

Changing Gears

Capital Markets Day, 10 July 2024



Today's agenda

12:00 – 1:00 Arrival and lunch

1:00 – 2:45

Group Strategy

Adam Winslow – CEO

Motor

Lucy Johnson – Motor MD

Non-Motor

Adam Winslow – CEO

Break

Costs and Margins

Adam Winslow – CEO

Capital and Dividends

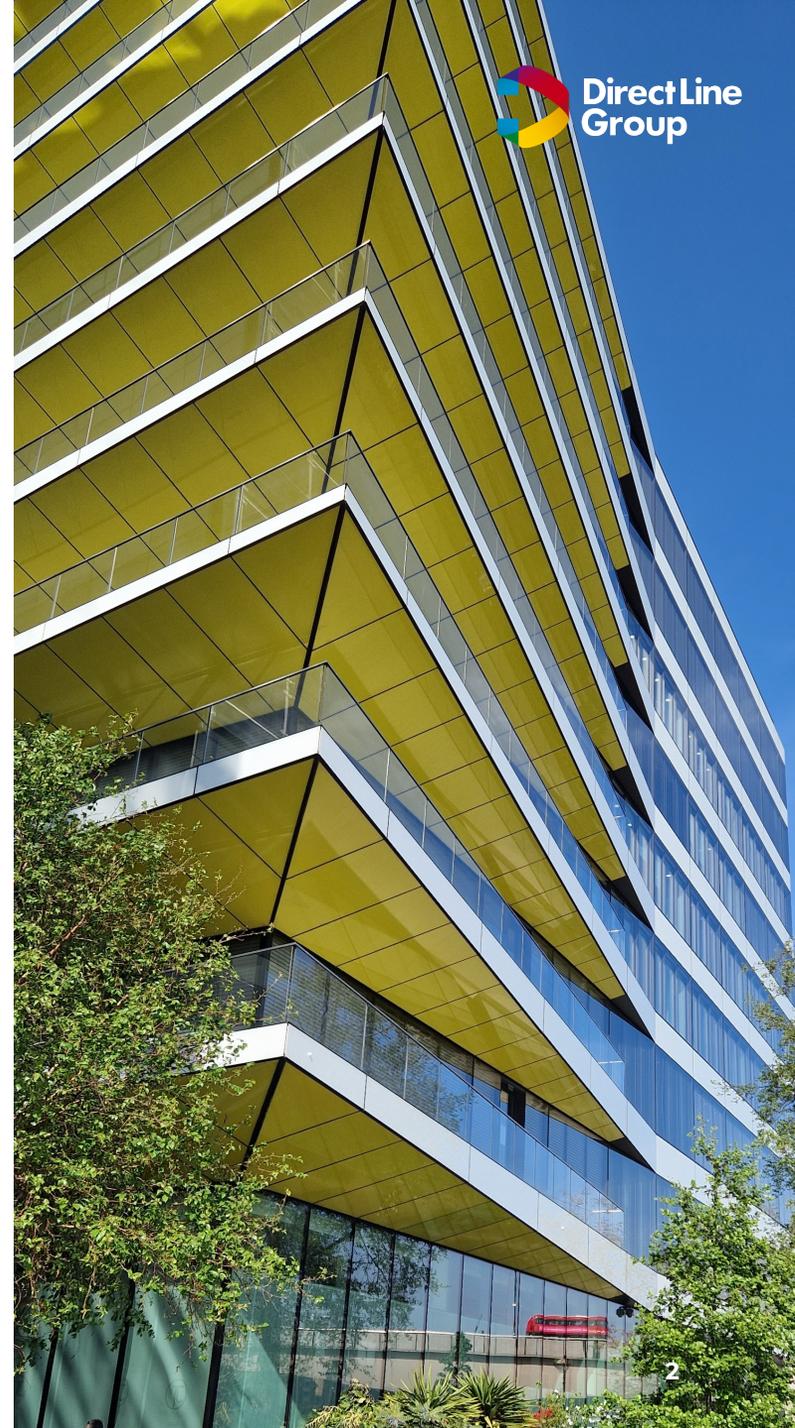
Neil Manser – CFO

Closing

Adam Winslow – CEO

2:45

Q&A



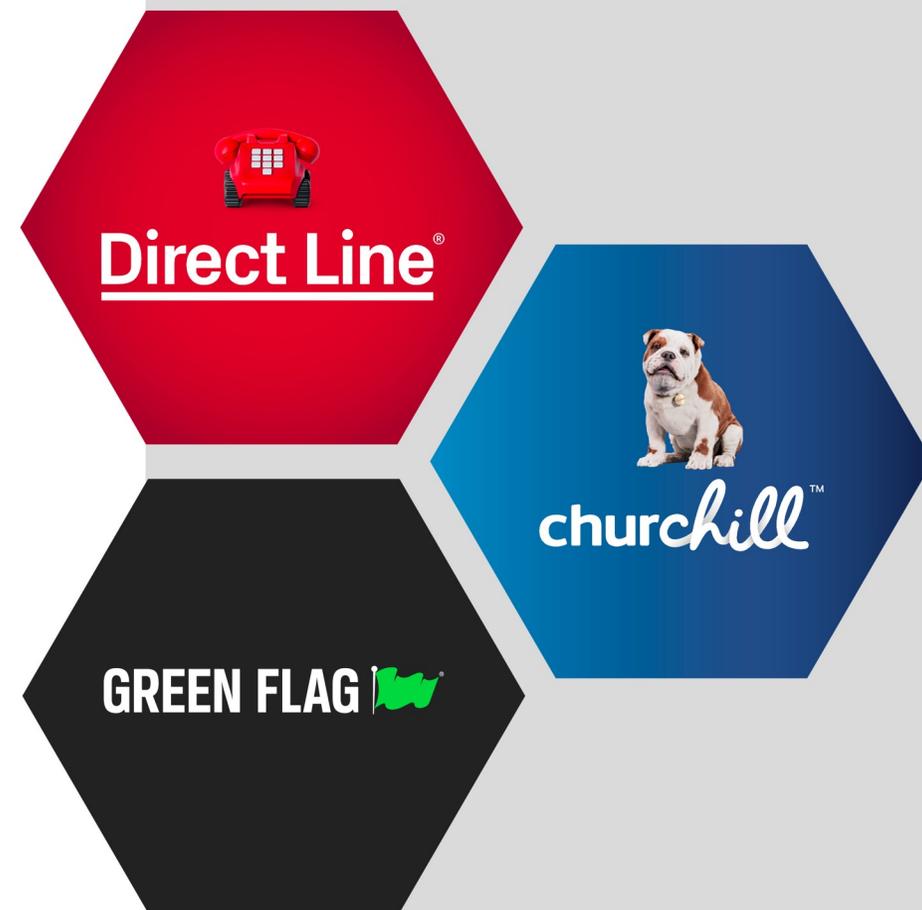
Group Strategy

Adam Winslow

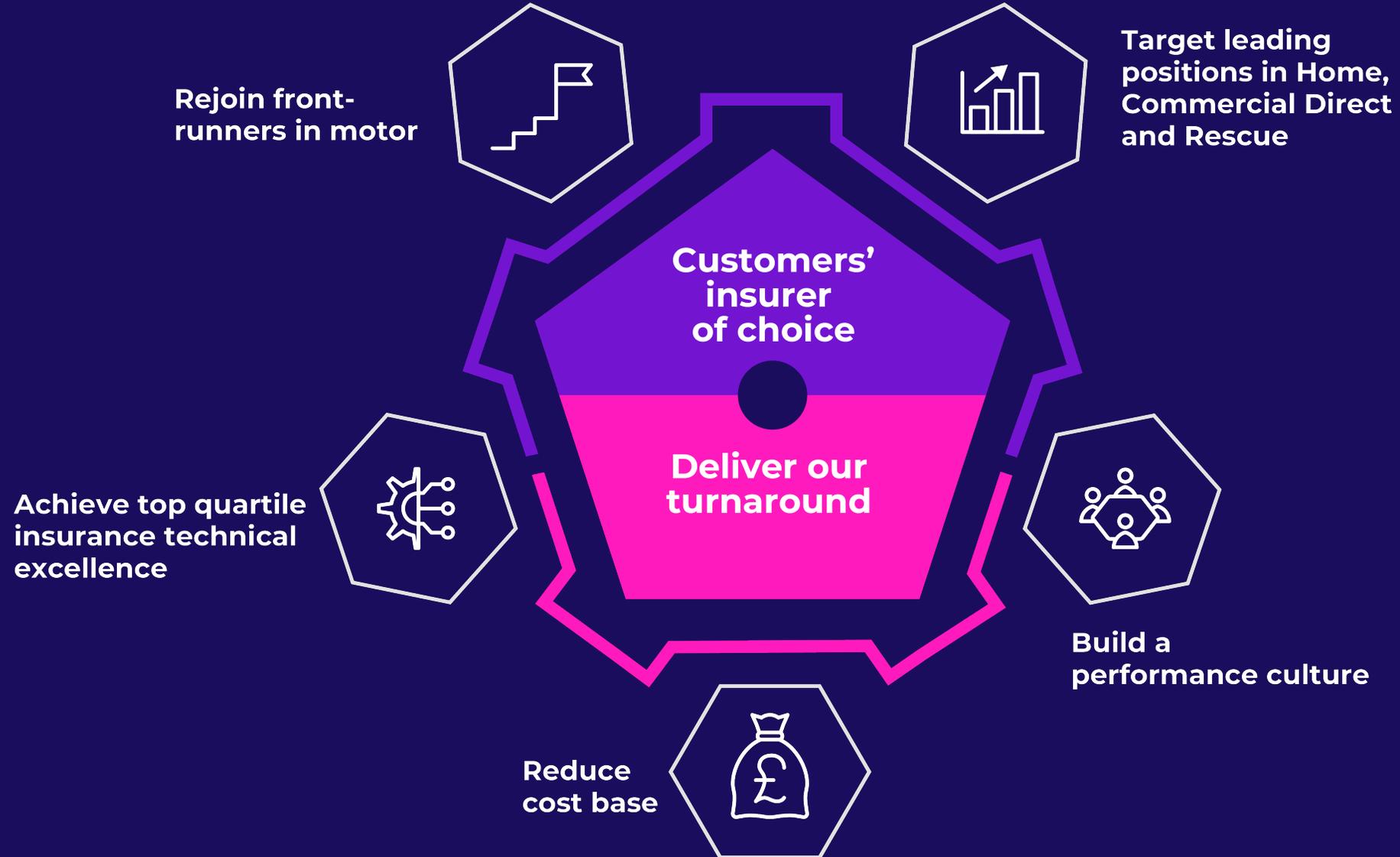


Key takeaways

- 1 Strong foundations with iconic brands and leading market positions
- 2 Rejoin the front-runners in motor through technical excellence and launching Direct Line on PCWs
- 3 Target leading positions in Home, Commercial Direct and Rescue
- 4 Target at least £100m gross run-rate cost savings by exit 2025 and a 13% NIM in 2026
- 5 Capital generative business with a healthy balance sheet, announcing new dividend policy at ~60% payout ratio. Opportunity for additional capital returns



Changing gears



Actions delivered since full-year results



Recruited an experienced and high performing leadership team



Conducted a comprehensive strategic review across the Group



Decided to launch Direct Line Motor on PCWs, following a detailed assessment



Paused or stopped investment in areas with limited return potential, or outside our future strategy, to focus our portfolio on targeted profitable growth



Set up a transformation office, already tracking and delivering on our cost reduction targets

Strong foundations that we must leverage further

Iconic brands¹



Direct Line[®]



churchill[™]

Well-positioned businesses^{2,3}



Unique assets



Largest UK insurer-owned repair network with 50%+ of claims volumes⁴ serviced in our 23 accident repair centres



Largest rescue brand owned by a UK Personal Lines insurer, with an NPS of >70

1. Conjoint analysis for attribute importance shows which motor brands are most preferred if all brands were priced the same, DLG online market survey with 4000+ respondents, August 2023
 2. Gross written premium and associated fees
 3. Sources: IPSOS, Customer Intelligence, Mintel, GlobalData Report: UK SME Insurance: CompetitorDynamics 2023
 4. Of own brand claims

Focus on where DLG can win and grow profitably



1. Including Motability

A clear break from the past

DLG's historic performance challenges

Re-platforming costs and implementation delays

Over-reliance on strengths in the direct channel

Insufficient focus on performance and ineffective delivery of outcomes

Complex organisation and operating model

Actions underway

Investment focused on insurance capabilities not extensive technology transformation

Launch Direct Line Motor on PCWs

Refreshed leadership team and strengthened performance management and delivery culture

Transitioning to a simpler operating model with end-to-end accountability and better controls

