

**PENDRAGON PLC**  
**2021 INTERIM RESULTS**

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# H1 2021 performance overview

# H1 2021 Performance Overview

## Operating Highlights

- Impact of enforced store closures in Q1 minimised by adapted customer proposition and right-sized cost base; >40,000 cars delivered in Q1
- In Q2, the Group has benefitted from its supply chain sourcing advantages and capitalised on strong market conditions
- Strategic initiatives delivering improved platform, reduced cost base, driving financial benefit



## Financial Performance

- Underlying profit before tax £35.1m (H1 2020: Loss of £31.0m)
- Outperformed the new car market with a 42.7% like-for-like increase in new cars sold vs a total market growth of 39.2%
- Closing bank net cash £9.5m (FY 2020: bank net debt of £100.4m)



## Outlook

- Uncertainty remains for the remainder of 2021 with possible further disruption from Covid-19 over winter period
- Potential shortfalls in new car supply from ongoing impact of micro-chip shortages
- Timing of correction in used car prices
- Expect FY21 underlying PBT of £55-60m



# Divisional operating highlights

# Franchised UK Motor

## Franchised UK Motor

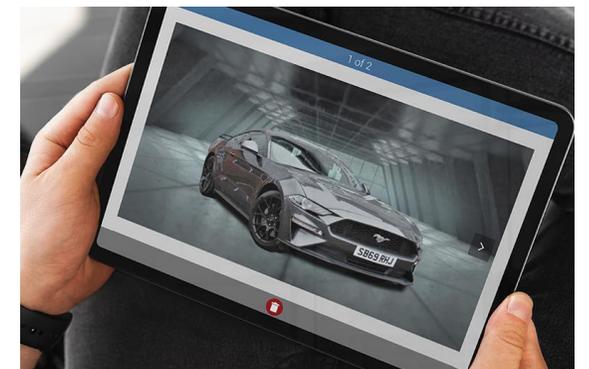
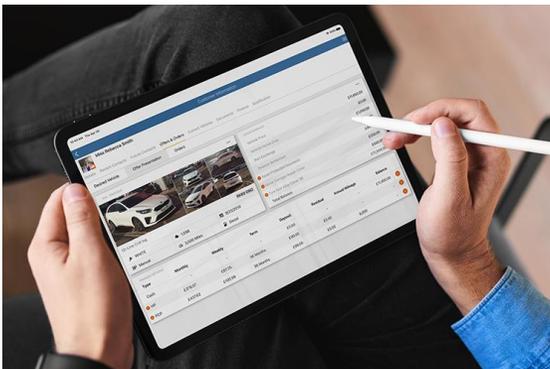
- Revenue up 56.9% to £1,673.8m (64.6% on a like-for-like basis), with a strong recovery vs the initial impact of the pandemic in H1 FY20
- Market outperformance in both new and used vehicles
- Gross margin of 10.9%, up from 10.2% in H1 FY20
  - Used gross margin of 8.8% (H120: 7.1%); GPU £1,418 (H120: £934)
  - New gross margin of 6.4% (H120: 5.9%); GPU £1,620 (H120: £1,256)
  - Aftersales gross margin of 49.6% (H120: 46.4%)
- Strength in used stock sourcing maximising access to higher margins in favourable market conditions
- Total operating costs up by 13.9% with FY20 costs lower as a result of the government support programmes accessed in H1 FY20
- Cost reduction programmes and store closures delivering significant benefit, with costs down £45.2m compared to pre-pandemic run rate in H1 FY19
- Underlying operating profit of £37.6m (H1 FY20: Loss of £(18.1)m)
- Excellent progress made towards strategic objectives supporting performance



# Pinewood

## Software – Pinewood

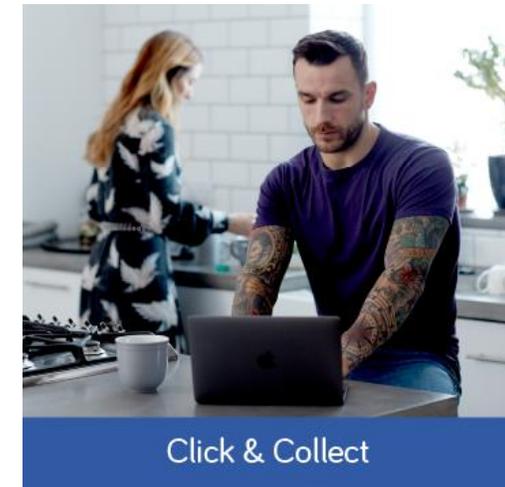
- Revenue up 12.0% to £12.1m
- Operating profit up 13.6% to £6.7m (H1 FY20: £5.9m)
- 14% increase in international users
- Further investment in development capability
- Multiple product developments to enable:
  - Enhanced group digital capabilities
  - Ability to sell finance and insurance products, wholly online
  - Digital payments
- Achieved accreditation as first certified system by BMW UK and second global RIS partner



