

Agenda for today

Our vision for the future of pet care

Lyssa McGowan, Chief Executive Officer

An integrated consumer experience

Kathryn Imrie, Chief Consumer Officer

Our unique data and digital platform

William Hewish, Chief Information Officer

Differentiated, sector-leading vets

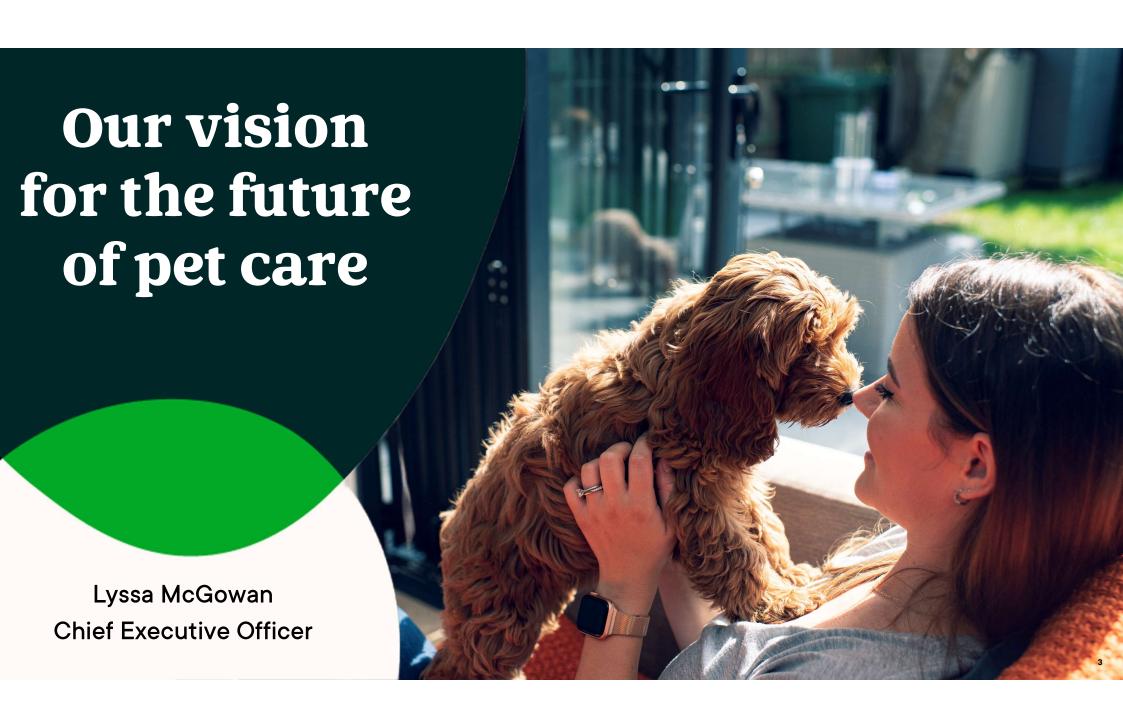
Louise Stonier, Vet Chief Operating Officer

Scale and category authority

Lisa Miao, Retail Chief Operating Officer

A strong financial framework

Mike Iddon, Chief Financial Officer



We have a unique position in a structurally growing market

New

Structural trends will drive further growth

Premiumisation

Humanisation

Penetration

Pet owners
seeking
higher-end
products and
services for
their pets

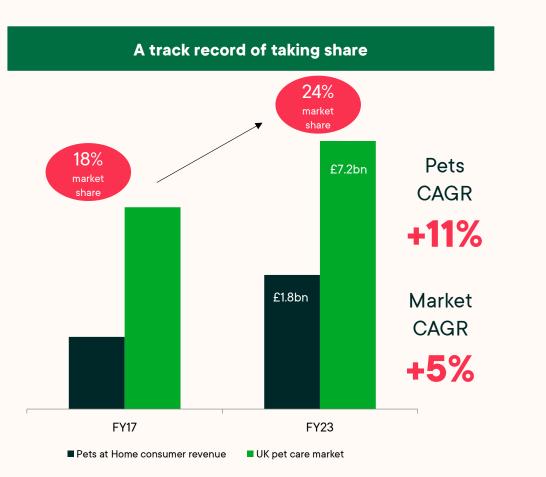
Human trends such as natural foods and complex healthcare A step change
in pet
ownership as
many of the
historic
barriers no
longer exist

We are the only true complete pet care provider with a 24% share of a £7.2bn UK market



■ PAH market share

We are the clear market leader, with a strong platform for growth





A clear strategy to unify the business and drive us forward

Our purpose

To create a better world for pets and the people that love them

Our vision

To build the world's best pet care platform

Integrated

a unified blend of products, services and advice

Omnichannel

seamlessly connected

Consumer-centric

an unrivalled experience

Our values

Pets

To improve the life of every pet in the UK

People

To be the best employer and developer of talent

Planet

To make pet care environmentally sustainable

Unified by a shared purpose

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A bold, clear, and compelling vision

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- Nutrition
- Accessories
- Preventative Care
- Curative Healthcare
- Grooming & Wellbeing
- Adjacencies

Omnichannel

seamlessly connected

- Physical petcare centres and practices
- Virtual consultations
- Digital advice and support
- E-commerce, click & collect
- E-pharmacy and telemedicine

Consumer-centric

an unrivalled experience

- Seamless and frictionless
- Easy and enjoyable
- Targeted and personalised
- Simple, unified experience across app, online, physical and virtual

Our pet care platform drives differentiated economics

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Delivering economies of scope

Driving economies of scale and higher productivity

Fuelling consumer and revenue growth

- Category authority and expertise
- Investment cost amortisation base
- Innovation speed and time to market
- Digital and data platform integration

- Scale economies (physical, virtual and digital)
- Supply chain, channel and distribution efficiencies
- Clinical and non-clinical productivity (right colleague, right task)
- Share of wallet through frequency, cross-sell, upsell and subscriptions
- Lifetime Value and retention
- National brand halo
- Effectively targeted CRM and discounting

