For immediate release **26 March 2021**

Gooch & Housego PLC
("G&H" or the "Company")

Grant of SAYE Options

Gooch & Housego PLC (AIM: GHH), the specialist manufacturer of optical components & systems, announces that options were granted on 26 March 2021 in accordance with the rules of the Gooch & Housego PLC Save As You Earn Scheme to the following Directors and Person Discharging Managerial Responsibility ("PDMR") of the Company:

Name	Position	Number of Awards Granted in March 2021	Total Number of Unvested awards under all Share Schemes
Mark Webster	Chief Executive Officer	310	111,653
Chris Jewell	Chief Financial Officer	310	79,702
Gareth Crowe	Company Secretary	310	16,746

The options granted under the Save As You Earn Scheme with an exercise price of 1,159 pence per share will be exerciseable for a six month period from 26 March 2024.

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Notes to editors

Gooch & Housego is a photonics technology business headquartered in Ilminster, Somerset, UK with operations in the USA and Europe. A world leader in its field, the company researches, designs, engineers and manufactures advanced photonic systems, components and instrumentation for applications in the Aerospace & Defence, Industrial, Life Sciences and Scientific Research sectors. World leading design, development and manufacturing expertise is offered across a broad range of complementary technologies.

1	**Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated**		
a)	Name	1. Mark Webster 2. Chris Jewell 3. Gareth Crowe	
2	**Reason for the notification**		
a)	Position/status	1. Chief Executive Officer 2. Chief Financial Officer 3. Company Secretary	
b)	Initial notification/Amendment	Initial notification	
3	**Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor**		
a)	Name	Gooch & Housego Plc	
b)	LEI	213800DO3D00KYOPA952	
4	**Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted**		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument. Identification code	Ordinary shares of 20 pence each GB0002259116	
b)	Nature of transaction	Awards made pursuant to the rules of the 2021 Gooch & Housego PLC Save As You Earn Scheme	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)
		1. £11.59 2. £11.59 3. £11.59	1. 310 2. 310 3. 310
	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	 n/a n/a	
e)	Date of the transaction	26 March 2021	
f)	Place of the transaction	Outside a trading venue	