

# Virgin Money UK BofA Financials Conference

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# Building strategic momentum despite uncertain economic backdrop

Successful digital execution

- Launched innovative, new digital propositions, including 'Slyce', 'Marketplace' and 'M-Track'
- Continued progress in digitising customer journeys; 43% at Q3 (FY21: 27%)

Balance sheet progress

- Strong growth in relationship deposits and in target lending segments (Unsecured and BAU Business)
- NIM has strengthened 14bps Q3 YTD vs Q421 exit rate; guidance upgraded to c.185bps for FY22

Continued cost-efficiency

- On track to deliver £175m of gross savings by FY24 from digital transformation programme
- Continue to expect FY22 costs to be broadly stable on FY21

Robust asset quality

- Prudent coverage of c.66bps at Q3, including c.£25m PMA for cost of living; expect single digit FY22 CoR
- Underwriting criteria tightened across portfolios to reflect higher cost of living

Capital returns underway

- Q3 CET1 14.8% well above target long term range of 13%-13.5%, post deduction for £75m buyback
- Dividend payout 30% per annum; inaugural buyback programme c.50% complete<sup>1</sup>

Q3 YTD Statutory RoTE

9.6%

### Our strategy continues to deliver shareholder value over time

Our strategic pillars underpin our equity story

Super Straight-forward Efficiency





Delighted Customers & Colleagues

Discipline & Sustainability





Pioneering Growth

#### Our equity story delivers shareholder value over time

#### Balance sheet resilience

- Defensive balance sheet and robust asset quality; coverage > pre pandemic
- Lending weighted towards mortgages with an affluent unsecured book
- Strong CET1 ratio 14.8%; robustly in excess of 13-13.5% target
- Clear capital framework set; dividends at 30% pay-out, supplemented by buybacks
- Strong total capital returns yield expected in FY22

Well positioned for uncertain economic outlook

#### Digital transformation underway

- Benefitting from rate rises; FY22 NIM stabilising at c.185bps, + c.20bps vs FY21
- Restructuring on track: delivering modern tech platform & automated customer journeys
- Broadly stable costs expected in FY22; with gross savings of £175m by FY24 on track
- Statutory RoTE of c.10% achieved in FY22 YTD¹
- New and exciting digital propositions launched, strong pipeline into FY23

Strategic execution driving improved earnings momentum

#### Accelerating profitable growth

- Leverage strong brand potential & loyalty to drive core customer product holding growth
- Fully leverage digital potential and new propositions
- Deliver above market growth in our target areas
- Improve efficiency and deliver <50% C:I by FY24
- Increase capital generation supporting stronger capital returns to shareholders

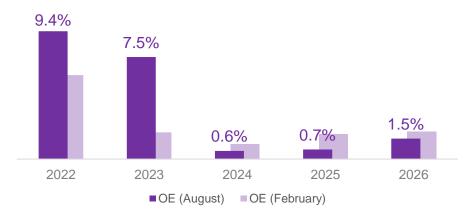
Digital propositions will drive growth across the whole book



# Challenging economic outlook, with higher inflation

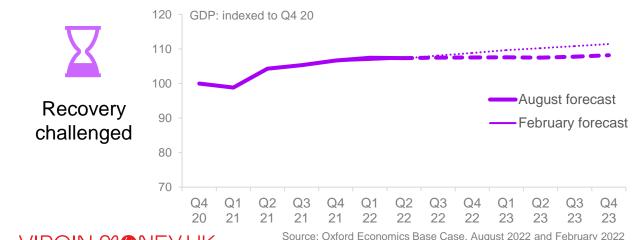
#### **CPI:** Sustained pick-up in inflation





