

# Final Results

12 months ended 31 December 2019



# Highlights

“We have continued to deliver strong organic growth complimented by the impact of our recent acquisitions.”

# Highlights

## Strategic Highlights

Highly focused textile services business with increasing nationwide geographical coverage

- Fresh Linen acquisition increases HORECA coverage to the South East
- A number of customer contracts acquired in January and July 2019
- On 28 February 2020, we purchased a further number of contracts which will be transferred into our Shaftesbury site, adding an estimated annualised revenue of £1.6 million

Revenue up  
**9.2%**

## Investment Highlights

Continuing capital investment to increase production capacity, quality and efficiency

- Major investments completed across the business
- New hotel linen plant in Leeds on track for first half of 2020

Organic  
Growth  
**6.5%**

## Operational Highlights

Focused on maintaining customer service levels and investing in our employees

- Consistently high customer satisfaction rating, with our highest ever for Hotel Linen
- Customer retention levels remain high (circa 95%). Our largest customer, Premier Inn, has renewed
- Recognition of our investment in training and development through Princess Royal Training Award

Adj. PBT<sup>1</sup> up  
**13.4%**

Notes:

1. Before amortisation of intangible assets (excluding software amortisation) and exceptional items but including a £0.4m charge in relation to the adoption of IFRS 16, Leases

# Income Statement

	2019	2018	Increase
Revenue (£m)	350.6	321.1	9.2%
Adjusted operating profit (£m) <sup>1,2</sup>	52.8	46.0	14.8%
Adjusted operating margin (%) <sup>1,2</sup>	15.1	14.3	n/a
Exceptional items (£m)	-	(0.6)	n/a
Adjusted PBT (£m) <sup>1,3</sup>	48.2	42.5	13.4%
Adjusted EPS (p) <sup>1,3</sup>	10.5	9.3	12.9%
Number of shares used in EPS calc <sup>4</sup>	371.9	369.6	n/a
Dividend (p)	3.5	3.1	12.9%

## Notes:

1. Before amortisation of intangible assets (excluding software amortisation) and exceptional items but including the impact of IFRS 16 lease accounting and, in the case of earnings per share only, associated taxation
2. 2019 includes £1.1m benefit resulting from IFRS 16 lease accounting changes
3. 2019 includes £0.4m charge resulting from IFRS 16 lease accounting changes
4. Basic number of shares of 369.1m for 2019. Shares in issue at 28/02/20 was 369.8m

# IFRS 16 Impact

	Pre IFRS 16 at December 2019	Impact	Post IFRS 16 at December 2019
Revenue (£m)	350.6	-	350.6
Adjusted operating profit (£m) <sup>1</sup>	51.7	1.1	52.8
Adjusted operating margin (%) <sup>1</sup>	14.7	-	15.1
Finance costs (£m)	(3.1)	(1.5)	(4.6)
Adjusted PBT (£m) <sup>1</sup>	48.6	(0.4)	48.2
Adjusted EPS (p) <sup>1</sup>	10.4	-	10.5
Net debt (£m)	87.7	40.0	127.7

- Operating lease payments replaced with depreciation charge
- Finance cost associated with recognition of lease liabilities
- Right of use asset and lease liabilities recognised on balance sheet at 1 January 2019
- Bank covenants continue to be measured excluding impact of IFRS 16

Note:

1. Before amortisation of intangible assets (excluding software amortisation), exceptional items and, in the case of earnings per share only, associated taxation

# Cash Flow

£m	2019	2018
Adjusted operating profit	52.8	46.0
Depreciation and software amortisation	66.2	55.4
Working capital	2.7	(5.9)
Capital expenditure – fixed assets and software	(20.0)	(18.1)
– rental stocks (net)	(45.9)	(46.7)
– fixed asset proceeds	0.3	0.2
Interest	(4.6)	(3.5)
Tax	(9.3)	(7.8)
Dividends	(12.0)	(10.7)
Additional pension contributions	(1.9)	(1.9)
Other	0.3	0.6
<b>Net cash inflow</b>	<b>28.6</b>	<b>7.6</b>
Equity issue	0.6	0.7
Discontinued operations	(0.4)	(0.1)
Acquisitions / Disposals	(13.2)	(14.0)
Initial recognition of lease liabilities under IFRS 16	(37.2)	-
New lease liabilities	(7.7)	(1.3)
<b>Increase in Net Debt</b>	<b>(29.3)</b>	<b>(7.1)</b>
<b>NET DEBT</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>98.4</b>