Our values underpin everything we do

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By being the leading advocate for pet welfare:

- Adopting the highest welfare and clinical standards for pets in our care
- Providing pet owners with the best products, services and advice
- Using our voice and expertise to advocate for pets
- ✓ Being the largest grant giver to pet charities in the UK

By creating rewarding, sustainable careers in pet care open to everyone:

- ✓ Continuous investment in pet care expertise
- Compelling clinical careers and development opportunities
- ✓ Colleagues fully representing our diverse communities

By leading in sustainable pet food:

- ✓ Environmental impacts on carbon, land use, water and nature
- ✓ Innovative sustainable packaging
- ✓ Nutritional needs met, affordably

Our strategy will drive compelling growth in sales, profit and FCF

A growing market

Consistently taking share

Driving highquality growth

Reward shareholders

c4%

Forecast market CAGR over the medium term

c300bps

Market out performance pa, Pets sales CAGR +7% +10%

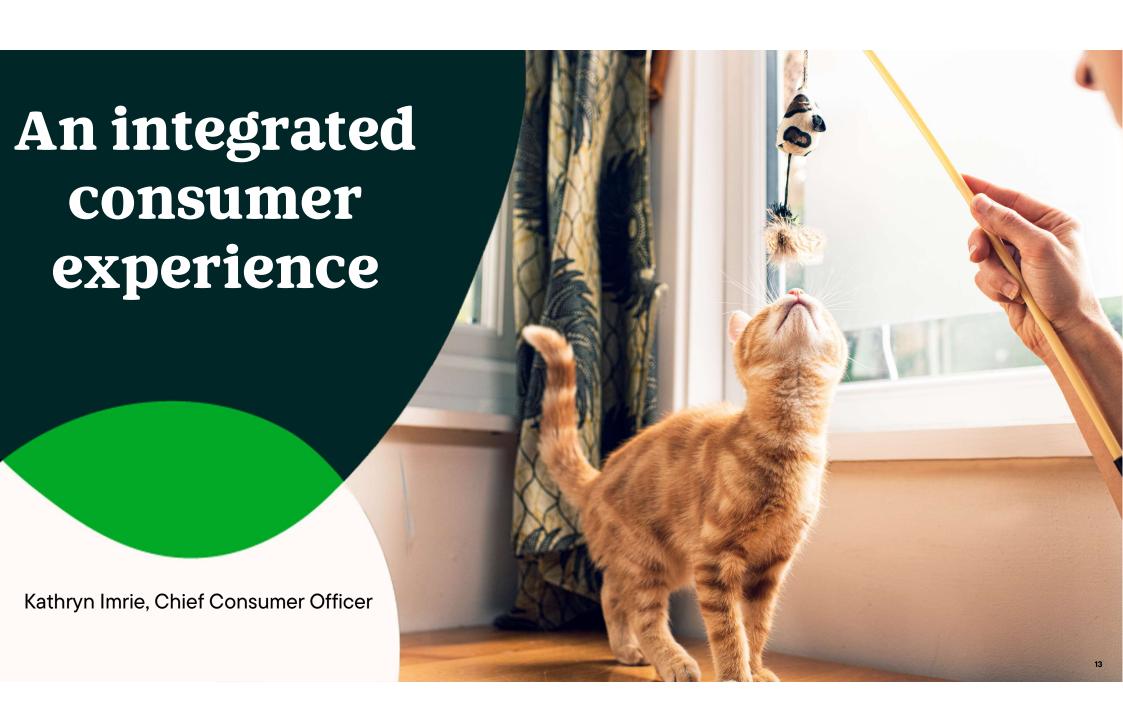
PBT grows at 10%, FCF to trend towards 70% of PBT

£50m

Progressive dividend, further £50m share buyback in FY24

Our new brand world brings it all together

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With 30 years of caring for pets and the people who love them, we know our role

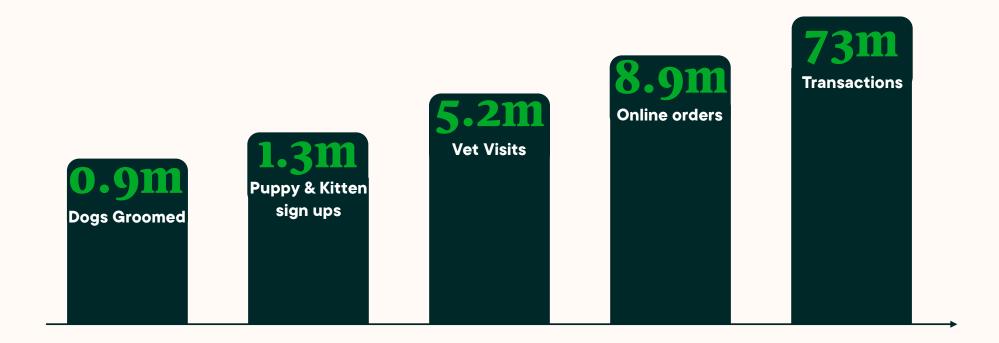
We provide everything we know owners need, in an easily accessible way, that suits them. We offer our expertise through trusted and valued advice that helps owners take great care of their pets.

We provide the best products, services and advice to guide pet owners through their pet care journey

We positively impact the lives of pets by helping their human be the best owner they can be. Our insights enable us to personalise the care we offer our pets providing the right solution for them and their owners.

We're here to support every stage of the pet ownership journey, through all the joys and any challenges too.

More pet owners trust us than anyone else...

