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*At the heart of British supply chains*

Wincanton plc

Results for the half year to 30 September 2022



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## Agenda

James Wroath, CEO

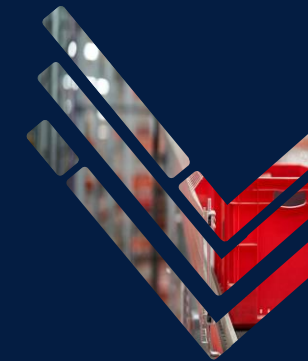
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James Wroath, CEO

Strategic update



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# Executive summary



## Diversified portfolio delivers growth in challenging environment

- Robust financial performance
  - Revenue growth +9.2% YOY, across all sectors
  - Underlying PBT up +2.6% YOY
  - Solid balance sheet with net debt of £2.2m
  - Interim dividend of 4.4p
- Continued strategic progress
  - Strong sales pipeline in strategic growth markets
  - Increasing importance of Public Sector to the business
  - Foundation markets underpin cashflow
  - Investing in technology, robotics and automation
- Mindful of headwinds
  - Proactively managing impact of inflation
  - Retail peak and shared asset transport networks' volumes important
  - Resilience of business model and potential for increased outsourcing



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# Financial performance

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# Financial highlights

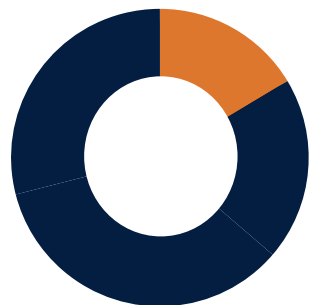
	HY 22/23 £m	HY 21/22 £m	Change %
Total revenue	753.6	690.3	9.2%
Underlying profit before tax (PBT)	28.0	27.3	2.6%
<i>Underlying PBT margin</i>	3.7%	4.0%	(24)bps
Underlying EPS (pence)	18.8	18.2	3.3%
Free cash flow	17.7	17.9	
Net cash flow	(5.9)	(28.3)	
Net debt	(2.2)	(16.4)	

- Strong revenue growth of 9.2% driven across all four sectors (6.9% excluding Cygnia acquisition)
- Underlying profit before tax up 2.6%
  - Growth in public and health
  - Consistent performance from foundation sectors
  - Volume headwinds in transport networks
- Continued free cash flow performance, with a year-on-year improvement in net debt
- Interim dividend of 4.4p, increase of 10%

Dividend per share (pence)	4.4	4.0	10.0%
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# Year-on-year revenue growth by sector

## eFulfilment

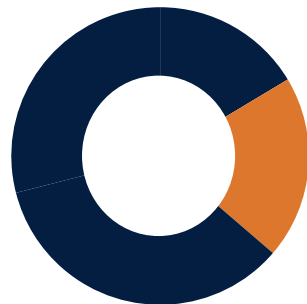


**+19.1%**

HY 22/23: £123m  
HY 21/22: £103m

- eFulfilment sector growth, boosted by Cygnia acquisition
- Net growth in high volume efulfilment
- Softening volumes in two-person home delivery and omnichannel

## Public & Industrial

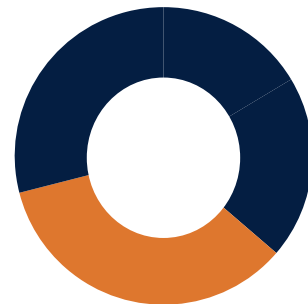


**+5.2%**

HY 22/23: £149m  
HY 21/22: £142m

- New business and contract mobilisation in public sector
- Increasing activity delivering growth across infrastructure
- Construction volume reduction

## Grocery & Consumer

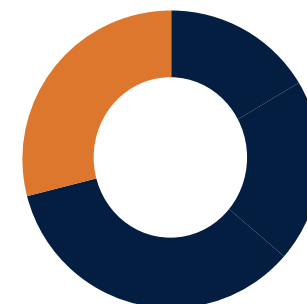


**+3.2%**

HY 22/23: £260m  
HY 21/22: £252m

- Core grocery volume stable year-on-year
- Downturn in retail transport volume
- Strong performance in consumer packaged goods

