



## **Strong and well positioned Group**

Delivered expectations in 2023

Incremental profit growth from earnings-based businesses

Resilience demonstrated in challenging macro environment

2024 growth underpinned by order book

Increased profitability in earnings-based businesses

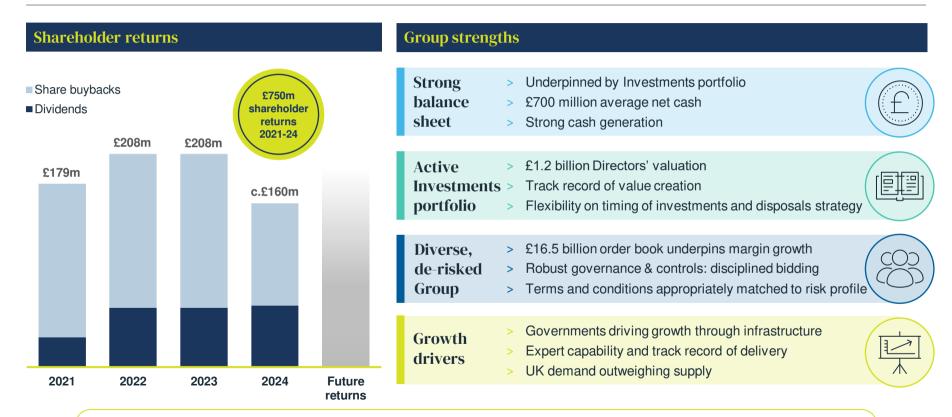
Growth accelerating in 2025

Significant shareholder returns

Strong balance sheet and consistent cash flow

Total shareholder returns of c.£160 million in 2024

## Multi-year shareholder returns to continue



## **Growth drivers**

#### **Growth markets**



UK Energy Transition & Security



UK Transport (excl. HS2)



UK Defence & Security



**US Buildings** 

#### **Momentum**

- > Investment essential to deliver the UK Government's net zero targets
  - Detailed design commenced on nine SSEN ASTI schemes
  - Started front end engineering and design study for large-scale offshore wind project
- > UK Government commitments for rail, roads and regional investment
  - c.£850 million of road maintenance work started or extended in 2023
  - Development phase underway on major highways schemes
- > Increased defence funding driving further construction opportunities
  - Strong adjacencies with Group's capabilities in civil nuclear
  - Work underway on two defence sites in 2023
- > Construction spend in Group's chosen states forecast to outpace national outlook
  - Texas pipeline converting with \$800 million of commercial office orders in Q4 2023
  - Early successes in organic growth strategy



## Headline numbers: Group expectations delivered

£m (unless otherwise stated)	2023	2022	Variance
Group revenue	9,595	8,931	7%
Profit from earnings-based businesses*	236	232	2%
Profit from operations*	228	279	(18)%
Profit for the year*	205	290	(29)%
Basic earnings per share*	37.3p	47.5p	(21)%
Dividends per share	11.5p	10.5p	10%
	2023	2022	
Order book	£16.5bn	£17.4bn	(5)%
Directors' valuation of Investments portfolio	£1.2bn	£1.3bn	(6)%
Year end net cash <sup>≠</sup>	842	815	3%
Average net cash <sup>≠</sup>	700	804	(13)%

<sup>\*</sup> before non-underlying items

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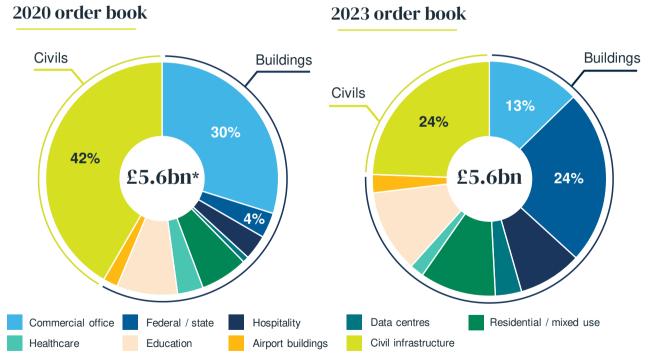
## **Construction Services: Increased revenue and profit**