# Other Financial Information

## Interest, Bank Facility & Hedging

### Interest

- Interest cost of £4.6m including £1.8m relating to lease liabilities (2018: £3.5m including £0.3m relating to lease liabilities)
- Reduction in notional pension interest cost to £0.1m (2018: £0.3m) reflects pension deficit at the start of 2019; expected charge for 2020 is £0.1m

### Bank Facility

- £135.0m RCF expiring August 2023
- RCF at LIBOR + applicable margin; average margin during 2019 was 1.625% (2018: 1.72%). The margin will be lower at 1.50% for at least Q1 2020

### Hedging

- Hedging arrangements for 2020:
  - £15.0m at 1.07% to Jan 2021
  - £15.0m at 1.144% to Jan 2022
  - £15.0m at 0.805% to Jan 2023

## Return on Capital Employed (ROCE)

- Marginal increase to 16.6% (17.4% excluding the impact of IFRS 16) (2018: 16.3%)
- Calculated as adjusted operating profit divided by the average of opening and closing Shareholders' equity, net debt (including lease liabilities under IFRS 16 for 2019) and post-employment benefit obligations

## Taxation

- Effective tax rate on adjusted profit before taxation<sup>1</sup> of 18.8% (2018: 18.9%)
- Benefits from prior year adjustments offset by the impact of expenses not deductible for tax

## Pensions

- Net pension deficit of £5.2m (Dec 2018: £3.0m)
- Increase due to the net impact of a decrease in discount rate and assumed inflation rate (RPI)
- Deficit recovery contributions of £1.9m (2018: £1.9m) expected to continue to conclusion of next valuation
- Triennial valuation as at 30 September 2019 underway

Note

1. Based on profit before taxation before amortisation of intangible assets (excluding software amortisation) and exceptional items



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# Investment Expenditure

**£20m**  
Investment

Leeds  
New operational  
facility

Glasgow  
Ironing line  
upgrade

Shaftesbury  
Ironing line  
upgrade

Wrexham  
Mezzanine  
floor

Bourne  
Power Press

Basingstoke  
Industrial unit  
upgrade

Southall  
Dispatch  
extension

Manchester  
Garment folder  
upgrades

Aberdeen  
Relocation to  
larger site

Sturminster  
Ironing line  
upgrade

Grantham  
Soiled sort  
extension

Pwllheli  
Feeder upgrade

Birmingham  
Garment folder  
upgrades





# Leeds Plant

On plan, to budget and timetable....

- 45,000 sq. feet site in Gildersome, Leeds
- Equipment installation underway
- c300,000 pieces per week of volume from current Leeds distribution hub; c200,000 pieces per week from other sites
- Opportunity to deliver logistics benefits and higher productivity rate over time
- Strengthened sales team on nationwide basis to help build additional sales and backfill other plants
- Encouraging level of interest from existing customers



# Acquisitions

“The acquisition of Fresh Linen is part of our continuing strategy to increase the size and scale of our hospitality service in the UK and extend our geographical reach.”

# Acquisition of Fresh Linen

- Main site is a large freehold located in Clacton-on-Sea, Essex
- Distribution hub located in Rainham, London
- Predominantly serves 4 star hotels, budget hotels and gym clubs in the hospitality market in the South East
- Processes some 900,000 pieces of linen per week
- 340 employees
- £16.7m revenue and £1.1m PBT in the year to June 2019
- Terms of acquisition: Acquired 30 November 2019 for a consideration of £12.5m on a debt free, cash free basis
- Planned investment of £3.0m to refit the wash-house and finishing line in 2020 to improve efficiencies



# Operational Performance

“Both divisions have delivered high levels of new business wins and maintained consistently high levels of customer satisfaction scores.”