## General Merchandise



**+14.6%**

HY 22/23: £221m  
HY 21/22: £193m

- Solid core volumes
- Growth from new business secured with Primark and MGAE

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# Underlying profit

	HY 22/23 £m	HY 21/22 £m	Change %
Underlying EBITDA	57.4	50.8	13.0%
<i>Underlying EBITDA margin</i>	7.6%	7.4%	26bps
Depreciation and amortisation	(25.2)	(21.0)	(20.0)%
Financing costs	(4.2)	(2.5)	(68.0)%
Underlying PBT	28.0	27.3	2.6%
<i>Underlying PBT margin</i>	3.7%	4.0%	(24)bps
Tax	(4.8)	(4.7)	(2.1)%
Underlying profit after tax	23.2	22.6	2.7%
<i>Effective tax rate</i>	17.1%	17.2%	

- Underlying EBITDA growth of 13.0% reflecting growth in Public & Industrial sector and new business offset by transport headwinds
- Increase in depreciation as a result of new assets and leases year-on-year
- Financing costs increased due to
  - Higher number of leased assets
  - Higher interest rates
- Underlying PBT of £28.0m (HY 21/22: £27.3m)
- Effective tax rate 17.1%; lower than statutory rate due to the benefit of super capital allowances



# Managing headwinds

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Labour market



Inflationary pressures



Changing consumer behaviour

# Proactive steps around labour

## Labour market



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Colleagues

## Breakdown of costs



58%

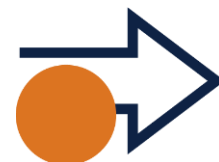
Labour costs

## Wage negotiation status



81%

Of colleagues' wage increase agreed



13%

Open book colleague wage increase to be agreed

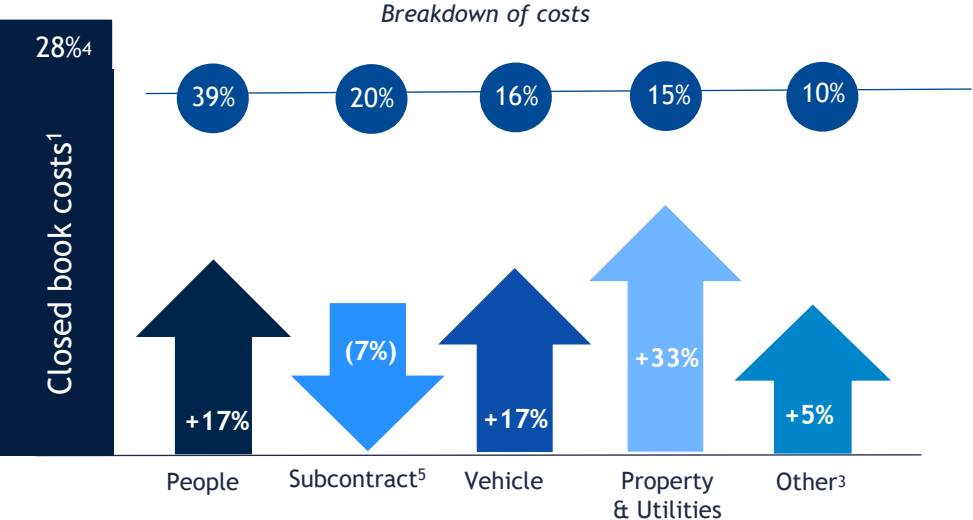
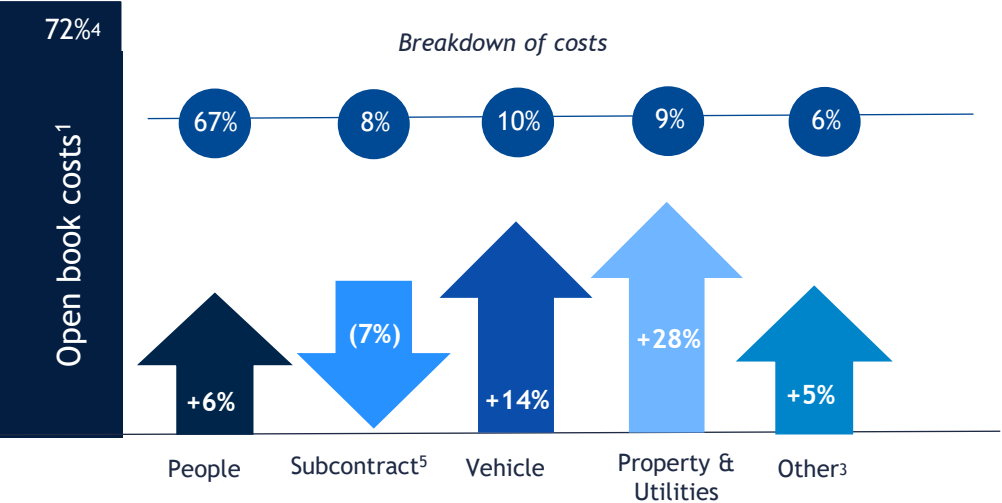


