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**Full Year Results**  
For the year ended  
31 December 2024

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**Aligned with purpose**

# Introduction

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Group CEO

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# Key messages FY 2024



## Group revenue growth

Group revenue growth of 8.3%  
Record progress at ALSA, further growth in WeDriveU & NASB  
Progress in UK Bus driven by pricing actions



## FY guidance achieved

FY 24 Adjusted Operating Profit growth of 11.3% to £187.7m  
Pending positive outcome from PTA negotiations



## Statutory operating loss

Impairment reflects slower than anticipated recovery of School Bus growth  
Increased German Rail OCP, prompted by continuing industry challenges, PTA negotiations ongoing



## Covenant gearing improved

Covenant gearing improved to 2.8x from 3.0x  
Organic cash improvement delivered in excess of target  
Good liquidity, with no significant debt maturing for over two years



## Announced sale of NASB

Continuing to review options to further accelerate deleveraging  
Disposal allows Group to focus on the remaining divisions  
Improves covenant and reported net debt



## Board & management appointments

**Phil White**, Chair from 1 May,  
**Francisco (Paco) Iglesias**, COO and **Kevin Gale**, CEO UK & Germany, bringing substantial operational experience

# North America School Bus sale

Continuing to review options to further accelerate debt reduction and deleveraging



## Transaction followed a thorough sales process

Consistent feedback on the position of the business and valuation ranges



## Sale agreed to I Squared for EV of up to \$608m (£470m)

5.0x FY24 adjusted EBITDA (~5.6x pre-IFRS16)



## Expected upfront net proceeds / covenant deleveraging of ~\$365-385m<sup>1</sup>

Reported net debt to fall by further \$38m for IFRS-16 lease removal



## FY 24 Non-cash impairment of c.£550m

Reflecting impairment of School Bus goodwill due to slower than anticipated recovery

- Creates a simplified portfolio
- Delivers on the Group's commitment to accelerate net debt reduction
- Enables the reallocation of cash flows from the capital intensive school bus

<sup>1</sup> For covenant deleveraging. Excludes \$70m earn-out. Subject to closing adjustments and completion timing

# Key operational highlights

Relentless focus on improving operational effectiveness and profitability



## ALSA

FY24 another record breaking delivery

Strong growth; diversification and international expansion



## North America

Strong performances from WeDriveU and School Bus



## UK & Germany

UK turnaround on track with Germany PTA negotiations ongoing



# Good contract momentum

Strong pipeline conversion, disciplined capex allocation. Focus remains on asset light opportunities



**Bid pipeline of £1.1bn**  
**value from which £0.6bn**  
**value contracts selected**  
**with improved returns**

**36**

Overall 36 new contract  
wins at the Group level

**£144m**

Revenue values of £144m p.a.  
(FY 23: £126m), and incremental  
total contract values of £766m

**10%**

Average EBIT margins on  
those contracts are 10%, with  
28% ROCE

**23%**

Conversion rate on bids  
submitted and awarded  
was 23%

**WeDriveU &  
ALSA**





ALSA with key new wins and  
retained significant business.  
WeDriveU continued to perform  
well

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# Pricing improvements



## Delivered & Secured in FY 24

|  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
|  ALSA Long Haul | <p>4.7% increase in average ticket prices in FY 24 vs. FY 23<br/>(across 9 main corridors)</p>                        | <p>Dynamic real time pricing and yield management led by customer demand</p>  |
|  School Bus     | <p>School Year 23/24 bid season uplift<br/>13.1% on the renewing portfolio<br/>7.5% overall (+\$34m FY24 revenue)</p> | <p>School Year 24/25 bid season uplift now secured<br/>10.3% on the renewing portfolio<br/>6.3% overall (+\$26m FY24 revenue)</p> |
|  UK Bus       | <p>12.5% fare rise came into effect 1 July 2023 (+£4.8m FY24 revenue)</p>   | <p>Implemented 6% fare rise on 30th June 2024 (+£3.9m FY24 revenue)</p>   |
|  UK Coach     | <p>Average ticket prices up 2.9% in FY 24 vs. FY 23<br/>(excluding the impact of rail strikes in both years)</p>      | <p>Dynamic real time pricing and yield management led by customer demand</p>  |

