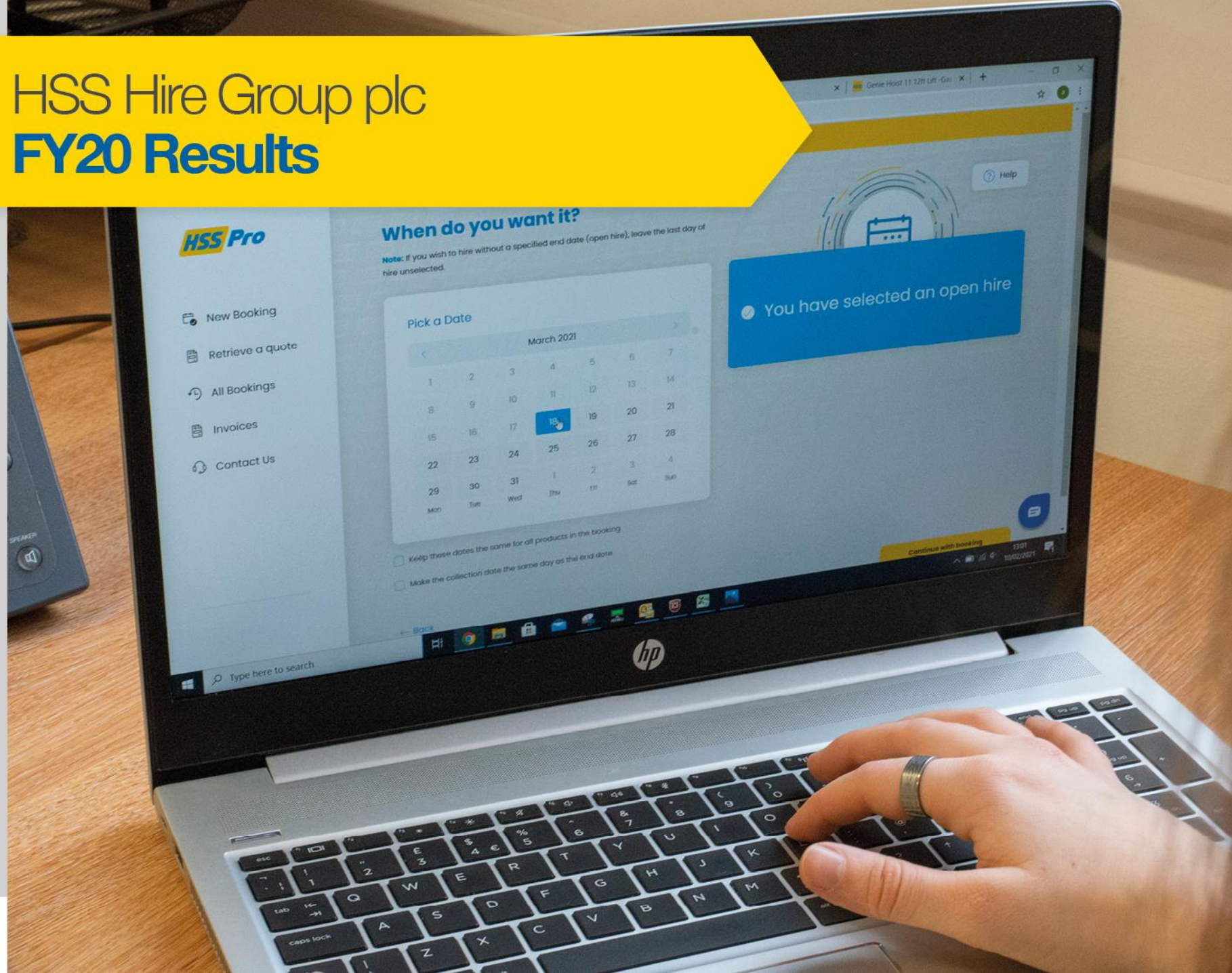


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FY20 Agenda

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FY20 Highlights



Steve Ashmore / Chief Executive Officer

Outstanding colleagues, spectacular delivery



» **MAKE IT SAFE**
» **MAKE IT HAPPEN**
» **MAKE IT BETTER**
» **MAKE IT TOGETHER**



Supporting our
colleagues:

Enhanced
communications

Safe working
practices

Well-being
resources

New equipment
& PPE

FY20, a year of significant achievements

1 DELEVER

the
Group

- £53m capital raise was investors' endorsement of our exciting plan
- Leverage down to 2.56x (FY19 2.81x), heading for below 2.0x
- Net debt reduced by £59m to £120m, liquidity headroom increased to £104m
- Overdue debt reduction of 20%

2 TRANSFORM

the
Tool Hire business

- Implemented our new digitally-led operating model, removing £15m fixed costs, with further efficiencies expected as digital journey continues
- Strengthened builders merchant network
- Maintained strong returns; ROCE 15.2%, EBITDA margin 17.4%, EBITA margin 6.2%
- Exceptional safety record, reportable accidents down 80%