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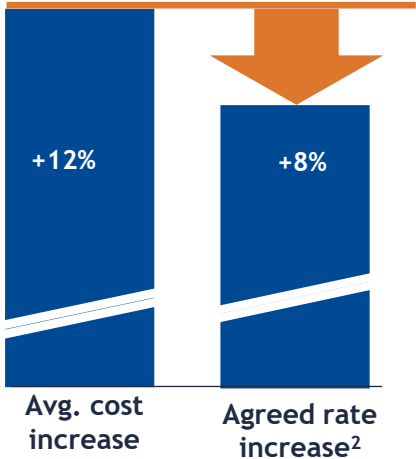
Closed book colleague wage increase to be agreed

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# Managing inflation with confidence



Closed book inflation exposure



Incremental costs passed through

## Actions



Strong customer relationships



Rate reviews - contractual and exceptional



Fuel escalator mechanism



Ongoing continuous improvement - own fleet vs subcontraction

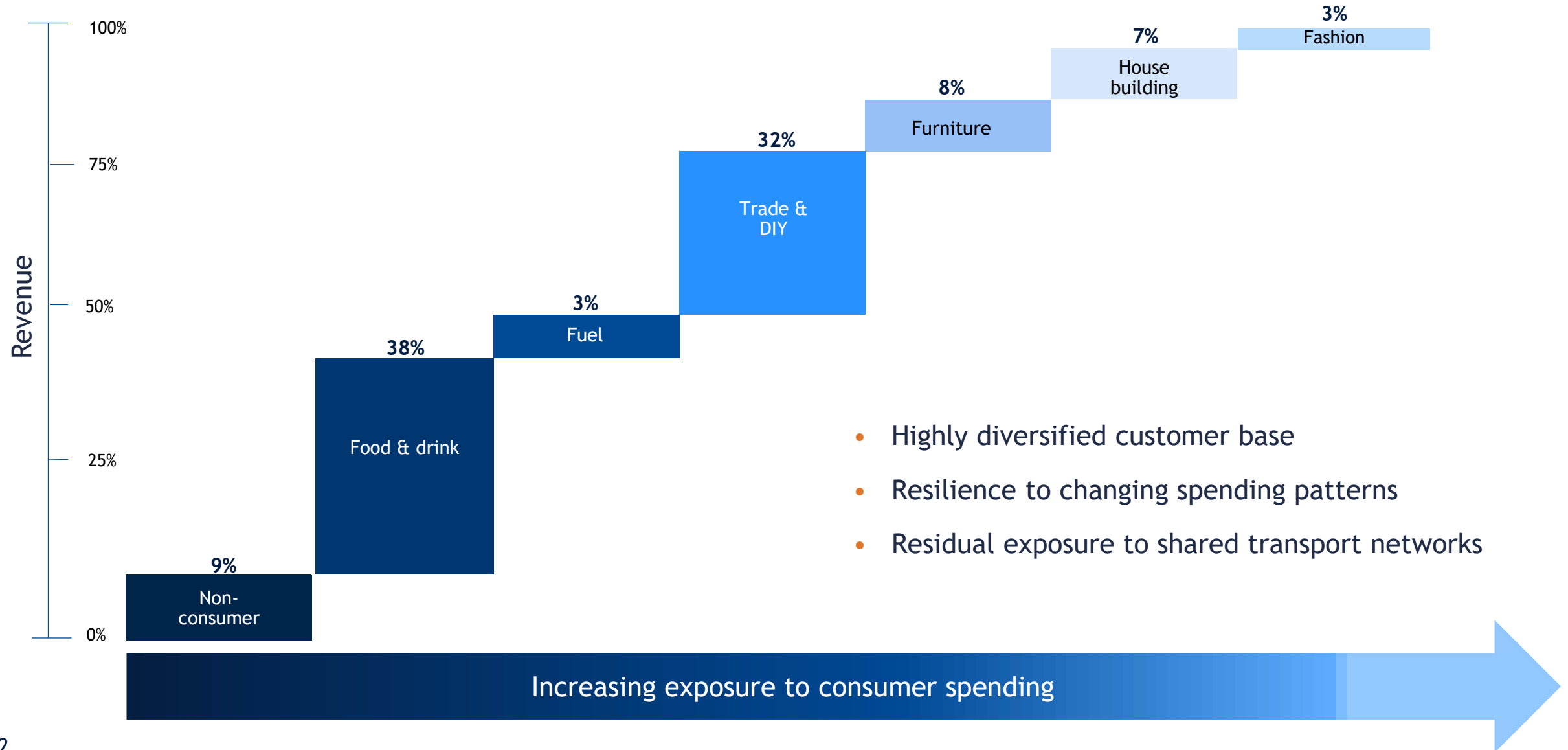


People Campus

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1. Calculation based on H1 FY23 vs H1 FY22. Average cost increase across material expense categories  
2. Represents average exceptional and contractual (RPI & CPI) increases across two-person home delivery and construction transport agreed in H2 FY22  
