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Dear Sir

J Sainsbury Announces: AGM Statement/New Board Appointment/Results of AGM.

Please find enclosed copies of the above announcements made to the London Stock Exchange on 11 July 2007.

Yours sincerely

**Hazel Jarvis**  
Deputy Secretary

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3. To declare a final dividend of 7.35 pence per ordinary share	674,430,094	100.00	33,559	0.00	111,889
4. To elect Val Gooding as a Director	673,279,507	99.84	1,078,036	0.16	204,781
5. To re-elect Justin King as a Director	664,085,067	99.55	3,033,421	0.45	7,065,951
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7. To authorise the Audit Committee to agree the Auditors' remuneration.	669,775,009	99.31	4,619,792	0.69	168,708
8. To authorise J Sainsbury plc to make "political donations" and incur "political expenditure"	665,907,252	98.80	8,084,763	1.20	583,807
9. To authorise Sainsbury's Supermarkets Ltd to make "political donations" and incur "political expenditure"	668,740,241	99.23	5,164,569	0.77	608,480
10. To authorise the Directors to allot shares	666,144,268	98.81	8,040,174	1.19	321,702
11. To authorise the Directors to disapply statutory pre-emption rights (Special Resolution)	673,079,499	99.86	949,131	0.14	529,937
12. To authorise the Company to purchase its own shares (Special Resolution).	673,742,277	99.91	587,907	0.09	224,043
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"Over the year we grew like-for-like sales excluding fuel by 5.9 per cent delivering our ninth consecutive quarter of like-for-like sales growth in the fourth quarter of the year. This result represented growth on growth and demonstrated continued improvement and momentum. We have already announced our quarter one results for 2007/08 demonstrating this momentum has been maintained.

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"Over the year we grew like-for-like sales excluding fuel by 5.9 per cent delivering our ninth consecutive quarter of like-for-like sales growth in the fourth quarter of the year. This result represented growth on growth and demonstrated continued improvement and momentum. We have already announced our quarter one results for 2007/08 demonstrating this momentum has been maintained.

"We have recently announced new three-year targets which build on the strong progress we've made to date and move us from recovery to sustainable growth. The new three-year targets overlap the final year of our MSGA recovery plan and run until March 2010. Our focus on driving sales continues with a target to deliver £3.5 billion of additional sales growth between March 2007 and March 2010, split two-thirds from grocery and one-third from non-food.

"Our current store estate provides substantial development opportunities and we intend to extend a further 75 stores by March 2010. We're also actively seeking and developing a pipeline of new stores. Our target is to grow space by ten per cent over the next three years, which will be split equally across grocery and non-food ranges. This goal enables us to continue to develop a great food offer while also growing total space for non-food ranges."

In closing the AGM, Philip will thank shareholders for their continued support.

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**Notes**

1. Refer to separate release dated 11 July 2007.
2. The AGM will take place at 11:00am on 11 July 2007 at The QEII Conference Centre, Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, London SW1P 3EE.

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