# UK & Germany: key negotiations status

Improved execution & efficiency the key objectives



## Improved funding agreement secured for UK Bus in West Midlands

Better balance between risk and reward achieved  
Expect an improved business performance for FY 25  
Negotiations regarding the long-term future are ongoing and constructive. West Midlands' decision on franchising is expected in May



## Proactively Addressing Industry Challenges Through Strategic PTA Engagement

Ongoing active negotiations continue with some concessions being obtained.  
Addressing the multiple industry wide challenges  
Resetting the underlying profitability of all long-term contracts  
Both parties are obliged to reach an equitable position



# Financial Review

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Group CFO

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# Consistent financial imperatives



**Net debt  
reduction**



**Sustainable  
profitable growth  
and UK  
turnaround  
progress**



**Improved  
margins and  
cash generation**

**Driving improvement in liquidity**

# Key financial highlights



- 1 Revenue growth across most divisions
- 2 Delivered adjusted EBIT within guidance for FY 24
- 3 Group adjusted net debt stable vs YE 23
- 4 Strong cash generation in excess of 2024 target, plans to generate even higher cash in 2025
- 5 Statutory operating loss – large North America School Bus goodwill impairment, onerous contract provision in German rail
- 6 The successful disposal of North America School Bus derisks the balance sheet, improves liquidity as the first important step towards deleverage
- 7 Our business is growing, delivering profit, generating cash and rebuilding resilience

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# FY 2024 financial overview

Business profit within guidance and improvement to free cash flow then impacted by one off items



| Adjusted               | Restated <sup>1</sup> |         | Change |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------|--------|
|                        | FY 24                 | FY 23   |        |
| Revenue                | £3.41bn               | £3.15bn | 8.3%   |
| Group Operating Profit | £187.7m               | £168.6m | 11.3%  |
| Basic EPS              | 4.8p                  | 4.5p    | 0.3p   |
| DPS                    | 0.0p                  | 1.7p    | (1.7)p |

## Key Metrics

|                  |         |         |         |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Free Cash Flow   | £210.2m | £163.7m | £46.5m  |
| ROCE             | 10.2%   | 7.0%    | 3.2%pts |
| Covenant Gearing | 2.8x    | 3.0x    | 0.2x    |

## Statutory

|                               |           |          |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Group Operating Profit/(Loss) | £(519.9)m | £(43.2)m | £(476.7)m |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|

<sup>1</sup>FY 23 has been restated in respect of correction to onerous contract provisions in German Rail. Please note all numbers in reported currency

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# Divisional performance

Strong Full Year results in ALSA and in North America were delivered alongside substantial reorganisation in the UK



| Revenue |         |         |             | Adjusted Operating Profit |         |       |                          |
|---------|---------|---------|-------------|---------------------------|---------|-------|--------------------------|
|         | FY 24   | FY 23   | YoY% change |                           | FY 24   | FY 23 | YoY% change <sup>1</sup> |
| ALSA    | £1,327m | £1,165m | 13.9%       |                           | £186m   | £136m | 36.0%                    |
| NA      | £1,205m | £1,115m | 8.0%        |                           | £38m    | £27m  | 41.3%                    |
| UK      | £623m   | £610m   | 2.1%        |                           | £6m     | £23m  | (72.3)%                  |
| Germany | £256m   | £259m   | (1.3%)      |                           | £(9.3)m | £0.2m |                          |

Division delivery of profit guidance with ongoing negotiations in Germany  
 Impairment of US School Bus and Deferred Tax Assets, Germany OCP, translates to a reported statutory loss

**Note 1:**    % Segment change at constant currency.  
               % Group change at reported currency  
 North America includes School Bus and WeDriveU  
 UK includes UK Bus and UK Coach

# Accelerate recap

The Accelerate programme has delivered significant and sustainable bottom-line benefits in FY 24



- Organisational Design**
- Procurement**
- Productivity**
- Digital Enablement**

**FY 23**

**£15m**

Savings achieved in FY 23 through the Accelerate 1.0 programme.

