

### 2012 RESULTS REVIEW AND OUTLOOK



## **Highlights**

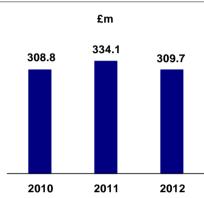
	2012	2011	
Revenue*	£309.7m	£334.1m	
EBITDA*	£30.0m	£35.0m	
Operating profit*	£13.9m	£16.7m	
Profit before tax*	£10.4m	£13.7m	
Basic EPS*	5.87p	6.30p	
Dividends declared	5.25p	5.25p	
Final dividend recommended	3.50p	3.50p	
Net debt	£63.5m	£77.1m	
Net debt to EBITDA**	2.1 times	2.2 times	

<sup>\*</sup> Continuing operations before operational restructuring costs and asset impairments of £21.5m (2011: Nil)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Based on accounting values

### Revenue

Revenue £309.7m



### **Revenue Movement**

	Revenue	
	£m	
2011	334.1	
Exceptional weather in UK	(13.0)	-4%
	321.1	
UK	(13.1)	-4%
International	1.7	+1%
2012	309.7	-7%

### **Revenue Analysis**

#### **Public Sector and Commercial Revenue**

- 64% of Group
- Revenue lower by 6%
- Price up 4%, weather impact down 3% and volume down 7%

#### **Domestic UK Revenue**

- 32% of Group
- Revenue lower by 12%
- Price up 4%, weather impact down 6% and UK volume down 10%

#### **International Revenue**

- Approaching 5% of Group
- International sales grew by 15% (Sterling)
- Sales from the Belgium base grew by 35% (local currency)

## **Operating Profit**

Operating profit *	13.9	16.7
EBITDA * Depreciation / amortisation	30.0 (16.1)	35.0 (18.3)
	2012 £m	2011 £m

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding operational restructuring costs and asset impairments

## **Margin Reconciliation**

	Moven	nent in	Impact on
	Revenue	Operating	Margin
	_	Profit	
	£m	£m	%
2011	334.1	16.7	5.0
Property disposals and other one-off items	-	(0.2)	(0.1)
Weather impact	(13.0)	(3.3)	(8.0)
	321.1	13.2	4.1
Price increases to recover costs	13.6	3.5	0.9
Volume	(26.7)	(5.3)	(1.3)
Organic International expansion	1.7	(0.3)	(0.1)
Profit improvement from restructuring	-	2.8	0.9
2012*	309.7	13.9	4.5

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding operational restructuring costs and asset impairments

# Restructuring Costs and Asset Impairments

	£m	£m	£m	Business Area: Landscape Products	£m 9.0
Restructuring costs Asset impairments	10.2	-	10.2	Natural Stone Walling	8.0
<ul><li>Intangible</li></ul>	-	2.8	2.8	Scottish Operations	4.5
<ul> <li>Tangible</li> </ul>	-	8.5	8.5	•	
2012	10.2	11.3	21.5	_	21.5

### **Profit improvement:**

Annualised savings of £7m pa (£2.8m in 2012)

### **Cash Actions**

	Original plan	Actual
	H2 2012	H2 2012
	2012 £m	2012 £m
Cash actions	٤١١١	LIII
Profit improvement	1.0	2.1
Inventory reduction	2.0	4.9
Property and asset sales	9.0	6.8
Reduced capital expenditure	2.0	2.0
Pension recovery payments	3.0	3.0
	17.0	18.8
Cash cost of actions	(7.0)	(7.4)
Net cash benefit	10.0	11.4

# **Cash Flow from Operating Activities**

Cash inflow arising from:	2012	2011
	£m	£m
Operating profit	13.9	16.7
Depreciation and amortisation	16.1	18.3
EBITDA (continuing operations)	30.0	35.0
Discontinued operations	<del>_</del>	(0.5)
EBITDA (total operations)	30.0	34.5
Net financial expenses paid	(4.2)	(3.5)
Taxation	-	0.2
Pensions paid	(3.6)	(6.6)
Net gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	(1.9)	(1.4)
Inventory *	4.9	0.4
Receivables / payables *	7.2	(4.6)
Operational restructuring costs paid and other items	(7.7)	(3.1)
Net cash flow from operating activities	24.7	15.9

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding working capital relating to International expansion in 2011

### **Cash Flow**

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2012	2011
£m	£m
24.7	15.9
(9.5)	(13.6)
8.6	5.4
-	(8.2)
0.2	0.6
(10.3)	(10.3)
13.7	(10.2)
(0.1)	(0.1)
13.6	(10.3)
(77.1)	(66.8)
(63.5)	(77.1)
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34.6%	37.4%
2.1 times	2.2 times
	£m 24.7  (9.5) 8.6  0.2 (10.3)  13.7 (0.1)  13.6 (77.1)  (63.5)

