

CPUK Finance Limited

COVID-19 Impact

17 March 2020

Over the last few months, COVID-19 has spread across many countries around the world and on 11 March 2020 the World Health Organisation declared COVID-19 a pandemic.

As the situation has evolved, national governments have been continually issuing, reviewing and updating the guidance and advice that they are issuing to, amongst others, the public and businesses.

On 12 March 2020, the Government of the Republic of Ireland announced, amongst other things, a ban on indoor public gatherings exceeding 100 people and outdoor gatherings exceeding 500 people until 29 March 2020. In line with Government advice, Center Parcs Ireland closed its Longford Forest Holiday Village, which sits outside the CPUK Finance WBS structure, to guests from Friday 13 March 2020 until Sunday 29 March 2020.

The UK Government has been issuing continual guidance and advice as the number of COVID-19 cases in the UK increases. On 16 March 2020, Prime Minister Boris Johnson announced wide ranging measures that would limit all non-essential social contact, advised against non-essential travel, asked the public to avoid pubs, clubs, restaurants, theatres and social venues as well as a range of other measures and guidance.

Following the guidance and advice issued by the UK Government, Center Parcs has taken the decision to close its 5 UK Holiday Villages with effect from Friday 20 March 2020 until Thursday 16 April 2020. We will monitor Government guidance and take such further measures that are necessary and appropriate to our business. With the Government guidance severely restricting non-essential travel and social contact, we believe that it is in the best interests of all our stakeholders, specifically our guests and colleagues, to close our Holiday Villages for the immediate future. Guests who have a break booked during the closure period are being contacted to discuss the options available to them.

Center Parcs' Chief Executive Officer, Martin Dalby commented:

“COVID-19 presents a significant and unprecedented challenge to the global economy and people across the world. The situation is changing rapidly hour by hour, day by day. Governments, advised by medical and scientific advisers, continually update the guidance they are issuing to deal with an everchanging landscape. COVID-19 presents specific challenges to businesses in the leisure, hospitality and retail sectors. We are taking appropriate steps to ensure that we reflect Government guidance in our operations and so we have taken the decision to close our Holiday Villages with the interests of our guests and colleagues taking precedence. Whilst it is not clear how long it will take for the pandemic to recede, we are taking immediate, decisive and reasonable steps to manage our business and cost base to maintain cashflow. Center Parcs is a resilient business, owned and backed by Brookfield Asset Management. Both Center Parcs and Brookfield are confident that Center Parcs will emerge out of this and resume normal business operations.

Details of further updates will follow in due course together with details of a bondholder conference call to be held not later than Friday 20 March 2020

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