

The Co-operative Bank p.l.c.

27 October 2015

Appointment of Senior Independent Director

The Co-operative Bank plc (the "Bank") has appointed Aidan Birkett as Senior Independent Director with effect from 27 October 2015.

Aidan joined the Board as an Independent Non-Executive Director in July 2015 and his new appointment has been approved by the Bank's Board.

Richard Coates, who has been acting as Interim Senior Independent Director since October 2014, will remain a member of the Board and Chair of the Audit Committee.

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About The Co-operative Bank

The Co-operative Bank plc provides a full range of banking products and services to almost 5 million retail and SME (Small and Medium Sized Enterprises) customers. The Bank is committed to values and ethics in line with the principles of the co-operative movement. The Co-operative Bank is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. The Co-operative Bank plc customers are protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS) in the UK.