

Dividend history

Dividend no	Payment date	Amount per share (pence except where indicated)	Ex-dividend date	Record date	DRIP	DRIP share price (p)	DRIP share purchase date
O/34	22/05/24	8.54	11/04/24	12/04/24	Yes	-	-
O/33	22/09/23	4.42	10/08/23	11/08/23	Yes	216.45	22/09/23
O/32	19/05/23	8.07	06/04/23	11/04/23	Yes	220.8133	22/05/23
O/31	09/09/22	4.7	11/08/22	12/08/22	Yes	257.3745	09/09/22
O/30	20/05/22	6.74	07/04/22	08/04/22	Yes	237.6544	23/05/22
O/29	03/09/21	4.06	05/08/21	06/08/21	Yes	217.857	03/09/21
O/28	21/05/21	4.1	08/04/21	09/04/21	Yes	175.0289	25/05/21
O/27	02/09/20	3.7	06/08/20	07/08/20	Yes	122.6328	02/09/20
O/26	15/05/20	4.1	02/04/20	03/04/20	Yes	134.985	19/05/20
O/25	04/09/19	3.87	08/08/19	09/08/19	Yes	174.1271	06/09/19
O/24	17/05/19	4.06	04/04/19	05/04/19	Yes	152.3066	20/05/19
O/23	05/09/18	4.88	09/08/18	10/08/18	Yes	173.09	05/09/18
O/22	18/05/18	4.18	26/04/18	27/04/18	Yes	194.0856	18/05/18
O/21	06/09/17	3.79	17/08/17	18/08/17	Yes	164.9191	06/09/17
O/20	12/05/17	3.62	20/04/17	21/04/17	Yes	161.5239	12/05/17
O/19	31/08/16	3.43	11/08/16	12/08/16	Yes	109.5945	31/08/16
O/18	13/05/16	3.40	21/04/16	22/04/16	Yes	130.3635	18/05/16
O/17	02/09/15	3.47	13/08/15	14/08/15	Yes	152.23	03/09/15
O/16	15/05/15	3.95	23/04/15	24/04/15	Yes	176.998	15/05/15
O/15	03/09/14	2.37	13/08/14	15/08/14	Yes	122.70	03/09/14
O/14	16/05/14	3.19	23/04/14	25/04/14	Yes	90.25	19/05/14
O/13	04/09/13	1.72	14/08/13	16/08/13	Yes	84.37	04/09/13
O/12	17/05/13	8.26	24/04/13	26/04/13	Yes	131.76	22/05/13
O/11	04/09/12	6.12	15/08/12	17/08/12	Yes	73.85	04/09/12
O/10	17/05/12	4.38	25/04/12	27/04/12	Yes	78.87	17/05/12
O/9	13/12/11	5.95	23/11/11	25/11/11	Yes	133.58	13/12/11
O/8	19/07/11	7.68	29/06/11	1/07/11	Yes	236.90	19/07/11

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O/7	14/12/10	5.91	24/11/10	26/11/10	Yes	287.57	14/12/10
O/6	20/07/10	17.20	30/06/10	02/07/10	Yes	214.44	21/07/10
O/5	17/12/09	11.89	25/11/09	27/11/09	Yes	309.98	17/12/09
O/4	21/07/09	15.47	01/07/09	03/07/09	Yes	280.34	21/07/09
O/3	18/12/08	11.89	26/11/08	28/11/08	Yes	237.68	19/12/08
O/2	12/08/08	12.55	16/07/08	18/07/08	Yes	546.32	12/08/08
O/1	20/12/07	9.18^	28/11/07	30/11/07	Yes	552.93	20/12/07

On 26 November 2007 the issued ordinary share capital was consolidated and for every 8 existing ordinary shares of 3 US cents each held at 6 p.m. on 23 November 2007, shareholders received 7 new ordinary shares of 3 3/7 US cents each in their place. Therefore to obtain a true comparison between dividends, the dividend amount per share quoted in dividend 27 onwards should be reduced by one eighth when compared to dividends 25 and 26.

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26	24/07/07	6.42	04/07/07	06/07/07	Yes	620.7	24/07/07
25	21/12/06	3.84	15/11/06	17/11/06	Yes	518.48	21/12/06

Effective 14 August 2006, each 18 US cents ordinary share was sub-divided into six ordinary shares of 3 US cents each. Therefore the dividend per share amounts quoted in dividends 1 to 24 should be proportionately reduced when comparing any of them with future dividends from dividend 25 onwards. Similar comments apply to comparisons of pre and post sub-division DRIP share prices.

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24	25/07/06	29.12	05/07/06	07/07/06	Yes	2457.33	25/07/06
23	30/12/05	18.07	23/11/05	25/11/05	Yes	1910.31	30/12/05
22	19/07/05	22.96	29/06/05	01/07/05	Yes	1549.12	19/07/05
21	16/12/04	13.04	10/11/04	12/11/04	Yes	1417	16/12/04

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20	13/07/04	18.60	23/06/04	25/06/04	Yes	1453	13/07/04
19	18/12/03	11.40	12/11/03	14/11/03	Yes	1426	18/12/03
18	15/07/03	14.10	25/06/03	27/06/03	Yes	1298.54	15/07/03
17	31/12/02	9.10	13/11/02	15/11/02	Yes	883.38	02/01/03
16	18/07/02	13.10	26/06/02	28/06/02	Yes	1089	18/07/02
15	03/01/02	5.50	14/11/01	16/11/01	Yes	1178	03/01/02
14	19/07/01	10.9	27/06/01	29/06/01	Yes	841.2	19/07/01
13	10/01/01	4.6	13/11/00	17/11/00	Yes	632.67	10/01/01

Div. no	Payment date	Amount per share (p)	Ex-div. date	Record date	Scrip Alt.	Av. MMQ (p)	Nom. Cash Div. (p)*	Scrip Ratio 1:
12	01/09/00	9.3	03/07/00	07/07/00	Yes	524.7	5.4	57
11	21/01/00	4.3	15/11/99	19/11/99	Yes	426.2	3.8	100
10	03/09/99	8.7	05/07/99	09/07/99	Yes	353.7	3.0	41
9	22/01/99	4.0	23/11/98	27/11/98	Yes	312.9	3.1	79
8	04/09/98	8.0	13/07/98	17/07/98	Yes	353.7	6.3	45
7	30/01/98	3.7	01/12/97	05/12/97	Yes	229.2	0.2	62
6	05/09/97	7.3	14/07/97	18/07/97	Yes	193.2	3.9	27
5	07/02/97	3.4	02/12/96	10/12/96	Yes	171.1	2.3	51
4	10/09/96	6.9	29/07/96	06/08/96	Yes	165.2	0.4	24
3	09/02/96	3.2	18/12/95	28/12/95	Yes	145.4	1.8	46
2	21/09/95	3.2	21/08/95	30/08/95	No	-	-	-
1	06/02/95	3.2	28/12/94	17/01/95	No	-	-	-

Notes

Excludes Stamp Duty & Brokerage Commission of 0.5% each

* The Nominal Cash Dividend is the balance of the dividend paid with each new share

^ Rate payable per consolidated share after the 7 for 8 share consolidation approved by Shareholders at an EGM on 23 November 2007 and effective from 26 November 2007