

# Half year 2025 results

Phoenix Group Holdings plc

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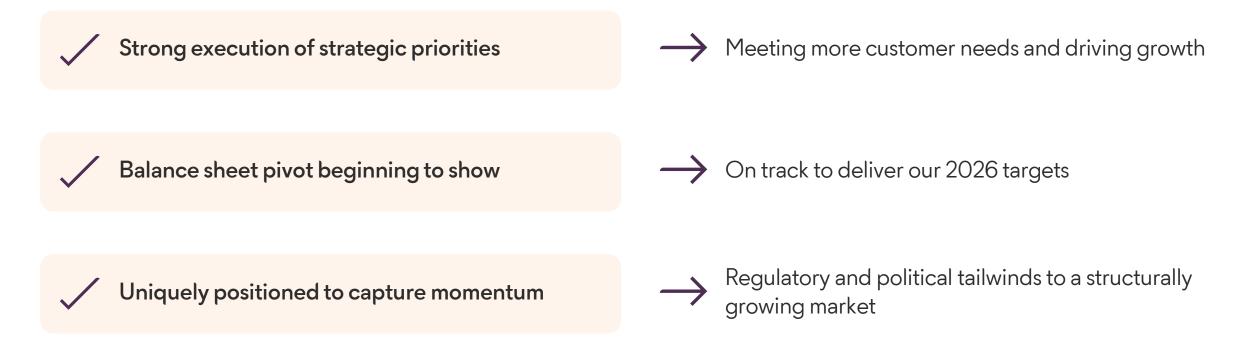
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# Progress on our 3-year strategy

**Andy Briggs**Group Chief Executive Officer



### Successfully executing on our vision to become the UK's leading retirement savings and income business



Delivering on our strategy supports strong shareholder returns enabled by our progressive and sustainable ordinary dividend policy<sup>(1)</sup>



#### Delivering our vision through our strategic priorities



Grow



**Optimise** 



Enhance

#### Priority:

Meeting more of our existing customer needs and acquiring new customers

Optimising our in-force business and balance sheet

Transforming our operating model and culture

#### 1H progress:

- ✓ Engagement Received FCA approval for our in-house advice proposition
- ✓ Products Launched our Guaranteed Lifetime Income plan

- ✓ Asset management In-housing c.£20bn of annuity-backing assets
- ✓ Deleveraging Enabled by excess cash generation

- ✓ **Migrations** 0.8m policies successfully migrated to TCS BaNCS
- ✓ Cost savings Strategic partnership with Wipro to cover 1.9m policies

### On track to deliver our 2026 financial targets

| 1H25 progress   |  | Our 3-year targets |  |  |
|-----------------|--|--------------------|--|--|
| © Cash          | £705 million Operating Cash Generation 'OCG' £784 million Total cash generation                              | On track           | Expected to grow at mid-single digit % p.a. from £1.4bn achieved in FY 2024 £5.1bn of total cash generation across 2024-2026 |  |
| Capital         | 175% <sup>(2)</sup> Shareholder Capital Coverage Ratio 'SCCR'  34% <sup>(3)</sup> Solvency II leverage ratio | On track           | 140-180% SCCR operating range<br>c.30% <sup>(3)</sup> Solvency II leverage ratio target by end of 2026                       |  |
| <b>Earnings</b> | £451 million IFRS adjusted operating profit<br>£100 million annualised run-rate cost savings                 | On track           | c.£1.1bn IFRS adjusted operating profit in 2026<br>£250m of annual run-rate cost savings by end of 2026                      |  |

Interim dividend per share of 27.35p (1H24: 26.65p)



# The c.£3.6trn<sup>(4)</sup> UK retirement savings and income market is structurally growing with regulatory and political tailwinds that will further benefit Phoenix

Structurally growing market driven by demographic and socio-economic trends

The population is ageing

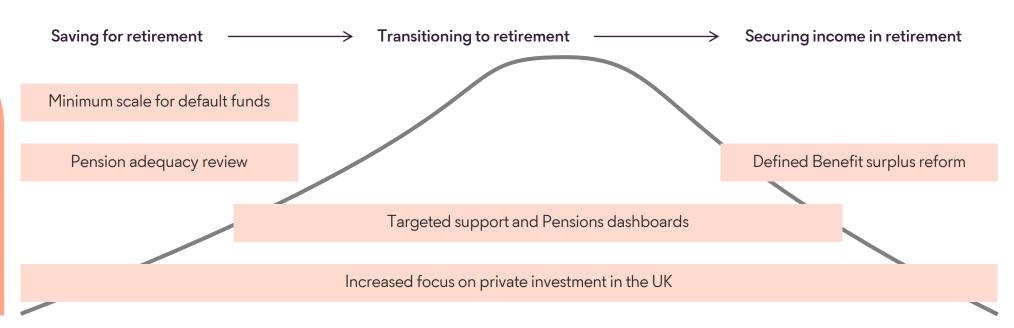
Shift to Defined Contribution pensions 1 in 7 are on track for an adequate retirement

1 in 10 take financial advice

Workers have multiple pension pots

Individuals prioritise certainty of income

Additional long-term tailwinds from regulatory and political proposals

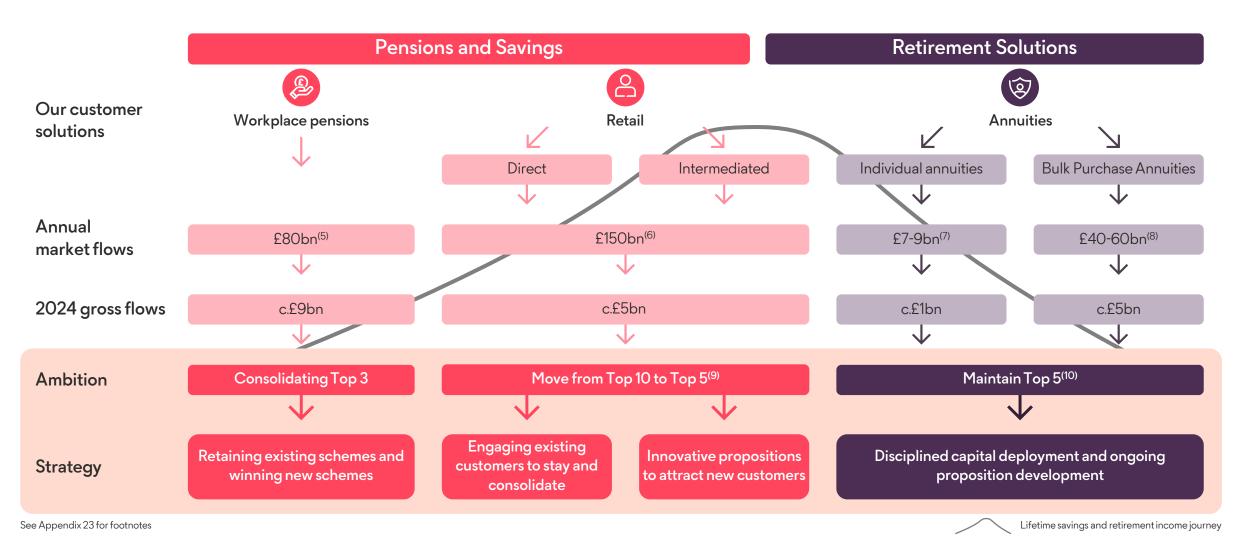


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Lifetime savings and retirement income journey



# Our clear strategic priorities enable us to capitalise on huge market opportunities and achieve our growth ambitions



**71** Phoenix

#### We are well-positioned to win share in growing markets

#### Group competitive advantages...

#### Customer engagement

1 in 5 UK adults are existing customers

#### Capital efficiency

Diversified business model across fee and spread-based businesses

#### Cost efficiency

Existing scale and leveraging technology

#### ...provide the platform to win across our chosen markets

### Pensions and Savings Our capital-light fee-based business

#### Workplace

- ✓ Leading employer proposition
- ✓ Excellent customer service
- ✓ Competitive pricing

#### Retail

- ✓ Standard Life brand
- ✓ Products that meet evolving needs
- ✓ Great digital engagement

#### Retirement Solutions

Our capital-utilising spread-based business

#### Individual annuities

- √ Fast, guaranteed pricing
- ✓ Products that meet evolving needs
- ✓ Great digital experience

#### **BPA**

- ✓ Excellent member experience
- ✓ Leading employer proposition
- $\checkmark$  Competitive pricing

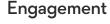


# Our Pensions and Savings propositions help customers journey to and through retirement



Our investments mean we continue to win...

#### ...and deliver strong financial performance



Standard Life connected to the pension dashboard ecosystem **Product** 

Widened availability of Standard Life drawdown products







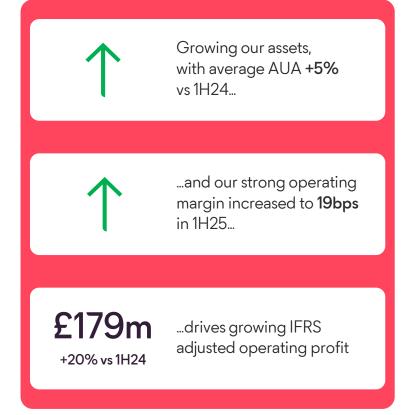
Customer wellbeing – expanded range of tools

Advice proposition -

received FCA approval

Further enhanced our market-leading app

Completed
Sustainability Disclosure
labelling
implementation on
£35bn of assets





#### Our Retirement Solutions help customers secure income certainty in retirement



Our capital-utilising spread-based **Retirement Solutions business** 

Our investments mean we continue to win...

