

Independent Assurance Report to the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC

We have been engaged by the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC to perform a limited assurance engagement relating to the description of activities undertaken to meet the Recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (“TCFD”) and Selected Environmental, Social and Governance metrics (“Selected ESG metrics”) (together the “Selected Information”) within the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022 and where reported within the Regulatory News Service (“RNS”) announcement for the year ended 30 June 2022.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC those matters we have agreed to state to them in this report and for no other purpose. Without assuming or accepting any responsibility or liability in respect of this report to any party other than Barratt Developments PLC and the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC, we acknowledge that the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC may choose to make this report publicly available for others wishing to have access to it, which does not and will not affect or extend for any purpose or on any basis our responsibilities. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Barratt Developments PLC and the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC as a body, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusions we have formed.

Scope of our work

We performed our work in accordance with the International Standard for Assurance Engagements (“ISAE”) 3000 (Revised)¹ (“ISAE 3000”) and International Standard for Assurance Engagements (“ISAE”) 3410² (“ISAE 3410”) on the Selected Information.

The scope includes the Selected ESG metrics in the table below and as indicated with a * in the Annual Report and in the RNS, and the TCFD as disclosed on pages 58-69 in the Annual Report.

Selected ESG Metrics	Unit of Measurement	Reported Value
Scope 1 emissions	tCO ₂ e	23,234
Market based Scope 2 emissions	tCO ₂ e	1,840
Location based Scope 2 emissions	tCO ₂ e	4,802
Selected scope 3 emissions categories		
Category 3: Fuel and energy related activities		5,748
Category 6: Business travel		3,511
Category 11: Use of sold products	tCO ₂ e	1,244,317
Market based carbon intensity	tonnes CO ₂ e/100m ² legally completed build area	1.53
Location based carbon intensity	tonnes CO ₂ e/100m ² legally completed build area	1.71
Scope 1 energy consumption	MWh	105,493
Scope 2 energy consumption	MWh	22,696
	MWh	128,189

¹ ISAE 3000 (Revised) International Standard for Assurance Engagements other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information, issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

² ISAE 3410 Assurance Engagements on Greenhouse Gas Statements, issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

Reportable Injury Incidence Rate ("IIR")	per 100,000 persons including subcontractors	262
Health and Safety (Safety, Health and Environment ("SHE")) audit compliance)	%	97%
Construction waste intensity	Tonnes per 100 sq. m of legally completed build area	4.97
Diversion of construction waste from landfill	%	96%

Our limited assurance conclusion

Based on the procedures we have performed as described in this report and the evidence we have obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Selected Information, as set out above, for the year ended 30 June 2022 for Barratt Developments PLC is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the applicable criteria.

Respective responsibilities of the directors and assurance provider

The Directors of Barratt Developments PLC are responsible for:

- Making available all necessary records, correspondence, information and explanations necessary to allow the successful completion of the Services;
- Selecting or establishing suitable criteria for preparing the Selected Information;
- The preparation and presentation of the Selected Information in accordance with the criteria;
- Designing, implementing and maintaining internal processes and control over information relevant to the preparation of the Selected Information that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- Measuring and reporting the Selected Information based on the applicable criteria.

We are responsible for:

- Planning and performing the engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the Selected Information is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
- Forming an independent conclusion, based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained; and
- Reporting our conclusion in the form of an independent limited assurance opinion to the Directors of Barratt Developments PLC.

As we are engaged to form an independent conclusion on the Selected Information as prepared by Barratt Developments PLC, we were not permitted to be involved in the preparation of the Selected Information as doing so may compromise our independence.

This is the first year in which we have been engaged to provide assurance over the Selected Information and therefore we have not given an opinion on comparative information for earlier periods.

Criteria

The Selected Information, as listed above, needs to be read and understood together with the applicable criteria which:

- For the Selected ESG metrics, are defined within the Basis of Reporting prepared and published by Barratt Developments PLC at <https://www.barrattdevelopments.co.uk/building-sustainably/our-publications-and-policies/publications>.
- For the TCFD disclosures, are Section C of the TCFD Annex³ entitled 'Guidance for all sectors'.

³ [Implementing the Recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures](#)

The applicable criteria for the Selected ESG metrics are defined by Barratt Developments PLC. The nature of those metrics and absence of consistent external standards allow for different, but acceptable, measurement methodologies to be adopted which may result in variances between entities. The adopted measurement methodologies may also impact comparability of the information reported by different organisations and from year to year within an organisation as methodologies develop.

