

# PENDRAGON GROUP STRATEGY INVESTOR PRESENTATION

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### Introduction

Pendragon announces its vision and associated strategy to:

# "Transform automotive retail through digital innovation and operational excellence"

- The strategy is underpinned by a comprehensive review of both external market dynamics and business performance by individual division
- There is a **strong case for change** and a **significant opportunity for upside** in profitability. The Group is well positioned to deliver transformational performance
- Three strategic priorities for growth have been identified:
  - 1. Unlock value in the franchised UK motor division
  - 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood
  - 3. Disrupt standalone used cars
- Roadmap to deliver target underlying PBT of c.£85 90m by 2025
- This plan restores the Group to sustainable profit growth and delivers attractive returns for stakeholders

# Leadership team & Board: Now stabilised, providing highly valuable skills and experience

#### **Executive Board**



#### **Bill Berman, CEO & Interim Chairman**

- Executive leadership of the Board. Driver of Group strategy and development
- Previously President and COO of AutoNation, the largest automotive retailer in the US
- 30+ years of automotive experience



#### Mark Willis, CFO

- 20+ years experience of accounting, finance and investor relations
- Previously CFO at Ten Entertainment Group which Mark took to successful IPO in 2017
- Prior to this, HRG PLC in roles as Argos FD and Group Finance and IR Director



#### Martin Casha, COO

- Following a successful career with Pendragon, Martin was appointed COO in 2001
- Strategic advisor to the Board and day-to-day management of the Group
- 30+ years of operational leadership

#### **Non-Executive Directors**



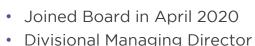
Mike Wright



at SSE PLC

**Nikki Flanders** 

- Joined Board in May 2018
- Retired from JLR in 2016 after 40 years in the sector
- Portfolio of NED, chair and advisory roles



 Previously COO of Opus Energy



**Dietmar Exler** 



**Brian Small** 

- Joined Board in April 2020
- Currently COO of AMB Sports & Entertainment
- Previously CEO of MB USA & region head for NAFTA
- Joined Board in Dec 2019
- Previously CFO at JD Sports from 2004 to 2018
- NED at Boohoo.com and Mothercare PLC

## Agenda

1. Division overview & outlook
2. COVID-19
3. Group strategy
4. Financial targets
5. Summary

## Division overview & outlook

### **Franchised UK Motor**

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(e.g., Stratstone / Evans Halshaw)

# Overview

New, and OEM approved used, vehicle sales and aftersales. Partners for 20 OEM brands across the UK



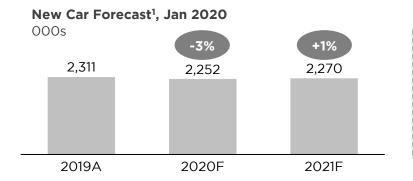
- c.215k vehicles sold in FY19
- c.150 retail points
- c.875k labour hours sold in FY19

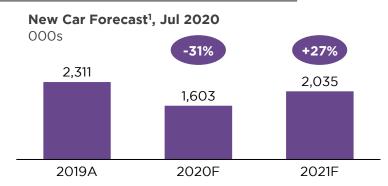


- Historically stable and consistent financial returns
- Strong cash generation
- Supply source for standalone used cars

#### Outlook

#### 'V-Shaped' recovery in new vehicle sales is forecast





Longer term structural drivers are positive for the sector



### Shift to personal transport

- Reluctance to use public transport following the COVID-19 crisis is expected to lead to a rise in demand for personal transportation
- Initial pick up in demand seen as a result of this, in both new and used vehicles



### **Environmental** concerns

- Rising environmental concerns has led to motorists seeking more fuel-efficient vehicles
- Government schemes in place to support new alternative fuel vehicle sales (e.g., Plug-In Car Grants)



### Long term reduction in oil prices

- Fuel is a significant running cost, and a price reduction improves vehicle affordability
- Estimates for future Brent crude prices have been reduced as prices are anticipated to reach \$60 per barrel by 2022<sup>2</sup>



### Shift to digital channels

- COVID-19 has accelerated the shift in sales across many industries to online
- Prior to COVID-19 UK online retail was growing at 3x in-store sales<sup>3</sup>, this presents many opportunities for dealerships

### Standalone used cars

## Standalone used cars



Currently operating under the Car Store banner, digitally-led used vehicle sales to UK consumers



- Business unit was right-sized in 2019
- Significant digital potential
- Potential to scale, addressable market of c.3m sales p.a.