Launched Guaranteed Lifetime

Income plan

BPA innovation through

longevity insurance novations

#### Product Asset management

In-housing annuity-backing

assets

Broadening private asset solutions

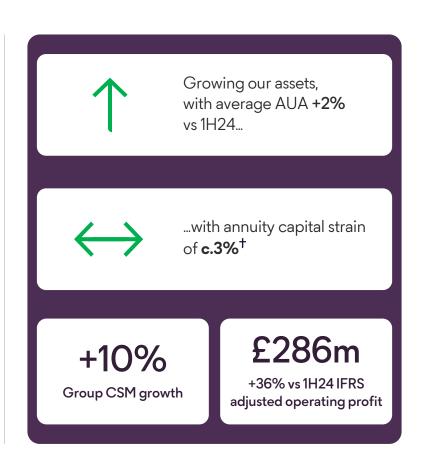
Rolled-out Annuity desk

Engagement

Launched digital annuity

application process

<sup>...</sup>and deliver strong financial performance



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Post Capital Management Policy, for business written and at an exclusive stage year to date



### Evolving our asset management approach to optimise customer outcomes and enhance returns

#### Pensions and Savings

£190bn AUA

#### **Retirement Solutions**

£39bn AUA

#### Asset management strategy:

Maintain existing outsourced model for policyholder asset management

#### **Progress:**

Consolidating the number of asset managers we work with, Aberdeen remains our key asset management strategic partner

#### **Outcomes:**

- ✓ Supports delivery of fund simplification management actions
- ✓ Improves value for money for customers

#### Asset management strategy:

Evolving to predominantly in-house management of annuity-backing assets

#### Progress:

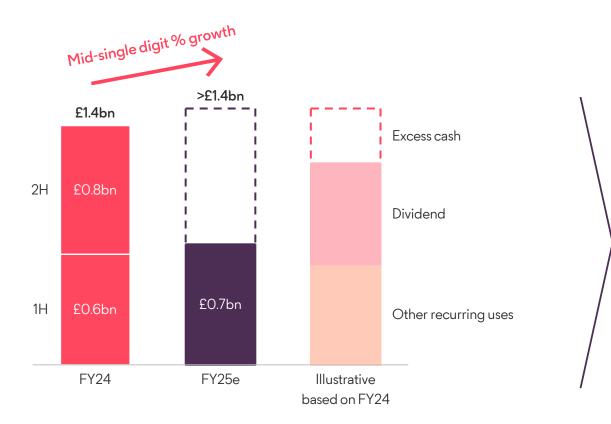
Currently managing £5bn in-house, preparing to in-house further c.£20bn of annuity-backing assets

#### Outcomes:

- ✓ Supports delivery of annuity portfolio re-optimisation management actions
- ✓ Improves cost efficiency

# Strategic execution creates financial flexibility and options for future capital allocation

Sustainable and growing OCG more than covers recurring uses...



...building financial strength and flexibility

- Expect mid-single digit % OCG growth p.a. going forward
- ✓ Progressive and sustainable dividend well covered and secure<sup>(1)</sup>
- ✓ £300m or more p.a. excess cash to deploy with current focus
  on deleveraging
- Beyond 2026 excess cash will be allocated to the highest returning opportunity according to our capital allocation framework



# Continued momentum towards our 2026 targets

Nicolaos Nicandrou Group Chief Financial Officer



# Successful execution of our strategic priorities is driving improved business performance







Strong operational performance...

- ✓ Profitable growth in Pensions and Savings and Retirement Solutions
- ✓ Continued execution of recurring management actions
- ✓ Accelerated delivery of cost saving initiatives

...is driving value creation in our business...

- ✓ Growth in Operating Cash Generation of 9% YoY
- ✓ Growth in net recurring capital generation with 4ppts SCCR<sup>(2)</sup>
- ✓ Growth in IFRS adjusted operating profit of 25% YoY

...supporting the emerging balance sheet pivot

- ✓ Deleveraging within our control given level of excess cash generation
- ✓ Improvement in capital strength
- No practical limitation to dividend payments despite hedging accounting mismatch.

#### On track to achieve all 2026 targets



#### Strong financial performance with positive movement on key metrics









#### Cash



### Capital



#### Earnings

Operating Cash Generation

£705m

1H24: £647m

Total cash generation

£784m

1H24: £950m

Shareholder Capital
Coverage Ratio<sup>(2)</sup>
175%

FY24: 172%

Solvency II leverage ratio<sup>(3)</sup>

34%

FY24: 36%

IFRS adjusted operating profit

£451m

1H24: £360m

IFRS loss after tax

£(156)m

1H24: £(646)m

IFRS adjusted shareholders' equity £3.4bn (FY24: £3.7bn)

Interim dividend per share of 27.35p (1H24: 26.65p)



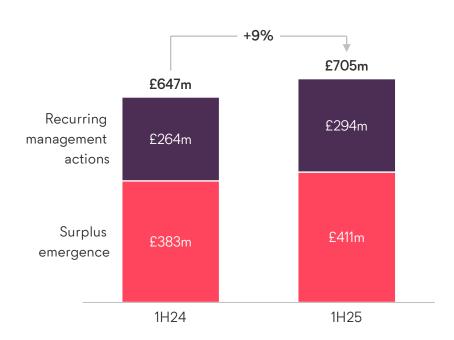
#### £0.7bn Operating Cash Generation created excess cash of £0.2bn







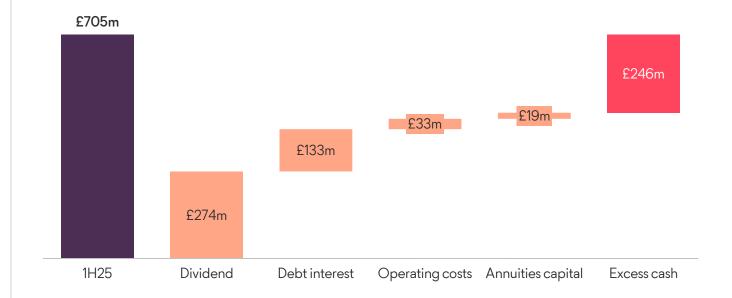
#### 9% growth in OCG to £705m



#### Indicative split of 1H25 OCG:

- c.£440m from Retirement Solutions
- c.£165m from Pensions and Savings

#### OCG created £246m excess cash



- 1H25 excess cash delivery elevated owing to timing of BPA deals, resulting in lower annuities investment in 1H
- On-track to be at least in line with the c.£0.3bn FY24 outcome

#### Delivered £294m recurring management actions







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### Annuity portfolio re-optimisation



#### Capital improvements



#### Fund simplification

What we do:

- Evolve our annuity-backing assets whilst staying cashflow and maturity matched
- Improve our capital and balance sheet modelling as investment universe evolves
- Increase efficiency of fund management expense as asset base grows

How we do it:

1H25 delivery:

- Outperform new business pricing
- Optimise relative value within corporate and government bond portfolios
- Enrich asset data and calculation granularity enabling greater accuracy of risk calibration

- Fee reviews of investment management agreements
- Reduce number of funds





£189m

1H24: £184m



£81m

1H24: £nil



£24m

1H24: £80m

On track to deliver c.£500m per annum in line with guidance



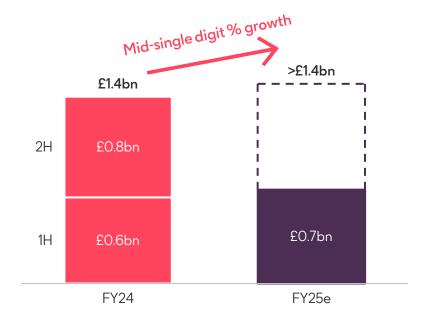
#### On track to deliver both our OCG and 3-year TCG targets





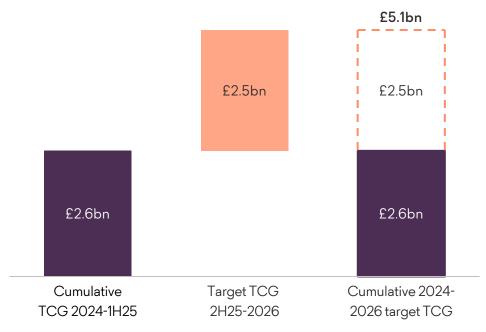


#### On track for mid-single digit % OCG growth per annum



- OCG result reflects business growth and strong delivery of recurring management actions
- More even half-on-half OCG profile going forward compared to 2024, which was 2H weighted

### At the half-way stage, >50% of the 2024-2026 £5.1bn TCG target has been delivered



- £5.1bn TCG gives substantial flexibility to address leverage over 2025-2026 period, £0.65bn excess cash generated<sup>†</sup>
- Target of £5.1bn underpinned by OCG growth and delivery of remaining non-recurring items



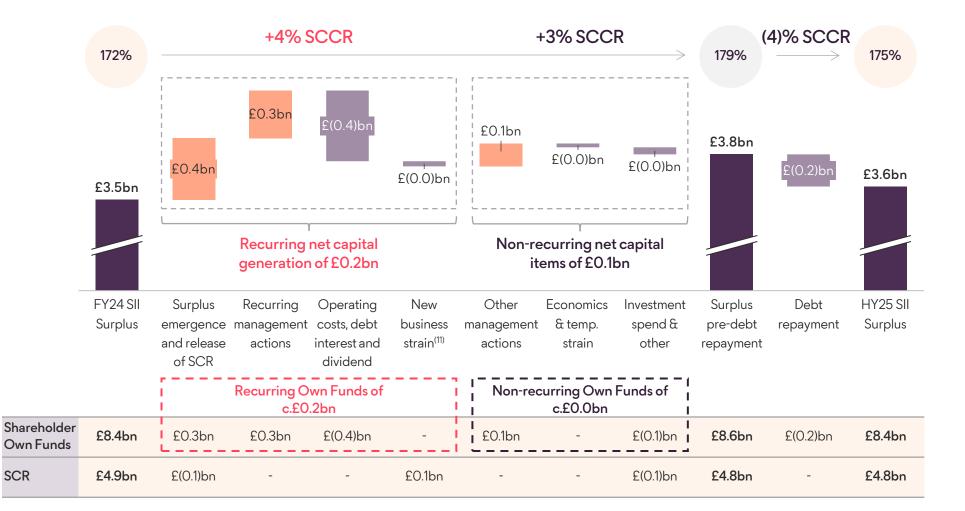
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## Balance sheet pivot has begun with growth in Solvency II surplus and coverage ratio