New experienced and high-calibre team

Joined

Joining



Lucy Johnson
Managing Director
of Motor

June

Hastings, Barclaycard



Hugh Hessing
Chief Operating
Officer

July

Aviva, KPMG



Jane Poole
Chief Financial
Officer

Oct

Aviva, RSA



Craig Thornton
Managing Director
of Home,
Commercial Direct
and Rescue

Oct

LBG, Swiss Re, Aviva



Martin Milliner
Managing Director
of Claims

Oct

Allianz LV, RBS



Maz Bown
Chief Risk Officer

Dec

Aviva



Dhruv Gahlaut
Chief Strategy and
Investor Relations
Officer

Aug

SiriusPoint, HSBC, RSA

Underpinned by strengthened performance management and delivery culture

Set up to deliver attractive shareholder returns

Targeting at least £100m gross run-rate cost savings by exit 2025

13% NIM in 2026 target

New regular dividend policy at ~60% payout ratio, opportunity for additional capital returns

Turnaround strategy with a focus on technical excellence to drive profitable growth

Motor

Lucy Johnson



Key messages

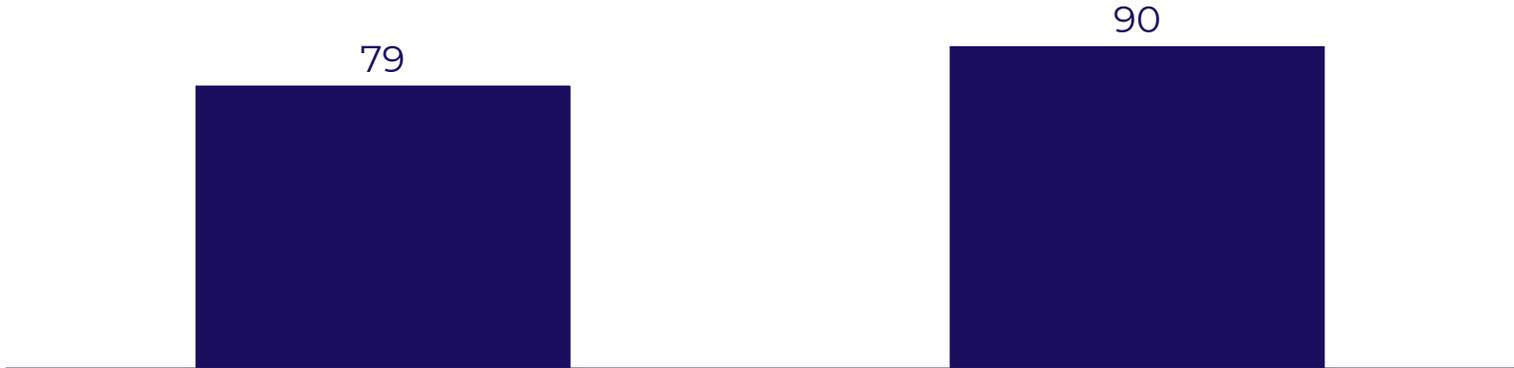
- **Winning in the motor market now a known formula for DLG**, despite market competitiveness and complexity
- **Insurance technical excellence** essential for driving profitable growth, and **central to Motor strategy**
- Launching the most recognised brand, **Direct Line**, on **PCWs**, following careful consideration
- **Strengthened team** and now in full **execution mode**, already delivering benefits
- Confident in readiness **to drive sustained profitable growth**



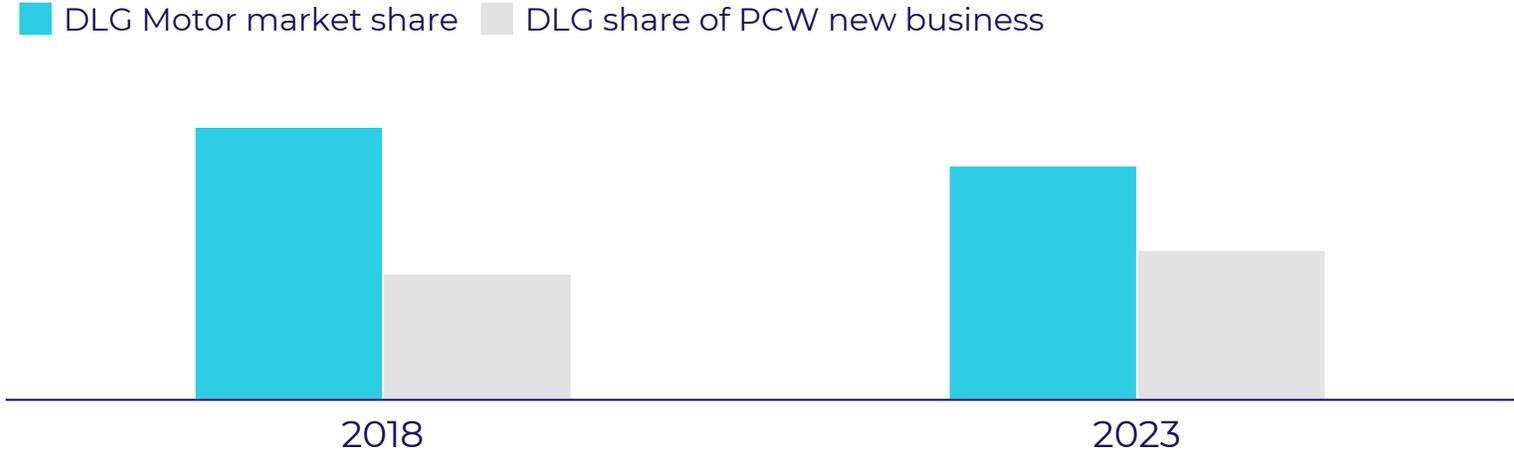
PCWs are key to winning in the UK motor market

DLG and PCW market share evolution

PCW share of new business sales, %



DLG market performance¹, %



1. Not including Motability
 Source: ABI, 2018 - 2023
 Note: charts are not to the same scale

Winning in motor is a known formula

PCW importance

Pricing accuracy
and agility

Product tiering to meet
customer needs

Extensive use of data,
both external and
internal

Responding to an ever- evolving market

Claims inflation
volatility

Political and regulatory
attention

Vehicle technology
influencing type and
cost of claims



Remediating root causes of past performance

Motor's historic performance challenges

Material opportunity cost of delayed re-platforming; 8-years compared to 2-3 for peers

Occupied by multiple routes to market

Substantial loss of experienced team members

Considerable under-pricing of inflation; projections for 2022 inflation increased 7pts during 2023

Unsustainable expense ratio ~6pts higher¹ than peers

Actions underway

Technology platform is now operating at scale, ready to support growth ambition

Focus investments on improving PCW distribution over the next 3 years

Rebuild underway since 2023, 10+ new senior members have joined Motor leadership team

Proven extensive monthly monitoring now embedded

Group wide cost transformation underway

1. Gross admin expense ratio across the Group

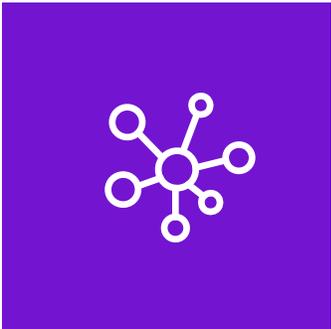
Excelling across the core insurance value chain

Pricing and underwriting



Customer experience

Claims



Distribution



Ways of working

Establish end-to-end accountability, build and nurture a high-performing team and increase the speed of delivery