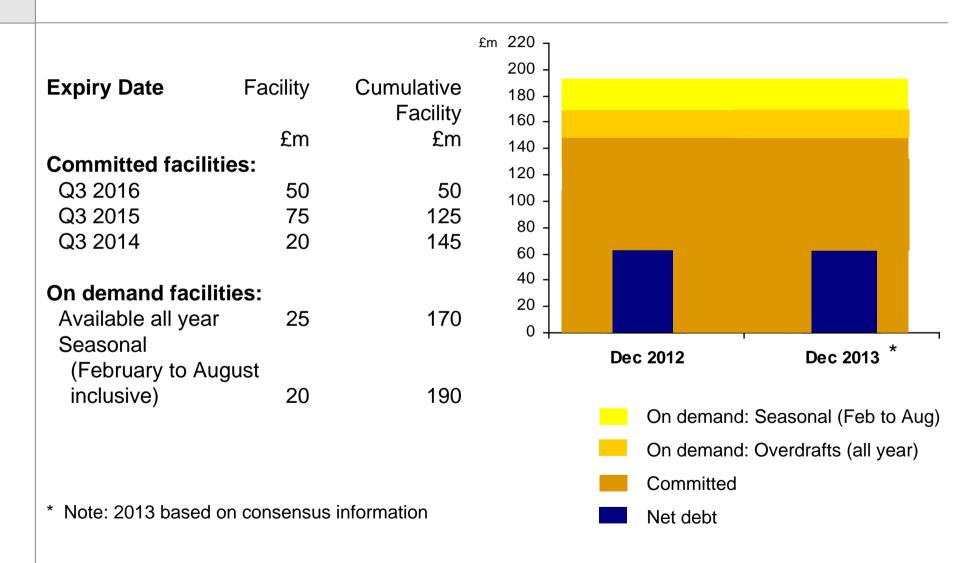
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### **Additional Information and Ratios**

Interest charge:	2012	2011	
Interest charge: Charge	£3.5 m	£3.0 m	
Cover*	3.9 times	5.6 times	
Tax rate*	(10.7)%	11.1%	
EPS:			
Adjusted*	5.87p	6.30p	
Total operations	(2.91)p	3.78p	
Dividend:			
2012 interim and final announced	5.25p	5.25p	
Cover (continuing operations)	1.1 times	1.2 times	
Weighted average number of shares	195.4m	195.4m	
Net asset value	£183.6m	£206.1 m	

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## **Significant Borrowing Facilities**



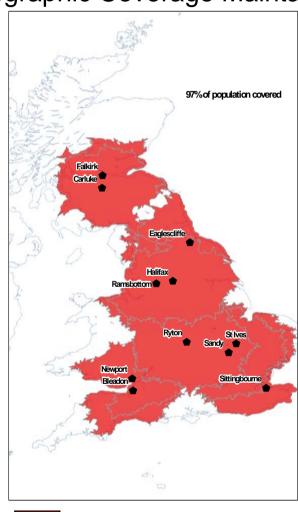


### **Operating Flexibility**

### Managing Capacity

- Excellent geographic coverage
- Modern, efficient well invested factories
- Over 97% of our customers within a 2 hour drive time
- Capacity reduced to release inventory of £10m by the end of 2013
- Fixed cost reductions of £5m pa and efficiency savings of £2m pa
- Output can be increased by at least 25% without significant capital expenditure

### Geographic Coverage Maintained



= 2 hours driving time

### **Sustainable Growth Initiatives**

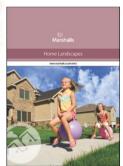
- Public Sector and Commercial targeted marketing and partnerships, investment in street furniture, security products, water management and sustainable urban drainage ("SUDS"), internal stone paving, stone cladding
- Domestic installer initiatives and distributor merchandising, next generation of driveway paving, internal stone paving
- International specialist landscape products into selected markets



