



# Interim Results 2011



*Pitcher & Piano, Newcastle*





- 1. Encouraging performance against challenging consumer backdrop**
  - Revenue and profit growth, margins broadly level
- 2. Focused and consistent growth strategy**
  - New-builds performing ahead of target
  - Continued roll out of Retail Agreement, performing in line with expectations
- 3. Interim dividend of 2.1p per share with improving cover**
- 4. Clearly defined growth plans**
  - Sustainable growth, improve ROC, reduce leverage



**Andrew Andrea**

**Finance Director**



## Financial summary

26 weeks	2011	2010	% change
Revenue	£317.9m	£309.2m	+2.8%
Operating Margin	20.9%	21.2%	(0.3)%
EBITDA	£86.8m	£85.5m	+1.5%
Operating Profit	£66.4m	£65.5m	+1.4%
Profit before tax*	£29.2m	£27.8m	+5.0%
Adjusted EPS*	4.1p	3.8p	+7.9%
Interim Dividend	2.1p	2.1p	Level
Dividend Cover	1.9x	1.8x	+0.1x

\* before exceptional items

**Revenue and profit growth, dividend cover improving**

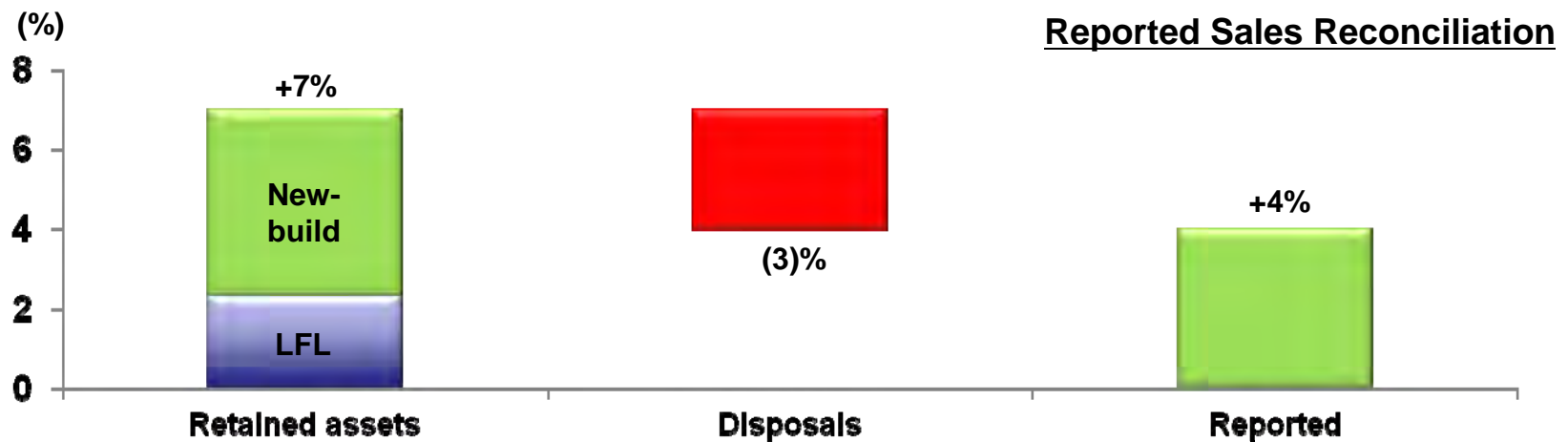


# Sales performance

## INNS AND TAVERNS

Like-for-like sales* % change	26 weeks to 2 April	32 weeks to 14 May	9 weeks to 14 May	Sales Mix
Drink	+1.5%	+2.7%	+5.4%	55%
Food	+4.7%	+5.0%	+5.6%	41%
<b>Total</b>	<b>+2.4%</b>	<b>+3.2%</b>	<b>+5.0%</b>	