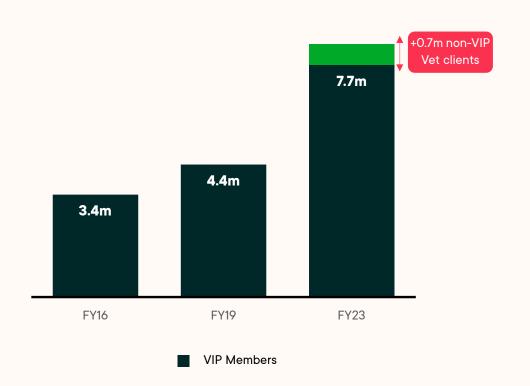


70% of pet owners trust us – c7 times that of the nearest competitor

...and we understand their needs better than anyone else

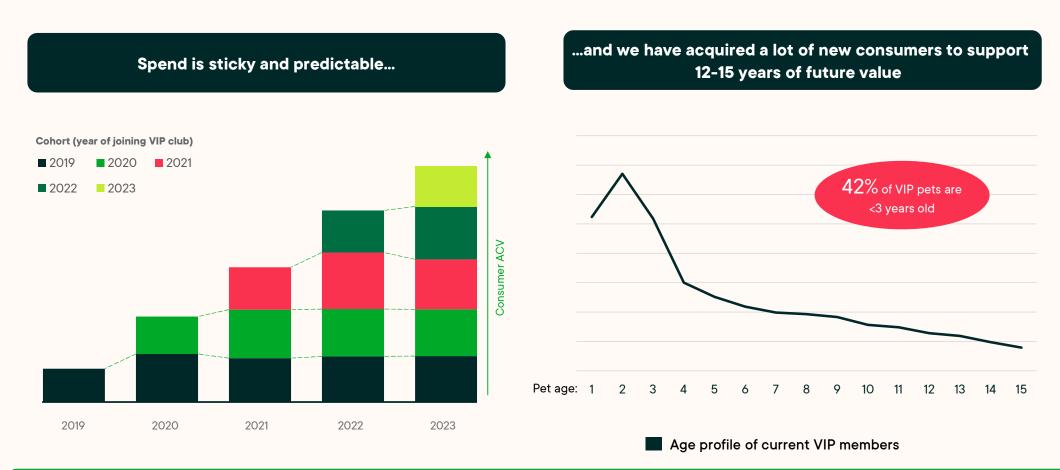
We have the best proprietary data set in the industry with over 10 years of data on 8 million consumers.

Our data insights have already delivered significant value, but we are only getting started.



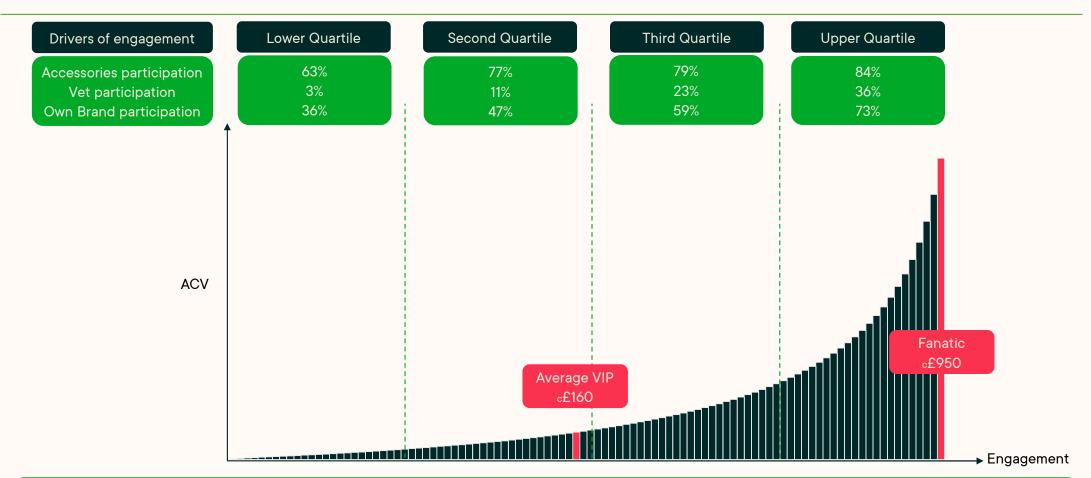


Behaviour is predictable and demand is sticky supporting high LTV



The consumers acquired in the past 3 years give us a 10-15 year growth opportunity

Growing share of wallet is our greatest opportunity



Increasing ACV by just £10 drives £77m of incremental consumer revenue

An integrated consumer experience

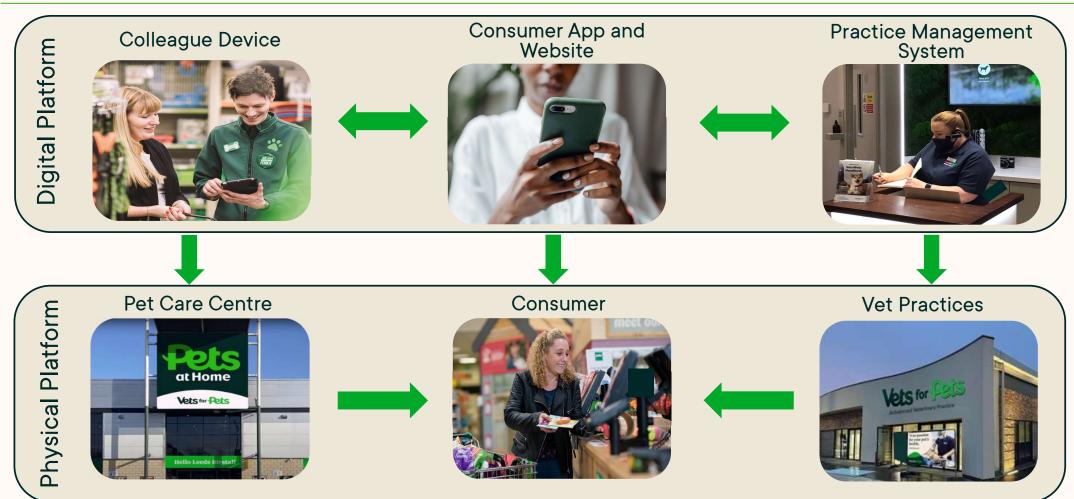


- We are the only player that can integrate services to provide a complete pet care solution
- Demand is sticky and predictable supporting attractive LTV and cohort dynamics
- Gaining share of wallet is our biggest growth opportunity and we are investing to deliver this