£m	2023		2022			
	Revenue	PFO*	PFO %	Revenue	PFO*	PFO %
UK	3,027	69	2.3%	2,763	59	2.1%
US	3,697	51	1.4%	3,651	58	1.6%
Gammon	1,357	36	2.7%	1,068	32	3.0%
Total	8,081	156	1.9%	7,482	149	2.0%

<sup>\*</sup> before non-underlying items

- > 17% growth in UK Construction profit, with continuing upward margin trajectory
- > 12% reduction in US Construction profit due to delays at a small number of civils projects
- Increased Gammon revenue, with major airport projects underway

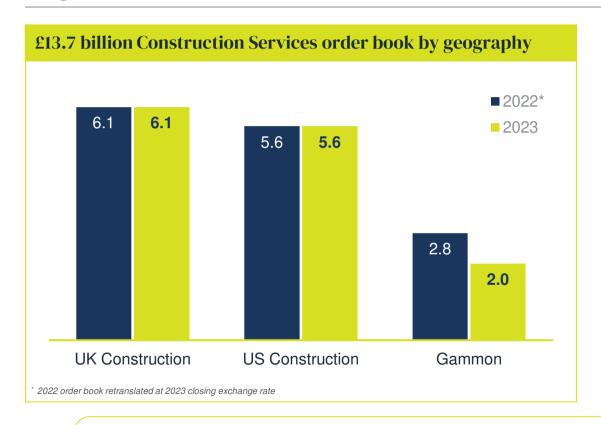
## **Evolving the US portfolio**



- Progress made in de-risking US Construction order book
- Increased weighting of orders towards buildings, given lower risk business model
- Reduced reliance on commercial office market
- Significant increase in federal and state orders

<sup>2020</sup> order book retranslated at 2023 closing exchange rate

## **Significant Construction Services order book**



- UK and US order book flat year on year (in local currency) which is encouraging given interest rate environment
- > 82% of UK order book cost plus or target cost
- > UK c.90% and US c.80% order book coverage for 2024
- > Gammon order book down due to increased revenue and lower orders
- Gammon c.85% order book coverage for 2024

## **Further strong performance in Support Services**

£m	2023	2022
Revenue		
Utilities	326	363
Transportation	680	626
Total	1,006	989
Profit from operations	80	83
PFO %	8.0%	8.4%
Order book (£bn)	2.8	2.4

- Profitable recurring revenues underpinned by long term frameworks
- > 8.0% PFO margin at top of targeted 6 8% range
- £3 million reduction in profit primarily due to higher road maintenance costs, as forecast, with two new local authority contracts requiring earlystage investment
- > 17% increase in order book driven by road maintenance, with growth in power orders to follow

## **Infrastructure Investments**

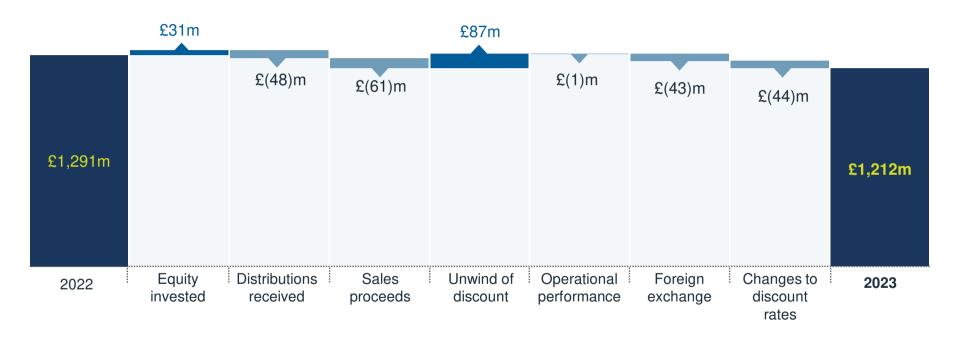
£m	2023	2022
Pre-disposals operating profit*	5	11
Gain on disposals	26	70
Investments profit*	31	81
Subordinated debt interest receivable <sup>^</sup>	25	31
Infrastructure concessions' net interest	(9)	(7)
Investments pre-tax profit*	47	105

