

# Serving the national security interests of our customers

QinetiQ Group plc  
Preliminary results for year ended  
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## FY23 financial performance



Strategically aligned with our AUKUS<sup>3</sup> customers to deliver enhanced shareholder returns

<sup>1</sup> Operating profit from segments    <sup>2</sup> FY22 impacted by write-down: £22.5m orders, £10.7m revenue, £14.5m operating profit    <sup>3</sup> Australia, United Kingdom, United States



# Serving the national security interests of our customers – operational highlights



£260m MSCA<sup>1</sup> 10 year contract



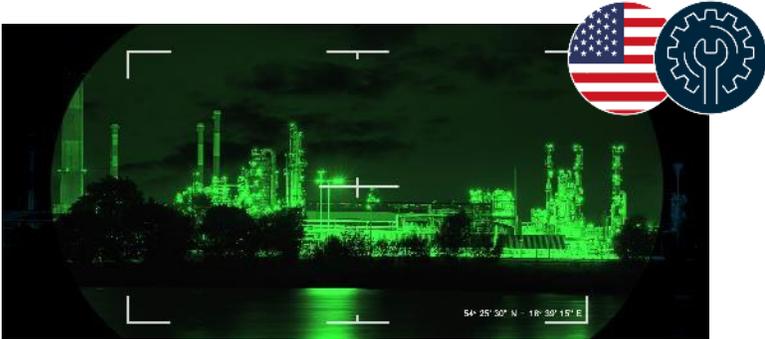
\$80m Avantus intel customer selection



Air Affairs expanding threat representation



£80m SOCIETAS contract for mission data



\$93m DNVT<sup>2</sup> contract for digital sensors



\$13m laser directed energy contract

Excellent operational performance across company globally

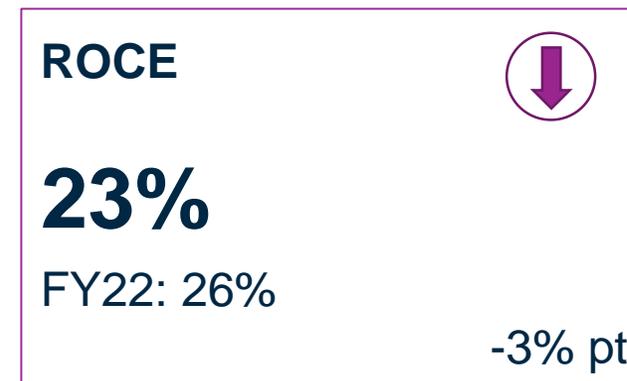
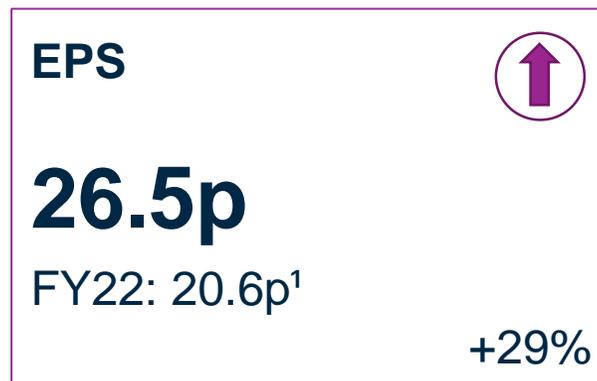
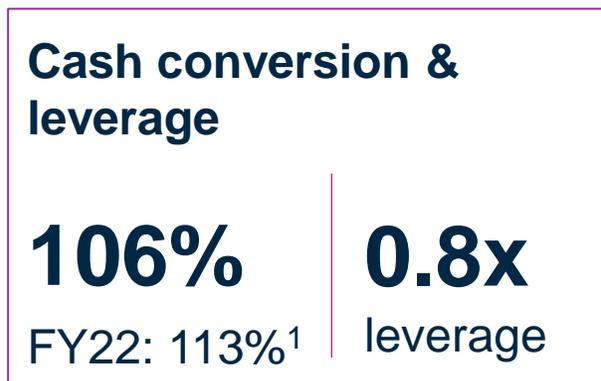
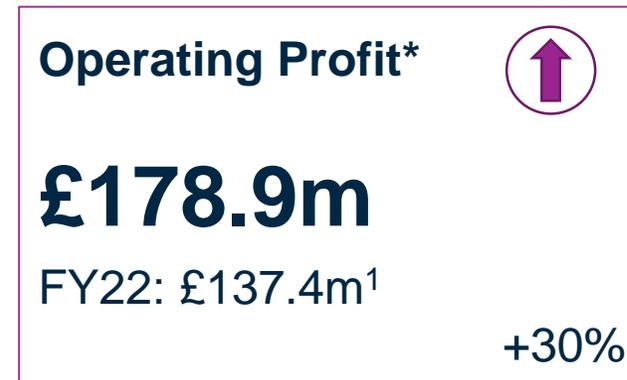
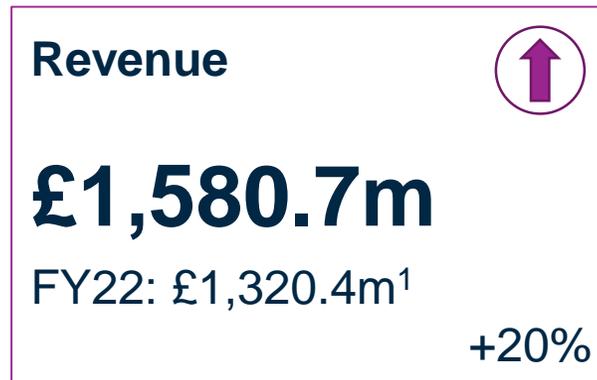
<sup>1</sup> Maritime Strategic Capability Agreement    <sup>2</sup> Digital Night Vision Technology



# Financial results

Carol Borg  
Group Chief Financial Officer

# FY23 Financial Highlights

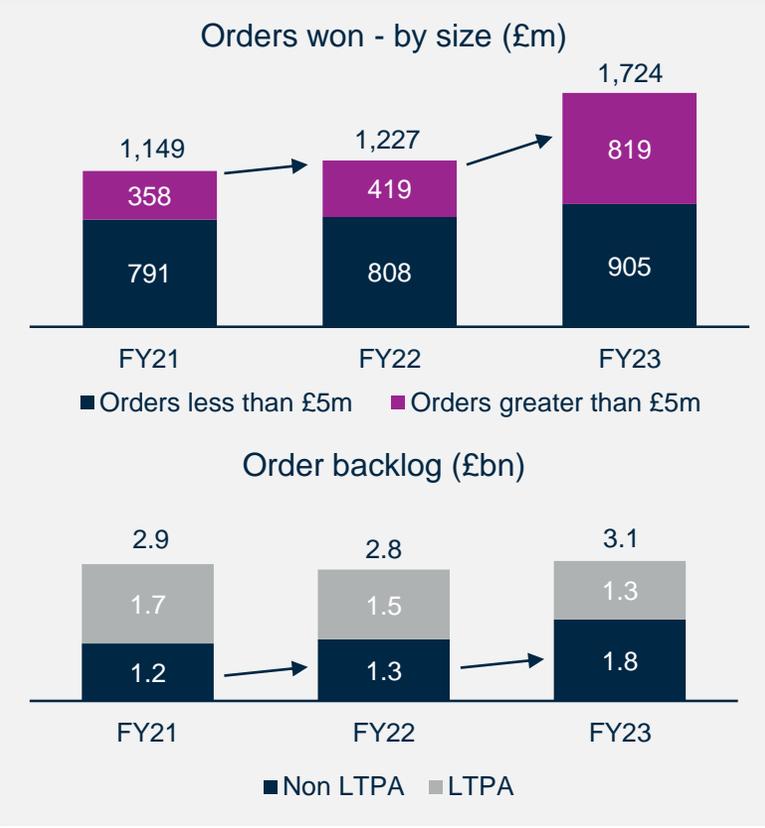
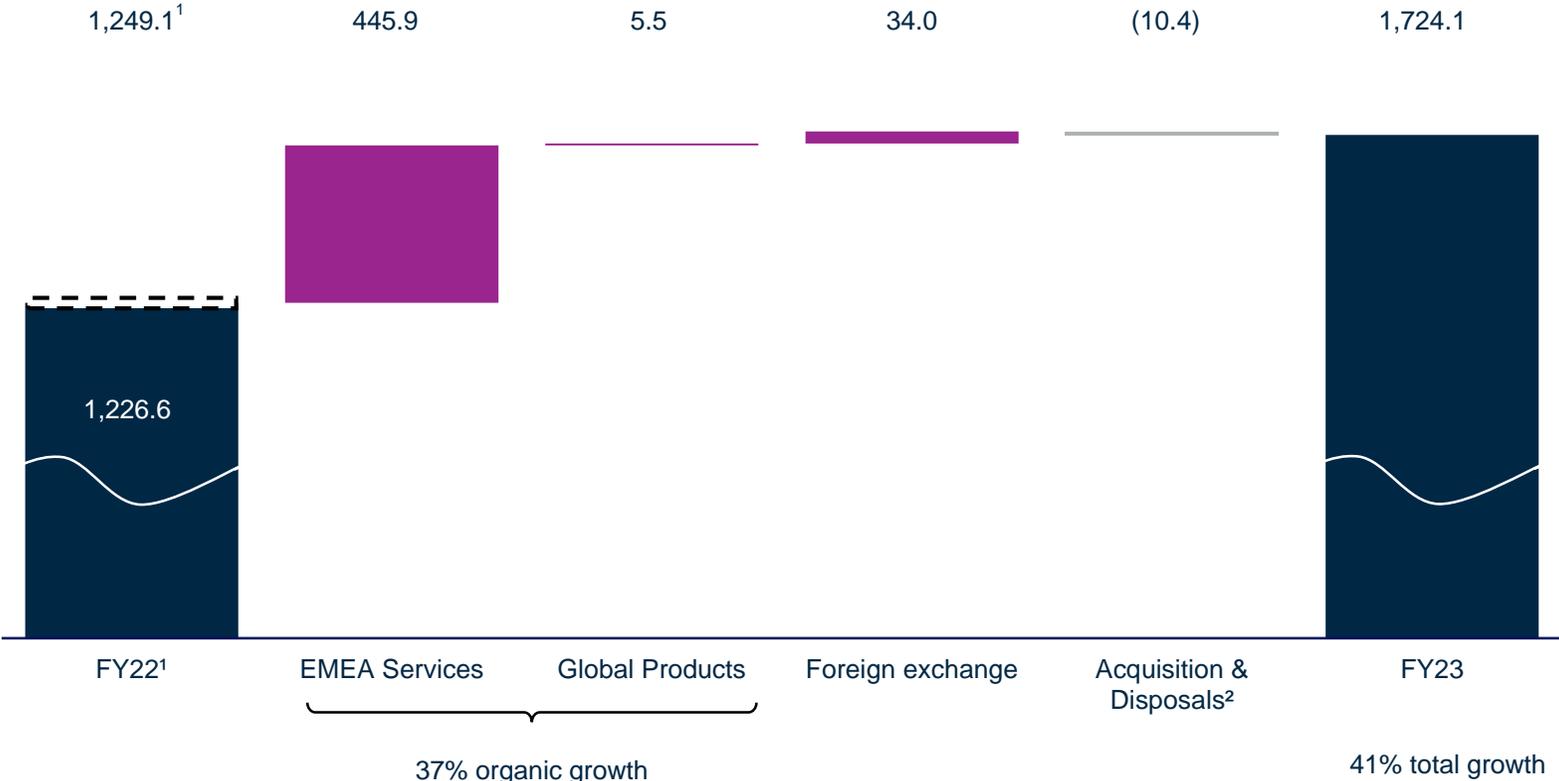