3 STRENGTHEN

Commercial
proposition

- Continued investment in technology
- Re-platformed our business to HSS Pro POS
- HSS.com personalisation enhancements
- Launched Click-and-Collect with check-in offering

New digitally-led operating model working well, strong Q4 performance

Q4 UNDERLYING REVENUE

£77m

94% v 2019 (£82m)

Q4 EBITDA

£18.3m

110% v 2019 (£16.7m)

Q4 EBITA

£11.9m

164% v 2019 (£7.3m)

CUSTOMER SERVICE

44 NPS

UK industry top third NPS = 21

COLLEAGUE ENGAGEMENT

75% +3ppts

UK National Average 61%

DIGITAL CHANNEL MIX-

22% in Q4

up from 8% in Q4 2019

FY20 Financial Review



Paul Quested / Chief Financial Officer

Financial summary / FY20

52 weeks ended 26 December / 28 December

Continuing Operations ¹	FY 20 Reported	FY 20 Pre-IFRS16	FY 19 ⁴	Variance Pre-IFRS16
Revenue	269.9	269.9	328.0	(17.7)%
Adjusted EBITDA ²	69.4	47.0	63.9	(26.4)%
Adjusted EBITDA margin	25.7%	17.4%	19.5%	(2.1)pp
Adjusted EBITA ³	19.8	16.7	26.5	£(9.8)m
Adjusted EBITA margin	7.3%	6.2%	8.1%	(1.9)pp
Exceptional (cost)/credit	(13.4)	(15.1)	8.8	
Net Debt Leverage (x)	2.8x	2.6x	2.8x	0.2x
Net Debt (£m)	194.6	120.4	179.5	59.1
ROCE (%)	10.7%	15.2%	20.8%	(5.6)pp

- Underlying revenue declined 17.0%, positive recovery in H2
- Decisive cost action and continued price control protecting margins and ROCE
- Exceptional items principally relate to operating model restructure
- Capital raise and strong working capital management enabled £59m reduction in net debt since FY19 year end
- Net debt leverage reduced by 0.2x

1. Excluding UK Platforms for all measures except Net Debt Leverage and Net Debt
 2. Earnings stated before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation ("EBITDA") and before exceptional items relating to restructuring and acquisitions
 3. Adjusted EBITDA less depreciation
 4. In adopting IFRS16 the Group has applied the cumulative catch up ("modified") transition method. As such, FY19 has not been restated.

Segmental analysis / FY20

52 weeks ended 26 December / 28 December

£m	FY 20 Reported	FY 20 Pre-IFRS16	FY 19	Variance Pre-IFRS16
Rental (and related revenue)				
Revenue	180.8	180.8	229.0	(21.0)%
Contribution	122.9	122.0	155.5	
<i>Contribution margin</i>	68.0%	67.5%	67.9%	
Services				
Revenue	89.1	89.1	99.0	(10.0)%
Contribution	12.6	12.6	15.5	
<i>Contribution margin</i>	14.2%	14.2%	15.7%	
Branch and selling costs	(44.4)	(65.9)	(84.0)	
Central costs	(21.8)	(21.7)	(23.1)	
Adjusted EBITDA	69.4	47.0	63.9	

Rental

- Improvement in revenue since April, driven by combination of strategy implementation and relaxation of government restrictions
- Effective price control and cost management has maintained margins

Services

- Underlying¹ revenue down 3.3%; resilient OneCall performance, Training recovered well post Q2 lockdown
- OneCall margins maintained, overall Services segment impacted by mix due to lower Training revenue

Costs

- Effective cost management in response to pandemic
- Includes £9.8m benefit from Job Retention Scheme