Transform our culture and increase focus on delivery

Refreshed, highly experienced leadership team in Motor



Matt Pernet
Retail
Director



Colin Anthony
Manufacturing
Director



Katie Griffin
Business
Improvement
Director



Sumit Bahukhandi
Darwin
Director



Maddy Howlett
By Miles
CEO

10+ leaders hired from companies with a strong track record in PCW growth

Fast, high quality delivery

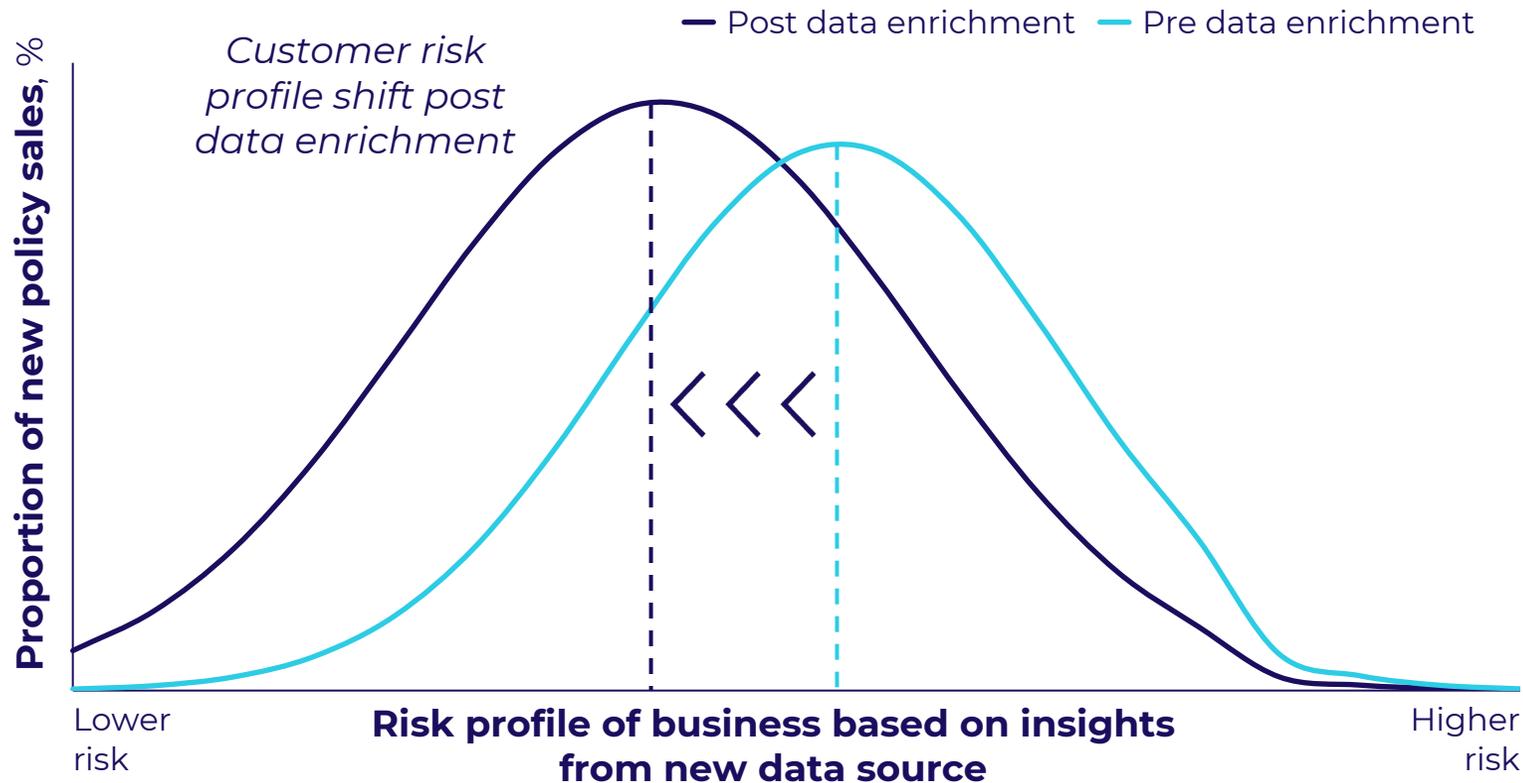
Simplified organisational structure

Streamlined decision making

End-to-end ownership of outcomes

Increased technical pricing accuracy

Proportion of Motor policy sales split by new data enrichment factor, %



Substantial improvements across pricing and underwriting

Monthly portfolio review of emerging performance

Substantial rebuild of technical models, live in pricing

Segmental portfolio analysis and repricing actions

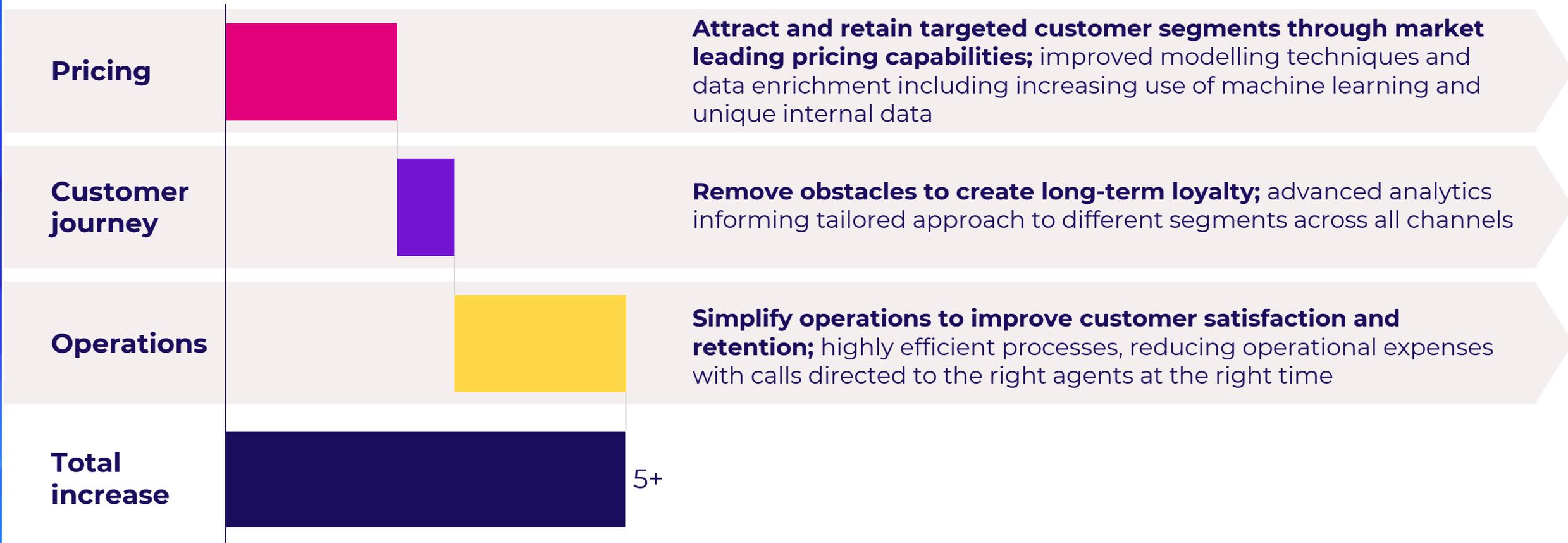
Active underwriting management

Aim to increase Motor retention by 5pts+

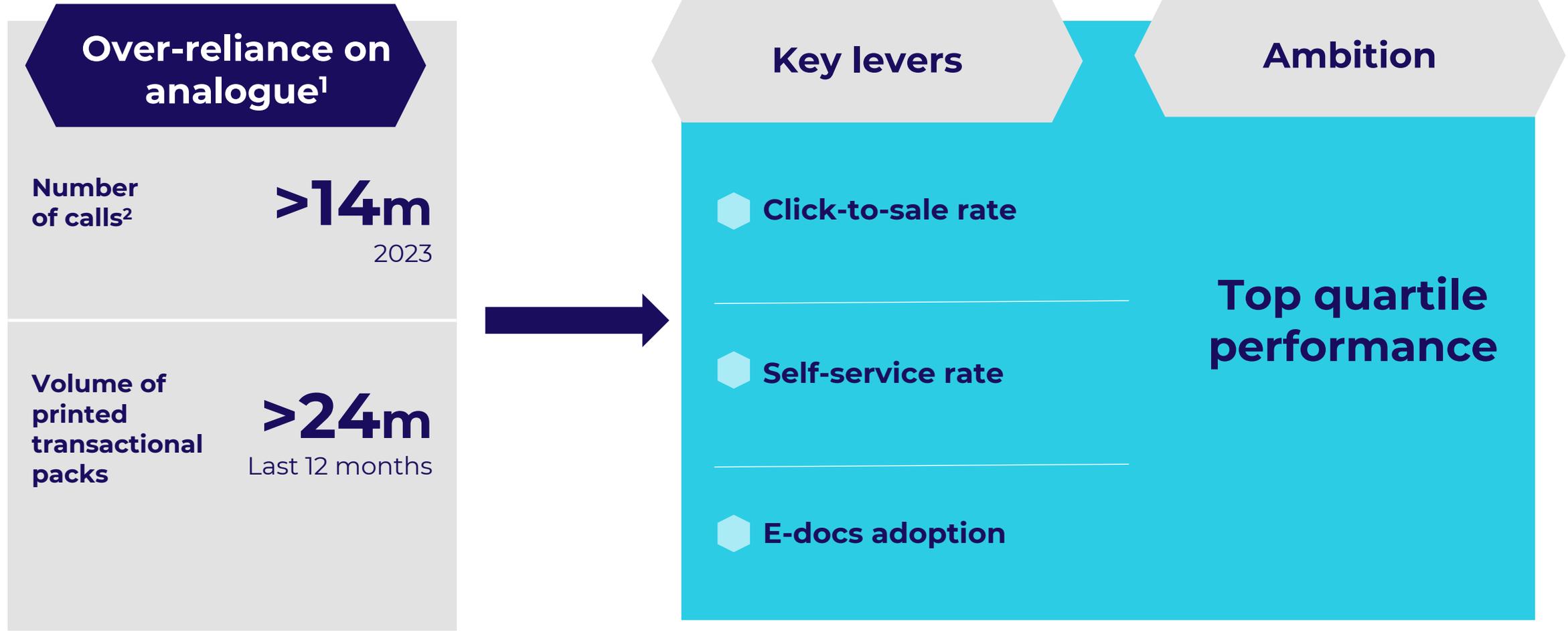
Programme to improve retention over next 18 months

Retention rate increase, pts

Deploying a comprehensive suite of levers



Simplify customer journeys to win on PCWs

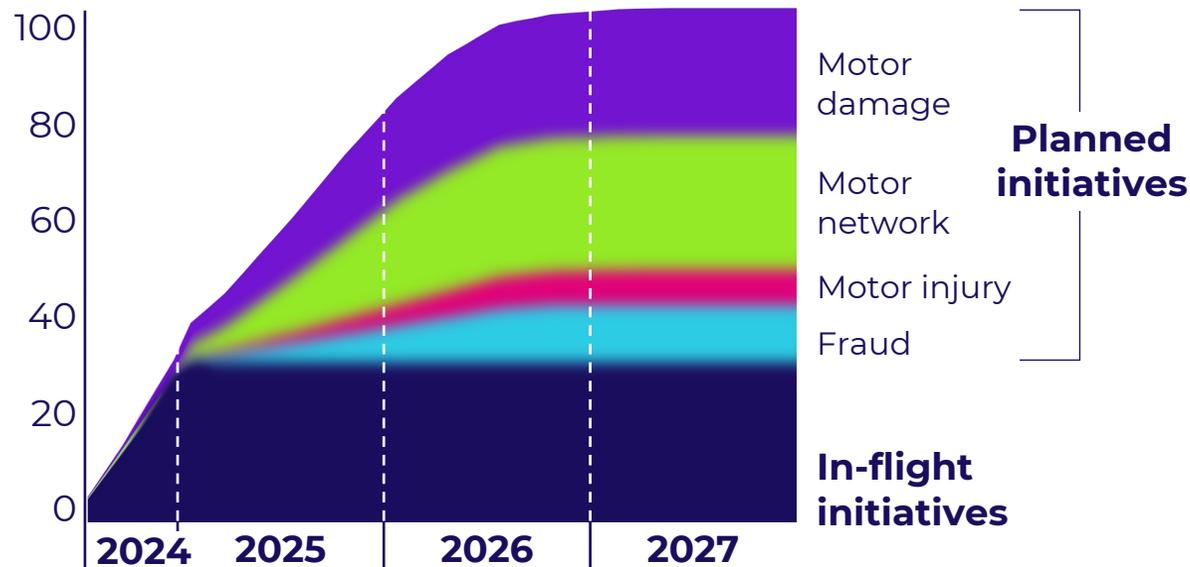


1. Across Group
2. Sales, service and claims

Ambition to lead in claims cost control

Expected impact ramp up of claims cost excellence

% of total run-rate



Example initiatives

+4%

Increase in ultimate repair network conversion, deploying machine learning based solutions to reduce variability in claims handling and repair processing

+10%

Increase in claims-related income via re-examining and refreshing agreements with supply chain partners

+30%

Increase in counter-fraud benefit per policy, combining holistic advanced analytics solutions with technology-enabled human detection



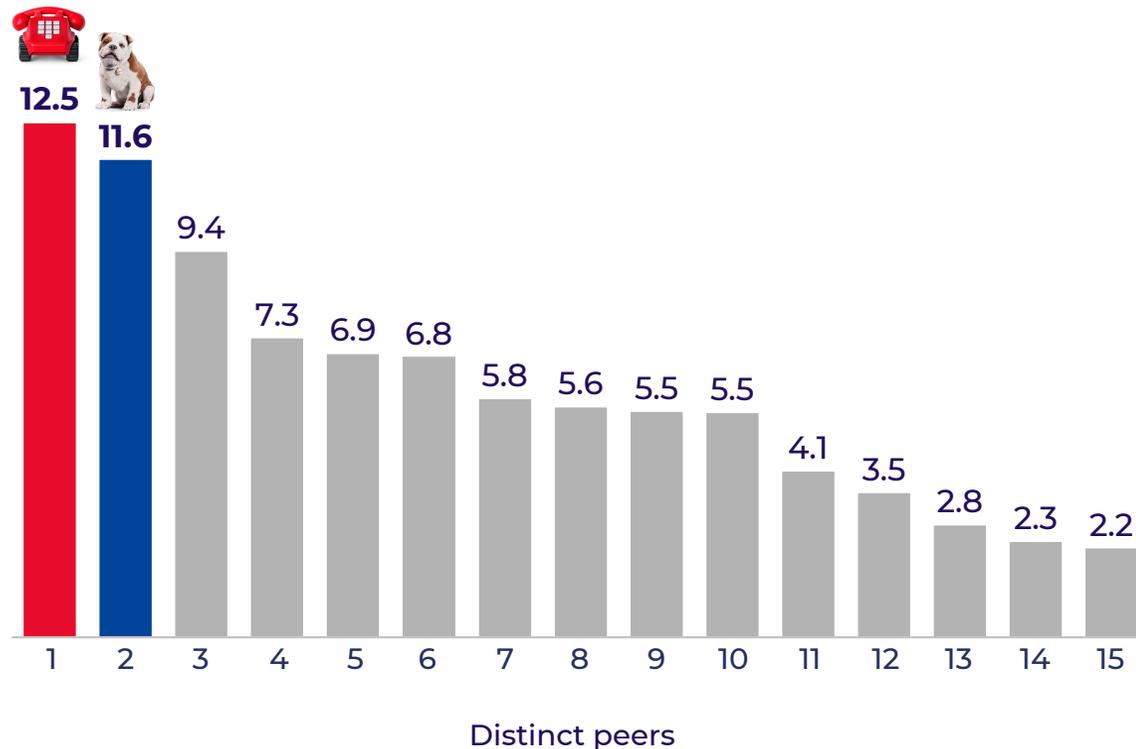
Customer experience

Seamless, digital-first journeys supported by new online claims portal

Launch DLG's best brand on the most important channel

Strongest motor brand recognition

Brand preference in a price agnostic scenario¹, %



Fully embrace PCW-led distribution

Focus investments on improving **PCW distribution** over the next 3 years

All brands available on PCWs

Launch a **fully refreshed Direct Line Motor PCW product suite**

More efficient allocation of brand marketing spend in line with market leading personal lines insurers

Underpinned by pricing and underwriting control and capability

1. Conjoint analysis for attribute importance shows which motor brands are most preferred if all brands were priced the same, DLG online market survey with 4000+ respondents, August 2023

Ambition to rejoin the front-runners

UK motor market competitor landscape



DLG is well-placed:

Heritage that separates it from “the pack” – one of the largest motor books with extensive scale and data

Unique assets that allow DLG to compete at the top – top two brands in the market with decades of investment, largest in-house garage network and insurer-owned rescue brand

Started rebuilding the team and organisational culture to execute, improve core insurance capabilities and achieve cost ambition

Non-Motor

Adam Winslow

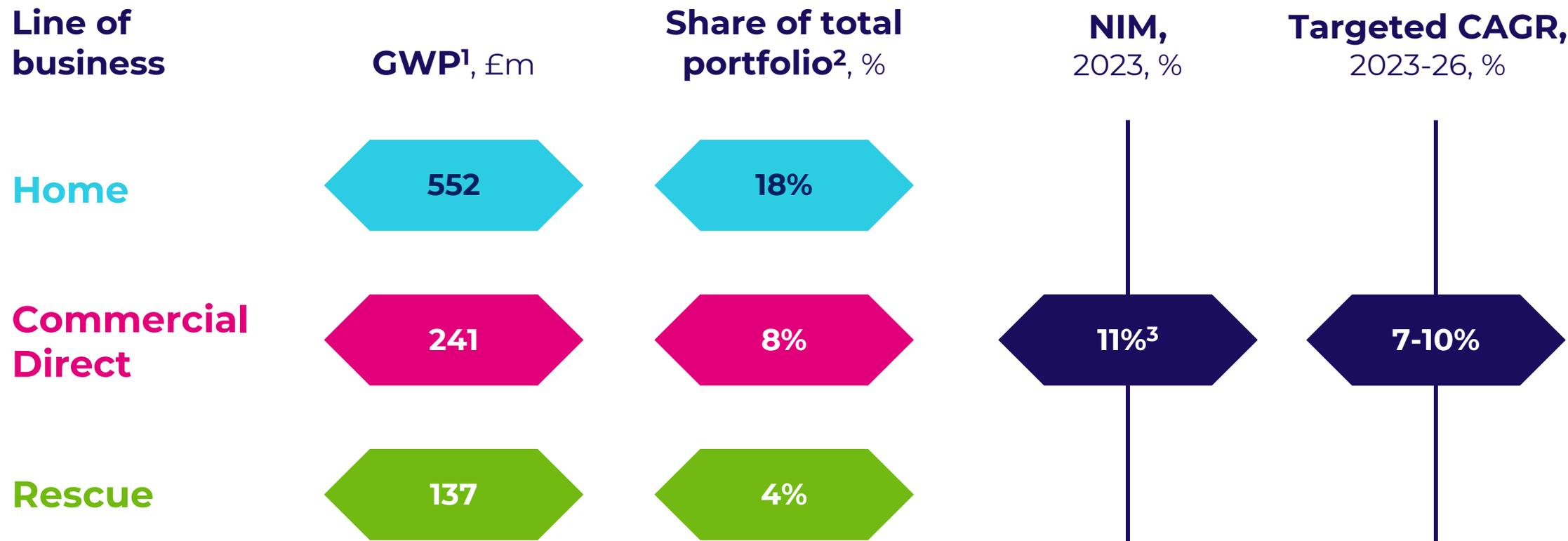


Key messages

- **Focus our Non-Motor portfolio on Home, Commercial Direct and Rescue**, which offer significant potential for profitable growth:
 - **Home:** Leverage new capabilities provided by the new platform and revamp product suite to drive growth
 - **Commercial Direct:** Grow existing offering and expand presence in underserved segments
 - **Rescue:** Broaden distribution and expand fleet of owned patrol vehicles
- **Disciplined capital allocation** to maximise shareholder returns