**FY 24**

**Accelerate 1.0**

**£34m**

of savings delivered in FY 24 from Accelerate 1.0. (HY 30m)

**Accelerate 2.0**

**£18m**

of savings delivered from the Accelerate 2.0 programme in FY 24. (HY 12m)

**FY 25 & beyond**



**£52m**

of annual savings in FY 25 and beyond will be achieved by the Accelerate programme

# Adjusting items



| £m   | Profit         |                     | Cash          |               |
|--|----------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
|  | FY 24          | FY 23<br>(Restated) | FY 24         | FY 23         |
| <b>Adjusted Operating Profit</b>                   | 187.7          | 168.6               |               |               |
| Intangible amortisation for acquired businesses    | (27.7)         | (35.3)              | –             | –             |
| Goodwill impairment of School Bus                  | (547.7)        | -                   | –             | –             |
| Re-measurement of covid related OCPs               | 4.1            | (2.1)               | (1.4)         | (7.1)         |
| Re-measurement of Germany OCP                      | (86.4)         | (121.0)             | (45.7)        | (27.9)        |
| North America driver shortages                     | 0.7            | (12.0)              | (1.8)         | (9.8)         |
| Final Re-measurement of the WeDriveU put liability | -              | (2.4)               | -             | -             |
| Repayment of UK Covid CJRS grant (“Furlough”)      | -              | (8.9)               | (8.9)         | -             |
| Restructuring and other costs                      | (50.6)         | (30.1)              | (41.4)        | (26.2)        |
| <b>Total adjusting operating items</b>             | <b>(707.6)</b> | <b>(211.8)</b>      | <b>(99.2)</b> | <b>(71.0)</b> |
| <b>Statutory Operating Loss</b>                    | <b>(519.9)</b> | <b>(43.2)</b>       |               |               |

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*Below operating loss, there is a £194.4m derecognition of deferred tax assets in the UK and North America. This write-down has no impact on the ability of the Group to utilise the losses in future years and hence no impact on future cash tax*

# Cash flow

Successful initiatives, generating positive free cash flow versus FY 23 after investment



| (£m)                                      | FY 24   | FY 23   |
|---|---------|---------|
| EBITDA                                    | 426.2   | 386.0   |
| Net maintenance capex                     | (157.8) | (135.7) |
| Working capital                           | 48.0    | 9.1     |
| Pension deficit                           | (7.6)   | (7.5)   |
| Operating cash flow                       | 308.8   | 251.9   |
| Tax & interest                            | (98.6)  | (88.2)  |
| Free cash flow                            | 210.2   | 163.7   |
| Growth capex and M&A                      | (117.2) | (77.5)  |
| Free cash flow after growth capex and M&A | 93.0    | 86.2    |



Growth Capex (£59m)  
new contract wins

M&A (£58m) mainly  
Canarybus acquisition

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# Net debt

Covenant net debt stable vs FY 23, improvement in covenant gearing from 3.0x to 2.8x



| (£m)                               | FY 24   | FY 23   |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Free Cash Flow after CapEx and M&A | 93.0    | 86.2    |
| Adjusting items                    | (99.2)  | (71.0)  |
| Hybrid coupon                      | (21.3)  | (21.3)  |
| Dividend                           | -       | (41.1)  |
| Other, including FX                | 26.7    | 53.4    |
| Net funds flow                     | (0.8)   | 6.2     |
| Opening net debt                   | 1,201.7 | 1,207.9 |
| Reported net debt                  | 1,202.5 | 1,201.7 |
| Covenant net debt                  | 991.3   | 987.1   |
| Covenant gearing                   | 2.8x    | 3.0x    |

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*Reported net debt FY24 post sale of North America School Bus would result in a c.£71m net reduction plus a further reduction for the cash proceeds received from the sale.*

# Debt maturity improved

RCF extended, North America School Bus proceeds sufficient to address near term maturities