3. Other costs includes costs like software and general admin costs. Reflects the total cost increase for the Group in these categories  
4. Open book and closed book split 72%/28%  
5. Based on average subcontractor lane rates

# Resilience to consumer spending



# Strong balance sheet and cash management

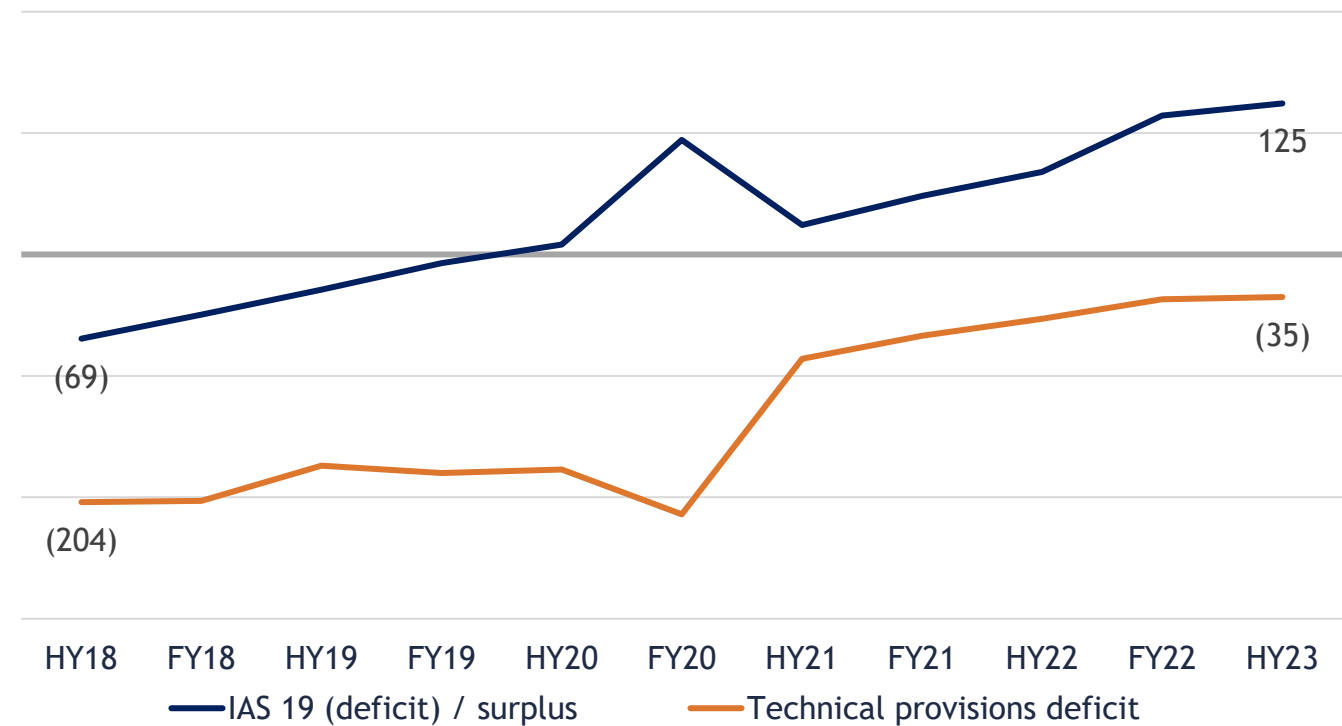
	HY 22/23 £m	HY 21/22 £m
Underlying EBITDA	57.4	50.8
Working capital	(1.9)	(10.6)
Tax	(4.7)	(1.8)
Net interest	(5.4)	(2.9)
Other items	0.5	0.2
Repayment of obligations under leases	(18.9)	(13.5)
Capex net of disposal proceeds	(7.6)	(1.1)
Non-underlying items	(1.7)	(3.2)
Free cash flow	17.7	17.9
Pension payments	(10.0)	(9.2)
Dividends	(9.9)	(9.4)
Own shares acquired	(3.7)	-
Acquisition:		
- consideration	-	(23.9)
- acquired assets	-	(3.7)
Increase in net debt	(5.9)	(28.3)
Closing net debt	(2.2)	(16.4)

