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If you have sold or otherwise transferred all of your shares in Personal Assets Trust plc, please send this document, together with the accompanying form of proxy, as soon as possible, to the purchaser or transferee, or to the stockbroker, bank or other agent through whom the sale or transfer was effected, for onward transmission to the purchaser or transferee.

PERSONAL ASSETS TRUST PLC

*(Incorporated in Scotland with registered number SC074582)
(An investment company within the meaning of section 833 of the Companies Act 2006)*

Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting to renew the Board's authority to issue further Shares and to seek the authority to hold general meetings (other than an annual general meeting) on 14 clear days' notice

Notice of an extraordinary general meeting of Personal Assets Trust plc to be held at 10 St. Colme Street, Edinburgh, EH3 6AA on Monday, 13 December 2010 at 10.00 a.m. is set out at the end of this document. To be valid, the form of proxy accompanying this document must be completed and returned, in accordance with the instructions printed on it, so as to be received by the Company's registrars, Equiniti Limited, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, West Sussex BN99 6ZR, as soon as possible, but in any event not later than 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 9 December 2010.

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EXPECTED TIMETABLE

2010

Latest time and date for receipt of forms of proxy from Shareholders	10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 9 December
Extraordinary general meeting	10.00 a.m. on Monday, 13 December

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

PERSONAL ASSETS TRUST PLC

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Hamish Buchan (Chairman)
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Frank Rushbrook

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10 St. Colme Street
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19 November 2010

Dear Shareholder

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING TO RENEW THE BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO ISSUE FURTHER SHARES AND TO SEEK THE AUTHORITY TO HOLD GENERAL MEETINGS (OTHER THAN AN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING) ON 14 CLEAR DAYS' NOTICE

Introduction

In order to meet the continuing demand for the Company's Shares, the Board wishes to seek an early renewal of its authority to issue further Shares.

The purpose of this document is, therefore, to convene an extraordinary general meeting at which appropriate new shareholder authorities will be sought. A resolution will also be proposed at the EGM to permit the Company to call general meetings (other than an annual general meeting) on 14 clear days' notice. The EGM will be held at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, 13 December 2010 at 10 St. Colme Street, Edinburgh, EH3 6AA.

Reasons for requiring an early renewal of the Board's authorities

At the annual general meeting of the Company which was held on 22 July 2010, Shareholders granted the Board standard authorities to allot (and, as the case may be, to reissue from treasury) up to an agreed maximum number of Shares on a non pre-emptive basis during the period from that annual general meeting until the Company's next annual general meeting, which is expected to be held in July 2011.

The authorities which were granted to the Board included, more specifically:

- an authority to allot new Shares with an aggregate nominal value of up to £1,026,125 (effectively amounting, therefore, to an authority to allot up to 82,090 new Shares); and
- an authority to allot new Shares, and to reissue Shares from treasury, with an aggregate nominal value of up to £1,026,125 on a non pre-emptive basis for cash (again effectively amounting, therefore, to an authority to allot and/or reissue up to 82,090 Shares).

These authorities are due to expire at the conclusion of the Company's next annual general meeting (or on 22 October 2011, if earlier), unless Shareholders resolve to revoke, vary or extend those authorities at an earlier date.

In the period from 22 July 2010 to 18 November 2010, the Board has exercised its existing authorities in issuing 61,000 new Shares on a non pre-emptive basis for cash and at a premium to the prevailing NAV. No Shares were issued from treasury during that period, the Company having exhausted its entire holding of treasury shares prior to the period. Accordingly, as at 18 November 2010, the Company had the capacity to issue only a further 21,090 new Shares on a non pre-emptive basis for cash under the existing authorities. The Board believes that this current capacity may prove insufficient to allow the Board to continue to implement the Company's premium control policy and to satisfy demand for the Company's Shares during the period up to the Company's next annual general meeting.

Intentions regarding the issue of further Shares

Investment trusts have long suffered from volatile discounts to NAV. Sometimes, too, the shares of individual investment trusts may sell temporarily at a significant premium to NAV. This can put those investing regularly through investment plans at a disadvantage, because they may find themselves buying shares at a sizeable premium which almost certainly will not be sustained and which will therefore have an adverse effect on the return from their investment. In view of the disadvantages to shareholders of such discount and premium fluctuations, the Board's policy, which was incorporated in the Company's articles of association by resolution of Shareholders at the annual general meeting held on Thursday 17 July 2008, is to ensure that the Shares always trade at close to NAV. The Board seeks to achieve this through a combination of share buy-backs and, of equal importance, the issue of new Shares at a small premium to net asset value when demand exceeds supply.