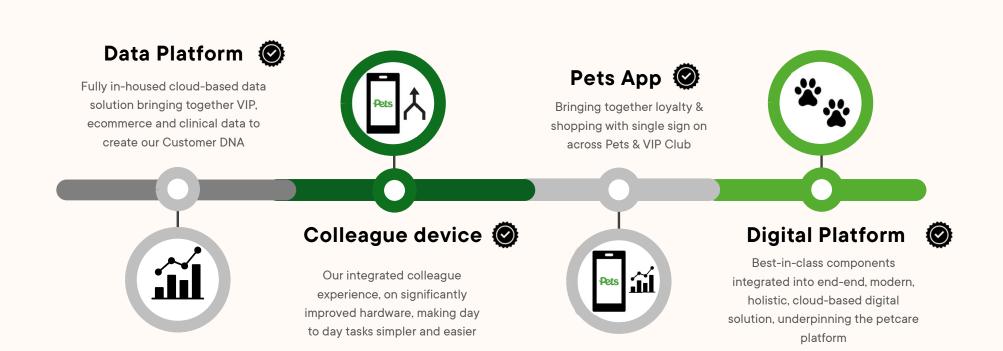




Creating a truly integrated omnichannel petcare business



With the foundations built, we are now delivering sustained improvements in consumer experience



Our digital capability will deliver a succession of improvements over the next 2 years



New PMS Pilot

Delivering improved efficiency and clinical productivity



Joined-up Pet Care

One way to manage, subscribe, interact and shop across integrated Vets, Pets, and Grooming App



Integrated Pet Care experience

Personalised 121 experience, bringing together all your petcare needs digitally, physically and virtually, powered by data and Al



Significantly improved shopping experience, with integrated subscription journey, on our new digital platform



Single Booking Engine

One way to book across Vets, Pets, and Grooming with integrated Pet dashboard



New PMS rollout

Real time data in a modern cloud-based practice system



Our unique data and digital platform

- Our digital and data investment is core to our plan and is a key enabler for growth
- We have already delivered a lot and there is much more to come
- We have a clear plan ahead to create a truly joined up pet care experience across our digital and physical assets





Louise Stonier
Vet Chief Operating Officer



Our full service, primary care veterinary business is a clear differentiator in the sector

Clinical freedom within full service practices

68%

of revenue from curative procedures



Creating value for our partners through our unique JV model

£36m

Dividends drawn by partners in FY23



Significant scale as one of UK's largest providers

69%

of practices co-located within a pet care centre

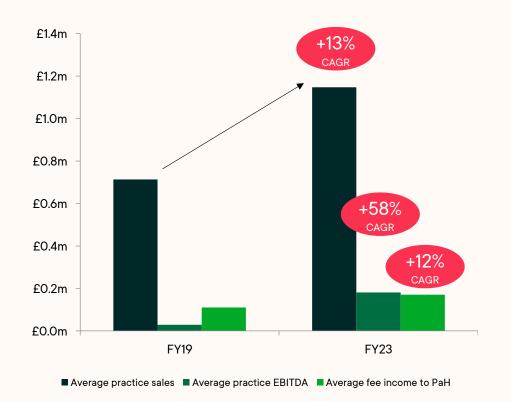


Our unique JV model delivers superior returns across the partnership

JV model delivers sector-leading financial outcomes

	Corporate	JV practice
	competitor	(debt free)
Average practice sales	c£1.1m	c£1.4m
Average practice EBITDA	c£220k	c£420k
Average dividend payment to JVP	n/a – unique to JV model	>£150k
Capital value to JVP at exit	n/a – unique to JV model	JVP realises full capital value

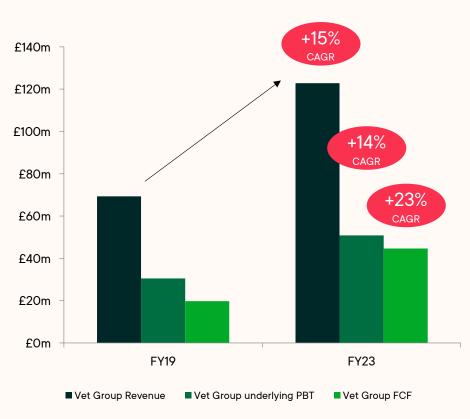
Driving strong, sustained practice performance



It is now a c£500m consumer revenue business contributing almost half of Group FCF

Practice growth translating to overall growth....

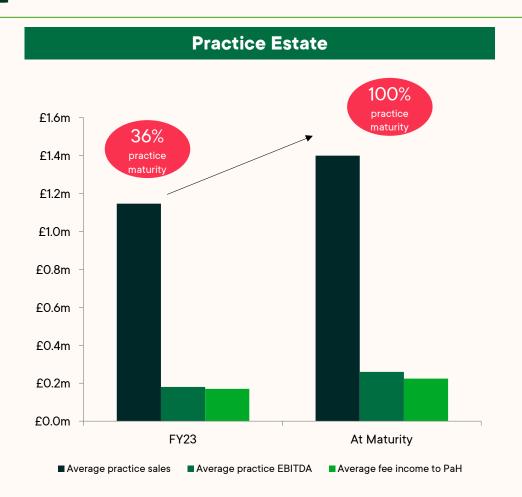
....and a material contribution to the group

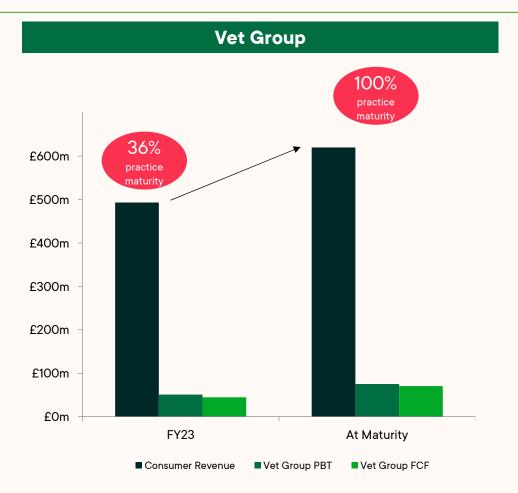




(FY19 metrics exclude Specialist Group disposed of in December 2020)