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\* All measures on this page are underlying. Operating profit is the total from the operating segments. Definitions of APMs can be found in the Appendix

# Record high order growth; backlog increasing; larger, longer-term contracts

## Orders (£m)



<sup>1</sup> Impact of prior year write-down for comparison purposes (£22.5m)

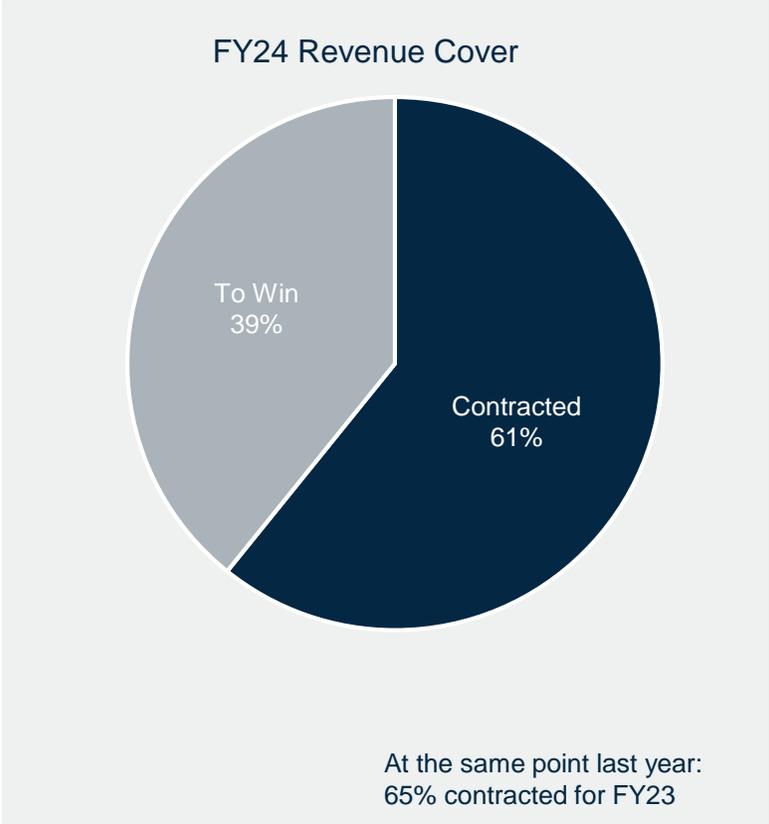
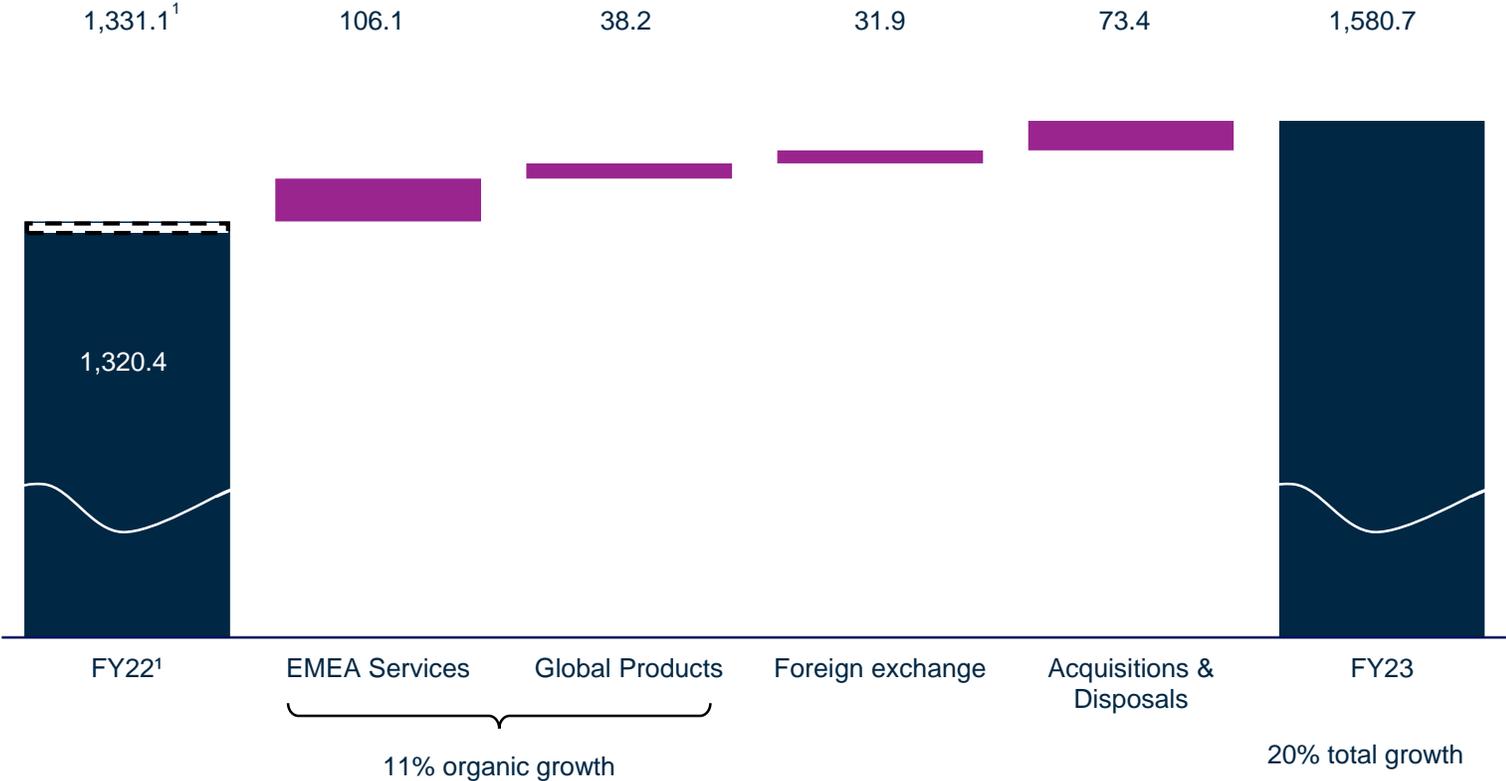
<sup>2</sup> FY22 included larger order intake in Space NV which was sold in Aug 2022