- Other management actions include:
  - In-housing of annuitybacking assets
  - With-Profits simplification
- Investment spend & other comprises of:
  - Ongoing investment spend to Grow, Optimise and Enhance
  - Partially offset by benefit of Wipro strategic partnership

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### Leverage ratio improved to 34% and remains on track for c.30% target



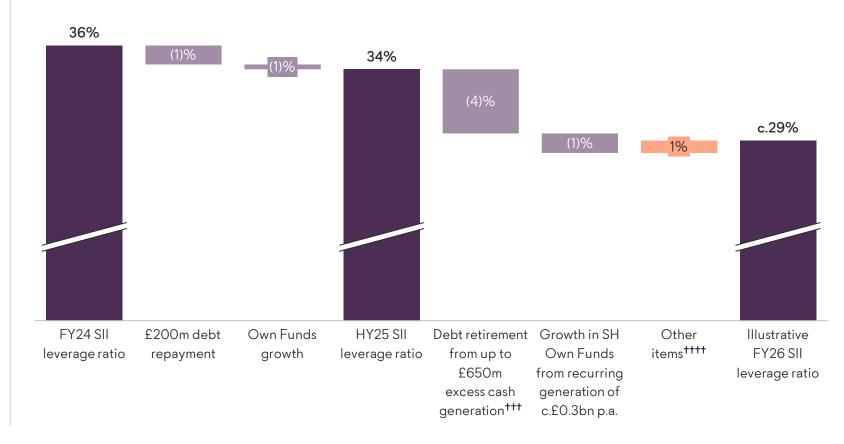




#### Improved SII leverage ratio



#### Illustrative path to c.30% SII leverage ratio target by the end of 2026<sup>++</sup>



<sup>††††</sup> Other items includes growth in Own Funds from remaining non-recurring management actions, partially offset by remaining investment spend and With-Profits run-off



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> After FX swap value

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>††</sup> Numbers may not sum due to rounding

<sup>†††</sup> Debt retirement subject to regulatory approval

# On track to reach 2026 IFRS adjusted operating profit target of c.£1.1bn following 25% growth YoY







|                                | 1H24   | 1H25   | YoY% growth |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
| Pensions and Savings           | £149m  | £179m  | +20%        |
| Retirement Solutions           | £210m  | £286m  | +36%        |
| Europe and Other               | £50m   | £41m   | (18)%       |
| With-Profits                   | £3m    | £4m    | +33%        |
| Corporate Centre               | £(52)m | £(59)m | (13)%       |
| IFRS adjusted operating profit | £360m  | £451m  | +25%        |

- Growth in Group AUA further supported by business trading performance
- Higher CSM release and further value added by Phoenix Asset Management
- Focus on cost efficiency, delivered £100m run-rate savings of which £40m earned in period
- More even half-on-half IFRS adjusted operating profit profile going forward compared to 2024, which was 2H weighted

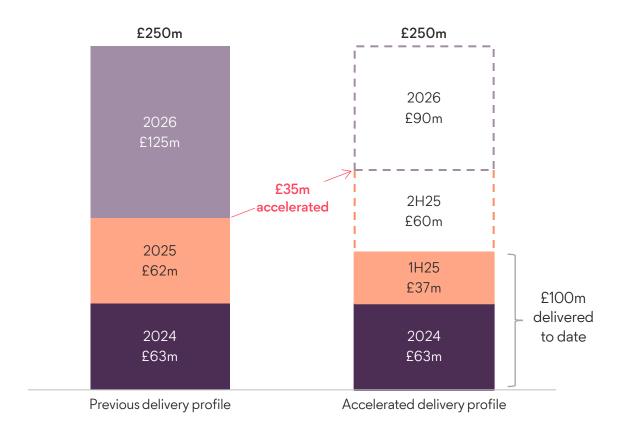
#### Accelerating delivery of our cost savings, now on track for c.£160m in 2025







#### Run-rate cost savings<sup>†</sup>



- Accelerated run-rate cost savings delivery profile:
  - Introduction of Wipro as a strategic partner and other operating model changes
  - c.£160m expected by FY25, with £35m brought forward from FY26
- Total of £100m run-rate savings to date of which £40m earned in period
- Cost savings are a key underpin of improved operating profit and margin expansion

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Compared to FY23£1.2bn cost base

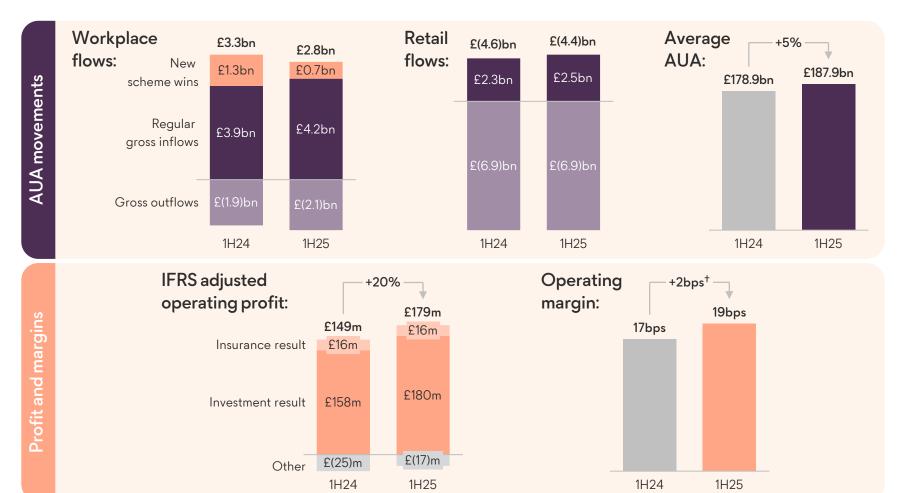


# 20% IFRS adjusted operating profit increase in capital-light fee-based Pensions and Savings









- Workplace: strong gross inflows; 1H24 included £0.9bn large scheme win
- Retail: improvement in net outflows reflecting green shoots of retail strategy
- IFRS adjusted operating profit increased 20% to £179m
  - Investment result reflects higher fee revenues from 5% rise in average AUA
  - Lower overall costs
- Overall operating margin improved to 19bps reflecting operating leverage

 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger}$  Operating margin based on average AUA

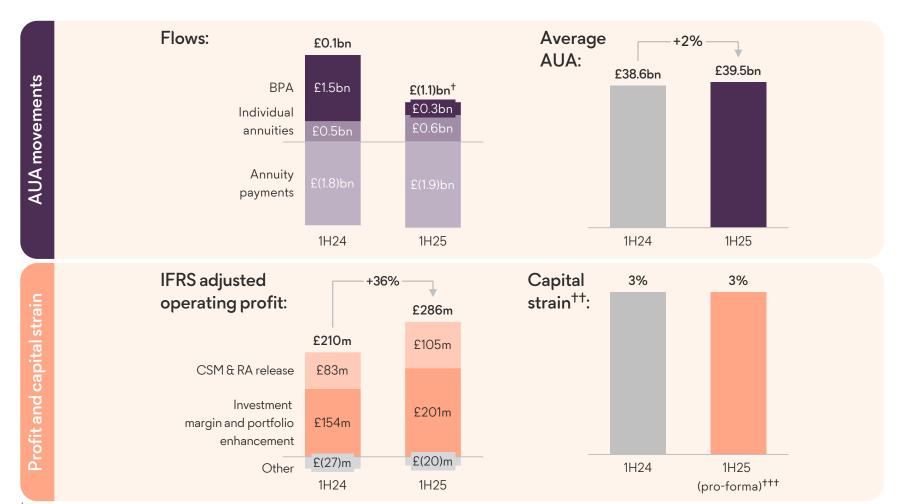


# 36% IFRS adjusted operating profit increase in capital-utilising spread-based Retirement Solutions









- BPA: disciplined market participation with £0.3bn completed in 1H and an additional £2.9bn deals completed or exclusive since half year
- Individual annuities: strong c.20% growth to £0.6bn, supported by demand for innovative solutions
- IFRS operating profit up 36% to £286m driven by:
  - Higher CSM release reflecting ongoing growth
  - Higher investment margin from value added by Phoenix Asset Management
  - Lower overall costs

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Reflects the capital strain of the 1H25 total annuity volume, and the £2.9bn premiums from the additional BPA deals written or on an exclusive basis since half year



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>††</sup> Post Capital Management Policy

### Strategic execution drives 10% Contractual Service Margin growth









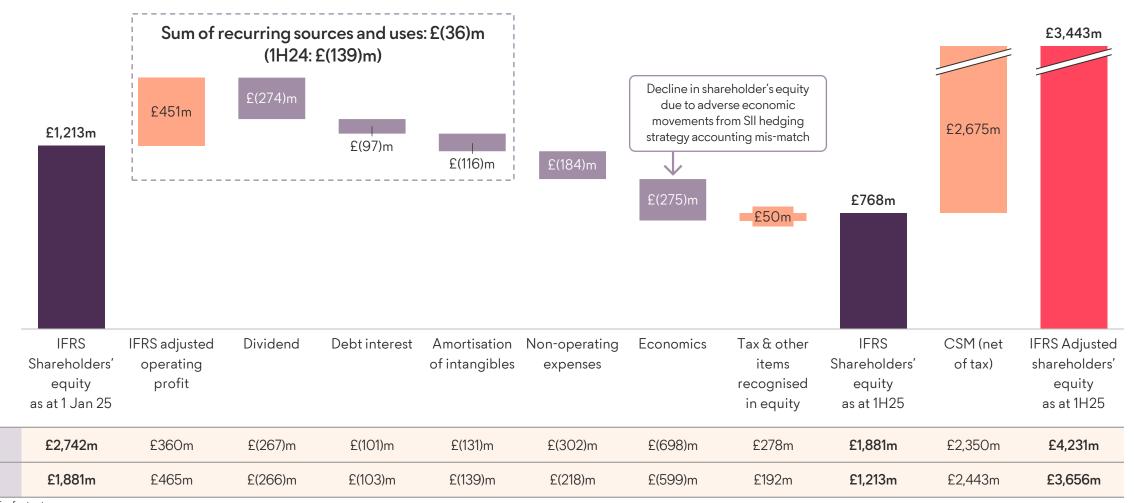
- Strategic execution comprises of:
  - In-housing of annuity-backing assets
  - Wipro strategic partnership
- CSM release of £138m, equivalent to 7.5% annualised

