

# 2025 Half year results

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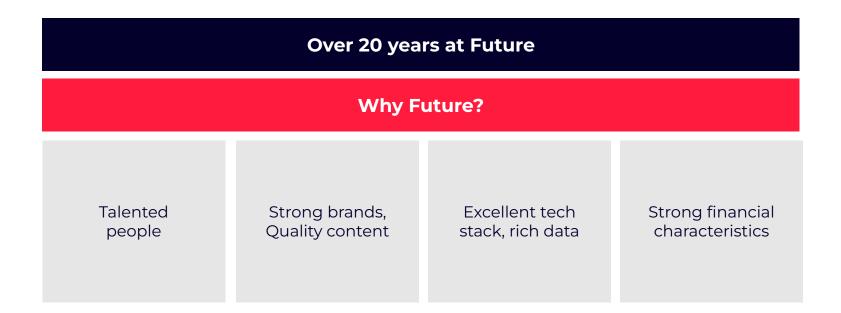
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Kevin Li Ying, CEO



## Opening remarks.

#### Introduction





#### **Opening remarks**

Focus on strategy execution

Clear plan of action

Creating shareholder value

£43m returned to shareholders in HY 2025

New £55m share buyback

Investments driving returns

Good growth in Q1

Managing costs during uncertainty



## HY 2025 deliveries on our strategic objectives

Strategic Objective

HY 2025 Delivery 888

Attract & Reach Valuable **Audience** 

 Continued and improved collaboration between audience, editorial & tech

 Al-enhanced re-circulation to suggest what is best next to read based on interest to drive time spent on Future properties

 Commenting on our sites to drive engagement and brand loyalty

- T3 Germany launched
- Login experience in Go.Compare







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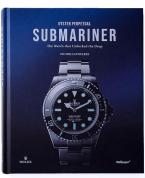
Strategic Objective

HY 2025 Delivery



Diversify & Grow **Monetisation** 

- New shoppable ads format
- Full review of the UK / US sales structure
- Slowing down the decline in Magazines through content initiatives and quality data
- B2B commercial pipeline tackling incremental verticals
- Diversification in Go.Compare with quick quotes for Homes





