



## **Origin Enterprises announces Chair Succession**

### **Rose Hynes to be succeeded by Gary Britton at 2022 AGM**

**10 June, 2022:** Origin Enterprises plc ('Origin' or 'the Group'), the international Agri-Services group, providing specialist agronomy advice, crop inputs and digital agricultural solutions to farmers, growers, landscapers and amenity professionals, announces that Non-Executive Chairman, Rose Hynes, has informed the Board she will not seek re-election at the 2022 AGM. Rose Hynes has served as Chairman since October 2015.

In line with the Board's succession planning process, Origin's Senior Independent Director, Gary Britton, has been appointed as Chair Designate to succeed Ms Hynes at the conclusion of the AGM on 22 November, 2022.

Gary Britton joined the Board as a Non-Executive Director in October 2015 and was appointed as Senior Independent Director in January 2021. He is currently Chairman of the Audit & Risk Committee and a member of the Nomination & Corporate Governance Committee.

Gary is a former partner in KPMG where he served in a number of senior positions, including on the firm's Board, on the Remuneration and Risk Committees and as head of its Audit Practice. Gary is currently a Non-Executive Director at Cairn Homes plc and was formerly a Non-Executive Director of The Irish Stock Exchange plc and KBC Bank Ireland plc. Gary is a Fellow of Chartered Accountants Ireland and a member of the Institute of Directors in Ireland.

As part of a programme of ongoing refreshment and renewal, the Origin Nomination & Corporate Governance Committee is also engaged in a process to appoint two Non-Executive Directors to the Board. Updates to membership of Origin's Board Committees will be announced in due course.

Rose Hynes, Chairman, commented: *"It has been a privilege to lead the Board of Origin Enterprises. Over the past seven years, we have continued to diversify and grow the business and position Origin as a leading agri-services group. I have been fortunate to work alongside outstanding people, both on the Board and within the wider business. I am delighted to hand over to Gary who will continue to drive the growth and development of the business to generate sustainable long-term value for all stakeholders."*

Sean Coyle, Group CEO, added: *"On behalf of the Origin management team, I would like to thank Rose for her contribution to Origin during her tenure as Chairman. Her support and leadership have been invaluable and she leaves the Group in a position of strength. We wish her well in her future endeavours. I would also like to congratulate Gary on his appointment and look forward to working with him in the years ahead as we work to deliver on our strategic ambitions for the Group."*

Gary Britton, Chair Designate, concluded: *"I am delighted to accept the role of Chairman and to succeed Rose who has been an outstanding Chairman over the past seven years. I look forward to embracing the challenge and to working with the Origin team to continue to build on existing strong capabilities in sustainable land use in the coming years."*

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