Transformational reduction in net debt

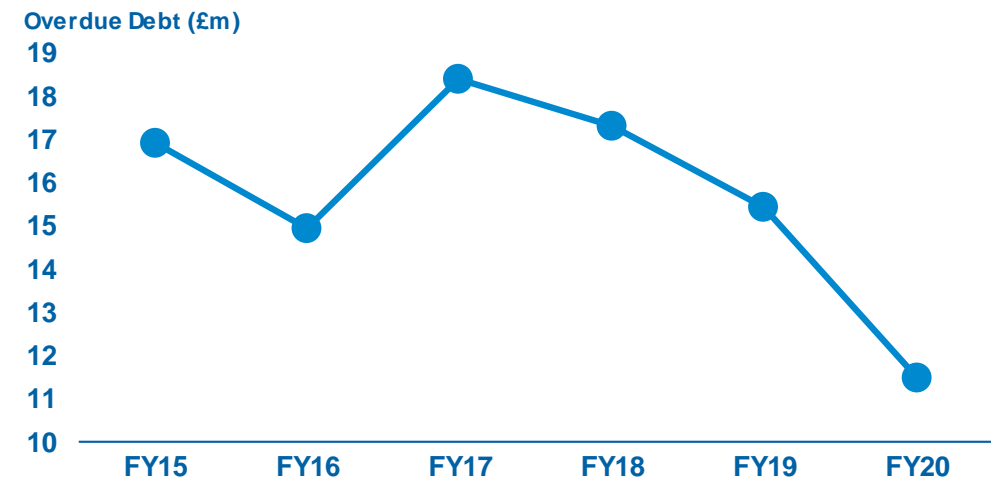
- Significantly improved position driven by:
 - Capital raise gross proceeds of £52.6m
 - Strong working capital management, material reduction in overdue debt
 - Tax deferrals during FY20 all settled before year end
- 36% headroom against Q4 financial covenant test
- Reached agreements to surrender 95% of closed branches; remaining liability of £1m over 4 years
- Improved liquidity strengthens position for reducing refinancing rate (current maturity 2023) and improving free cash flow

Targeting FY21 exit rate leverage¹ below 2x

Net debt and leverage materially reduced¹



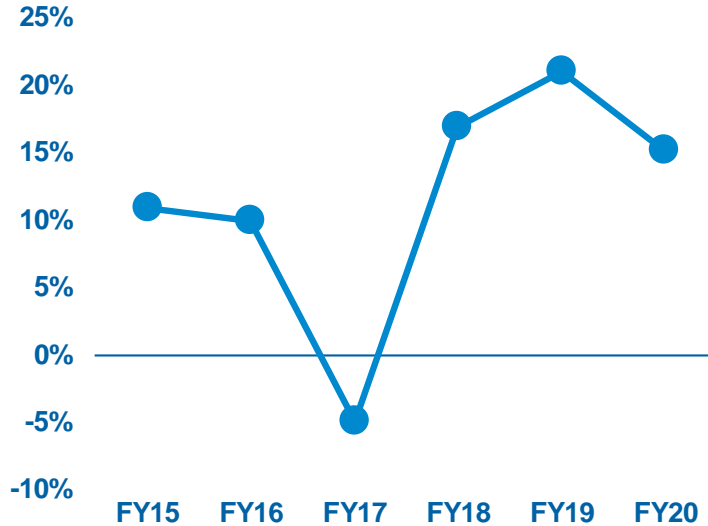
Overdue debt materially reduced



Returns maintained in challenging year

ROCE¹ remains strong

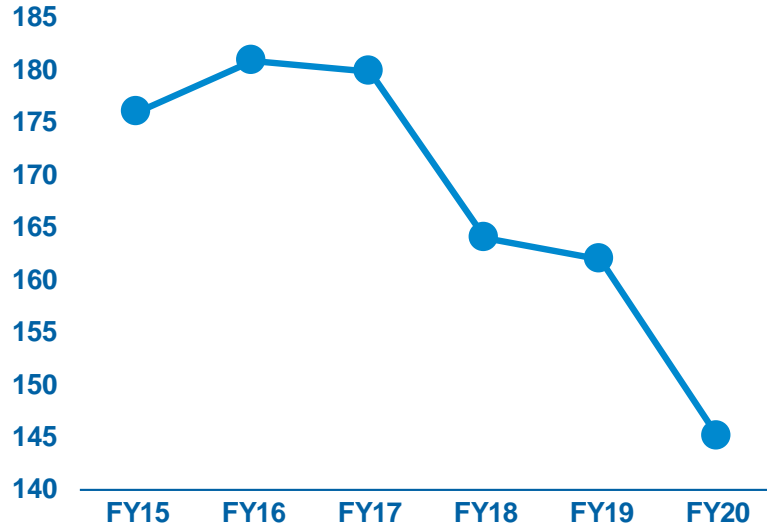
Return on Capital Employed %



- Resilient performance in capital-light Services business and effective price control across Group

