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BANK OF SCOTLAND CONDUCTS AUCTION FOR LIMITED EDITION £10 NOTES

Following the launch of their new polymer £10 note in October, Bank of Scotland has signalled that they've produced a limited edition set of notes specially commissioned to raise money for the charity Mental Health UK.

After the success of the Pudsey £5 notes, Bank of Scotland has again coupled with De La Rue to create a series of notes that will appeal to both bank note collectors and railway enthusiasts.

On 24 November, Bank of Scotland will be raising money for Mental Health UK by auctioning 36 of its new £10 polymer bank notes with rare serial numbers and a very unique feature. The platform for the auction will be Spink UK, with online and telephone bidding that will run from Friday 24 November (3pm) to Friday 1 December (10am).

Notes up for auction

To celebrate the new 'map' feature on the note (which illuminates when placed under a UV light), 18 notes have been specially printed and feature a representation of the old and much loved 'totem' signs that once adorned many railway stations across the country. The railway totem signs are highly collectable with originals worth many thousands of pounds. Bank of Scotland has collaborated with Great Central Railway and the 18 notes correspond to the stations from Helenburgh Upper to Mallaig that are believed to have featured a totem sign. An added feature on these special notes is a serial number that relates to the locomotive type pictured on the Glenfinnan Viaduct.

Philip Grant, treasurer of the Bank of Scotland said: "Bank of Scotland has been issuing bank notes for more than 320 years and I can't express how proud we are to support Mental Health UK through these specially commissioned notes. If we manage to raise more than the £18,904 it cost to complete the Glenfinnan Viaduct in 1901 we'll be on the right track."

Mental Health UK partnership

Research shows that one in four people are affected by mental health issues and around four million will struggle with their financial wellbeing. As part of Lloyds Banking Group, Bank of Scotland colleagues have already helped raise over £3 million for Mental Health UK this year, which colleagues chose as their charity partner for 2017 and 2018.

Frances Simpson, chief executive of support for Mind Scotland, part of the Mental Health UK network of charities said: "It's great to see Bank of Scotland pull out all the stops to help raise funds to support those who are suffering from poor mental health. Each year, mental illness affects more people in the UK than cancer or heart disease. Our partnership is therefore very important and the support we've received so far from the Bank of Scotland has been first class."

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Notes for editors:

- An online auction will commence 1500 24th November 2017 and bids will close from 10am on Friday 1st December.
- Public viewing of the notes is available at Spink London by appointment only.
- The entire sale, including the front and back of many notes, is available to view electronically. Contact Thomasina Smith for more details. tbsmith@spink.com or +44 (0)20 7563 4095.
- Further details, including bidding and the full catalogue can be obtained from the Spink London website at the following address www.spink.com/auction/734
- The new Tactile Emboss feature has been introduced industry wide. Scottish banks will have the same emboss design and location. Bank of England have the same emboss design but located on a different corner of the note than the Scottish banks.
- The Glenfinnan Viaduct carries the West Highland Railway line from Fort William to Mallaig, and was designed by W.S. Wilson and built by Sir Robert McAlpine, and was completed in 1901. Reaching a quarter of mile long and standing over 100 feet at its highest point, the Viaduct was one of the largest concrete engineering projects ever undertaken.
- The locomotive pictured at the head of the train on the new £10 note is a preserved Stanier 'Black 5' 45407 'The Lancashire Fusilier', which was designed for the London, Midland and Scottish railway and the type was often seen on the West Highland line. A popular locomotive during the steam era, 18 examples have subsequently been preserved and often operate special trips across the UK, including the line from Fort William to Mallaig.
- All of Bank of Scotland's notes carry a portrait of Sir Walter Scott, who was a prominent figure in the campaign for Scottish Banks to retain their right to print their own banknotes in 1826.
- £91,324 was made when £5 BBC Children in Need notes were auctioned.

Design of the note

The Bank of Scotland £10 design retains the portrait of Sir Walter Scott and images of the Mound and Glenfinnan Viaduct. The note incorporates the enhanced security features introduced on the polymer £5 note, including the anti-counterfeit 'window effect' built in to the windows of the image of The Mound, and the 'rolling bar' metallic ink which changes colour as you move the note.

The £10 polymer note also includes a new tactile emboss feature to help blind and partially sighted people to identify the note. This feature has been developed in conjunction with the Royal National Institute of Blind People and is in addition to the features already incorporated in Bank of England banknotes; tiered sizing, bold numerals, raised print and differing colour palettes.

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- De La Rue
- Great Central Railwayana
- Scotrail Alliance
- Glenfinnan Station Museum

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West Highland Line Edition serial numbers

<u>1</u>	<u>LMS5212</u>	<u>Ardlui</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>LMS5231</u>	<u>Fort William</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>LMS5491</u>	<u>Morar</u>
<u>2</u>	<u>LMS4767</u>	<u>Arrochar and Tarbet</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>LMS5163</u>	<u>Garelochhead</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>LMS5428</u>	<u>Rannoch</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>LMS4806</u>	<u>Banavie</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>LMS5407</u>	<u>Glenfinnan</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>LMS5293</u>	<u>Roy Bridge</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>LMS5000</u>	<u>Bridge of Orchy</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>LMS4901</u>	<u>Helensburgh Upper</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>LMS5025</u>	<u>Spean Bridge</u>
<u>5</u>	<u>LMS5305</u>	<u>Corrour</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>LMS5337</u>	<u>Lochailort</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>LMS4932</u>	<u>Tulloch</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>LMS5379</u>	<u>Crianlarich Upper</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>LMS4871</u>	<u>Locheilside</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>LMS5110</u>	<u>Tyndrum Upper</u>

'Black 5' Edition serial numbers

<u>19</u>	<u>BR45212</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>BR45000</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>BR45231</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>BR44901</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>BR45491</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>BR45025</u>
<u>20</u>	<u>BR44767</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>BR45305</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>BR45163</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>BR45337</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>BR45428</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>BR44932</u>
<u>21</u>	<u>BR44806</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>BR45379</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>BR45407</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>BR44871</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>BR45293</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>BR45110</u>

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