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Pinewood Shepperton plc

Statement regarding proposed plans for the extension of Pinewood Studios

Pinewood Shepperton plc (“the Company”) today announces its intention to seek approval from the relevant planning authorities for a significant extension to Pinewood Studios, on land adjacent to the existing Pinewood site. This proposal, known as “Project Pinewood”, will create the world’s first purpose-built Film and Television ‘live-work’ community and ultimately a cluster for the wider creative industries. In doing this, Project Pinewood will combine the vocational requirements of the national and international film and television industries with the UK Government’s demand for sustainable communities.

The new development will be a “collage” of locations specifically designed for the production of film and television. The site will comprise permanent working sets of streetscapes and zones replicating locations across the UK, Europe and the US. These zones will include an amphitheatre, a complete castle, a Venetian canal, an Italian lakeside and street scenes from London, New York, Paris and Los Angeles. These permanent settings will give a significant boost to the speed, efficiency and creative options available for the production of Film and Television shows. They will also bring together the UK’s creative industries in one place and enhance Pinewood Studios’ position as one of the premier facilities for television and film production worldwide. As a key part of the design, Project Pinewood will also be a residential development, with the proposed creative community (expected to be in the region of 2000 and 2250 homes) being integrated with the film locations. It is anticipated that the project will create a sustainable community that will significantly contribute to the shortage of housing in the South East.

To date the scoping of this project has been funded by the Company, the costs of which are expected to be immaterial to its overall profitability. As with previous developments it has undertaken, the Company will consider the most appropriate method of financing Project Pinewood at the relevant time. The decision to proceed with the project will, in part, be dependent on the company’s ability to gain planning permission for the development, which is expected to take some time given that the proposed site is currently green belt land.

Commenting on today’s announcement, Ivan Dunleavy, Chief Executive of Pinewood Shepperton plc said:

“This is an ambitious and exciting project that is of national importance. Pinewood has been home to Film and Television for the last 70 years and this development will help secure growth for the creative industries for the next 70 years and beyond.

“Project Pinewood is consistent with the Company’s strategy, and in particular the aim to grow its media park. The facilities we create will complement Pinewood Shepperton’s existing unique infrastructure and we expect it to become an important additional incentive to bring global customers to the UK.

“Although still in its early stages and subject to planning approvals, the project has the potential to create significant value, while minimising risks to our shareholders.”

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A website containing further details and visual images of the scheme is available at www.projectpinewood.com.

Pinewood Shepperton plc management will host a conference call for newswires at 08.00hrs (UK time) on Thursday 15th November 2007. The number for this call is: +44 (0) 1452 561 263. The conference call ID number is 23888116.

Management will also be hosting an open house event for analysts, investors and media during the course of today at Brunswick Group, 16 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3ED. Please call Brunswick for further details.

Notes to Editors

Pinewood Shepperton plc enjoys a worldwide reputation as a premium destination for film and television production. Pinewood Studios is uniquely positioned to combine its current film and television infrastructure, resources and vision to undertake a development on this scale.

Pinewood is already established as a global player:

Pinewood Shepperton plc is the UK's leading player in Film and Television infrastructure and one of Europe's leading studios. Film and Television are major contributors to the UK's creative industries, which are, in turn, highly regarded internationally. Currently Europe is without an industry epicentre, unlike its counterparts in the USA.

Pinewood has a unique heritage within the UK creative industries:

Pinewood Shepperton plc has been home to Film and Television production in Europe for the last 70 years. This project will help secure the future for the screen industries in the UK for the next 70 years and beyond.

Pinewood is already a major employer of skills and talent:

Pinewood Shepperton plc (which owns and operates three studios: Pinewood; Shepperton and Teddington) is a major contributor to the growth of the creative industries in the UK, attracting talent and skills at every level. Project Pinewood will build on this, offering new opportunities for apprenticeships and training which will help fulfil Government objectives both for cultural industries and education.

Pinewood is in a pivotal location:

The company is uniquely positioned to deliver this project. Its Pinewood Studios are in an extremely advantageous location at the junction of the M25 and M40 motorways and adjacent to the new Crossrail station at Iver.

Although land around Pinewood Studios has historically been designated green belt, the existing studio site retains special planning status. Pinewood Shepperton plc believes this exceptional opportunity is in the national interest and believes it will meet with favourable approval. No public funding is being sought for Project Pinewood, which will be a significant economic boost to the creative and local communities. Project Pinewood will be built on land owned by and adjacent to the famous Pinewood studio complex.

Pinewood has the existing technology infrastructure to build on:

With digital cinema, HDTV capabilities and broadband connectivity the opportunity for collaborative, real time production is available from London to the world.

Other supporters of the project include the following:

Lord Puttnam:

"It has the potential to be genuinely transformational through the unique opportunities and resources it offers to the next generation of media professionals. The inclusion of the training infrastructure will unquestionably help to keep Britain at the heart of the global creative network."

Sir Ridley Scott:

"This project is a unique opportunity for film makers and designers to have input into the strategic and architectural development of the UK's creative hub. I am tremendously excited to see the opportunities of this project realised on screen in future film and television production."

Richard Curtis:

"I think this is a tremendous project, particularly for people who don't want to spend most of their lives in Eastern Europe. The practical benefits for film and television makers could be enormous, creating movies in one place - not several locations - and being right next to all the best film facilities."

Stewart Till, Chairman of UK Film Council:

"UK film is respected across the globe. We have world-class film makers in the UK and they deserve world-class facilities. Project Pinewood would deliver these and help secure the future of UK film for decades to come."

About Pinewood Shepperton plc

Pinewood Shepperton plc, comprising Pinewood, Shepperton and Teddington Studios is at the heart of British film and television infrastructure and is one of Europe's leading studio infrastructure groups.

The Company provides facilities for major national and international film production, filmed television, studio (electronic) television recording, the filming of commercials and post production services, and a growing community of over 280 media businesses.

Pinewood Shepperton plc is already working on a phased modernisation of its current studio site by adding to and upgrading its facilities - many of which date back to the 1930s. The initial elements are underway and pleasing progress has been made on subsequent stages. Whilst these developments are ongoing, expected growth in the creative economy will place further demand on Pinewood Studios.

Creative Industries accounts for £60.8 billion of the UK's GDP (7.3% of total GDP) and the screen industries with which Pinewood Studios is most notably associated represent 30% of the sector. Creative Industries is a vital sector for the growth of the UK economy and the UK holds an enviable reputation for innovation in this area.

DTZ acts as the Company's property adviser.

James Burland of Burland TM is the Masterplanner for Project Pinewood.