Overheads¹ reduced by £31m since FY15

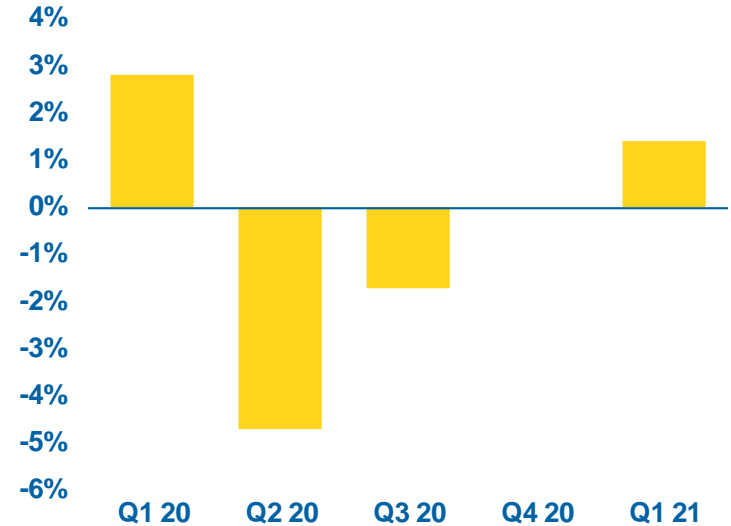
Overhead costs £m



- Cost discipline embedded across entire organisation

Utilisation² now up on last year

Core fleet utilisation % v prior year



- Fleet investment £19m (FY19 £27m), deployed in high returning product utilising insight tools
- March 2021 utilisation 56%

1. Pre-IFRS16 basis
2. Utilisation for core fleet on value basis

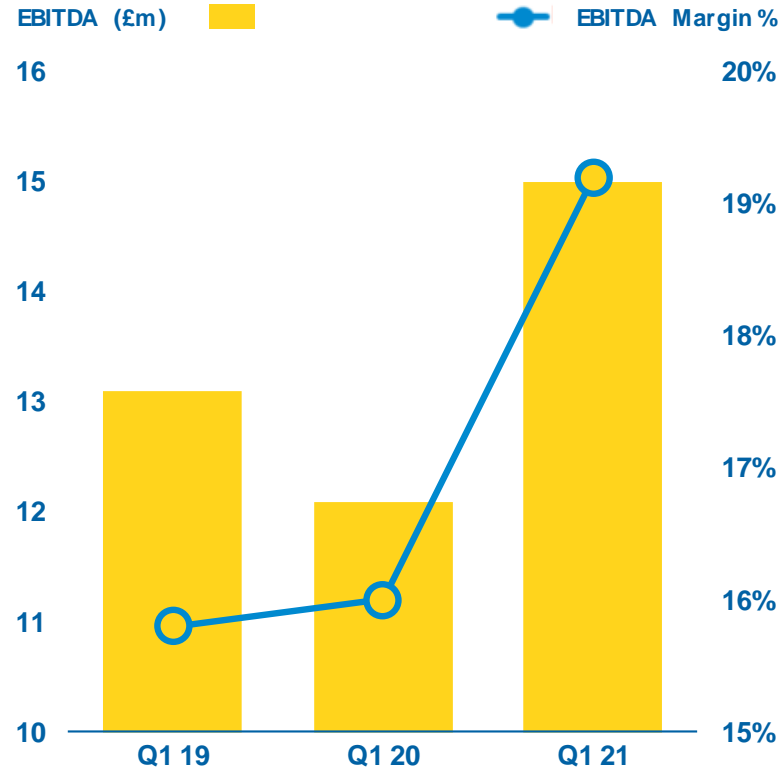
Latest trading is strong. Improved profitability