\* Excludes any pubs acquired in last two years



**Improving sales trends, food mix increasing**





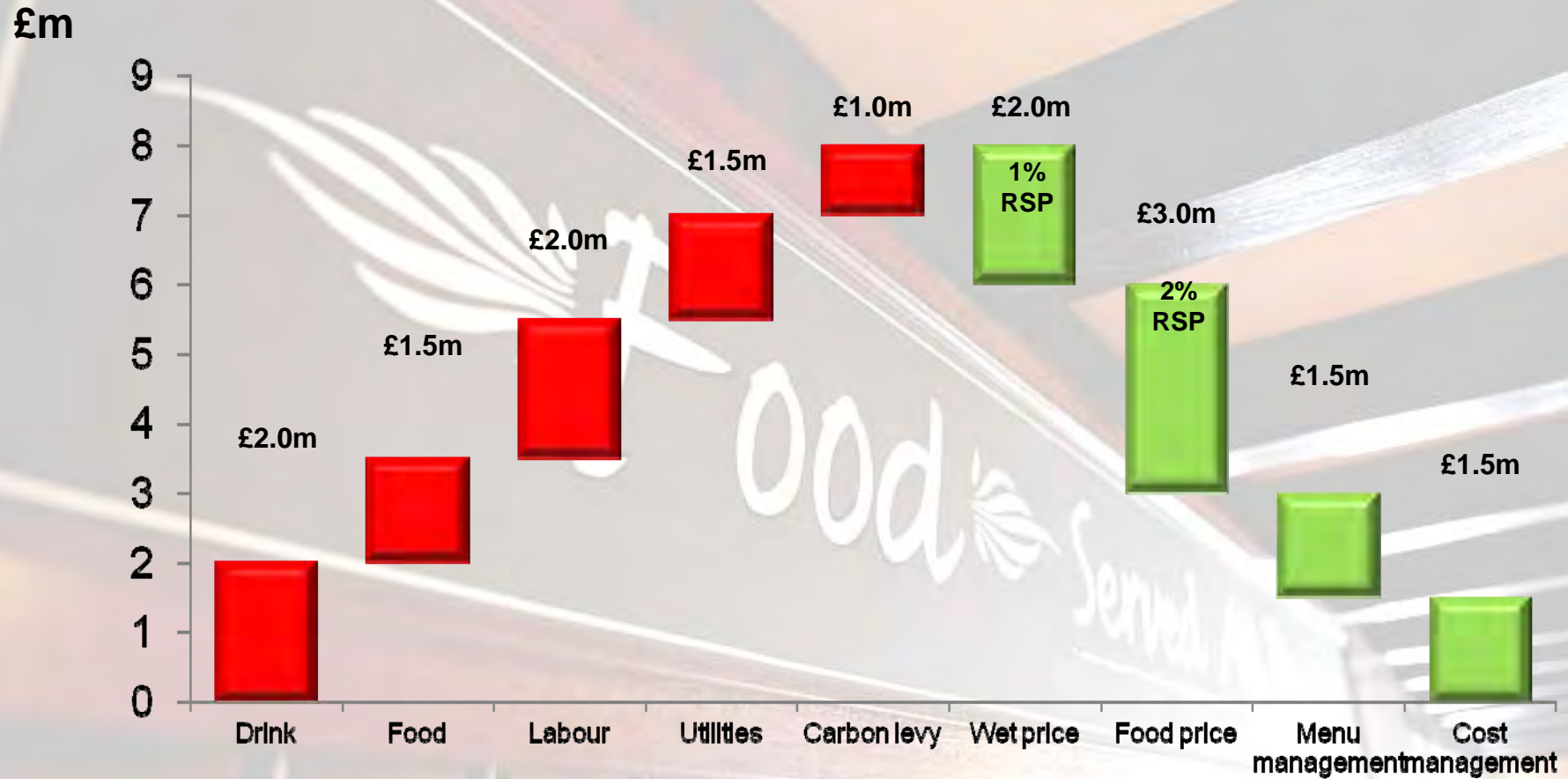
# Retail margin performance

**INNS AND TAVERNS**



**Continuing the improved margin performance**

## INNS AND TAVERNS



**Longer-term cost pressures will be mitigated**





# MPC segmented: 2011 performance

**PUB COMPANY**

	Long-term leases	Retail Agreement estate	Total
<b>No. of pubs</b>	c1,000	c600	c1,600
<b>Turnover</b>	+0.2%	+15.2%	+4.5%
<b>Rent</b>	+2.7%	n/a	
<b>Margin %</b>	+0.3%	(3.2)%	(1.9)%
<b>Profit</b>	£34.1m	£4.5m	£38.6m
<b>YOY EBIT %</b>	+0.8%	(3.3)%	+0.3%



**STABILITY**



**OPPORTUNITY**

**32 weeks to 14 May 2011: YTD EBIT growth of 0.4%**

## BEER COMPANY

### 1. Revenue performance

- Strong group ale sales
  - Group ale volumes up 4%
  - Premium cask ale up 4%, bottled ale up 15%
- Offset by:
  - Timing of Easter
  - Market driven decline in Free Trade lager sales; account distribution in growth

