# **FY22 Preliminary Results**

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June 2022

# **FY22 Results**

#### A return to growth

#### **Customer growth**

- 10% growth, largely achieved in H2 ie 20% annualised
  - $\circ~$  All organic no participation in SOLR processes
- H2 net growth greater than previous 5 years combined

#### **Financial results**

- PBT: £61.9m ahead of consensus
- Dividend: 57p maintained

#### The UW disruptive business model is back in play

- Fundamental reset of energy retail markets
  - UW the best value, sustainable supplier in the UK
- Inflation and rising cost of living driving demand for what we offer
  - Savings on essential household bills
  - Additional income opportunity



#### 10% Customer growth... in H2 alone

# Nick Schoenfeld





# Profit & loss (£m)

	FY22	FY21	Variance
Revenue	967.4	861.2	12%
Gross Profit Gross margin	<b>188.5</b> 19.5%	<b>173.1</b> 20.1%	9%
Distribution expenses % of revenue	<b>(29.7)</b> 3.1%	<b>(27.8)</b> 3.2%	7%
Administrative expenses % of revenue	<b>(96.0)</b> 9.9%	<b>(88.0)</b> 10.2%	9%
Net interest & other income	(0.9)	(1.1)	
<b>Profit before tax</b> (pre amortisation & share incentive costs)	61.9	56.1	10%
EPS (pre amortisation & share incentive costs)	63.2p	57.4p	10%

Administrative expenses are shown including the charge for bad debts of £(11.6)m in FY22 and £(11.2)m in FY21.

Distribution and Administrative expenses, PBT and EPS are adjusted to exclude share incentive scheme charges (£1.0m in FY22, £1.4m in FY21).

Administrative expenses, PBT and EPS exclude the amortisation of the energy supply contract intangible asset (£11.2m in both FY22 and FY21).

In FY22 PBT and EPS also exclude: (i) the loss on the disposal of UWHS (£1.1m), (ii) the write-off of goodwill associated with the conditional disposal of Glow Green (£1.5m); and (iii) the profit on disposal of a freehold property (£0.6m).

# **Balance sheet (£m)**

	31 Mar 22	31 Mar 21	YoY Variance
Fixed Assets	34.5	43.4	(8.9)
Non-current assets	189.0	194.5	(5.5)
Net current assets	52.4	45.8	6.6
(Net Debt)	(70.3)	(71.4)	1.1
Total	205.6	212.4	(6.8)
Share capital	4.0	4.0	-
Share premium	147.1	145.1	2.0
Other reserves	(7.5)	(7.0)	(0.5)
Retained earnings	61.9	70.3	(8.4)
Total	205.6	212.4	(6.8)

# Cashflow (£m)

	FY22	FY21
EBITDA	73.7	66.4
Working capital movement	(10.4)	(12.5)
Taxation	(11.5)	(10.9)
Сарех	(9.9)	(10.0)
Interest & fees	(3.3)	(2.2)
Dividends	(44.8)	(44.7)
Other <sup>1)</sup>	7.3	1.8
(Increase) / decrease in net debt	1.1	(12.0)

1) Includes in FY22 the removal of the lease liabilities for the vans associated with the sale of UWHS and the disposal of a freehold property

### **Continued upward trend in dividends**



# Stuart Burnett CO-CEO





# A return to long-term, sustainable double-digit growth

### The energy market reset

The return of a rational, sustainable marketplace



# The cost of living squeeze

Growing demand for UW from customers and partners



### **Our business fundamentals**

Structural cost advantage from multi-service model

# The recent energy crisis

Only a handful of energy retail suppliers remain



### Energy market reset...

#### The return of a rational, sustainable marketplace

#### Market has now returned to pre-price war sustainability

- 7 year price war has ended and only c. 15 retail suppliers remain
- No more irrational pricing or unsustainable business models; remaining suppliers focussed on rebuilding balance sheets rather than investing in acquisition

• Ofgem has taken regulatory action to ensure long term market stability

- Financial resilience / stress tests
- Quarterly Price Cap
- Protection of credit balances
- UW is uniquely positioned to outcompete due to multi-service business model and structural cost advantage

#### UW's structural cost advantage



# Cost of living squeeze

#### **Growing demand for UW**

#### More people looking to save and earn through UW

- Price cap expected to hit £2,800 in October, with energy prices expected to stay "higher for longer"
- UW offering UK's best value energy, as well as highly competitive broadband, mobile and insurance products
- Simpler bundle proposition making multi-service more scalable
- Churn now at historic lows (around 3% pa) and set to stay low
- More people turning to UW due to squeezed household budgets
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Focus on simplifying opportunity so anyone can do it
  - Accelerate word of mouth recommendation and referrals

#### Customer churn set to remain well below historic levels



# Structurally self-reinforcing business model



Multi-service billing and customer service tech platform

# Scaling the business for 1m+ additional customers over the next 4-5 years



# Andrew Lindsay





# **Outlook - FY23**

### Very positive environment for continued growth

Energy market dynamics	<ul> <li>Further ~£800 price increase in Oct price cap review         <ul> <li>Energy prices will remain highly topical for the foreseeable future</li> </ul> </li> <li>Regulatory intervention to ensure supplier sustainability         <ul> <li>Low market appetite to compete for customers</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Rising cost of living driving demand	<ul> <li>We offer households savings on their homes services         <ul> <li>UK's best value energy supplier</li> </ul> </li> <li>We offer individuals an additional income as a UW Partner         <ul> <li>Recommending the UK's best value energy supplier</li> </ul> </li> <li>98 out of every 100 UK households is with another supplier</li> </ul>

