# **Preliminary Results**

28 February 2017

# **Bruce Carnegie-Brown**

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"Our goal is generating returns for our customers and shareholders in the present and building growth in the future.

"We are announcing a return of capital of £40 million to enhance shareholder value today, and introducing our new CEO, Mark Lewis, who will shape and deliver our growth for tomorrow."

**Bruce Carnegie-Brown, Chairman** 



# **Mark Lewis**

## **Matthew Price**

Chief Financial Officer

### Full year themes

### **Diversified business operating in attractive growth markets**

- 12% revenue growth, and exiting the year strongly, led by Insurance
- Increased diversity with great market positions in Insurance, Money and Home Services
- Core markets worth c£1.6bn and growing at 11%

### **Continued investment in technology and our future**

- Step change in technology capabilities and agility, creating options for differentiation
- Transitioning from a search to serve model using data and personalisation

### **Delivering great returns to shareholders**

- Continue to deliver strong and growing cash flows
- Increasing total ordinary dividend by 8%, distributing £54M to shareholders
- Announcement to return a further £40M through share buy back



### We continue to grow our diversified business



## Revenue growth converted to profit

£Millions	FY 2016	FY 2015	Growth
Revenue Gross Margin	316.4 75%	281.7 80%	+12%
Adjusted EBITDA	120.8	110.1	+10%
EBITDA margin % Depreciation & Software Amortisation	38% (13.0)	39% (10.0)	
Adjusted Operating Profit *	107.8	100.1	+8%
Adjusted Operating Profit margin % Adjusting items *	34% (16.7)	36% (19.7)	
Operating Profit	91.1	80.5	+13%
Net finance costs Profit on disposal of associate Taxation	(0.7) 0.8 <b>(17.8)</b>	(0.7) - (16.4)	
Net Profit	73.5	63.4	+16%

Adjusted Operating Profit ("AOP") definition: Operating profit adjusted for the amortisation of acquisition-related intangible assets (2016: £14.5M, 2015: £14.9M, the impairment of intangible assets (2016: £2.2M, 2015: nil) and the contingent payable in relation to the acquisition of MoneySavingExpert.com. (2016: nil, 2015 £4.8M)

Adjusted EBITDA definition: Adjusted Operating Profit adjusted to exclude depreciation and software amortisation (2016: £13.0M, 2015 £10.0M)

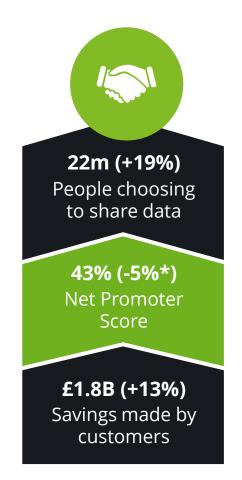


### Progress on KPI performance

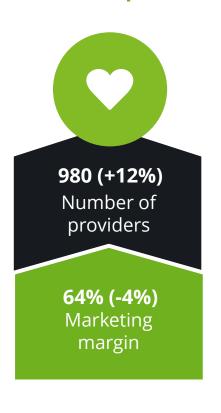
#### **Best Site**

# 23m (-1%) Unique monthly visitors £23m (+£3m) Investment in Technology

### **Earn Customer Loyalty**



### **Preferred partner**



Note:

<sup>\*</sup> This is an aggregated Group NPS score

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding TravelSupermarket Net Promoter Score remained flat at 49%

## Delivering strong growth

Revenues £Millions	FY 2016	FY 2015	FY Growth (%)
Insurance Money Home Services	155.2 78.9 51.0	140.2 72.4 37.5	+11% +9% +36%
MoneySuperMarket.com	285.1	250.1	+14%
MoneySavingExpert.com	36.8	30.7	+20%
TravelSupermarket.com	22.3	24.5	-9%
Intra-group eliminations and other income *	(27.8)	(23.6)	
Total Group	316.4	281.7	+12%

<sup>\*</sup>Other income includes one-off recoveries relating to prior years of £0.6m (2015: £nil) arising from revenue assurance activity