### 2. Improved margin and profit performance

- Margin increased by 0.5% due to lower lager mix
- Operating profit up 1.4%

### 3. 2012 cost outlook

- Circa £1.0m of cost inflation – primarily energy and barley
- Will be mitigated mainly through price and improved production/distribution efficiency



## Cashflow summary

£m	H1 2011	H1 2010	YOY	Comments
<b>Operating cashflow</b>	<b>79.0</b>	<b>81.3</b>	<b>(2.3)</b>	£10m higher tax payments
Net interest	(36.6)	(36.9)	0.3	
<b>Pre-investment FCF</b>	<b>42.4</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>(2.0)</b>	
Net capex*	(42.4)	(31.4)	(11.0)	New-build/Retail Agreements
<b>Pre-dividend FCF</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>(13.0)</b>	
Final dividend	(21.0)	(21.0)	-	
<b>Net cashflow</b>	<b>(21.0)</b>	<b>(8.0)</b>	<b>(13.0)</b>	

\* Includes disposal proceeds  
FCF = Free cashflow





## Financing structure

	£m	
Securitisation	1,050	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FCF cover: 1.5x vs covenant &gt;1.1x</li> <li>• EBITDA cover: 1.7x vs covenant &gt;1.5x</li> </ul>
Bank facility	111	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interest cover: 4.4x vs covenant &gt;3.0x</li> <li>• Debt to EBITDA: 1.9x vs covenant &lt;4.5x</li> </ul>
	1,161	• 100% at fixed rates
Net cash	(42)	
Debt issue costs	(14)	
<b>Net debt</b>	<b>1,105</b>	• Average cost of net debt c.6.9%

- No refinancing requirement until August 2013
- Flexibility to transfer profit between finance structures
- Objective to reduce leverage over next three years to 5x debt: EBITDA

## 1. Consistent and focused strategy driving sustainable growth

- Momentum in all three trading divisions, tenanted now in growth
- Strong margins despite inflationary pressures

## 2. Strong cashflows

- Net debt in line with last year despite additional capital investment

## 3. Financing

- Secure, stable and flexible finance structure
- Focus on reducing leverage over time



**Ralph Findlay**  
**Chief Executive**





Challenging environment requires growth strategy that is



- Appropriate and affordable
  - Clear and focused
- Controllable and consistent
  - Mitigates risk



# Clear divisional strategies

## STRATEGY

## KEY COMPONENTS

## OBJECTIVES



- 'F-Plan'
- New-build investment



Exploit and develop competitive advantage in pubs and brewing sectors



- Innovative agreements
- Greater control of retail offer



- Localness
- Premium ales



1. Sustainable growth
2. Lower gearing ratios
3. Increased ROC

## Pub standards

- pub-restaurants, NOT restaurants
- design: 'F-Plan' target customers
- driven by consumer research
- external space – gardens project
- consistent signage

## Quality

- menu/design/range
- portion size
- attractive 'specials' boards
- provenance, freshness
- ingredients specification
- standards audit

## Service

- table service extended
- structured in-house training
- effective labour scheduling
- on-line direct marketing
- social media
- 'Empathica' insight

## Price

- average food spend > £6
- economies of scale
- fixed price supply contracts
- menu flexibility
- targeted promotions

**Objective: premium standards, value prices**





# 'F- Plan' growth drivers

**Value**



**Service**



**Growth**

Main meal prices +1.5%

Maintained quality and portion size

Volumes +10%

Starters, desserts and coffee prices held

Extended table service and upselling

Starters +17%  
Desserts +12%  
Coffee +11%

Children's prices held

Family friendly

Children's meals +10%



- Average weekly turnover **+4%**
- Profit per pub **+5%**

**Great value and quality service drive profit growth and higher returns**





## Pub investment consistent with 'F-Plan'

*Wheatsheaf, Baslow*







## New-build performance

### INNS AND TAVERNS

	2009 target	Pre 2010 sites	Post 2010/11 sites
Turnover per week	£20k	£21k	£27k
<b>EBITDA conversion</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Food mix	55%	56%	64%
<b>Food spend per head</b>	<b>c.£6.00</b>	<b>c.£6.00</b>	<b>c.£6.50</b>
EBITDA ROC*	15%	17.1%	18.6%
<b>LFL sales</b>		<b>+2.8%</b>	

