# Directors, Officers and Advisers

#### **Executive Directors**

**Nicholas Vetch**, aged 55, Executive Chairman, is a co-founder of Big Yellow in September 1998. Prior to that, he was joint Chief Executive of Edge Properties plc, which he co-founded in 1989 which was subsequently listed on the Official List of the London Stock Exchange in 1996 and then sold to Grantchester Properties plc in 1998. He is also a Non-Executive Director of Local Shopping REIT plc.

James Gibson, aged 55, Chief Executive Officer and co-founder of Big Yellow Group PLC in September 1998. He is a Chartered Accountant by background having trained with Arthur Andersen & Co. where he specialised in the property and construction sectors, before leaving in 1989. He was Finance Director of Heron Property Corporation Limited and then Edge Properties plc which he joined in 1994. Edge Properties was listed on the Official List of the London Stock Exchange in 1996 and then sold to Grantchester Properties plc in 1998. He is also a Non-Executive Director and shareholder of Any Junk Limited, a Non-Executive Director and investor in Moby Self Storage, a Brazilian Self Storage start-up, and a Trustee of the London Children's Ballet.

**Adrian Lee**, aged 50, Operations Director, was previously a Senior Executive at Edge Properties plc, which he joined in 1996. Prior to that he was a corporate financier at Lazard for five years, having previously qualified as a surveyor at Knight Frank. He was appointed to the Board in May 2000.

**John Trotman**, aged 38, Chief Financial Officer, is a Chartered Accountant having trained with Deloitte LLP, where he specialised in the real estate sector and self storage. On leaving Deloitte in 2005, John worked for a subsidiary of the Kajima Corporation. He joined Big Yellow in June 2007, and was appointed to the Board in September 2007. He is a Director of the UK Self Storage Association.

### **Non-Executive Directors**

**Tim Clark,** aged 65, Non-Executive Director. He was a partner in Slaughter and May, one of the leading international law firms in the world, for 25 years; initially working as a corporate and M&A adviser to a range of companies and institutions and then for the last seven years as senior partner (before retiring in April 2008). He is the Chair of Water Aid UK, and a Senior Adviser to G3, and to Chatham House. He is also a member of the International Chamber of Commerce UK Governing Body, the Advisory Board of Uria Menendez, the Board of the Royal National Theatre and the Development Committee of the National Gallery. He is Chairman of the trustees of the Economist Trust and a member of the Audit Committee of the Wellcome Trust. He was appointed to the Board in August 2008, is the Senior Independent Director and is Chairman of the Remuneration and Nomination Committees.

**Richard Cotton,** aged 60, Non-Executive Director, headed the real estate corporate finance team at JP Morgan Cazenove until April 2009, and subsequent to that was a Managing Director of Forum Partners. Richard is currently the Chairman of Centurion Properties and a Non-Executive Director of Helical Bar plc as well as a Member of the Commercial Development Advisory Group of Transport for London. Richard joined the Board in July 2012.

**Georgina Harvey**, aged 51, Non-Executive Director, started her media career at Express Newspapers plc where she was appointed Advertising Director in 1994. She joined IPC Media Ltd in 1995 and went on to form IPC Advertising in 1998, where she was Managing Director. She was a member of the Board of IPC Media from 2000 and was Managing Director of the Regionals division of Trinity Mirror from 2005 to 2012, overseeing its transition to a digital platform. She is currently a Non-Executive Director of William Hill plc and of McColl's Retail Group plc. She joined the Board in July 2013.

Steve Johnson, aged 52, Non-Executive Director, started his career at Bain in the 1980s before joining Asda in 1993, where he carried out a number of roles, culminating in Marketing Director. He left Asda in 2000, to join GUS as a Sales & Marketing Director, departing in 2002 to take up his first CEO role at Focus DIY, where he remained until 2007. He joined Woolworths as part of the final turnaround team in late 2008. He has most recently been working as an operating executive for TPG, and was also the Executive Chairman of Dreams plc between July 2011 and October 2012. He is currently Executive Chairman of Poundworld. He joined the Board in September 2010.

Mark Richardson, aged 59, Non-Executive Director, retired from Deloitte in 2008 after a career there of 29 years, the last 19 as an audit partner specialising in clients in the Real Estate and Construction sectors. Mark is a trustee of the Natural History Museum Development Trust, a trustee of WWF-UK, and he is also a trustee and treasurer of the children's communication charity ICAN. He was appointed to the Board in July 2008 and is chairman of the Audit Committee.

## **Company Secretary and Registered office**

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#### Bankers

Lloyds Bank plc HSBC Bank plc Aviva Commercial Finance Limited M&G Investments Limited

#### Solicitors

CMS Cameron McKenna LLP Lester Aldridge LLP

## Financial advisers and stockbrokers

J P Morgan Cazenove

#### **Independent Auditor**

Deloitte LLP
Chartered Accountant and Statutory Auditors

#### Valuers

Cushman & Wakefield LLP Jones Lang LaSalle