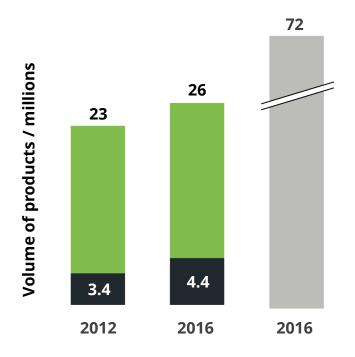
### Our core markets are worth c.£1.6bn, growing at 11%

### **Online Switching Market Today**



### Insurance: Growing robustly by 11% in 2016

#### **Home, Motor and Travel Insurance**



#### **CAGR 2012 - 2016**

**-7%** ■ MSM sales new / switching

+4% Online sales new / switching

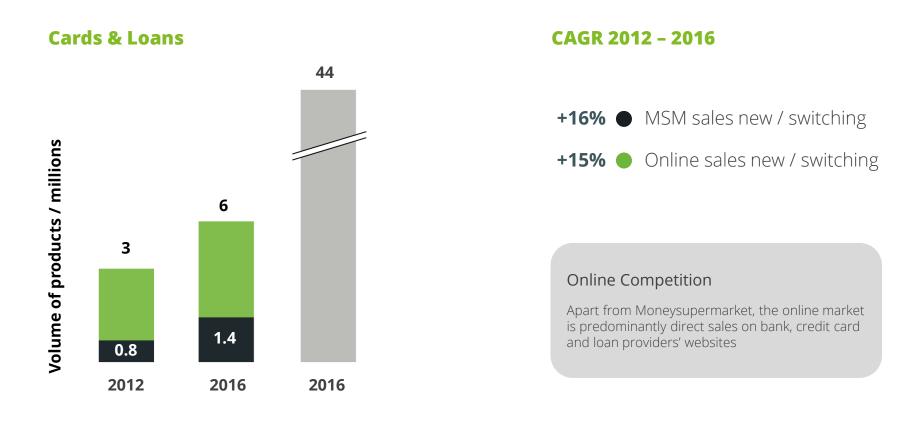
#### Online Competition

Online includes three other material aggregators (Confused.com, CompareTheMarket.com and Gocompare.com), some smaller aggregators and direct to provider

- 2016 industry advertising spend unchanged
- The products above represent over 70% of group Insurance revenues



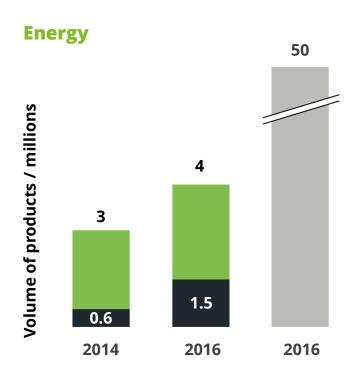
### Money: Removing barriers for consumers



The products represented above comprise over 60% of total Group Money revenues



### Energy: Significant market opportunity



Energy is over 80% of home services

#### **CAGR 2014 - 2016**

**+52%** ■ MSM sales new / switching

**+24%** Online sales new / switching

### Online Competition

Apart from Moneysupermarket, the online market is a mix of other aggregators and direct sales by providers



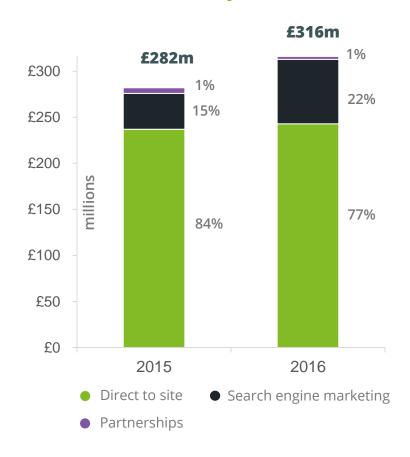
### Profitable growth from up-weighting online marketing

### **Marketing Spend**

£Millions	FY 2016	FY 2015	FY (%)
Offline spend	28.7	25.8	+11%
Online spend	62.8	45.5	+38%
Other	5.6	8.4	-33%
Total Group	97.1	79.7	22%