\*annualised pro-forma





# New-build pipeline

## INNS AND TAVERNS

### 2011 - 20 new pub-restaurants

Uttoxeter	Fakenham	Bishop Auckland
Huddersfield	Northwich	Derby
Trowbridge	Norwich	Peterborough
Mansfield	Wincanton	Amesbury
Southend	Hendon	Cambridge
Cardiff	Spennymoor	March
Crediton	Gloucester	



Golden Eagle, Mansfield

### Visibility and control of plans

- 2012: 25 sites identified
- 2013 – 2015: 25 sites per annum
- Retention of site-finding expertise

## MAT Performance on new-build sites: 47 sites 2005-Dec 2010

### North West

12 pubs  
AWT: £25.4k  
EBITDA ROI: 17.9%

### Wales

5 pubs  
AWT: £23.3k  
EBITDA ROI: 19.8%

### South West

6 pubs  
AWT: £23.0k  
EBITDA ROI: 16.3%



### North East

9 pubs  
AWT: £22.0k  
EBITDA ROI: 17.3%

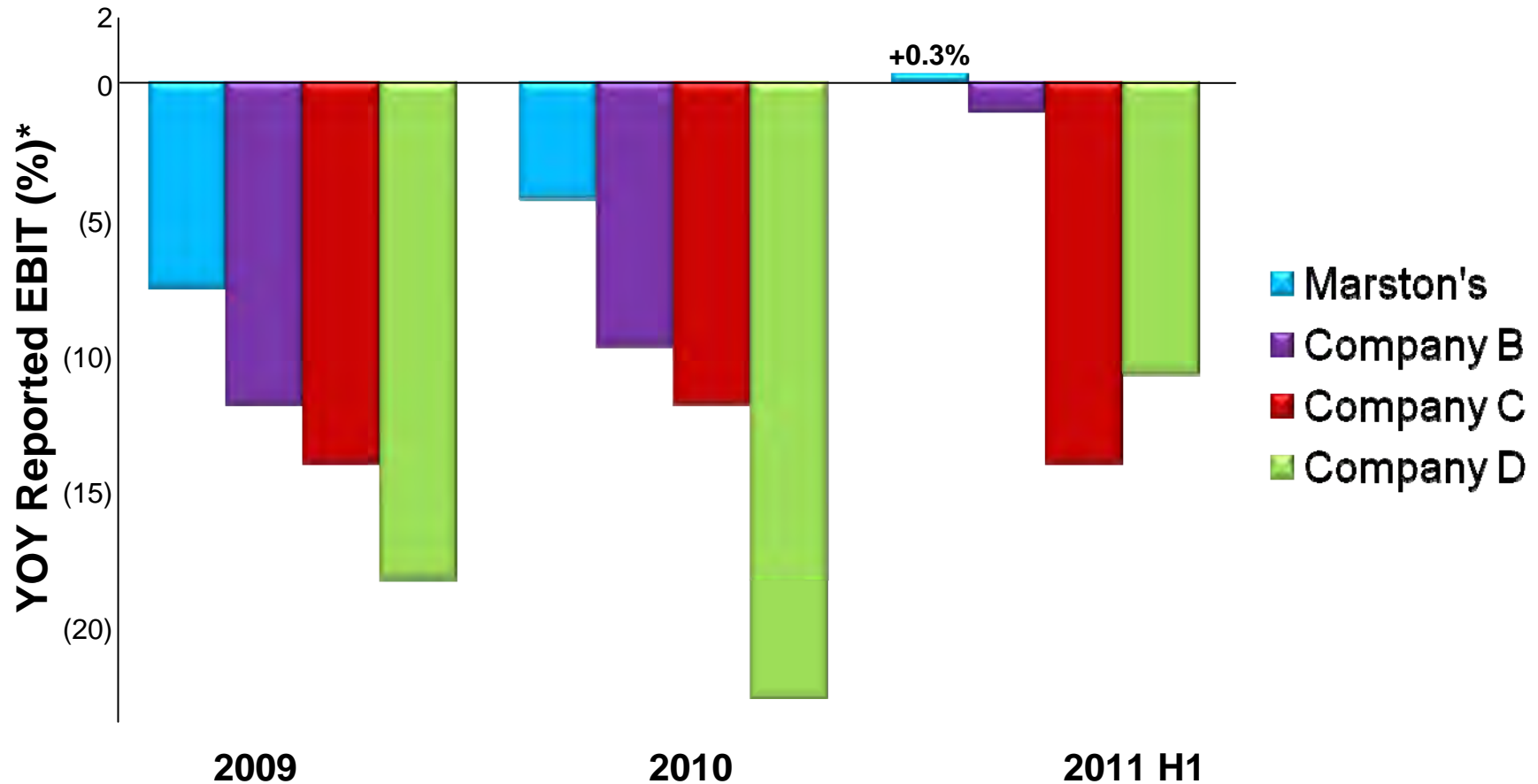
### South East

15 pubs  
AWT: £21.3k  
EBITDA ROI: 17.5%



# Three year profit performance

PUB COMPANY



