

The Annual General Meeting of BlackRock Smaller Companies Trust plc will be held at the offices of BlackRock at **12 Throgmorton Avenue, London EC2N 2DL at 11.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 June 2023.**

Shareholder Reference Number

## The Annual Report can be viewed on:

**[www.blackrock.com/uk/individual/literature/annual-report/blackrock-smaller-companies-trust-plc-annual-report.pdf](http://www.blackrock.com/uk/individual/literature/annual-report/blackrock-smaller-companies-trust-plc-annual-report.pdf)**

## Form of Proxy – Annual General Meeting to be held on 20 June 2023

**Kindly Note:** This form is issued only to the addressee(s) and is specific to the unique designated account printed hereon. This personalised form is not transferable between different (i) account holders; or (ii) uniquely designated accounts. The Company and Computershare Investor Services PLC accept no liability for any instruction that does not comply with these conditions.

### Notes:

1. Please indicate with an "X" in the appropriate boxes how you wish to vote. If no direction is given, the proxy will vote or abstain from voting as he or she thinks fit. On any motion to amend a resolution, to propose a new resolution, to adjourn the Meeting and on any other motion put to the Meeting, the proxy will act at his/her discretion.
2. You can submit your proxy electronically at [www.eproxyappointment.com](http://www.eproxyappointment.com) by entering the Control Number, your PIN and SRN printed below. The latest date for the submission of proxy votes electronically is 11.30 a.m. on 16 June 2023.
3. To appoint one or more proxies or to give an instruction to a proxy (whether previously appointed or otherwise) via a designated voting platform, any such messages must be received by the issuer's agent prior to the specified deadline within the relevant system. For this purpose, the time of receipt will be taken to be the time (as determined by the timestamp generated by the relevant designated voting platform) from which the issuer's agent is able to retrieve the message. The Company may treat as invalid a proxy appointment sent via a designated voting platform in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001.
4. To be valid, this form of proxy must be received by the registrar **no later than 11.30 a.m. on Friday, 16 June 2023**. Please return the form of proxy to Computershare in the business reply paid envelope provided.
5. In the case of a corporation this form of proxy should be given under its common seal or signed on its behalf by an attorney or a duly authorised officer.
6. In the case of joint holders the vote of the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, will be accepted to the exclusion of the other joint holders. For this purpose, seniority is determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members in respect of the holding.
7. Shareholders have the right to appoint some other person(s) of their choice, who need not be a member of the Company, as his/her proxy to exercise all or any of his/her rights, to attend, speak and vote on their behalf at the Meeting.

If you wish to appoint a person other than the Chairman, please insert the name of your chosen proxy holder in the space provided (see reverse).

If the proxy is being appointed in relation to less than your full voting entitlement, please enter in the box next to the proxy holder's name (see reverse) the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy. If left blank your proxy will be deemed to be authorised in respect of your full voting entitlement, (or if this proxy form has been issued in respect of a designated account for a shareholder, the full voting entitlement for that designated account).

8. To appoint more than one proxy, (an) additional proxy form(s) may be obtained by contacting the Registrar's helpline on 0370 707 1649 or you may photocopy the reverse of this form. Please indicate in the box next to the proxy holder's name (see reverse) the number of shares in relation to which they are authorised to act as your proxy. Please also indicate by ticking the box provided if the proxy instruction is one of multiple instructions being given. All forms must be signed and returned together in the same envelope.
9. Pursuant to Regulation 41 of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001, entitlement to attend and vote at the Meeting and the number of votes which may be cast thereat will be determined by reference to the Register of Members of the Company at close of business on the day which is two business days before the day of the Meeting. Changes to entries on the Register of Members after that time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any person to attend and vote at the Meeting.
10. Appointment of a proxy does not prevent a member from attending and voting in person should he or she so wish.
11. A vote withheld is not a vote in law and will not be counted in the calculation of the proportion of votes 'for' and 'against' a resolution.

**To be valid, all votes must be lodged at the office of the Company's registrar at:**

**Computershare Investor Services PLC, The Pavilions, Bridgwater Road, Bristol BS99 6ZY by 11.30 a.m. on 16 June 2023.**

### All Named Holders:

**Control Number:** 9 1 8 5 3 6

**SRN.**

**PIN.**

**To lodge a vote using the internet**  
go to the following website:

**[www.eproxyappointment.com](http://www.eproxyappointment.com)**

You will be asked to enter the Control Number, Shareholder Reference Number and PIN as printed opposite and agree to certain terms and conditions.

## Form of Proxy

Please read the Notice of Meeting (in the Annual Report) before completing this form. The Annual Report can be viewed on: [www.blackrock.com/uk/individual/literature/annual-report/blackrock-smaller-companies-trust-plc-annual-report.pdf](http://www.blackrock.com/uk/individual/literature/annual-report/blackrock-smaller-companies-trust-plc-annual-report.pdf).

I/We hereby appoint the Chairman of the Meeting OR the following person

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Please leave this box blank if you have selected the Chairman. Do not insert your own name(s). Please refer to note 7 (see overleaf).

as my/our proxy to exercise all or any of my/our rights to attend, speak and vote in respect of my/our voting entitlement\* on my/our behalf at the Annual General Meeting of BlackRock Smaller Companies Trust plc to be held at 11.30 a.m. on **Tuesday, 20 June 2023** and at any adjournment thereof. I/We hereby authorise and instruct my/our said proxy to vote on the resolutions to be proposed at such Meeting as indicated below (see note 1 overleaf).

Please tick here if this proxy appointment is one of multiple appointments being made.\* ☐

\*For the appointment of more than one proxy, please refer to note 8 (see overleaf).

Please use a **black** pen. Mark with an **X** inside the box as shown in this example.



### Ordinary Resolutions:

	For	Against	Vote Withheld
1. To receive the report of the Directors and the financial statements for the year ended 28 February 2023, together with the report of the Auditors thereon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. To approve the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 28 February 2023	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. To approve the Directors' Remuneration Policy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. To approve a final dividend of 25.50p per ordinary share	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. To re-elect Ronald Gould as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. To re-elect Susan Platts-Martin as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. To re-elect Mark Little as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. To re-elect James Barnes as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. To re-elect Helen Sinclair as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. To re-appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as Auditors of the Company until the conclusion of the next AGM of the Company	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. To authorise the Audit Committee to determine the Auditors' remuneration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. To increase the aggregate maximum fees payable to Directors to £250,000 per annum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. To grant the Directors authority to allot shares	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Special Resolutions:

14. To authorise the Directors to disapply pre-emption rights in respect of issues of new ordinary shares or the sale of ordinary shares out of treasury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. To authorise the Directors to purchase the Company's ordinary shares for cancellation or to be held in treasury	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I/We would like my/our proxy to vote on the resolutions proposed at the Meeting as indicated on this form. Unless otherwise instructed the proxy may vote as he or she sees fit or abstain in relation to any business of the Meeting.

I/We wish to attend the Annual General Meeting

(Please tick if you wish to attend) ☐

Signature

Date

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In the case of a corporation, this proxy must be given under its common seal or be signed on its behalf by an attorney or officer duly authorised, stating their capacity (e.g. director, secretary).



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