# Car Store



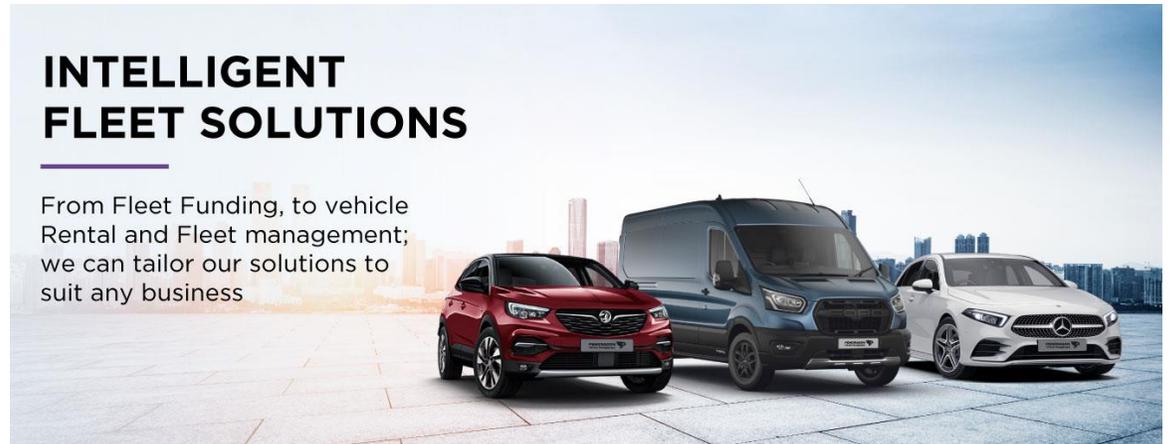
- Revenue up 53.1% to £66.0m on a total basis (54.2% on a like-for-like basis)
- Used gross margin rate of 8.0% (H1 FY20: 6.7%)
- Underlying operating profit of £0.3m (H1 FY20: loss of £(1.7)m)
- Positively contributing to Group result
- Excellent progress made on development of the Used Car proposition ahead of relaunch



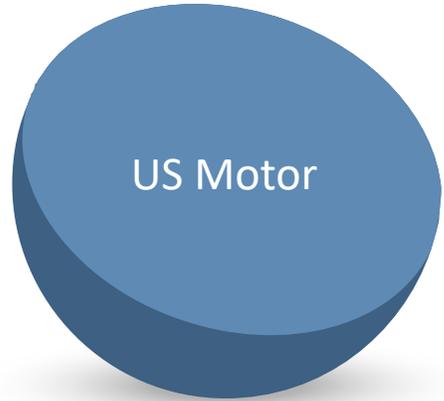
# Leasing



- Revenue up 31.7% to £49.0m
- 90% year on year increase in de-fleeted vehicle disposals following pandemic disruption in H1 FY20
- High margin on disposals, market conditions benefitting historic contracts
- Operating profit up 72.3% to £8.1m (H1 FY20: £4.7m)



# US Motor



- Disposal of final US Motor assets completed in H1 FY21
- Total proceeds of £106.0m before tax received since 2018

# Group Strategy update

# Recap: Vision & strategy

## “Transform automotive retail through digital innovation and operational excellence”

### 1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor



- Accelerate digital innovation
- Drive operational excellence & best practice
- Lean and efficient cost base

### 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood



- Digital product extension
- Deliver material existing order pipeline
- Geographic expansion

### 3. Disrupt standalone used cars



- Re-brand
- Differentiate value proposition
- Scale the physical estate

# Pendragon's advantages

Strategic priorities

1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor



2. Grow and diversify Pinewood



3. Disrupt standalone used cars



Pendragon's advantages

- Leaner cost base & improved efficiency
- Intragroup supply scale for standalone used cars
- Data availability and technology capability
- Portfolio breadth & physical customer reach

- Advanced digital capabilities
- Control of the ecosystem
- Varied drivers of Group profitability & non-UK reliance

- Vertically integrated assets and capabilities
- Experienced leadership
- No external dependency and associated flexibility
- Margin upside

# Financial performance & targets

Transformative plan to restore and improve underlying profitability

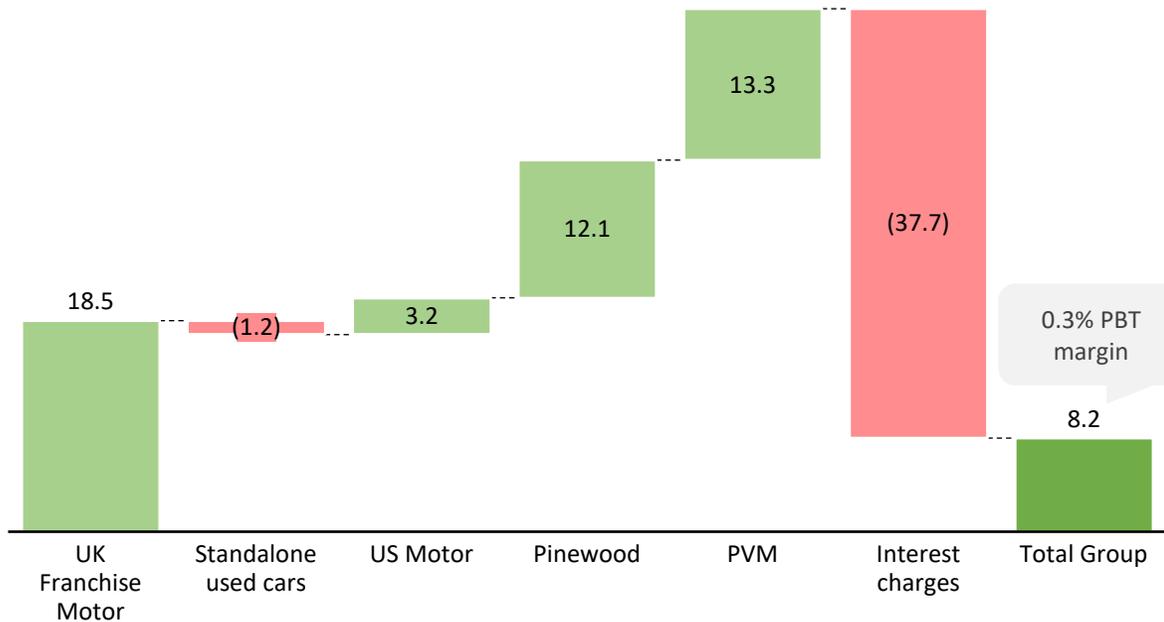
Delivered from an improved cost base following FY20 restructuring