\* Taken from latest peer group published results

**Best results in recession, 1st company to report return to absolute EBIT growth**

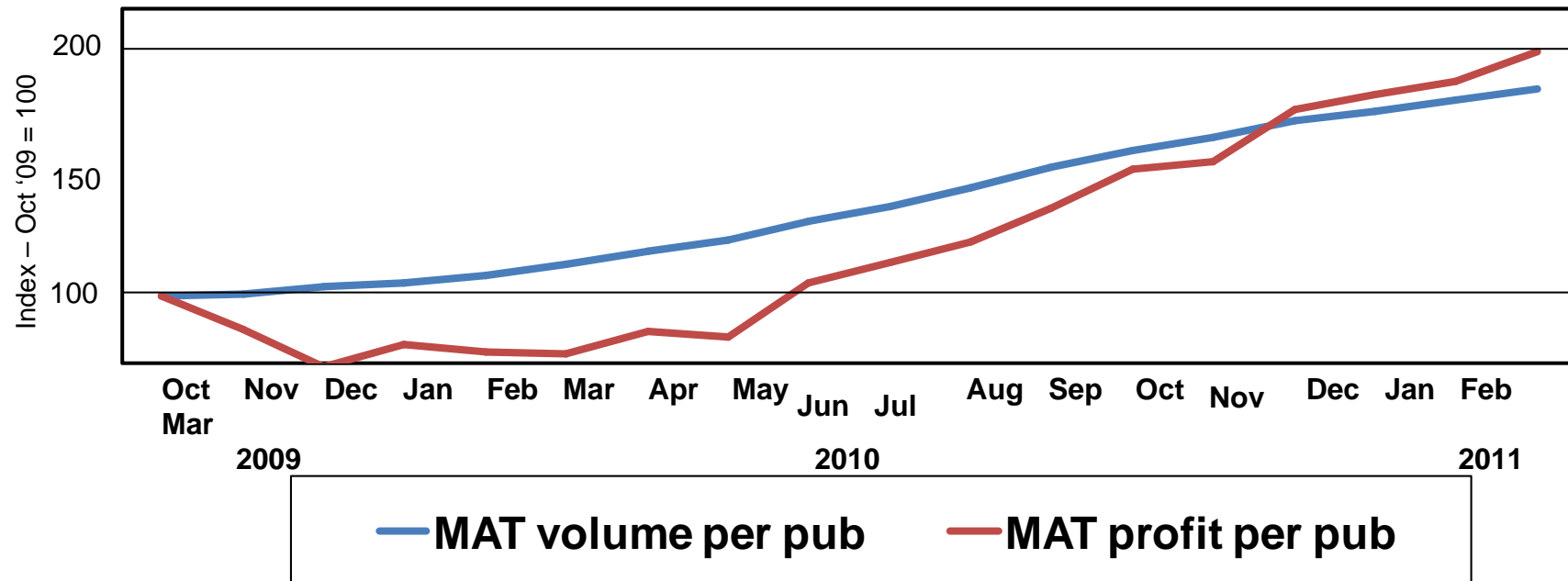




**PUB COMPANY**

# Retail Agreement performance

## 104 Retail Agreement sites at September 2010 LFL profit and volume performance



**Continuous improvement in established sites**



# Retail Agreement benefits

## PUB COMPANY

### 1. Higher number of applicants

- 3x higher than traditional tenancy
- Drawing from new markets
  - 30% from outside industry
- Seeking franchise accreditation

### 2. Higher retention

- Only one change from 104 sites in 2010
- Lower operating risk for licensee

### 3. Consistent consumer offer

- Well invested pub
- Value for money
- Managed house disciplines
- Visibility of trading

### 4. Industry recognition

- Publican “Tenanted Pub Company of the Year” 2011
- Blueprint for other operators to adopt the model