Maturity alone will drive a further 25% growth in practice sales





Maturity also opens up multiple additional growth options for our practices





Multiple, complimentary levers of growth

20+

Extensions in 2024

10+

Advanced Practices in medium term

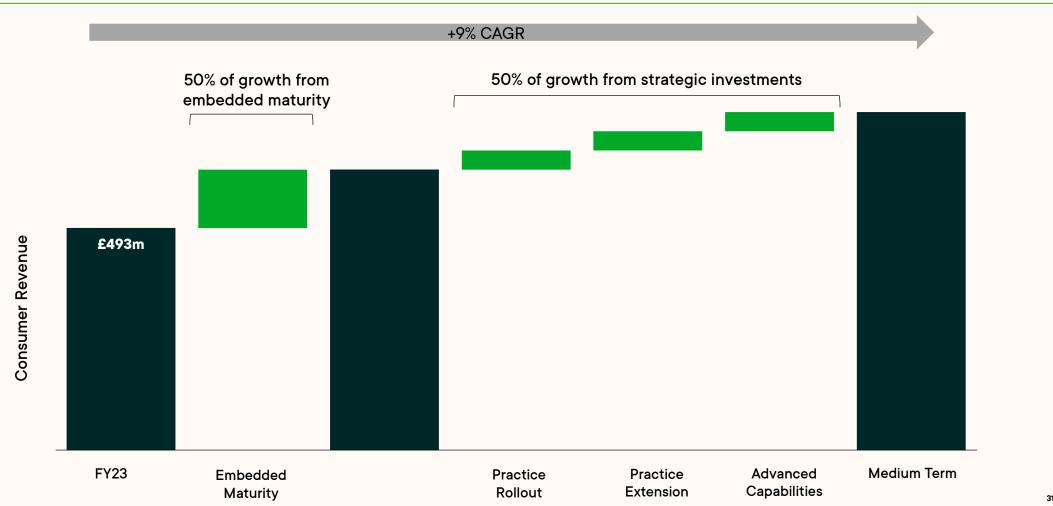




5–15 openings per year

24hr
Hospitals

Together these opportunities will drive significant growth of our vet business



Our pet care platform delivers sustainable competitive advantages for us and our vets to underpin this growth

Operational and scale benefits

...driving efficiencies and allowing vets to focus on clinical practice

Clinical talent development, retention and productivity

...allowing us to secure critical human capital

Unique platform services

...allowing us to effectively grow clients and revenue

- Group purchasing and supplier negotiations
- Support services
- Financial and loans
- Capital and expertise to support growth

- Clinical freedom and value creation
- Recruitment
- Retention
- Productive operating models
- Advocacy and campaigning

- Integrated practice management, data and digital ecosystem
- National brand advertising
- Clinical & non-clinical network referrals
- Pricing and subscription expertise
- Virtual and hybrid telecare models

Differentiated, sector-leading vets

- Our vet business is among the best in the industry and our JV model is unique
- Embedded maturity alone will drive a further
 25% growth in practice sales
- We have multiple levers to drive growth over and above practice maturity
- There are clear benefits to our vets business and our partners from our pet care platform





We have unrivalled scale and reach supported by a profitable, flexible physical estate

of pet care centres

457

% of VIPs within 15m drivetime of a store

75%

Average unexpired lease length

5yrs

% of online orders¹ collected in store

40%

Average rent reduction

20%

% of subscription signs ups in store

75%



We will continue to invest significantly in our physical assets

40+ new pet care centres in medium term

5-15 new vet practices a year

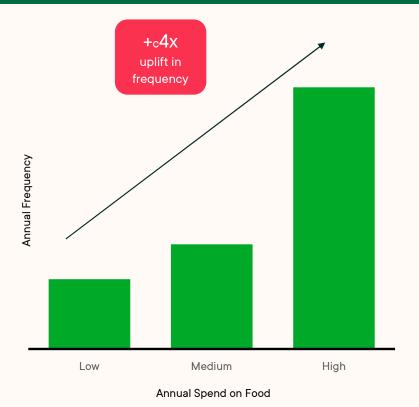
20+ vet extensions in FY24

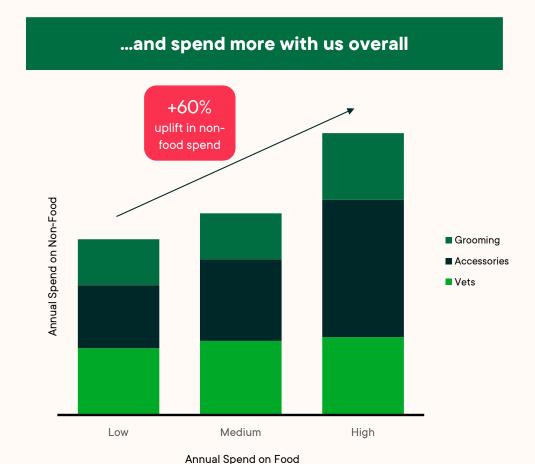
30 + space swaps in FY24



Food anchors our retail growth strategy, driving frequency and spend

Consumers who spend more on food, engage with us more frequently...





We will build on our track record of innovating and growing new and high-value market segments

We already over index in the fastest growing segment...