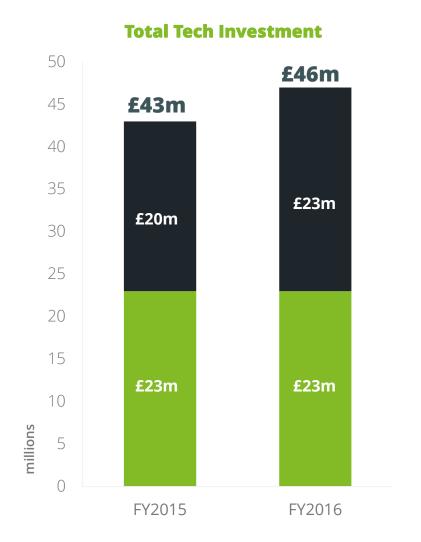
Total Group	97.1	79.7	22%
Marketing Margin excl MSE Cash Back	69%	72%	-3%

#### **Revenue by source**

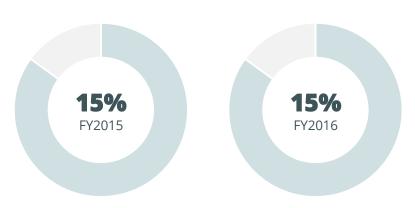


- Direct to site revenue increased £7M YOY
- Increased online marketing profitably
- As this marketing is working we currently expect the 2017 gross margin to be in-line with H2 2016 at around 73%

### Creating options for future differentiation



### **Reinvestment rate (%)**



- Operating costs are mainly staff costs and licenses
- Operating costs will increase £2-3M as we complete the transition from capitalised build phase to run phase on new systems
- Reinvestment rate is defined as the total technology investment as a percentage of revenue

- Technology operating costs excluding amortisation
- Technology capital investment



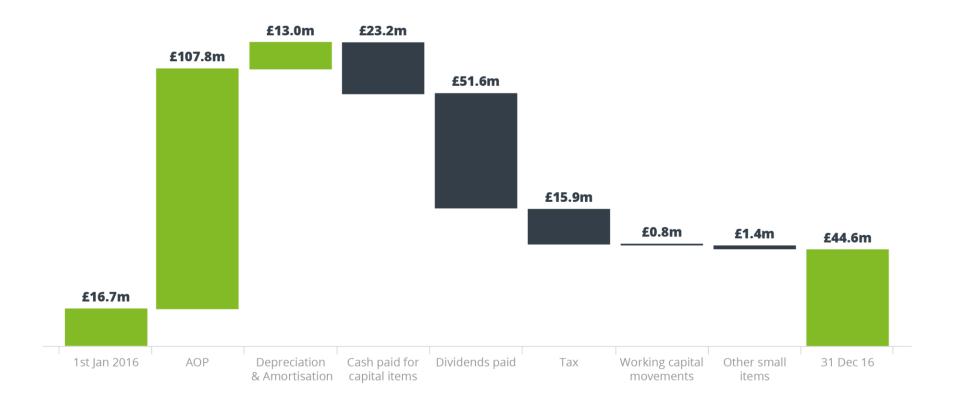
### From search to serve model with data and personalisation



- Service for customers to search
- Static best buy table
- Results were not personalised

- Results that go beyond price
- Increasingly we will deliver customers recommendations based on their circumstances creating barriers to entry

### Strong cash position after distributing £52M to shareholders



### Priorities growth & delivering £94M to shareholders





- Group will borrow to fund growth investments, not to finance distributions to shareholders
- Return a further £40M through share buy back

### The best place for people to switch & save

- Strong and diversified positions in markets worth £1.6bn and growing
- Great opportunities for further growth as consumers continue to shift online to save money on their household bills and financial products
- Technology investment aims to accelerate our growth through differentiation – moving from search to serve for customers

### **Delivering great returns to shareholders**

- Track record of growth across our markets and converting this to profits
- Highly cash generative
- Increasing normal dividend by 8% to £54M
- Returning a further £40M through share buy back



### **Peter Plumb**

Chief Executive Officer

### 2016: Good year building momentum to strong Q4 trading

We saved 7M families £1.8bn on their household bills

#### **Business Summary**

- Group Brands were used by an estimated 39M unique users (85% of UK online adults)
- MoneySuperMarket.com: +14% credit products strong, insurance strong H2
- MoneySavingExpert.com: +20% 2 collective energy switches saving 0.3M families money
- TravelSuperMarket.com: -9% turnaround back on track, strong Q4 growth

