

ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC
Form FWP
June 21, 2018

Free Writing Prospectus dated June 20, 2018

(to Prospectus dated December 13, 2017 and

Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated June 20, 2018)

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The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

\$1,250,000,000 4.519% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2024

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| Issuer | The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc (“RBSG”) |
| Securities | \$1,250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.519% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2024 (the “Fixed/Floating Rate Notes”). |
| Ranking | The Fixed/Floating Rate Notes will constitute RBSG’s direct, unconditional, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations ranking <i>pari passu</i> without any preference among themselves, and equally with all other outstanding unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of RBSG, present and future, except such obligations as are preferred by operation of law. |
| Format | SEC-registered |
| Specified Currency | USD |
| Issue Size | \$1,250,000,000 |
| Trade Date | June 20, 2018 |
| Settlement Date | June 25, 2018 (T+3) |
| Maturity | June 25, 2024 |
| Fixed Rate Coupon | 4.519% per annum accruing from and including the Settlement Date to, but excluding, June 25, 2023 (the “Optional Redemption Date”) (the “Fixed Rate Period”). |
| Fixed Rate Coupon | Semi-annually in arrear commencing from December 25, 2018 to and including the Optional Redemption Date. |

Frequency

Three-month U.S. dollar LIBOR plus 1.55% per annum, accruing from the Optional Redemption Date to, but excluding the Maturity Date (the “Floating Rate Period”).

**Floating Rate
Coupon**

The determination of LIBOR is subject to the provisions/circumstances set forth under “*Description of the Senior Notes—Interest—LIBOR Discontinuation*” in the prospectus supplement.

**Floating Rate
Coupon
Frequency**

Quarterly in arrear commencing from September 25, 2023 to and including the Maturity Date.

During the Fixed Rate Period, interest will be payable semi-annually in arrear on June 25 and December 25 of each year, commencing on December 25, 2018.

**Interest
Payment Dates**

During the Floating Rate Period, interest will be payable quarterly in arrear on September 25, 2023, December 25, 2023, March 25, 2024 and the Maturity Date, commencing on September 25, 2023.

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| Interest Reset Dates | The Optional Redemption Date, September 25, 2023, December 25, 2023 and March 25, 2024, beginning on the Optional Redemption Date. |
| Interest Determination Dates | The second London banking day (as defined in the prospectus supplement) preceding each applicable Interest Reset Date |
| Day Count Convention | During the Fixed Rate Period 30/360 (Following, unadjusted) During the Floating Rate Period, Actual/360 (Modified following) |
| Business Days | New York and London |
| US Treasury Benchmark | T 2.750% due May 31, 2023 |
| US Treasury Benchmark Yield | 2.799% |
| Fixed Rate Spread to Benchmark Treasury | T+ 172bps |
| Floating Rate Pricing Benchmark | Three-month U.S. dollar LIBOR, (Reuters LIBOR01), modified following, adjusted. The determination of LIBOR is subject to the provisions/circumstances set forth under “ <i>Description of the Senior Notes—Interest—LIBOR Discontinuation</i> ” in the prospectus supplement. |
| Floating Rate Spread to Benchmark | + 155bps |
| Re-Offer Yield | 4.519% |
| Issue Price | 100.000% |
| Gross Proceeds | \$1,250,000,000 |
| All in Price | 99.750% |
| Fees | 0.250% |
| Net Proceeds (before expenses) | \$1,246,875,000 |
| Redemption Price | 100.000% of the principal amount of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes |
| Redemption | The Fixed/Floating Rate Notes are not redeemable at the option of the holders at any time. RBSG may redeem the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes at its sole discretion, in whole but not in part on the Optional Redemption Date at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued but unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption. In addition, RBSG may redeem the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes, in whole but not in part, at 100% of their principal amount plus accrued but unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption, upon the occurrence of |

certain tax or regulatory events as described in the prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. See “*Description of Debt Securities—Redemption*,” “*Description of the Senior Notes Loss—Absorption Disqualification Event Redemption*” and “*Description of the Senior Notes— Tax Redemption*” in the prospectus supplement.

**Redemption
Conditions**

Notwithstanding any other provision, RBSG may only redeem the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes prior to the maturity date or repurchase the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes (and give notice thereof to the holders of such Fixed/Floating Rate Notes in the case of redemption), if it has obtained the prior consent of the PRA (as defined in the prospectus supplement), to the extent such consent is at the relevant time and in the relevant circumstances required by the Loss Absorption Regulations (as defined in the prospectus supplement) or applicable laws or regulations in effect in the United Kingdom, if at all, as described in the prospectus supplement under “*Description of the Senior Notes—Conditions to Redemption and Repurchase*.”