# Declining shareholders' equity a known consequence of hedge-related volatility, but recurring sources and uses are converging









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1H24<sup>(12)</sup>

2H24

## Ample headroom to pay progressive and sustainable dividend on a Cash, Capital and Earnings basis









#### Cash



#### Capital



#### Earnings

Operating Cash Generation

£705m

Mid-single digit % growth per annum

Shareholder Capital Coverage Ratio<sup>(2)</sup>

175%

140-180% target range

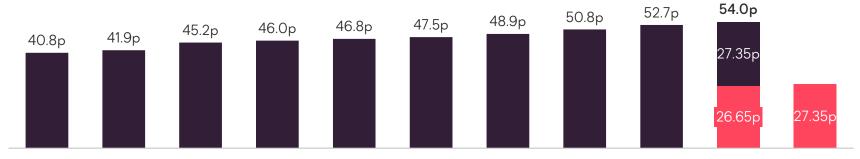
Distributable reserves of parent company FY24

£5.6bn

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- Strong track record of dividend growth, with growth of 3% YoY
- ✓ Shareholders' equity expected to grow from 2027 excluding economics

#### Dividend track record



✓ IFRS consolidated shareholders' equity is not a constraint to the payment of our dividends<sup>(1)</sup>



### Increased certainty of delivering our 3-year targets



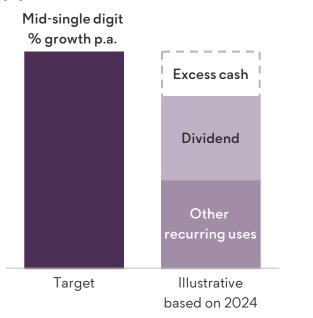


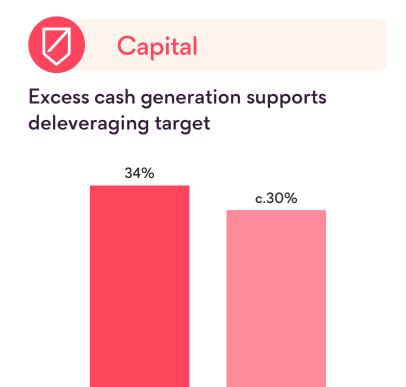




#### Cash

### Growing OCG delivering excess cash every year







### IFRS adjusted operating profit target covers recurring uses



Financial framework delivers progressive and sustainable dividend policy<sup>(1)</sup>

2026 target

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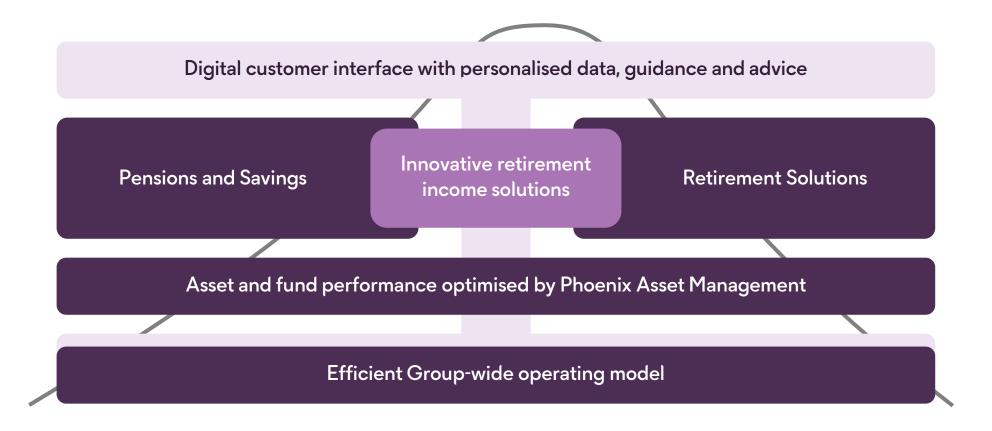


# Looking ahead

Andy Briggs
Group Chief Executive Officer



#### Our vision is to become the UK's leading retirement savings and income business



We deliver this by investing in our strategy to Grow, Optimise and Enhance



#### Building momentum as we continue to deliver on our strategic priorities



Grow



**Optimise** 



Enhance

Priority:

Meeting more of our existing customer needs and acquiring new customers

Optimising our in-force business and balance sheet

Transforming our operating model and culture

#### 2H priorities:

- Engagement Launch advice proposition
- Products Launch Smooth Managed
   Fund with Quilter

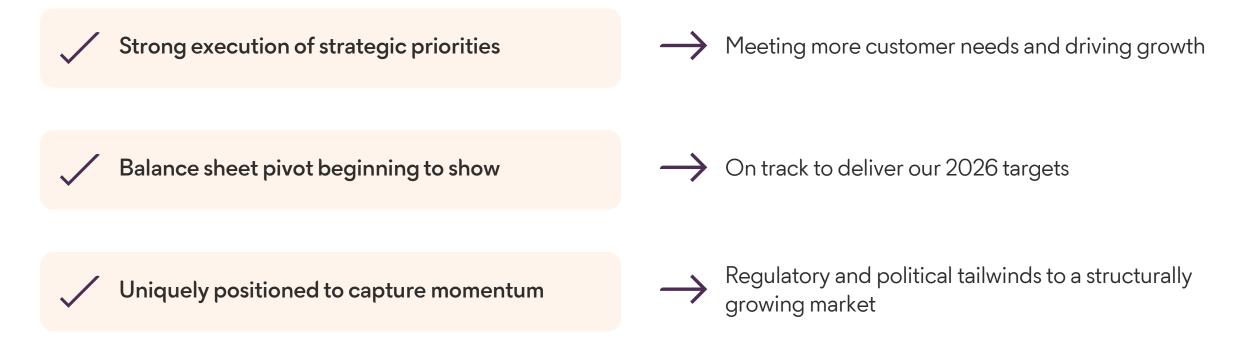
- Asset management Preparing to inhouse c.£20bn annuity assets
- **Deleveraging** Optimise allocation of excess cash
- Migrations Move 1.1m pension customers to TCS BaNCS
- Cost savings Range of actions to hit c.£160m run rate

### Phoenix Group is becoming Standard Life plc

Effective March 2026



# Successfully executing on our vision to become the UK's leading retirement savings and income business



Delivering on our strategy supports strong shareholder returns enabled by our progressive and sustainable ordinary dividend policy<sup>(1)</sup>



# Q&A



# Appendix



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# Appendix 1: Group cash flow analysis

|   | 1H25    |
|---|---------|
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 2025                       | £1,117m |
| Total cash generation <sup>†</sup>                                | £784m   |
| Uses of cash:   |         |
| Operating expenses and pension scheme contributions <sup>††</sup> | £(33)m  |
| Non-operating net cash outflows                                   | £(285)m |
| Debt interest   | £(133)m |
| Support of annuities activity                                     | £(19)m  |
| Free cash flow generation   | £314m   |
| Shareholder dividend  | £(274)m |
| Debt repayments   | £(200)m |
| Debt issuance   | -       |
| Closing cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2025                 | £957m   |

<sup>•</sup> Strong total cash generation of £784m in the period funds our uses of cash

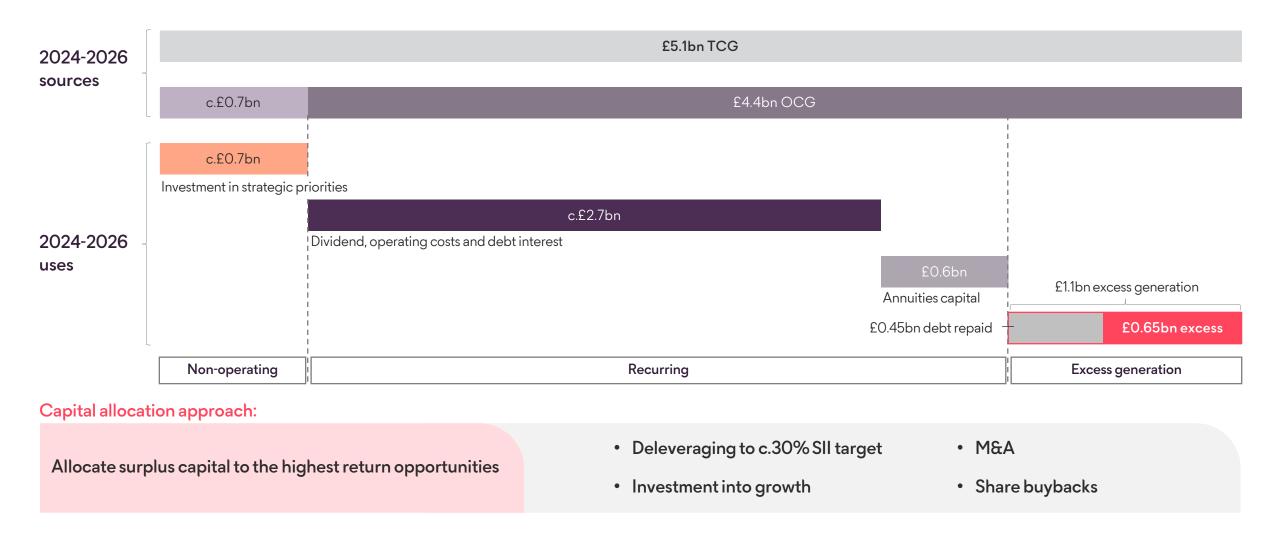
- Non-operating net cash outflows of £285m (1H24: £185m) include:
  - £149m of investment in strategic priorities
  - £136m of net other items (includes £113 million of cash collateral outflows on currency derivatives used to hedge non-sterling debt instruments, following the depreciation of USD in the period and £23m of net other items)
- Strong free cash flow generation of £314m
- Debt movements reflect the \$250m Tier 1 note redemption completed in February