# Operational Performance

## Workwear



	2019	2018	Increase
Revenue (£m)	135.3	128.8	5.0%
Adjusted operating profit (£m) <sup>1,2</sup>	24.4	22.7	7.5%
Margin (%) <sup>2</sup>	18.0	17.6	n/a

Notes:

1. Before amortisation of intangible assets (excluding software amortisation) and exceptional items
2. 2019 includes the benefit of £0.4m resulting from IFRS 16 lease accounting changes





17

Laundries

2,300

Employees

375

Vehicles

1.7m

Garments per week

Workwear



# Operational Performance



## Workwear

- Underlying revenue growth of 5.0%
- Sales to 'new to rental' customers accounted for 17.6% of new business won
- Increased sales to existing customers
- Customer retention maintained at 95%
- Existing customer satisfaction at 86%, in line with 2018
- Production efficiencies and strong cost control led to further improvement in margin at 18.0%
- Continued high levels of capital investment across the estate to increase capacity and efficiencies
- Recognition of our investment in training and development through Princess Royal Training Award
- On 25 January 2020 a fire occurred at our site in Exeter resulting in significant damage and preventing its use for processing. Business continuity plan executed with customers currently being serviced by nearby plants



# HORECA

Hotel, Restaurant & Catering

-  Hotel, Restaurant & Catering Linen
-  Hotel Linen



	2019	2018	Increase
Revenue (£m)	215.3	192.3	12.0%
Adjusted operating profit (£m) <sup>1,2</sup>	33.1	28.0	18.2%
Margin (%) <sup>2</sup>	15.4	14.6	n/a

Notes:

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# HORECA

Hotel, Restaurant & Catering

18

Laundries

3,800

Employees

480

Vehicles



600m

Pieces per Year

## Operational Performance

# HORECA

## Hotel, Restaurant & Catering

-  Hotel, Restaurant & Catering Linen
-  Hotel Linen

- Overall revenue growth of 12.0% with all brands trading ahead of 2018
- Strong underlying organic growth of 7.4%
- Consistently high customer satisfaction rating, with our highest ever for Hotel Linen (87.8%)
- Small number of hospitality contracts acquired in January and July 2019 were fully integrated into our estate
- On 28 February 2020 we purchased a further number of contracts which will be transferred into our Shaftesbury site, adding an estimated annualised revenue of £1.6 million
- Successfully retained our largest customer, Premier Inn
- Continued high levels of capital investment across the estate to increase capacity and efficiencies at existing plants ahead of summer peak
- Hotel Linen neared capacity in the summer months but service maintained at a high level
- Construction of new laundry in Leeds completed; machinery installation on schedule
  - Total capital investment is £10.0m over 2019 and 2020
  - Commissioned and operational in first half of 2020



# Our Customers

“Our continual investment in the business allows us to provide an excellent service to our customer base.”