Events of Default

The Fixed/Floating Rate Notes contain very limited events of default provisions and the remedies available thereunder are limited, as described in the prospectus supplement under “*Description of the Senior Notes—Events of Default and Defaults; Limitation of Remedies.*”

Notwithstanding any other agreements, arrangements, or understandings between RBSG and any holder or beneficial owner of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes, by its acquisition of Fixed/Floating Rate Notes, each holder and beneficial owner of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes acknowledges, accepts, agrees to be bound by and consents to the exercise of any UK bail-in power by the relevant UK resolution authority which may result in (i) the reduction or cancellation of all, or a portion, of the principal amount of, or interest on, the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes; (ii) the conversion of all, or a portion, of the principal amount of, or interest on, the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes into ordinary shares or other securities or other obligations of RBSG or another person and/or (iii) the amendment or alteration of the maturity of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes, or amendment of the amount of interest due on the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes, or the dates on which interest becomes payable, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; which UK bail-in power may be exercised by means of variation of the terms of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes solely to give effect to the exercise by the relevant UK resolution authority of such UK bail-in power. Each holder and beneficial owner of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes further acknowledges and agrees that the rights of the holders and/or beneficial owners under the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes are subject to, and will be varied, if necessary, solely to give effect to, the exercise of any UK bail-in power by the relevant UK resolution authority.

Agreement with Respect to the Exercise of U.K. Bail-in Power

For these purposes, a “UK bail-in power” is any write-down, conversion, transfer, modification or suspension power existing from time to time under any laws, regulations, rules or requirements relating to the resolution of banks, banking group companies, credit institutions and/or investment firms incorporated in the United Kingdom in effect and applicable in the United Kingdom to RBSG or other members of the Group (as defined in the prospectus supplement), including but not limited to any such laws, regulations, rules or requirements which are implemented, adopted or enacted within the context of a European Union directive or regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms and/or within the context of a UK resolution regime under the Banking Act 2009, as the same has been or may be amended from time to time (whether pursuant to the Financial Services (Banking Reform) Act 2013 (the “Banking Reform Act 2013”), secondary legislation or otherwise, the “Banking Act”), pursuant to which any obligations of a bank, banking group company, credit institution or investment firm or any of its affiliates can be reduced, cancelled, modified, transferred and/or converted into shares or other securities or obligations of the obligor or any other person (or suspended for a temporary period) or pursuant to which any right in a contract governing such obligations may be deemed to have been exercised. A reference to the “relevant UK resolution authority” is to any authority with the ability to exercise a UK bail-in power.

Repayment of Principal and Payment of Interest After Exercise of U.K. Bail-in Power

No repayment of the principal amount of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes or payment of interest on the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes shall become due and payable after the exercise of any U.K. bail-in power by the relevant U.K. resolution authority unless, at the time that such repayment or payment, respectively, is scheduled to become due, such repayment or payment would be permitted to be made by RBSG under the laws and regulations of the United Kingdom and the European Union applicable to RBSG or other members of the Group.

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| | NatWest Markets Securities Inc. |
| | Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith |
| Joint Bookrunners and Joint Lead Managers | Incorporated |
| | Citigroup Global Markets Inc. |
| | Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC |
| | Wells Fargo Securities, LLC |
| Denominations | \$200,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof |
| Listing | An application will be made to list the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes on the New York Stock Exchange |
| MIFID II Product Governance / Professional investors and ECPs only target market / Prohibition of Sales to each Retail Investor | Manufacturer target market (MiFID II product governance) is eligible counterparties and professional clients only (all distribution channels). No PRIIPs key information document (KID) has been prepared as not available to retail in EEA. |
| Expected Security Ratings* | BBB- / BBB+ / Baa3 (S&P / Fitch / Moody's) |
| Clearing and Settlement | DTC |
| CUSIP | 780097 BJ9 |
| ISIN | US780097BJ90 |
| Governing Law | New York |

* The security ratings above are not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold the securities offered hereby. The ratings may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time by S&P, Fitch or Moody's.

The Issuer has filed a registration statement (including a base prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this free writing prospectus relates. Before you invest in this offering, you should read the base prospectus and the prospectus supplement in respect of the Fixed/Floating Rate Notes in that registration statement and other documents the Issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the issuer and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, NatWest Markets Securities Inc. will arrange to send you the base prospectus at no charge if you request it by calling Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated at 1-800-294-1322, calling NatWest Markets Securities Inc. at 1-866-884-2071, calling Citigroup Global Markets Inc. at 1-800-831-9146, calling Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC at 1-866-471-2526 or calling Wells Fargo Securities, LLC at 1-800-645-3751.