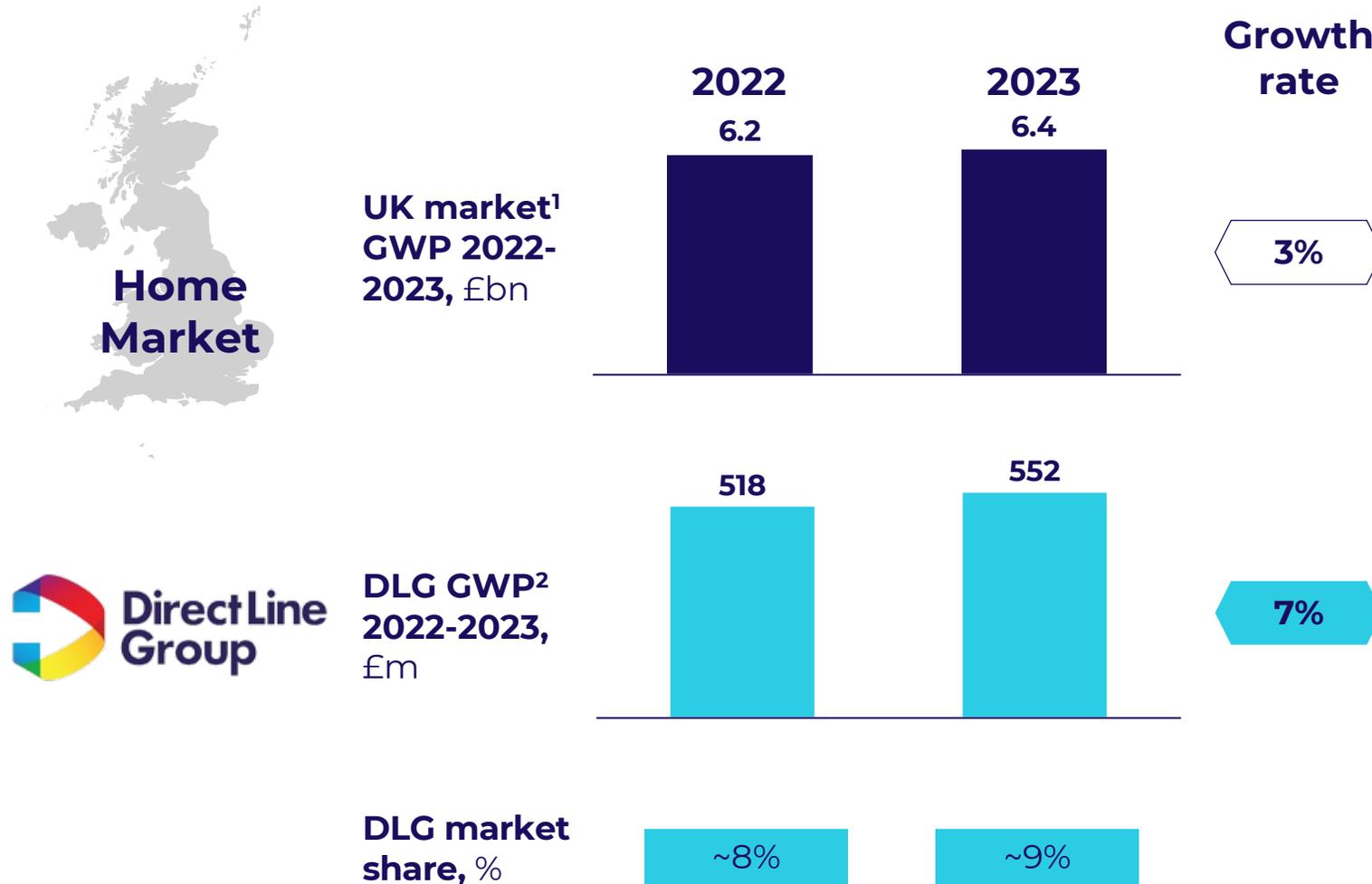
Targeting growth across 3 high performing business lines



Targeting continued profitable growth, led by existing high-performing team

1. Gross written premium and associated fees, see glossary on page 62
 2. Based on ongoing GWP, 2023
 3. Normalised for weather and GIPP remediation provisions

Outperforming peers in a large and stabilising market



Large market at £6.4bn GWP in 2023, second largest line of business after Motor for DLG

Solid position in the market with growing market share (~9% in 2023) and a strong **portfolio of brands**

Successfully navigated trading conditions over the last 2 years

Margin improvements targeted through cost programme, claims cost control, pricing improvements and new products

1. Mintel 2024 UK General Insurance Market report, ABI 2023 UK Market report, GlobalData Report 2023

2. Gross written premium and associated fees

Building on strong foundations to accelerate growth

Pricing and underwriting

Enhance underwriting risk selection

Leverage new **pricing engine** (Radar Live) and **analytics platform**

Distribution

Develop new routes to customers

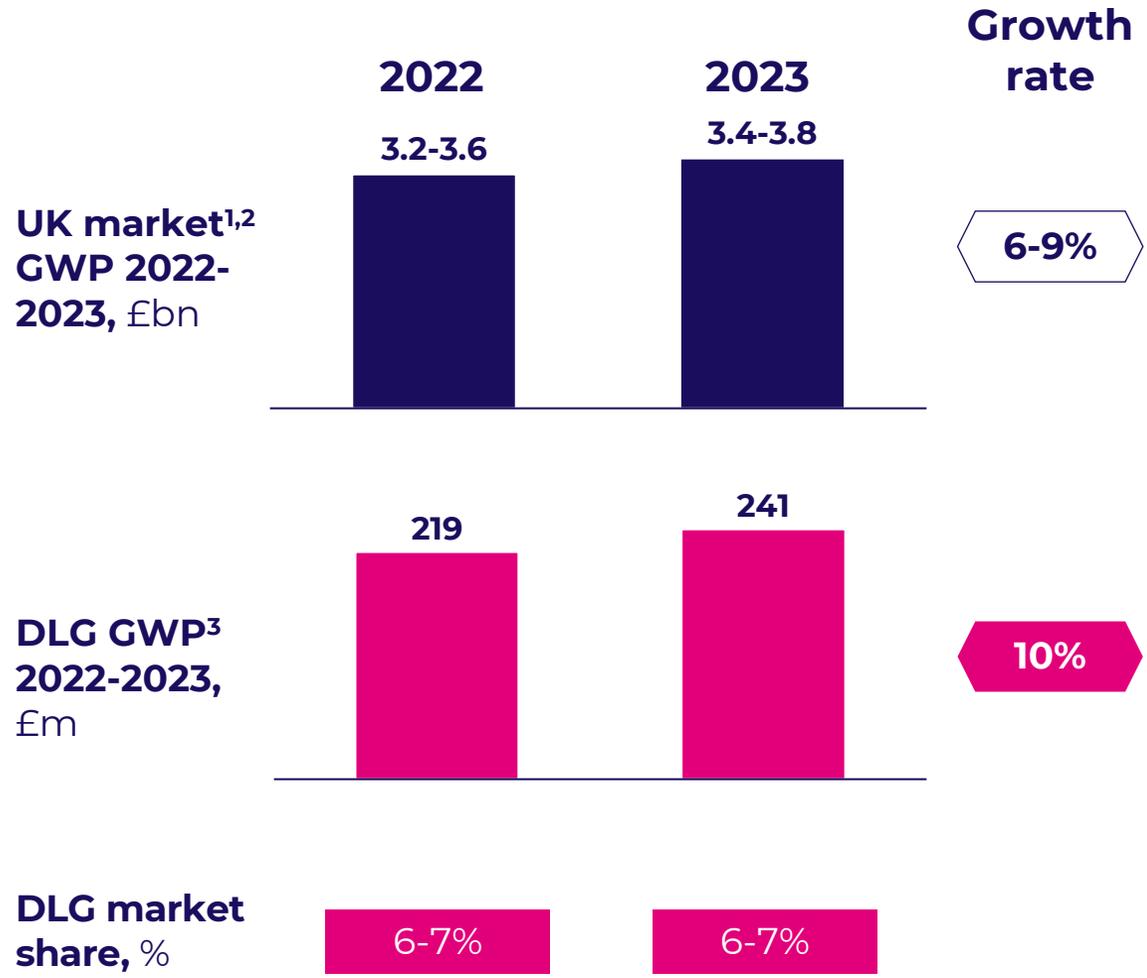
Cross-sell to DLG's large customer base using customer insights and data enrichment

Product and service

Launch new products and improve customer experience

Launch a lower tiered **Essentials product**, a market segment which accounts for 24% of new business sales
Optimise **customer experience**, improving conversion, while reducing cost to serve

Fast-growing book with dual focus on Direct and PCWs



Highly fragmented micro-SME market of £3.4-3.8bn in 2023

Diverse portfolio comprising Landlord (45%), SME (20%) and Van (35%)

Focus on Direct and PCWs to continue to grow over the next 3 years

Continued margin improvements targeted through cost, pricing initiatives and technology simplification

1. DLG addressable market: micro-SME in Direct and PCWs channel
 2. Mintel 2024 UK General Insurance Market report, ABI 2023 UK Market report, GlobalData Report: UK SME Insurance: CompetitorDynamics 2023
 3. Gross written premium and associated fees

Note: Growth rate calculated based on exact figures

Targeting growth in underserved segments

Pricing and underwriting

Enhance core capabilities to enable expansion

Bolster technical talent across Commercial Direct
Improve core elements in pricing e.g. updated risk models

Distribution

Expand within existing profitable segments and channels

Expand underwriting criteria to achieve broader cover for micro-SMEs
Increase penetration in landlord market
Boost presence across PCWs by increasing footprint

Product and service

Further develop digital servicing

Enhance digital servicing with digital documents, policy changes and claims processing

Grow and challenge market incumbents

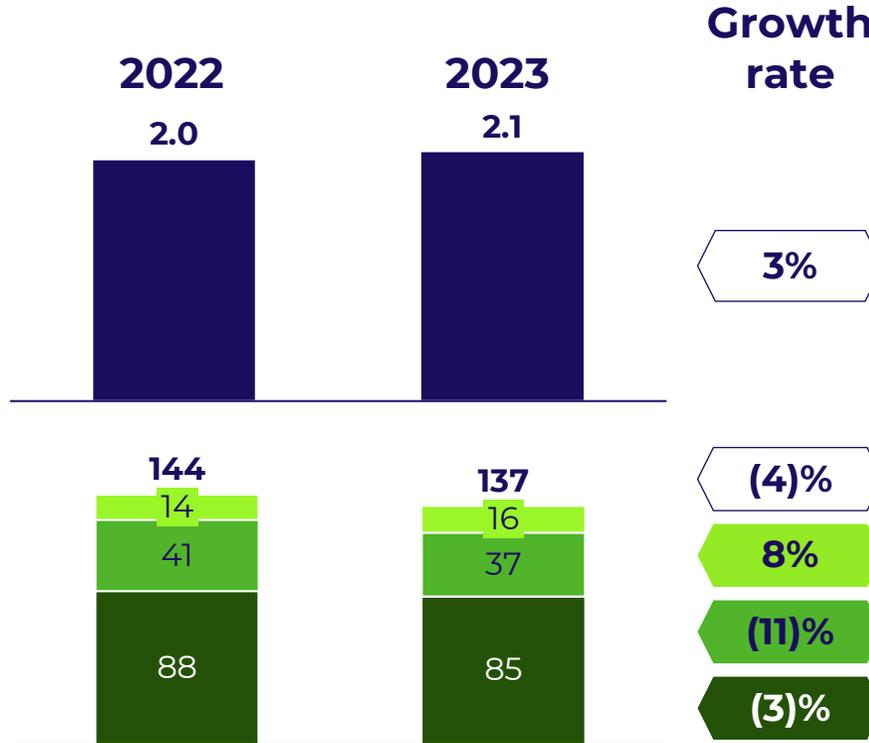


Rescue Market



UK market¹ GWP 2022-2023, £bn

DLG GWP² 2022-2023, £m



- Partnership
- Linked
- Direct

DLG market share, %



DLG is #3, and the top-2 players account for 80%+ of market

Motor-linked policies mostly driving decline in 2023

Aiming to grow book faster than the market over the next 3 years

Launching own fleet of patrol vehicles to improve margins and customer experience