#### **Growth Investment**

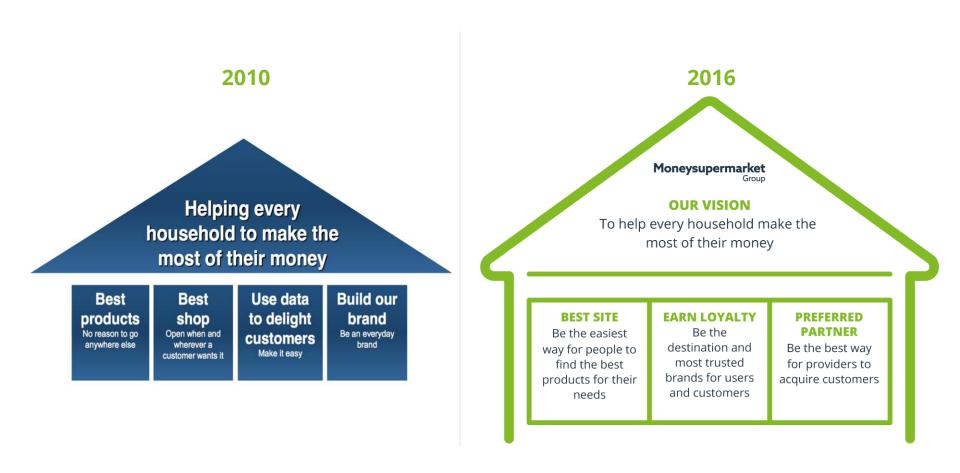
- New Fusion platform powering 24 channels
- Migration of 38M customer records to new Enterprise Data Warehouse (EDW) on track
- Manchester Lab innovating new App services

### Regulation

No new regulatory matters to report

### Helping every household make the most of their money

Our simple strategy continues to focus the Group on our customers and users



### MoneySuperMarket: Insurance re-engineered for growth

Motor Insurance is all about delivering our 'Best Price' and 'Best Shop' ambition

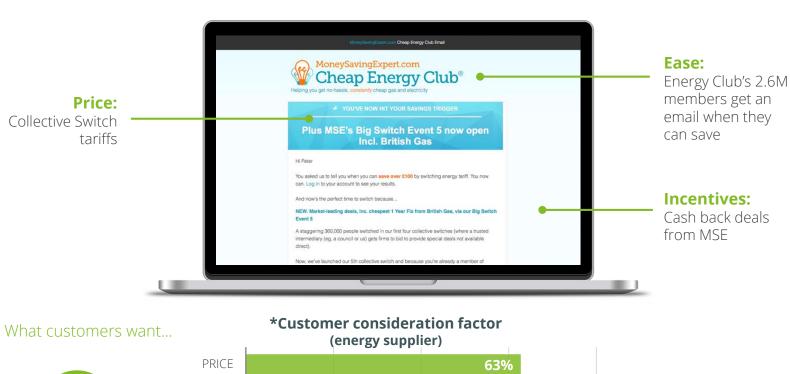


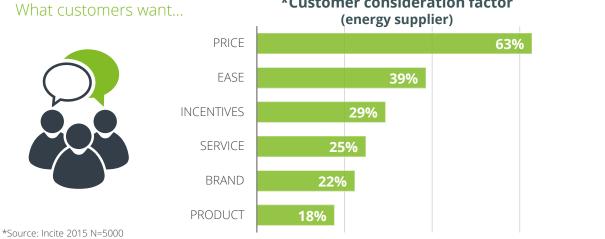
\*Source: Incite 2015 N=5000

Which of the following would be important to consider when deciding which is the right Motor Insurance policy for you and which would be most important in determining which policy you decide to take out?