# **Public Sector and Commercial Targeted Marketing and Partnering**



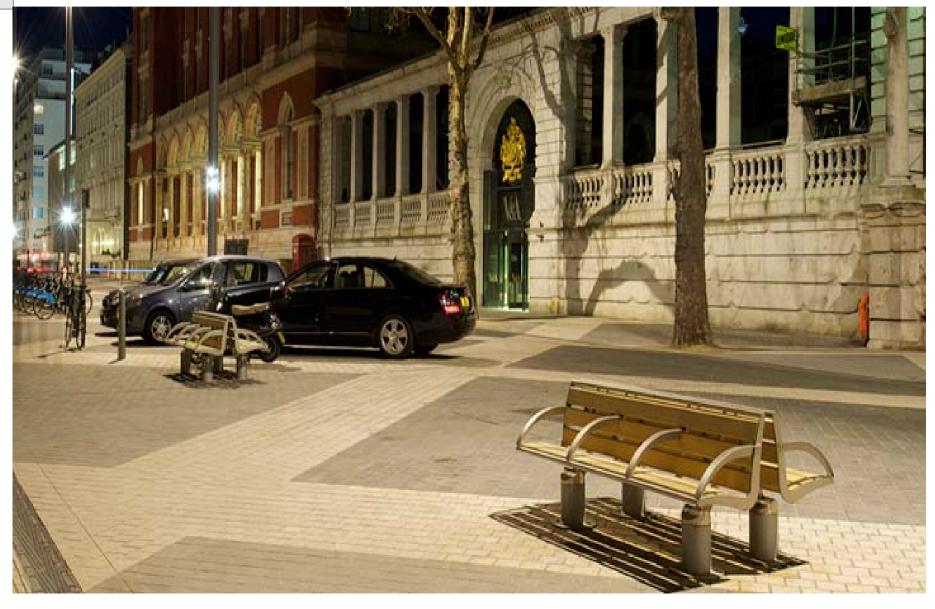








# **Integrated Product Offer Exhibition Road**



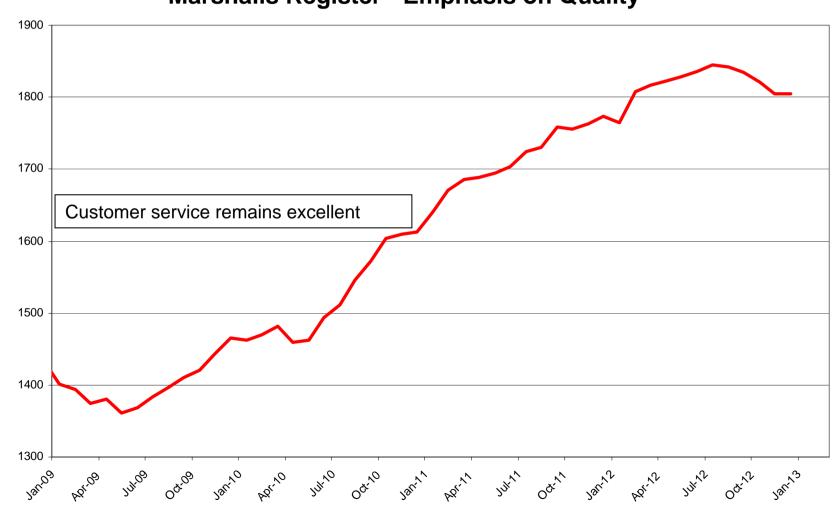


## **Natural Stone Cladding**



### **Domestic Market Installers**

### **Marshalls Register - Emphasis on Quality**





# **Product Innovation Cobbletech Driveway System**







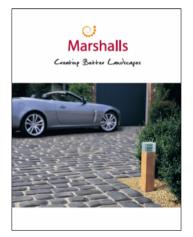


### **International Opportunity**

- Two operating sites, 40 million people within a 2 hour drive time
- Natural sandstone, granite and limestone from India and China
- Specialist manufactured products and street furniture from the UK
- Key synergies marketing and sales collateral, sales processes and systems, broader range of products, manufacturing and technical expertise
- Organic development. Sales increase, from the Belgium base, in local currency of 35%, approaching 5% of Group in 2012, target 10% by 2015.