- Closing net debt of £2.2m and free cash flow of £17.7m
- Good working capital maintained with healthy mix of new and organic business on favourable payment terms
- Tax includes payment on the tax losses deferred
- Higher interest reflects increased leases and banking interest rates together with RCF drawings in the period
- Increase in lease payments mainly reflects the additional property leases acquired
- Increased capex investment supporting automation and innovation
- Non-underlying items primarily relates to the phase 2 implementation costs for Oracle Cloud

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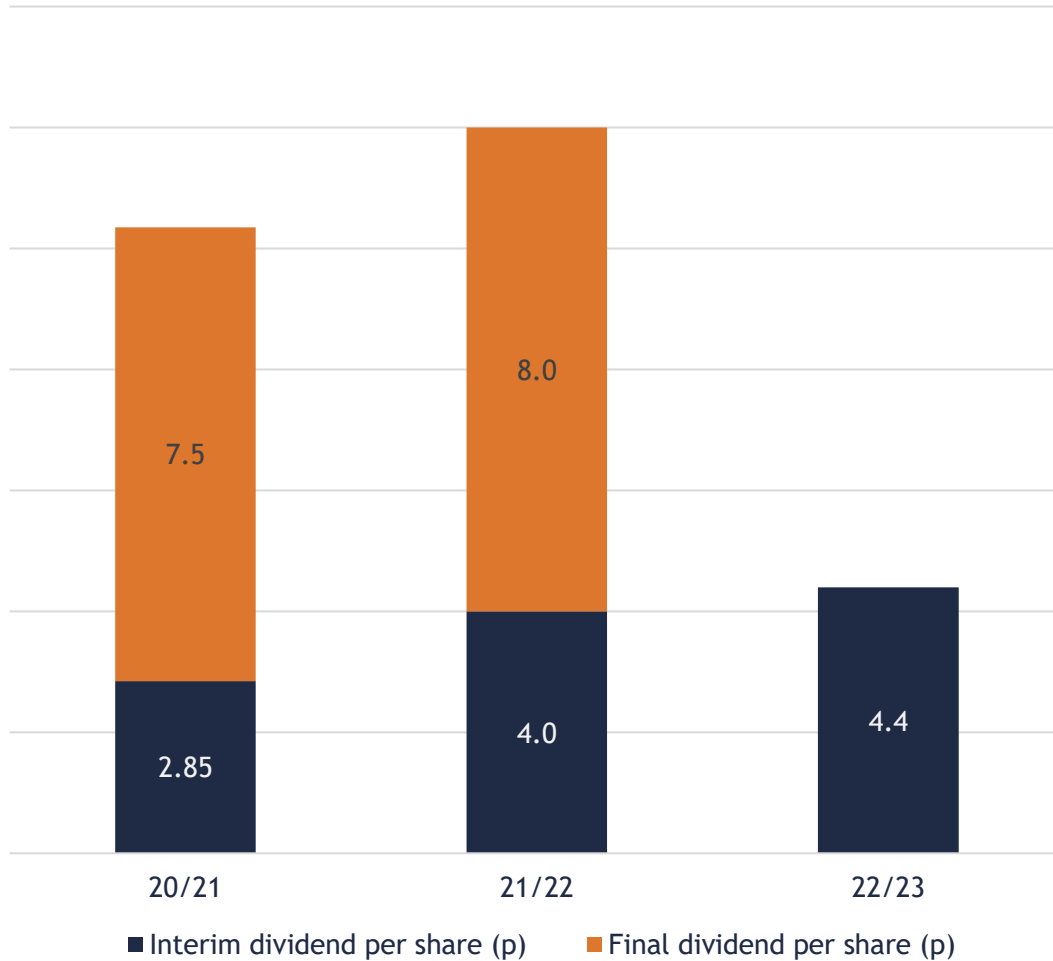
# Improved pension position

Pension surplus/(deficit) (£m)



