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## Introduction

Nick Roberts

Chief Executive Officer



## A challenging year in weak market conditions

- Progressive downturn in new build housing and private domestic RMI markets leading to (2.7)% decline in Group revenue
- Operating profit down (39)% due to lower Merchanting volumes, commodity deflation and overhead pressures
- Invested to protect and build market positions with market share gains in both Toolstation and Travis Perkins General Merchant

## Driving actions to support profit recovery and enhance cash generation

- Plans to accelerate transformation of the Group's operating model – £35m benefit delivered in first phase
- Further profit improvement opportunities:
  - Simplification of structures
  - Lower supply chain costs
  - Benefits from new technology
- Working on plan for potential exit of Toolstation France; strategic review of Toolstation Benelux



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## Financial review

## Duncan Cooper

**Chief Financial Officer** 



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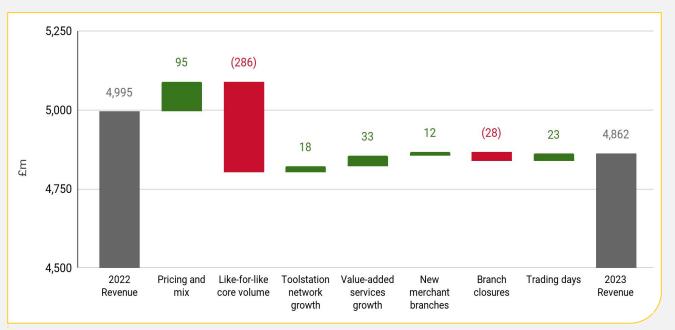
### **Financial overview**

Year ended 31 December 2023 (£m unless otherwise stated)	2023	2022	Change
Revenue	4,862	4,995	(2.7)%
Adjusted operating profit	180	295	(39.0)%
Adjusted earnings per share (pence)	45.7p	94.6p	(51.7)%
Net debt / adjusted EBITDA	2.6x	1.8x	(0.8)x
Cash conversion	81%	67%	14ppt
Ordinary dividend per share	18.0p	39.0p	(53.8)%

Note - Alternative performance measures are used to provide a guide to underlying performance.



### Revenue impacted by weak market volumes



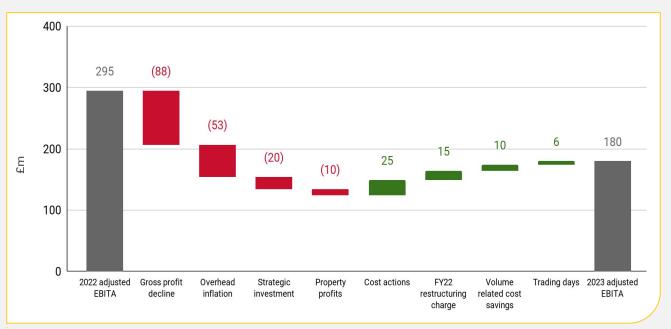
Pricing strong in H1 but quickly eroded in H2 by commodity deflation

Weak volumes in new house building and RMI markets

New space growth from Toolstation Europe rollout and new Travis Perkins GM branches



### Cost actions only partially offset gross profit decline and inflation



Gross profit decline driven by lower volumes and impact of commodity deflation

Significant inflation across all overhead categories, particularly on people costs

Strategic investment in Toolstation UK distribution centre and Toolstation Europe network

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### Adjusting items

	£m
Restructuring charge	17
Benchmarx branch closures	10
Toolstation France impairment	33
Total	60

- Reduction primarily in central and regional headcount in Q4 generating £35m of annualised cost savings
- Closure of Toolstation Bridgwater DC and proposed closure of Toolstation Daventry DC
- 39 Benchmarx standalone branches closed in
  February 24 as part of strategy review
- Toolstation France technical impairment to assets and goodwill of the business under IAS36
- Further charges expected in FY24 as review of operating model progresses



## Challenging market conditions impacting on Merchanting







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	2023	2022	Change
Revenue	£4,036m	£4,220m	(4.4)%
Adjusted operating profit	£212m	£314m	(32.5)%
Adjusted operating margin	5.3%	7.4%	(210)bps
ROCE	9%	15%	(6)ppt
Branch network	769	767	2

Note - all figures above exclude property profits

- Sales volumes impacted by significant decline in housebuilding activity and weak private RMI market
- Majority of profit decline resulting from loss of volume and impact of H2 price deflation on gross margin %
- Good progress on value-added services with Hire up 6% and Managed Services up 5%



## Investing for Toolstation growth



	2023	2022	Change
Revenue	£826m	£775m	6.6%
Like-for-like growth	4.0%	(3.7)%	
Adjusted operating profit - UK	£23m	£21m	9.5%
Adjusted operating profit - Europe	£(37)m	£(30)m	(23.3)%
Adjusted operating profit - Total	£(14)m	£(9)m	(55.6)%
Adjusted operating margin	(1.7)%	(1.2)%	(50)bps
ROCE	(2)%	(2)%	-
Store network (UK)	570	563	7
Store network (Benelux)	119	113	6
Store network (France)	51	45	6

