Supplement Number 4 dated 20 March 2013 to the Base Prospectus dated 1 June 2012



**BARCLAYS PLC** (incorporated with limited liability in England)

**BARCLAYS BANK PLC** (*incorporated with limited liability in England and Wales*)

as Issuers

## £60,000,000,000 Debt Issuance Programme

This base prospectus supplement (the "**Supplement**") is supplemental to, forms part of and must be read in conjunction with, the base prospectus dated 1 June 2012 as so supplemented by Supplement Number 1 dated 14 August 2012, Supplement Number 2 dated 7 November 2012 and Supplement Number 3 dated 19 February 2013 (the "**Base Prospectus**") prepared by Barclays PLC (the "**Company**") and Barclays Bank PLC (the "**Bank**" and, together with the Company, the "**Issuers**" with respect to their £60,000,000,000 Debt Issuance Programme (the "**Programme**"). This Supplement constitutes a supplementary prospectus in respect of the Base Prospectus for the Issuers for the purposes of Section 87G of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.

Terms defined in the Base Prospectus shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meaning when used in this Supplement. This Supplement is supplemental to, and shall be read in conjunction with, the Base Prospectus and other supplements to the Base Prospectus issued by the Issuers.

This Supplement has been approved by the United Kingdom Financial Services Authority (the "**FSA**"), which is the United Kingdom competent authority for the purposes of Directive 2003/71/EC (the "**Prospectus Directive**") and relevant implementing measures in the United Kingdom, as a base prospectus supplement issued in compliance with the Prospectus Directive and relevant implementing measures in the United Kingdom. With effect from the date of this Supplement the information appearing in, or incorporated by reference into, the Base Prospectus shall be supplemented in the manner described below.

The purpose of this Supplement is to:

- (a) incorporate by reference the following documents into the Base Prospectus:
  - (i) the joint Annual Report of the Company and the Bank, as filed with the SEC on Form 20-F in respect of the year ended 31 December 2012 (the "Joint Annual Report") with the exception of the information incorporated by reference in the Joint Annual Report referred to in the Exhibit Index of the Joint Annual Report, which shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Base Prospectus;

- (ii) the Annual Report of the Bank containing the audited consolidated financial statements and the independent auditors' report of the Bank in respect of the year ended 31 December 2012 (the "2012 Bank Annual Report");
- (b) state that there has been no significant change in the financial or trading position of the Company, the Group, the Bank or, as the case may be, the Bank Group since 31 December 2012;
- (c) state that there has been no material adverse change in the prospects of the Company, the Group, the Bank or, as the case may be, the Bank Group since 31 December 2012; and
- (d) supplement the Base Prospectus with information relating to board changes.

Any information contained in the documents specified above which is not incorporated by reference in the Base Prospectus is either not relevant for prospective investors for the purposes of Article 5(1) of the Prospectus Directive or is covered elsewhere in the Base Prospectus.

## Directors

On 5 February 2013, the Company and the Bank announced that Diane de Saint Victor had been appointed as a non-executive Director of the Company and the Bank with effect from 1 March 2013.

For as long as any of the notes issued under the Programme are admitted to trading on the Regulated Market of the London Stock Exchange plc and the rules of the FSA so require, for the life of the Base Prospectus, copies of the Joint Annual Report and the 2012 Bank Annual Report may be inspected during usual business hours on any weekday (Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted) at Barclays Treasury, 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP and at the specified office of The Bank of New York Mellon, as principal paying agent, currently located at One Canada Square, London E14 5AL.

This Supplement (including the documents incorporated by reference herein) shall be available on oraroundthedatehereofinelectronicformathttp://www.londonstockexchange.com/exchange/news/market-news/market-news-home.html.

## IMPORTANT NOTICES

Each of the Issuers accepts responsibility for the information contained in this Supplement and declares that, having taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case, the information contained in this Supplement is, to the best of its knowledge, in accordance with the facts and contains no omission likely to affect its import.

To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference into the Base Prospectus by this Supplement and (b) any other statement in, or incorporated by reference into, the Base Prospectus, the statements in (a) above will prevail.

Save as disclosed in this Supplement, no significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy relating to the information included in the Base Prospectus which is capable of affecting the assessment of the Notes issued under the Programme has arisen or been noted, as the case may be, since the publication of the Base Prospectus.

If documents which are incorporated by reference into this Supplement themselves incorporate any information or other documents therein, either expressly or implicitly, such information or other documents will not form part of this Supplement for the purposes of the Prospectus Directive except where such information or other documents are specifically incorporated by reference into the Supplement.

20 March 2013