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# Capital Markets Day highlights

A new £1.4bn revenue ambition

**Growth & capital returns** 

New strategic plan & delivery





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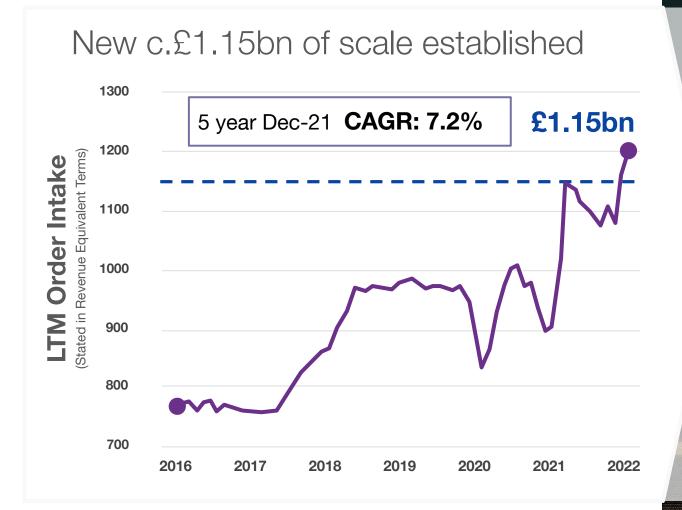








## Proving our new scale





#### Substantial, sustainable growth:

market share gain & store roll-out delivered

#### **Scaled-up supply chain:**

Logistics investment & new manufacturing partnerships

#### Strongly positioned for the future:

robust order bank; strong cash position; powerful infrastructure

# Sustainable development

#### **STRATEGIC PROGRESS**

New scale of business established

Overcoming operational pressures

Platform set for future growth

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+17.4%

Y-o-2Y Revenue Growth\* +33.1%

Y-o-2Y uPBTA Growth £123m

L18M Free Cash Flow

c.£80m

Overall Capital Return c.£175m

Incremental Order Bank Outstanding\*\*

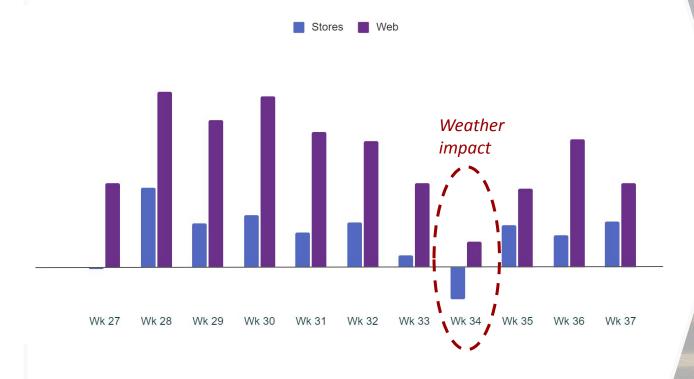
\*ongoing operations

\*\*incremental to pre-pandemic comparator periods

## **H2** momentum continues



**Order Intake Growth H2 FY22 vs. FY20 (Pre-Pandemic)** 



# H2 trading: material volume & value growth

(vs pre-pandemic comparator periods)

## Volume growth despite inflationary pressures

through ranging & price management

## Positive trend in both stores & online:

demonstrating importance of integrated retail





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# Revenue performance drives profit and deleveraging

(£m) unless stated	H1 2022 26 weeks to 26- Dec-21	H1 2021 26 weeks to 27- Dec-20	H1 2020 26-weeks to 29- Dec-19
Revenues <sup>1</sup>	561.1	572.6	477.9
Growth vs. FY20 <sup>1</sup>	17.4%	n/a	n/a
Reported PBT	21.6	72.1	15.9
Underlying PBTA <sup>2</sup>	22.1	76.5	16.6
Growth vs FY20	33.1%	n/a	n/a
Underlying EPS	6.9p	23.5p	6.0p
Net bank debt	65.4	38.2	147.8
Leverage	1.0x	1.1x	2.2x