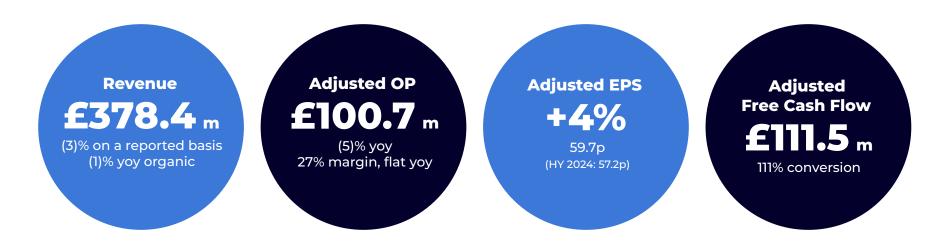




## Financial Highlights.



#### **Financial Highlights**



#### **Driving EPS growth**

Over £112m returned to shareholders in the last 18 months

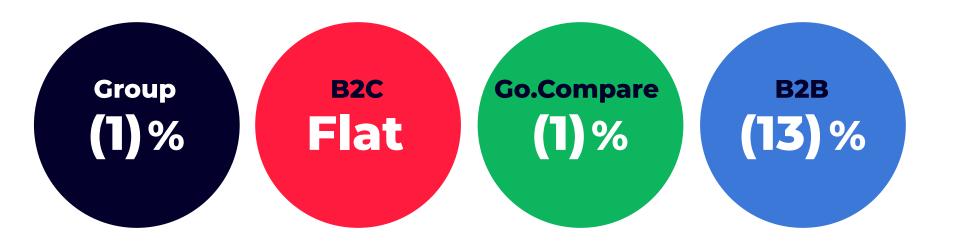








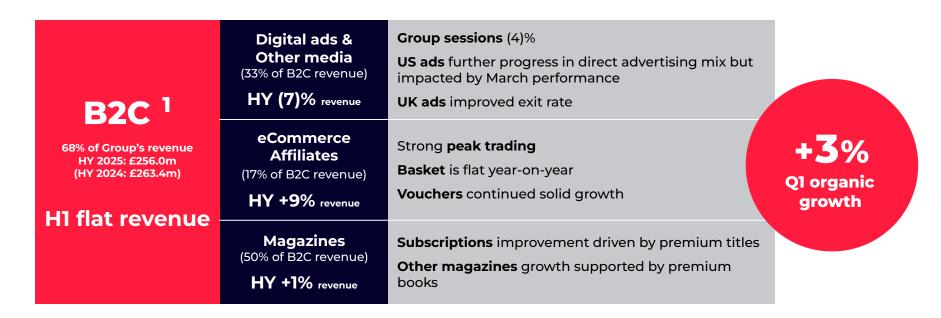
#### Organic performance by division



Q1 growth +2%, Q2 growth (5)%



#### **B2C:** mixed performance



#### Diversification driving resilient performance



#### **B2C** Media quarterly revenue breakdown





#### Adding capabilities - Kwizly acquisition

#### Consideration £0.7m

#### Description

Kwizly provides **audience engagement tools**, including quizzes, games and polls embedded into websites

#### Rationale

**Improve audience attraction**: roll-out Kwizly's offering across prioritised sites, providing our audiences with enriched, interactive experiences

**Improved monetisation**: increases dwell time (ie ads served), increases data from user registration and permissions can in turn be monetised at a higher rate





#### Go.Compare: benefit of diversification

**Go.Compare** 

25% of Group's revenue

HY 2025: £95.3m (HY 2024: £96.1m) (1)% revenue

Very resilient performance given the comparator of +30% growth in HY 2024

Progress on **diversification** with 38% of revenue (+4ppt) from categories such as Home, Van, Life and Pet growing at +10% through initiatives (see below)

Car insurance (6)% with lower quote volumes

Focused on **user experience improvements** w new initiatives in 2025:

- Quick quote to drive cross selling
- Proactive renewal price
- Continue to simplify the login process
- SEO improvements
- RNWL acquisition to keep customers in the Go.Compare ecosystem

+10%

CAGR
revenue growth
since acquisition
HY22 - HY25

Delivering on strategic initiatives



#### Adding technology - RNWL acquisition

#### Consideration

£2.8m

#### Description

Today RNWL is an app that acts as car **insurance** wallet: a one-stop-shop for all insurance-related products (policies, dates, etc)

Open to all - Go.Compare customers as well others

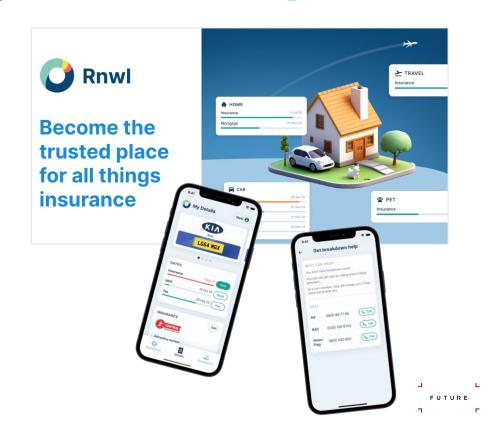
#### Rationale

**Scale** the app using our ad spend and website audiences

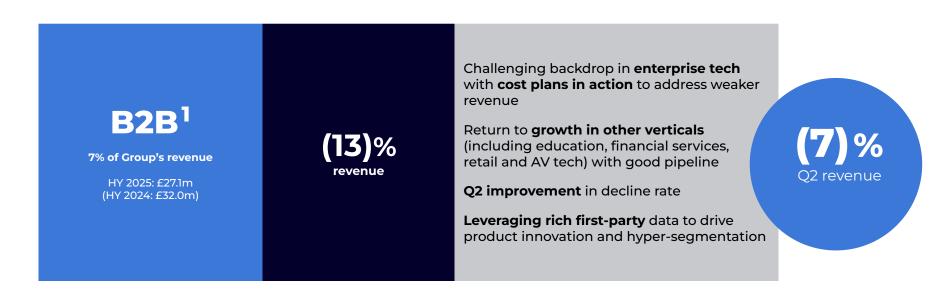
Increase **user experience** and drive stickiness

Gain **first-party data** and drive **cross-selling opportunity** 

Evolve app for all types of renewals, not just insurance



#### **B2B:** improved Q2 exit rate



Focusing on growth segments and profitability









## Profits & margin.



#### **Summary P&L**

£m	HY 2025	HY 2024
Revenue	378.4	391.5
Cost of sales	(103.8)	(111.5)
Gross Contribution Margin	73%	72%
Sales, marketing and editorial	(126.4)	(123.5)
Admin costs & other overheads	(38.4)	(42.6)
Adjusted EBITDA	109.8	113.9
EBITDA Margin	29%	29%
Depreciation and amortisation	(9.1)	(8.1)
Adjusted Operating Profit (AOP)	100.7	105.8
AOP margin	27%	27%