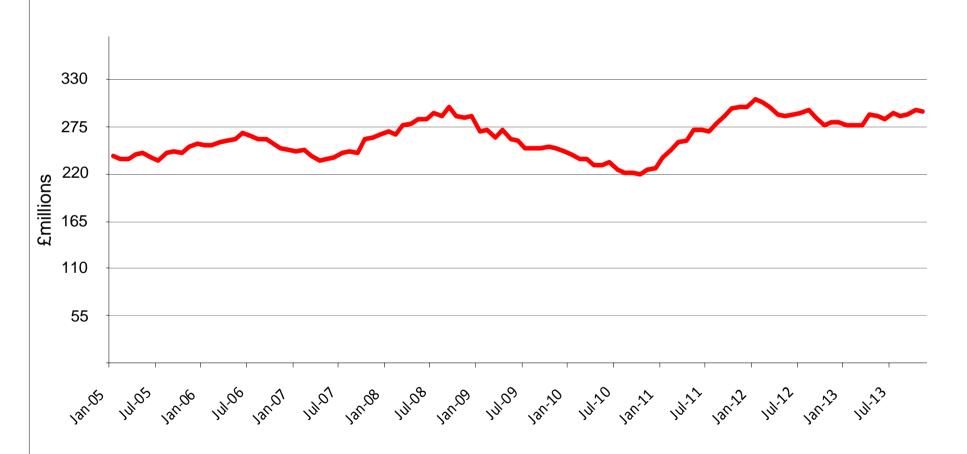
**Drive Zones** = 2 hours = 3 hours





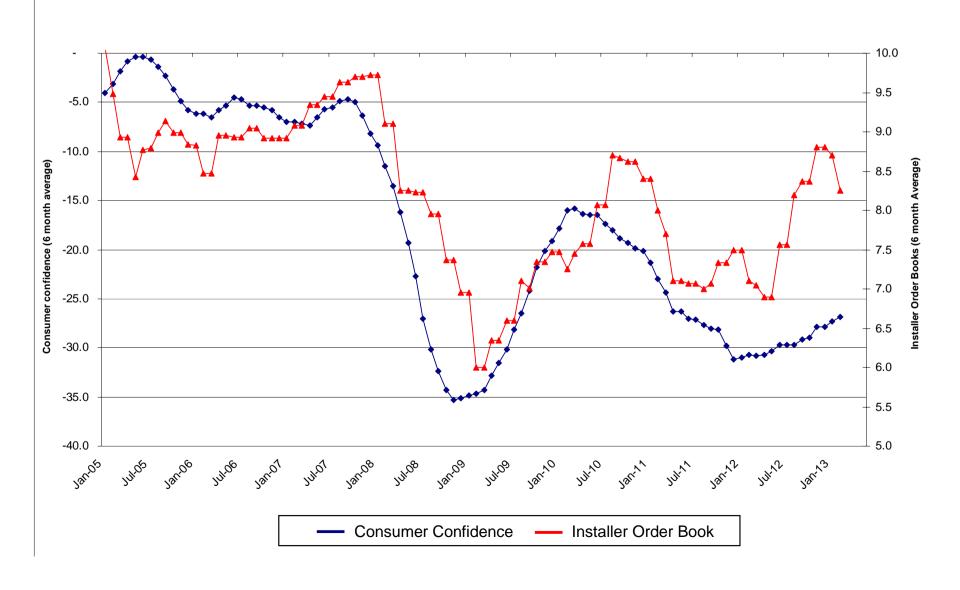
### Public Sector and Commercial New Work Sales Lead Indicator

Contract Awarded 12 Month Rolling Average of Hard Landscape Value Adjusted (ABI with 12 Month Lag)



## **Domestic Market Consumer Confidence and Installer Order Books**

Rolling 6 Months Consumer Confidence and Installer Order Book (3 month lag)