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# Strong revenue growth in both segments; partial contribution from acquisitions

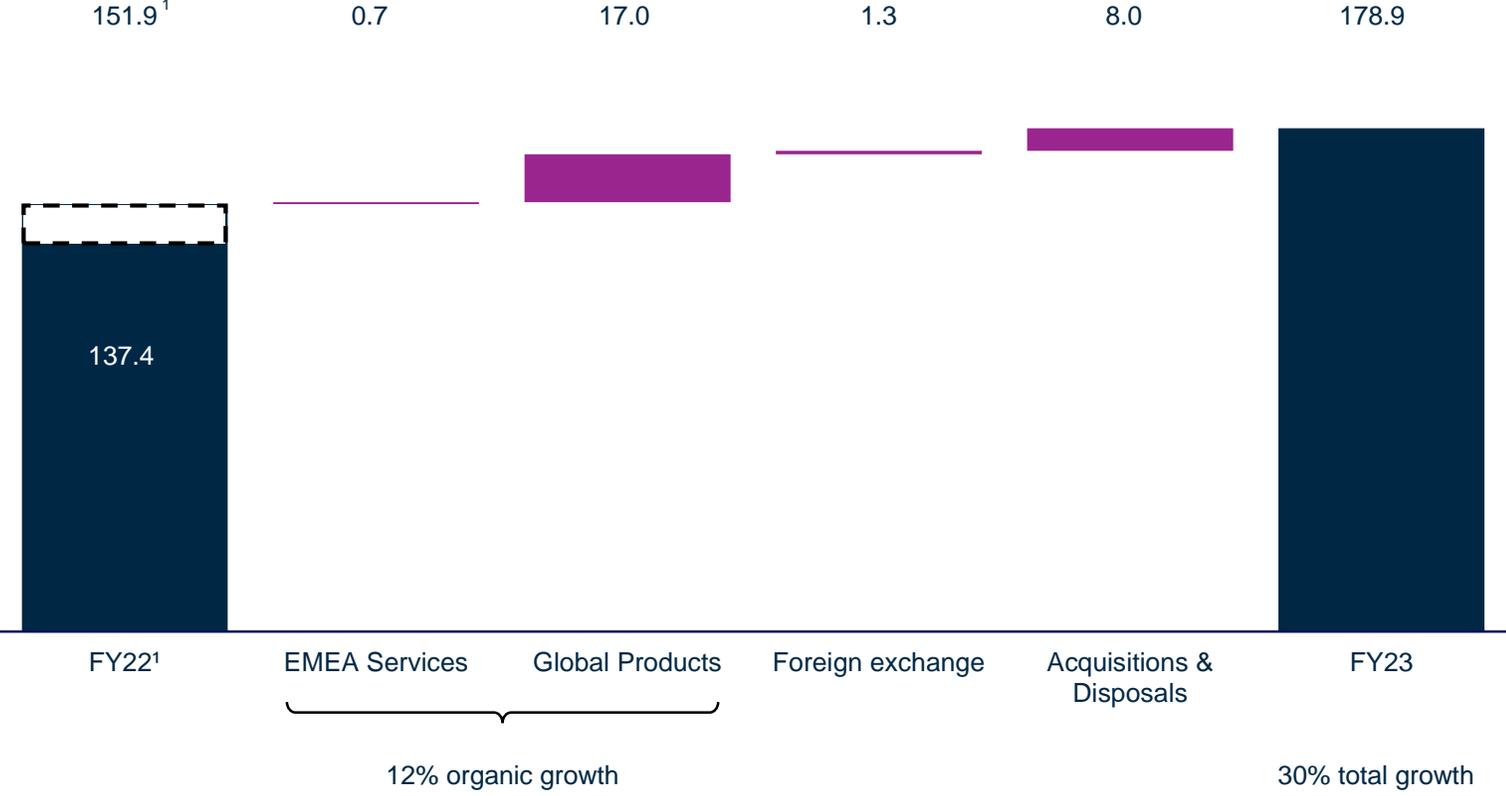
Revenue (£m)



<sup>1</sup> Impact of prior year write-down for comparison purposes (£10.7m)

# Strong profit growth, particularly in Global Products

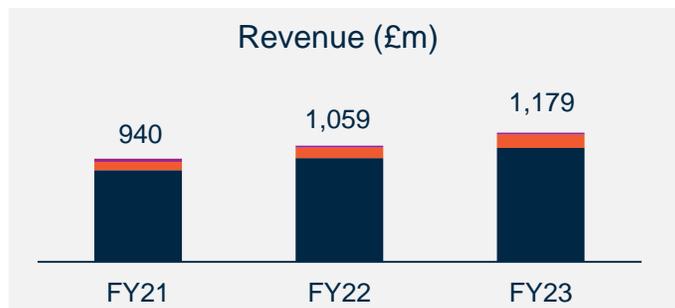
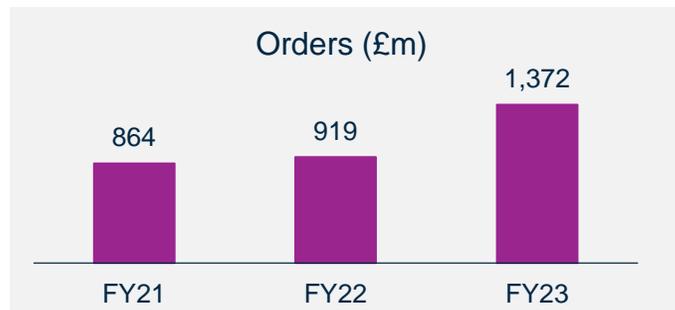
Underlying operating profit from segments (£m)



- EMEA Services has been impacted by the investment made in our people this year as a result of the cost of living pressures.
- Global Products delivered double digit margin of 10.4%, reflecting strong performance in the US.
- Our acquisitions, Avantus and Air Affairs have delivered operating profit margin in line with expectations.

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# EMEA Services – significant year on year growth, driven by large contracts



■ Rest of World  
 ■ Australia  
 ■ UK



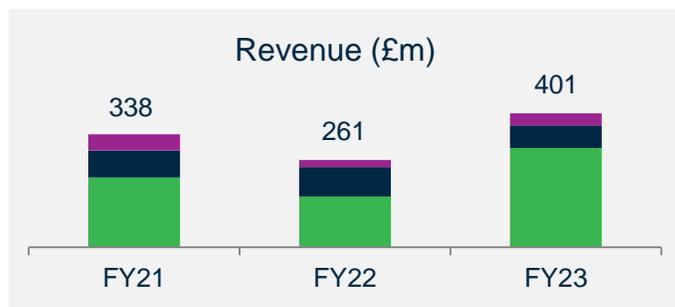
## EMEA Services

	FY23 £m	FY22 £m
Orders	1,372.2	918.9
Revenue	1,179.3	1,059.2
Underlying operating profit	137.1	135.6
Underlying operating profit margin	11.6%	12.8%
Book to bill ratio <sup>1</sup>	1.4x	1.1x
Total funded order backlog	2,768.8	2,541.6
Funded order backlog excl. LTPA amendments	1,453.4	1,037.9

- Orders increased by 49% (reported and organic). Funded order backlog at £2.8bn with a book to bill ratio of 1.4x.
- Revenue increased by 11% reported and 10% organic.
- Operating profit margin at 11.6% including additional investment made to support cost of living, focused on lower paid employees.

<sup>1</sup> B2B ratio is orders won divided by revenue recognised, excluding the LTPA contract revenue of £225m (FY22: £222m)

# Global Products – strong performance in US and QTS, driving double digit margin



Rest of World  
UK  
US



## Global Products

	FY23 £m	FY22 £m
Orders	351.9	307.7
Revenue	401.4	261.2
Underlying operating profit	41.8	1.8
Underlying operating profit margin	10.4%	0.7%
Book to bill ratio	0.9x	1.2x
Funded order backlog	301.5	287.2