Revenue on upward trend

Underlying Revenue % of prior year

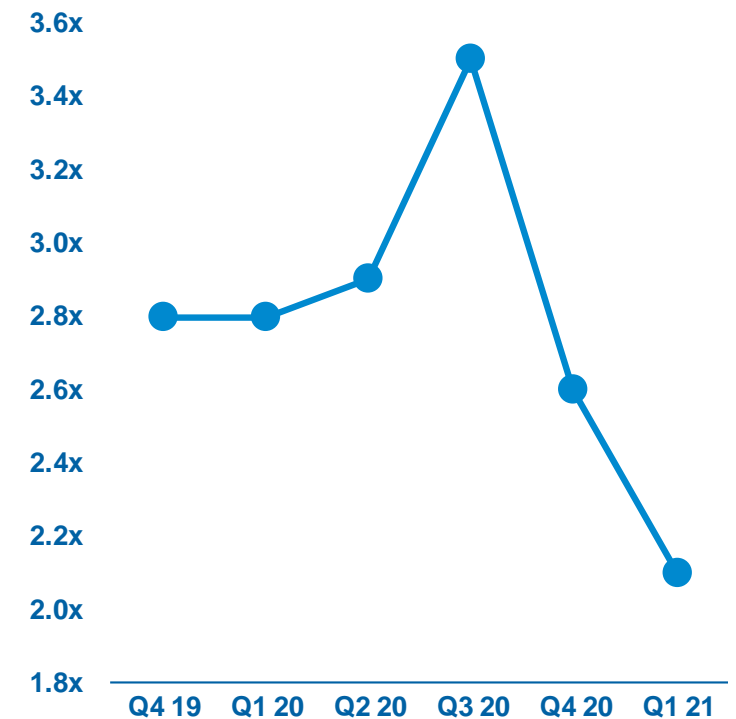


Profitability¹ significantly improved



Leverage¹ further reduced

EBITDA / Net Debt



New digitally-led operating model is delivering a strong performance

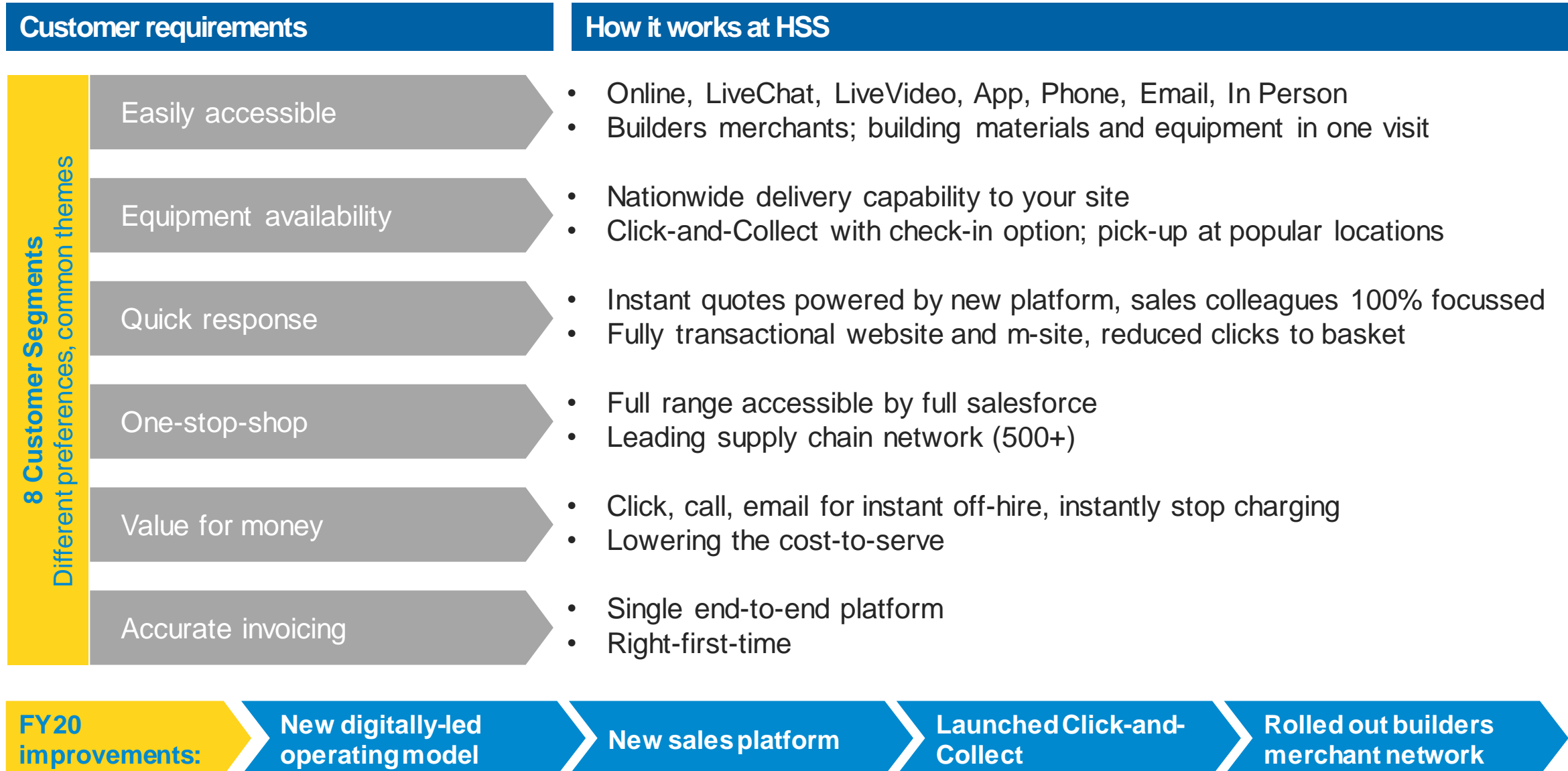
1. Pre-IFRS16 basis
2. England, Wales and Scotland performance