Revenue and profit growth relative to pre-pandemic comparator

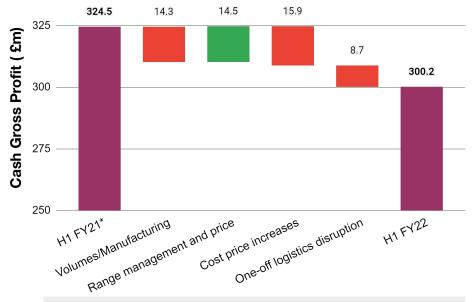
Trading environment impacting delivery rate and operating cost inflation

Robust balance sheet position and outlook underpins special capital returns plans

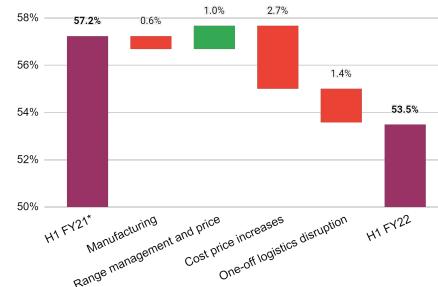
<sup>1)</sup> Continuing operations only in FY20

Profit before tax and acquired brand amortisation

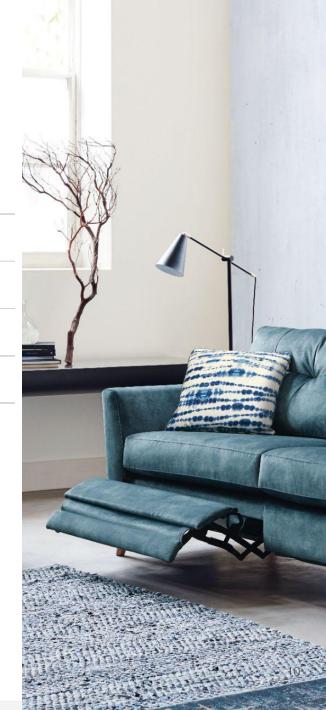
# Offset of inflationary pressure on finished goods input prices



Cash gross margin reduction driven by lower volumes and one-off disruption; underlying cash gross margin is stable...

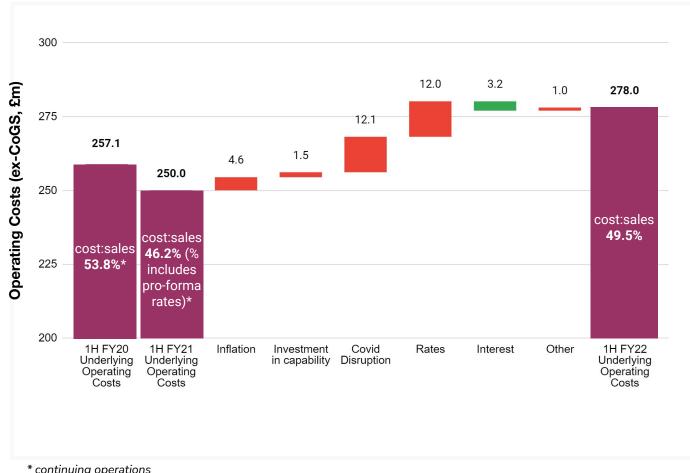


...reported gross margin percentage however is additionally diluted by inflation pass-through effect



<sup>\*</sup> Continuing operations

## Scale brings better cost margins



**Operating cost: sales ratio** reducing relative to pre-pandemic from efficiency of growing revenue base

H1 costs impacted by one-offs of £12.1m from customer service and logistics disruption

Future inflationary pressure to be offset through pricing, operating efficiency and scale benefits

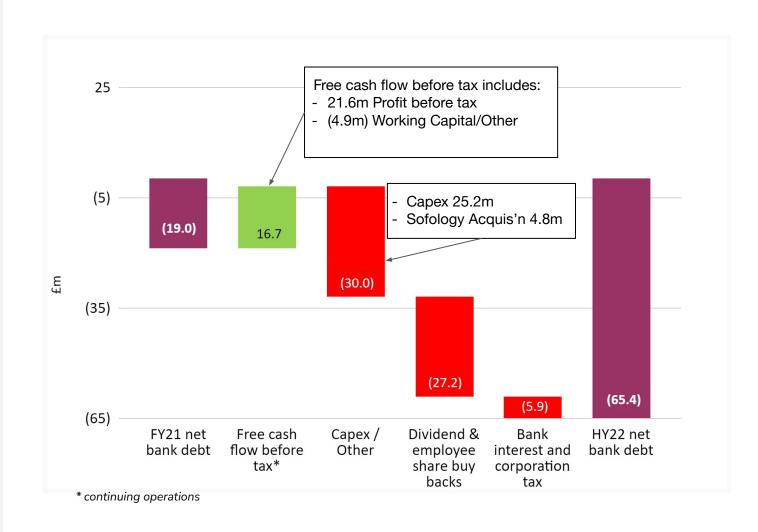
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### Cash utilisation in reinvestment and returns