Targeting a c.2% underlying PBT margin by 2025

Capital expenditure averaging c.£45m p.a. from 2021 – 2025

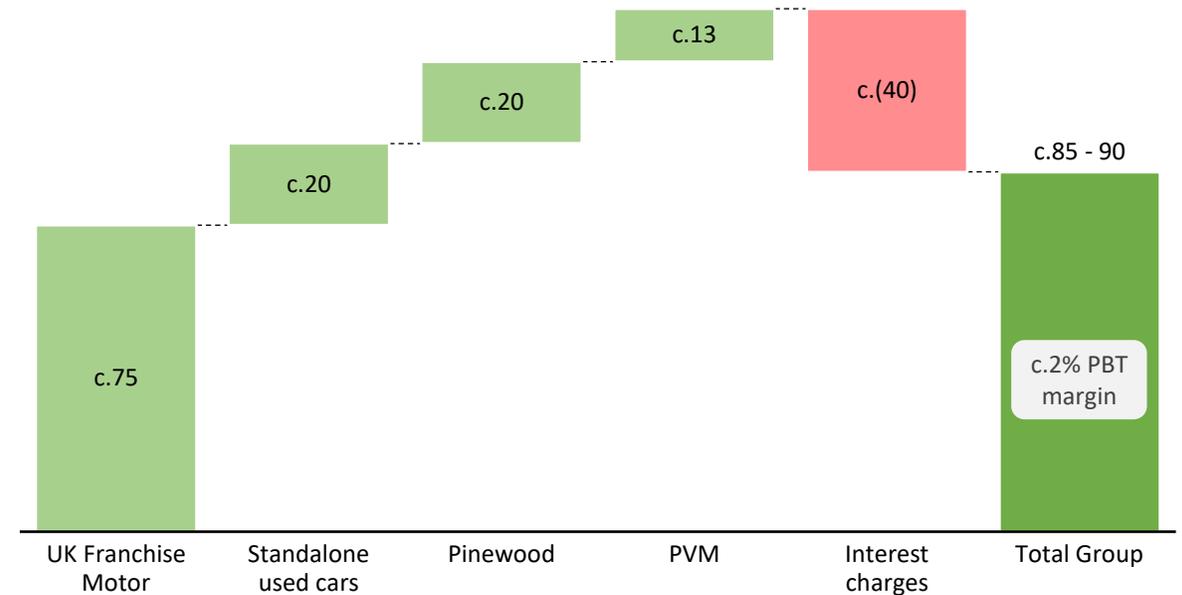
## Underlying PBT Performance, FY20

£m



## Underlying PBT Performance, FY25 Targets

£m



# Delivery progress

## a) Progressed

## b) In development

## c) Future

### 1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor

- 16 initiatives
- Omnichannel strength
- Warranty enhancements
- Cost efficiencies

- 11 initiatives
- Acquisition, management & pricing platform
- Preparation & rectification

- 7 initiatives
- F&I upside
- Aftersales

### 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood

- 5 initiatives
- Group omnichannel enabler
- Accredited status from BMW UK

- 6 initiatives
- Group omnichannel enabler
- Standalone opportunities

- Geographic expansion
- OEM expansion

### 3. Disrupt standalone used cars

- 12 initiatives
- Group incubator
- Omnichannel strength

- 7 initiatives
- Re-brand & value proposition launch
- New concept store launch in Chesterfield

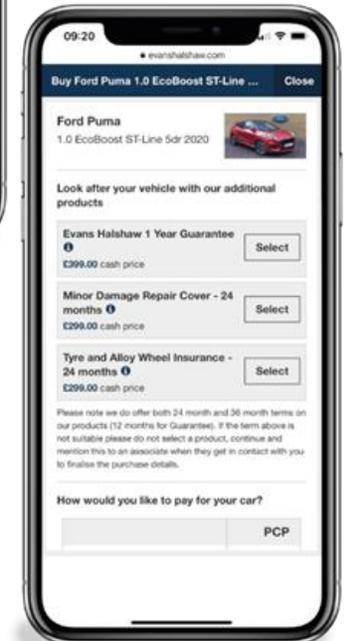
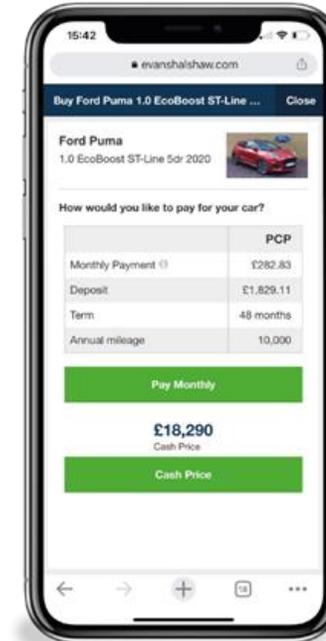
- Scale physical estate

# 1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor

a) Progressed

## 1. Accelerate digital innovation

- Omnichannel strength:
  - All websites transactional
  - Automated, and real-time, online finance application & approval payment functionality
  - Insurance products (regulated & non-regulated) online
  - Sales+: consistent & compliant in-store digital journey, including remote digital signatures
  - Digital in-store payments vs. ePDQ
- Part Exchange (PX) & Sell Your Car (SYC) conversion upside



# 1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor

a) Progressed

2. Drive operational excellence & best practice

- Warranty enhancements:
  - Introduced a three-year product
  - Pricing & proposition revision for existing one and two-year products
  - Operational structure changed to drive focus
- Trade vehicle optimisation



3. Lean & efficient cost base

- 15 stores closed that had no roadmap to sustainable profitability
- Headcount efficiencies driven by pandemic market impacts / workflow efficiencies gained
- Simplified senior & regional leadership structure



# 1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor

b) In development

## 1. Accelerate digital innovation

- Vehicle acquisition, management & pricing platform:
  - Group-wide platform to drive metal margin & inventory turn
  - PX / SYC use case in development addressing multiple areas of opportunity
  - Data trials underway
- Stratstone: finance & insurance online
- Single finance system across digital & physical assets
- Sales+: Further releases planned to automate deal optimisation; further OEM integration; improve third party data utilisation