<sup>\*</sup> before non-underlying items

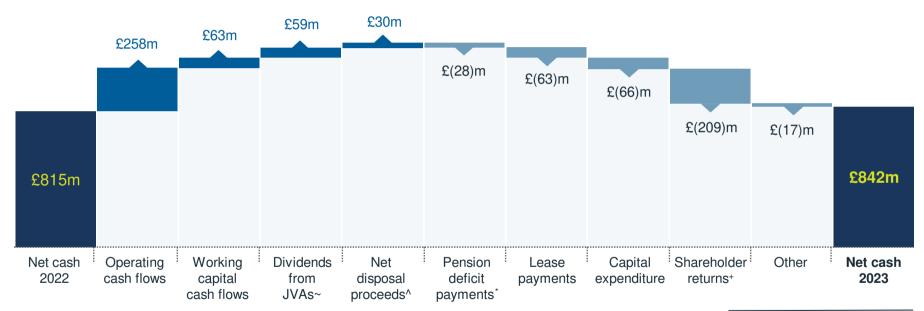
- > Pre-tax profit reduced from £81 million to £31 million:
  - Increased military housing costs relating to the independent compliance monitor's work
  - Fewer disposals than prior year (2023: two; 2022: five)
- > Disposals completed above Directors' valuation, with profit toward the top of targeted £15 £30 million range
- > Lower interest receivable:
  - The cost to repair a faulty OFTO cable was provided for whilst contractual cost recoveries are being pursued

<sup>^ 2023</sup> includes £8 million net impairment to subordinated debt and accrued interest receivable from joint ventures and associates and £1 million fair value loss on investment asset. 2022 includes £2 million impairment to subordinated debt and accrued interest receivable from joint ventures and associates and £6 million fair value gain on investment asset

## Directors' valuation of Investments portfolio



## **Cash flow**



<sup>~</sup> excludes £1 million dividends received in relation to Investments asset disposals within joint ventures and associates

2023 average net cash £700 million

<sup>^</sup> includes £31 million of equity invested

<sup>\*</sup> includes £3 million of regular funding

<sup>+</sup> includes £1 million of costs

## Multi-year capital allocation framework



Continued investment in organic growth opportunities

Investment increased in 2023 to support growth



Active realisation of the Investments portfolio

Further disposals planned in 2024



Strong but efficient balance sheet

Increased RCF: refinanced to £475 million



Sustainable ordinary dividend (target 40% payout ratio^)

10% increase to 11.5p full year dividend



Additional cash returns via share buybacks

£100 million share buyback underway

<sup>^</sup> underlying profit after tax excluding gain on disposals of Infrastructure Investments assets

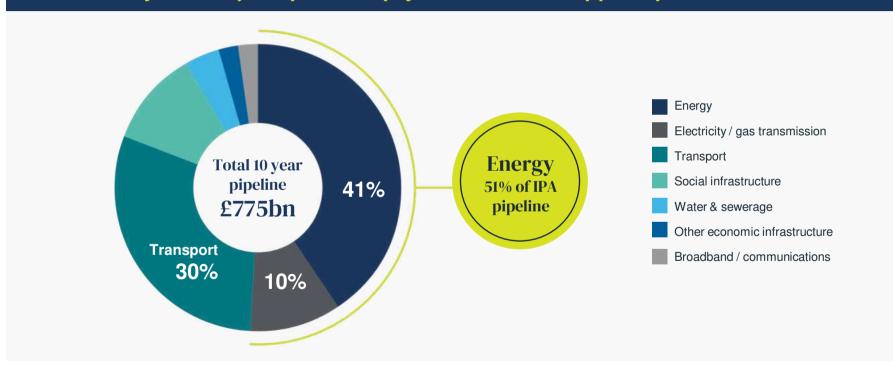
## Guidance

- > Continued profit growth from earnings-based businesses in 2024
- > Profit on Investments disposals expected in the range of £20 30 million
- > Net finance income of around £30 million
- > P&L tax charge forecast close to statutory rates (UK: 25%, US: 26%)
- > Average net cash in line with 2023
- > Accelerating earnings growth in 2025