YoY Var (%)		
(3)%		
+7%		
+1ppt		
(2)%		
+10%		
(4)%		
flat		
(11)%		
(5)%		
flat		

On track for FY margin of 28%

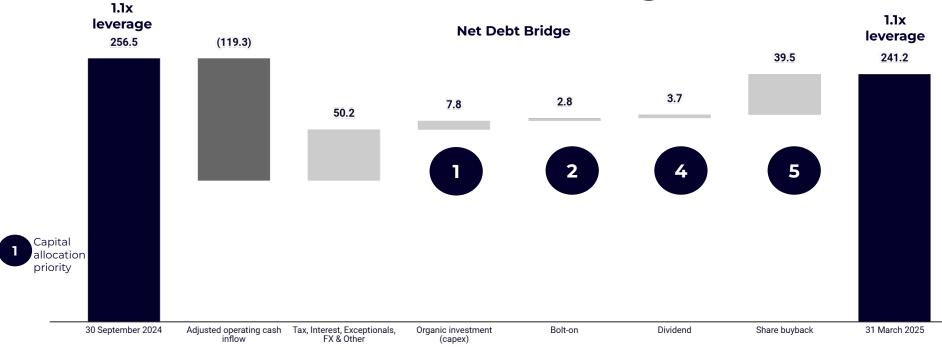




### Cash.



#### **Balance sheet strength**



- Total facilities at 31 March 2025 of £650m, with headroom of £406.2m, including cash-on-hand
- 100% of external debt in GBP with 100% hedged against interest rate volatility, average rate of 6.39%

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## Capital allocation.



#### Effective and rational capital allocation

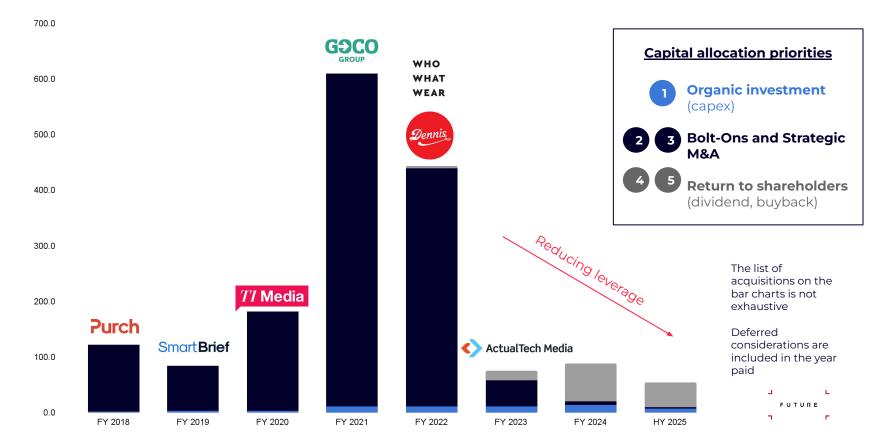
Rigorous assessment to maximise value creation between



Strong cash generation gives optionality to accelerate the strategy



#### Capital allocation track record





### Outlook.



#### **Outlook**

FY revenue impacted by weaker US macro and stronger GBP



Continued strong cash generation

Demonstrating strong financial characteristics









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CEO



#### **Our DNA**

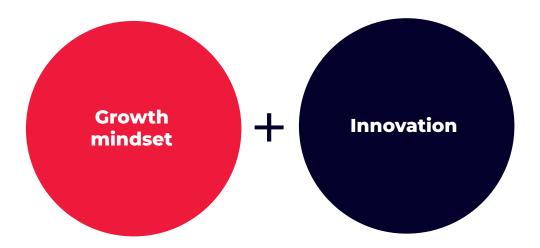
A key success factor to succeed in Media





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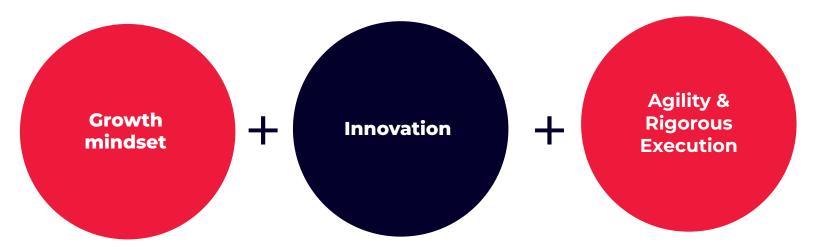
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#### **Our DNA**

A key success factor to succeed in Media



Building the business for tomorrow whilst delivering on today



#### Quality of our audience Uniqueness of our tech stack







## Building the business for tomorrow whilst delivering on today







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## Appendix.