- IAS 19 pension surplus of £124.5m, increased by £10.0m from 31 March 2022 due to pension contributions and actuarial movements
- Net pension contribution for H1 £10.0m (FY23:£20.1m)
- Technical provision deficit at 30 September is estimated to be £35m (31 March 2022 was £37m)
- Next triennial valuation as at 31 March 2023
- Collateral position monitored; no concerns triggered during recent market volatility around levels of collateral and liability driven investment (‘LDI’) strategy

# Progressive dividend



- Interim dividend of 4.4p per share
- Dividend policy consistent with prior years:
  - Split broadly 1/3 interim: 2/3 final
- To be paid on 30 December 2022



# FY23 guidance

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- Expect revenue growth to be in line with consensus of mid single digits
- Underlying profit before tax guidance remains in line with current consensus estimates
- Managing macro-economic environment:
  - Protection through our mix of open and closed book contracts
  - Broad portfolio of customers
  - Continued vigilance on operational efficiencies and costs
  - Strong pipeline with Public Sector and eFulfilment growth

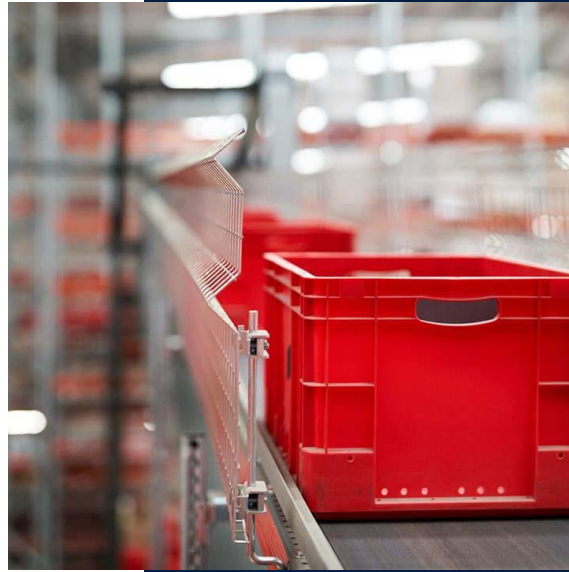


# *Strategic update*

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# Continued delivery of strategy

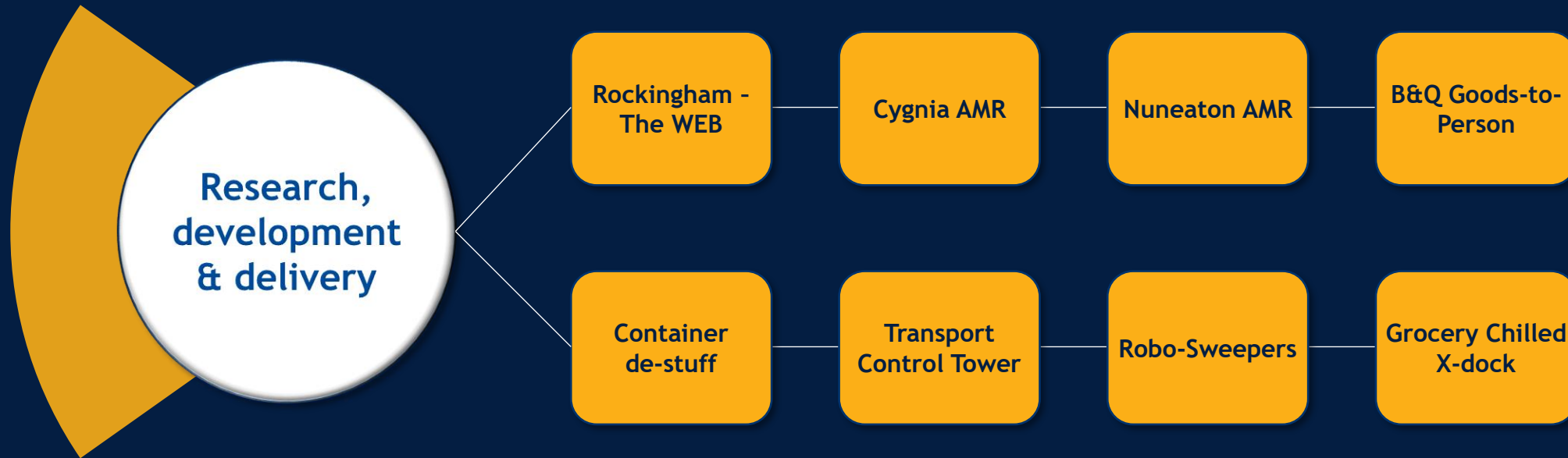


- 1 Refocused on four sectors: foundation and growth markets clearly identified
- 2 Accelerated investment in mid-market eCommerce retailers
- 3 Expansion of Public Sector operations
- 4 Greater emphasis on Wincanton technology to deliver for customers
- 5 Strong Group culture: the Wincanton Way

