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Shires Income (UK): Scheme of Reconstruction with Aberdeen Equity Income Trust (UK)

Informative Notice

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FTSE Russell notes the proposed Scheme of reconstruction and voluntary winding up of Shires Income (UK, 0805250, FTSE SmallCap Index) whereby shareholders will receive shares in Aberdeen Equity Income Trust (UK, 0603959, FTSE SmallCap Index), or can elect to receive a cash alternative in exchange for their current holdings, with the cash alternative offered to a maximum of 25% of Shires Income shares.

Subject to shareholder approval and based on the current timetable, FTSE Russell anticipates the following treatment:

Tuesday 17 March 2026:

Expected announcement of the stock terms and the election results.

FTSE Russell is expected to announce confirmed index changes, subject to the timely announcement of the stock terms.

Please note: Shires Income is expected to suspend prior to disclosure of the stock terms and election results. In the absence of an active market, the close price will be updated to reflect the default option of stock terms in Aberdeen Equity Income Trust.

Friday 20 March 2026: (at the earliest, assuming two days' notice subsequent to disclosure of the stock terms and election results):

Shires Income will be deleted from FTSE Russell Indices.

Aberdeen Equity Income Trust will remain within its existing indices with shares increased in accordance with the stock terms and election results.

FTSE Russell will issue a further notice confirming index treatment in due course.

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