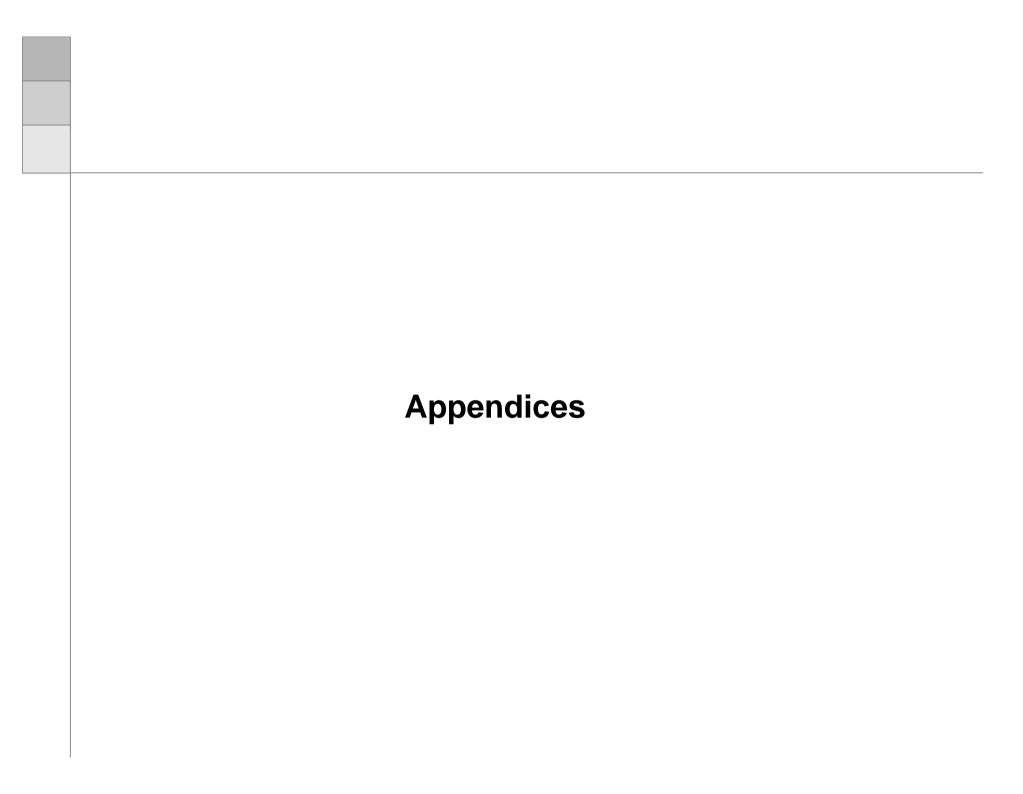


## **Market Outlook**

	Revenue Proportions	2013
Commercial	35%	$\rightarrow$
Public	20%	<i>→</i>
New build	8%	$\uparrow$
Do it for me	27%	7
DIY	5%	$\rightarrow$
International	5%	<b>↑</b>
	100%	

### **Summary**

- Excellent brand, market position and geographical coverage
- Decisive action taken to reduce output, release cash and reduce fixed costs
- Continuing uncertainty about the market environment
- Growth initiatives and product innovation are delivering
- Operating flexibility significant capacity available, experienced, skilled and committed workforce
- Financial flexibility medium term facilities, range of actions reducing net debt
- Well positioned to take advantage of a recovery



### **Construction Products Association**

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
£m/% change	Actual	Actual	Actual	Estimate	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
Housing								
	13,721	17,181	18,444	17,136	16,767	17,263	18,213	19,858
	-26.3%	25.2%	7.6%	-7.1%	-2.1%	3.0%	5.5%	9.0%
Other New Work								
	46,772	52,435	52,734	45,222	43,554	44,425	46,096	48,046
	-11.9%	12.1%	0.9%	-14.2%	-3.7%	2.0%	3.8%	4.2%
Repair, Maintenance	and Impre	ovement						
Private Housing	9,916	10,573	10,704	10,275	10,394	10,680	11,107	11,542
	-12.5%	6.6%	1.3%	-4.0%	1.2%	2.8%	4.0%	3.9%
Total	36,084	34,847	35,691	35,068	34,939	35,470	36,441	37,529
	-9.4%	-3.4%	2.3%	-1.7%	-0.4%	1.5%	2.7%	3.0%
Total All Work								
	96,576	104,462	106.869	97,426	95,261	97,158	100,751	105,434
	-13.4%	8.2%	2.5%	-8.8%	-2.2%	2.0%	3.7%	4.6%

### **Pensions**

### Risk Management

- 2000 closed to new members
- 2006 closed to future service accrual
- 2007 investment strategy

### **Investment Strategy**

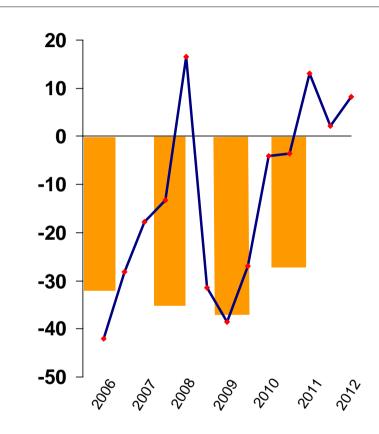
- Moved from equities to LDIs
- Closer matching to liability profile of pension scheme

#### **Balance Sheet Values**

- YE 2012 surplus £8.2m (2011: £13.0m)
- Net of deferred tax £6.3m (2011: £9.7m)

#### Movements

- AA Corporate Bond Rate
- Inflation expectations
- Asset values



= Accounting valuation

= Actuarial valuation: Formal

### **Financial Flexibility**

2012 Actual

EBITA: Interest charge 3.7 times

Net Debt: EBITDA 2.2 times

- EBITA to interest charge must be greater than 2.5 times
- Net debt to EBITDA must be less than 3.0 times
- Net assets must be greater than £100 million

### **Net Assets**

	£m	£m
2011 Year End Net Assets		206.1
Impact of movements in year:  Loss for the financial period Ordinary dividends Actuarial movement on pensions (after tax) Hedging reserve Share based expenses Foreign currency translation differences Non-controlling interest	(5.7) (10.3) (6.6) (0.9) 0.4 0.1 0.5	(22.5)
2012 Year End Net Assets		183.6