- Strategic freedom to operate
- Fragmented sector that is suitable for disruption
- Higher margin potential

#### Outlook

#### Used impact not likely to be as severe as new



#### **Relative cost**

 Less expensive form of transportation vs. new, actively encouraged by the Government



#### Supply

 Supply expected to be stable given peak new cars market 3 to 4 years ago and fleet de stocking by rental & leasing companies



#### **New finance**

 Access to financing for new cars could become tougher for consumers, leading people to switch to used cars

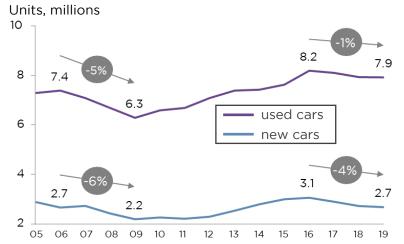


#### Strong start

 Used car prices have proved resilient, showing their largest monthly price rise for two years on Auto Trader, with values rising 4.6% in July

#### The UK is the most attractive used market, globally

#### UK Automotive Sales<sup>1</sup>, 2005 - 2019A



- The new car market has declined from its historical peaks, impacted by Brexit uncertainty
- Used market has also declined, but at a much reduced pace
- Used market is a large, highly-fragmented, market with a total of c.8m transactions p.a.
- c.3:1, used to new, market transaction ratio is the most attractive, globally

### **Pinewood**

#### **Pinewood**



Software business providing a dealer management system (DMS) to the Group and other UK / international customers<sup>1</sup>

Scale

- Integration with over 50 manufacturers
- Microsoft gold partner
- All in one DMS solution



- Sticky customer base
- >70% profit margin
- Enabler and accelerator of digital capability for Group

#### Outlook

#### Shift to omni-channel supports software growth

- As car dealerships shift to omni-channel propositions to meet consumer demands and trends, software, such as Pinewood, will become increasingly important and differentiate certain dealers
- The physical aspects of car buying remain important as 74% of consumers would not buy a car without speaking to a retailer, but an increasing number are performing more of the car acquisition process online
- Having an end-to-end DMS that can manage both the online and physical aspects of the transaction will be critical to dealers to meet consumer needs going forwards

## **Pendragon Vehicle Management**

Pendragon Vehicle Management (PVM)



Fleet and contract hire provider. Source of used vehicles for UK Motor / Used Car proposition

Scale

- Stable contribution, £13m in FY19
- FY19 fleet growth of 5.5%



- Leverages Group purchasing power to source vehicles
- Supply source for standalone used cars

#### Outlook

#### Medium-term prospects positive for leasing

- Enterprise leasing volumes are expected to grow at a CAGR of 4%<sup>1</sup>
- Technological advances have led to car rental and leasing prices becoming increasingly transparent and convenient
- Expected medium-term recovery in business confidence following COVID-19, coupled with deferred CapEx requirements, could lead to a medium term rise in demand for enterprise leasing options
- Change in Government policy has meant that electric cars are not taxed as a benefit-in-kind from 2020-21. This has encouraged industry players to move to electric vehicle purchases

# PVM: A stable, high-performing asset and will continue to contribute on a steady-state basis

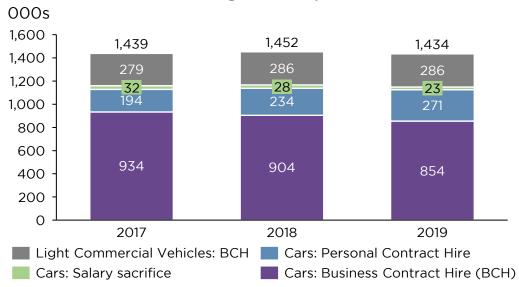
#### **Key Performance Indicators**

	2018	2019	Change
Revenue	£57.3m	£64.4m	+12.4%
Gross profit	£18.8m	£17.1m	-9.0%
Underlying operating profit	£14.8m	£12.8m	-13.5%

- A stable, high performing asset that will continue to contribute to the Group on a steady-state basis
- 2018 gross profit included the release of a provision in respect of loss-making disposals totalling £2.8m

#### **Market Headroom Opportunity**

#### UK New Vehicle Leasing Market<sup>1</sup>, 2017 - 2019



- Historically stable market that is forecast to grow at a CAGR of 4%<sup>2</sup>
- BCH principal driver of growth given new company car tax rates and support for hybrid / electric vehicles
- PVM only has c.1% market share at present

## The landscape

#### **Consumers**

- Seismic shifts in the adoption of new digital and low-touch activities during lockdown
- Before the pandemic, 36% of 2020 car buyers were open to buying online. Now it is 64%<sup>1</sup>
  - Digital & fulfilment experiences will be key battlegrounds going forwards

#### Market

- SMMT forecast V-shaped recovery in new vehicle sales but as yet unproven
- UK used market (at c.8m vehicles) is the most attractive market, globally
- Used market is performing well given relative cost and public transport / mobility health concerns



