

## **COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following is a Company Announcement issued by AX Group p.l.c. (the "Company") pursuant to the Listing Rules, as issued by the Listing Authority:

## Quote

The Board of Directors and Management of the Company have been carefully assessing and monitoring the resurgence of the COVID-19 pandemic in Malta. The Group wishes to advise and clarify certain misinformation that has been reported in some press and online portals.

It is true that some residents and staff at the Simblija Care Home have contracted the virus. The Simblija Care Home was one of the few care homes in Malta that was unaffected by the virus during the first wave of the pandemic. The Management of Simblija care home continued to exercise great care to look after and safeguard the residents of the home throughout and have strictly followed all the guidance and protocols required by the Public Health Authorities. Unfortunately, during this new wave of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Simblija Care Home has also been effected.

Management took immediate precautions to limit the spread of the virus within the home. We have enhanced our cleaning and fumigation protocols further, ensure that all staff and residents are using the necessary protective gear and have segregated key employees working in the ward effected by the virus from the other employees in Simblija and Hilltop Gardens Retirement Village.

Management are working closely with the Public Health Authorities in managing the situation and are in regular contact with the said authorities to look after the well-being of those residents and staff who have contacted the virus as well as that of all other residents in the home.

The Board of Directors and Executive Management team of the Company is monitoring the situation and will make further announcements should they be warranted at any point in time.

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