# 1. Unlock value in Franchised UK Motor

b) In development

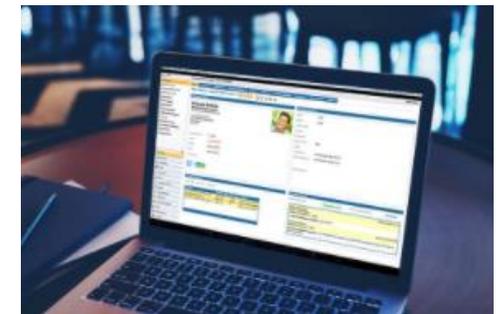
2. Drive operational excellence & best practice

- Improving preparation speed / quality, and rectification spend, by process & procedure revision
- Maximising vehicle health check conversion
- Transitioning from a single warranty product to tailored and tiered products
- SYC “hub” location trial underway



3. Lean & efficient cost base

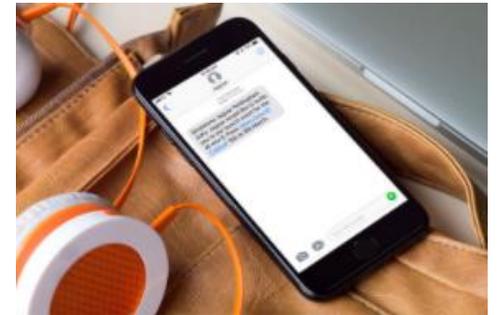
- Accounting transformation:
  - Centralisation of dealer-based capability
  - Process standardisation
  - New business partner capability



## 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood

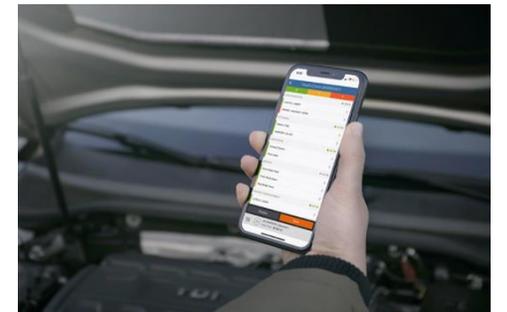
### 1. Digital product extension (Progressed)

- Pinewood development has enabled the Group with the following omnichannel capabilities:
  - Platform migration
  - Payment online
  - Finance & insurance online
  - Sales+
  - Digital payments



### 1. Digital product extension (In development)

- The team at Pinewood are working on the following omnichannel Group capabilities at present:
  - Vehicle acquisition, management & pricing platform
  - Accounting transformation
  - Sales+ future releases
  - Brand X website



## 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood

b) In development

### Standalone objectives

- International user growth of 14%, challenged by pandemic restrictions
- BMW UK recently awarded Pinewood certified status for its DMS and wider applications
- Pinewood is now one of two global partners to support BMW's Retail Integration Strategy



# 3. Disrupt standalone used cars

b) In development

## 1. Re-brand

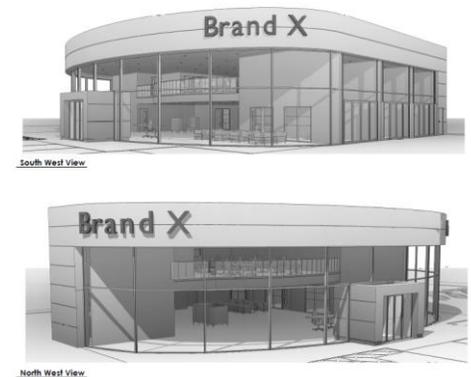
- New vision & brand launch late Q4 / early Q1
- Brand values / behaviours progressing well
- New look & feel to website and additional functionality

## 2. Differentiate the value proposition

- Clear propositions across buying; selling; and, aftersales to include:
  - Group stock and fulfilment
  - Personal advisor to help you
  - PX online
  - In-house vs. 3<sup>rd</sup> party home delivery capability
  - Interest-free aftersales options

## 3. Scale the physical estate

- Targeting the development of eight further locations
- New concept store in Chesterfield
- Further development to include preparation & aftersales facilities



# Summary

Excellent  
progress &  
upside  
opportunity

- Delighted with the further progress we have made during the first-half
- Cross-functional team continues to maintain a high pace of change
- Remain confident in the opportunity that our strategy provides, and how we are positioned in the evolving consumer and competitor landscape
- Roadmap to deliver underlying PBT target of c.£85 – 90m by 2025, and significant shareholder value creation

# Financial review

# Key metrics: HY21



	Revenue	Gross profit	Gross margin %	Underlying operating costs	Underlying profit (loss) before tax	Bank net cash / (debt)
<b>H1 2021</b> <i>(150 stores)</i>	£1,815.6m <i>+49.0% vs HY20 (+62.6% LFL)</i>	£211.2m <i>+56.1% vs HY20 (+70.2% LFL)</i>	11.6%	£159.3m	£35.1m	£9.5m
<i>H1 2020</i> <i>(175 stores)</i>	<i>£1,218.3m</i>	<i>£135.3m</i>	<i>11.1%</i>	<i>£146.1m</i>	<i>£(31.0)m</i>	<i>£(46.0)m</i>
<i>H1 2019</i> <i>(213 stores)</i>	<i>£2,455.6m</i>	<i>£235.2m</i>	<i>9.6%</i>	<i>£245.9m</i>	<i>£(32.2)m</i>	<i>£(104.3)m</i>