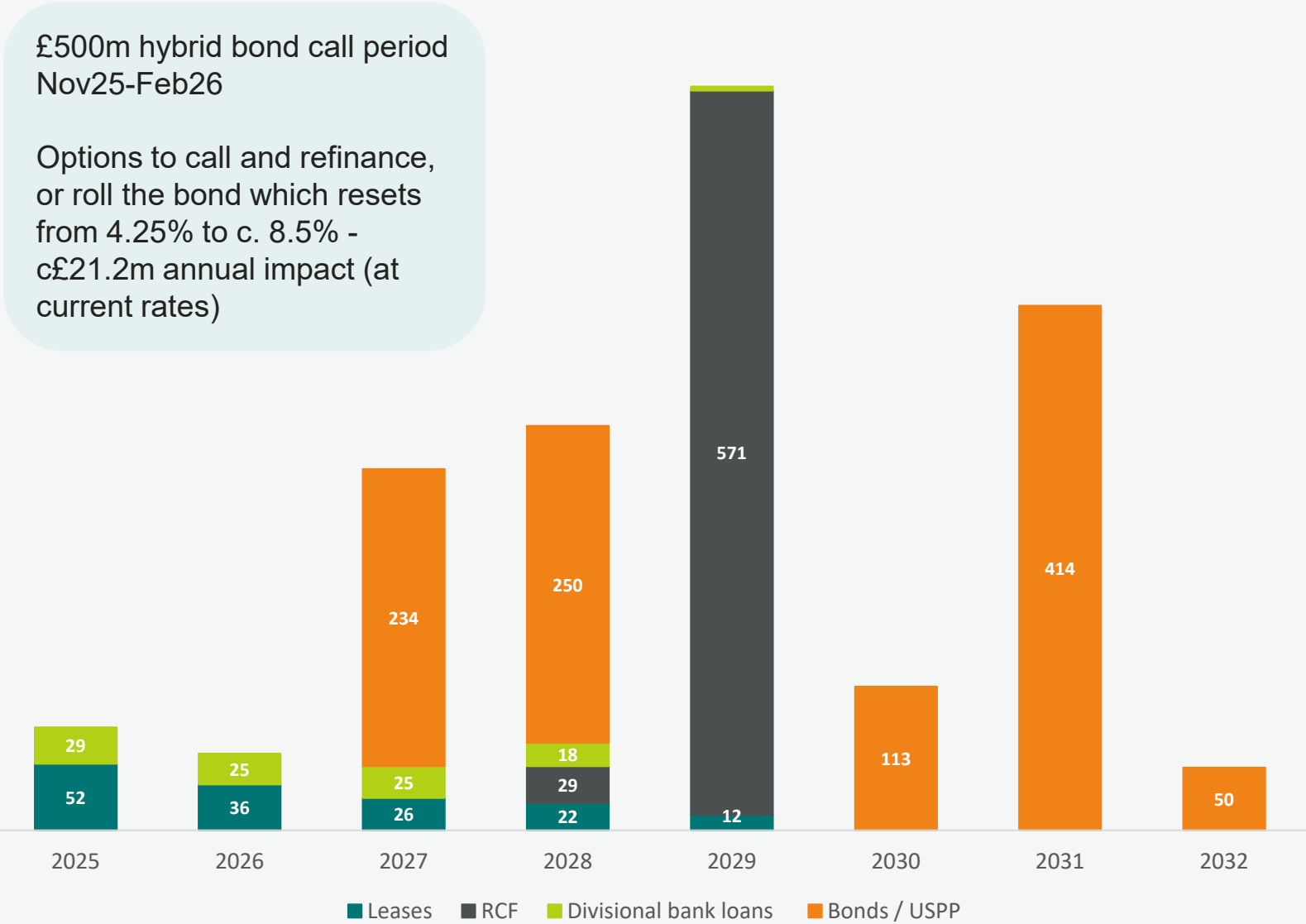
Vast majority of the £600m RCF extended a further year to 2029

£0.8bn cash and committed headroom at 31 Dec 2024

C. 80% of interest costs are fixed, with the majority of the floating portion due to revert to fixed in Nov 2025

Hybrid bond first non-call option at end of FY 2025

Average maturity of 4.9 years (excluding hybrid)



Excludes allocation of North America School Bus proceeds (to be held as cash other than repayment of North America School Bus leases)

# German rail update

OCP increase reflects continuing industry challenges

## RRX rail contracts

RRX 1 and RRX 2/3 are onerous contracts

Onerous contract provision increased from **£140m** to **£176m** as a result of material adverse cost pressures experienced in FY24; largely as a result of significant network disruption and the impact of the industry-wide driver shortages

**£86m** remeasurement of the provision in FY24 through adjusting items with a **£46m** utilisation in the year

**Forecast cash outflows** for remaining contract years are heavily weighted to FY25 and FY26 with a significant improvement anticipated from FY27

## RME rail contract

Loss for FY24 £9.3m (down £9.5m from FY23) reflecting impact of increased penalties from driver shortage and infrastructure issues, coupled with reduced future contract profitability expectations