Normal seasonal H1/H2 working capital trend

Capital investment, dividends and share buy-backs are the key driver of net debt movement

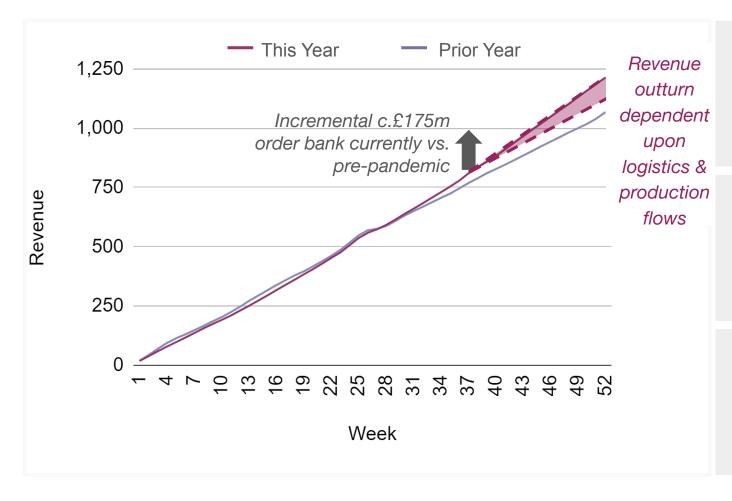
Robust balance sheet position with 1.0x Net Bank Debt / Cash EBITDA supporting capital returns







# Continuing order intake and order bank providing ongoing resilience



Order intake has remained strong in the second half compared to pre-pandemic periods giving a significant incremental order bank

Delivery rate accelerating across the year to date

FY22 / FY23 split of sales and profits now dependent on production and delivery performance in remaining weeks







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## **Outlook scenarios**

Two-year outlook unchanged with FY22/FY23 profit split dependent upon production progress

£m	<b>Low</b> (2 week delay in production)	<b>Mid</b> (1 week delay in production)	<b>High</b> (No Disruption)
FY22 Revenues	1,165	1,185	1,205
FY22 PBTA	66	78	85
FY23 PBTA roll-forward from FY22 order bank	31	19	12
FY22 reported net debt position (pre-capital return)	-50	-44	-40

Remain on track to deliver significant profit growth relative to pre-pandemic

Logistics and macro environment will drive profit timing

Disruption in FY22 likely to feed through to increased FY23 expectations through order bank tailwind





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# Driving significant cash returns to shareholders

TOTAL 12 MONTH RETURN	c.£80m
Up to £25m share buyback commencing today	£25.0m
Special dividend declared of 10.0p	£25.5m
LTM ordinary dividend at 11.2p (3.7p interim)	£28.9m

Strong trading and outlook drive increased annual profit generation

Conversion of PBT to pre-tax free cashflow of 100%+ (75%+ post tax)

Attractive
Cash Profit
Margins

Negative Working Capital Model

Proven
Post Tax
Capex
Returns

Advantaged
Cash
Generation for
Shareholders

We have a continued expectation of good cash generation



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## **H1 Operational Update**

1. New scale of business established

2. Overcoming operational pressures

3. Platform set for future growth

Market share gains, new showrooms and market growth support £1.15bn+ revenue base