FY20 Strategy Review



Steve Ashmore / Chief Executive Officer

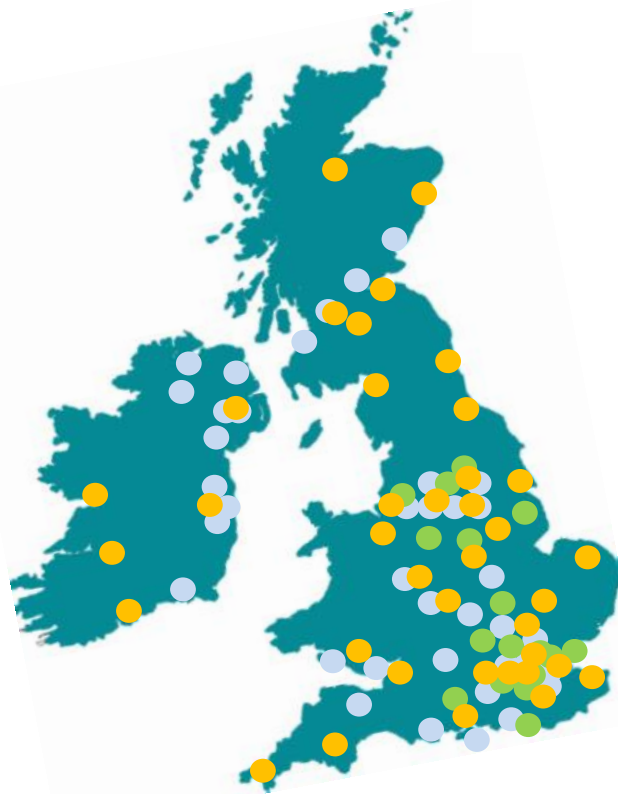
Customer requirements addressed



New digitally-led operating model working well

National fulfilment model¹, better suited to customers

- 40 CDCs offering nationwide delivery service ●
- Walk in at:
 - 45 high-footfall HSS-only locations ●
 - Growing network of Builders Merchants, 31 very-high footfall locations ●
- Click-and-Collect throughout
- 500+ strong national network of rehire partners



Differentiation in the hire sector

- Lower cost network, with a shift from fixed to variable costs
- Strategically placed at locations that are convenient for B2B customers
- Responding to customers' migration to delivered-to-site and Click-and-Collect fulfilment channels
- Emphasis on conversion, irrespective of stock holding
- Creating an agile business model that is both scalable and adaptable to evolving customer requirements

Key metrics:

99% delivery performance

21% of orders Click-and-Collect Q1 21

Digital channel mix 22% Q1 21

£15m pa net cost savings

Powered by technology

Tech for intelligence

Well established demand forecasting system, PRISM



- Gives customers:
- ✓ Enhanced fulfilment
- Gives HSS:
- ✓ Optimised stock holding and returns

Call-optimisation technology, Vodafone Storm



- Gives customers:
- ✓ Rapid response times
- Gives HSS:
- ✓ Analytics to drive performance

Tech for customers

Industry-leading customer website, hss.com



- Gives customers:
- ✓ Live availability
 - ✓ Fully transactional
 - ✓ LiveChat, LiveVideo

Industry-leading customer App



- Gives customers:
- ✓ Live availability
 - ✓ Hire/Off Hire instantly
 - ✓ Live Order Tracking

Tech for colleagues

New point-of-sale tech platform, HSS Pro POS



- Gives colleagues:
- ✓ Access to all services
 - ✓ Ability to quote there and then
 - ✓ Easy to use, mobile enabled

App for drivers



- Gives colleagues:
- ✓ Dynamic routing
 - ✓ Safety checks
 - ✓ Paperless operating system

Tech for suppliers

Marketplace for suppliers, Brenda



- Gives suppliers:
- ✓ Access to customers
 - ✓ End-to-end order visibility
 - ✓ Accuracy

Pricing and analytics



- Gives suppliers:
- ✓ Conversion statistics
 - ✓ Ability to promote through pricing
 - ✓ Utilisation management

Multiple instances of the same application

Development pipeline:

ProService

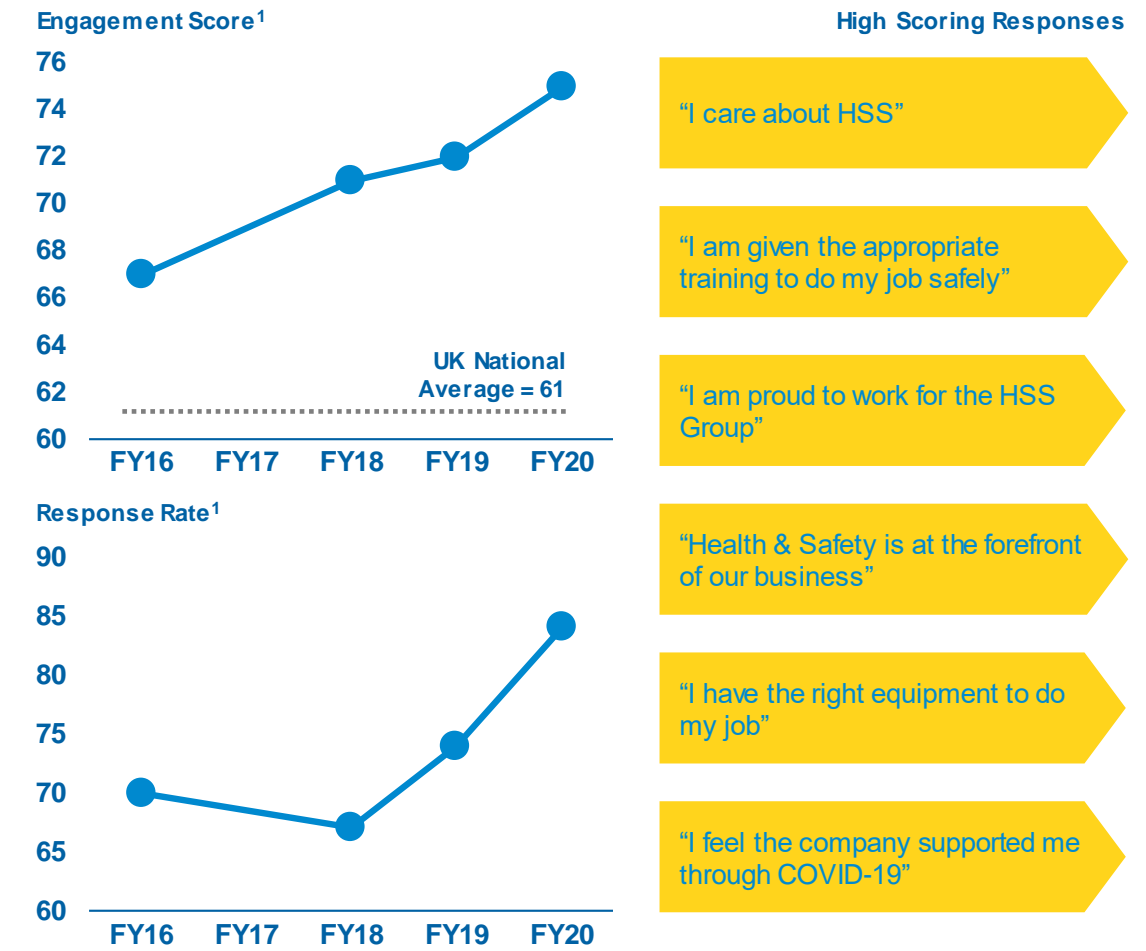
Rehire on hss.com

Route optimisation

Customer scheduling

Delivered by colleagues

Colleague engagement continuously improving



Impressive safety record. RIDDOR rate down 80%



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1.

Source: Anthem Engagement

2.

Reportable accidents per 100,000 hours worked

Great progress, opportunities ahead

	1 DELEVER the Group	2 TRANSFORM the Tool Hire business	3 STRENGTHEN Commercial proposition
Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Balance sheet strengthened ✓ Leverage reduced to 2.56x (FY19 2.8x)¹ ✓ Net debt reduced to £120m (FY 19 £179m)¹ ✓ Disposal of Laois Hire, Irish plant business, for €11.2m 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ New digitally-led operating model working well ✓ Q1 revenue around pre-COVID-19 levels and margins improved ✓ Colleagues adapting and engagement high 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ New technology platform addresses customer requirements ✓ Digital channel mix over 20% ✓ Customers scored us highly in Q4 NPS survey
Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Targeting FY21 exit rate leverage¹ below 2.0x ❑ Well positioned to refinance at lower rate and maximise free cashflow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Extend low-cost builders merchant network ❑ Drive sales acquisition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Leverage new colleague technologies ❑ Continue to evolve digital channels

New digitally-led operating model has delivered a strong Q1

FY20 Summary



Steve Ashmore / Chief Executive Officer

Summary



“The business is in great shape to now benefit from the acceleration of our digital strategy”

