERESTS IN RELEVANT SECURITIES REPRESENTING 1% OR MORE

Rule 8.3 of the Takeover Code (the "Code")
KEY INFORMATION

| (a) | Full name of discloser: | Barclays PLC. | | |
|-----|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| (b) | Owner or controller of interest and short positions disclosed, if different from 1(a): | | | |
| (c) | Name of offeror/offeree in relation to whose relevant securities this form relates: | EMPIRIC STUDENT PROPERTY PLC | | |
| (d) | If an exempt fund manager connected with an offeror/offeree, state this and specify identity of offeror/offeree: | | | |
| (e) | Date position held/dealing undertaken: | 29 Dec 2025 | | |
| (f) | In addition to the company in 1(c) above, is the discloser making disclosures in respect of any other party to the offer? | YES: UNITE GROUP PLC/THE | | |

2. POSITIONS OF THE PERSON MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

(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 | 1p ordinary | | |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------|
| | • | Interests | | Short Positions | |
| | | Number | (%) | Number | (%) |
| (1) | Relevant securities owned | | | | |
| | and/or controlled: | 29,914,049 | 4.50% | 1,139,210 | 0.17% |
| (2) | Cash-settled derivatives: | | | | |
| | | 34,681 | 0.01% | 29,846,044 | 4.49% |
| (3) | Stock-settled derivatives (including options) | | | | |
| | and agreements to purchase/sell: | 0 | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| | TOTAL: | 29,948,730 | 4.51% | 30,985,254 | 4.67% |

(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 PERSON |

DEALINGS (IF ANY) BY THE PERSON MAKING THE DISCLOSURE

(a) Purchases and sales

| Class of relevant security | Purchase/sale | Number of securities | Price per unit |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 128,337 | 0.7767 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 122,018 | 0.7730 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 75,000 | 0.7722 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 60,981 | 0.7742 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 25,291 | 0.7749 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 11,904 | 0.7765 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 2,686 | 0.7690 GBP |

| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 2,163 | 0.7680 GBP |
|-------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 2,095 | 0.7790 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 1,731 | 0.7773 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 1,724 | 0.7740 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 1,671 | 0.7780 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 1,276 | 0.7739 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 1,043 | 0.7710 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 1,038 | 0.7750 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 936 | 0.7770 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 603 | 0.7650 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 520 | 0.7720 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 406 | 0.7800 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 369 | 0.7700 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Purchase | 150 | 0.7760 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 85,608 | 0.7743 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 69,626 | 0.7730 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 26,908 | 0.7741 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 26,437 | 0.7760 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 26,379 | 0.7756 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 26,264 | 0.7750 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 23,408 | 0.7780 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 11,346 | 0.7772 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 10,965 | 0.7738 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 9,702 | 0.7736 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 2,686 | 0.7690 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 2,095 | 0.7790 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 1,043 | 0.7710 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 603 | 0.7650 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 520 | 0.7720 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 490 | 0.7770 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 369 | 0.7700 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | Sale | 150 | 0.7680 GBP |

(b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

| Class of | Product | Nature of dealing | Number | Price per |
|-------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|---------------|
| relevant | description | | reference | unit |
| security | | | securities | |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Increasing Short | 75,000 | 0.7722 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 5,745 | 0.7726 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 4,262 | 0.7730 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 10,965 | 0.7738 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 26,908 | 0.7741 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 25,226 | 0.7750 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 26,379 | 0.7756 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 26,287 | 0.7760 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 6,218 | 0.7770 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 5,128 | 0.7774 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Decreasing Short | 21,737 | 0.7780 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Increasing Short | 62,085 | 0.7730 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Increasing Short | 1,276 | 0.7739 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | SWAP | Increasing Short | 128,337 | 0.7767 GBP |
| 1p ordinary | CFD | Increasing Short | 9,501 | 0.7747 GBP |

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

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

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

(ii) Exercise

| 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) |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------------------|
| | | | |

OTHER INFORMATION 4.

(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

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

Details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding, formal or informal, between

the person making the disclosure and any other person relating to: (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? | NO |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Date of disclosure: | 30 Dec 2025 |
| Contact name: | Large Holdings Regulatory Operations |
| Telephone number: | 020 3134 7213 |

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