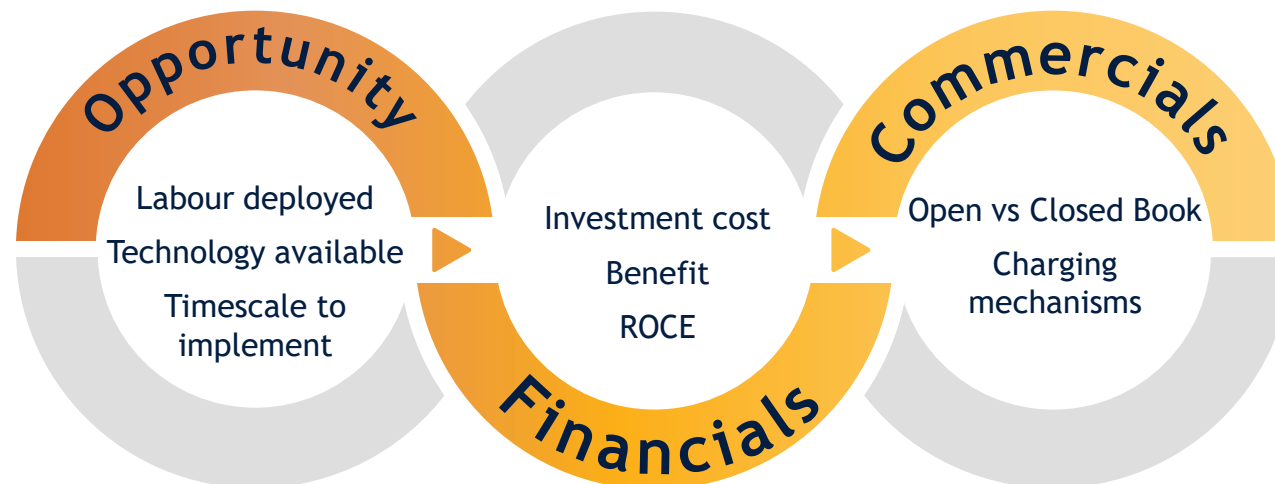
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# Increasing the pace of Wincanton's technology development - a parallel process



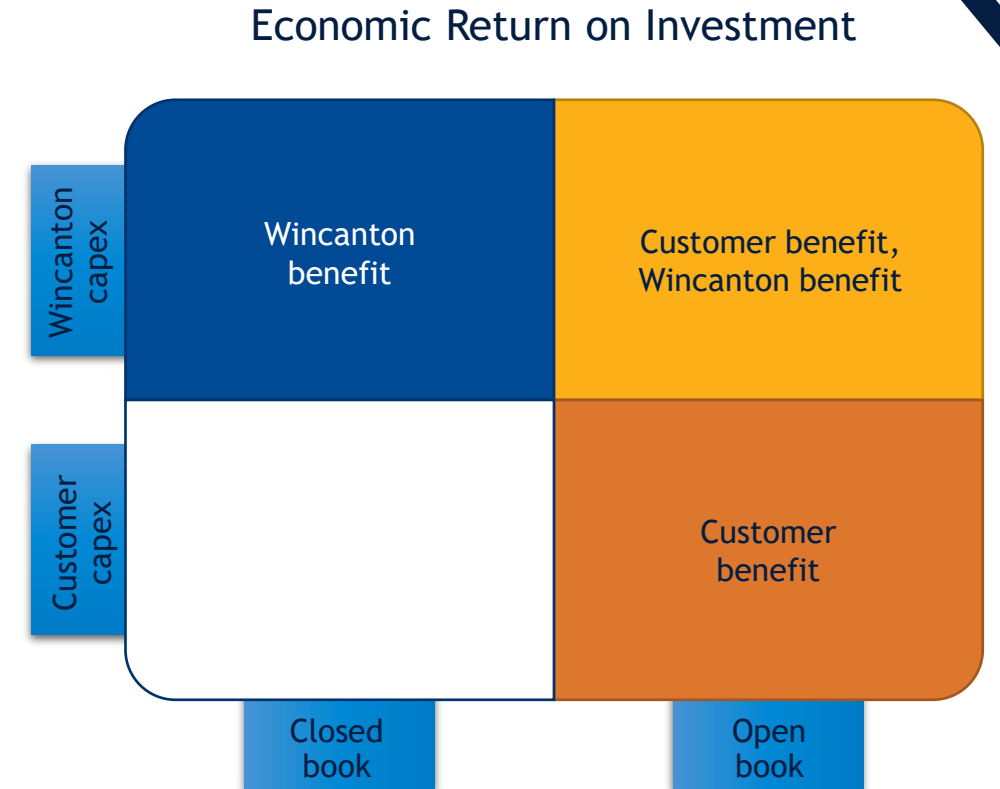
## Strategic planning



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# Delivering value for Wincanton from technology