The contract is still expected to be profitable

## Industry-wide issues being addressed

Discussions with PTAs ongoing and remain constructive

Sector initiative for region reducing operating mileage requirement and pressure on operation

Key driver shortage issue actively being addressed with a significant investment in driver training & retention to move to a stronger position in 2025 & 2026



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# Further deleverage is our priority

Profitable growth, continued cash management and disciplined investment, together with strategic next steps under consideration, post North America School Bus sale



## NASB Disposal important first towards deleverage

- The North America School Bus sale is an important first step towards targeted debt reduction
- Further options to reduce net debt and leverage remain under consideration

## Key debt metrics performance

- No change to the debt structure at £1.2bn on a reported basis
- Covenant debt of £991.3m is flat on FY 23 (of £987.1m)
- Covenant gearing ratio reduced to 2.8x (FY23: 3.0x)

## Accelerate programme

- Accelerate 2.0 reorganisation programme delivering above expectations in FY 24
- Delivered significant and sustainable bottom-line benefits in FY 24

## Organic deleverage

- Company wide initiative targeted specifically at cash improvement and debt reduction
- Targeted FY 24 benefits of £25m<sup>1</sup> achieved, with additional, annualised benefits from 2025 of £50m+ targeted
- Controls tightened over capital expenditure

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<sup>1</sup>actions in place to beat target in 2025

Short term debt projected increase due to historic capex commitments, where advantageous terms were negotiated to the benefit of 2023 and 24

# Operational Review

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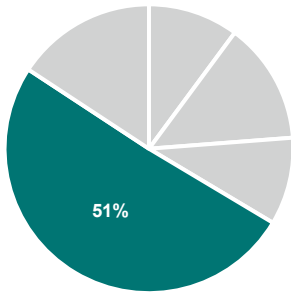
## Key Stats

|                           | FY 24   | FY 23   | % Change |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| Revenue                   | €1,568m | €1,340m | 17.0%    |
| Adjusted Operating Profit | €219    | €157m   | 39.6%    |
| Adjusted Operating margin | 14.0%   | 11.7%   | 2.3%     |

## Highlights FY 24

- Strong revenue growth (+17%) reflecting good progress in Regional and Long-Haul
- Resilient Urban result, despite impact of Bilbao strike
- Diversification (Inc - medical) ahead 67%
- International expansion (including Portugal) ahead 88% - Bahrain contract extended
- Successfully managing increased competitive pressure from HSR
- Sophisticated CRM and revenue management tools enable customer segmentation and increasingly targeted marketing
- Young Summer 2024 ended with €38.4m revenue vs €32.8m in 2023. £32.5m 2024 and £28.5m 2023

ALSA Share of Group revenue  
excl. School Bus



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# North America

Successful separation of  
School Bus & WeDriveU



## Key Stats

|                           | FY 24   | FY 23   | % Change |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|----------|
| Revenue                   | \$1540m | \$1387m | 11.0%    |
| Adjusted Operating Profit | \$49m   | \$33m   | 45.4%    |
| Adjusted Operating margin | 3.2%    | 2.4%    | 0.8%     |

### Highlights FY 24

#### School Bus

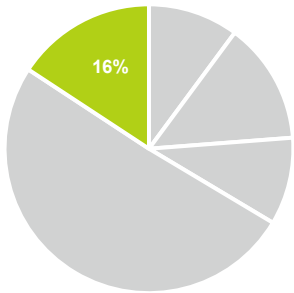
- Underlying revenue growth of 7.3%, reflecting first net route wins for many years and good pricing
- Significant operational improvements including in fleet management and driver recruitment
- (£548m) impairment a consequence of market challenges, despite significant operational improvements

### Highlights FY 24

#### WeDriveU

- Strong new contract wins delivering revenue growth of 18.9%, despite considerable distraction of separation
- Improved operating base with newly separated and better resourced functions
- Margin recovery through H2 25 expected to follow H1 25 increased costs through separation process
- Continued improvement since the merger of divisions resulting in 94% profit improvement