**1. Independent attitude survey: 132 responses (77%)\***

- Average score of 4 out of 5

**2. What attracted you to the agreement?**

- Open and clear explanation of the agreement from the outset
- Low risk and low cost of entry
- Agreement is the attraction, not just the pub
- Initial training investment

**3. How did you find out about the agreement?**

- 38% from Marston's website, 26% from recommendation

**4. What is your background?**

- 70% from the pub industry – half from outside Marston's
- 30% from outside the industry – finance to armed forces

**5. Are you happy in the agreement?**

- 85% making acceptable living or better
- Retailers see the agreement as running their own business
- Strong support from Marston's and their Area Manager
- 93% would recommend to others



\* Source: Elliott Marketing research April 2011



## 1. c.1,000 pubs will continue to be operated as leases

- Entrepreneurial operators
- Good licensee stability - retention in excess of 90%
- Adapted well to the challenges of recession  
- like managed pubs

## 2. Continued agreement flexibility

- Free trade pricing model
- Free of tie options available

## 3. Selective capital investment to drive growth

- Pub standards a priority
- Selective opportunities to change offer, market position



*Winner*



**BEER COMPANY**

## 'Localness' and 'Premium' add value

Own-brewed ale brand volumes +4%

### 1. 'Localness' – strong Free Trade performance

- 8% growth in independent free trade customers
- 6% growth in cask ale volumes
- 'Solution selling' adding value

### 2. 'Premium'

- Bottled ale market share up 1% to 26%\*
  - Hobgoblin up 10%
  - Ringwood up 12%
  - Marston's up 4%
- Premium cask ale market share up 1% to 24%\*



Source: BBPA



## **1. Encouraging performance**

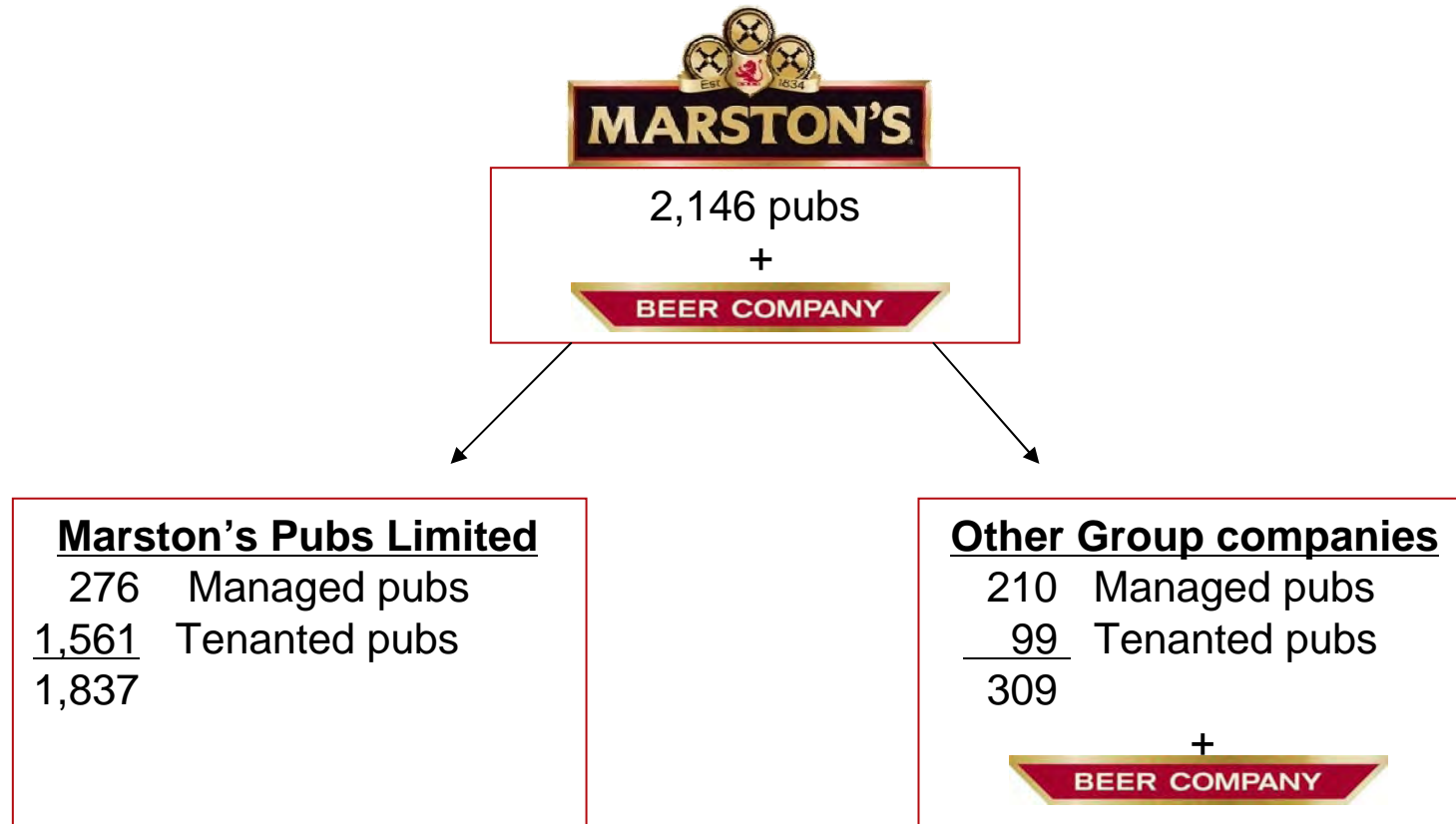
- Revenue growth assisted by new-builds and Retail Agreements
- Profit growth in all divisions; continuing in current trading
- EPS growth and increased dividend cover