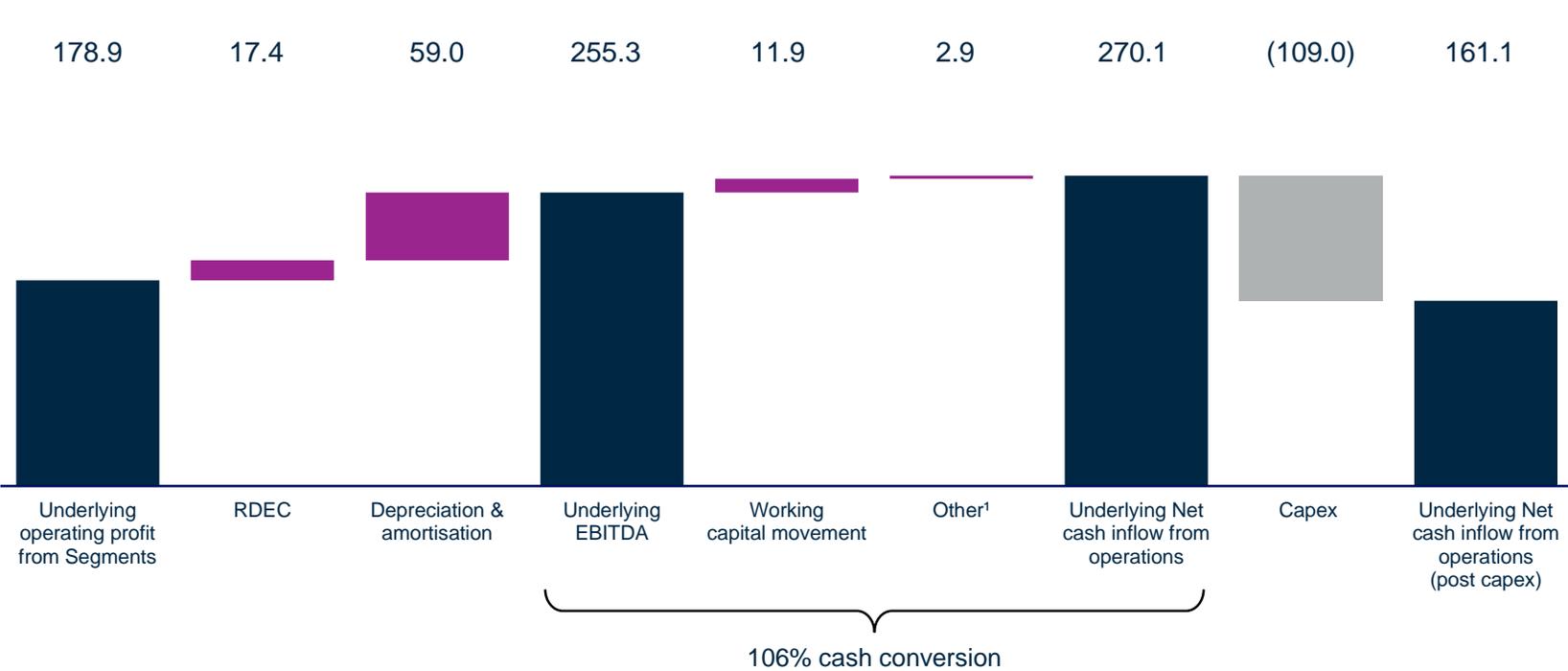
- Orders increased by 14% reported and 2% organic<sup>1</sup>. Funded order backlog due to shorter cycle business at £0.3bn with a book to bill ratio of 0.9x.
- Revenue increased by 54% reported and 15% organic<sup>1</sup>.
- Operating profit margin at 10.4% reflecting the strong US performance, giving a strong foundation for future growth & integration of Avantus.

<sup>1</sup> Organic growth excluding the impact of the prior year write-down

FY22 impacted by write-down: £22.5m orders, £10.7m revenue, £14.5m operating profit

# Strong and consistent cash generation

## Cash generation (£m)



Leverage

$$\text{Definition} = \frac{\text{Net Debt}}{\text{EBITDA}} \quad \text{FY23} \quad 0.8x$$

¹ Other movements driven by share based payments and pensions impacts



# Deploying our balance sheet to support our growth strategy

## Net (debt) / cash (£m)



Net (debt) / cash components		
	FY23 £m	FY22 £m
Cash and cash equivalents	151.2	248.1
Borrowings - term loan	(337.6)	-
Leases	(31.3)	(22.1)
Derivatives	8.0	(1.8)
Capitalised bank fees	2.8	0.9
	<u>(206.9)</u>	<u>225.1</u>

<sup>1</sup> Acquisitions includes the £117.9m repayment of acquired debt

<sup>2</sup> Other movements mainly driven by acquisition costs, Increase in Lease obligations, restructuring costs and digital investment

# Strategic update

Steve Wadey  
Group Chief Executive Officer



# Protecting lives and securing the vital interests of our customers

## Customers' mission



Higher customer demand

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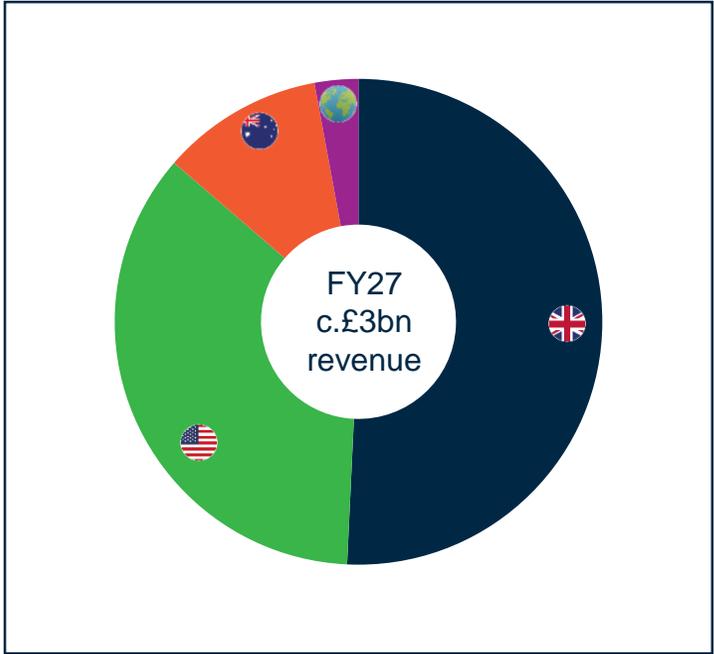
## Thriving people



Delivering with agility and pace

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## Shareholder return



Accelerating profitable growth

Strategy and capabilities aligned to deliver sustainable growth

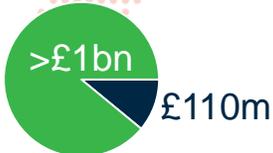
# Increased European and Indo-Pacific threats driving rapid defence modernisation

Market opportunity<sup>1</sup> increased from >£20bn to >£30bn per year

- Warfare changing with widening threat spectrum
- Defence RDT&E<sup>2</sup> market expenditure growing
- Intelligence and security markets now included
- Increasingly aligned to high priority segments



Strengthening NATO<sup>3</sup> alliance and partnerships with Canada & Germany



\$842bn budget request with record RDT&E at \$145bn for new technologies



£50bn with £6.6bn focused on R&D and experimentation over 4 years



Budget increasing 7% to \$53bn, focused on sovereign capability modernisation



Addressable market increased to >£30bn and higher customer demand

<sup>1</sup> Sources: Jane's Market Budget Forecast March 2023, UK MOD and US DOD forecasts for RDT&E, Australia Defence publications and QinetiQ estimates    <sup>2</sup> Research & Development and Test & Evaluation    <sup>3</sup> North Atlantic Treaty Organisation  
 ● Market opportunity    ● FY23 revenue



# Customer focused growth strategy aligned with AUKUS<sup>1</sup> shared mission



Experimentation and technology



Robotics and autonomous systems



Engineering services and support



Test and evaluation



Cyber and information advantage



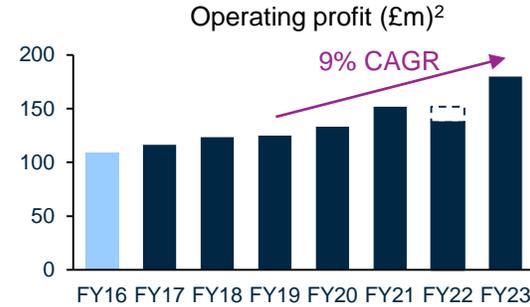
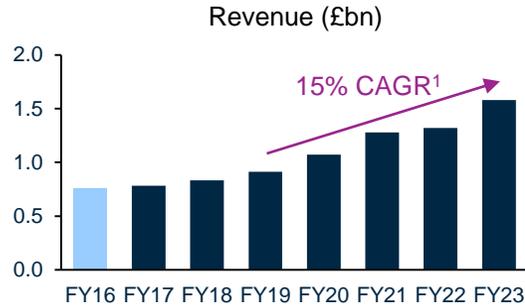
Training and mission rehearsal

Our purpose and strategy are increasingly relevant to national and global security needs

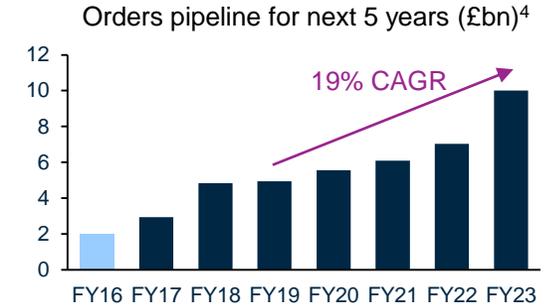
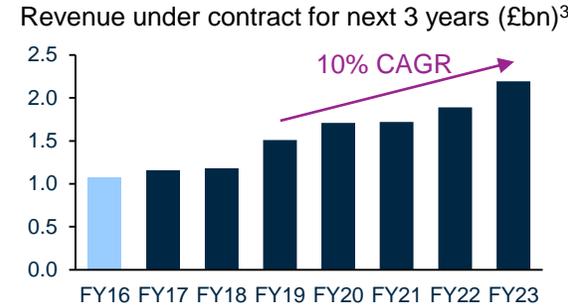
<sup>1</sup> Australia, United Kingdom, United States T3E: Test, Trials, Training and Evaluation