1. Mintel 2024 UK General Insurance Market report, ABI 2023 UK Market report
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10x patrol growth and new partnerships planned

Own patrol fleet
lowering the cost
of claims



New partnerships
providing
additional
scale

Already 30+ vehicles on the road. Plan to further scale to 300+ vehicles; leasing to minimise capital expenditure

>50% increase in new business linked rescue sales due to customer journey enhancements in Motor

New partnerships in 2024

Growing Motor book will create tailwinds for Rescue

Boosted brand presence supporting customer awareness

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Break



Costs and Margins

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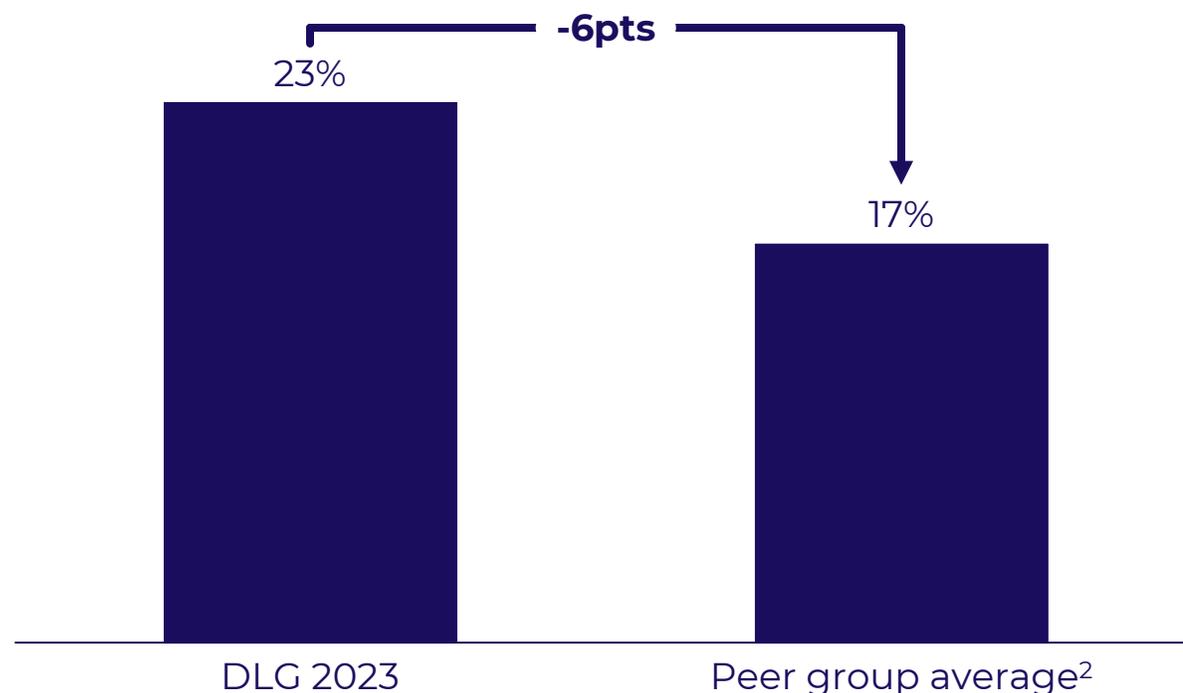
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- **Overall cost base was £849m** in 2023 of which ~75% is addressable
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 - Technology
 - Operations and demand
 - Simplification
- Support the delivery of a **13% NIM in 2026**



Opportunity to reduce the cost gap to peers

Gross admin expense ratio¹



Corporate functions are costlier and larger than peers by ~20%

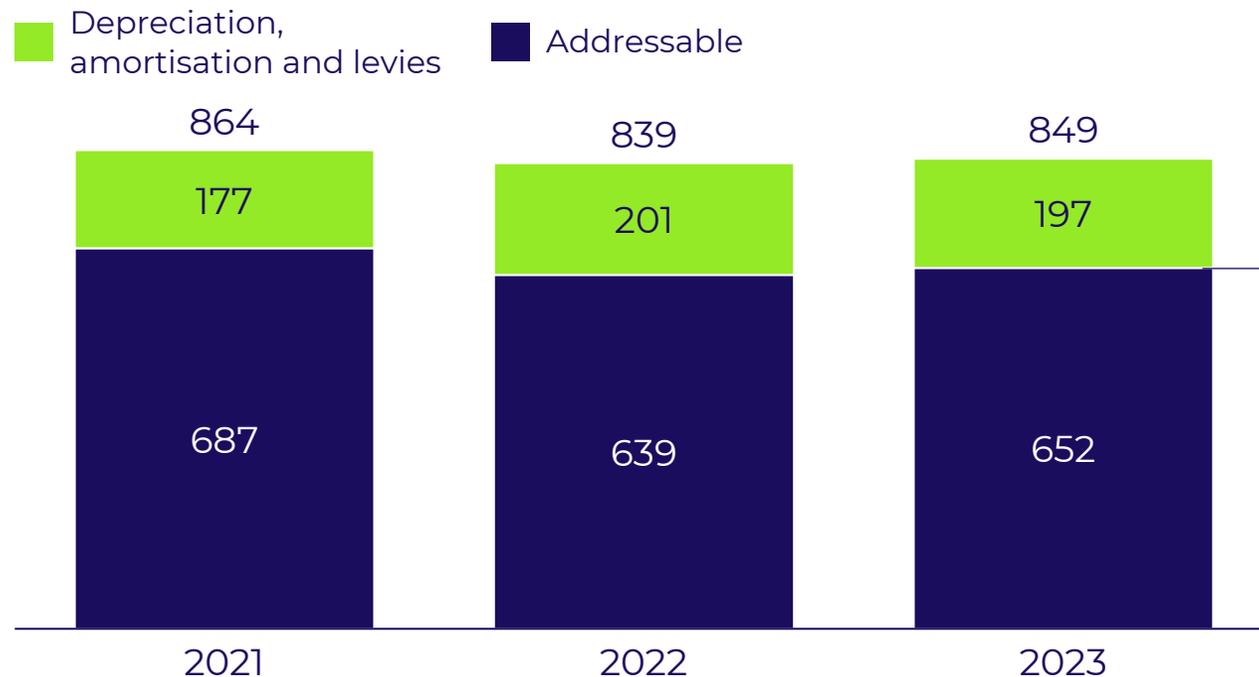
Inefficient service operations due to complex technology and limited customer digital adoption (e.g. only ~30% Motor policy servicing and retention is digital)

Current cost programme to close half the gap to peers; intend to close the remaining difference through growth and additional cost levers

1. See glossary on page 62 and breakdown on page 63
 2. Pure direct players/ direct operations that are part of larger groups. Management estimate based on market benchmark data

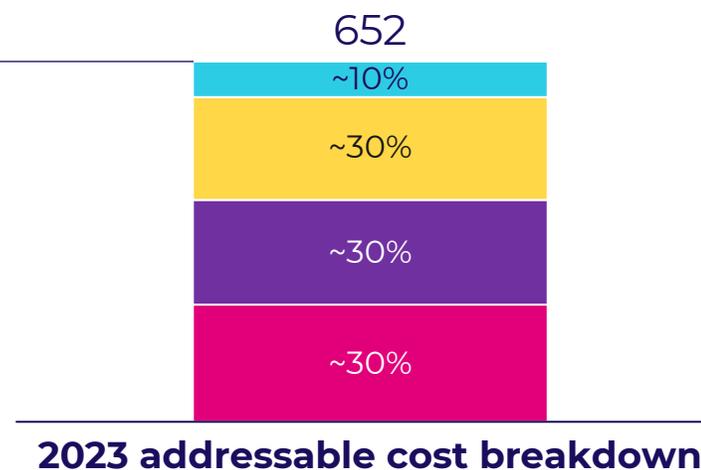
~75% of DLG's £849m cost base is addressable

Total admin cost base¹, £m



Addressable cost base 2023, £m

Marketing Operations
Technology Head office and trading



Net expense ratio²

19%

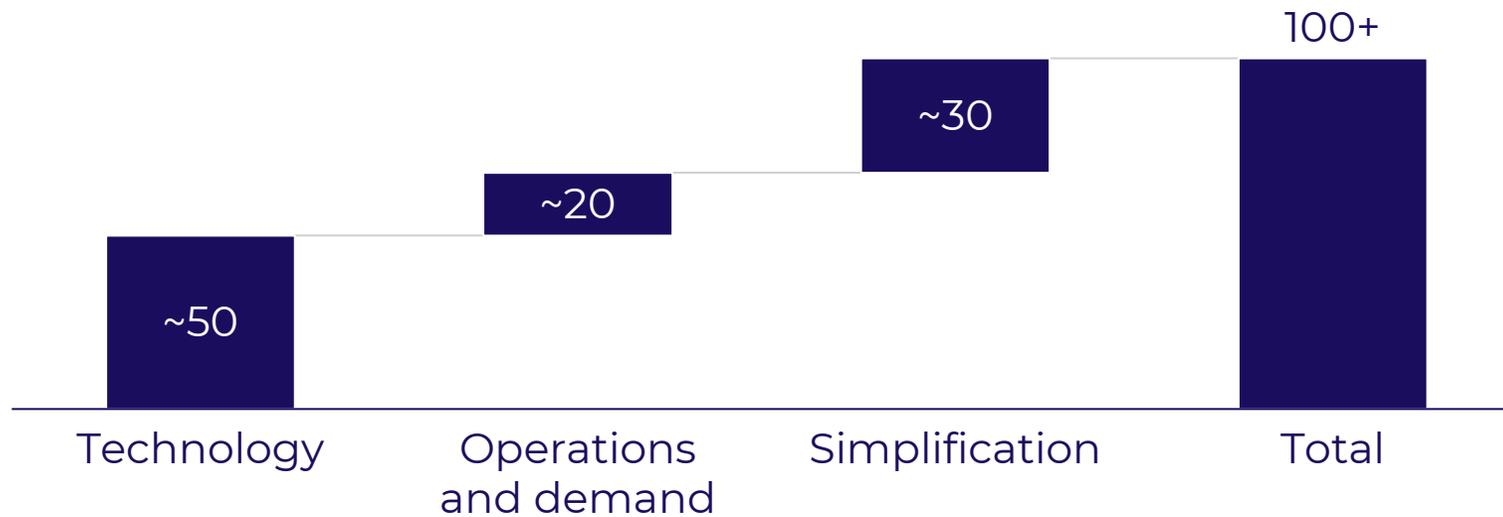
20%

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2. Net expense ratio for ongoing operations as reported under IFRS 17, see page 62

At least £100m gross run-rate savings targeted by exit 2025

Three strategic delivery themes building up to DLG's cost saving ambition

Estimated gross run-rate cost savings by exit 2025, £m



In-flight early wins

More efficient allocation of brand marketing spend

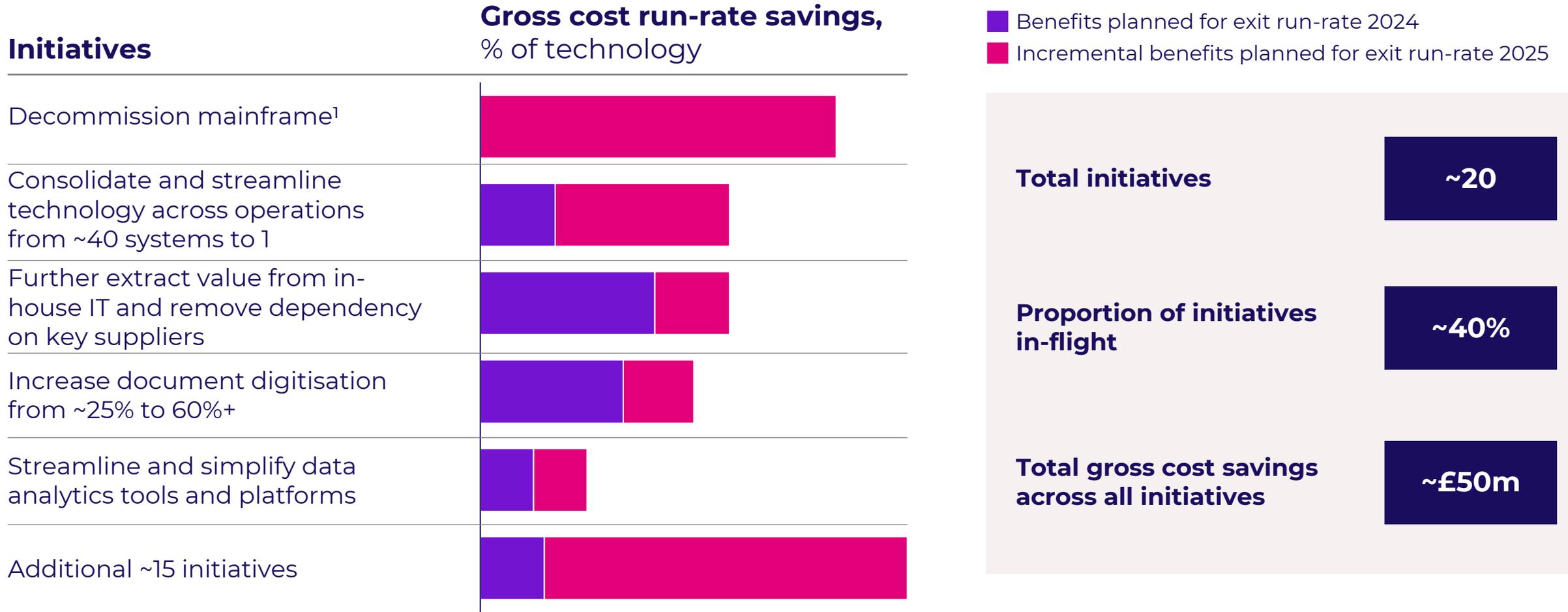
Reviewed change budget resulting in prioritisation and focused investment