## **2. Clear and focused strategy**





# Appendices





## Segmental analysis

<b>Turnover</b>
Marston's Inns and Taverns
Marston's Pub Company
Marston's Beer Company
Marston's Group Services
<b>Total</b>
<b>EBITDA</b>
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<b>Total</b>
Finance Costs
<b>Profit Before Tax</b>

2011 £m	Interim 2010 £m	%
181.7	175.4	3.6%
85.9	82.2	4.5%
50.3	51.6	(2.5%)
-	-	-
<b>317.9</b>	<b>309.2</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
36.5	35.3	3.4%
43.6	43.3	0.7%
11.6	11.5	0.9%
(4.9)	(4.6)	(6.5)%
<b>86.8</b>	<b>85.5</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
26.5	25.5	3.9%
38.6	38.5	0.3%
7.3	7.2	1.4%
(6.0)	(5.7)	(5.3)%
<b>66.4</b>	<b>65.5</b>	<b>1.4%</b>
14.6%	14.5%	0.1%
44.9%	46.8%	(1.9%)
14.5%	14.0%	0.5%
<b>20.9%</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>(0.3%)</b>
(37.2)	(37.7)	1.3%
<b>29.2</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>5.0%</b>

Average Number of Pubs:	Marston's Inns and Taverns	488	494
	Marston's Pub Company	1662	1682





**PUB COMPANY**

## Retail Agreement: target – 600 pubs

### 1. Target EBITDA uplift - £10k per pub (20% EBITDA ROC) p.a.

Cumulative	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Retail Agreements	100	300	500	600	600
Target profit uplift £m	1.0	1.5	3.5	5.3	6.0

### 2. Key objectives

- Increased consumer appeal and consistency of offer
- Increased market share
- Response to market trends – ‘F-Plan’
- Reduced overheads
- Reduction in % of income derived from traditional leased model



Average number of shares in 2011 568.9m

Number of shares in issue as at 2 April 2011 568.9m

Additional dilutive number of shares 5.0m

		<b>Forecast 2011</b>	<b>Forecast 2012</b>
Tax rate		c.21%	22 - 24%
Capex	Existing business	c.£45m	£40 – 45m
	Retail Agreements	c.£10m	c.£10m
	New-builds/sites	c.£45m	c.£50m
		<b>c.£100m</b>	<b>£100-105m</b>
Disposal proceeds		c.£15m	c.£15m



## Securitisation as at 2 April 2011

Securitisation results £m	Actual	
• Gross debt <sup>(1)</sup> outstanding as at 2 Apr 2011	1,050.2	
• EBITDA	131.3	
• Free cashflow (FCF)	114.2	
• Debt service (DSCR)	77.7	
Financial covenants	Actual	Covenant
• FCF : DSCR	1.5x	>1.1x <sup>(2)</sup>
• EBITDA : DSCR	1.7x	>1.5x <sup>(3)</sup>
• Net worth	£558.6m	£90m

