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## Introduction

On 19 January 2024, the boards of abrdn Property Income Trust Limited ("API") and Custodian Property Income REIT PLC ("CREI") announced that they had reached agreement on the terms and conditions of a recommended all-share merger pursuant to which CREI will acquire the entire issued and to be issued ordinary share capital of API, to be effected by means of a Court-sanctioned scheme of arrangement of API under Part VIII of the Companies Law (the "CREI Merger").

The scheme document containing, among other things, the full terms and conditions of the CREI Merger, the notices of the API Court Meeting and the API General Meeting, each convened for 28 February 2024, and details of the actions to be taken by API Shareholders, was posted to API Shareholders on 1 February 2024 (the "Scheme Document").

On 20 February 2024, the board of API confirmed that it had received an indicative proposal from Urban Logistics REIT plc ("Urban Logistics") regarding a possible all-share offer for API on the terms set out in an announcement published by Urban Logistics earlier that day (the "Possible Offer").

Adjournment of API Court Meeting and API General Meeting

The API Board is assessing the Possible Offer in the context of the CREI Merger and the other options available to API. To allow time for the API Board to make this assessment and for Urban Logistics to complete its due diligence and make a binding proposal, the API Board intends to adjourn the API Court

Meeting and the API General Meeting which were originally convened for 28 February 2024.

A further announcement will be made by the API Board in due course, updating API Shareholders on the Board's assessment. In the meantime, API Shareholders are advised to take no action in relation to the

Possible Offer from Urban Logistics.

In accordance with Section 4(c) of Appendix 7 of the Takeover Code, the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers will announce the deadline by which Urban Logistics must clarify its intentions in relation to API. There

can be no certainty that a firm offer will be made by Urban Logistics.

In view of these developments, the API Board recommends that API Shareholders do not

attend the API Court Meeting and the API General Meeting on 28 February 2024.

Notices of the API Court Meeting and the API General Meeting are contained in Part XIII and Part XIIII

respectively of the Scheme Document.

The API Board intends to adjourn the API Court Meeting and the API General Meeting so as to be reconvened and held on 20 March 2024 at 10.00 a.m. and 10.15 a.m. (or as soon thereafter as the API Court Meeting concludes or is further adjourned), respectively, at the offices of Addleshaw Goddard LLP, Milton Gate, 60 Chiswell Street, London EC1Y 4AG. In accordance with the API Articles, no new notice in respect of the API Court Meeting or the API General Meeting will be sent to shareholders. Further details

of the revised timetable will be set out by the API Board in due course.

Capitalised terms in this announcement, unless otherwise defined, have the same meaning as set out in the Scheme Document, a copy of which is available on API's website at <a href="https://www.abrdnpit.co.uk">www.abrdnpit.co.uk</a>. All

references to times in this announcement are to London time unless otherwise stated.

This announcement has been made without the consent of CREI and Urban Logistics.

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