What we did: key assurance procedures

We are required to plan and perform our work to address the areas where we have identified that a material misstatement of the Selected Information is likely to arise. The procedures we performed were based on our professional judgment. In carrying out our limited assurance engagement in respect of the Selected Information, we performed the following procedures:

- Evaluated the suitability of the criteria as the basis for preparing the Selected Information;
- Through inquiries of management, obtained an understanding of Barratt Developments PLC control environment, processes and information systems relevant to the preparation of the Selected Information, but did not evaluate the design of particular control activities, obtain evidence about their implementation or test their operating effectiveness;
- Considered the risk of material misstatement, including analytical review procedures;
- Reviewed documentation relating to the governance, strategy and financial planning and risk management processes;
- Interviewed those responsible within the organisation to understand:
 - the role of the Board in relation to climate-related risk and opportunities and management's role in assessing and managing climate-related risks and opportunities;
 - the nature of climate-related risk and opportunities identified including time horizons; the impact of climate-related risks and opportunities on the business, strategy and financial planning; and the impact of identified and considered climate scenarios on the strategy; and
 - the process for identifying climate-related risks; the process for managing climate-related risks; and how these processes are integrated into the overall risk management.
- Evaluated and reviewed the draft TCFD disclosures for consistency of knowledge and understanding obtained during course of our work;
- Read the reports and narrative accompanying the Selected Information with regard to the applicable criteria, and for consistency with our findings; and
- Accumulated misstatements and control deficiencies identified and assessed whether material.

Additionally, in relation to the Selected ESG metrics only, we:

- Performed enquires and interviews with management to understand how the applicable criteria have been applied in the preparation of the Selected ESG Metrics;
- Understood internal controls, the quantification process and data used in preparing the Selected Information, the methodology for gathering qualitative information, and the process for preparing and reporting the Selected ESG Metrics;
- Inspected documents relating to the Selected ESG Metrics, including board committee minutes and internal audit outputs to understand the level of management awareness and oversight of the Selected ESG Metrics;
- Performed procedures over the Selected ESG Metrics, including recalculation of relevant formulae used in manual calculations and assessment whether the data has been appropriately consolidated;

- Performed procedures over underlying data on a sample basis to assess whether the data has been collected and reported in accordance with the applicable criteria, including verifying to source documentation; and
- Performed procedures over the Selected ESG Metrics including assessing management's assumptions and estimates.

We were not engaged to and did not perform the following procedures as part of our assurance work:

- An assessment as to if the activities undertaken, as described in the TCFD disclosures, fulfil the requirements to comply in full with TCFD.
- An assessment as to the appropriateness of assumptions made including those made in preparation and application of climate scenarios and setting of targets.
- Testing of the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of controls over the underlying data, nor have we sought to obtain an understanding of the systems and controls beyond those relevant to the Selected Information.

Our engagement provides limited assurance as defined in ISAE 3000 and ISAE 3410. The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement and consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed.

Inherent limitations

Inherent limitations exist in all assurance engagements due to the selective enquiry of the information being examined. Therefore fraud, error or non-compliance may occur and not be detected.

Our engagement provides limited assurance over the preparation of the Selected Information in accordance with the applicable criteria. The TCFD as applied by all companies includes information based on climate-related scenarios that are subject to inherent uncertainty because of incomplete scientific and economic knowledge about the likelihood, timing or effect of possible future physical and transitional climate-related impacts. For the avoidance of doubt, the scope of our engagement and our responsibilities do not involve us performing work necessary for any assurance on the reliability, proper compilation or accuracy of the prospective information provided as part of the TCFD scenario analysis.

We draw your attention to the following specific limitations:

- The Reportable IIR metric is derived from reported injuries relating to employees and subcontractors. As a result, our testing may not identify misstatements relating to completeness, for example in instances where injuries may have occurred but have not been reported.
- The SHE Audit Compliance metric involves an inherent level of judgement regarding the allocation of compliance and site-level risk ratings. As a result, our procedures did not include validation that the compliance and site-level risk rating allocations made by management are appropriate.

Our independence and competence in providing assurance to Barratt Developments PLC

In conducting our engagement, we have complied with the FRC's Ethical Standard and the ICAEW Code of Ethics which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behavior.

We complied with Deloitte's independence policies, which address and, in certain cases, exceed the requirements of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* in their role as independent auditors, and in particular preclude us from

taking financial, commercial, governance and ownership positions which might affect, or be perceived to affect, our independence and impartiality, and from any involvement in the preparation of the Selected Information.

Our team consisted of a combination of Chartered Accountants and professionals with relevant ESG experience. We have applied the International Standard on Quality Control 1 and, accordingly, maintain a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deloitte LLP". The script is cursive and fluid, with the letters connected. The "D" is large and loops around the "e". The "LLP" is written in a similar cursive style.

Deloitte LLP

London, UK

6th September 2022