## Air Partner plc

## Appointment of Paul Dollman as Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee

Air Partner plc, the global aviation services group ("Air Partner" or the "Company"), is pleased to announce that, following a comprehensive search process, Mr Paul Dollman has been appointed as Non-Executive Director of the Company with effect from 1 May 2019. He will also take up the role of Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, replacing Mr Shaun Smith, with effect from 26 June 2019, being the date of Air Partner's 2019 Annual General Meeting.

Paul has significant PLC experience and has held Chair and Non-Executive Director positions at a range of listed companies. In addition, he has excellent knowledge of the aviation industry, having been Group Finance Director at John Menzies PLC, the holding company of Menzies Aviation, from 2002 to 2013. He understands the sector's operational, strategic and commercial environment well, and is credited with nearly trebling Menzies Aviation in size during his tenure.

As announced on 25 October 2018, Shaun Smith will not stand for re-election at Air Partner's 2019 Annual General Meeting, having completed his three-year term as Non-Executive Director.

Ed Warner, Chair of Air Partner plc, said: "I am very pleased that Paul has joined the Air Partner board. He has a deep understanding of the aviation industry, which, coupled with his financial expertise, will be highly beneficial to Air Partner, further aligning the board's experience to the group's strategy. On behalf of the board, I would like to thank Shaun for his three years of service as Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, and wish him the best for the future."

**Paul Dollman added:** "Air Partner has a solid strategy in place to become a world class aviation services group and I am very much looking forward to using my experience from Menzies Aviation to support this. With a new Chair and strong management team in place, the Company is in a good position to further grow its product offering, customer base and geographical reach."

Paul's other current non-executive directorships include Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Wilmington PLC, Non-Executive Director of Scottish Amicable Life Assurance Society (part of Prudential plc), and Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Etihad Topco Limited, trading as Verastar. Paul was also previously Non-Executive Director and Chair of the Audit Committee of Arqiva group companies and Non-Executive Director and Chair of Smart Metering Systems plc.

In an executive capacity, Paul has previously held the position of Group Finance Director at William Grant & Sons Enterprises Limited and Inveresk PLC as well as a variety of roles at Clydesdale Group and PriceWaterhouse Coopers LLP.

This notification is made in accordance with LR 9.6.11R.

There are no further disclosures required for the purposes of Listing Rule 9.6.13.

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