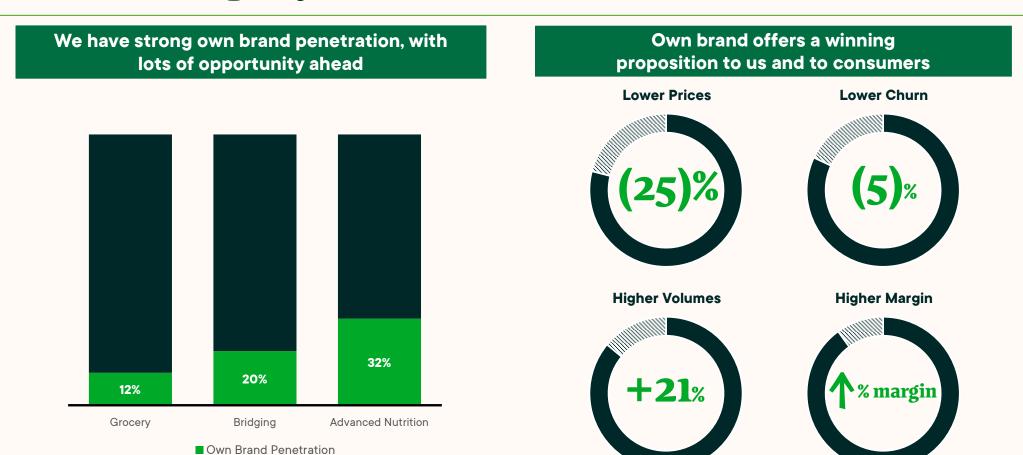


...and we are uniquely placed to open up new premium categories

Frozen & Fresh +£76m 31% CAGR



Our own brands are a winning proposition and will continue to play a critical role



Our long term supplier partnership will secure supply and drive innovation

Scale and category authority in accessories gives us clear differentiation and drives superior returns

Own brand products designed in-house

c100%

Product SKUs in extended range

10,000

Accessories market share

c50%

New products launched in FY23

c1,500

Colleagues in HK sourcing office

c25

Own brand participation

>50%



Our people, and their unrivalled expertise, are at the heart of our business

10,000

expert retail colleagues

85%

of colleagues are pet owners

80%

of colleagues paid at least Real Living Wage 60%

of store managers have >10yrs service

10,000

colleagues awarded shares in FY23

9 months

basic training period, more available via FAYI



Our new DC is onstream and will support more than a decade of growth

A well executed multi-year project, now in operation

Delivering clear operational and commercial benefits

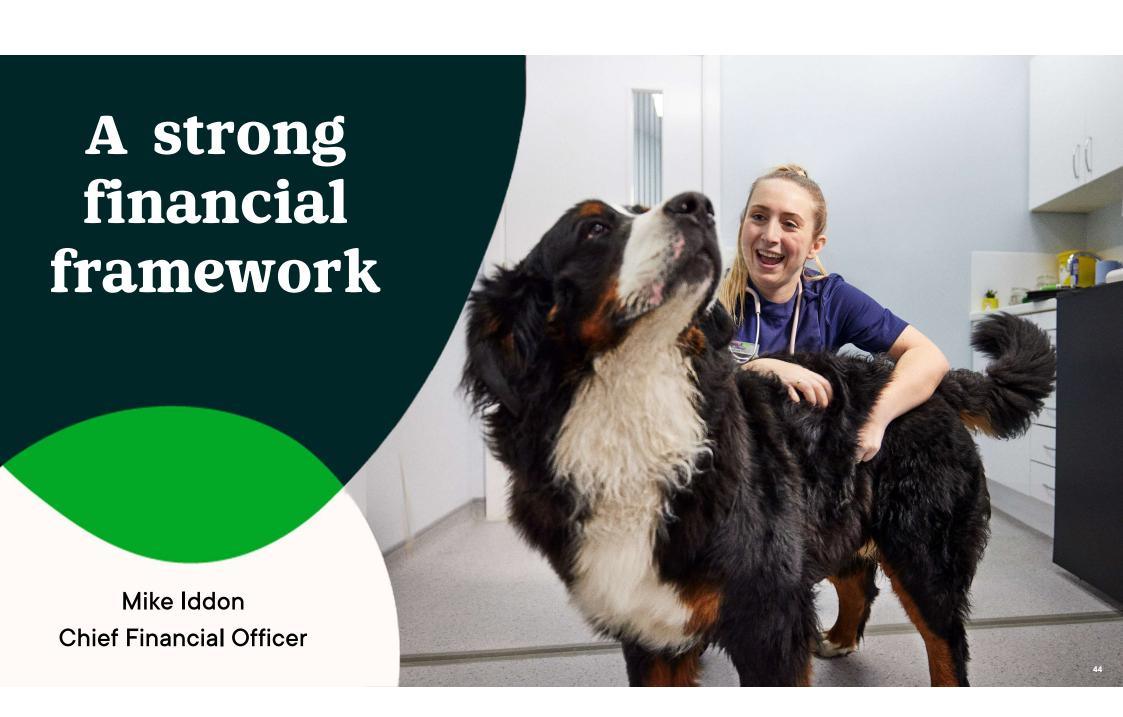


- Single purpose-built **670k sq.ft.** facility
- Consolidating legacy infrastructure improves fulfilment capacity and inventory flexibility
- Material reduction in online fulfilment costs
- Operational efficiencies in property overheads, stock holding and warehouse management
- Clear focus on sustainability
- Future proofing our operations, unlocking growth in frozen, fresh, e-pharmacy and other new categories

Scale and category authority

- Our physical estate gives us unrivalled reach and scale and we will continue to invest
- We create and drive category growth and new revenue opportunities across both nutrition and accessories
- Our people, and their unrivalled expertise, remain at the heart of our business
- Our new distribution centre is now online and will deliver operational and commercial benefits