# Financial summary: Income statement

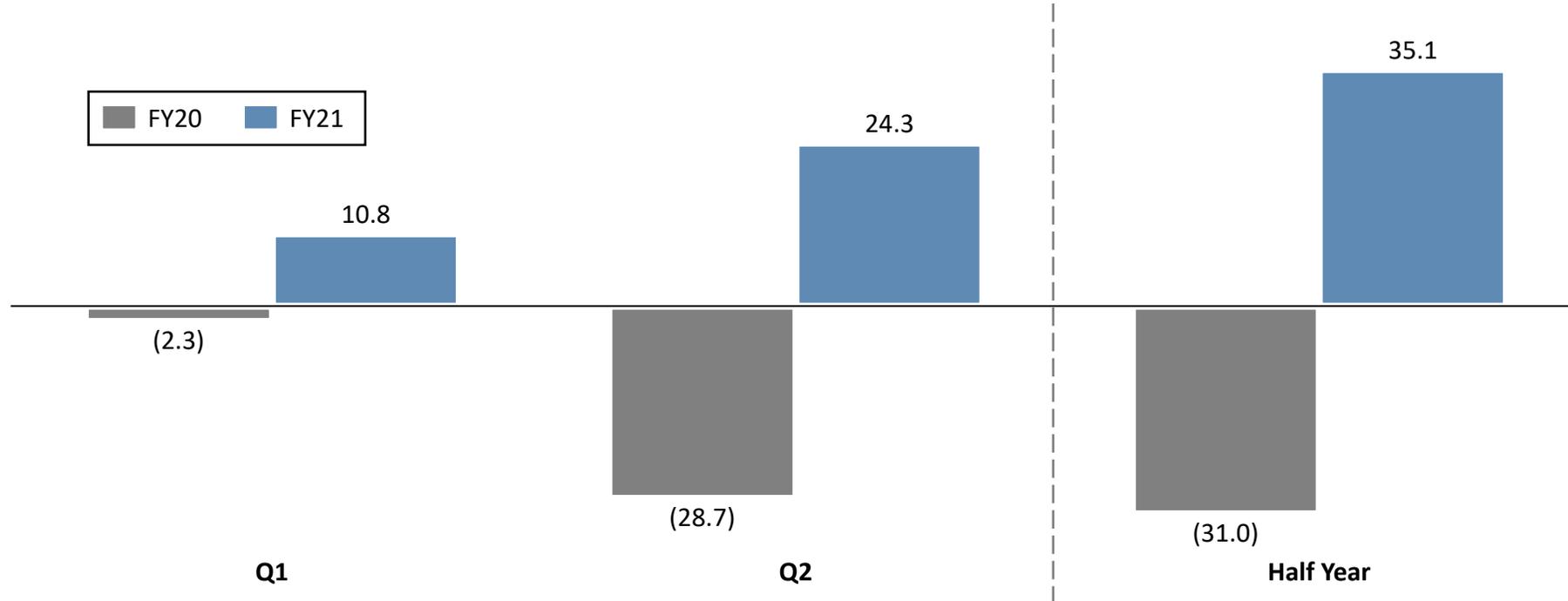
Income Statement (£m)			
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change
Revenue	1,815.6	1,218.3	+49.0%
Gross Profit	211.2	135.3	+56.1%
Gross Margin %	11.6%	11.1%	+0.5%
Operating Costs	(159.3)	(146.1)	+9.0%
Operating Profit / (Loss)	51.9	(10.8)	N/A
Operating Margin %	2.9%	-0.9%	+3.8%
Interest	(16.8)	(20.2)	-16.8%
Underlying Profit / (Loss) Before Tax	35.1	(31.0)	N/A
Non-underlying Items	(4.3)	(21.0)	-79.5%
Profit / (Loss) Before Tax	30.8	(52.0)	N/A
Underlying Earnings Per Share	2.3p	(1.7)p	N/A

- Revenue increase of 49.0%
  - Like for like revenue increase of 62.6%
  - Outperformed New & Used markets
- Strong gross margins
  - Improved margins in new, used and aftersales
  - Benefit from market conditions and strategic initiatives
- Successful delivery of our strategic aim to restructure the store estate and improve operational efficiency
  - Operating costs of £159.3m vs £245.9m H1 FY19 pre-pandemic
  - £10.1m H1 benefit from rates relief, grants and furlough
- Lower interest charge largely driven by reduction in stocking interest
- Non-underlying charges of £4.3m (H1 2020: £21.0m):
  - Net gains on disposals & closure costs of £2.5m
  - Lease impairments charge of £5.4m
  - Pension costs of £0.5m
  - Termination and severance costs of £0.9m
- Reported profit before tax of £30.8m

# Financial performance by quarter

## Underlying PBT by Quarter & Half Year, 2020 vs. 2021

£m



- Changes to operating model allowed Q1 performance to be £13.1m ahead of FY20, despite lock-down impact:
  - *Over 40,000 cars delivered whilst showrooms closed*
  - *Cost reductions benefitting performance*
- Q2 performance accelerated as stores reopened, compared to the losses incurred during the FY20 lock-down impact

# Financial summary: Cashflow

Summary Cashflow (£m)		
	H1 2021	H1 2020
<b>Underlying Operating Profit / (Loss)</b>	<b>51.9</b>	<b>(10.8)</b>
Depreciation and Amortisation	19.1	22.2
Share Based Payments	1.4	0.4
Non-underlying Items	(0.8)	(2.0)
Contribution into defined benefit pension scheme	(6.3)	(2.6)
Working Capital and Contract Hire vehicle movements	49.5	69.1
<b>Cash Generated from Operations</b>	<b>114.8</b>	<b>76.3</b>
Capital Expenditure	(6.9)	(14.2)
Fixed Asset Vehicles Net Movement	3.0	4.2
Business and Property Disposals	28.8	31.9
<b>Net Capital Income</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>21.9</b>
Tax Paid	(1.6)	0.8
Interest Paid excluding lease interest	(8.4)	(11.5)
Lease Payments & Receipts	(19.0)	(13.2)
Other	(0.8)	(0.6)
<b>Decrease in Net Debt</b>	<b>109.9</b>	<b>73.7</b>
Opening Net Debt	(100.4)	(119.7)
<b>Closing Net Cash / (Debt)</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>(46.0)</b>

