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### Tesco and Booker Merger gains Tesco shareholder approval

The Board of Tesco is pleased to announce that the resolution proposed at the General Meeting of Tesco held on 28 February 2018, seeking approval for the recommended share and cash merger with Booker Group plc (the "**Merger**"), as described in the circular to shareholders dated 5 February 2018, was duly passed by shareholders. Full details of the poll result are set out below.

	VOTES FOR	%	VOTES AGAINST	%	VOTES TOTAL	% of ISC VOTED	VOTES WITHHELD
To approve the Recommended Merger and to authorise the directors to allot shares	5,287,082,751	85.22	917,269,466	14.78	6,204,352,217	75.74%	42,375,130

Results of the poll can also be viewed on Tesco's website: <http://www.tescopl.com>

Please note a 'vote withheld' is not a vote under English law and is not counted in the calculation of votes 'for' and 'against' a resolution or the total number of votes cast.

The total number of shares in issue as at 6 p.m. on 27 February 2018, being the last practicable business day prior to the General Meeting, was 8,192,116,619 Ordinary Shares.

In accordance with Listing Rule 9.6.2, a copy of the resolution passed at the General Meeting will be submitted to the National Storage Mechanism and will shortly be available for inspection at [www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/NSM](http://www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/NSM).

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Terms used but not defined in this Announcement have the meaning set out in the announcement of the Merger released on 27 January 2017.

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The availability of New Tesco Shares under the Merger to Booker Shareholders who are not resident in the United Kingdom or the ability of those persons to hold such shares may be affected by the laws or regulatory requirements of the relevant jurisdictions in which they are resident. Persons who are not resident in the United Kingdom should inform themselves of, and observe, any applicable legal or regulatory requirements.

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