FY23 Guidance		
Customer growth	Continuation of current trends ~ 20% organic growth	
РВТ	~ £75m	
Dividend	At least 65p	

# **Outlook - illustrative 5 year customer growth scenarios**

Targeting 1m+ additional customers over the next 4-5 years



# Supporting materials



# All your home services in one

750,000 households taking over 2m services



# UW at a glance - significant cash generative growth ahead

#### As at year end 31/3/2022

#### Growth

- 10% customer growth in H2 FY22
- 20% customer growth expected for FY23
- Rising cost of living is a near term stimulus for growth

#### Sustainable cost advantage

- Reset of retail energy markets has enabled our disruptive multiservice business model to thrive again
- Inherent cost advantage of having a single set of overheads but multiple revenue streams per customer

#### Customers

- Households supplied 728,000
- Services supplied 2.25m

#### FY22 financial highlights

•	Revenue	£967m
•	EBITDA	£74m
•	Adj PBT	£62m
•	Dividend yield	3.3%

#### **Historic P&L dynamics**

- Revenue split 80/20, energy/telco
- Gross profit split 50/50, energy/telco

#### **UK Markets**

- ~2.5% market share in both energy and telecoms
- Addressable market: £50bn+ revenues
- Significant opportunity to grow insurance business

# The UK's only multi-service provider



# Vast organic growth opportunity

2.5 % market share



# Why customers choose us

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# We make your essential home services simpler, easier and better value







#### **Savings**

The more services you take, the more you save Keep track of your household spend with one monthly bill

Simplicity

#### **Service**

Award winning UK-based customer service

# **Savings**

Long-term, fair pricing



Broadband



Pricing as at 13.06.22. Energy: dual fuel supply at the Ofgem standard domestic consumption profile.

Broadband comparison of fixed annual cost of our 40/10 Fibre against comparable tariffs from alternative providers, calculated as an average per year across 3 years, including introductory offers, activation charges, rental, and one calling feature.

# Simplicity

### One supplier. One bill.



### **Service**

#### Award-winning customer support



# Unique route to market

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# Word of mouth referrals

#### Trusted, personal recommendations of our business

#### Our community of 45,000+ Partners

- Self-employed, part-time brand advocates
- Role is simply to refer UW to potential customers
- Provides informal access to less-engaged consumers

#### Targeted acquisition of most desirable customers

- High multi-service penetration
- Owner-occupiers
- Stronger credit
- Above average customer demographic

#### Highly cost efficient and scalable customer acquisition model

- Success-only fees paid
- No 'above the line' advertising spend



# Our word of mouth route to market...

...is the key to maximising customer lifetime value





UW customer Savings Value above UK average



Churn calculated using Electricity supply points leaving us during each period.

Weighting relative to UK population: (% share of category within UW customers - % share of category within UK population as a whole) / % share of category within UK population as a whole. Source: CACI Ocean, 2022

# Our fundamental cost advantage

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### **Our fundamental cost advantage**

One set of overheads, multiple revenue streams



# Our sustainable, multi-service cost advantage

One set of overheads, multiple revenue streams



Indirect costs defined as SG&A, as per Big 6 Consolidated Segmental Statements for retail supply businesses alone (prepared annually for Ofgem). Other energy supplier / virtual telecoms supplier data from latest published report & accounts. TEP amortisation of intangible excluded.

# Key competitive advantages

The UK's only genuine multi-utility provider





# Multi-service customer proposition

Technology enabled, fully integrated multi-service proposition

# Word of mouth route to market

Our Partners: low cost, high quality, targeted customer acquisition



Sustainable relationships Complementary route to market

# **Supply agreements**

#### **Complementary route to market attractive to suppliers**

#### **Benefits to our suppliers**

- Our incremental revenues maximise their infrastructure ROI
- No marketing or customer service costs
- Access to a 'disengaged' segment that they can't reach
- Leveraging our lower operating cost model to gain market share

#### Upside of our growth outweighs cannibalisation risks, eg

- <1 in 6 UW new customers comes from Talk Talk...
- ... >5 in 6 UW new customers come from their competitors



# Sustained long-term organic growth

**Material uptick in FY22** 



**Services** 

2,265

**FY22** 

**FY21** 

2,074

2,023

**FY20** 

### **Historical financial performance**



# **Investment case**

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### **Our core investment case**

#### High-quality earnings, rapid organic growth and progressive dividends

#### UK's only multi-service supplier

- Unique customer proposition
  - Energy, Broadband, Mobile, Insurance
- Savings, Simplicity, Service
- 750,000 customers

#### **Differentiated route to market**

- Word of mouth delivering a high-quality customer base
  - Multi-service, loyal customers
  - Creditworthy customers
- Partner community a significant barrier to entry

#### Sustainable cost advantage

- Lower cost to serve multi-service customers
- Fundamental competitive advantage

#### Huge growth opportunity

- Current customer growth rate of 20% pa
- 2.5% share of a £50bn+ market

#### Straightforward 'virtual retail' business model

- No infrastructure investment required
- No capacity or technology risks

#### **Proven financial track record**

- Predictable earnings from supplying essential services
- Highly cash generative
- Progressive dividend policy

#### Management interests aligned with shareholders

• Significant Board ownership ~20%

# Benefits of a multi-service proposition

Multi-service customers on our lowest energy tariffs are most valuable



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