- Net debt reduction of £109.9m vs FY20
- £114.8m cash generated from operations
  - *Strong trading driving cash inflows*
  - *Additional VAT timing benefit in H1 of c.£35m*
- Net Capital Inflow of £24.9m
  - *US disposal proceeds of £27.1m in H1 2021 – Santa Monica (£10.8m) and Los Angeles (£16.3m)*
  - *Other property disposals of £1.7m*
  - *Total Capital expenditure outflow of £6.9m*
- Reduction in interest paid of £3.1m, driven by lower stocking interest
- Increase in lease payments & receipts resulting primarily from the reversal of the timing benefit in H1 2020 from the temporary move to monthly rent payments during the early stages of the pandemic

# Financial summary: Balance sheet

Balance Sheet (£m)			
	Jun-21	Dec-20	Jun-20
<b>Property</b>	219.4	222.8	230.7
<b>Plant &amp; Equipment</b>	178.8	204.0	215.5
<b>Goodwill</b>	150.3	150.3	150.3
<b>Intangibles</b>	10.7	10.2	10.1
<b>Right of Use Assets</b>	133.2	146.0	156.4
<b>Inventories</b>	469.0	608.8	747.8
<b>Receivables</b>	138.2	113.2	89.3
<b>Net Assets Held as for Sale</b>	8.6	31.7	26.8
<b>Payables</b>	(1,127.6)	(1,222.2)	(1,427.8)
<b>Retirement Benefit Obligations</b>	(34.9)	(75.5)	(71.7)
<b>Net Tax Balance</b>	31.2	37.8	35.7
<b>Net Cash / (Debt)</b>	9.5	(100.4)	(46.0)
<b>Shareholders Funds</b>	<b>186.4</b>	<b>126.7</b>	<b>117.1</b>

- Reduction in property
  - Disposal of excess property together with depreciation
  - Partially offset by capital investments
- Plant and equipment reduction from disposals and ongoing depreciation
  - Lower level of capital expenditure in the period
- Right of use assets reduction driven by impairment of remaining US assets and ongoing depreciation
- Inventory reduced by 23.0% from 31 Dec 20 from £608.8m to £469.0m
  - Decrease in new stock value of c.£170m driven by manufacturer shortfalls resulting from the chip shortages
  - Increase in used stock value of c.£40m driven by appreciation in average value of used cars
- Reduction in payables primarily relates to lower vehicle creditors as a result of the reduction in vehicle inventory
  - Partially offset by an increased VAT creditor
- Retirement benefit obligations have decreased by £40.6m

# Summary & outlook

# H2 Guidance & Outlook

- Capital expenditure expected to be H2 weighted. Further c.£20m expected in FY21
- £60m VAT timing benefit unwind during H2
- Shortfalls in new car supply from the ongoing impact of micro-chip shortages
- Uncertainty over timing of normalisation in used car margins
- Possibility of further disruptions from Covid-19 during the winter period, both in the UK and to global supply chains
- Group underlying profit before tax expected to be £55m - £60m
- Further progress expected against our strategic initiatives in H2 2021
- On track to deliver our long-term financial targets

# Appendix – Divisional financial summary

# Franchised UK Motor

Franchised UK Motor (£m)				
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change	% Change LFL
<b>Revenue</b>	1,673.8	1,067.1	<b>56.9%</b>	<b>64.6%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>182.3</b>	<b>108.9</b>	<b>67.4%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>
<b>Operating Costs</b>	(144.7)	(127.0)	<b>-13.9%</b>	<b>-24.2%</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>37.6</b>	<b>(18.1)</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Gross Margin %</b>	10.9%	10.2%	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>
<b>Operating Margin %</b>	2.2%	-1.7%	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>



New (£m)				
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change	% Change LFL
<b>Revenue</b>	761.7	460.2	<b>65.5%</b>	<b>68.0%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>79.0%</b>	<b>78.9%</b>
<b>Gross Margin %</b>	6.4%	5.9%	<b>0.5%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>

Used (£m)				
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change	% Change LFL
<b>Revenue</b>	781.0	509.2	<b>53.4%</b>	<b>66.1%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>36.4</b>	<b>88.5%</b>	<b>103.6%</b>
<b>Gross Margin %</b>	8.8%	7.1%	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>1.6%</b>

Aftersales (£m)				
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change	% Change LFL
<b>Revenue</b>	131.1	97.7	<b>34.2%</b>	<b>40.4%</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>45.3</b>	<b>43.5%</b>	<b>50.2%</b>
<b>Gross Margin %</b>	49.6%	46.4%	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>

# Software - Pinewood

Software - Pinewood (£m)			
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change
Revenue	12.1	10.8	12.0%
Gross Profit	11.2	9.9	13.1%
Operating Costs	(4.5)	(4.0)	-12.5%
Operating Loss	6.7	5.9	13.6%
Gross Margin %	92.6%	91.7%	0.9%
Operating Margin %	55.4%	54.6%	0.7%

# Car Store

Car Store (£m)				
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change	% Change LFL
Revenue	66.0	43.1	53.1%	54.2%
Gross Profit	5.3	2.9	82.8%	76.7%
Operating Costs	(5.0)	(4.6)	-8.7%	-11.1%
Operating Loss	0.3	(1.7)	n/a	n/a
Gross Margin %	8.0%	6.7%	1.3%	1.0%
Operating Margin %	0.5%	-3.9%	4.4%	4.0%