#### **Competitors**

- Highly fragmented sector. >12,500 dealers of which 50% stock <20 cars, 93% <100</li>
- Pendragon opportunity to use scale & technology unlock more margin in standalone used cars
- Sector is evolving to a digital future, but we are advantaged with Pinewood



#### Company

- Material aftersales, and finance & insurance, opportunities in Franchise UK Motor
- Existing journeys / functions need to be digitised to unlock value
- In addition to recent right-sizing (see next section), further cost opportunities / operational efficiencies are available

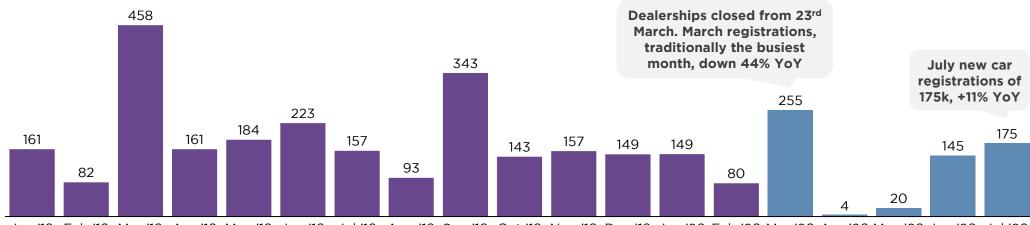
## COVID-19

## **COVID-19: Sector impact**

#### Impact of COVID-19 on UK automotive retail

- Social distancing measures and Government restrictions led to a closure of all retail sites on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, for Pendragon and all UK peers
- Cost cutting measures were implemented by many across the sector including making use of the Government's Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme, reducing CapEx, VAT deferrals and negotiating payment terms with OEMs
- New car registrations declined 44% YoY in March
- Since re-opening, market volumes have improved. New car registrations in July were 175k, up 11% YoY
- The total new market to the end of July is 42% down vs. the same period in 2019

## **UK New Car Registrations<sup>1</sup>, 2019 - 2020 YTD** 000s



Jan '19 Feb '19 Mar '19 Apr '19 May '19 Jun '19 Jul '19 Aug '19 Sep '19 Oct '19 Nov '19 Dec '19 Jan '20 Feb '20 Mar '20 Apr '20 May '20 Jun '20 Jul '20

Source: 1 - SMMT

## **COVID-19: Pendragon's response**

1. Protect cash position



2. Accelerate rightsizing intent



3. Advance digital & fulfilment capabilities



- Received UK government support: 85% of employees were furloughed; business rates holiday to 2021; VAT deferral
- OEM / funding partners provided stocking finance support
- c.200 senior leaders took an average 20% voluntary pay reduction
- CapEx reviewed and reduced
- 15 stores did not fit with the portfolio or had no path to sustainable profitability and will be closed. Closures will be by year end and c.400 roles impacted
- c.20% further roles removed given market impacts from the pandemic / workflow efficiencies gained
- Annual benefit from cost reduction of c.£37m
- Accelerated digital development and fulfilment capabilities given material shifts in consumption habits
- Online payment on evanshalshaw.com and stratstone.com enabled
- Home delivery flow implemented across all websites

## **Group strategy**

### **Our vision**

"Transform automotive retail through digital innovation and operational excellence"

## **Strategy**



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

## 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood



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

## 3. Disrupt standalone used cars



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

## 1. Unlock significant value in Franchised UK Motor (1/3)

1. Accelerate digital innovation

- Embed finance & insurance products across all digital channels by year end
- Develop a used vehicle acquisition and management platform to improve current part exchange / Sell Your Car journeys
- Utilise data and strength of Pinewood systems to build dynamic pricing capability in order to optimise margin
- Leverage online proposition to unlock further demand





## 1. Unlock significant value in Franchised UK Motor (2/3)

2. Drive operational excellence & best practice

- Improved vehicle preparation efficiency and salesforce effectiveness
- Digital capability and improved execution to drive finance and insurance penetration levels
- Significant aftersales and warranty potential from revised structure / focus, process execution and new products





## 1. Unlock significant value in Franchised UK Motor (3/3)

3. Operate from a lean and efficient cost base

- Restructured regional leadership team
- Store closures / efficiency gains resulting in 1,400 roles being removed, driving c.£37m annual benefit
- Further cost opportunities available to improve longterm profitability





## 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood (1/3)

1. Deliver material existing order pipeline

- Deliver existing orders over the next 18 months
- Growing scale in international user base
- Existing orders add c.80% to current international base and c.10% to total base





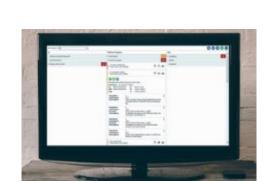
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 Existing orders unlock further opportunity with a) dealer groups and b) OEMs to be the single in-market **DMS** provider



- Conversations ongoing
- Significant growth potential in international users in next 3-5 years