Good sales performance with market share gains continuing across UK and Europe

- Opened new UK DC in H2;c. £(13)m profit impact
- European losses increased due to further network expansion and weak end markets
- Forecast losses for FY24:
  - France £(20)m
  - Benelux £(12)m

Note - all figures above exclude property profits

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### Disciplined approach to future capital expenditure

£m	2023	2022
Strategic	51	75
Maintenance	52	28
IT	6	7
Base capital expenditure	109	110
Freehold property	33	38
Gross capital expenditure	142	148
Disposals	(68)	(23)
Net capital expenditure	74	125

- Full year Capex of £109m; to be reduced to £80m FY24
- Strategic Capex reduced by £(24)m due to lower investment in Toolstation network and distribution capability
- Maintenance Capex £24m higher due to overdue fleet replacement



## Strong liquidity with decisive action to reduce leverage

	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022	Change	Covenant
Net debt	£922m	£819m	£(103)m	
Net debt / adjusted EBITDA	2.6x	1.8x	(0.8)x	<4.0x
Net debt excluding leases	£314m	£279m	£(35)m	
Net debt excluding leases / adjusted EBITDA	0.9x	0.8x	(0.1)x	

Refinancing of 2023 bond and £375m RCF completed. No further refinancing requirements until 2026 Lease commitments increased due to new Toolstation UK DC, Staircraft manufacturing facility and sale-and-leaseback activity

Key focus for the Group to return leverage to target range (1.5 - 2.0x)

### A clear framework for capital allocation

Disciplined approach to Maintain investment grade credit rating - return capex and property leverage below 2.0x as spend - maintain soon as possible differentiation Improvement in working capital management and Attractive and sustainable dividend review of loss-making activities



## **Outlook and guidance**

#### Outlook

- FY24 market conditions set to remain challenging
- Pricing a headwind in H1
- Volumes expected to remain weak
- Fiscal and monetary policy decisions from March Budget and General Election

#### Tight grip on what the Group can control

- £35m overhead savings delivered with more identified for FY24
- Detailed review of discretionary spend
- Headcount position tightly controlled
- Working capital review underway

#### FY24 Guidance

- Capital expenditure reduced to £80m
- Expect ETR of around 29% on UK generated profits
- Expect adjusted operating profit to be in the range of £160 £180m including:
- Property profits of £10m
- Forecast loss of £(20)m in Toolstation France



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# Strategic and operational update

Nick Roberts Chief Executive Officer



## Near-term headwinds persist, accelerating the transformation of the operating model



- Uncertainty remains over timing and pace of end market recovery
- Domestic RMI and new housebuilding expected to remain subdued

#### Evolving operating model



- Rebuild profitability and drive cash generation
- Accelerating structural change to deliver a simpler and more efficient business



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### Long term drivers remain attractive

#### Long term structural drivers



- UK Housing shortage exacerbated by low levels of activity
- Requirement to decarbonise UK built environment becoming increasingly urgent

#### Building long term competitive advantage



- Investment in technology, network and people
- Growth opportunities through Toolstation and value-added services



## Driving actions to support profit recovery - £35m already delivered





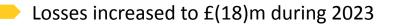
Reduction in central / regional headcount

Optimised Benchmarx network - focus on profitable standalones and integrated offer in destination branches Consolidating Toolstation UK supply chain with closure of Bridgewater and proposed closure of Daventry DC

Tighter controls on discretionary spend Review of loss-making activities



### Working on plan for a potential exit of Toolstation France



Near term market conditions expected to remain challenging

Longer term challenges with brand awareness and lower population density

Investment and timeframe required to reach profitability no longer sustainable

Working on a plan for a potential exit of the business in France\*

\* Any decisions would be subject to the appropriate information and consultation procedures with relevant employee representatives

### Strategic review of Toolstation Benelux

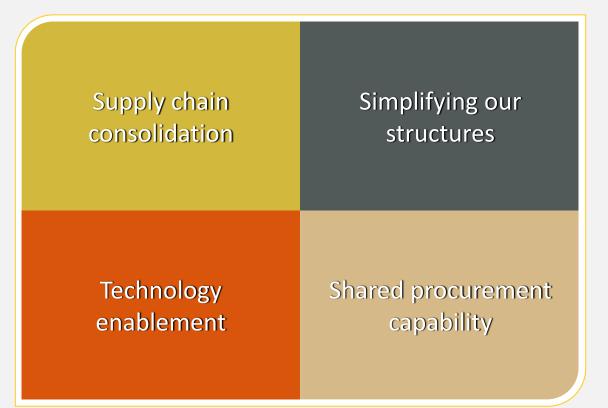


- Performance below expectations in 2023 with losses increasing to £(19)m
- Netherlands now expected to reach annual break-even in 2025
- Belgium expected to reach profitability around 2028