#### **Summary P&L**

£m		Adjusted			Statutory	
	HY 2025	HY 2024	Variance	HY 2025	HY 2024	Variance
Revenue	378.4	391.5	(3)%	378.4	391.5	(3)%
Operating profit	100.7	105.8	(5)%	69.1	63.7	+8%
Margin %	27%	27%	flat	18%	16%	+2ppt
EPS (diluted) p	59.7p	57.2p	+4%	38.0p	29.0p	+31%

#### Difference between AOP and OP driven by:

- £(27.1)m amortisation of acquired intangible assets (HY 2024: £(33.5)m)
- £(3.3)m share-based payments (HY 2024: £(6.0)m)
- £(1.6)m transaction and integration related costs (HY 2024: £(1.4)m)
- £0.4m Exceptional items (impairment of acquired intangible assets, onerous properties, restructuring costs) (HY 2024: £(1.2)m)



#### Three businesses to power growth

	HY 2025			
	B2C	Go.Compar e	В2В	GROUP
Revenue	256.0	95.3	27.1	378.4
Gross Contribution	190.2	62.7	21.7	274.6
Gross Contribution %	74%	66%	80%	73%
Sales, Marketing & Editorial	(95.6)	(17.4)	(13.4)	(126.4)
Direct profit	94.6	45.3	8.3	148.2
Direct profit margin %	<b>37</b> %	48%	31%	<b>39</b> %
Overhead	(27.2)	(9.6)	(1.6)	(38.4)
Adjusted EBITDA	67.4	35.7	6.7	109.8
Adjusted EBITDA %	26%	<b>37</b> %	25%	29%

HY 2024				
B2C	Go.Compare	B2B	GROUP	
263.4	96.1	32.0	391.5	
191.7	62.8	25.5	280.0	
73%	65%	80%	72%	
(93.3)	(15.4)	(14.8)	(123.5)	
98.4	47.4	10.7	156.5	
<b>37</b> %	<b>49</b> %	<b>33</b> %	40%	
(31.7)	(8.2)	(2.7)	(42.6)	
66.7	39.2	8.0	113.9	
25%	41%	25%	29%	

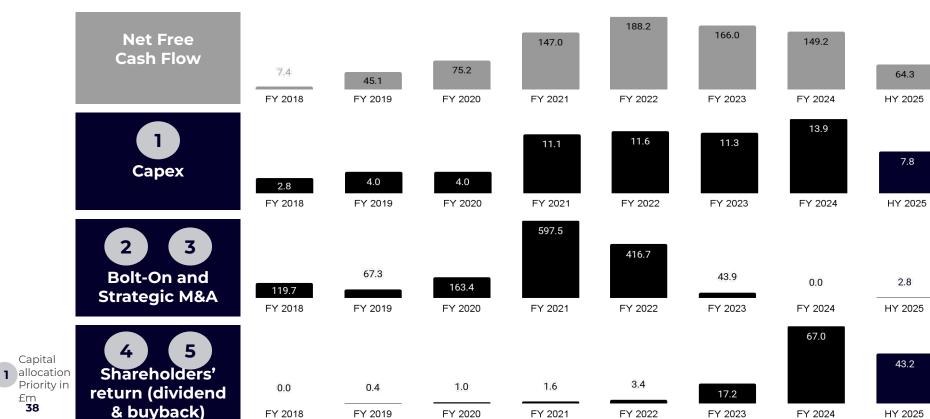


## **Continued strong cash conversion**

£m	HY 2025	HY 2024
Adjusted operating cash inflow	119.3	132.8
Capex	(7.8)	(6.8)
Adjusted free cash flow	111.5	126.0
Interest	(11.6)	(14.5)
Tax	(29.7)	(19.2)
Transaction & integration costs + Exceptional items	(5.9)	(7.1)
Free cash flow	64.3	85.2
Share buyback & schemes	(39.9)	(32.3)
Acquisitions and financing	(2.8)	(76.0)
Dividend paid	(3.7)	(3.9)
Net cash flow	17.9	(27.0)
Exchange adjustments	(1.4)	(10.2)
Net debt Adjusted free cash flow (£m) Adjusted free cash flow %	(241.2) 111.5 111%	(256.5) 126.0 119%