WDU Share of Group  
revenue  
excl. School Bus



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UK

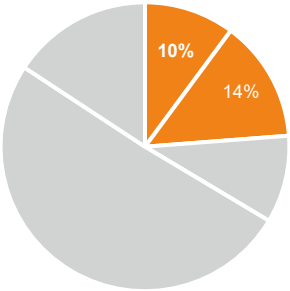
Turnaround in progress



Key Stats

|                           | FY 24 | FY 23  | % Change |
|---------------------------|-------|--------|----------|
| Revenue                   | £623m | £610m  | 2.1%     |
| Adjusted Operating Profit | £6.5m | £23.5m | (72.3)%  |
| Adjusted Operating margin | 1.0%  | 3.9%   | (2.9)%   |

UK Share of Group revenue  
excl. School Bus



Highlights FY 24

UK Bus

- Revenue growth reflecting passenger growth together with fare increases in July 23 of 12.5% and in July 24 of 6%
- Successful negotiation with TfWM secures contract extension until December 25
- More equitable profit margins being targeted
- Improved on time performance and customer satisfaction

UK Coach

- Full review of network design & capacity delivered significant run-rate efficiency, involving some route & revenue reduction
- £5m improvement in NXTS losses with further work underway to eliminate remaining losses during FY 25
- Important retention of key airport contracts for Dublin and Stansted
- Reinvigorated focus on revenue management, CRM and digital experience

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# Germany

Continuing industry challenges



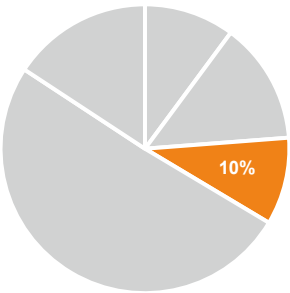
## Key Stats

|                           | FY 24   | FY 23 | % Change |
|---------------------------|---------|-------|----------|
| Revenue                   | €303    | €298m | 1.4%     |
| Adjusted Operating Profit | €(11.0) | €0.2m |          |
| Adjusted Operating margin | (3.6)%  | 0.1%  | (3.7)%   |

## Highlights FY 24

- Revenue continued to be impacted by higher operational penalties as a result of train cancellations caused by the continued worsening of industry-wide factors: worsening infrastructure reliability and increased infrastructure repair and renewals activity, impacting on driver availability and utilisation
- A £86m charge was taken to increase the onerous contract provisions for RRX1 and RRX2/3 reflecting the further deterioration in anticipated profitability of which €45m utilised in 2024.
- The German results presented are stated prior to any mitigations that might be agreed (between the Group and the PTA) with negotiations continuing
- Real progress with driver recruitment and training will deliver operational advantage late in FY 25

Germany Share of Group revenue excl. School Bus



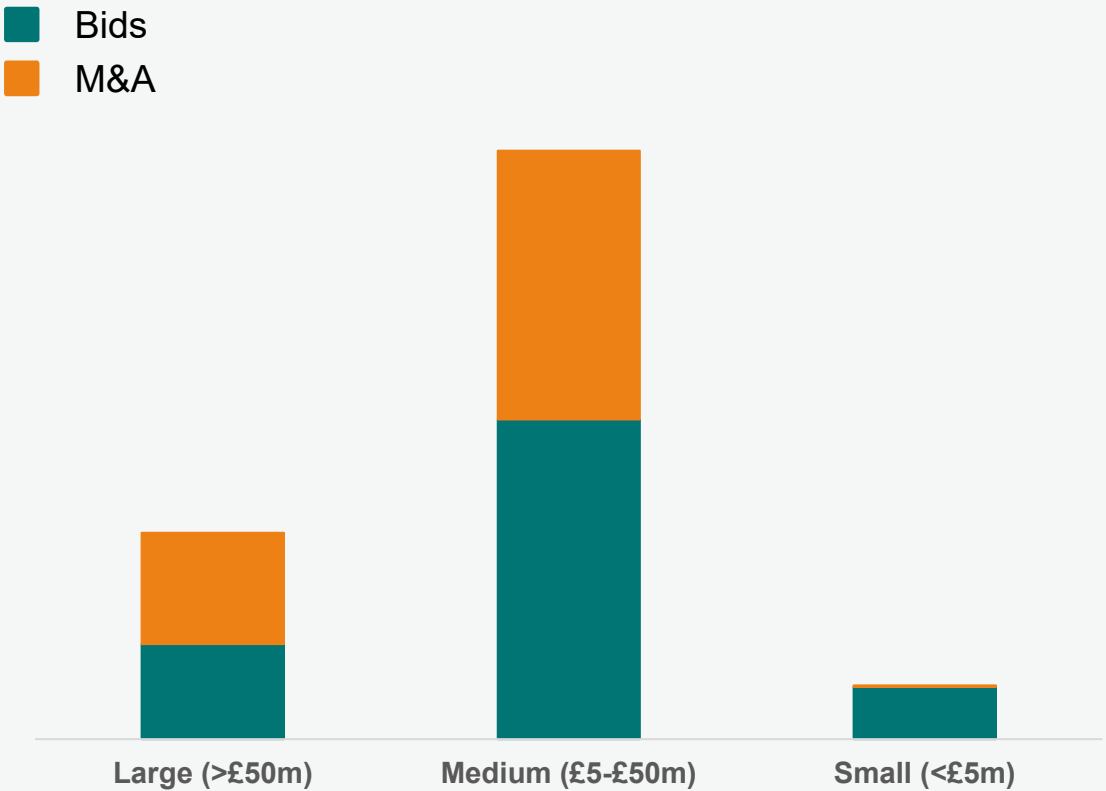
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# Opportunity pipeline