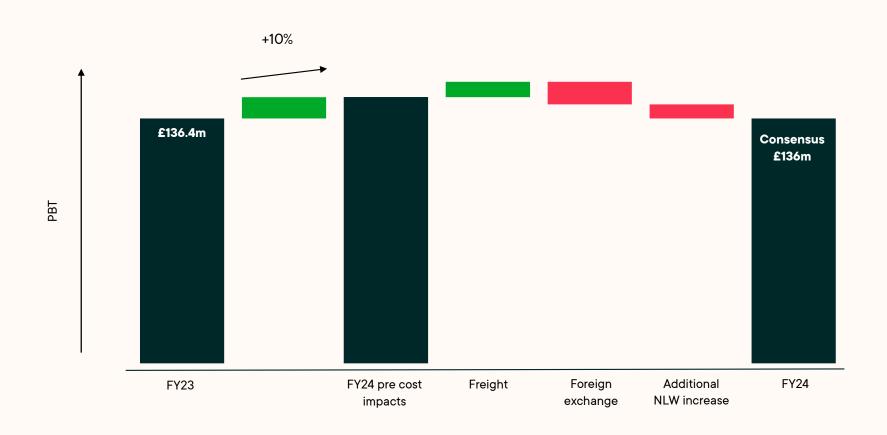




A year of record profits driven by high quality, sustainable growth

Consumer Revenue Group Revenue LFL **Underlying PBT** £1.8bn £1.4bn +7.9% £136.4m +4.8% YoY +6.5% YoY +6.6% YoY **FCF Net Cash Dividend CROIC** 22.7% 12.8p £98.2m £54.7m 3.5% YoY £(11.3)m YoY (231)bps YoY +8.5% YoY

Profit growth into FY24 held back by external headwinds



Our petcare platform strategy drives differentiated economics, delivering attractive returns

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Consumer-centric

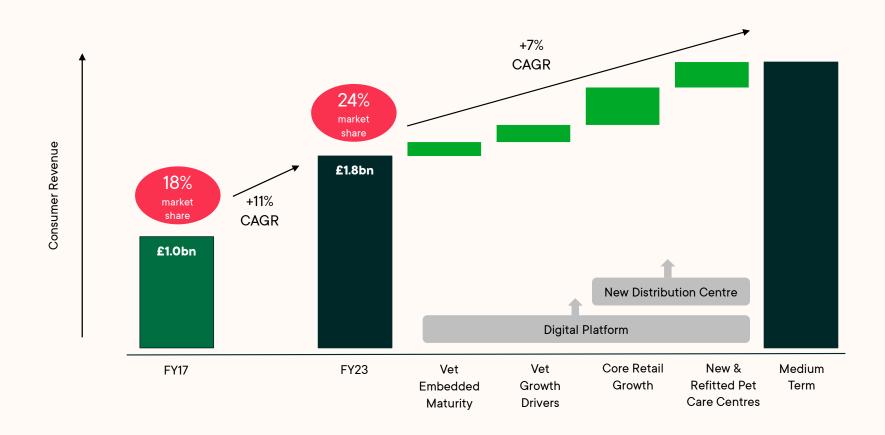
an unrivalled experience



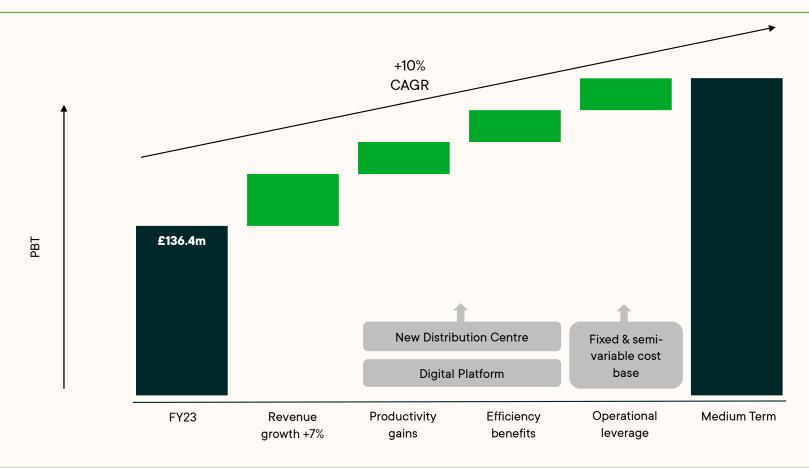
Driving economies of scale and higher productivity

Fuelling consumer and revenue growth

Our well invested strategy will continue to drive strong revenue growth



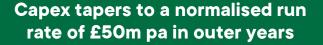
Profits grow ahead of sales driven by productivity gains, efficiency benefits and operational leverage

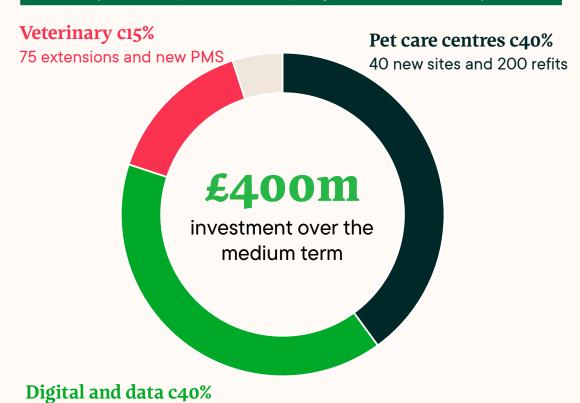


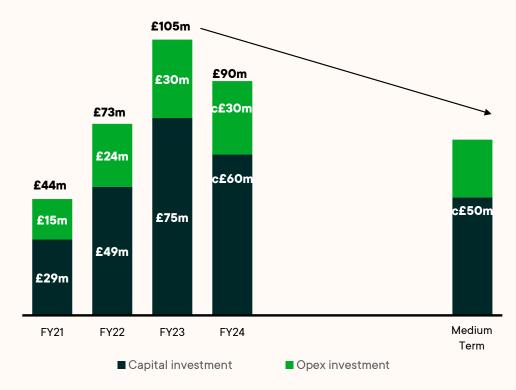
Productivity and efficiency benefits underpinned by economies of scope and scale from investment in our digital platform and distribution centres

Our growth plan is fully funded by targeted and disciplined investment

c£400m investment over the medium term (including capital + digital/opex investment)







Analytics and digital platform

Our balanced capital allocation is closely aligned to our strategic priorities

Capital Priorities

1. Investment in the business

c£400m investment over medium term, maintaining CROIC at c20%. Run rate of £50m capex pa in outer years.