# Delivering consistent performance and growth

## Excellent operational performance



## Expanding revenue visibility



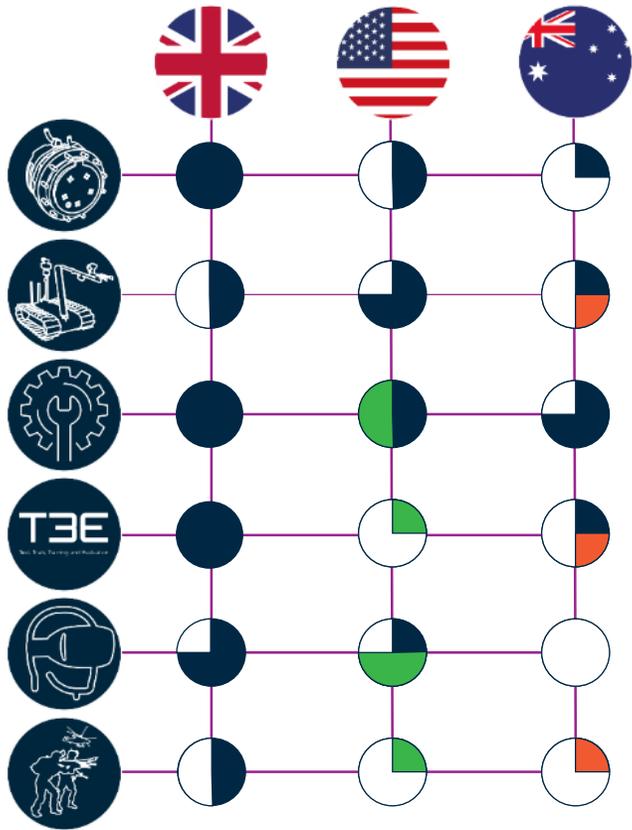
- Good programme delivery e.g. CRS-I<sup>5</sup> full rate production, 3-year extension to MSP<sup>6</sup> and £404m new EDP<sup>7</sup> orders
- Acquisitions continue to deliver double digit revenue growth with MTEQ, Inzpire and Naimuri each up 25% in year

- Cutting-edge technology solutions to create operational advantage e.g. directed energy and electrification
- Partnering on larger longer-term programmes e.g. OMFV<sup>8</sup> driving 50% growth in orders pipeline to a record £10bn

## Strong track record of organic and inorganic growth

<sup>1</sup> Compound Annual Growth Rate <sup>2</sup> FY22 shows add back for write-down <sup>3</sup> Revenue under contract for next 3 years at end of FY <sup>4</sup> Orders pipeline for next 5 years at end of FY, FY16 estimated <sup>5</sup> Common Robotic System – Individual Major Service Provider <sup>7</sup> Engineering Delivery Partner <sup>8</sup> Optionally Manned Fighting Vehicle

# Enhancing our global platform to deliver mission-led innovation



## Building a disruptive mid-tier US business

- Avantus ahead of plan e.g. fully integrated leadership
- \$100m customer wins, including 100% re-compete
- Pursuing synergies across the DoD<sup>1</sup>, Intel and DHS<sup>2</sup>



## Building a global leader in threat representation

- Air Affairs secured next phase of airborne training
- Leveraging capabilities: QTS<sup>3</sup>, GmbH and Air Affairs
- Expanding market e.g. Banshee into US TSMO<sup>4</sup>

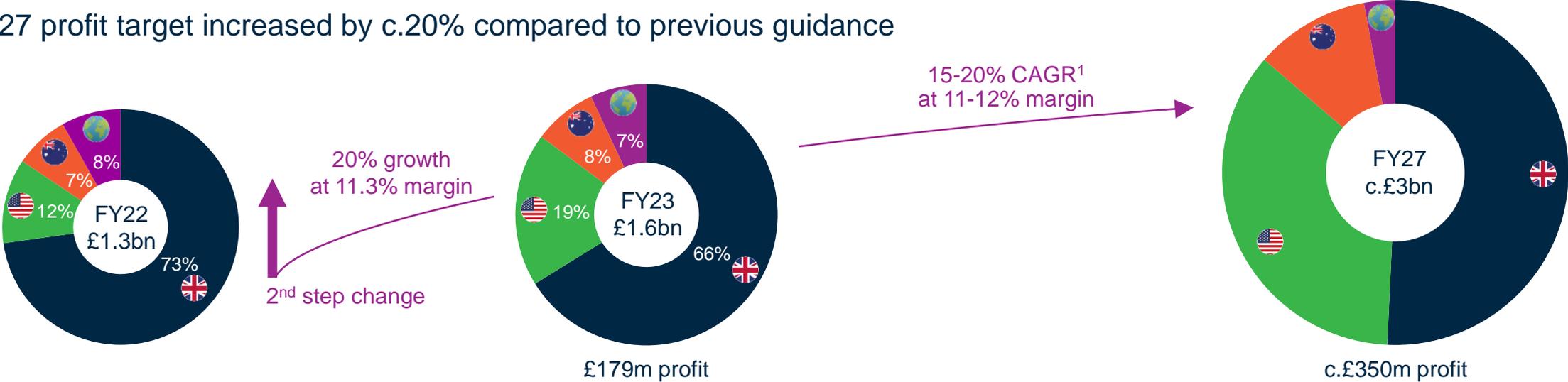


Avantus and Air Affairs performing well and integrations on-track

Breadth of offering: ● Existing ● Avantus ● Air Affairs <sup>1</sup> Department of Defense <sup>2</sup> Department of Home Land Security <sup>3</sup> QinetiQ Target Systems <sup>4</sup> Threat Systems Management Office

# Increased FY27 growth ambition from £2.3bn to c.£3bn revenue

- Significant growth potential within >£30bn addressable market driven by increased threat
- Upgrading revenue target to deliver high single digit organic growth, supplemented by further strategic acquisitions
- Evolving geographic mix with Australia and US more than doubling, delivers higher growth at 11-12% margin
- FY27 profit target increased by c.20% compared to previous guidance



Robust plan to accelerate sustainable profitable growth

<sup>1</sup> Compound Annual Growth Rate, combined organic and inorganic growth

# Creating a culture to enable our customers' mission

## Thriving people

- Improved employee engagement and invested to retain and attract
- Top 100 leaders capable for scale of AUKUS<sup>1</sup> growth e.g. US & Australia



## Advanced technology

- Aligned with AUKUS priorities e.g. sensing, autonomy & directed energy
- Underpinned by ongoing c.£20m p.a. IRAD<sup>2</sup> investment programme



## Net zero

- Scope 1 & 2 reduced by 12% in year & “top rated ESG<sup>3</sup>” by Sustainalytics
- Top 1000 managers have 17.5% of their incentive to deliver ESG outputs



Capability to deliver our future growth plan sustainably

<sup>1</sup> Australia, United Kingdom, United States   <sup>2</sup> Internal Research and Development   <sup>3</sup> Environmental, Social and Governance



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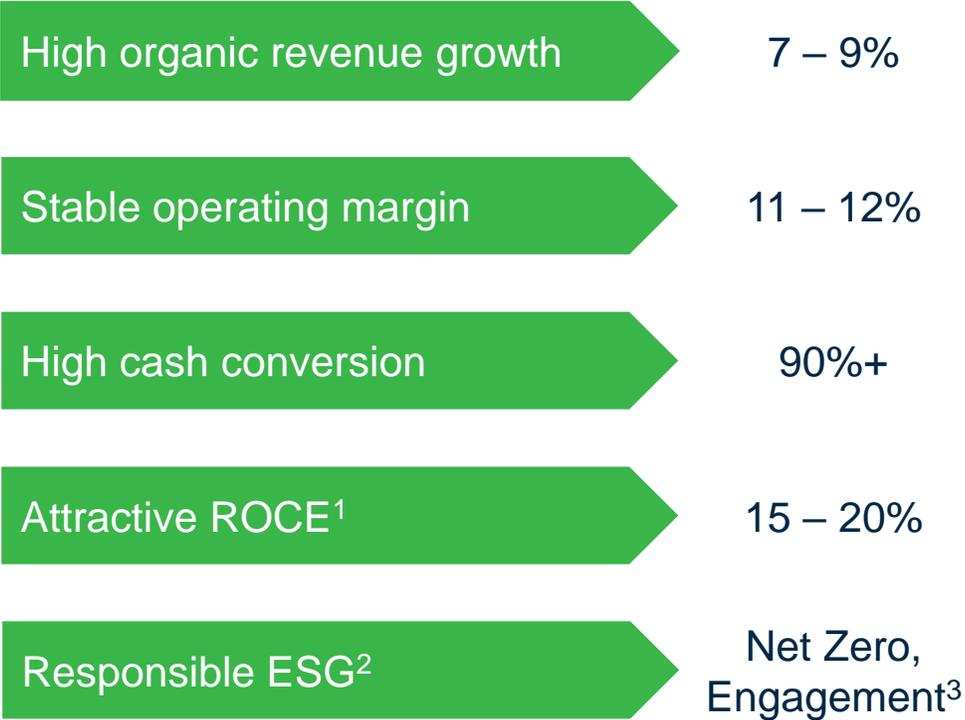
# Upgraded guidance