## Projected UK infrastructure investment pipeline

Infrastructure Project Authority (IPA) planned and projected investment in the pipeline by sector 2023/24 to 2032/33



## **Growth market: UK Energy Transition & Security**

# Balfour Beatty End to end capabilities Commercial & technical Design & planning



Ground engineering



Buildings



Civil engineering



Mechanical & electrical



Power transmission & distribution



#### Transmission incl. substations:

- Commenced detailed design phase for 9 SSEN ASTI schemes
- Present on multiple frameworks, with further bids ongoing

#### Nuclear:

- Significant marine milestones achieved at Hinkley Point C
- £1.3 billion of further Government funding confirmed for Sizewell C preparatory works

#### Offshore wind:

> Entered FEED contract with major energy client

#### Small modular reactors:

 Signed Memorandum of Understanding with Hyundai and Holtec

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<sup>\*</sup> this figure represents Balfour Beatty's serviceable available market for the Group to pursue over the next 10 years

## Market leading power transmission capability

#### Power transmission and distribution: Full engineering, procurement and construction offering





Substations & converter stations



**Underground cabling** 

#### Breadth of Group capabilities supports delivery



Design and planning



**Ground engineering** 



Major and regional civil engineering



Mechanical, electrical and manufacturing



## Case study: Strengthening the Scottish grid on behalf of SSEN



- UK power transmission infrastructure demand outweighing supply
- Unmatched capability aligned to client and market demand
- De-risking delivery through progressive contract terms and multi-stage contracting
- Appointed in 2023 to 7 year c.£10 billion Accelerated Strategic Transmission Investment (ASTI) framework:
  - One of 10 delivery partners
  - Commenced detailed design and development of 9 schemes
- > Continue to bid record levels of power transmission infrastructure work

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## **Growth market: UK Transport**



Major highways



Road maintenance



#### Government committed to £43 billion CP7 rail programme

- > UK's largest rail track renewals contractor
- > Pursuing major electrification schemes including:
  - Midlands Mainline
  - Transpennine Route Upgrade

#### Further funding expected in Road Investment Strategy 3

- > Significant position in highways market
- Development phase underway on major schemes including A57,
   A66, Tees Crossing and Lower Thames Crossing
- > National Highways making progress with DCO challenges

#### Additional £8 billion for road maintenance announced in 2023

- > Recent success in road maintenance market:
  - Commenced East Sussex and Buckinghamshire
  - Extensions awarded for Lincolnshire and Herefordshire
- > Further Local Authority contracts being pursued

## **Growth market: US Buildings**

#### **Existing footprint: Positive market outlook**

## Construction spending in chosen states and markets

forecast to outpace the national outlook

#### Interest rate stability

easing pressure on commercial office sector: c.\$800 million of orders in Q4 in Texas

**Key markets** in California, Southeast and Mid-Atlantic remain buoyant

#### Early signs of recovery

in Northwest, with orders from tech and other industries



#### Organic growth strategy delivering success

**Geographic expansion:** further presence in established states

 Offices opened and work won in Sacramento, Savannah, Charleston, Richmond and Tampa

**Sector expansion:** sharing capabilities across geographies

- c.\$1 billion airport work awarded across Florida, North Carolina and California
- Theme parks in Texas and California, in addition to Florida



## Infrastructure Investments: A source of value

#### Further investment for future returns

- > Investment in 2024 forecast to increase to £50 million:
  - US P3: LAX equity investment
  - UK EV charging: significant bidding activity in 2024
- > Targeting gains on disposal of £20 £30 million in 2024

#### **Investment options being developed**

- > **US military housing:** Potential ground lease extensions
- > **US P3:** Positive outlook with growing pipeline of opportunities
- Student accommodation: Continuing to pursue on and off campus development

#### Average yield of 6% since 2016, prior to disposals Investments portfolio forecast cash returns: 2024 – 2043 (£m) Cash returns Directors' valuation 2.000 150 1,500 100 1.000 2024 2030 2033 2036 2039 2042 Cash returns Directors' valuation



