

Westhouse Securities appoints Andy Crossley as Managing Director

London, 2 April 2015: Westhouse Securities, the London-based institutional stockbroking and corporate advisory firm, has appointed Andy Crossley to the position of Managing Director, reporting to Mark Brown, Executive Chairman. Andy will be a member of the Executive Committee and join the Board of Westhouse Securities Ltd.

Andy's primary focus will be helping win corporate clients and executing capital market transactions. He will also take day-to-day responsibility for co-ordinating Research, Sales, Sales Trading & Trading and Corporate Finance & Broking and ensuring alignment across the firm.

Andy joins from Peel Hunt where he worked as Head of ECM for four years having previously built a pre-eminent reputation over more than twenty years as one of the best known UK small-cap fund managers, primarily at Invesco Perpetual.

Mark Brown, Executive Chairman of Westhouse Securities comments: "Andy's appointment is a key step in a re-focusing of the business on building a high-quality corporate client base. Andy's experience, knowledge of and enthusiasm for UK smaller companies and his network in the sector is second to none and I am delighted that he has committed his vast experience to Westhouse."

Andy Crossley comments: "I am excited to be joining Westhouse at a time when the opportunity to help build a traditional corporate broking business, based on strong sector research and a commitment to earning the trust of both investors and corporates, has never been greater. With excellent people and a focus on long term relationships, I am convinced that Westhouse can build a competitive business of real relevance to its clients".

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About Westhouse Securities:

Westhouse is a leading institutional stockbroking and corporate advisory firm focused on small and mid-cap companies with particular expertise financials, investment funds, oil & gas, property, construction & support services, technology & media and high growth companies in general.

In addition to acting as broker, Westhouse provides financial advice and Sponsor and Nomad services for Main Market and AIM companies. Critically, Westhouse enables companies to access capital to drive growth and fulfil their ambitions. In the last 12 months Westhouse have been involved in over 20 transactions with a total value of over £1.5bn.

Westhouse has dealing relationships with over 400 UK institutional investors for whom they provide in-depth, quality research, advice and trading services. In addition, collaboration with Bryan, Garnier & Co, a leading European independent broking and corporate advisory firm, provides access to major European and US investors

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About Andy Crossley:

Andy is a member of the LSE Aim Advisory Group and was a director of Baronsmead VCT plc, and Chairman of its Audit Committee from 1999 to 2012.