### MoneySavingExpert.com: growth engine for Energy

Cheap Energy Club has 2.6M members and switched 0.6M users in 2016





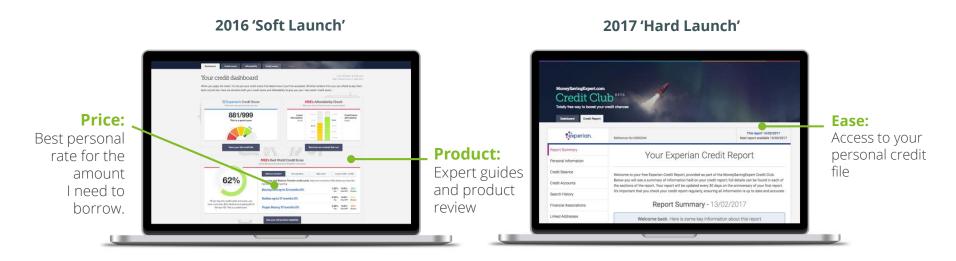
Which of the following would be important to consider when deciding which is the right energy supplier for you and which would be most important in determining

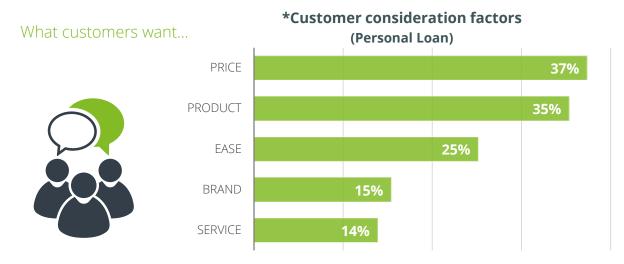
which energy/tariff supplier you decide to switch to? Base: All who are likely to switch (837)?

Moneysupermarket

### MoneySavingExpert: Trusted service driving Money growth

Credit Club offers personalised product search and trusted expert content

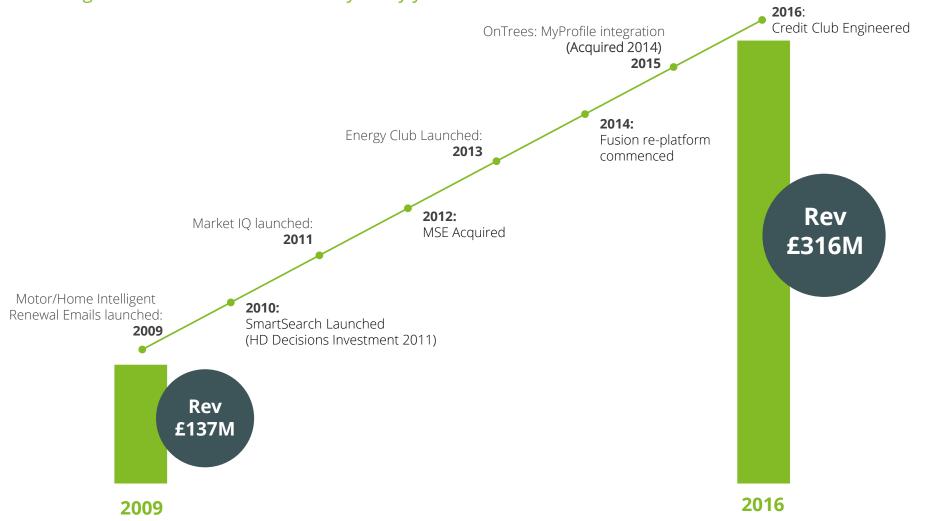




<sup>\*</sup>Source: Incite 2015 N=5000 Which of the following would be important to consider when deciding which personal loan is right loan for you and which would be most important in determining which personal loan you decide to take out? Base: All who are likely to switch or acquire (741)

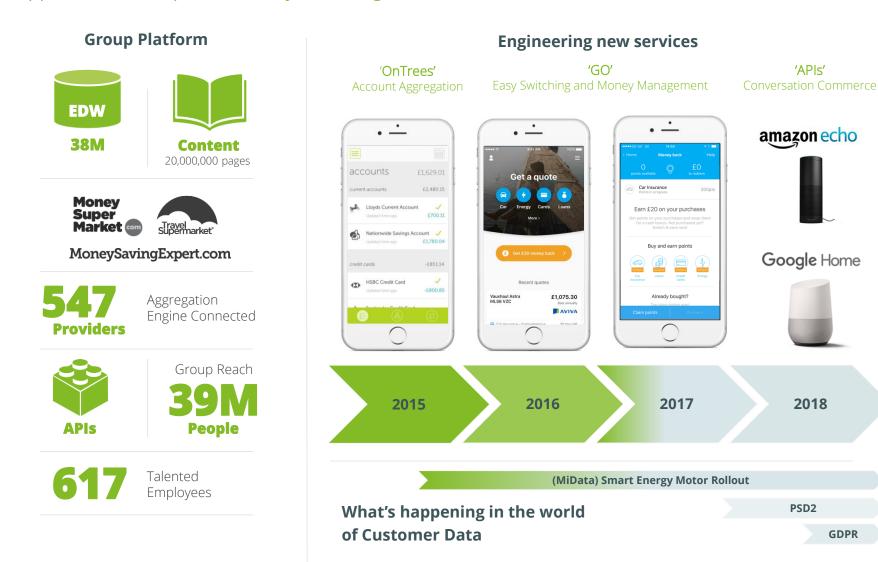
## The Group has driven growth through continued innovation