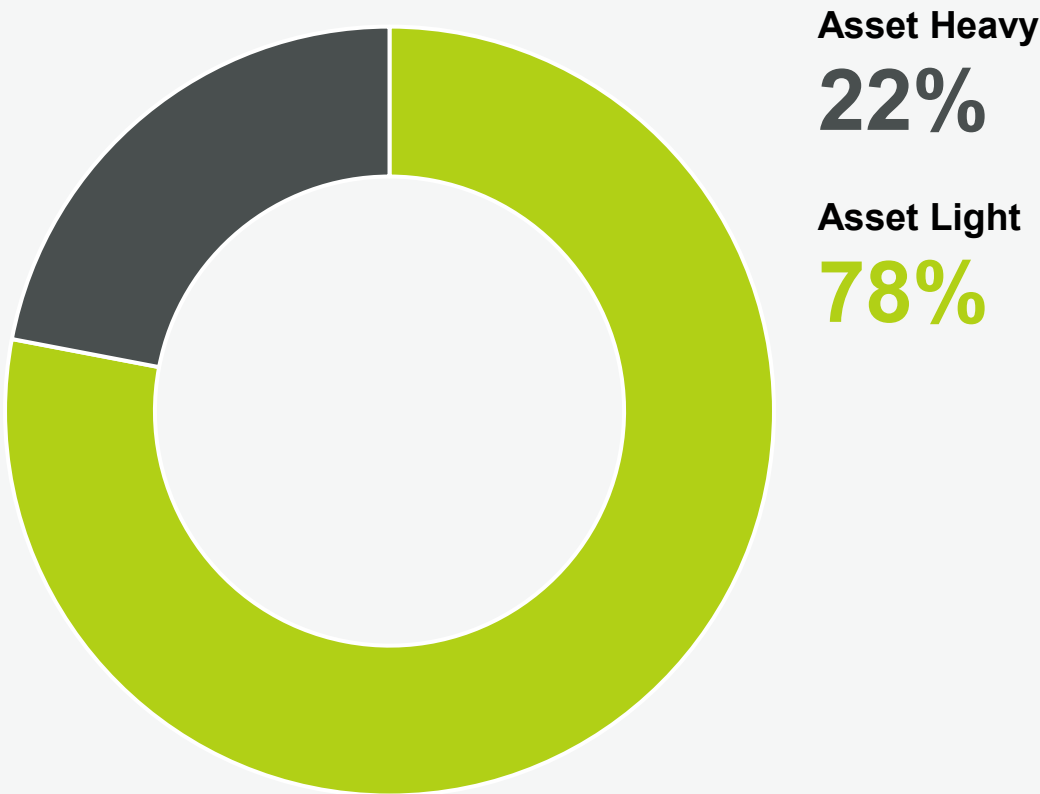
£2bn pipeline reflects a balanced mix of small and large opportunities, focus on asset light bids



18-month pipeline value by size of opportunity



Bid pipeline contains a higher mix of asset light



# Conclusion and key takeaways

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# Key focus areas for FY 25



Focus on consistent financial imperatives



Optimise exciting growth opportunities in ALSA and newly consolidated WeDriveU



Conclude German Rail PTA negotiations



New COO to drive best practice across the Group



# Q&A

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