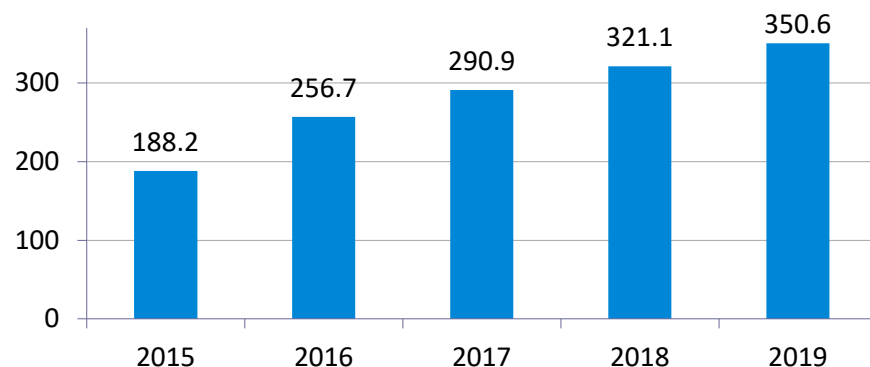
# Our Customers



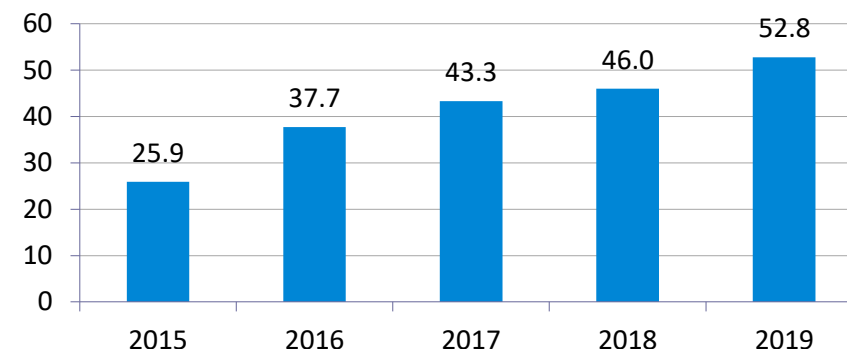


# Five Year History

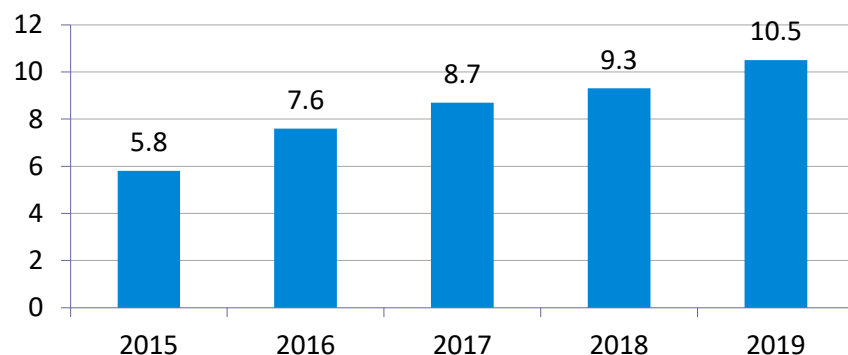
## Revenue (£m)



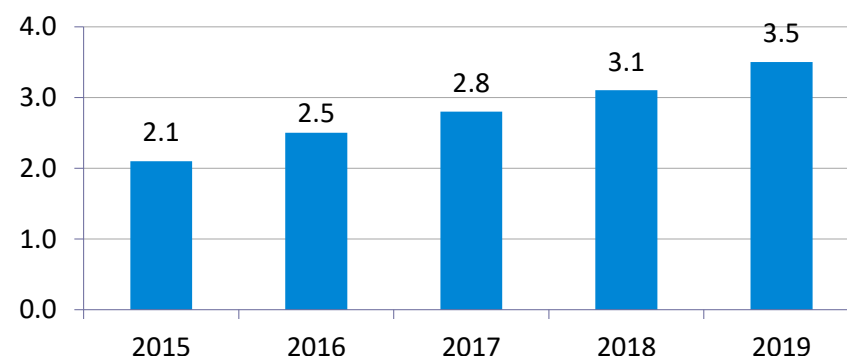
## Adjusted Operating Profit (£m)



## Adjusted Diluted EPS (p)



## Dividend per Share (p)



# Our Executive Team



Peter Egan  
Chief Executive Officer

Industry Experience: 27 Years



Yvonne Monaghan  
Chief Financial Officer

Industry Experience: 35 Years



Mark Woolfenden  
MD, Hotel Linen

Industry Experience: 16 Years



Donald Smith  
MD, Stalbridge

Industry Experience: 33 Years



Helen Wood  
MD, Workwear

Industry Experience: 29 Years



Tim Morris  
Group Financial Controller

Industry Experience: 15 Years



Steve McKeever  
Group IT Director

Industry Experience: 20 Years

A combined industry experience of over 170 years.

# JSG's Commitment to ESG

Investments in  
ironing equipment  
to reduce  
energy use

Trialling water  
recycling plant

Reduced the  
weight of  
clear wrap

Trialling electric  
vehicle delivery  
in London

Investment in  
heat exchangers to  
reduce energy use

Academy driving  
development  
opportunities for  
employees

# The Future

“Continued focus on growing the business through targeted investment.”