## **Building New Futures: Sustainability strategy**

#### **Environment**



#### **Materials**



#### **Communities**





**2% reduction** in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions\*

\* absolute market based emissions



**40% reduction** in UK waste intensity\*

\* tonnage of waste per £ million of revenue



15% increase in UK social value

\* FY23 performance compared to FY22

#### Submitted Science Based Targets and carbon abatement plan to the Science Based Targets initiative



Hydrogen vehicle retrofit trial with the Scottish Government expected to deliver a c.40% emissions reduction



Energy efficiency improvements across 11 US Navy installations projected to save c.10 million kWh of electricity per annum



Recycled or re-used 90% of waste materials reconstructing footways using circular economy principles in Lincolnshire



Newly established regional UK social impact teams have increased local labour use by 153%

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## Digital & AI: Driving safety, productivity & assurance

#### **Embedded**



400,000+ health & safety observations via our app in 2023

#### **Embedding**

15,000 supply chain partner employees now using our apps



Site controls: App-based solutions for end-to-end labour management, including digital site entry

Digital permits: 57,000 digital safety permits issued; breaking ground incidents decreased c.90% on HS2 Area North project



#### **Innovating**



Al assistant trial: StoaOne Al assistant mining 8,000+ documents to get the right information, quickly, to our project teams

Al video translation tool: Removing language barriers by, quickly and cost effectively, converting key safety communications into Spanish and other languages



Human form recognition: UK roll out of human detection cameras to mitigate the plant people interface risk In-house
Al tool development:
Using Al to mine billions
of data points from
health & safety
observations and past
incidents to predict,
prevent and mitigate
health and safety risk



## **Outlook**

2024 growth underpinned by order book

Increased profitability in earnings-based businesses

Strong order book coverage

Growth accelerating in 2025

Attractive opportunities in growth markets

Energy opportunities driving higher volumes in 2025 and 2026

## Delivering for shareholders

Consistent delivery from multi-year framework

c.£750 million shareholder returns 2021 - 2024





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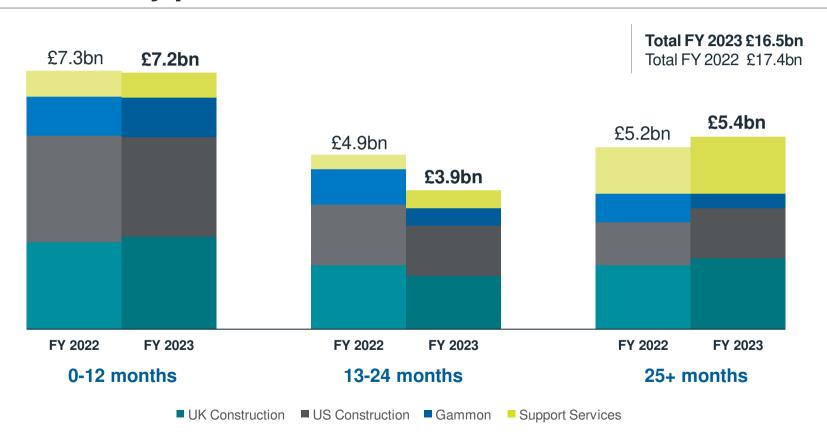
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## Order book by phase



## **Underlying profit from operations**

£m	2023 <sup>*</sup>	2022*
UK Construction	69	59
US Construction	51	58
Gammon	36	32
Construction Services	156	149
Support Services	80	83
Earnings-based businesses	236	232
Infrastructure Investments		
Pre-disposals operating profit	5	11
Gain on disposals	26	70
Corporate activities	(39)	(34)
Total	228	279

<sup>\*</sup> before non-underlying items

## **Group balance sheet**

£m	2023	2022
Goodwill and intangible assets	1,133	1,168
Current working capital	(1,232)	(1,167)
Net cash (excluding infrastructure concessions)	842	815
Investments in joint ventures and associates	389	426
PPP financial assets	24	26
Infrastructure concessions – non-recourse net debt	(264)	(242)
Net retirement benefit assets	69	223
Net lease liabilities	(8)	(5)
Net deferred tax assets/(liabilities)	28	24
Other assets and liabilities	227	115
Net assets	1,208	1,383