Resilient performance through COVID-19, outstanding colleagues

Transformed operating model, delivering above expectations

Differentiated digital strategy driving enhanced customer proposition

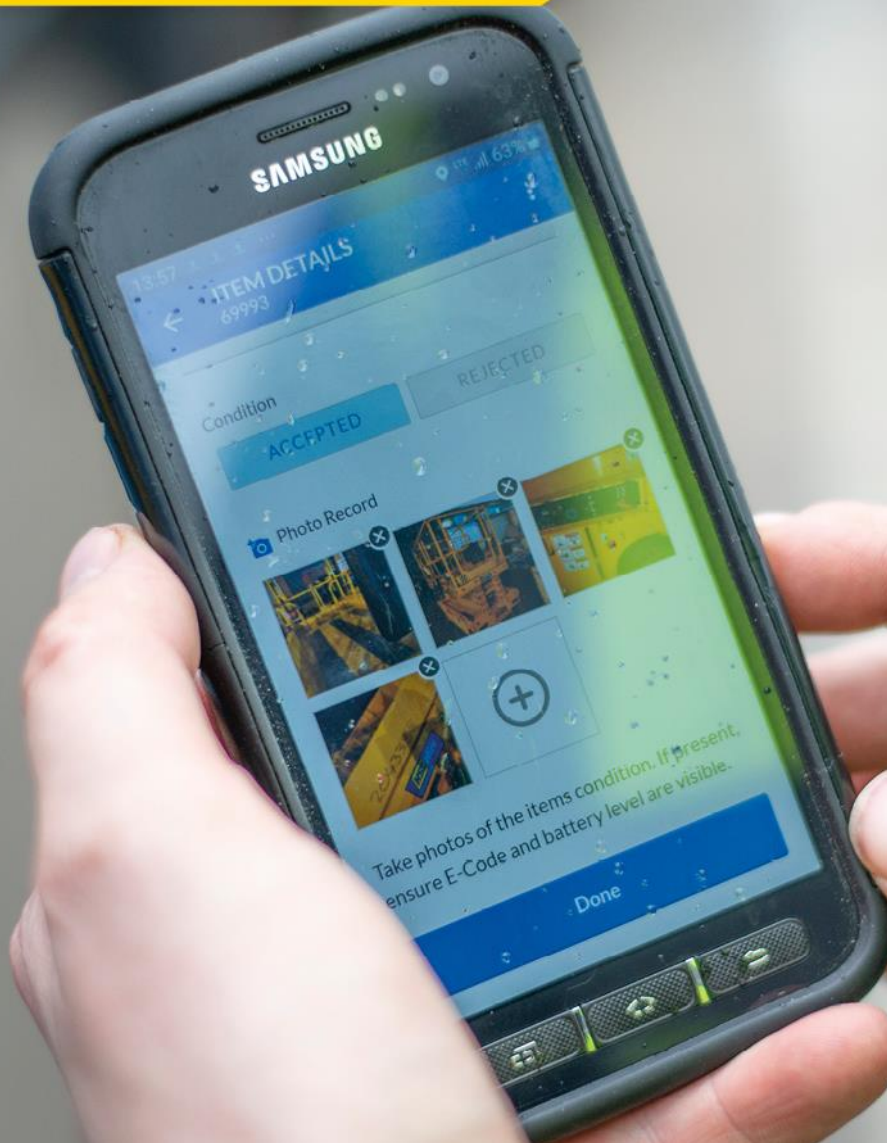
Strengthened balance sheet, well positioned for refinancing

Strategy delivering, well-positioned to capitalise on market opportunities

FY20 Q&A



FY20 Appendices



Exceptional items

52 weeks ended 26 December / 28 December

£m	FY 20	FY 19
Onerous property related items	7.4	3.3
Network restructure (non-property)	4.6	-
AIM listing	0.9	-
Onerous contract	0.6	-
Accelerated amortisation of debt issue costs	-	1.9
Cost reduction programme	-	0.8
Gross exceptional items	13.4	6.0
Profit on disposal UKP	-	(14.8)
Exceptional cost / (credit)	13.4	(8.8)

- Onerous property related items and network restructure costs relate to the permanent closure of branches in October 2020 including: recognition of property related costs until lease break/end, fixtures and fittings impairment, and redundancy costs
- Onerous contract relates to movement in the discount rate applied to existing provision
- Prior year includes:
 - disposal of UK Platforms ("UKP")
 - accelerated amortisation of debt issue costs following early £38m prepayment with UKP sales proceeds
 - cost reduction programme including removal of cross dock

Balance sheet

As at 26 December / 28 December

£m	2020 Reported	2019
Intangible assets	158.5	160.4
Tangible assets	62.0	101.9
Right of use assets	89.8	-
Net current assets ¹	13.3	21.5
Other net liabilities	(26.5)	(32.8)
Net debt (ex accrued interest) ²	(111.8)	(168.4)
IFRS16 liabilities	(74.3)	-
Accrued interest	(3.4)	(3.6)
Net assets	107.6	79.0

- IFRS16 includes creation of right-of-use assets (of which £26.9m transfers from tangible assets) and a lease liability

1. Current assets less current liabilities. Current assets / liabilities captured within net debt e.g. the current portion of finance leases are not reflected in working capital

2. Comprises cash and all debt principal balances, including those which would ordinarily be shown within current assets, current liabilities (excluding accrued interest) or non current liabilities.

Net debt

As at 26 December / 28 December

£m	2020 Reported	2019
Cash	97.6	22.7
RCF	(17.2)	-
Finance lease obligations	(15.3)	(16.6)
Senior Finance Facility ¹	(182.0)	(182.0)
Net debt (excl. accrued interest)	(116.9)	(175.9)
Accrued interest	(3.4)	(3.6)
Net debt (excl. IFRS16)	(120.4)	(179.5)
IFRS16 liabilities	(74.3)	-
Reported Net debt	(194.6)	(179.5)

- Reflects third-party borrowings
- Leverage 2.56x (FY19: 2.81x)

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Many Thanks



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