

Holding(s) in Company

BLACKROCK SMALLER COMPANIES TRUST PLC

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TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

1. Issuer Details

ISIN

GB00BWQGKH23

Issuer Name

BLACKROCK SMALLER COMPANIES TRUST PLC

UK or Non-UK Issuer

UK

2. Reason for Notification

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights

3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation

Name

Rathbones Investment Management Ltd

City of registered office (if applicable)

London

Country of registered office (if applicable)

United Kingdom

Name	City of registered office	Country of registered office
Rathbones Investment Management International Limited	St Helier	Jersey

4. Details of the shareholder

Name	City of registered office	Country of registered office
BNP Paribas Limited	London	United Kingdom
Rathbone Nominees Limited	London	United Kingdom

5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reached

24-Jul-2026

6. Date on which Issuer notified

27-Jul-2026

7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation

	% of voting rights attached to shares (total of 8.A)	% of voting rights through financial instruments (total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)	Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B)	Total number of voting rights held in issuer
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached	10.086000	0.000000	10.086000	24647997
Position of previous				

notification (if applicable)				
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8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reached

8A. Voting rights attached to shares

Class/Type of shares ISIN code(if possible)	Number of direct voting rights (DTR5.1)	Number of indirect voting rights (DTR5.2.1)	% of direct voting rights (DTR5.1)	% of indirect voting rights (DTR5.2.1)
GB00BWQGH23		24647997		10.086000
Sub Total 8.A	24647997		10.086000%	

8B1. Financial Instruments according to (DTR5.3.1R.(1) (a))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/conversion period	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted	% of voting rights
Sub Total 8.B1				

8B2. Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to (DTR5.3.1R.(1) (b))

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/conversion period	Physical or cash settlement	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
Sub Total 8.B2					

9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation

2. Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entities (please add additional rows as necessary)

Ultimate controlling person	Name of controlled undertaking	% of voting rights if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	% of voting rights through financial instruments if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold	Total of both if it equals or is higher than the notifiable threshold
Rathbones Group Plc	Rathbones Investment Management Limited	10.013000		10.013000%
Rathbones Group Plc	Rathbones Investment Management International Limited	0.073000		0.073000%

10. In case of proxy voting

Name of the proxy holder

The number and % of voting rights held

The date until which the voting rights will be held

If date does not apply, explain below

11. Additional Information

None

12. Date of Completion

27-Jul-2026

13. Place Of Completion

Port of Liverpool Building, Liverpool, L3 1NW

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 for and on behalf of
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 Company Secretary

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Date: 27 July 2026