### Group has unique building blocks for continued innovation

Apps are now the preferred way to manage bank accounts in UK



**GDPR** 

'APIs'

amazon echo

Google Home

2018

PSD<sub>2</sub>

### Current trading: 2017

Insurance in strong growth, energy phasing likely to be different to 2016

#### Market

- Insurance: Prices continue to rise
- Energy: Prices rises coming through from some of the Big 6, although small players dominate low tariffs
- Money: Cheap lending continues
- Travel: Package holiday market good

#### **Brands/Marketing**

- MSM campaign: You're So MoneySuperMarket moves on from Colin and Dave
  - Data investments are powering more personalised/relevant email campaigns
  - Insurance focus on delivering 'Best Price' is building further momentum
- MoneySavingExpert
  - Cheap Energy Club likely to have different phasing (no collective in Q1) vs 2016
  - Credit Club 'hard launch' on track
- Travelsupermarket.com back in good health

#### **Board Confidence**

- MSM.com's channel migration to Fusion continues through H1
- Mark Lewis to take over as CEO on 10 April 2017
- Board is confident in meeting expectations for the year ahead

Q&A

Peter Plumb & Matthew Price

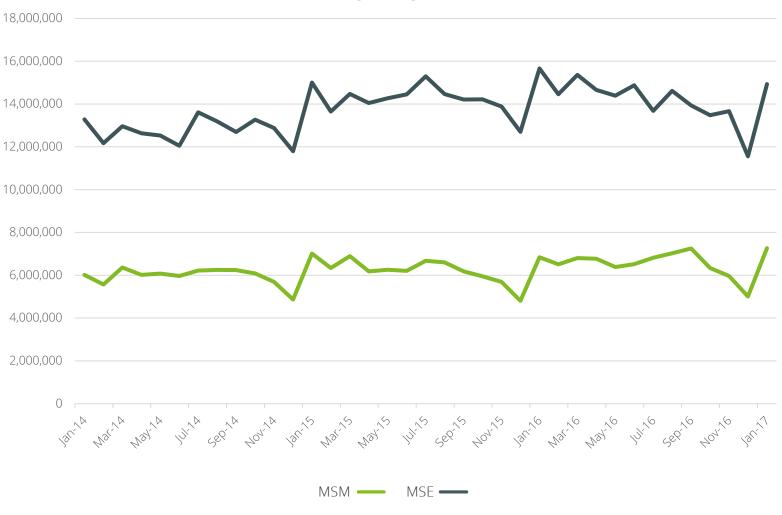
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### Unique monthly users

### **Monthly Unique Users**





### Cash and capital update

- We incurred software amortisation costs of £11 million this year. We expect technology amortisation to be in the region of £17 million for 2017
- We expect to make capital investment of up to £17 million in 2017
- Amortisation of the intangible assets related to the pre IPO reorganization and MSE acquisition was £14.5 million in FY 2016. We expect amortisation of the intangible assets to be in the region of £7 million for 2017
- The Group's cash tax payment benefits from the amortisation of goodwill on the MoneySavingExpert acquisition. This amortisation is c.£16 million pa and will run until September 2017
- The Group intends to reorganise its real estate including the new London Soho office. This is likely to result in a one-off capitalization charge of c. £3 million in 2017
- In November 2016, the group extended the existing revolving credit facility of £100 million until December 2019