### Capital allocation track record



£m 38

## **Unchanged FY technical guidance**

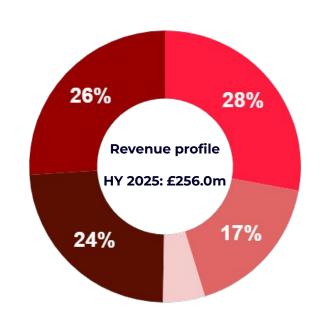




## **Business snapshot - B2C**



Media





LIVESCI=NCE

Decanter

tom's HARDWARE

**COUNTRY LIFE** 

**PC GAMER** 

Wallpaper\*

tom's guide

WHO WHAT WEAR

techradara

mariedaire

Digital ads

Affiliates

Subscriptions

Other Magazines

#### **B2C** revenue breakdown

	% revenue	HY 2025 £m	HY 2024 £m	Reported growth	Organic growth
US digital advertising	19%	48.8	52.6	(7)%	(5)%
UK digital advertising	9%	22.5	27.8	(19)%	(14)%
Digital advertising	28%	71.3	80.4	(77)%	(8)%
eCommerce affiliates	17%	44.5	41.7	+7%	+9%
Other Media	5%	12.8	12.8	flat	+1%
Media	<b>50</b> %	128.6	134.9	(5)%	(2)%
Subscriptions	24%	60.9	63.9	(5)%	(2)%
Other Magazines	26%	66.5	64.6	+3%	+5%
Magazines	<b>50</b> %	127.4	128.5	(1)%	+1%
B2C REVENUE	100%	256.0	263.4	(3)%	flat



## On & off platform online users

	Online sessions (m)				
	HY 2024	FY 2024	HY 2025		
Tech	113	116	115		
Games	62	64	56		
Entertainment	11	13	14		
Women & Luxury	24	26	31		
Homes	26	26	19		
Knowledge	37	37	30		
Wealth & savings	12	12	11		
B2B	2	2	2		
Other	53	57	50		
WEBSITE ONLINE SESSIONS*	340	353	328		
OFF PLATFORM USERS**	243	250	250		

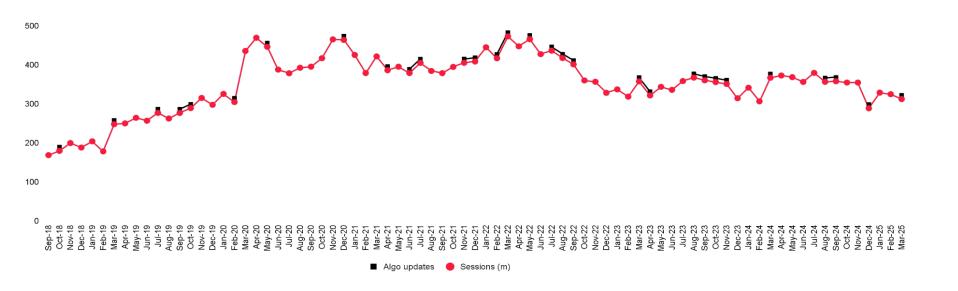
Sessions reported change					
HY24-HY25					
+2%					
(10)%					
+27%					
+29%					
<b>(27)</b> %					
(19)%					
(8)%					
flat					
(6)%					
(4)%					
+3%					

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<sup>\*</sup>Online sessions are taken from Google Analytics. Unless otherwise stated, online users are monthly and the monthly average across HY 2025

