

## David Reid Scott

**London, 14 September 2009.** After eight years as Chairman of Hawkpoint, during which time it has become one of the leading independent corporate advisory firms in Europe, David Reid Scott has decided that he wishes to pursue other business opportunities. Accordingly David will be leaving by mutual agreement in early October.

Paul Baines, Chief Executive of Hawkpoint for six years, will become Executive Chairman.

David Reid Scott said: "My years at Hawkpoint have been challenging, very satisfying and great fun, but I feel now is the right time to move on to pursue other business opportunities. I wish all my friends and colleagues at Hawkpoint continuing success and good fortune".

Mark Brown, Chief Executive of Collins Stewart Plc, Hawkpoint's parent, said: "We are grateful to David for his major contribution to Hawkpoint and the Group. We wish him well for the future".

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