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### Ashley House plc

#### Appointment of new Chairman

Ashley House plc (“Ashley House” or the “Company”) the Primary Care infrastructure specialist today announces that Sir William Wells (66) has been appointed Chairman of the Board. Sir William takes over from David Burton CBE who retires from the Board with immediate effect.

Sir William brings a wealth of experience to the Board having held numerous positions in both the Public and Private sectors in a career that has spanned more than 40 years. From 1964 Sir William worked as a Property Consultant becoming Partner at Chesterton and Sons in 1966, Managing Partner in 1984 and Chairman of the business following incorporation in 1991 until his retirement in 1997. His board level experience commenced in 1972 and since that time he has held positions in many well known organisations. Sir William began a parallel career in the Public Sector in 1968 as a Governor of the Royal Free Hospital in Grays Inn Road and has continued unbroken in the NHS to date, together with other posts in health, education and science including:

- Chairman of the NHS Appointments Commission (2001-2007)
- Chairman of the Commercial Advisory Board to Department of Health (2003– current)
- Chairman of the University of Surrey
- Vice President to the Royal College of Nursing
- Trustee of the NMSI (National Museum of Science and Industry)
- Vice President of the NAHCF (National Assoc of Hospital & Community Friends)
- Member of the King’s Fund Executive and Management Committees

Sir William has been granted 100,000 share options at 159p per share, the closing price on 24 April 07.

There are no other matters which are required to be announced pursuant to paragraph (g) of Schedule 2 to the AIM Rules.

#### **Jonathan Holmes, Chief Executive of Ashley House plc, said:**

*“We are delighted to welcome Sir William as Chairman of our Board. Sir William brings a wealth of relevant experience to the Company which will prove invaluable as we continue the exciting expansion of our integrated range of services.*

*Our thanks and very best wishes go to David Burton for the contribution that he has made to the business. David became a shareholder soon after I joined the business in 1998 and joined the board as Chairman in 2004. David provided unwavering support whilst the business was initially turned around and then grown to the robust position enjoyed today.”*

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Directorships held by Sir William Wells within the past 5 years:

**Private Sector: Current**

Chairman	2007-	CMG plc
Chairman	2007-	Pure Sports Medicine
Chairman	2006-	ADL plc
Chairman	2005-	Covenant Healthcare plc
Chairman, Advisory Board	2005-	St Wenceslas Property Investment Trust
Non-Executive Director	2006-	SQW Group Ltd
Non-Executive Director	2006-	Arc Fund Management Limited
Non-Executive Director	2002-	Hillgate (220) Ltd

**Private Sector: Past**

Non-Executive Director	2003-2005	HHG plc
Non-Executive Director	2000-2005	Exel plc
Non-Executive Director	1999-2005	National Provident Life Limited
Non-Executive Director	1999-2005	NPI Limited
Non-Executive Director	1997-2005	AMP (UK) Holdings
Non-Executive Director	1994-2005	AMP (UK) plc
Non-Executive Director	1994-2005	Pearl Group Limited
Non-Executive Director	1994-2003	Norwich & Peterborough Building Society

**Public Sector: Current**

Pro Chancellor	2007-	University of Surrey
Chairman	2003-	Commercial Advisory Board for Department of Health
Member of Council	1998-	University of Surrey
Member General Council & Management Committee	1995-	The King's Fund
Honorary Fellow	2002-	Royal College of Physicians
Vice President	2004-	Attend (NAHCF)
Vice President	2005-	Royal College of Nursing
Trustee	2003-	National Museum of Science and Industry
Trustee	2005-	Action Medical Research
Trustee	2003-	Urban Village

**Public Sector: Past**

Chairman	2001-2007	NHS Appointments Commission
Chairman of Council	2001-2006	University of Surrey
Member of Council	2000-2002	Priory of England and the Islands

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