<sup>(1)</sup>before debt issue costs

<sup>(2)</sup>restricted payment covenant >1.3x

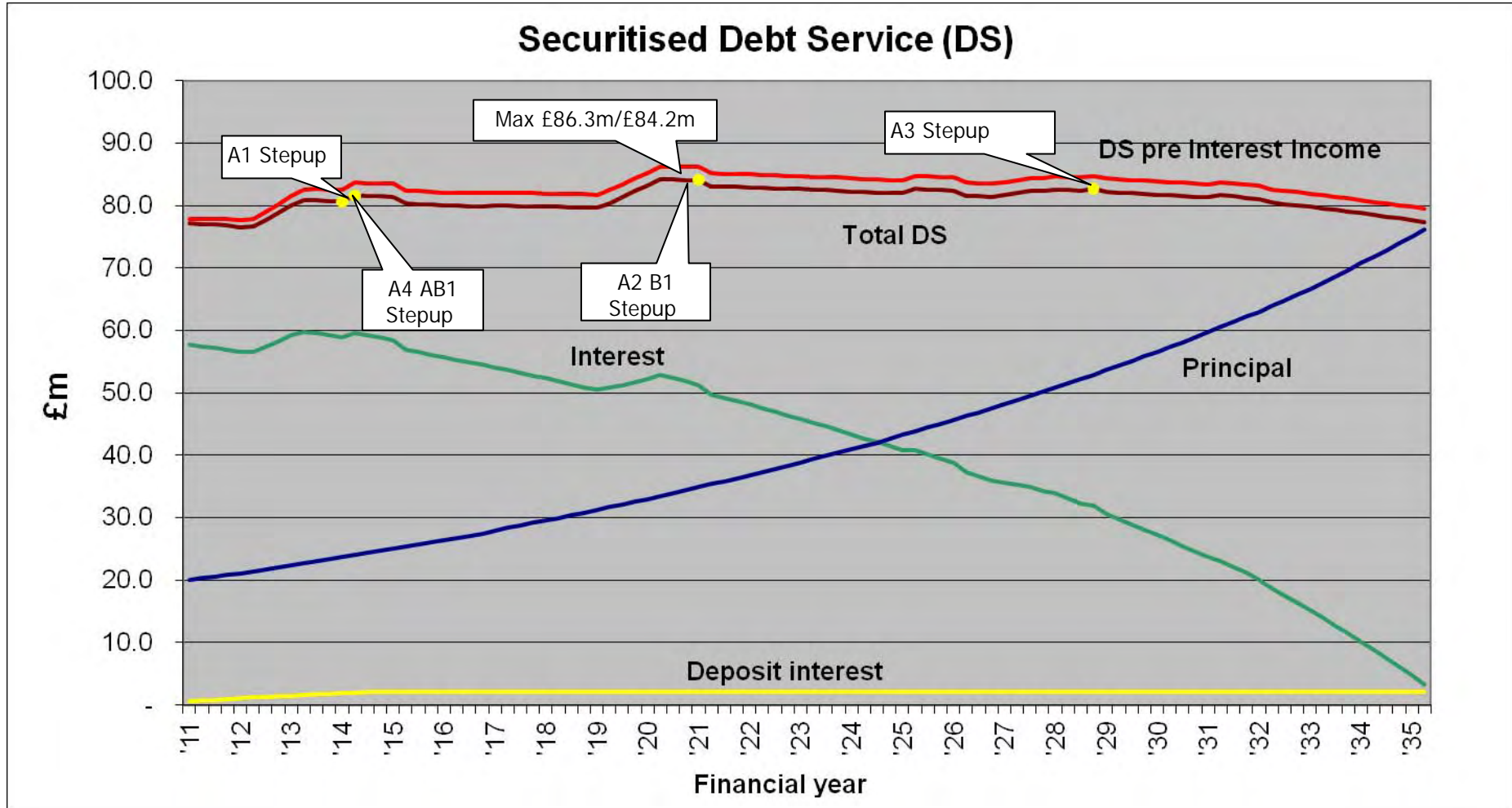
<sup>(3)</sup>restricted payment covenant only





## Securitisation debt profile

Tranche	Type	Principal outstanding at 2/4/2011	Step-up Date	Final Maturity Date
A1	Floating	£169.2m	July 2012	2020
A2	Fixed/Floating	£214.0m	July 2019	2027
A3	Fixed/Floating	£200.0m	April 2027	2032
A4	Floating	£232.0m	October 2012	2031
AB1	Floating	£80.0m	October 2012	2035
B	Fixed/Floating	£155.0m	July 2019	2035
<b>Total</b>		<b>£1,050.2m</b>		







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