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Ferguson plc (the "Company") announces that, in continuation of the share repurchase programme announced by the Company on 11 June 2019 (the "Programme"), it has entered into an irrevocable and non-discretionary arrangement with its broker Barclays Capital Securities Limited ("Barclays") commencing from 1 August 2019 and ending no later than 26 September 2019. Barclays, an independent third party, will act as principal and will make trading decisions concerning the timing of the purchases of the Company's shares independently of the Company. The maximum pecuniary amount allocated to this tranche of the Programme is £130 million. The value of shares repurchased by the Company under the Programme pursuant to the various arrangements entered into with its brokers will not, in aggregate, exceed US\$500 million.

As announced on 11 June 2019, the Company's shareholders generally authorised the Company to purchase up to a maximum of 23,185,045 of its ordinary shares on 25 April 2019 (which authority was granted on the same terms as the corresponding authority granted by shareholders at the 2018 Annual General Meeting held on 29 November 2018). Pursuant to such authority, the Company intends to continue purchasing shares until the conclusion of its Annual General Meeting expected to be held in November 2019 (the "2019 AGM"). The Company anticipates that it will request a similar general authority from shareholders at the 2019 AGM and confirms that the Programme will end no later than 10 June 2020. The aggregate number of shares acquired by the Company pursuant to the Programme shall not exceed the maximum number of shares which the Company is authorised to purchase pursuant to such general authorities. As announced on 11 June 2019, it is intended that any shares repurchased under the Programme will be transferred into Treasury.

The purpose of the Programme is to reduce the capital of Ferguson plc. To the extent required, Ferguson plc may in future use the repurchased shares to satisfy employee share options. Any purchases of shares by the Company in relation to the Programme will be carried out on the London Stock Exchange and in accordance with (and subject to the limits prescribed by) the Company's general authority to repurchase shares granted by its shareholders, the Market Abuse Regulation 596/2014 and Chapter 12 of the Financial Conduct Authority's Listing Rules.

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Notes to announcement

1. About Ferguson plc

Ferguson plc is the world's largest specialist trade distributor of plumbing and heating products to professional contractors principally operating in North America and the UK. Ongoing revenue for the year ended 31 July 2018 was \$20.8 billion and ongoing trading profit was \$1.5 billion. Ferguson plc is listed on the London Stock Exchange (LSE: FERG) and is in the FTSE 100 index of listed companies. On 10 May 2019, the Group completed the simplification of its corporate structure pursuant to which Ferguson plc was introduced as the new parent company of the Group. For more information, please visit [www.fergusonplc.com](http://www.fergusonplc.com) or follow us on Twitter [https://twitter.com/Ferguson\\_plc](https://twitter.com/Ferguson_plc)

2. Financial calendar

Ferguson plc will announce its 2019 Full Year Results on 1 October 2019.

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