Targeted focus on recruitment aligning to the future-state operating model

Review of discretionary spend

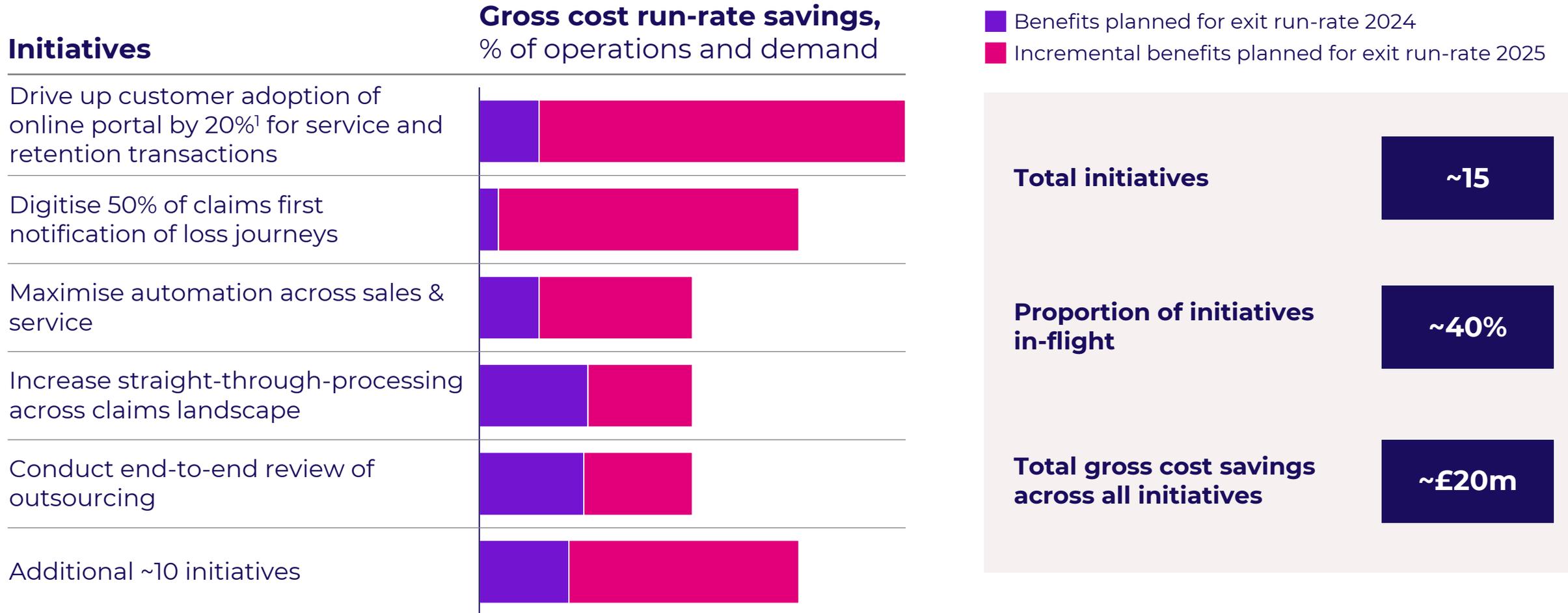
Majority of ~£165m cost to achieve is captured within existing capital expenditure expectations

Remove legacy systems, leverage existing platforms



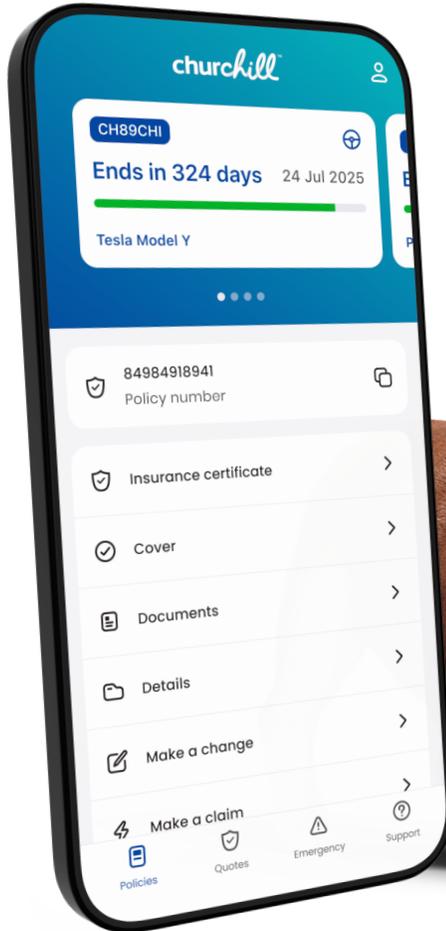
1. Precise timing subject to Home re-platforming and non-core next steps

Improving efficiency and adoption of digital



1. Blended average across all lines of business

Meeting customers in their channel of choice



Keep track of your policies across different product lines



Make changes to your policies



A hub for your quotes



See your policy details and documents

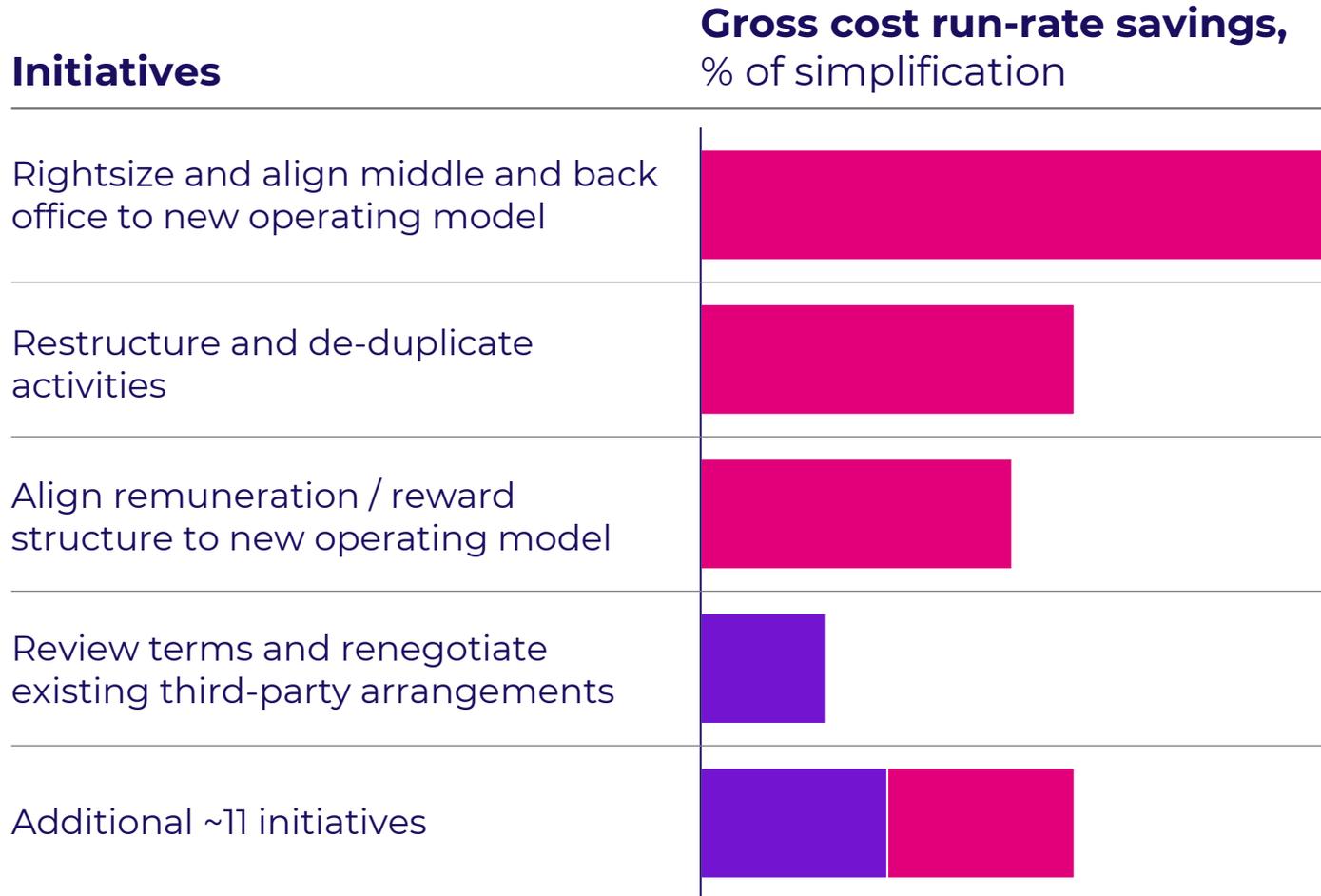


Make a claim on the go



Policies in your pocket; Add to your Apple or Google wallet

Simpler, performance oriented operating model



- Benefits planned for exit run-rate 2024
- Incremental benefits planned for exit run-rate 2025

Total initiatives

~15

Proportion of initiatives in-flight

~30%

Total gross cost savings across all initiatives

~£30m

Rigorous prioritisation to ensure focus

✓ Hired experienced **Chief Transformation Officer**

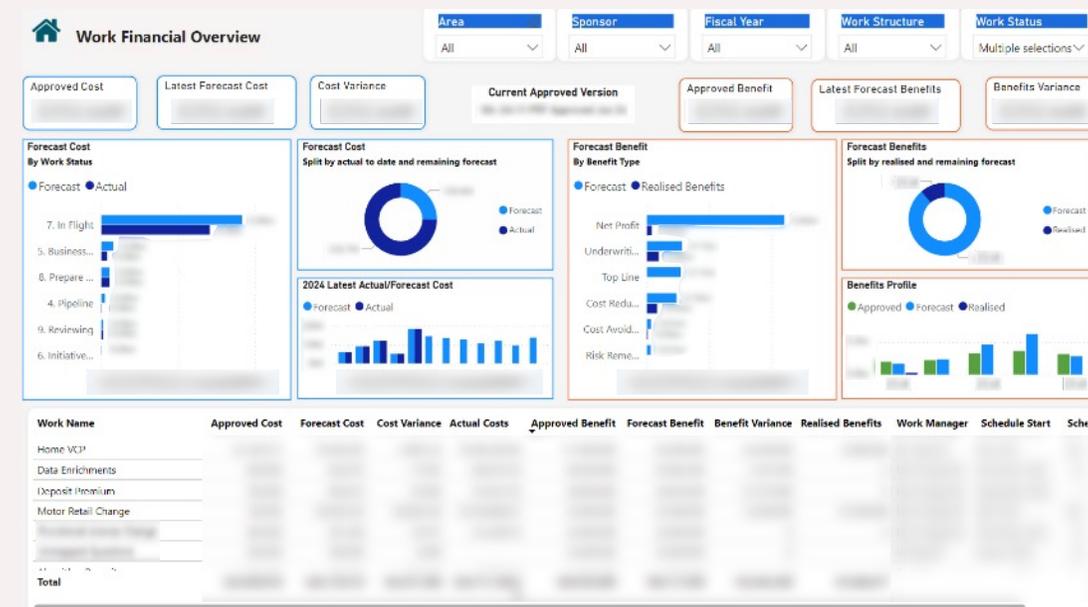
✓ Set up transformation centre hiring **dedicated experienced talent**

✓ Identified **~50 cost initiatives** (of 300+ in total¹). Mapped realisation benefits, tracking in flight progress

✓ **Initiatives go through a rigorous prioritisation process**, driving clear start / stop / pause decisions

✓ **Addressing quick wins as a priority** to meet 2025 target. Ambition to further improve cost position