## We continue our progressive dividend policy

Dividend (pence)	2016	2015
Interim Final	2.75 7.10	2.55 6.60
Total Ordinary Dividend Declared	9.85 +8%	9.15

Adjusted Earnings Per Share	15.7	14.5
Dividend Cover	1.6 x	1.6 x

Returning a further £40M through share buy back



# Adjusted operating profit

Revenues £ Millions	FY 2016	FY 2015	Variance	Variance %
Revenue	316.4	281.7	34.7	+12%
Gross Profit	236.8	225.4	11.4	+5%
Gross Margin	75%	80%		
Administrative Costs	(109.2)	(110.8)	(1.6)	-1%
Distribution Costs	(34.3)	(34.2)	(0.1)	0%
Impairment of intangible assets	(2.2)	-	(2.2)	
Operating Profit	91.1	80.5	10.6	+13%
Amortisation of acquired intangible assets	14.5	14.9	(0.4)	-3%
Contingent payable in relation to MSE	-	4.8	(4.8)	-100%
Impairment of intangible assets	2.2	-	2.2	
Adjusted Operating Profit	107.8	100.1	7.7	+8%
Depreciation	1.9	2.6	(0.7)	-27%
Amortisation of technology related Intangible assets	11.1	7.4	3.7	+50%
Adjusted EBITDA	120.8	110.1	10.7	+10%

# Adjusted cost base

£Millions	FY 2016	FY 2015	Variance	Variance %
Staff Costs Depreciation Amortisation of technology Irrecoverable VAT Other admin	50.6 1.9 11.1 9.8 21.5	51.1 2.6 7.4 7.4 22.6	(0.5) (0.7) 3.7 2.4 (1.1)	-1% -27% +50% +32% -5%
Total Adjusted Admin	94.9	91.1	3.8	+4%
Advertising Other Marketing	28.7 5.6	25.8 8.4	2.9 (2.8)	+11% -33%
Total Distribution costs per P&L	34.3	34.2	0.1	0%
Online and other marketing costs*	79.4	56.3	23.1	+41%
Total Marketing Costs	113.7	90.5	23.2	+26%
Total Adjusted Cost base below gross margin	129.2	125.3	3.9	+3%
Total Adjusted cost base	208.6	181.6	27.0	+15%

<sup>•</sup> Represents the adjusted cost base for the Group, and therefore includes approximately £10.6m of administrative and distribution costs (2015: £9.4m) relating to MoneySavingExpert.com. Excludes contingent payable in relation to the MSE acquisition and amortisation relating to acquisitions

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Moneysupermarket

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Includes costs relating to cashback, smartsearch and online display

# Gross margin impacted by higher online marketing

£Millions	FY 2016	H2 2016	H1 2016	FY 2015	H2 2015	H1 2015
Revenue	316.4	158.8	157.6	281.7	137.8	143.9
Cost of sales	(79.6)	(42.4)	(37.2)	(56.3)	(27.3)	(29.0)
Gross profit	236.8	116.4	120.4	225.4	110.5	114.9
GP %	74.8%	73.3%	76.4%	80.0%	80.2%	79.8%

# Tax and Earnings per share calculation

£Millions	FY 2016	FY 2015
Profit before tax	91.3	79.8
Standard rate of tax 20.00% (2015: 20.25%)	18.3	16.2
Effects of:		
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	0.1	0.3
Movement related to share based payments	0.1	-
Impact of changes in tax rate	-	(0.1)
Adjustment in relation to prior periods	(0.7)	-
Tax expense for the year	17.8	16.4
Effective tax rate	19.5%	20.6%
Adjusted Earnings	85.7	79.3
Basic average shares (millions)	546.6	546.3
Basic adjusted EPS (pence)	15.7	14.5
Diluted average shares (millions)	548.8	548.9
Diluted adjusted EPS (pence)	15.6	14.4

# Statutory balance sheet

£Millions	31-Dec-16	31-Dec-15
Property, Plant And Equipment	7.5	8.7
Intangible Assets - Technology	37.8	28.1
Intangible Assets - Acquisition related	119.8	135.8
Investments	0.5	-
Trade and Other Receivables	39.3	32.4
Cash and Cash Equivalents	44.6	16.7
Total Assets	249.5	221.7
Trade And Other Payables	(46.8)	(40.7)
Tax assets and liabilities	(16.3)	(15.2)
Borrowings	-	-
Total Liabilities	(63.1)	(55.9)
Net assets	186.4	165.8