# Leasing – Pendragon Vehicle Management

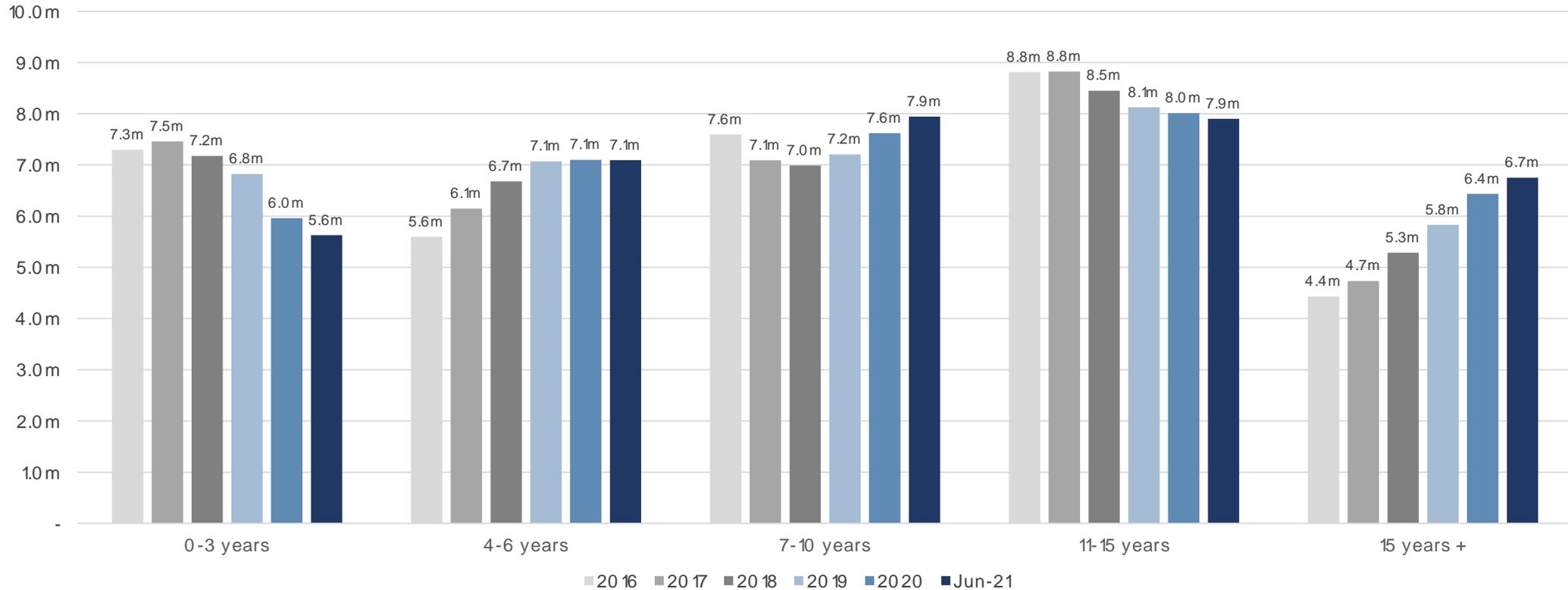
Leasing – Pendragon Vehicle Management (£m)			
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change
Revenue	49.0	37.2	31.7%
Gross Profit	10.5	6.7	56.7%
Operating Costs	(2.4)	(2.0)	-20.0%
Operating Profit	8.1	4.7	72.3%
Gross Margin %	21.4%	18.0%	3.4%
Operating Margin %	16.5%	12.6%	3.9%

# US Motor

US Motor (£m)				
	H1 2021	H1 2020	% Change	% Change LFL
Revenue	28.3	68.5	-58.7%	-
Gross Profit	4.0	9.0	-55.6%	-
Operating Costs	(4.8)	(10.6)	54.7%	-
Operating Loss	(0.8)	(1.6)	50.0%	-
Gross Margin %	14.1%	13.1%	1.0%	-
Operating Margin %	-2.8%	-2.3%	-0.5%	-