All initiatives are already mapped in a transparent and accessible tool

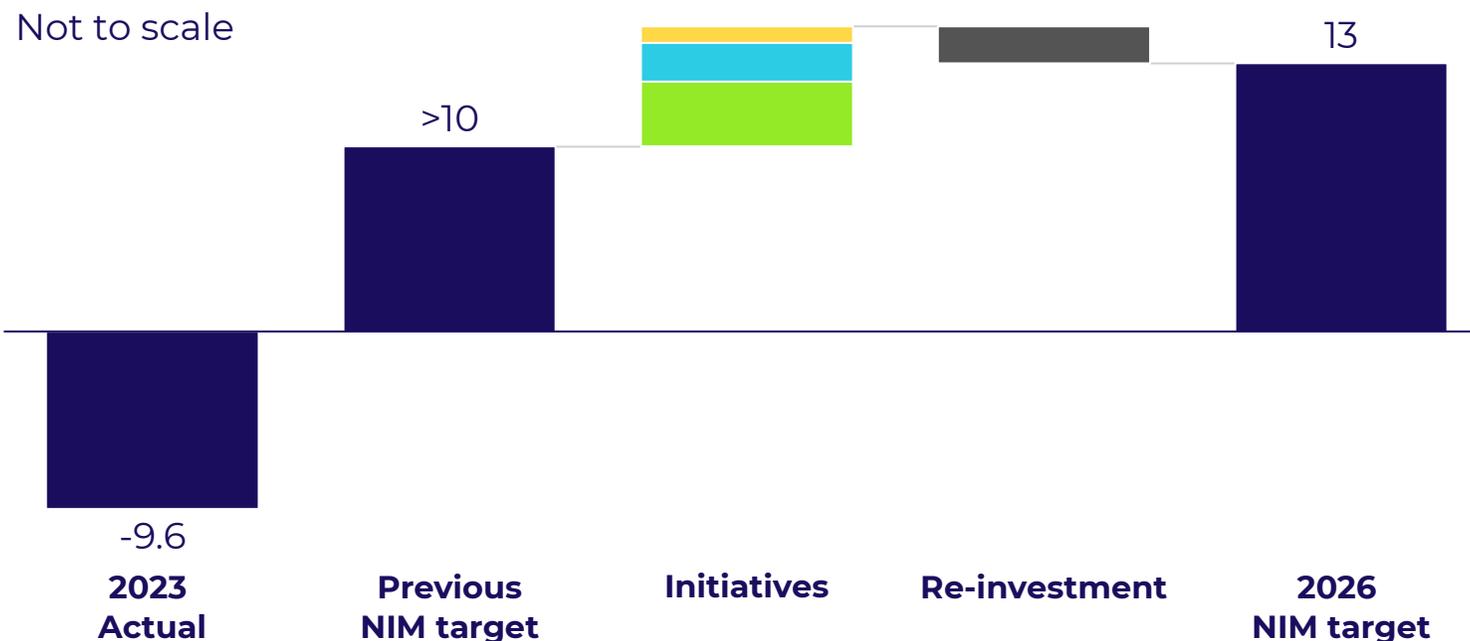


1. Including growth, margin and enabler initiatives

Reconfirming 13% NIM target

Net insurance margin¹,%

■ Cost
 ■ Claims
 ■ Pricing



On track to deliver

Clear plan to drive margin improvement

Actions expected to deliver ~4-5pts of NIM

Margin upside above NIM target will be re-invested for growth

1. Ongoing operations, normalised for weather. See glossary on page 62

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Capital and Dividends

Neil Manser



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- **Diversified capital stack** has significantly reduced cost of capital
- **Targeting a solvency ratio of ~180%** in the medium term and believe a minimum risk appetite of 140% is appropriate
- **Moving to a payout ratio of ~60%** for regular dividends
- Solvency ratio expected to build over time to **support additional shareholder returns**



Capital allocation framework balances returns with organic investments



1. Operating profit from ongoing operations after other finance costs, coupon payments in respect of Tier 1 notes and tax at the standard rate

Diversified capital stack and reduced cost of capital

Well diversified, low cost of capital

Debt

£260m 4.0% subordinated Tier 2 notes
Due 2032

£350m 4.75% Restricted Tier 1 notes
Fixed rate perpetual notes, first call 2027

Structured reinsurance

10% whole account quota share ex. Motability, 3-year term
Motability: 80% quota share reinsurance
with Motability Operations

Excess of loss reinsurance

Motor and Property Catastrophe, 1-year term

Shareholders' equity

Equity

Actions taken to optimise capital

Debt

Optimised debt stack, reducing
average cost from 9.25% to ~4%

Reinsurance

Entered into a 10% whole account
quota share reinsurance programme
in Q1 2023

Internal model provides additional benefit

Capital requirements 20% lower
than using standard formula

Opportunities for bespoke
reinsurance not otherwise available
through use of standard formula

Further opportunities

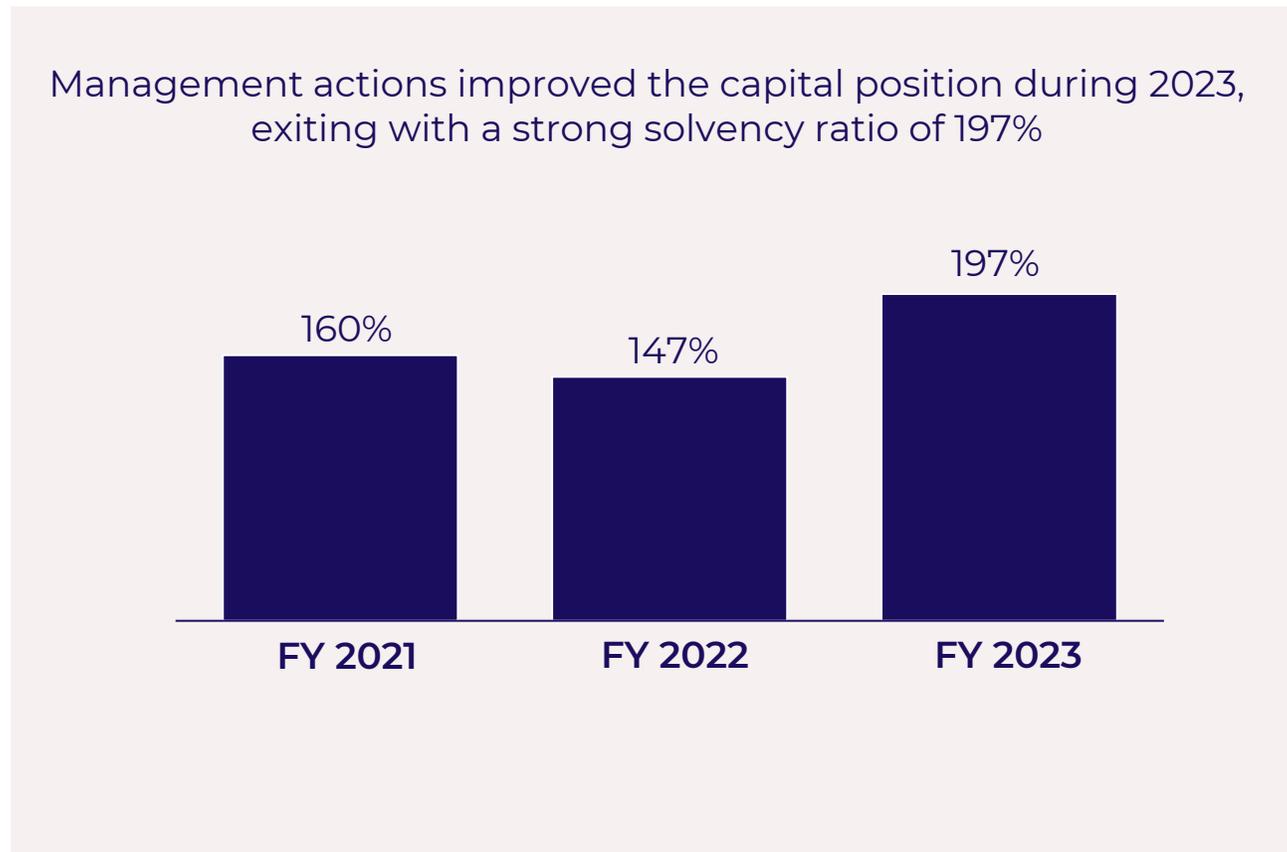
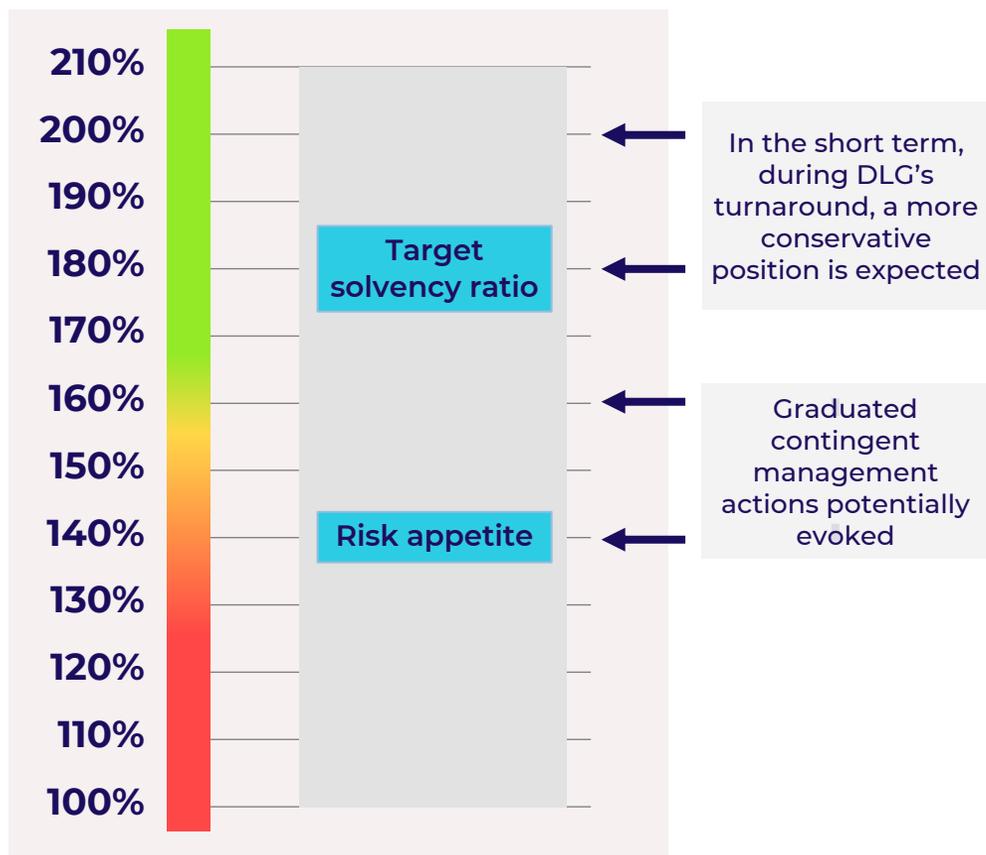
Reserve risk to reduce as Brokered
Commercial business back book
runs off

Further potential reinsurance
opportunities for balance sheet
optimisation

Targeting a solvency ratio of ~180% in the medium term

Targeting solvency ratio of ~180%¹, well above risk appetite of 140%

The Group's capital position has been restored



1. In normal circumstances

Dividend and capital returns policy



Regular dividend¹

Target a payout ratio of ~60% of post-tax operating profit²



Additional potential returns

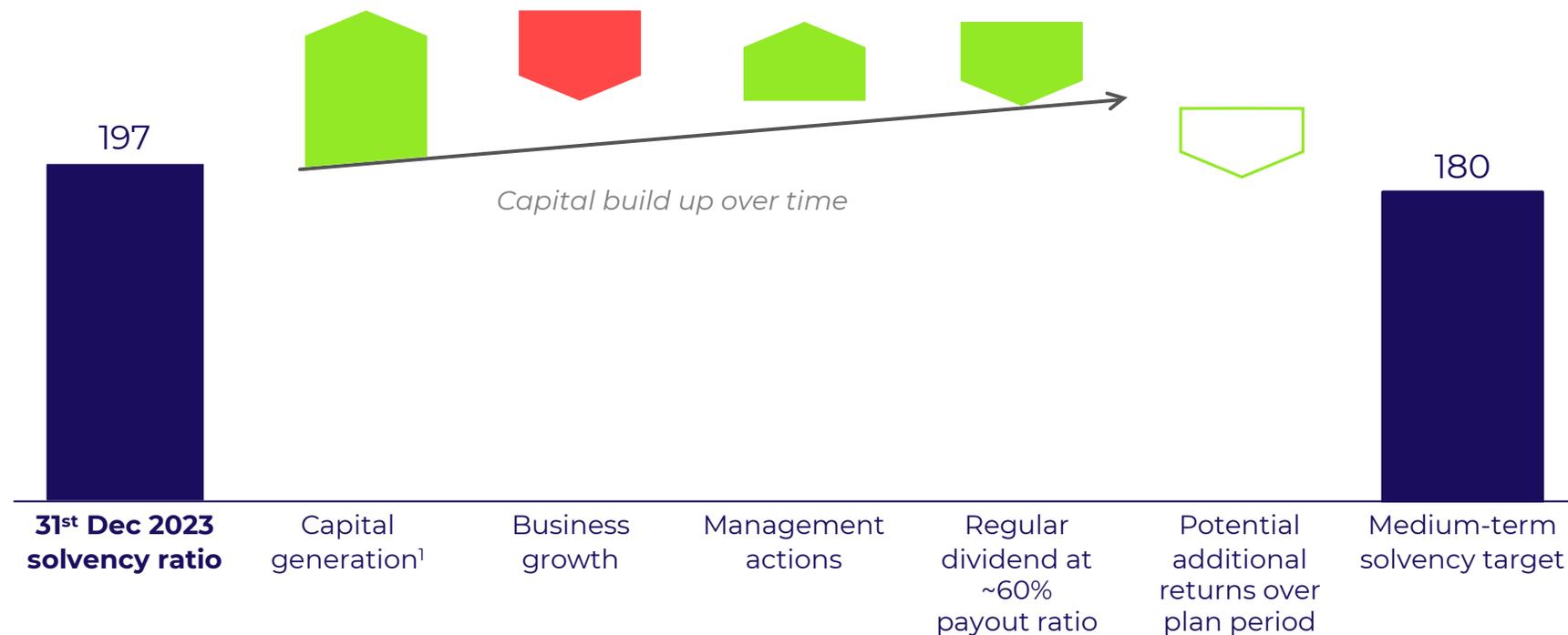
Review annually alongside full-year results and strategic plan

