

ASX Announcement ([ASX: AXE](#))

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Archer Materials completes \$7 million Placement and launches \$3m SPP Offer to establish sovereign quantum computing capability through strategic agreement with IonQ

Highlights

- Archer has received commitments for \$7.0 million via a two-tranche Placement, with strong support from new institutional investors.
 - Archer enters into a 3-year strategic partnership with global quantum leader IonQ, providing Archer access to the IonQ Quantum Cloud to develop quantum algorithms, applications and solutions.
 - This agreement accelerates Archer's strategy to establish sovereign quantum computing capability in Australia.
 - Funds will be used to support implementation of Archer's strategic agreement with IonQ, sovereign quantum computing initiatives and general working capital
 - Share Purchase Plan to be conducted at the Placement price of A\$0.27 per New Share to eligible shareholders in Australia and New Zealand, raising up to \$3 million.
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Archer Materials Limited ("**Archer**", the "**Company**", "**ASX: AXE**") refers to its announcement "Archer enters strategic agreement with global quantum leader, IonQ" on 1 July 2026 and is pleased to announce that it has received binding commitments from institutional and sophisticated investors and the Board and Management for a non-underwritten two-tranche placement to raise A\$7.0 million (before costs) (the "**Placement**") through the issue of approximately 25.9 million new fully paid ordinary shares ("**New Shares**") at an issue price of A\$0.27 per New Share ("**Offer Price**").

In addition to the Placement, the Company intends to undertake a non-underwritten share purchase plan ("**SPP**"), at the Offer Price, to eligible shareholders in Australia and New Zealand to raise up to \$3 million.

Participants in the Placement and SPP will receive the opportunity to subscribe for one (1) free unquoted attaching option for every one (1) New Share allocated in the Offer, expiring on 30 June 2029 with an exercise price of A\$0.35 per Attaching Option ("**Attaching Options**"). The issuance of Attaching Options pursuant to the Placement and SPP will be conditional on shareholder approval at the Extraordinary General Meeting ("**EGM**") to be held around mid-August 2026.

The Placement includes a ~\$0.14m investment from Directors and Management. Director participation and the Attaching Options are subject to shareholder approval.

Dr Simon Ruffell, Chief Executive Officer of Archer, said:

“The strong support we have received through this equity raising is a clear endorsement of Archer’s quantum strategy. This funding positions Archer to execute the strategic agreement with IonQ and advance the Company’s other projects to the next stage. This outcome reflects investors’ confidence in our technology and our team’s capability to advance our business and quantum technologies.

With funding now secured, we can commence our plan to establish sovereign quantum computing capability in Australia.”

Use of Funds:

The funds raised pursuant to the Placement, and the SPP (after expenses) will be applied to support:

- Quantum programs including IonQ client & project development, Quantum Machine Learning (QML) development and Qubit development;
- continued expenditure on development of the Company’s biochip and advanced materials technologies;
- general working capital expenses.

Details of the \$7.0m Placement

The non-underwritten two-tranche Placement of approximately 25.9 million New Shares will be issued to raise approximately A\$7.0 million (before costs).

Shares under the Placement will be issued as follows:

- Tranche 1 Placement to raise \$6.86 million (before costs) through the issuance of approximately 25.4 million New Shares (“**Tranche 1 Placement**”) pursuant to the Company’s placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1; and
- Tranche 2 Placement to certain investors, including Directors and Management to raise A\$0.14 million (before costs) through the issuance of 0.52 million New Shares, with Director participation subject to shareholder approval at the EGM (“**Tranche 2 Placement**”, or “**Directors Placement**”).

The Offer Price of A\$0.27 per New Share represents a

- 12.9% discount to the last closing price of A\$0.310 per share on Tuesday, 30 June 2026; and
- 13.6% discount to the 5-day volume weighted average share price of \$0.312 per share.

Certain Directors and Management of Archer have committed to a total subscription of ~\$0.14m through the issuance of ~0.52m New Shares, subject to obtaining the requisite shareholder approvals at the EGM in the case of the Directors. Director and Management participation is on the same terms and at the same Offer Price as other investors under the Tranche 1 Placement and the SPP.

New Shares issued under the Placement (including any New Shares issued to the Archer Directors under the Director Placement) will rank equally (pari passu) with existing fully paid ordinary shares of Archer.

Further details of the Placement are set out in the Company's investor presentation lodged with ASX on 3 July 2026. The investor presentation includes key information such as the sources and uses of funds, key risks associated with an investment in Archer, and foreign selling restrictions applicable to the Placement.

Further details of the SPP will be lodged with ASX and distributed to eligible shareholders.

Bell Potter Securities Limited acted as the sole lead manager and bookrunner to the Placement, with Piper Alderman Lawyers acting as legal adviser to the Company. Subject to shareholder approval at the EGM, Bell Potter Securities Limited will be issued approximately 5.6m unquoted options, on the same terms as the Attaching Options, pursuant to the terms of the lead manager engagement letter.

For further details, please refer to the Company's ASX announcement "Archer enters strategic agreement with global quantum leader, IonQ" on 1 July 2026.

Indicative Placement Timetable

The indicative timetable for the Placement is set out below:

Event	Date
Announcement of Capital Raising and Trading halt lifted	Friday, 3 July 2026
Settlement of New Shares under the Tranche 1 Placement	Wednesday, 8 July 2026
Allotment of New Shares under the Tranche 1 Placement	Thursday, 9 July 2026
EGM	Expected mid-August 2026
Settlement of New Shares under the Tranche 2 Placement and Attaching Options	Expected mid-August 2026
Allotment of New Shares under the Tranche 2 Placement and Attaching Options	Expected mid-August 2026

The timetable is indicative only and remains subject to change at Archer's discretion, subject to compliance with applicable laws and the ASX Listing Rules.

Overview of the SPP

Shareholders whose registered address is recorded as being in Australia or New Zealand as at 7:00pm (Sydney time) on Thursday, 2 July 2026 (**Record Date**) (**Eligible Shareholders**) will be invited to participate in the SPP.

Under the SPP, Eligible Shareholders will be entitled to apply for up to A\$30,000 worth of New Shares at the same issue price as the Placement of A\$0.27 per New Share, subject to any scale back and subject to complying with the terms of the ASIC Corporations (Share and Interest Purchase Plans) Instrument 2019/547.

The SPP is targeted to raise up to \$3 million (before costs). Archer retains the right to accept oversubscriptions or to scale back applications (in whole or in part) at its absolute discretion (subject to complying with the ASX Listing Rules), which may result in the SPP raising more or less than \$3 million.

Shares issued under the SPP will rank equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares in Archer. The SPP offer booklet ("**SPP Offer Booklet**"), containing further details on the SPP, is expected to be released on the ASX and sent to Eligible Shareholders in the coming week. The SPP is subject to the terms and conditions set out in the SPP Offer Booklet.

SPP participants will each be offered, subject to shareholder approval at the EGM, the opportunity to subscribe for one Attaching Option for each New Share issued to them under the SPP for nil additional consideration. The offer of Attaching Options will occur pursuant to a separate prospectus to be provided to participants in the SPP.

The SPP has a closing date of Monday, 3 August 2026 (**Closing Date**).

The Board of Archer authorised this announcement to be given to ASX.

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About Archer

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