- Acquisition related intangible assets include £74 million associated with the pre-IPO Group reorganisation, and £60 million from the acquisition of MoneySavingExpert
- Tax assets and liabilities include both current and non-current balances

# Cash flow seasonality

£Millions	H1 2016	H2 2016	FY 2016
Adjusted Operating Profit	53.8	54.0	107.8
Depreciation	1.1	0.8	1.9
Amortisation of technology related intangible assets	4.8	6.3	11.1
Dividends	(36.5)	(15.1)	(51.6)
Tax	(7.6)	(8.3)	(15.9)
Purchase of shares by employee trust	(2.3)	(1.6)	(3.9)
Disposal of associate	0.8	-	0.8
Acquisitions of other fixed assets	(10.9)	(12.3)	(23.2)
Working capital & Other	(10.1)	9.4	(0.7)
Share options and share issues	1.0	1.1	2.1
Interest and up front facility fees	(0.1)	(0.4)	(0.5)
Net cash movement	(6.0)	33.9	27.9
Movement in borrowings	-	-	-
Cash movement	(6.0)	33.9	27.9

# 2016 Quarterly performance

£Millions	Q1 16	Q2 16	Q3 16	Q4 16	FY 2016
MoneySuperMarket.com	76.0	66.2	76.0	66.9	285.1
MoneySavingExpert.com	11.2	8.1	9.2	8.3	36.8
TravelSupermarket.com	5.3	5.8	6.9	4.4	22.3
Intragroup / Other	(8.9)	(6.1)	(7.1)	(5.7)	(27.8)
Group Revenues	83.7	73.9	84.9	73.9	316.4
Growth PY %	9%	10%	12%	20%	12%

• The diversified and strong business delivers stable annual returns despite vertical Q on Q volatility

# Perceptions and realities

Perceptions:	Insurance is a mature market	The barriers to entry are low
Reality:	<ul> <li>✓ Insurance delivered 11% YOY revenue growth 2016</li> <li>✓ Insurance includes four key channels, some have very low levels of PCW penetration</li> <li>✓ Car insurance the most mature still benefiting from the shift to online</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ The core competitor group is unchanged</li> <li>✓ Deep relationships with providers needed to deliver personalised results rather than just listings</li> <li>✓ Well established and invested brands</li> <li>✓ Investing in tools and services to deliver differentiation. Great service needs data, more than just TV</li> </ul>
Perceptions:	Performance is cyclical	Rising energy prices is bad for switching
Reality:	<ul> <li>✓ The Group is a trading business with limited contracted revenues</li> <li>✓ Opportunity with MSE in Money and Home Services to promote special deals on products</li> <li>✓ Core business very relevant to customers in a downturn</li> <li>✓ Not reliant on any single product or</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ In a rising price environment, consumers should switch to secure the best deal</li> <li>✓ 2013, a rising pricing environment the Group helped 150,000 more customers save on energy</li> <li>✓ In the short term rising costs can impact providers ability to price a collective switch</li> </ul>

### Customers keep saving year after year

Fuelling continued structural growth opportunity across the Group

	Jan 2015  Product Average Average Policy MSM Saving		Jan 20 Product Average Policy	<b>16</b> Average MSM Saving	Jan 2017  Product Average Average Policy MSM Saving	
Car Insurance erage Cheapest Premium	£958	£455*	£1014	£488*	£1081	£569*
Home nsurance verage Cheapest Premium	£141	£99*	£132	£93*	£127	£105*
	barclaycard 35 Months	£277	money 40 Month	<b>£278</b>	mbna 43 Months	£285
Savings Easy Access	TESCO Bank 1.	4% <b>£24</b>	RCIBank	1.65% <b>£21</b>	RCI Bank 1.1%	£16
Loaiis	Sainsbury's Bank	£55	M&S Bank 3.3%	£49	Sainsbury's Bank 2.8%	£47
Energy Average Household Bill**	£1165 COTTISHPOWER	£124	£1095	£325	£1099	£191