 $<sup>^{++}</sup>$  1H25 operating expenses include £(3)m of pension scheme contributions



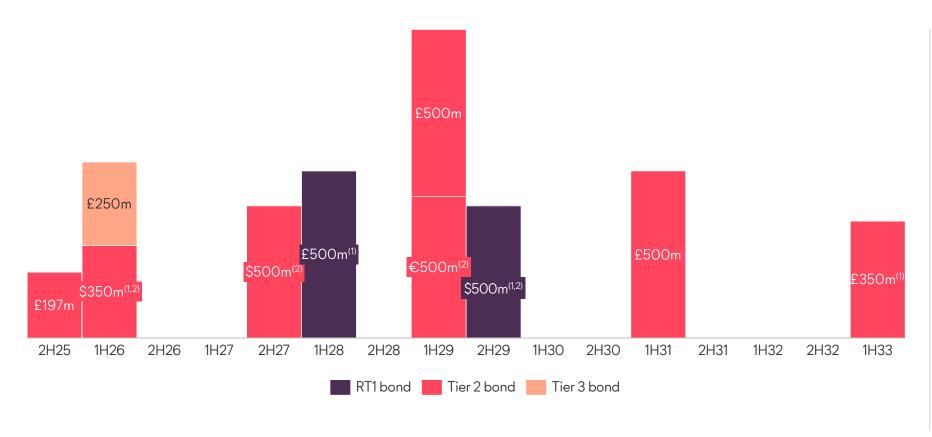
 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger} Total \ cash \ generation \ includes \ \pounds 114m \ received \ by \ the \ holding \ companies \ in \ respect \ of \ tax \ losses \ surrendered$ 

# Appendix 2: Total cash generation 2024-2026 illustrative sources and uses





# Appendix 3: Debt maturity profile and leverage ratios as at 30 June 2025



### Leverage ratios

|                               | FY24 | 1H25 |
|-------------------------------|------|------|
| SII leverage <sup>(3,6)</sup> | 36%  | 34%  |
| Fitch basis <sup>(4,6)</sup>  | 23%  | 24%  |
| IFRS basis <sup>(5,6)</sup>   | 52%  | 52%  |

 $<sup>^6\,\</sup>mbox{Ratios}$  allow for currency hedges over foreign currency denominated debt



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> First optional redemption

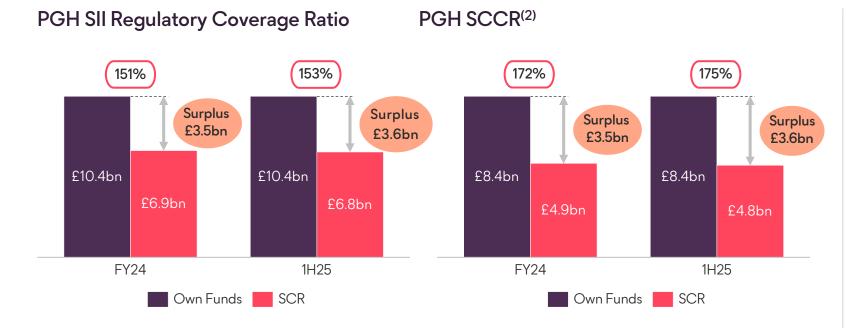
 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  All currency debt converted into GBP based on the closing 30 June 2025 exchange rates

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  SII leverage calculation = debt (all debt including RT1) / SII regulatory eligible Own Funds

 $<sup>^4</sup>$ Fitch leverage ratio is estimated by management based on Fitch's published methodology (calculation = debt (all debt excluding RT1) / debt + equity (adjusted shareholders' equity + NCl + policyholder surplus in With-Profits funds + RT1))

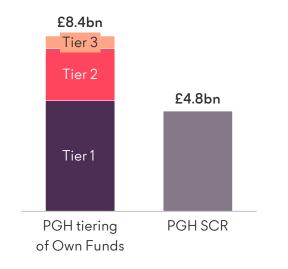
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> IFRS leverage calculation = debt (all debt including RT1) / debt + equity (adjusted shareholders' equity)

# Appendix 4: Additional Solvency II disclosures



|   | FY24     | 1H25     |
|---|----------|----------|
| PGH Solvency II Own Funds                                   | £10.4bn  | £10.4bn  |
| Less: Unsupported With-Profit funds                         | £(2.0)bn | £(2.1)bn |
| Adjustment for unsupported pension schemes and restrictions | -        | £0.1bn   |
| PGH Shareholder Own Funds                                   | £8.4bn   | £8.4bn   |

### 1H25 PGH Own Funds by capital tier



### Share of SII Own Funds by capital tier

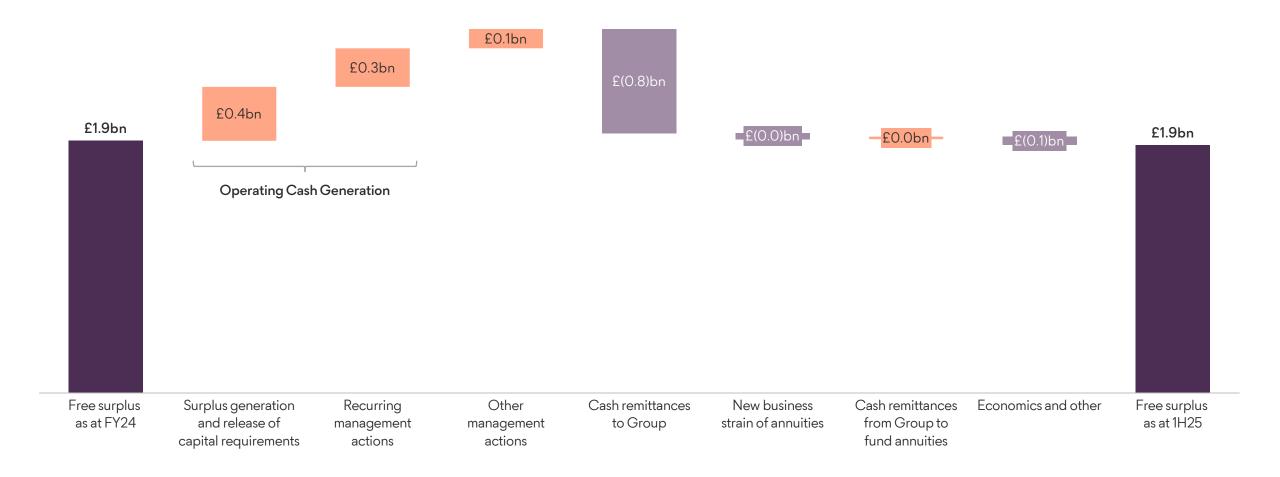
|                     | £bn    | %    |
|---------------------|--------|------|
| Tier 1 <sup>†</sup> | £5.3bn | 64%  |
| Tier 2              | £2.5bn | 29%  |
| Tier 3              | £0.6bn | 7%   |
| Total               | £8.4bn | 100% |

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup>Tier 1 includes £1bn of Restricted Tier 1 capital



# Appendix 5: Change in Life Companies' Free Surplus



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# Appendix 6: Hedging protects cash and Solvency II surplus

Hedge unrewarded market risks



Protects SII surplus and therefore cash generation



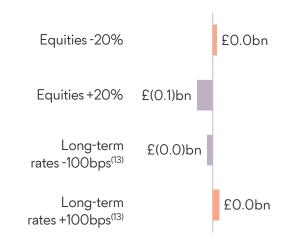
Reduced SCR on SII balance sheet

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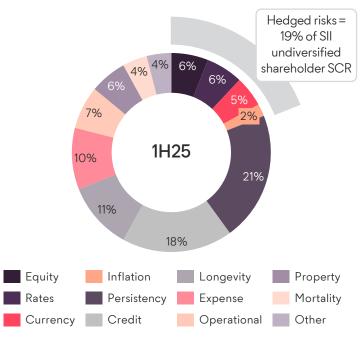
We hedge unrewarded market risks:

- Interest rates
- Inflation
- Currency
- Equity risk

### Low SII surplus sensitivities – 1H25



### SII undiversified shareholder SCR<sup>†</sup>

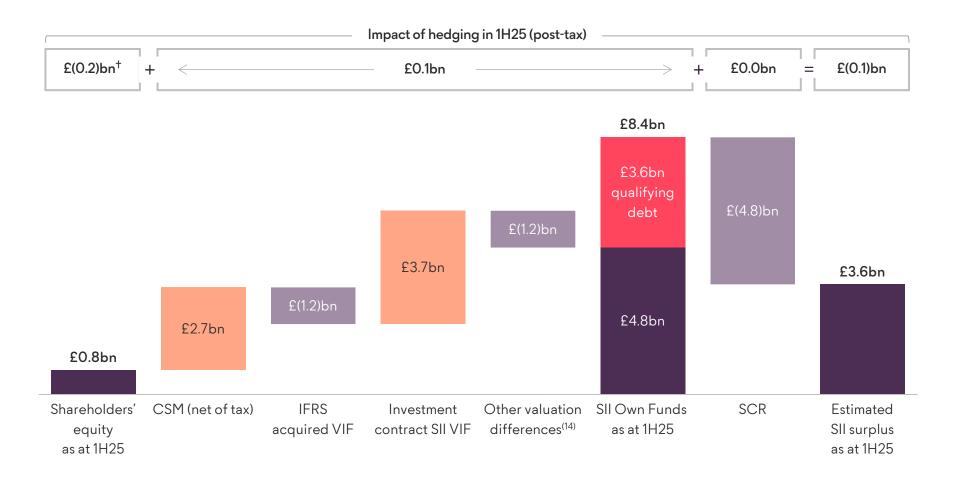


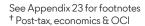
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Split of SCR includes allowance for diversification within each risk category