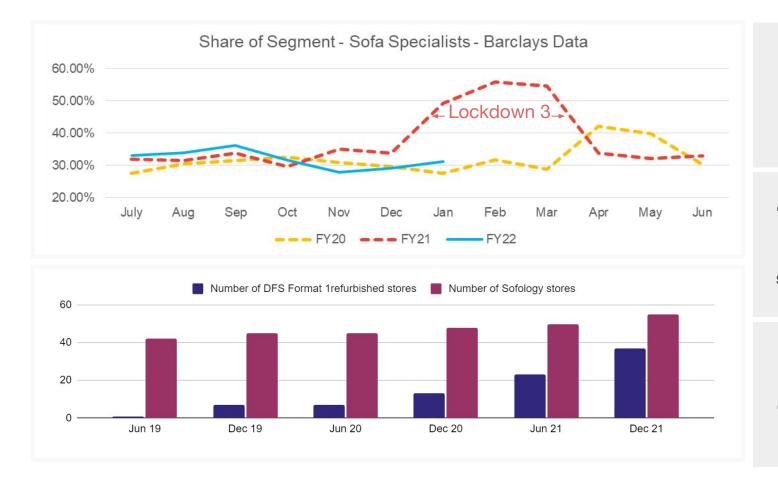
Weekly production and deliveries now at long-term target levels

Prioritisation of investment to drive future performance & shareholder returns



### 1. New scale of business now established

Market share capture and geographical roll-out underpin new levels of order intake



Measurable market share gain continues to underpin our growth in order intake; lead-time impact in November

"Format 1" DFS now proven across 37 locations giving typical >5% sales uplift and sub 2 year average payback

7 Sofology showrooms opened over last 12 months



### 1. New scale of business now established

Fulfilment being supported by enlarged manufacturing partner base & logistics network







Successful launch of new partner ranges giving increased production capacity, despite macro constraints

Sodelco investment including three new large "hub" warehouses opened within last twelve months

Progress limited by industry-wide supply chain disruption across Half 1

### 2. Overcoming operational pressure

Significant international shipping, UK logistics and manufacturing disruption especially in Q1

10%

H1 Logistics
Absences

+6%

H1 COGS Inflation

+£12.1m

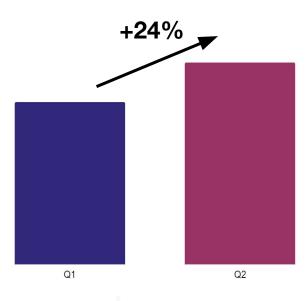
Operating cost impacts

Far East Shipping and UK HGV disruption, coupled with increased colleague absence levels

Substantial cost of goods inflation that has been offset through range mix and pricing

One off operating cost impact in H1 to cover exceptional logistics and customer service costs

#### H1 Delivered Revenues: Q1 vs Q2 growth



Q1

Q2



## 3. Disciplined investment for future growth

Accelerating progress in home, data and manufacturing





Increase presence in Home markets

Leverage data to drive LFL performance & efficiency

Upgrade of Doncaster Upholstery factory commencing in H2

We look forward to sharing further details at our Investor Event in Milton Keynes starting today at 11am

## 3. Disciplined investment for future growth

Consultation on Potential Closure of Netherlands Operations Commencing Shortly

DFS NETHERLANDS: KEY FACTS

• Six stores and online operation / c. £2m combined annual PBT loss, although individual stores made positive contributions

- c.£10m cash exposure to lease liabilities and other obligations
  - Non-cash P&L charges likely of £2m
  - Should a closure be pursued, we will seek to mitigate this

 Potential to wind down order book and stockholding in an orderly fashion releasing some cash to offset Pathway to NL profitability was identified, however relative financial returns look poor compared to other choices for capital utilisation within the UK

We will consult stakeholders and our colleagues fully in line with Netherlands employment laws

Update to be announced once this consultation is complete



## **Conclusion and Outlook**

Increasing our scale through sustainable development

#### **H1 SUMMARY**

- Strong performance in Sales and Profits: 17% revenue growth and and 33% PBT growth on pre-pandemic comparator
- Achieved against backdrop of industry wide operational challenges from Covid disruption
- Robust balance sheet and strong, resilient order bank underpinning capital returns

#### **OUTLOOK**

- New base scale of business and growth ambition: Moving from £1.15bn revenue to £1.4bn
- Positive start to trading in H2, despite well-publicised macroeconomic risks
- Two year profit outlook remains in line with previous expectations.