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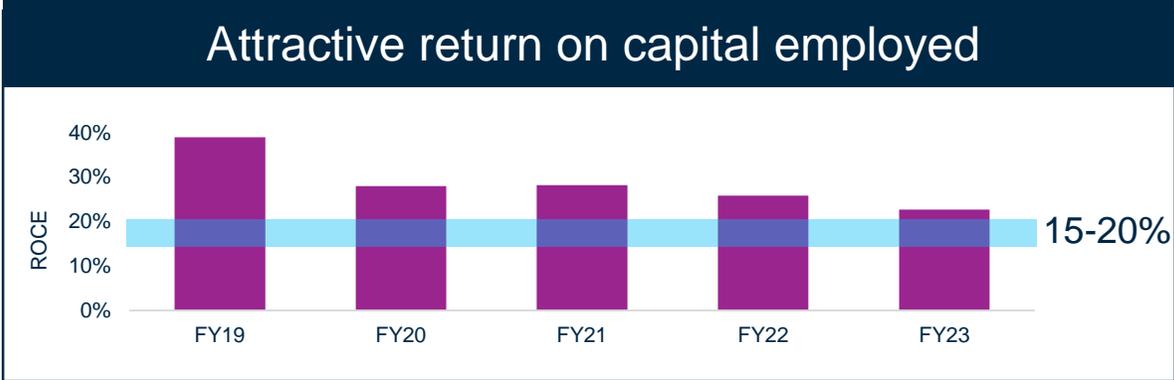
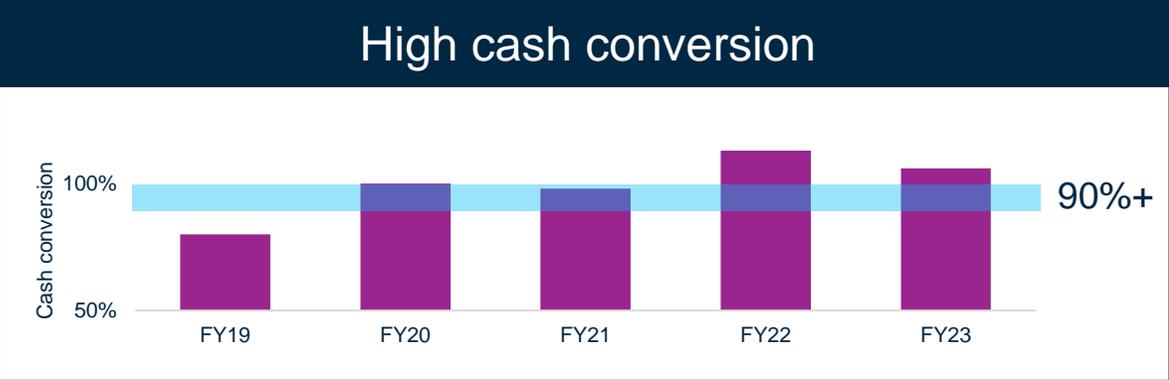
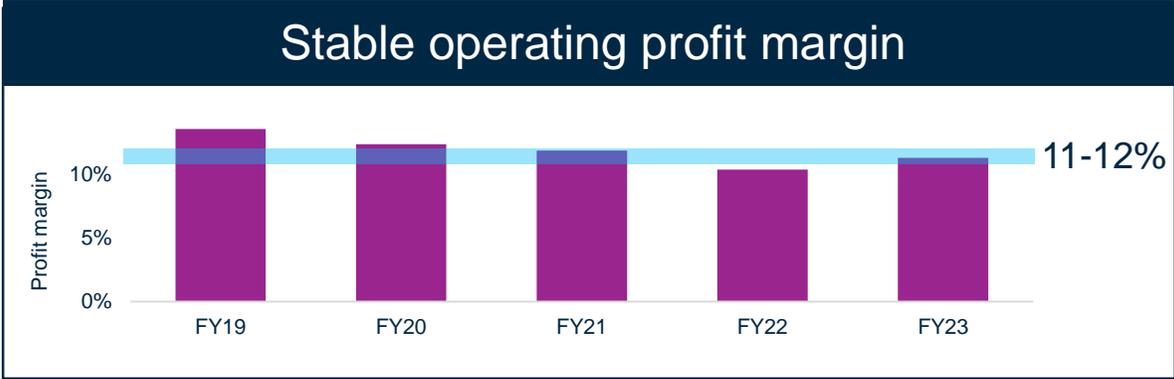
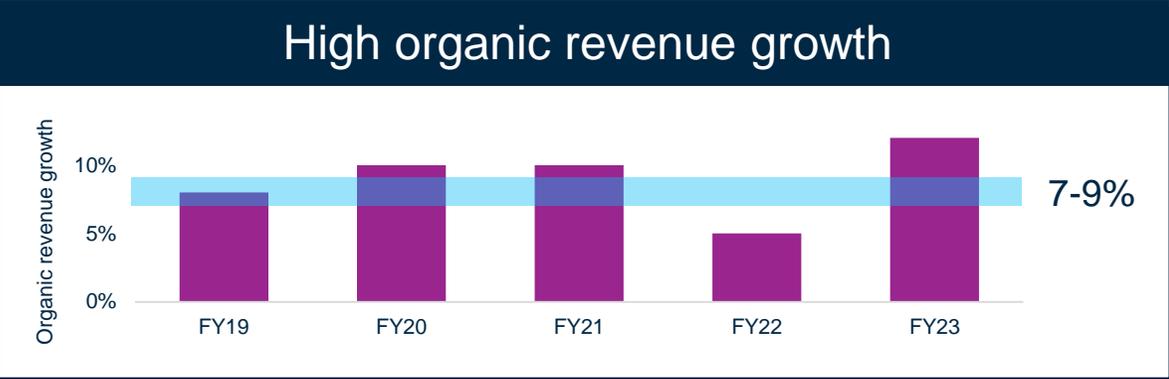
# Strategy to deliver sustainable growth for our shareholders



A world-leading defence and security company with attractive returns

<sup>1</sup> Return On Capital Employed   <sup>2</sup> Environmental, Social and Governance   <sup>3</sup> Stakeholder engagement including employees and community

# Track-record demonstrates confidence to achieve new guidance

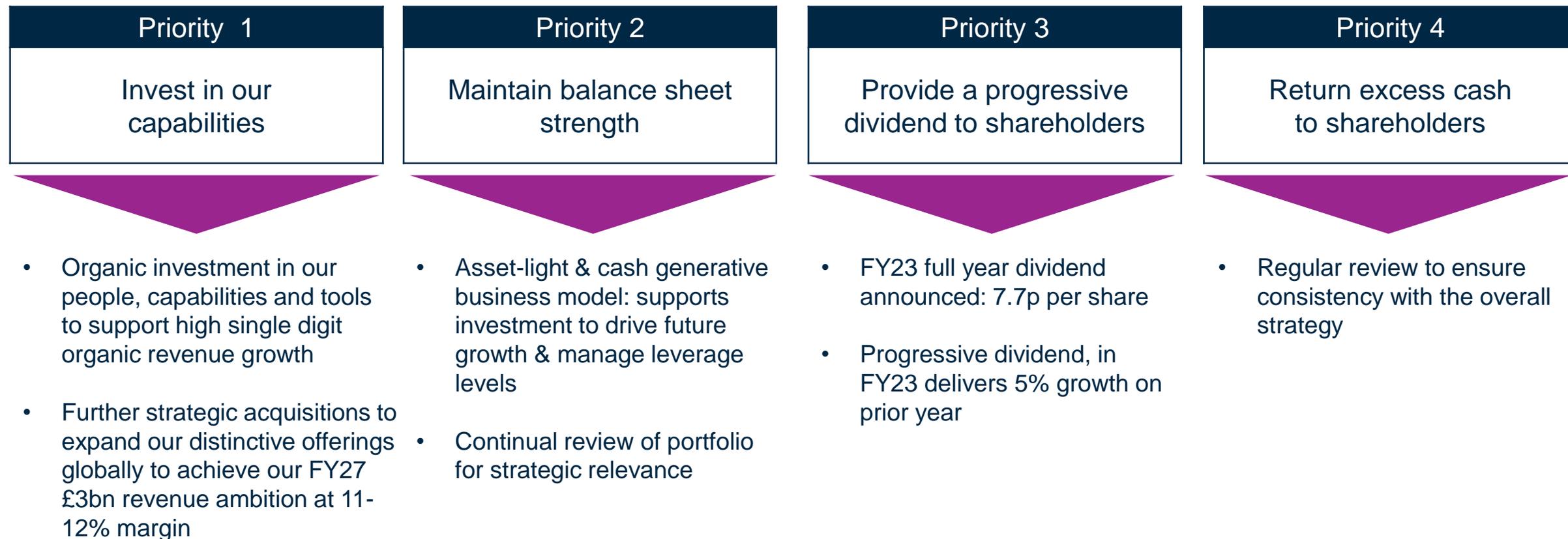


Deliberate focus on sustainable performance

= New QQ guidance



# Our capital allocation policy in action



Capital allocation policy supports delivery of our long-term ambition

# Outlook Statement

## FY24: expectations unchanged<sup>1</sup>

- We enter FY24 with confidence, a healthy order-book and positive momentum with 61% revenue under contract.
- Consistent with our upgraded long-term guidance, we expect to deliver high single digit revenue growth compared to the FY23 pro-forma revenue (full year effect of FY23 M&A activity); this equates to high teens total revenue growth versus the FY23 reported revenue. Operating profit margin will be at the lower end of the 11-12% range.
- Capital expenditure is expected to remain within the £90m to £120m range.