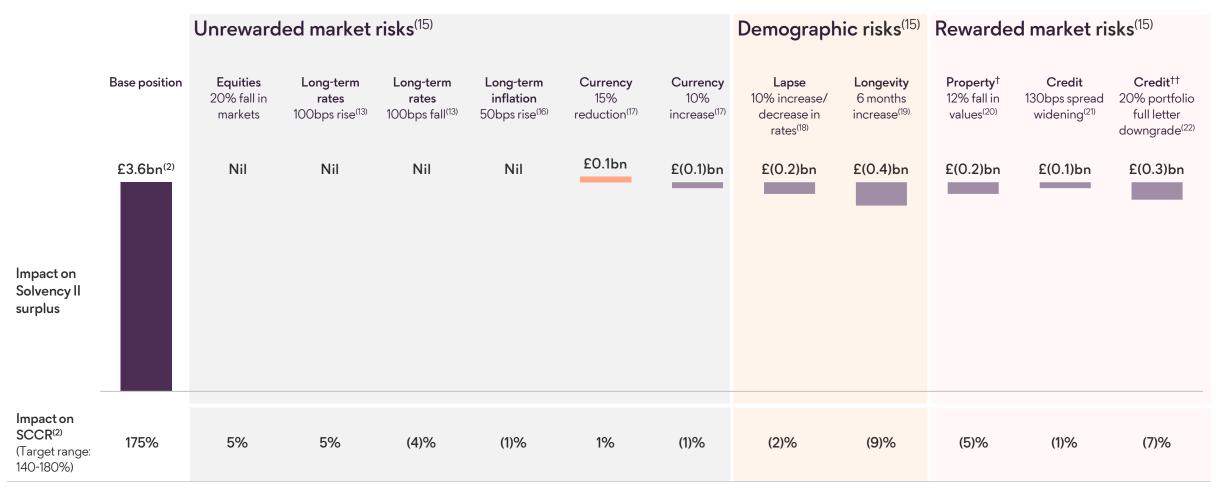
# Appendix 7: IFRS shareholders' equity to Solvency II surplus bridge







# Appendix 8: PGH Solvency II Shareholder Capital Coverage Ratio sensitivities



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>++</sup> Downgrade sensitivity includes an estimate for realistic management actions



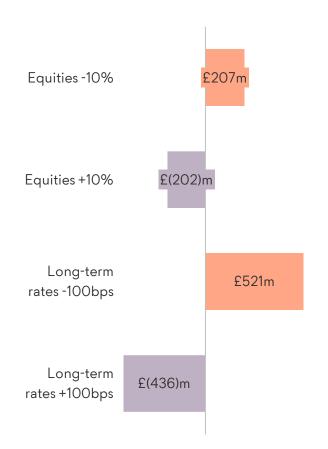
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Property lending includes ERM and Commercial Real Estate

# Appendix 9: IFRS sensitivities

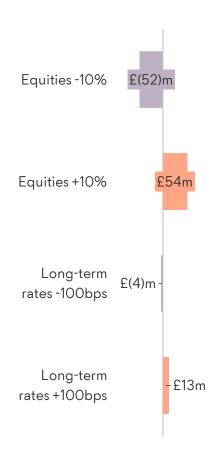




### Post-tax P&L impact



### **CSM** impact





# Appendix 10: With-Profits simplification programme

### Context

c.£35bn AUA in With-Profits segment

22 With-Profits funds, of which 12 operated on a 90/10 basis

### Scope

- Initiated a 2-year programme covering 12 With-Profits funds
- Agree buyout of 90/10 With-Profits funds
- c.£0.7bn<sup>†</sup> of future shareholder transfers

### Benefits Outcome

✓ Non-recurring management action benefits

• 1h

- 1H25: c.£50m non-RMA benefit from 1 fund
- Total of c.£0.15bn non-RMAs benefit from 12 funds over the next two years

Distributable profits and liquidity benefits



• Acceleration of future shareholder transfers

Reduction in shareholder equity exposure and associated hedging

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• c.10% reduction in group equity hedging

• Reduced IFRS sensitivity to equity movements

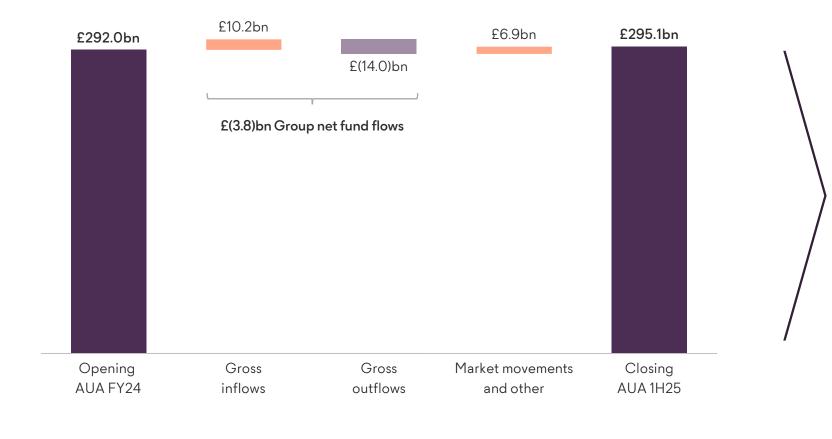
Fairness ensured through reviews by With-Profits Actuary, Independent Actuary, Life Board and Regulators

<sup>†</sup> Gross of tax recognised on the Solvency II balance sheet. This does not include a further c.£0.2bn gross of tax share of the estate