The Board considers that the Company's continuing ability to issue Shares at a premium in order to prevent a building up of excessive demand for the Shares is necessary to fulfil the obligation laid upon the Board by the Company's articles of association to reduce the risk of volatility in the price of a Share relative to its net asset value and, accordingly, the Board considers that successfully securing the authorities which are to be sought from Shareholders at the EGM is essential to the Company's ability to continue the effective operation of its premium control mechanism.

The Directors will only issue new Shares (or, as the case may be, re-issue Shares from treasury) when they believe that it is advantageous to the Company's Shareholders to do so and in no circumstances would any issue of new Shares or re-issue of Shares from treasury be at an issue price which would result in a dilution of NAV.

Prospectus requirement

The Prospectus Rules provide that where a company wishes to apply for the admission to trading on a regulated market of shares representing, over a period of 12 months, 10 per cent. or more of that company's shares which are already admitted to trading on that regulated market, then the company concerned is required to issue a prospectus.

In March this year, the Company anticipated it was likely to exceed the rolling 12 months' 10 per cent. limit on applications for admission to trading in the course of operating its premium control policy. Accordingly, the Company published a prospectus on 9 April 2010 in relation to the admission of up to an additional 80,688 new Shares.

As at 18 November 2010 the Company had issued 73,307 out of the maximum 80,688 new Shares which were available for issue under the Prospectus. The Board anticipates that, unless the aggregate number of New Shares which may be issued under the Prospectus is increased, the balance of New Shares available for issue under the Prospectus would be insufficient for the Company to continue to operate its premium control policy and to satisfy the demand for the Company's Shares in the period to 31 March 2011 (at which date the Prospectus will cease to be valid). Accordingly, the Board intends, subject to the approval of the UK Listing Authority, to increase the aggregate number of New Shares which may be issued under the Prospectus from 80,688 New Shares to 280,688 New Shares (inclusive of the New Shares which have been issued under the Prospectus on or prior to the date of this document).

The EGM is being convened to request the authorities required to allow the Company to issue the balance of the proposed increased number of new Shares which would, subject to the approval of the UK Listing Authority, remain available to be issued under the Prospectus. The authorities are being sought at a level which will allow the Board to issue new Shares after 31 March 2011 (at which date the Prospectus will cease to be valid), in relation to which period a further prospectus is likely to be required.

Further Shares will be issued at a level of premium to NAV such that no issue of Shares is expected to be dilutive to NAV after taking into account the other costs of the issue.

Notice period for general meetings

The Company's articles of association enable the Company to call general meetings (other than an annual general meeting) on 14 clear days' notice. In order for this to be effective, the Shareholders must also approve annually the calling of meetings other than annual general meetings on 14 days' notice. Resolution 3 will be proposed at the EGM to seek such approval. The approval will be effective until the Company's next annual general meeting, when it is intended that a similar resolution will be proposed. The Company will also need to meet the requirements for electronic voting under the Companies Act 2006, offering facilities for all Shareholders to vote by electronic means, before it can call a general

meeting on 14 days' notice. The Directors believe it is in the best interests of the Shareholders for the shorter notice period to be available to the Company, although it is intended that this flexibility will only be used for early renewals of the Board's authority to issue new Shares and non-routine business and only where merited in the interests of Shareholders as a whole.

Extraordinary general meeting

The notice convening the EGM is set out on pages 7 and 8 of this document. The EGM will be held at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, 13 December 2010 at 10 St. Colme Street, Edinburgh, EH3 6AA.

The following items of business will be proposed at the EGM:

Resolution 1

Resolution 1 is to authorise the Directors to issue new Shares up to an aggregate nominal amount of £3,750,000, representing 33.8 per cent. of the total ordinary share capital of the Company in issue as at 18 November 2010 (the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this document). As at the date of this document, no Shares were held by the Company in treasury. The Directors intend to exercise this authority for the purposes explained in the section entitled "*Intentions regarding the issue of further Shares*" above. If approved by Shareholders, the authority conferred by resolution 1 will continue in effect until 22 October 2011 or, if earlier, the conclusion of the Company's next annual general meeting. Resolution 1 will be proposed as an ordinary resolution.

Resolution 2

Resolution 2 is to enable the Directors to issue new Shares and resell Shares held in treasury up to an aggregate nominal amount of £3,750,000 (representing 33.8 per cent. of the total ordinary share capital in issue as at 18 November 2010 (the latest practicable date prior to the publication of this document)) for cash without first offering such Shares to existing Shareholders pro rata to their existing shareholdings. Resolution 2 will be proposed as a special resolution.