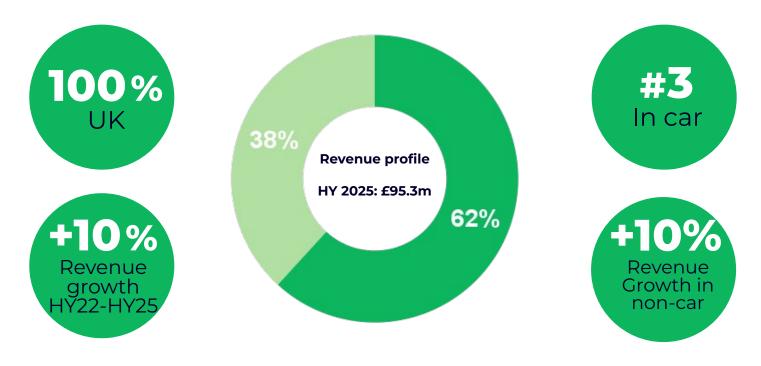
<sup>\*\*</sup>Offline users include social followers, Apple News, event attendees, email newsletters

#### Website sessions





## **Business snapshot - Go.Compare**



Other revenues

Car insurance

## Go.Compare revenue breakdown

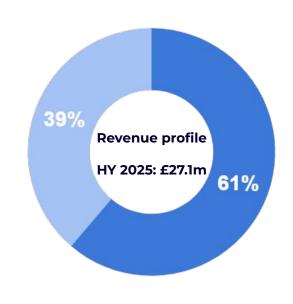
	% revenue	HY 2025 £m	HY 2024 £m	Reported growth	Organic growth
Car insurance	62%	58.9	62.9	(6)%	(6)%
Non-car insurance	<b>38</b> %	36.4	33.2	+10%	+10%
GO.COMPARE REVENUE	100%	95.3	96.1	(1)%	(1)%



# **Business snapshot - B2B**















Other revenue (Demand Gen, webinars, events, magazines)



#### **B2B** revenue breakdown

	% revenue	HY 2025 £m	HY 2024 £m	Reported growth	Organic growth
Digital advertising Newsletters	61%	16.6	17.8	(7)%	(3)%
Affiliates & Other Media and magazines  Demand-gen & webinars	39%	10.5	14.2	(26)%	(25)%
B2B REVENUE	100%	27.1	32.0	(15)%	(13)%



#### **Sources & definitions**

#### **Financial notes**

Organic growth is defined as the like for like portfolio in the period, excluding the impact of acquisitions (which have not been acquired for a full financial year), disposals and closures, at constant foreign exchange rates. Constant foreign exchange rates is defined as the average rate for HY 2025

Adjusted EBITDA represents operating profit before share-based payments (relating to equity-settled awards with vesting periods longer than 12 months) and related social security costs, amortisation, depreciation, transaction and integration related costs and exceptional items.Adjusted EBITDA margin is adjusted EBITDA as a percentage of revenue.

Adjusted operating profit represents operating profit before share-based payments (relating to equity-settled awards with vesting periods longer than 12 months) and related social security costs, amortisation of acquired intangible assets, transaction and integration related costs and exceptional items. This is a key management incentive metric, used within the Group's Deferred Annual Bonus Plan. Adjusted operating profit margin is adjusted operating profit as a percentage of revenue.

Adjusted effective tax rate is defined as the effective tax rate adjusted for the tax impact of adjusting items and any other one-off impacts, including adjustments in respect of previous years. The tax impact of adjusting items is provided within the Glossary in the RNS.

Adjusted diluted earnings per share (EPS) represents adjusted profit after tax divided by the weighted average dilutive number of shares at the year end date. This is a key management incentive metric, used within the Group's Performance Share Plan.

Adjusted operating cash flow represents cash generated from operations adjusted to exclude cash flows relating to transaction and integration related costs, exceptional items and payment of accrual for employer's taxes on share-based payments relating to equity settled share awards with vesting periods longer than 12 months, and to include lease repayments following adoption of IFRS 16 Leases.

Adjusted free cash flow is defined as adjusted operating cash flow less capital expenditure. Capital expenditure is defined as cashflows relating to the purchase of property, plant and equipment and purchase of computer software and website development.

Leverage is defined as net debt (excluding capitalised bank arrangement fees and lease liabilities, and including any non-cash ancillaries), as a proportion of Bank EBITDA and including the 12 month trailing impact of acquired businesses (in line with the Group's bank covenants definition).

Net debt is defined as the aggregate of the Group's cash and cash equivalents and its external bank borrowings net of capitalised bank arrangement fees. It does not include lease liabilities recognised following the adoption of IFRS 16 Leases, or other financial liabilities.

#### **Online metrics**

Online sessions defined as the average monthly total daily sessions over the financial period from Google Analytics

Offline users include social followers, Apple News, event attendees, email newsletters