# Delivery of Strategic Plan

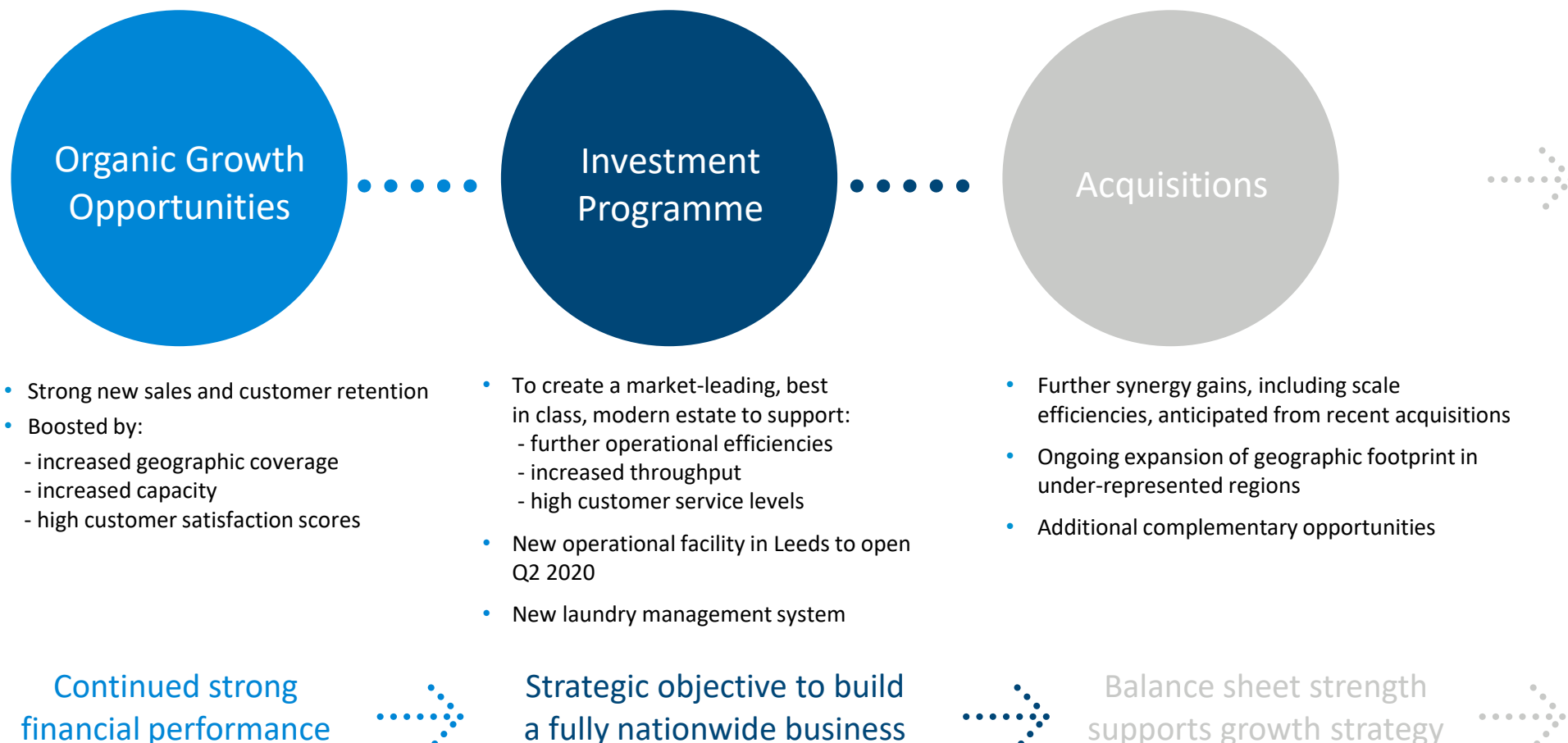
■ Organic    ■ Investment    ■ M&A

- Market leading position within Workwear & HORECA
- National coverage; local service
- Dedicated to providing first class customer service
- Maintaining margin over the medium term
- Implementation of a Group-wide brand recognition programme
- Investment in Group IT systems
- New hotel linen site to be operational in first half 2020
- Investment in the training and development of our employees
- Continuing capital investment to increase production capacity & efficiency
- Identification of further acquisitions in complimentary geographies