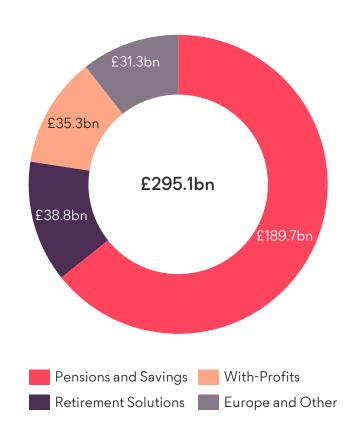


# Appendix 11: Movement in assets under administration

### Movement in AUA from 1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025

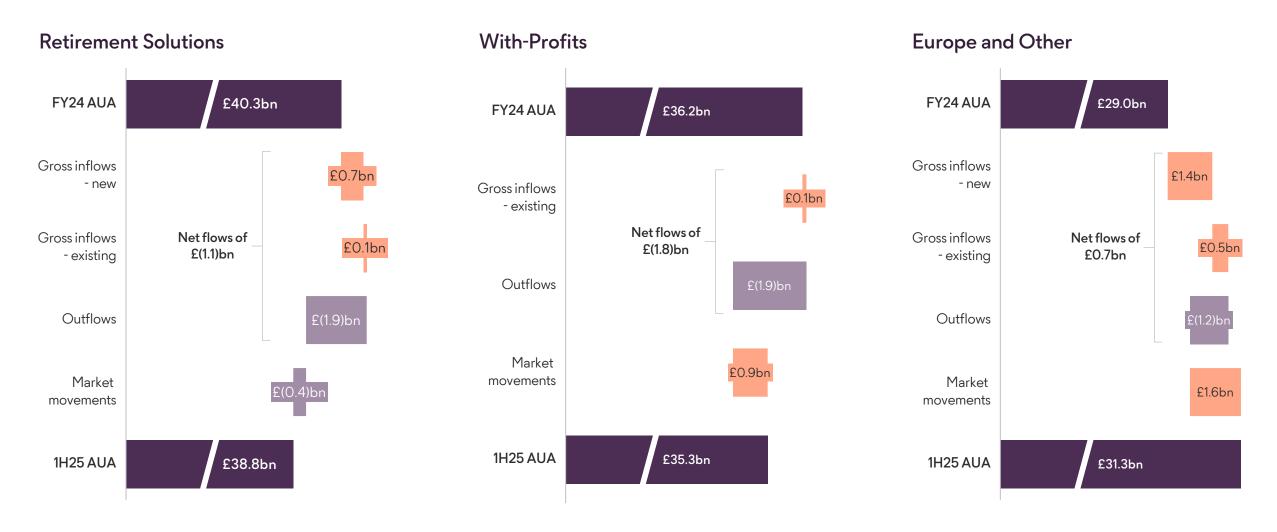


### Split by segment





# Appendix 12: Movement in assets under administration by segment



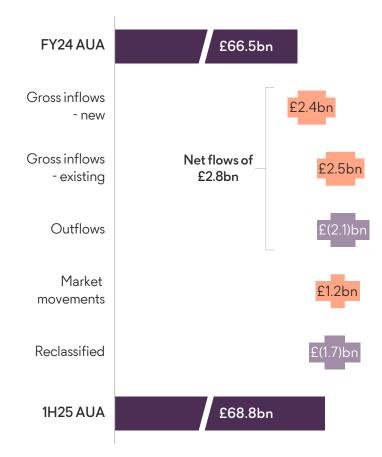


# Appendix 13: Movement in assets under administration by segment (Pensions and Savings)





### Pensions and Savings - Workplace



### Pensions and Savings - Retail

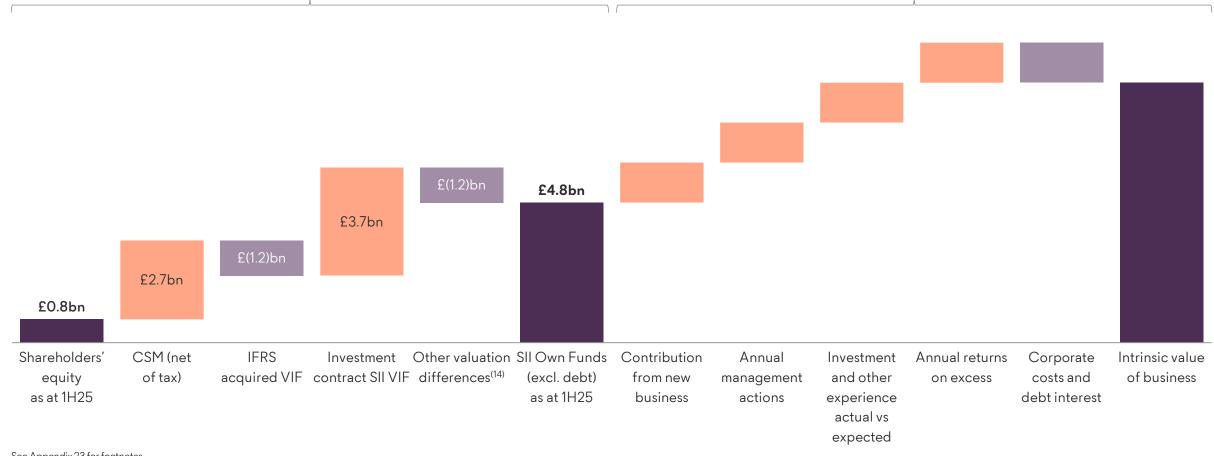


 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger} \, \text{Estimated c.} 50\% \, \text{of gross outflows relate to customers taking income or accessing products for retirement income, with external transfers as the remainder} \, \\$ 



# Appendix 14: IFRS shareholders' equity, to Solvency II Own Funds, to intrinsic value walk

Illustrative view of sources of future value (not to scale) IFRS shareholders' equity to SII Own Funds (excl. debt)



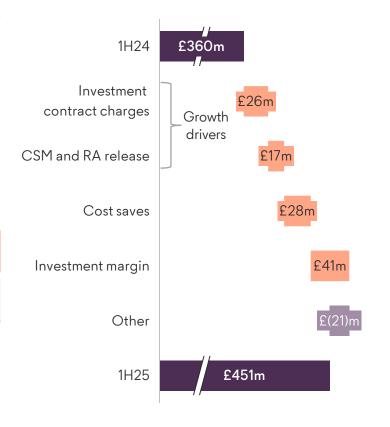
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# Appendix 15: 1H25 IFRS adjusted operating profit drivers

|                                     | CSM release | Risk<br>adjustment<br>release | Operating<br>profit<br>on investment<br>contracts <sup>†</sup> | Expected investment margin | Non-<br>economic<br>experience<br>variances | Non-<br>attributable<br>expenses | Other | Total<br>operating<br>profit |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|
| Pensions and<br>Savings             | £16m        | £5m                           | £180m  | -                          | £(5)m                                       | £(23)m                           | £6m   | £179m                        |
| Retirement<br>Solutions             | £91m        | £14m                          | -  | £201m                      | £(7)m                                       | £(14)m                           | £1m   | £286m                        |
| Europe and Other                    | £18m        | £9m                           | £(7)m  | £33m                       | £(14)m                                      | £(5)m                            | £7m   | £41m                         |
| With-Profits                        | £8m         | -                             | £(4)m  | £3m                        | £(6)m                                       | -                                | £3m   | £4m                          |
| Corporate Centre                    | -           | -                             | -  | -                          | -   | £(80)m                           | £21m  | £(59)m                       |
| IFRS adjusted operating profit      | £133m       | £28m                          | £169m  | £237m                      | £(32)m                                      | £(122)m                          | £38m  | £451m                        |
| 1H24 IFRS adjusted operating profit | £126m       | £18m                          | £148m  | £196m                      | £(10)m                                      | £(155)m                          | £37m  | £360m                        |

# Drivers of overall improvement in 1H25 IFRS adjusted operating profit



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Operating earnings

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>++</sup>Operating earnings per share is calculated using adjusted operating profit less financing costs, after tax divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period



per share<sup>††</sup>

 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger}$  Operating profit on investment contract charges £475m (1H24: £449m) net of investment contract expenses of £306m (1H24: £301m)

# Appendix 16: Pensions and Savings IFRS adjusted operating profit analysis

|   | 1H25     | 1H24 <sup>†</sup> | 2H24     | 2024     |
|---|----------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| CSM and RA release                              | £21m     | £18m              | £27m     | £45m     |
| Other insurance items                           | £(5)m    | £(2)m             | £11m     | £9m      |
| Insurance result                                | £16m     | £16m              | £38m     | £54m     |
| Investment contract charges                     | £429m    | £405m             | £463m    | £868m    |
| Investment contract expenses                    | £(249)m  | £(247)m           | £(272)m  | £(519)m  |
| Investment result                               | £180m    | £158m             | £191m    | £349m    |
| Non-attributable expenses                       | £(23)m   | £(32)m            | £(56)m   | £(88)m   |
| Other non-insurance items                       | £6m      | £7m               | £(6)m    | £1m      |
| IFRS adjusted operating profit                  | £179m    | £149m             | £167m    | £316m    |
| Average AUA                                     | £187.9bn | £178.9bn          | £185.9bn | £182.3bn |
| IFRS adjusted operating margin (annualised) bps | 19bps    | 17bps             | 18bps    | 17bps    |

- Insurance result benefits from higher CSM and RA, offset by other items
- Investment result benefits from higher charges driven by increase in average AUA
- Overall adjusted operating profit margin of 19bps reflecting scale benefit and operating leverage

<sup>†</sup> Investment contract charges in 1H24 did not include £15 million in relation to a block of business which was recognised outside of the investment result. This was corrected in FY24 and therefore 2H24 includes £15 million of investment contract charges related to 1H24.



# Appendix 17: Retirement Solutions IFRS adjusted operating profit analysis

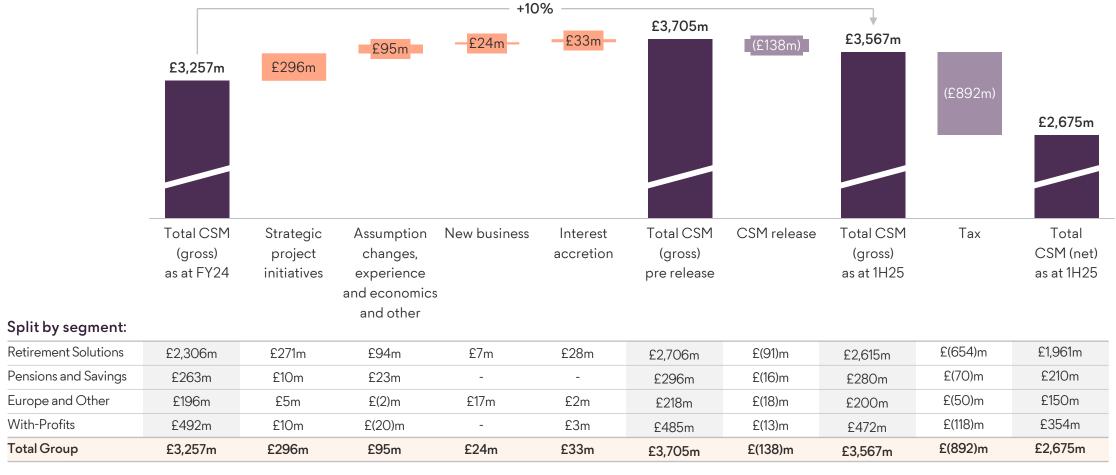
|  | 1H25    | 1H24    | 2H24    | 2024    |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| CSM release  | £91m    | £73m    | £77m    | £150m   |
| RA release   | £14m    | £10m    | £14m    | £24m    |
| Expected investment margin                         | £88m    | £110m   | £102m   | £212m   |
| Trading profit                                     | £113m   | £44m    | £110m   | £154m   |
| Other insurance items                              | £(7)m   | £3m     | £(14)m  | £(11)m  |
| Insurance result                                   | £299m   | £240m   | £289m   | £529m   |
| Non-attributable expenses                          | £(14)m  | £(30)m  | £(30)m  | £(60)m  |
| Other items  | £1m     | -       | £5m     | £5m     |
| IFRS adjusted operating profit                     | £286m   | £210m   | £264m   | £474m   |
| Surplus assets                                     | £2.0bn  | £3.0bn  | £3.0bn  | £3.0bn  |
| Long-term returns on SH funds                      | £53m    | £75m    | £74m    | £149m   |
| Returns from assets backing liabilities            | £35m    | £35m    | £28m    | £63m    |
| Expected investment return                         | £88m    | £110m   | £102m   | £212m   |
| Long-term return on SH funds                       | 5.3%    | 5.0%    | 4.9%    | 5.0%    |
| Closing CSM before amortisation                    | £2,706m | £2,338m | £2,456m | £2,456m |
| Rate of CSM release %                              | 7%      | 6%      | 6%      | 6%      |
| Average AUA  | £39.5bn | £38.6bn | £39.4bn | £39.0bn |
| IFRS adjusted operating profit margin (annualised) | 145bps  | 109bps  | 134bps  | 122bps  |

- Increase in CSM and RA release, reflecting growth in the annuity book and benefits from strategic actions
- Lower expected investment margin due to lower surplus assets, partly offset by higher asset returns
- Higher trading profits owing to portfolio management actions delivered in the period
- Cost savings contributing to margin improvement