## Longer-term: upgraded guidance

- We are targeting high single-digit organic revenue growth, supplemented by strategically aligned acquisitions to build a circa £3bn company by FY27.
- This increased level of growth will be delivered at stable margins of 11-12%, reflecting the evolving geographic mix of the global company.
- Cash conversion will remain strong at over 90%, supporting our ability to deploy capital effectively to achieve our long-term growth ambition and deliver a return on capital employed at the upper end of the 15-20% range.

<sup>1</sup> Analyst expectations (median average) for EBIT as at 24/05/23: £206m

# Summary

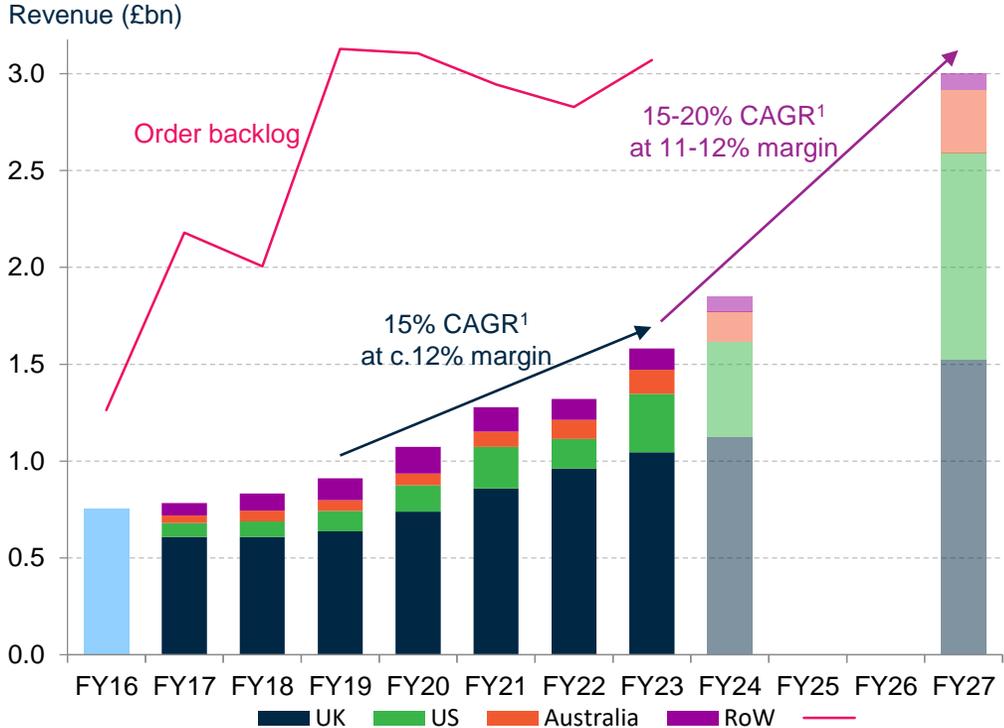
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<sup>1</sup> Compound Annual Growth Rate    <sup>2</sup> Australia, United Kingdom, United States



Q&A

# Appendix



# Definitions

- Underlying performance is stated before:
  - Amortisation of intangibles arising from acquisitions
  - Pension net finance income
  - Gains/losses on disposal of businesses, investments and property
  - Transaction and integration costs in respect of business acquisitions and disposals
  - Impairment of property and goodwill
  - Change in accounting policy in respect of software implementation costs
  - One-off period of digital investment
  - Tax impacts of the above items
  - Other significant non-recurring tax movements
- Book to Bill:
  - Orders won divided by revenue recognised excluding the LTPA contract
- Organic growth:
  - The level of year-on-year growth, expressed as a percentage, calculated at constant prior year foreign exchange rates, adjusting for business acquisitions and disposals to reflect equivalent composition of the Group

# Technical guidance

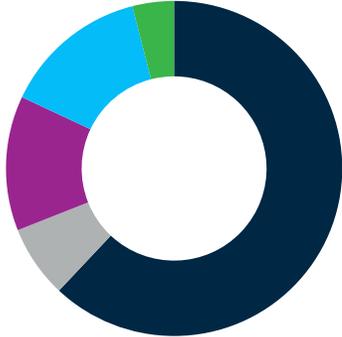
	FY23	FY23 Pro-forma	FY24	
Revenue	£1.6bn	£1.7bn		With the full year effect of acquisitions expect to deliver high teens total revenue growth, equivalent to high single digit revenue growth vs FY23 pro-forma
Profit margin	11.3%	11.2%		With the full year effect of acquisitions and ongoing normalised investments, expect to deliver lower end of 11-12% margin
Underlying net finance expense	£(6.6)m			£340m debt financing taken out with Avantus acquisition (5.2% weighted average cost of debt, including all fees), expect the FY24 net interest full year expense to be c.£15m
Effective tax rate <sup>1</sup>	11.3%			Will increase to c.19% due to UK corporation tax rate increasing from 19% to 25%. This tax rate is illustrative for comparison against Profit from segments – the headline ETR (excluding RDEC credit) will be c.28%
Tax cash outflow	£30m			Expect increase to c.£45m due to UK corporation tax rate rise
Net working capital change	+£11.9m			Expect a modest working capital outflow to support our growth
Capital expenditure	£109m			Capex expected to reduce modestly, within the £90-120m range
Closing net (debt) / cash	£(207)m			With cash generative nature of the business model we expect to generate free cash flow of £110-120m. After dividend and potentially increased lease liability, expect closing net debt (including lease liability) of £150-170m

<sup>1</sup> Illustrative tax rate to reflect RDEC credit included in the tax line (to be used on Underlying Operating Profit from Segments). Equivalent published tax rate of 19.4% excluding the benefit of RDEC in the tax rate  
Arrows demonstrate the increase or decrease compared to FY23 pro-forma

# Revenue by customer and country

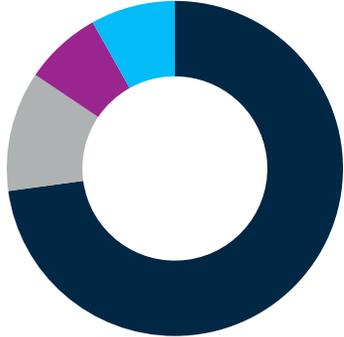
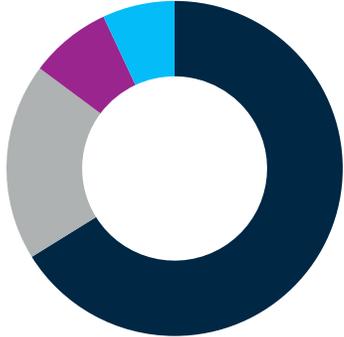
Revenue by customer (%)

FY23		FY22	
£1,580.7m		£1,320.4m	
	%		%
■ MOD	57%	■ MOD	62%
■ DoD	12%	■ DoD	7%
■ Government agencies	15%	■ Government agencies	13%
■ Commercial Defence	14%	■ Commercial Defence	14%
■ Commercial	2%	■ Commercial	4%



Revenue by destination country (%)

FY23		FY22	
£1,580.7m		£1,320.4m	
	%		%
■ UK	66%	■ UK	73%
■ US	19%	■ US	12%
■ Australia	8%	■ Australia	7%
■ Other	7%	■ Other	8%



# Income statement including specific adjusting items

	FY23 £m	FY22 <sup>^</sup> £m
Operating profit from segments	178.9	137.4
RDEC Income	17.4	6.2
Underlying operating profit before tax	196.3	143.6
Acquisition, integration and disposal costs	(18.7)	(5.0)
Digital investment	(5.8)	(1.9)
Restructuring costs	(5.0)	-
Pension past service cost	-	(2.4)
Fair value in respect of contingent consideration	-	0.6
Release of RDEC MoD appropriation liability	19.6	-
Gain on sale of property	2.0	0.7
Impairment of property	-	(1.2)
Amortisation of intangibles assets arising from acquisitions	(15.6)	(10.7)
Gain/(Loss) on disposal of business	15.9	(0.9)
Pension net finance income	9.9	4.5
Total specific adjusting items (pre-tax)	2.3	(16.3)
Underlying net Finance Expense	(6.6)	(1.4)
Profit before tax	192.0	125.9
Taxation	(37.6)	(35.9)
Profit after tax	154.4	90.0

<sup>^</sup> Prior period comparatives have been restated due to a change in accounting policy in respect of software implementation costs. See note 1 to the interim financial statements.