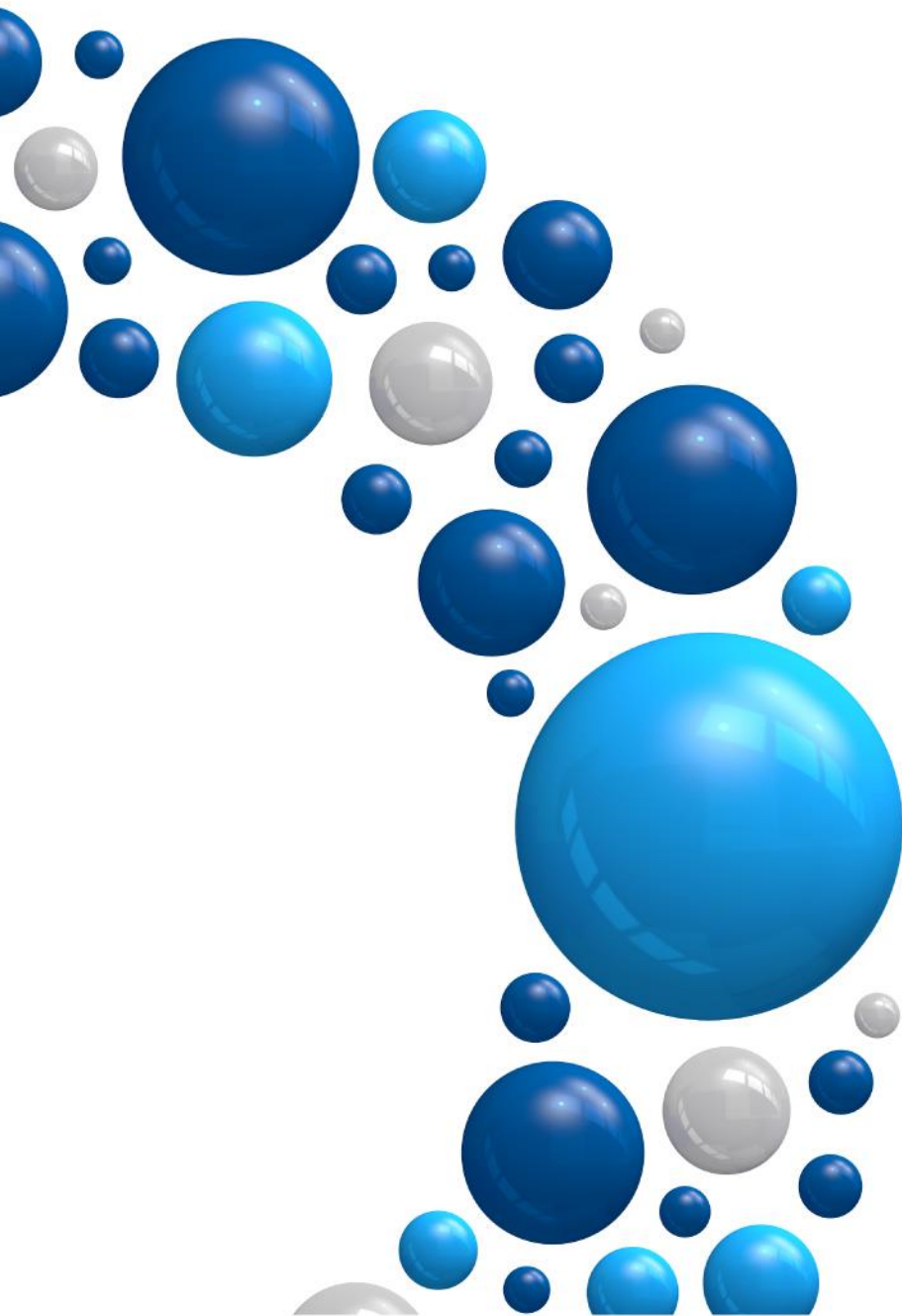


# The Future

“We anticipate that the Group will deliver organic growth across both divisions, whilst continuing to focus on customer satisfaction and investment to optimise operational efficiencies. Trading performance since the year end has been in line with our expectations.”







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# Appendix 1

## Segmental Analysis

	2019	
	Revenue £m	Adjusted Operating Profit <sup>1,2</sup> £m
Workwear	135.3	24.4
HORECA	215.3	33.1
Textile Rental	350.6	57.5
Group Costs	-	(4.7)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>350.6</b>	<b>52.8</b>

	2018	
	Revenue £m	Adjusted Operating Profit <sup>1</sup> £m
	128.8	22.7
	192.3	28.0
	321.1	50.7
	-	(4.7)
	321.1	46.0

Note

1. Before amortisation of intangible assets (excluding software amortisation) and exceptional items
2. Includes £1.1m benefit as a result of IFRS 16 lease accounting changes (£0.4m Workwear, £0.7m HORECA)