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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

6 July 2020

## De La Rue plc

## **Results of Capital Raising and General Meeting**

## £100m raised

On 17 June 2020, De La Rue plc ("**De La Rue**" or the "**Company**") announced details of a proposed Firm Placing and Placing and Open Offer (the "**Capital Raising**") to raise gross proceeds of £100 million, approximately £50 million by way of a Firm Placing of 45,410,026 New Ordinary Shares and approximately £50 million by way of a Placing and Open Offer of 45,499,065 New Ordinary Shares, in each case at an issue price of 110 pence per New Ordinary Share. The Open Offer Shares were conditionally placed with institutional investors, subject to clawback to satisfy valid applications by Qualifying Shareholders pursuant to the Open Offer. The Firm Placing Shares were not subject to clawback and were not part of the Open Offer.

The Open Offer closed for acceptances at 11:00 a.m. on 3 July 2020. The Company has received valid acceptances from Qualifying Shareholders under their Open Offer Entitlements in respect of 35,634,260 Open Offer Shares, representing approximately 78.32% of the Open Offer Shares. In addition, the Company has received applications from Qualifying Shareholders under the Excess Application Facility in respect of 14,287,017 Open Offer Shares, representing approximately 31.40% of the Open Offer Shares. Accordingly, Qualifying Shareholders who have validly applied for Open Offer Shares will receive their full Open Offer Entitlement. As applications under the Excess Application Facility will be scaled back in accordance with the terms set out in the prospectus published by the Company on 17 June 2020 (the "**Prospectus**").

The Company is also pleased to announce that, at the General Meeting of the Company held at 10:30 a.m. on 6 July 2020, the Resolutions (as set out in the Notice of General Meeting contained in the Appendix to the

Prospectus) were duly passed on a poll (in which every member present in person or by representative or proxy had one vote for each Ordinary Share held).

# Commenting on today's announcement, Chief Executive Officer Clive Vacher said:

"I am very pleased that the Company's shareholders voted so overwhelmingly in favour of all the resolutions required to allow us to complete our £100 million equity raise at today's shareholder meeting. This removes the material uncertainty reported in the Company's full year results on 17 June 2020 and in the directors' report of the Company's Annual Report for 2020, which related solely to the shareholder approval required to complete the equity raise.

"The equity raise will provide the Company with the financial and operational flexibility to ensure the success of the Turnaround Plan which we announced earlier this year. With this capital we will be able to strengthen our balance sheet, reduce our costs and invest in the exciting growth opportunities we see in Authentication, polymer banknote production and security features. I firmly believe this will drive improved returns and create long-term value for our shareholders."

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The poll results on the Resolutions, on which Computershare (the Company's registrar) acted as scrutineer, are as follows:

	RESOLUTION	FOR		AGAINST		TOTAL		WITHHELD
		Number of	% of	Number	% of	Votes Cast	% of	Number of
		Votes	Votes	of Votes	Votes		ISC	Votes
			Cast		Cast			
1	To approve the subscription by Crystal Amber Fund Limited of up to 8,733,313 new Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Firm Placing	57,624,304	99.38	359,452	0.62	57,983,756	55.75	13,075,750
2	To approve the subscription by Brandes Investment Partners L.P. of up to 10,844,025 new Ordinary Shares pursuant to the Firm Placing and the Placing	60,103,594	99.41	355,319	0.59	60,458,913	58.13	10,600,593
3	To authorise the allotment of new Ordinary Shares in the Company up to an aggregate nominal amount of £40,820,000 pursuant to the Capital Raising at an issue price of 110 pence per new Ordinary Share	70,704,139	99.55	319,221	0.45	71,023,360	68.29	36,146

1. Percentages are expressed as a proportion of the total votes cast (which does not include votes withheld).

2. A vote withheld is not a vote in law and is not included in the calculation of the votes 'For' or 'Against' the resolutions, nor the total votes cast.

- 3. Any proxy appointments which gave discretion to the Chairman of the meeting have been included in the 'For' totals.
- 4. As at 6:00 p.m. on 4 July 2020 (being the record time for the General Meeting), the Company had 103,997,862 Ordinary Shares in issue.

In accordance with Listing Rule 9.6.2R, a copy of the Resolutions will be submitted to the National Storage Mechanism, where they will shortly be available for inspection at <a href="https://data.fca.org.uk/#/nsm/nationalstoragemechanism">https://data.fca.org.uk/#/nsm/nationalstoragemechanism</a>. In addition, a copy of the Resolutions will also be filed with Companies House. The results of the General Meeting held on 6 July 2020 will be available to view on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.delarue.com">www.delarue.com</a>.

The passing of the Resolutions will enable the Company to proceed with the Capital Raising. The Capital Raising remains conditional upon:

- (i) Admission becoming effective by not later than 8:00 a.m. on 7 July 2020 (or such later time and/or date as the Company and the Joint Bookrunners may agree, not being later than 31 July 2020); and
- (ii) the Placing Agreement becoming unconditional in all respects, save for the condition relating to Admission, and not having been terminated in accordance with its terms before Admission occurs.

Applications have been made for the admission of 90,909,091 New Ordinary Shares to the premium listing segment of the Official List of the Financial Conduct Authority ("**FCA**") and to trading on the London Stock Exchange's main market for listed securities. It is expected that Admission will become effective and that dealings in the New Ordinary Shares will commence at 8:00 a.m. on 7 July 2020.

The New Ordinary Shares will, when issued and fully paid, rank *pari passu* in all respects with the Existing Ordinary Shares, including the right to receive all dividends and other distributions made, paid or declared after the date of issue of the New Ordinary Shares.

The total issued share capital of the Company following Admission will comprise 194,906,953 Ordinary Shares carrying one vote each and 111,673,300 Deferred Shares which do not carry any voting rights. No Ordinary Shares are held in treasury. Therefore, the total number of shares over which voting rights in the Company are held will be 194,906,953 and this figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change in their interest in, the share capital of the Company under the FCA's Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules.

Unless otherwise defined, the terms used in this announcement shall have the same meaning as set out in the Prospectus.

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Accordingly, subject to certain exceptions, the Capital Raising was not and will not be made in the United States and neither this announcement, the Application Form nor the Prospectus constitute or will constitute an offer, or an invitation to apply for, or an invitation to subscribe for or acquire any New Ordinary Shares in the United States.

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The New Ordinary Shares to be issued or sold pursuant to the Firm Placing and Placing and Open Offer will not be admitted to trading on any stock exchange other than the London Stock Exchange.

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