# Appendix 18: Movement in Group Contractual Service Margin, including segmental split

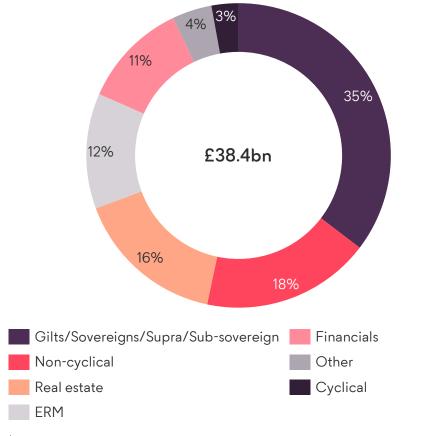
Movement of the Group CSM from 1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025





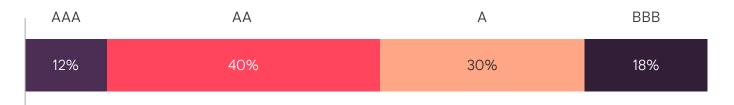
# Appendix 19: Shareholder credit portfolio

### Prudently positioned shareholder credit portfolio



 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger}$  <1% of the portfolio is BB and below

### Credit rating



✓ Shareholder credit assets are a small proportion of our c.£295bn balance sheet (c.13%)

/ Our prudent portfolio is c.100% investment grade<sup>†</sup>



# Appendix 20: Diversification of illiquid asset portfolio as at 30 June 2025

# Equity Release Mortgages £4.7 billion with AA rating

- Broad regional spread with average LTV of 32%
- Secured on property assets with average time to redemption 11 years

# Private Corporate Credit £3.5 billion with A-rating

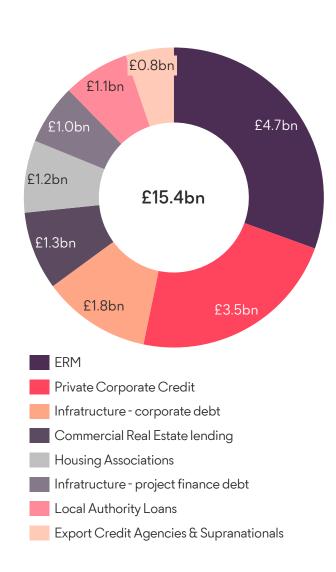
- Diversified portfolio with c.39% of exposure secured on variety of assets
- Loans across 55 different counterparties

### Infrastructure – corporate debt £1.8 billion with BBB+ rating

- Secured on cash flows from long-term contracts with highly rated counterparties
- 8% of portfolio backed by UK Government (directly or indirectly)

### Commercial Real Estate lending £1.3 billion with BBB+ rating

- Structured with robust covenant protection, a combination of loan-to-value and interest coverage ratio
- Average LTV for portfolio is 48%



### Housing Associations

£1.2 billion with A rating

- 100% of portfolio is secured on assets
- Average loan size of c.£21 million across 28 different counterparties

# Infrastructure – project finance debt £1.0 billion with BBB+ rating

- Secured on cash flows from long-term contracts with highly rated counterparties
- 58% of portfolio backed by UK Government (directly or indirectly)

# Local Authority Loans £1.1 billion with A+ rating

- Unsecured but with implicit Government support
- Loans across 36 different counterparties with average loan size of c.£24m

### Export Credit Agencies & Supranationals £0.8 billion with AA rating

- 61% of portfolio is Government-backed
- Loans across 11 different counterparties



# Appendix 21: ESG ratings and collaborations

### Strong ESG ratings

| Ratings agency           | FY24            | 1H25            | Change            |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| MSCI                     | AAA             | AAA             | $\leftrightarrow$ |
| Sustainalytics           | 18.5 / low risk | 18.6 / low risk | <b>↑</b>          |
| CDP                      | A-              | A-              | $\leftrightarrow$ |
| S&P Global ESG           | 62              | 65              | $\uparrow$        |
| ISS ESG corporate rating | C+ prime        | C+ prime        | $\leftrightarrow$ |

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### Collaborations and Commitments



























# Appendix 22: 2025 sustainability commitments

### **Key 2025 commitments**

### **ESG Theme: Planet**

We want to help shape a better future. This means delivering good outcomes for our customers, playing a key role in delivering a net zero economy by 2050 and understanding and taking action to manage our impact and dependency on nature.

- On track Launch Sustainability Disclosure Requirement labelled funds based on our climate-aligned indices and roll out equity climate aware benchmarks across the remaining regions
- On track Continue to implement our 3-year stewardship engagement programme and build alignment with asset manager partners on engagement objectives
- On track Progress our long-term ambition to invest up to £40bn in sustainable, transition or (UK-focused) productive assets<sup>†</sup>
- Evolve our default fund solution by delivering Sustainability Disclosure Requirement changes
- On track Continue our programme of thought leadership and advocacy, focusing on overcoming policy, regulatory and market barriers to unlock investment in climate solutions
- On track Develop and implement a programme to reduce our business travel emissions
- On track •
- Engage our Top 10 highest emitting suppliers to support their progress towards net zero by 2050

### **ESG Theme: People**

We want to help people live better longer lives. This means tackling the pensions savings gap and supporting people to have better financial futures through promoting financial wellness and the role of good work and skills.

- On track
- Shape thinking and influence retirement income adequacy through research and work with UK policy makers
- Continue to focus on increasing engagement and improving customer support at key moments on their journey to and through retirement
- On track
- Use consumer insights to develop and promote workable solutions to improve access to decision support as part of the Advice Guidance Boundary Review
- On track
- Deliver a Careers Can Change Summit to inspire and support midlife career mobility

<sup>†</sup>Our definition of sustainable and transition assets are set out in our Sustainable Finance Classification Framework for Private Markets. We align with the ABI Investment Delivery Forum's definition of productive assets: Contributing to the real economy, expanding productive capacity, or furthering sustainable growth



## Appendix 23: Footnotes

- 1. The Board will continue to prioritise the sustainability of our dividend over the long term. Future dividends and annual increases will be subject to the discretion of the Board, following assessment of longer-term affordability. At 31 December 2024, distributable reserves at Phoenix Group Holdings plc, the Group's holding company that pays dividends to shareholders, stood at £5,571 million (FY 2023: £4,632 million), supported by sizeable distributions from its main operating subsidiaries which continue to report under UK GAAP and carry significant distributable reserves. In 2024 the Group's main operating subsidiaries generated strong UK GAAP net profits after covering hedging, which supported the cash remittances to Group. In the consolidated IFRS financial statements, the Group is targeting a positive pre-hedge post-dividend IFRS net profit contribution to the IFRS shareholders' equity. The Group accepts the hedge-related volatility that impacts IFRS shareholders' equity, which is a known consequence of our Solvency II hedging strategy that is designed to protect our cash, capital and dividend. In this overall context and consistent with previous guidance, the Board considers that the Group's consolidated IFRS shareholders' equity is not a constraint to the payment of our dividends.
- 2. The Shareholder Capital Coverage Ratio excludes Solvency II Own Funds and Solvency Capital Requirements of unsupported With-Profit funds and unsupported pension schemes.
- 3. Solvency II leverage ratio calculation = debt (all debt including RT1) / SII regulatory Own Funds. Ratio allows for currency hedges over foreign currency denominated debt.
- 4. NMG, The 2024 Purple Book, and publicly available company financial disclosures.
- 5. Company estimate based on 2024 Broadridge Workplace Provider Benchmarking Report.
- 6. Company estimate based on internal analysis of latest market data.
- 7. Company estimate based on FY24 financial disclosures.
- 8. Company estimate based on 2024 LCP pension risk transfer report.
- 9. Fundscape 1Q24-3Q24, financial disclosures.
- 10. Top-5 player BPA, 3-year average ranking based on BPA annuity volumes, 2024 LCP pension risk transfer report annual market flows p.a. Individual Annuities market share; internal estimate based on publicly available information.
- 11. New business strain principally reflects capital invested into annuities.



## Appendix 23: Footnotes (continued)

- 12. In the 2024 Annual Report and Accounts, the Group identified material corrections to previously reported results, leading to a restatement of retained earnings and other receivables of £74 million in the balances as at 1 January 2024. Consequently, retained earnings in the condensed statement of consolidated changes in equity for the half year ended 30 June 2024 have been restated by £74 million. Further information on this restatement can be found in note 1 to the 2025 Interim Financial Report.
- 13. Assumes the impact of a mechanical recalculation of transitional items and an element of dynamic hedging which is performed on a continuous basis to minimise exposure to the interaction of rates with other correlated risks including longevity.
- 14. Other valuation differences include removal of other intangibles such as goodwill and deferred acquisition costs from IFRS (£0.3 billion decrease), differences in technical provision measurement including discount rates and allowance for risk (including TMTP) totalling (£0.9 billion decrease), valuation of debt (£0.2 billion increase), pension scheme availability restrictions (£0.3 billion decrease) and other items including the tax on the valuation differences (£0.4 billion increase).
- 15. Illustrative impacts assume changing one assumption on 1 July 2025, while keeping others unchanged, and that there is no market recovery. They should not be used to predict the impact of future events as this will not fully capture the impact of economic or business changes. Given recent volatile markets, we caution against extrapolating results as exposures are not all linear.
- 16. Rise in inflation: 15yr inflation +50bps.
- 17. A 15% weakening/10% strengthening of GBP exchange rates against other currencies.
- 18. Assumes most onerous impact of a 10% increase/decrease in lapse rates across different product groups.
- 19. Only applied to the annuity portfolio.
- 20. Property stress represents an overall average fall in property values of 12%.
- 21. Credit stress varies by rating and term and is equivalent to an average 130bps spread widening. It assumes the impact of a mechanical recalculation of transitional items and makes no allowance for the cost of defaults/downgrades.
- 22. Impact of an immediate full letter downgrade across 20% of the shareholder exposure to the bond portfolio (e.g. from AAA to AA, AA to A, etc). This sensitivity assumes management actions are taken to rebalance the annuity portfolio back to the original average credit rating and makes no allowance for the spread widening which would be associated with a downgrade.

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