2. Ordinary Dividend

Progressive dividend which approximates to 50% of EPS. e.g. Record 12.8p dividend paid in FY23.

3. M&A

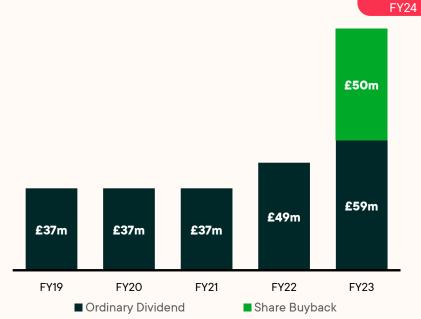
Strategic investments and bolt-on M&A. e.g. Acquisition of The Vet Connection for £15m in FY21.

4. Surplus Returns

Via share buy backs or special dividends. e.g. further £50m share buy back announced for FY24.







Further returns subject to maintaining a prudent balance sheet whilst not constraining the business

Our financial framework will reward shareholders with compounding growth and strong cash flow

Grow sales Drive strong, **Reward Grow profit** ahead of the ahead of sales improving FCF shareholders market +10% c70% £50m +7% Grow PBT at 10% CAGR over FCF conversion to trend Progressive dividend, further CAGR sales growth, 300bps

towards 70% of PBT

medium term

ahead of market (c4%)

£50m share buyback in FY24







FY24 Outlook

Revenue

Inline with medium term ambition

Underlying PBT

Inline with current consensus¹

Investment

c£90m (£60m capital + £30m digital/opex)

Effective Tax Rate

26%

^{1.} Current company-compiled consensus for FY24 full-year underlying pre-tax profit is £136m with a range of £127-£142m.

FY23 Revenue

Group

Revenue (£m)	FY23	FY22	YoY
Total ¹	1,404,2	1,317.8	6.6%
Like-for-like	7.9%	15.8%	

Retail

Revenue (£m)	FY23	FY22	YoY
Food	744.8	668.8	11.4%
Accessories	486.4	490.6	(0.9)%
Other ²	47.5	47.5	0.0%
Total	1,278.7	1,206.9	5.9%
Like-for-like	7.5%	15.8%	

Vet Group

Revenue (£m)	FY23	FY22	YoY
Fee income from JV vet practices	77.2	69.9	10.4%
Company managed practices ³	37.5	31.2	20.4%
Other veterinary income ⁴	8.1	7.3	10.8%
Total	122.8	108.4	13.3%
Like-for-like	13.4%	17.1%	

All FY22 figures are presented on a 53-week basis.

- 1. Includes revenue generated from The Vet Connection within our Central operating segment, not shown here
- 2. Includes revenue from grooming services, pet sales and insurance commissions
- 3. Revenue from company managed practices, which is recognised in full from the point they become wholly owned
- 1. Includes income generated from non-revenue based fees such as those relating to the set up of new practices, income generated from the sale of company managed practices, and other supplier income

FY23 Profit

£m	FY23	FY22	Change
Underlying PBT	136.4	130.1	4.8%
Non-underlying items ^{1,2}	(13.9)	18.6	n/a
Statutory PBT	122.5	148.7	(17.7)%
Underlying PBT margin	9.7%	9.9%	(16)bps
Underlying basic EPS (pence)	22.8	21.2	7.6%
DPS (pence)	12.8	11.8	8.5%

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^{1.} FY23 non-underlying items of £10.1m relate to transition costs relating to our new distribution centre, costs of £2.7m relating to restructuring of certain support functions, and £0.1m relating to aborted project costs, all allocated against non-underlying operating costs. FY23 non-underlying cost of £1.0m relate to transition costs relating to our new distribution centre, recognised within non-underlying interest charge.

^{2.} FY22 non-underlying credit of £0.1m relates to the release of a provision held against property leases allocated against non-underlying gross margin. FY22 non-underlying credit of £19.2m relating to the profit on disposal of the Specialist Group, allocated against non-underlying operating costs. FY22 non-underlying cost of £0.7m relating to loan fees written off upon refinance of our revolving credit facility, allocated against non-underlying interest charge.

FY23 Investment

£m	FY23	FY22	Spend includes
Investing in our Supply Chain	43.7	10.4	Development of new distribution facility
Digitising the Business	37.8	30.9	Enhancing data capabilities, Project Polestar
Store Refit Programme	17.5	17.2	Ongoing store refurbishment
Vet Group	4.1	5.8	Systems and TVC
New Stores and Groomers	1.8	5.1	2 new groomers opened
Other	0.3	3.7	Includes maintenance
Total Investment	105.2	73.1	
Capital Investment	75.3	49.1	
Digital Investment (Opex)	29.9	24.0	
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FY23 Free cashflow

£m	FY23	FY22
Group operating cashflow ¹	205.6	200.3
Tax and interest	(16.0)	(34.2)
Debt issue costs	(0.1)	(3.3)
Net capex inc. ROU assets	(77.2)	(55.5)
Purchase of own shares to satisfy colleague options	(14.1)	(12.3)
Free cashflow	98.2	95.0
Equity dividend	(58.7)	(48.5)
Acquisitions ²	(0.5)	(1.7)
Disposals ³	-	19.8
Share buyback	(50.3)	-
Loan drawdown	23.3	-
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	12.0	64.6
Total indebtedness	(366.7)	(317.0)
Lease adjusted leverage	1.5x	1.3x
£m (excluding lease liabilities)	FY23	FY22
Net cash	54.7	66.0
Pre IFRS 16 leverage	(0.3)x	(0.4)x

^{1.} Operating cashflow is calculated as underlying EBITDA before IFRS2 charges and with any change in working capital added back

^{2.} FY23 and FY22 includes investment in certain company managed practices.

^{3.} FY22 includes the cash proceeds in relation to the disposal of the Specialist Group net of fees and cash held upon disposal.

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