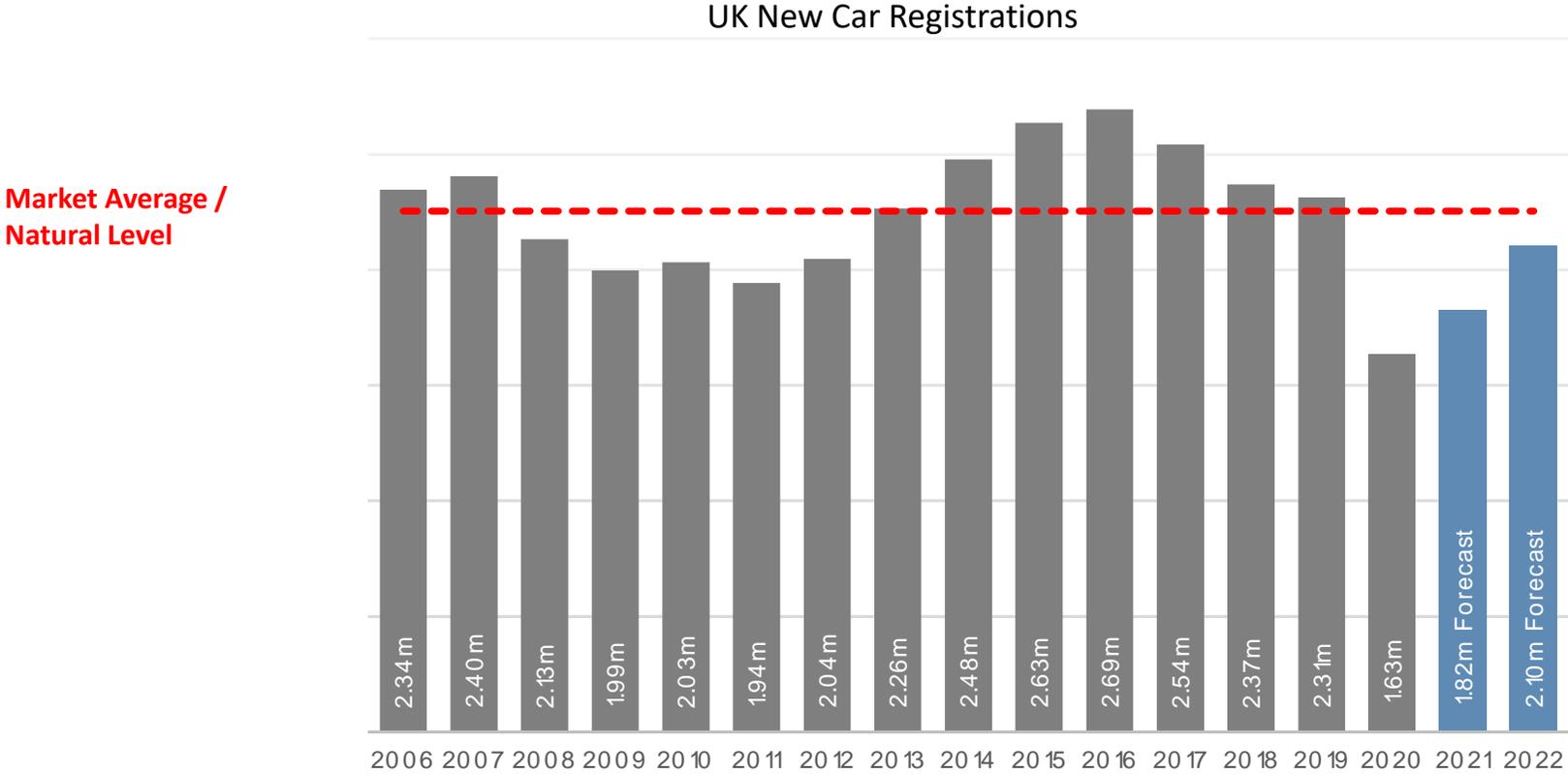
# Franchised UK Motor - Aftersales

Aftersales Market - UK Car Parc



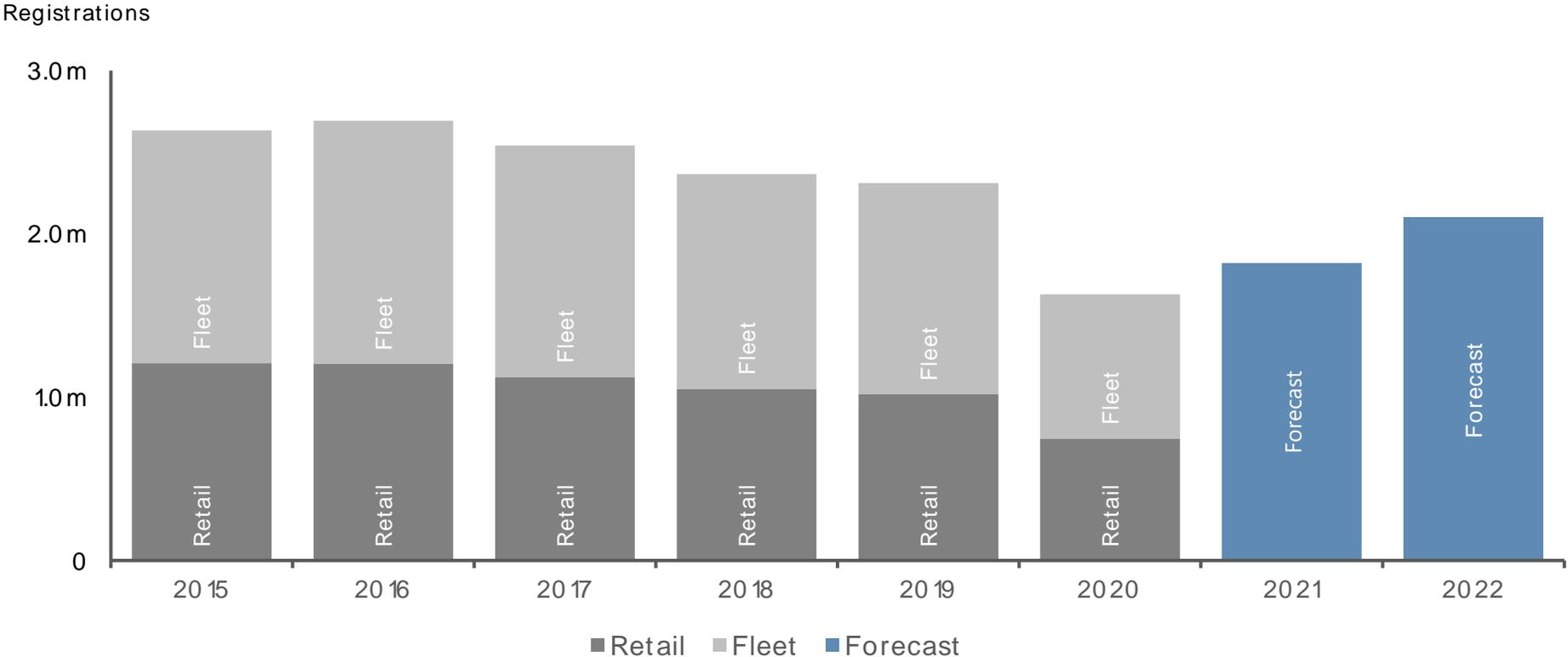
- Reduction in 0-3 year car parc due to impact of reduced new market in 2021
- The key 4-6 years car parc has been maintained at 7.1m cars
- Growth in the 7-10 year car parc

# Franchised UK Motor - New



- The UK new car market was up by 39.2% in H1 2021
- The UK retail new car market was up by 30.6% in H1 2021
- Retail market represented 45.1% of the UK new market in H1 2021
- Forecast of 11.7% increase in new car market in 2021

# UK New Car Market



# Financial Summary – 3 Year View

### Underlying Profit Before Tax



### Underlying Operating Profit



### Underlying Earnings Per Share



### Net Debt and Net Debt: Underlying EBITDA Ratio