Pricing model	Customer benefit	Wincanton benefit
Open book	Full benefit from investment delivered in lower costs	Low risk R&D with high perceived value delivery for customers
Closed book	Lower prices from productivity improvement, no investment required	Increased margins from investments
Technology priced to open book contract	Lower prices from productivity improvement, no investment required	Margin opportunity in largest proportion of the business



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# Exciting new business pipeline and industry recognition

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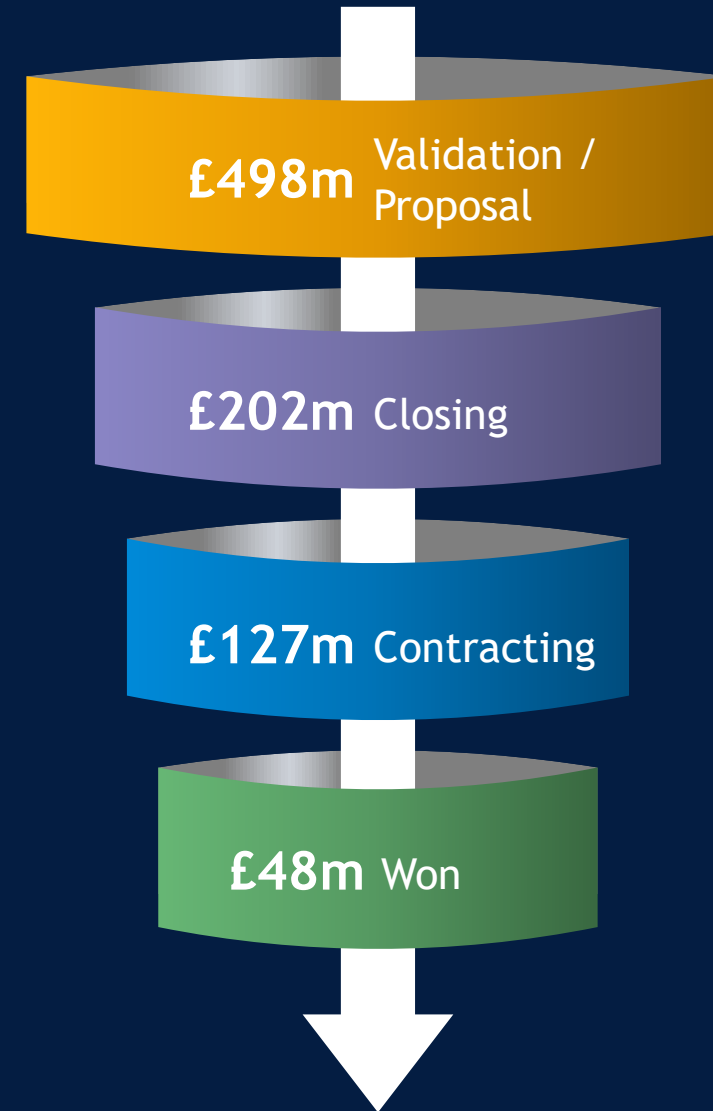
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NEAL'S YARD REMEDIES



nakedwines



As of October 2022





# ESG - delivering sustainable supply chain value

## Roadmap to Net-Zero by 2040

- Engaged with various partners in Zero Emission Road Freight Demonstration (ZERFD) project funding
- Developing solar panel project proposals for warehouse estate

## Social value: launched roadmap

- Our culture of care event - 1 November
- People Campus launched
- Part of Birmingham Pride 2022
- Armed Forces Covenant - Silver award
- Inside-out campaign launched

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# Outlook and summary

## Continuing to deliver on our strategy



- Committed to driving growth through sustainable supply chain value, strong pipeline of sales
- Future growth opportunities across all four business sectors
- Healthy cashflow enabling continued investment in people, robotics and innovation
- Resilient performance in H1. Managing macro-economic headwinds; expectations for FY23 underlying PBT in line with market consensus



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# Q&A

For more information, see our  
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