

Dividends

Ordinary shares

Normally it is the company's practice to pay two dividends each financial year - an interim dividend and a final dividend. Dividends are paid in sterling.

Dividend history – ordinary shares

Dividends per ordinary share			
Dividend	Amount (p)	Payment date	Total dividend (p)
Final 2015	11.9	6 May 16	17.7
Interim 2015	5.8	24 Sep 15	
Final 2014	11.9	27 May 15	17.7
Interim 2014	5.8	18 Sep 14	
Final 2013	11.7	3 Jun 14	17.4
Interim 2013	5.7	11 Sep 13	
Final 2012	10.2	22 May 13	15.2
Interim 2012	5.0	04 Sep 12	
Final 2011	9.7	07 Jun 12	14.4
Interim 2011	4.7	04 Oct 11	
Final 2010	8.0	07 Jun 11	12.0
Interim 2010	4.0	05 Oct 10	
Final 2009	8.0	03 Jun 10	8.0
Final 2008	10.96	02 Jul 09	18.71
Interim 2008	7.75	04 Nov 08	
Final 2007	11.7	03 Jun 08	20.0
Interim 2007	8.3	06 Nov 07	
Final 2006	11.1	06 Jun 07	19.0
Interim 2006	7.9	02 Nov 06	
Final 2005	10.60	05 Jun 06	18.12
Interim 2005	7.52	01 Nov 05	
Final 2004	10.09	01 Jun 05	17.25
Interim 2004	7.16	03 Nov 04	
Final 2003	9.58	01 Jun 04	16.40

Dividends per ordinary share

Dividend	Amount (p)	Payment date	Total dividend (p)
Interim 2003	6.82	04 Nov 03	
Final 2002	9.07	04 Jun 03	15.61
Interim 2002	6.54	06 Nov 02	
Final 2001	9.20	05 Jun 02	15.90
Interim 2001	6.70	05 Nov 01	
Final 2000	8.70	03 Jul 01	15.10
Interim 2000	6.40	06 Nov 00	
Final 1999	8.70	05 Jun 00	14.80
Interim 1999	6.10	05 Nov 99	

The final dividend in respect of the six months to 31 December 2015 has been declared by the Board as a second interim dividend in accordance with the Company's articles of association and does not require shareholder approval.

The interim and final dividends for the year 2002 and the interim dividend for the year 2003 have been adjusted for the Rights Issue 2003.

The interim and final dividends for the year 2008 have been adjusted for the Rights Issue 2009.