British Land appoints Laura Wade-Gery as a Non-Executive Director

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The Board of The British Land Company PLC is pleased to announce the appointment of Laura Wade-Gery, Executive Director Multi Channel, Marks and Spencer Group p.l.c. as a Non-Executive Director with effect from 13 May 2015. Ms Wade-Gery will also join the Remuneration Committee.

John Gildersleeve, Chairman, said: "I am delighted with the appointment of Laura Wade-Gery who brings huge retail and consumer experience, particularly of e-commerce and multi-channel markets, to our Board."

Further details on Laura Wade-Gery:

Laura Wade-Gery was appointed Executive Director of Marks and Spencer Group p.l.c. in July 2011. Previously she served in a variety of senior roles at Tesco PLC including as CEO Tesco.com from 2004 to 2011. Ms Wade-Gery was Group Strategy Director of Tesco PLC from 2000 to 2003 and was a Non-Executive Director of Trinity Mirror plc from August 2006 to May 2012. She is also a Trustee of both the Royal Opera House and Aldeburgh Music.

Ms Wade-Gery has no further disclosures to make pursuant to LR 9.6.13 R.

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About British Land
We are one of Europe's largest publicly listed real estate companies. We own, manage, develop and finance a portfolio of high quality commercial property, focused on retail locations around the UK and London offices. We have total assets in the UK, owned or managed of £18.9 billion (of which British Land share is £13.6 billion), as valued at 31 March 2015. Our properties are home to over 1,200 different organisations ranging from international brands to local start-ups. Our objective is to deliver long-term and sustainable total returns to our shareholders and we do this by focusing on Places People Prefer. People have a choice where they work, shop and live and we aim to create outstanding places which make a positive difference to people's everyday lives. Our customer orientation enables us to develop a deep understanding of the people who use our places. We employ a lean team of experts, who have the skills to translate this understanding into creating the right places, and we have an efficient capital structure which is able to effectively finance these places.

UK Retail assets account for 55% of our portfolio. As the UK's largest listed owner and manager of retail space, our portfolio is well matched to the different ways people shop today. We are focused on being the destination of choice for retailers and their customers by being the best provider of spaces and services. Comprising around 22 million sq ft of retail space across shopping parks, superstores, shopping centres, department stores and leisure assets, the retail portfolio is modern, flexible and adaptable to a wide range of formats.

Our Office and Residential portfolio, which accounts for 45% of our portfolio is focused on London. We have an attractive mix of high quality buildings in well managed environments and a pipeline of development projects which will add significantly to our portfolio. Increasingly, our Offices are in mixed-use environments which include retail and residential elements. Our 6.7 million sq ft of high quality office space includes Regent's Place and Paddington Central in the West End and Broadgate, the premier city office campus (50% share).

Our size and substance demands a responsible approach to business. We believe leadership on issues such as sustainability helps drive our performance and is core to the delivery of our overall objective of driving shareholder value and creating Places People Prefer.

Further details can be found on the British Land website at www.britishland.com

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