# Impact of Foreign Exchange Translation

	FY23 Organic	FY22	FY23 Restated at FY22 Rates	FY23 FX benefit	FY23 FX benefit
	£m	£m	£m	£m	%
Orders	<b>1,701.0</b>	1,226.6	<b>1,667.0</b>	34.0	2.8%
Revenue	<b>1,489.6</b>	1,320.4	<b>1,457.7</b>	31.9	2.4%
Underlying operating profit	<b>169.5</b>	137.4	<b>168.2</b>	1.3	0.9%
Total funded order backlog	<b>3,070.2</b>	2,828.8	<b>3,067.9</b>	2.4	0.1%

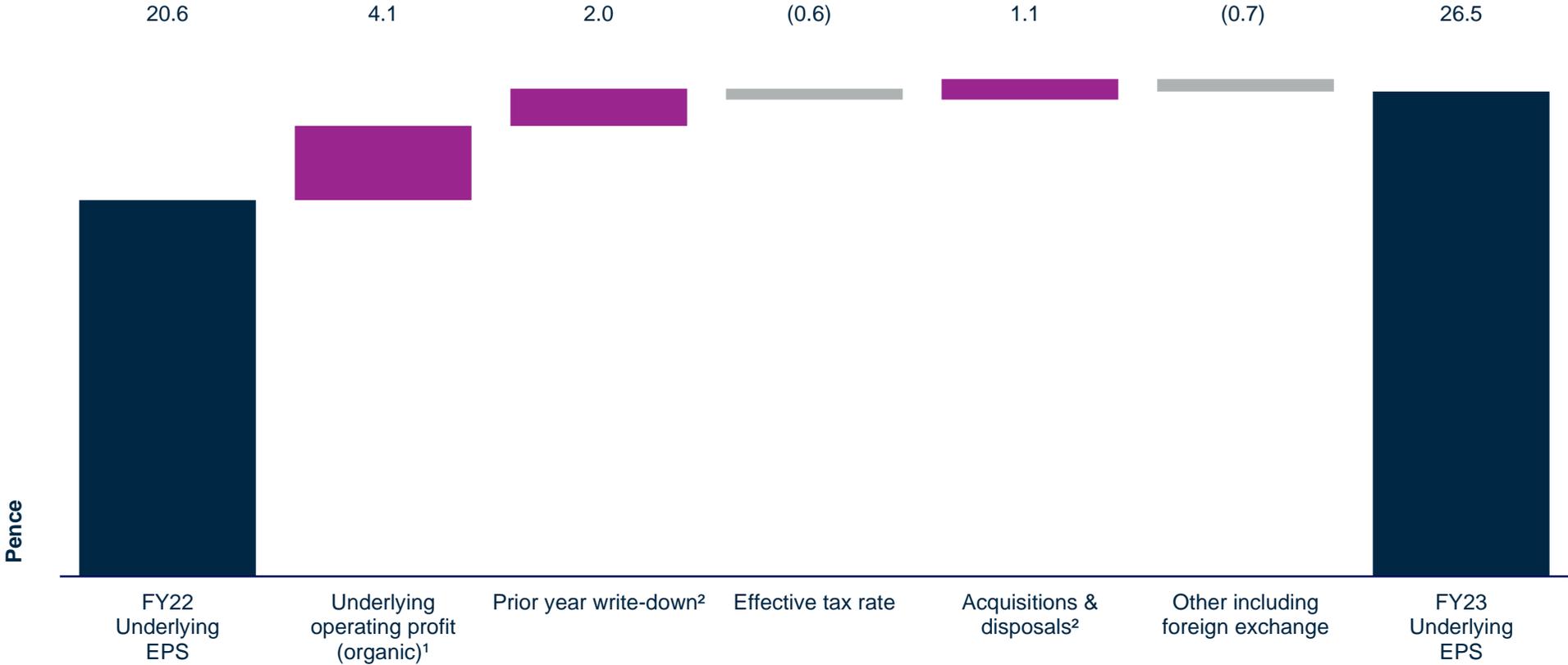
- Key driver of FX change in year was the translation of US businesses
- US revenue made up 19% of total group revenue in FY23 compared to 12% in FY22
- Average US exchange rate for FY23 was 1.21 (FY22: 1.36)

# Understanding our different underlying profit and tax rates

	FY23 £m	FY22 £m
Underlying operating profit*	196.3	143.6
Underlying tax charge*	36.8	24.1
Tax income on specific adjusting items	0.8	11.8
Headline tax charge	37.6	35.9
<i>Underlying tax rate*</i>	<i>19.4%</i>	<i>16.9%</i>
<b>Illustrative effective tax rate, with impact of RDEC income included in the tax charge</b>		
Operating profit from segments*	178.9	137.4
Tax charge including RDEC income	19.4	17.9
<i>Effective tax rate including RDEC income</i>	<i>11.3%</i>	<i>13.2%</i>

\* Definitions of APMs can be found in the Appendix

# Underlying earnings per share (pence)



<sup>1</sup> Excluding prior year write-down and post-tax

<sup>2</sup> Post-tax

# Cash conversion

	FY23 £m	FY22 <sup>^</sup> £m
Operating profit from segments	178.9	137.4
Underlying RDEC income	17.4	6.2
Underlying operating profit	196.3	143.6
Depreciation and amortisation	59.0	52.1
Underlying changes in working capital	11.9	20.7
Loss on disposal of PPE	0.2	-
Share-based payments charge	6.1	7.4
Share of post-tax profit of equity accounted entities	(0.8)	(0.3)
Net movement in provisions	(1.0)	(1.0)
Retirement benefit contributions in excess of income statement expense	(1.6)	(1.8)
Net cash inflow from operations	270.1	220.7
Cash conversion %	106%	113%
Capex	(109.0)	(84.3)
Net cash inflow from operations (post-capex)	161.1	136.4
Net interest	(4.4)	(1.0)
Taxation	(30.2)	(25.4)
Free cash flow	126.5	110.0

<sup>^</sup> Prior period comparatives have been restated due to a change in accounting policy in respect of software implementation costs. See note 1 to the interim financial statements.

# Movements in net cash

	FY23 £m	FY22 <sup>^</sup> £m
<b>Free cash flow</b>	<b>126.5</b>	110.0
Dividends	(42.6)	(40.2)
Acquisition of business	(503.8)	(0.8)
Disposal of business	30.6	1.5
Acquisition transaction costs	(16.4)	(3.7)
Change in lease obligations	(15.3)	-
Restructuring	(5.0)	-
Digital investment	(5.8)	(1.9)
Purchase of own shares	(0.8)	(0.8)
Other (including FX)	0.6	(3.1)
<b>Change in net cash</b>	<b>(432.0)</b>	61.0
Opening net cash - 1 April	225.1	164.1
<b>Closing net cash - 31 March</b>	<b>(206.9)</b>	225.1

<sup>^</sup> Prior period comparatives have been restated due to a change in accounting policy in respect of software implementation costs. See note 1 to the interim financial statements.

# Balance sheet

	<b>FY23</b>	<b>FY22</b>
	<b>£m</b>	<b>£m</b>
Goodwill	<b>409.0</b>	149.4
Intangible assets	<b>343.0</b>	140.3
Property, plant and equipment	<b>477.8</b>	414.5
Working capital	<b>(69.0)</b>	(85.4)
Retirement benefit surplus (net of tax)	<b>84.4</b>	265.8
Other assets and liabilities	<b>(70.0)</b>	(68.3)
Net cash	<b>(206.9)</b>	225.1
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>968.3</b>	1,041.4

## Confirmed pension surplus

	FY23 £m	FY22 £m
Equities	210.3	220.8
LDI investment	227.2	291.8
Asset backed security investments	4.3	501.7
Bonds	374.0	306.0
Property funds	-	29.5
Cash and cash equivalents	17.2	78.5
Derivatives	6.7	(8.5)
Insurance buy-in policies	515.5	645.9
Market value of assets	1,355.2	2,065.7
Present value of scheme liabilities	(1,235.4)	(1,703.5)
Net pension asset before deferred tax	119.8	362.2
Deferred tax liability	(35.4)	(96.4)
Net pension asset	84.4	265.8

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