

**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:	30 Jan 2026
(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: DAUCH CORPORATION

**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			
	Interests		Short Positions	
	Number	(%)	Number	(%)
(1) Relevant securities owned and/or controlled:	52,694,561	4.00%	1,473,228	0.11%
(2) Cash-settled derivatives and/or controlled:	429,459	0.03%	52,239,414	3.97%
(3) Stock-settled derivatives (including options) and agreements to purchase/sell:	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>53,124,020</b>	<b>4.03%</b>	<b>53,712,642</b>	<b>4.08%</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	2,020,158	0.9415 GBP	0.9309 GBP
1p ordinary	Sale	222,086	0.9415 GBP	0.9310 GBP

- (b) Cash-settled derivative transactions

Class of relevant security	Product description	Nature of dealing	Number of reference securities	Price per unit
1p ordinary	SWAP	Closing Long	11,646	0.9367 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	178	0.9309 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	6,339	0.9310 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	87,955	0.9340 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	905	0.9360 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	20,394	0.9372 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Decreasing Short	38,726	0.9483 GBP

1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	326,194	0.9309 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	487,632	0.9310 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	15,288	0.9311 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	7,000	0.9337 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	8,127	0.9353 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	142,265	0.9363 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	38,757	0.9367 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	45,002	0.9375 GBP
1p ordinary	SWAP	Increasing Short	6,301	0.9383 GBP
1p ordinary	CFD	Decreasing Short	1	0.9300 GBP
1p ordinary	CFD	Increasing Short	835,500	0.9310 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:

(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:	02 Feb 2026
Contact name:	Large Holdings Regulatory Operations
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