Resolution 3

Resolution 3 is to enable the Company to call general meetings (other than an annual general meeting) on 14 clear days' notice. The effect of this resolution is explained further in the section entitled "*Notice period for general meetings*" above. Resolution 3 will be proposed as a special resolution.

Action to be taken

Shareholders will find enclosed with this document a form of proxy for use in connection with the EGM. Whether or not Shareholders propose to attend the EGM, they are requested to complete, sign and return the form of proxy as soon as possible, in accordance with the instructions printed on it.

To be valid, the enclosed form of proxy must be lodged with the Company's registrars, Equiniti Limited, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, West Sussex BN99 6ZR, as soon as possible and, in any event, so as to arrive by not later than 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 9 December 2010. The completion and return of the form of proxy will not prevent a Shareholder from attending and voting in person at the EGM.

Recommendation

The Directors consider that the passing of the resolutions set out in the notice of the EGM is in the best interests of the Company and its Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Directors unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of the resolutions to be proposed at the EGM.

The Directors intend to vote in favour of each of the resolutions in respect of their own beneficial holdings of Shares (amounting to 19,052 Shares, representing 2.2 per cent. of the issued share capital of the Company).

Yours faithfully,

Hamish Buchan
Chairman

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply throughout this document unless the context requires otherwise:

“Board” or “Directors”	the directors of the Company from time to time;
“Company”	Personal Assets Trust plc, a company incorporated in Scotland with the registered number SC074582;
“EGM”	the extraordinary general meeting of the Company convened for 10.00 a.m. on Monday, 13 December 2010 or any adjournment of that meeting;
“London Stock Exchange”	London Stock Exchange plc;
“net asset value” or “NAV”	in relation to a share, means its net asset value on the relevant date as calculated on the basis of the relevant company’s normal accounting policies;
“Official List”	the official list of the UK Listing Authority;
“Prospectus”	the prospectus issued by the Company dated 9 April 2010 and all supplementary prospectuses issued by the Company in relation thereto;
“Prospectus Rules”	the prospectus rules made by the Financial Services Authority under Part VI of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (as amended) from time to time;
“Shares”	ordinary shares of £12.50 each in the capital of the Company;
“Shareholders”	holders of Shares; and
“UK Listing Authority”	the Financial Services Authority, acting in its capacity as the competent authority for the purposes of Part VI of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (as amended).

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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an extraordinary general meeting of Personal Assets Trust plc (the "Company") will be held at 10 St. Colme Street, Edinburgh, EH3 6AA on Monday, 13 December 2010 at 10.00 a.m. for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions (of which resolution 1 will be proposed as an ordinary resolution and resolutions 2 and 3 will be proposed as special resolutions):

ORDINARY RESOLUTION

1. That, in substitution for any pre-existing power to allot or grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares in the Company, but without prejudice to the exercise of any such authority prior to the date of this resolution, the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Directors") be and is hereby generally and unconditionally authorised pursuant to section 551 of the Companies Act 2006 to exercise all the powers of the Company to allot shares in the capital of the Company and to grant rights to subscribe for or to convert any security into shares in the Company up to an aggregate nominal amount of £3,750,000, provided that this authority shall expire on the earlier of 22 October 2011 and the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company to be held after the passing of this resolution, unless previously revoked, varied or extended by the Company in general meeting, save that the Company may at any time prior to the expiry of such authority make an offer or enter into an agreement which would or might require shares to be allotted, or rights to subscribe for or to convert securities into shares to be granted, after the expiry of such authority and the Directors may allot shares or grant such rights in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the authority conferred hereby had not expired.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

2. That, subject to the passing of the ordinary resolution numbered 1 in the notice convening the meeting at which this resolution is to be proposed and in substitution for all existing powers, the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Directors") be and is hereby empowered, pursuant to sections 570 and 573 of the Companies Act 2006 (the "Act"), to allot equity securities (within the meaning of section 560 of the Act) pursuant to any authority for the time being in force under section 551 of the Act and to sell shares held by the Company in treasury, wholly for cash, as if section 561(1) of the Act did not apply to any such allotment or sale, provided that this power:
 - (i) shall be limited to the allotment of equity securities and the sale of treasury shares for cash up to an aggregate nominal amount of £3,750,000; and
 - (ii) expires on the earlier of 22 October 2011 and the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company to be held after the passing of this resolution, save that the Company may before such expiry make an offer or agreement which would or might require equity securities to be allotted after such expiry and the Directors may allot equity securities in pursuance of such an offer or agreement as if the power conferred hereby had not expired.
3. That a general meeting of the Company other than an annual general meeting may be called on not less than 14 clear days' notice provided that this authority shall expire at the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company.