1. Aim to distribute the dividends in two parts; ~1/3 as an interim payment and ~2/3 as a final payment
2. Operating profit from ongoing operations after other finance costs, coupon payments in respect of Tier 1 notes and tax at the standard rate

Capital generation should support additional shareholder returns over the plan period

Illustrative solvency ratio, %

Not to scale



Solvency ratio expected to build over time

13% target NIM is equivalent to ~10-15pts of capital generation, post dividend annually

Potential additional capital returns over the plan period

These figures are illustrative only and should not be relied upon for decision making
 1. Includes restructuring

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Closing

Adam Winslow



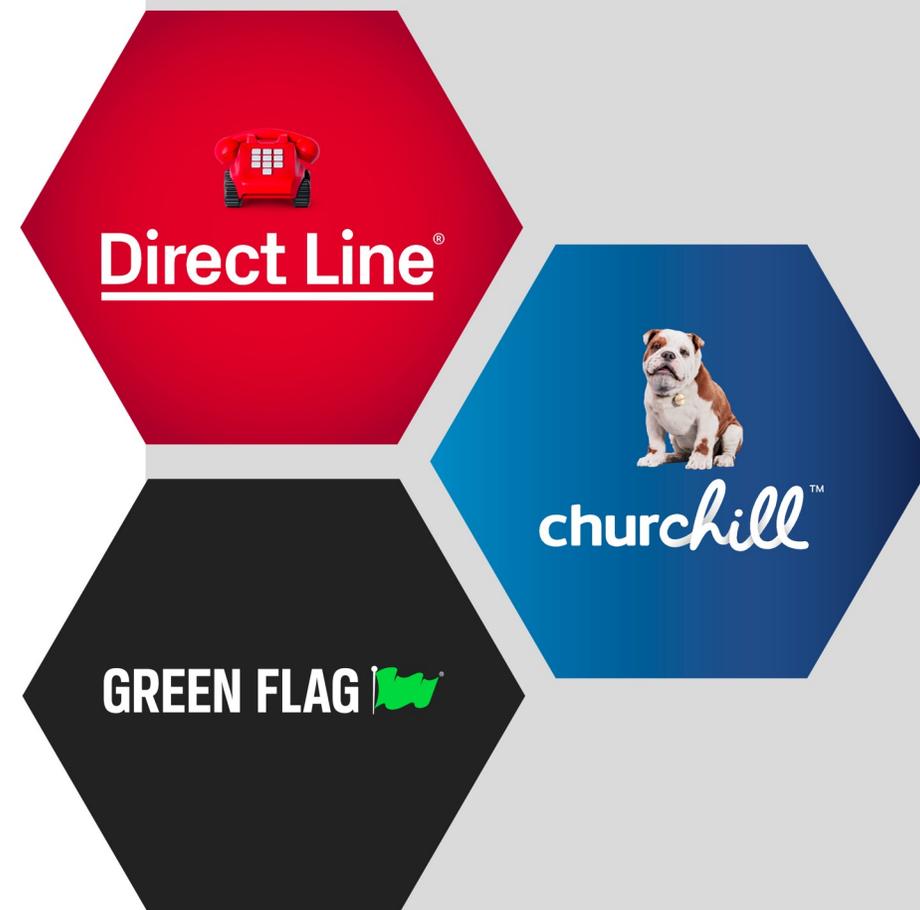
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Q&A



Appendix



Glossary of key terms

Target	Definition
13% net insurance margin ("NIM") in 2026	NIM for ongoing operations, normalised for weather, in 2026
£100m cost savings by exit 2025	Run-rate annualised gross cost savings of at least £100 million by the end of 2025
~60% payout ratio	Operating profit from ongoing operations after other finance costs, coupon payments in respect of Tier 1 notes and tax at the standard rate

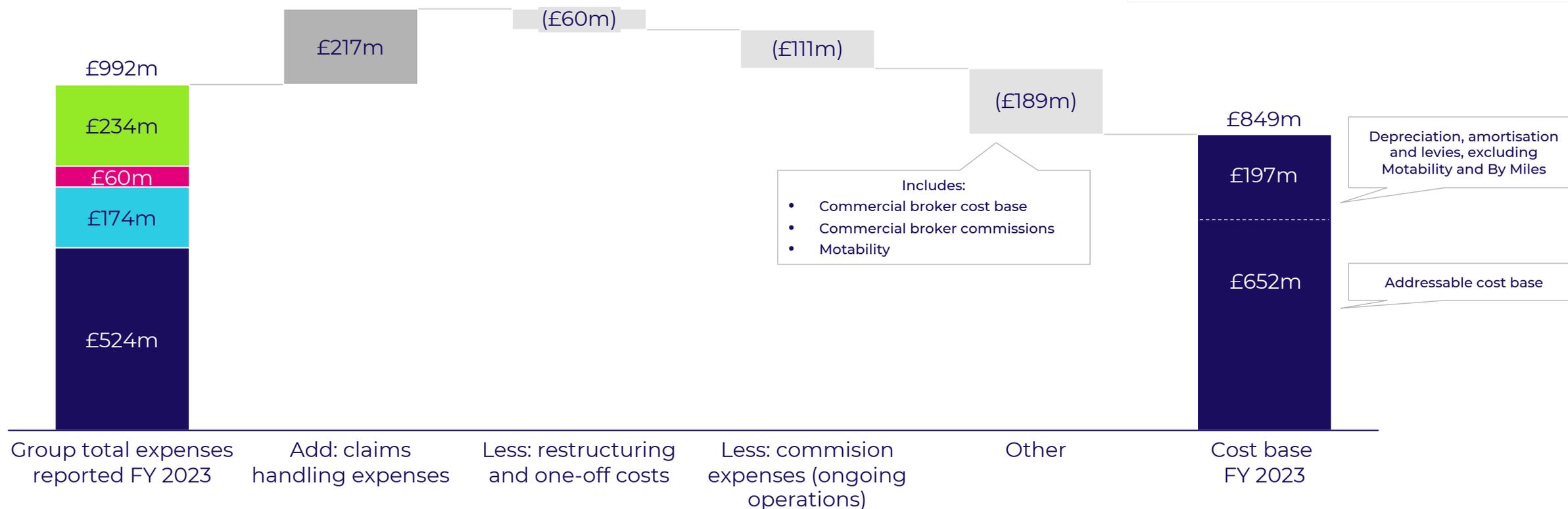
Term	Definition
Total admin cost base	The Group's total operating expenses, acquisition expenses and claims handling expenses, adjusted to exclude restructuring and one-off costs, commission expenses and costs associated with the brokered commercial business, Motability and By Miles – see <i>next page</i>
Gross admin expense ratio	Total addressable cost base as a proportion of Group gross written premium excluding Brokered Commercial business, Motability and By Miles – see <i>next page</i>
Addressable cost base	The proportion of the total admin cost base that excludes depreciation, amortisation and levies
Gross written premium and associated fees ("GWP")	The total premiums from insurance contracts that were incepted during the period, including the impact of a contractual change to Green Flag premium such that a portion of income that was previously included in gross written premium is now included in service fee income
Net expense ratio	Operating expenses from ongoing operations divided by net insurance revenue for ongoing operations
Net insurance margin ("NIM")	The ratio of insurance service result divided by net insurance contract revenues. The normalised net insurance margin adjusts net insurance claims and acquisition costs for weather and / or the impact of remediation
Operating profit from ongoing operations	The pre-tax profit that the Group's ongoing activities generate, including insurance and investment activity, but excluding FV gains/(losses), change in yield curve, other finance costs, restructuring and one-off costs
PCW	Price comparison website

Reconciliation of 2023 Group total expenses to total admin cost base

■ Total expenses – brokered commercial and run-off partnerships
■ Restructuring and one-off costs

■ Acquisition expenses – ongoing operations
■ Operating expenses – ongoing operations

Gross admin expense ratio
 Addressable cost base / Total Group GWP excluding brokered commercial business, Motability and By Miles
 2023: £652m / £2,848m = 23%



Profiles of incoming leadership team (1/4)



Lucy Johnson

Managing Director
of Motor

Lucy spent seven years at Hastings Direct, as a member of the Executive Committee as Chief Commercial and Marketing Officer, and previously Underwriting Services MD.

Her career started at Barclays bank where she worked across Retail Banking, with her final role being MD of Small Business Cards at Barclaycard.

Most recently Lucy has been as a partner at consulting firm Positive Momentum, where she worked closely with a number of major insurance companies including DLG.



Hugh Hessing

Chief Operating
Officer

Hugh has over 30 years' experience in Financial Services.

Hugh spent 10 years at KPMG and led the Insurance and FSA practices, followed by 14 years at Aviva in a variety of roles including UK COO, CEO of Aviva Ireland, plus Director roles in UK Claims and Global Transformation.

Hugh has an exceptional track record of leading businesses through critical strategic change, with a major emphasis on creating growth and significant efficiency improvement whilst retaining focus on customers and employees.

Profiles of incoming leadership team (2/4)



Jane Poole

Chief Financial Officer

Jane has extensive general insurance knowledge gained from building high performance insurance finance teams.

Jane is a highly experienced CFO and joins DLG from Aviva where she has been CFO of the General Insurance business since 2021, driving business performance and improving profitability.

Prior to this, Jane was CFO for RSA's UK & International business having held senior Finance roles at the insurer since 2006. Jane started her career at PricewaterhouseCoopers where she qualified as a Chartered Accountant.



Craig Thornton

Managing Director of Home, Commercial Direct and Rescue

Craig is a highly strategic leader who has operated at Executive Committee level at Aviva and Lloyds Banking Group.

Craig has held senior functional as well as P&L leadership roles. Most notably, he has been leading Lloyds Banking Group's General Insurance business for the past ten years, during which time he has led a complete overhaul of the leadership, product set, distribution mix and technology. In addition, he has been responsible for Protection, and latterly Investments, and during this period has delivered profitable growth.

Craig comes with a deeply technical background. He is a qualified actuary, moving into general management early in his career, initially with Swiss Re, before he moved to Aviva, where he worked in both commercial and functional roles in their UK business.

Profiles of incoming leadership team (3/4)



Martin Milliner

Managing Director of Claims

Martin brings with him over 30 years of insurance experience and expertise. He joins DLG from Allianz LV where he has been Claims Director since 2013 and prior to that Claimant and Technical Services Director.

One of Martin's first roles in his career was as a Churchill Motor PI claims handler before then becoming a Claims Fraud manager.

He has a wealth of knowledge in claims and has sat on boards such as Thatcham and the Insurance Fraud Bureau.



Maz Bown

Chief Risk Officer

Maz joins DLG from Aviva where she has been Chief Risk Officer, UK General Insurance & Health since 2022 and has over 21 years' experience as a risk leader. She's a qualified actuary and has a proven track record of leading risk functions in both UK and Canadian markets.

Maz's depth of knowledge and strong relationships with both the FCA and PRA on financial and non-financial risk topics will contribute to the leadership of DLG.

Profiles of incoming leadership team (4/4)



Dhruv Gahlaut

Chief Strategy and
Investor Relations
Officer

Dhruv is currently Chief Strategy Officer and Head of IR at SiriusPoint and previously headed up Insurance Research at HSBC – before moving to RSA.

Dhruv has strong domain expertise, gained while working for various Corporates (life and non-life) and in equity research.

He has led multiple corporate functions (Investor Relations, Strategy, Planning) and supported turnaround and performance management, simplification and M&A.

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