

Hill & Smith Holdings PLC

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AGM Statement

Speaking at the Annual General Meeting of Hill & Smith which is being held today, David Winterbottom, Chairman, will make the following statement:

“The Group has made a good start to the new financial year and is currently trading a little ahead of expectations. Whilst the Board is mindful of the volatility of material costs, particularly steel, it believes that Hill & Smith is currently well placed to achieve another satisfactory outcome for the year as a whole.”

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