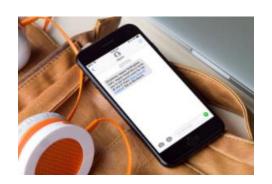


## 2. Grow and diversify Pinewood (3/3)

# 3. Digital product extension

- Deliver product extension (e.g., used platform)
  capability, via a cross-functional taskforce, to enable
  Pendragon
- Sell enhanced capability to existing / new Pinewood customers
- Explore enabling turn-key digital retail for others





## 3. Disrupt standalone used cars (1/3)

#### 1. Re-brand

 Existing branding not appropriate (i.e., Store) for a digitally-led proposition







## 3. Disrupt standalone used cars (2/3)

2. Differentiate the value proposition

- Determine revised customer proposition and operating model to underpin repositioned branding
- Clear operational separation of the business unit from all others in the UK, whilst benefitting from Group synergy
- Embed digital product extension from Pinewood





## 3. Disrupt standalone used cars (3/3)

3. Scale the physical estate

- Build an additional 8 physical locations, differentiated vs. today, over the period to 2024
- Gain further share of addressable market that totals c.3m vehicles p.a.
- CapEx per site of c.£7.5m. Phasing: 1 in 2021, 1, 2, 4





## Pendragon's advantages

Strategic pillars

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 & customer reach

- Advanced digital capabilities
- Control of the ecosystem
- Varied drivers of Group profitability & non-UK reliance
- Vertically integrated assets and capabilities
- No OEM dependency and associated flexibility
- Margin upside

### Milestones: An ambitious but achievable plan

#### 1. Unlock value in Franchised 2. Grow and diversify 3. Disrupt standalone **Pinewood UK Motor** used cars Complete right-sizing Hire change team & embed Deliver material existing order Conclude re-brand planning pipeline governance 2020 Optimise current estate **Enable digital F&I** Adjust team to support growth performance Revise guarantee pricing Plan product extension Rollout tactical changes & training Rollout re-brand Embed product extension (e.g., Deliver material existing order used platform) Embed product extension pipeline 2021 Rollout operational efficiency Define and launch revised value Geographic expansion projects (e.g., aftersales) proposition Deliver product extension Trial & rollout new propositions Launch 1 new site Geographic expansion Continuous improvement culture Launch a further 7 new sites 2022+ Deliver product extension KEY:

= underway

## **Financial targets**

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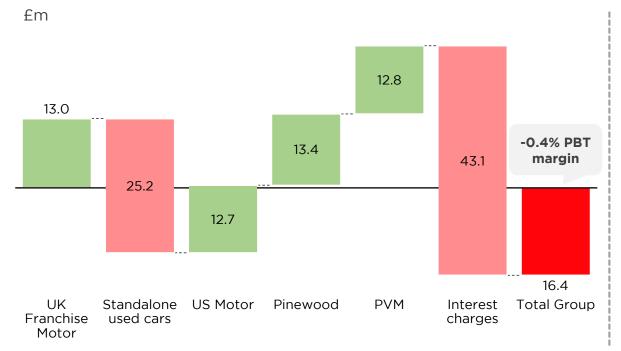
Transformative plan to restore and improve underlying profitability

Delivered from an improved cost base following FY20 restructuring

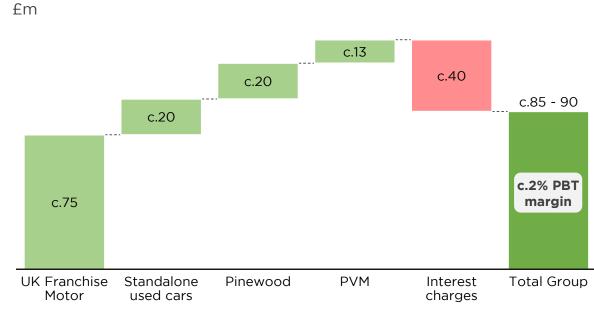
Targeting a c.2% underlying PBT margin by 2025

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

#### **PBT Performance, FY19 Actual**



#### **PBT Performance, FY25 Targets**



## Summary

## **Summary**

## Our strategy...

- We are well positioned with three strategic priorities for growth and transformation
  - 1. Material opportunity to unlock value in franchised UK motor by:
    - Accelerating digital innovation;
    - Driving operational excellence and best practice; and,
    - Cost control.
  - 2. Accelerate Pinewood's geographic expansion. Diversify into new products, initially for Pendragon, and then sell to the wider customer base
  - 3. Disrupt standalone used car sales in the UK by differentiating the customer experience and scaling the number of sites

## ...delivers

- Roadmap to deliver underlying PBT target of c.£85 £90m by 2025
- PBT margin target of c.2% by FY25
- Significant shareholder value creation

## **Appendix**

## **Appendix: DMS functionality**