By order of the Board

Steven Davidson
Secretary
19 November 2010

Registered Office

10 St. Colme Street
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Notes:

1. A shareholder who is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend, speak and vote on his/her behalf. Such proxy need not also be a shareholder of the Company. If appointing more than one proxy, each proxy must be appointed to exercise rights attaching to different shares held by the shareholder.
2. A proxy form for use by shareholders at the meeting is enclosed with this document. Proxies must be lodged with the Company's registrar, Equiniti Limited, Aspect House, Spencer Road, Lancing, West Sussex BN99 6ZR, not less than 48 hours (excluding non-working days) before the time appointed for the meeting together with any power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed. Completion of the proxy form will not prevent a shareholder from attending the meeting and voting in person.
3. Only those shareholders having their name entered on the Company's share register not later than 6.00 p.m. on 9 December 2010 or, if the meeting is adjourned, on the day which is 48 hours (excluding non working days) prior to the date of the adjourned meeting, shall be entitled to attend and vote at the meeting in respect of the number of shares registered in their name at that time. Changes to the entries on the Company's share register after that time shall be disregarded in determining the rights of any shareholder to attend, speak and vote at the meeting, notwithstanding any provision in any enactment, the articles of association of the Company or other instrument to the contrary.
4. Any corporation which is a shareholder can appoint one or more corporate representatives who may exercise on its behalf all of its powers as a shareholder provided that they do not do so in relation to the same shares.
5. CREST members who wish to appoint a proxy or proxies through the CREST electronic proxy appointment service may do so for the meeting and any adjournment(s) thereof by using the procedures described in the CREST Manual and by logging on to the website www.euroclear.com/CREST. CREST personal members or other CREST sponsored members and those CREST members who have appointed a voting service provider(s), should refer to their CREST sponsor or voting service provider(s), who will be able to take the appropriate action on their behalf.

In order for a proxy appointment or instruction made using the CREST service to be valid, the appropriate CREST message, regardless of whether it constitutes the appointment of a proxy or an amendment to the instruction given to a previously appointed proxy, must, in order to be valid, be transmitted so as to be received by the Company's registrars, Equiniti Limited (ID RA19) by no later than 10.00 a.m. on 9 December 2010. No such message received through the CREST network after this time will be accepted. The time of receipt will be taken to be the time from which the Registrars are able to retrieve the message by enquiry to CREST.

CREST members and, where applicable, their CREST sponsors or voting service provider(s) should note that Euroclear does not make available special procedures in CREST for any particular messages. Normal system timings and limitations will therefore apply in relation to the input of CREST Proxy Instructions.

The Company may treat as invalid a CREST Proxy Instruction in the circumstances set out in Regulation 35(5)(a) of the Uncertificated Securities Regulations 2001.

6. The right to appoint a proxy does not apply to persons whose shares are held on their behalf by another person and who have been nominated to receive communications from the Company in accordance with section 146 of the Companies Act 2006 ("Nominated Persons"). Nominated Persons may have a right under an agreement with the member who holds the shares on their behalf to be appointed (or to have someone else appointed) as a proxy. Alternatively, if nominated persons do not have such a right, or do not wish to exercise it, they may have a right under such an agreement to give instructions to the person holding the shares as to the exercise of voting rights. The statement of the rights of members in relation to the appointment of proxies in notes 1 and 2 above does not apply to Nominated Persons. The rights described in these notes can only be exercised by members of the Company.
7. As at 18 November 2010, the Company's issued share capital comprised 888,588 ordinary shares of £12.50 each. Therefore, as at 18 November 2010, the total number of voting rights exercisable at the meeting is 888,588.
8. Any person holding 3 per cent. of the total voting rights in the Company who appoints a person other than the Chairman as his/her proxy will need to ensure that both he/she and such third party comply with their respective disclosure obligations under the Disclosure and Transparency Rules.
9. Information regarding the meeting, including information required by section 311A of the Companies Act 2006, is available from the Company's website, www.patplc.co.uk.
10. Under section 319A of the Companies Act 2006, the Company must answer any question relating to the business being dealt with at the meeting put by a member attending the meeting unless:
 - (a) answering the question would interfere unduly with the preparation for the meeting or involve the disclosure of confidential information;
 - (b) the answer has already been given on a website in the form of an answer to a question; or
 - (c) it is undesirable in the interests of the Company or the good order of the meeting that the question be answered.
11. Shareholders are advised that, unless otherwise stated, any telephone number, website or e-mail address which may be set out in this notice of meeting or in any related documents (including the proxy form) is not to be used for the purposes of serving information or documents on, or otherwise communicating with, the Company for any purposes other than those expressly stated.