## **Cash flow**

£m	2023	2022
Operating cash flows before working capital movements and pension deficit payments	258	282
Working capital inflow/(outflow)	63	(54)
Pension deficit payments≠	(28)	(43)
Cash from operations	293	185
Lease payments (including interest paid)	(63)	(58)
Dividends from joint ventures and associates^	59	89
Capital expenditure	(66)	(31)
Share buybacks+	(151)	(151)
Dividends paid	(58)	(58)
Infrastructure Investments		
- disposal proceeds	61	93
- new investments	(31)	(30)
Other	(17)	(14)
Net cash movement	27	25
Opening net cash*	815	790
Closing net cash <sup>*</sup>	842	815
Average net cash <sup>*</sup>	700	804

£m	2023	2022
Working capital flows <sup>^</sup>		
Inventories	(11)	(6)
Net contract assets	(48)	(137)
Trade and other receivables	(73)	34
Trade and other payables	177	57
Provisions	18	(2)
Working capital inflow/(outflow)^	63	(54)

<sup>^</sup> excluding impact of foreign exchange and disposals

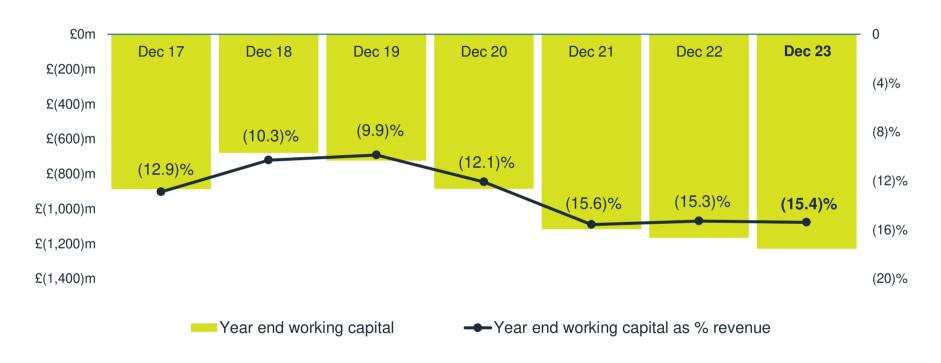
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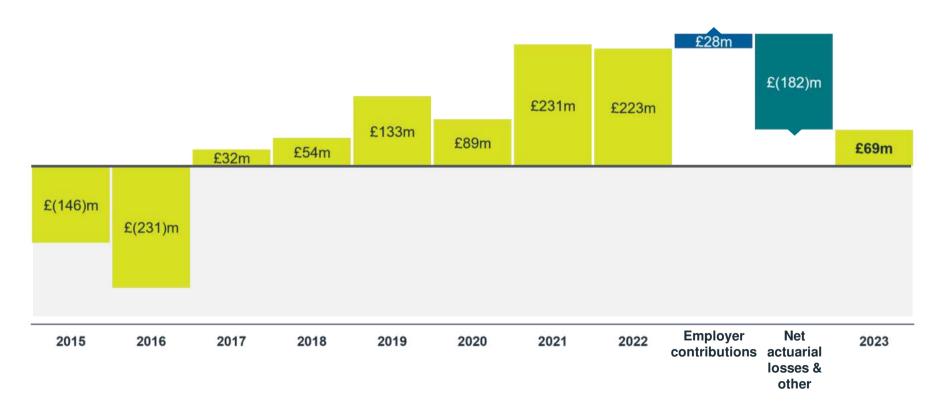
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## Working capital: Group



from continuing operations including non-underlying items

## Pensions: balance sheet movement



## **Net finance income**

£m		2023	2022
Subordinated debt interest receivable	34		
Interest on PPP financial assets	2		
Interest on non-recourse borrowings	(11)		
Fair value (loss)/gain on investment asset	(1)	24	26
Net finance income – pension schemes	12	5	
Other interest receivable	33		
Other interest payable	(10)	23	4
US private placement		(12)	(15)
Interest on lease liabilities		(6)	(6)
Net impairment of loans and accrued interest relating to joint ventures and associates		(8)	(2)
Net finance income		33	12

## **Borrowing repayment profile**