Strategic review of the businesses commenced



Transforming the operating model to deliver a more efficient organisation





## Well positioned for market recovery and long term differentiation





Leading market positions and strong customer relationships Strategy execution creates competitive advantage in Merchanting



Toolstation UK pathway to £1bn revenue at 8% operating margin by 2027 Toolstation Europe losses and cash outflow will be significantly reduced

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Transformation of operating model will drive sustainable efficiencies





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## Questions





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## Appendices



## I - Definitions

Metric	Definition		
Operating profit	Profit before tax, financing charges and income		
Earning per share ("EPS")	Ratio of net profit after taxation adjusted for minority interests to weighted number of ordinary shares outstanding		
Adjusted operating profit / Adjusted EPS	Operating profit / EPS before adjusting items and amortisation of acquisition-related intangible assets		
ROCE	Adjusted operating profit divided by the combined value of balance sheet debt and equity		
Covenant net debt	On-balance sheet debt excluding lease liabilities and pension SPV liability		
Net debt	On-balance sheet debt including lease liabilities		
Net Debt : EBITDA	The ratio of net debt to earnings before tax, interest, depreciation, amortization and adjusting items ("EBITDA")		
Free cash flow ("FCF")	Net cash flow before dividends, freehold property purchases and disposal proceeds, pension deficit repair contributions, adjusting cash flows and financing cash flows		
Like-for-like sales growth	Revenue growth adjusted for new branches, branch closures, business acquisitions and disposals and trading day differences. Revenue included in like-for-like is for the equivalent periods in both years under comparison. Branches are included once they have traded for more than 12 months.		
Cash conversion %	Adjusted EBITA excl. Property Profits      + depreciation & amortisation (excl. IFRS 16)      Cash conversion % =      +/- change in working capital      - non-freehold capital expenditure		

## II - Sales drivers by reporting segment

		Total Revenue		Like-for-lil	ke revenue
		2023	2022	2023	2022
	Q1	(3.2)%	17.9%	(4.2)%	15.3%
	Q2	(5.6)%	9.2%	(5.2)%	8.5%
	H1	(4.5)%	13.3%	(4.8)%	11.7%
Merchanting	Q3	(3.4)%	11.5%	(2.9)%	8.7%
	Q4	(5.1)%	4.7%	(5.2)%	2.3%
	H2	(4.2)%	7.3%	(4.1)%	5.6%
	FY	(4.4)%	10.3%	(4.4)%	8.7%
	Q1	8.6%	(6.0)%	4.6%	(11.9)%
	Q2	9.7%	(3.2)%	7.2%	(9.2)%
	H1	9.0%	(4.6)%	5.9%	(10.6)%
Toolstation	Q3	7.3%	6.1%	4.4%	0.2%
	Q4	1.1%	12.7%	0.0%	7.2%
	H2	4.1%	8.9%	2.2%	3.7%
	FY	6.6%	1.9%	4.0%	(3.7)%
	Q1	(1.5)%	13.6%	(2.9)%	10.5%
	Q2	(3.3)%	7.1%	(3.3)%	5.6%
	H1	(2.5)%	10.3%	(3.2)%	7.9%
Total Group	Q3	(1.8)%	10.7%	(1.8)%	7.4%
	Q4	(4.0)%	6.0%	(4.3)%	3.1%
	H2	(2.9)%	7.5%	(3.0)%	5.3%
	FY	(2.7)%	8.9%	(3.1)%	6.6%

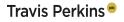
	Merchanting	Toolstation	Group
Price and mix	1.3%	5.4%	1.9%
Like-for-like volume	(5.7)%	(1.4)%	(5.0)%
Like-for-like revenue growth	(4.4)%	4.0%	(3.1)%
Network changes and acquisitions / disposals	(0.4)%	2.3%	0.0%
Trading days	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%
Total revenue growth	(4.4)%	6.6%	(2.7)%



## **III - Branch Numbers**

	31 Dec 22	Openings	Closures	31 Dec 23
Travis Perkins General Merchant	547	6	(1)	552
Benchmarx*	72		(2)	70
Keyline	44		(2)	42
CCF	37		(1)	36
BSS & TF Solutions	67	2		69
Merchanting	767	8	(6)	769
Toolstation UK	563	11	(4)	570
Toolstation Europe	158	12		170
Toolstation	721	23	(4)	740
Group	1,488	31	(10)	1,509

\* Standalone Benchmarx branches only. The group also has 96 Benchmarx showrooms or implants within Travis Perkins General Merchant branches





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