

## ISSUED ON BEHALF OF REED ELSEVIER PLC

### Results of Annual General Meeting 2014

The Annual General Meeting of Reed Elsevier PLC was held on Thursday 24 April.

The table below shows the results of the poll on all 20 resolutions. Each shareholder present in person, or by proxy, was entitled to one vote per share held.

|     | <b>RESOLUTION</b>                       | <b>FOR</b>  | <b>%</b> | <b>AGAINST</b> | <b>%</b> | <b>WITHHELD</b> |
|-----|---|-------------|----------|----------------|----------|-----------------|
| 1.  | Receipt of financial statements         | 876,833,886 | 96.70    | 29,956,142     | 3.30     | 8,220,120       |
| 2.  | Approval of Remuneration Report         | 810,363,386 | 89.06    | 99,538,952     | 10.94    | 5,107,375       |
| 3.  | Approval of Remuneration Policy         | 834,792,974 | 93.83    | 54,920,711     | 6.17     | 25,296,745      |
| 4.  | Declaration of final dividend           | 912,938,120 | 100.00   | 2,245          | 0.00     | 2,069,783       |
| 5.  | Re-appointment of auditors              | 869,102,065 | 97.36    | 23,522,742     | 2.64     | 22,385,724      |
| 6.  | Auditors' remuneration                  | 876,051,484 | 97.47    | 22,698,652     | 2.53     | 16,253,145      |
| 7.  | Elect Nick Luff as a director           | 909,117,954 | 99.59    | 3,787,378      | 0.41     | 2,104,716       |
| 8.  | Re-elect Erik Engstrom as a director    | 909,042,566 | 99.58    | 3,868,110      | 0.42     | 2,099,372       |
| 9.  | Re-elect Anthony Habgood as a director  | 885,828,422 | 97.27    | 24,887,251     | 2.73     | 4,293,924       |
| 10. | Re-elect Wolfhart Hauser as a director  | 908,971,222 | 99.57    | 3,938,625      | 0.43     | 2,099,647       |
| 11. | Re-elect Adrian Hennah as a director    | 908,780,542 | 99.55    | 4,122,045      | 0.45     | 2,107,461       |
| 12. | Re-elect Lisa Hook as a director        | 907,921,413 | 99.45    | 4,986,532      | 0.55     | 2,101,553       |
| 13. | Re-elect Duncan Palmer as a director    | 908,960,290 | 99.57    | 3,940,897      | 0.43     | 2,108,156       |
| 14. | Re-elect Robert Polet as a director     | 908,816,173 | 99.55    | 4,087,341      | 0.45     | 2,105,983       |
| 15. | Re-elect Linda Sanford as a director    | 909,358,256 | 99.61    | 3,550,897      | 0.39     | 2,100,981       |
| 16. | Re-elect Ben van der Veer as a director | 885,987,947 | 99.48    | 4,673,350      | 0.52     | 24,348,837      |
| 17. | Authority to allot shares               | 862,823,041 | 96.32    | 33,006,263     | 3.68     | 19,180,744      |
| 18. | Disapplication of pre-emption rights    | 910,348,124 | 99.74    | 2,351,668      | 0.26     | 2,308,641       |
| 19. | Authority to purchase own shares        | 912,409,562 | 99.95    | 499,371        | 0.05     | 2,101,215       |
| 20. | Notice period for general meetings      | 807,933,697 | 88.50    | 104,943,076    | 11.50    | 2,133,459       |

#### NOTES:

1. The 'For' vote includes those giving the Chairman discretion.
2. Votes 'Withheld' are not counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes 'For' or 'Against' a resolution.
3. Resolutions 7 & 18 to 20 are Special Resolutions.
4. At the close of business on Tuesday 22 April 2014 the total number of ordinary shares in issue, excluding Treasury shares, was 1,153,665,180
5. The full text of the resolutions can be found in the Notice of Annual of General Meeting, which is available for inspection at the National Storage Mechanism <http://www.hemscott.com/nsm.do> and on the Company's website at [www.reedelsevier.com](http://www.reedelsevier.com).
6. As per Listing Rule 9.6.2 a copy of the resolutions passed, other than resolutions concerning ordinary business, will shortly be submitted to the National Storage Mechanism for inspection at <http://www.hemscott.com/nsm.do>.