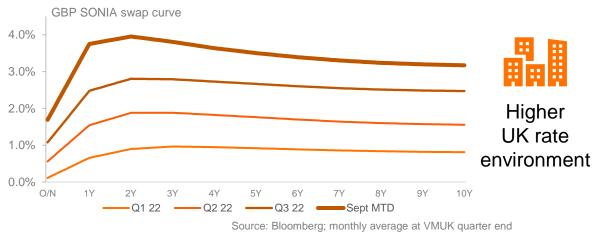
Source: Oxford Economics Base Case, August 2022 and February 2022

#### GDP: further downgrades to GDP outlook

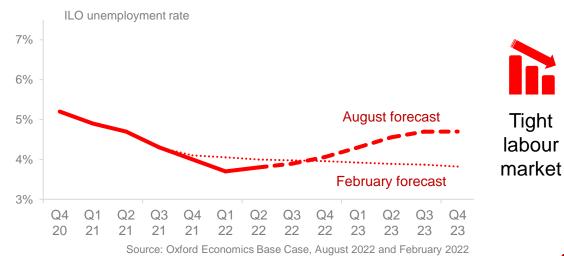


(1) As at 12/09/2022

#### Rates: significant yield curve shift



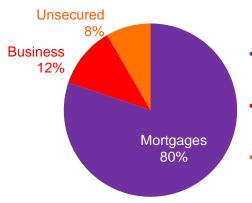
#### **Unemployment:** predicted to increase but remain subdued



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# Robust balance sheet, well-capitalised and returning capital

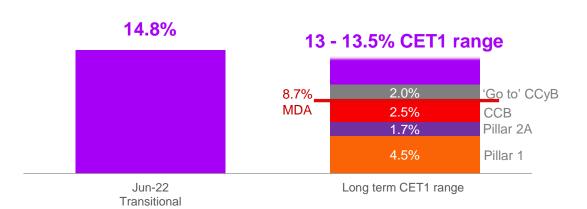
#### Balance sheet mix: Defensively positioned loan books



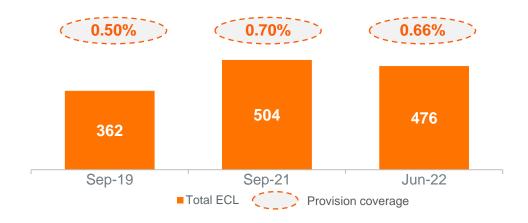
- Mortgages weighted towards owner occupied (74%); 54% average LTV of total stock
- **Business** c.70% fully or partially secured; diversified sector; weighted to larger SME's
- Unsecured primarily high quality cards; affluent customers, able to absorb higher living costs

Balance sheet mix as at Q3 2022 (June 2022)

#### Capital: Strong CET1, well in excess of target range



#### **Provisioning:** Robust asset quality; strong provision coverage



#### Capital return: Distributing capital to shareholders



- Buyback: Existing buyback launched in June 2022 well-progressed;
   Board will consider top-up and will update alongside FY22 results
- **Dividend**: 2.5p interim dividend paid; accruing 30% full year pay-out
- Total capital return: Strong expected yield for FY22, including £75m buyback and 30% dividend pay-out



CET1 Ratio

# Progress towards becoming a digital bank

Customer and propositions - digitisation and improvement

Colleagues and digital - productivity and agility

|                                       | FY21            | By FY24                 | Q3 22 progress              |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Customer interactions                 | 70%<br>voice    | 80% digital             | c.50% voice                 |
| Fully digitised key customer journeys | 27%             | 100%                    | 43%                         |
| PCA digital adoption                  | 62%             | >80%                    | 65%                         |
| # non-digital accounts                | 1.3m            | Low                     | 1.2m <sup>1</sup>           |
| Mortgage application automation       | Limited         | 100%<br>digital         | On-track to deliver in FY24 |
| Service centres                       | 6 Voice-<br>led | Fewer,<br>digitally-led | 5 service centres           |

|                         | FY21             | By FY24                 | Q3 22 progress                   |
|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Colleague interfaces    | Multiple         | Single sign on          | Underway                         |
| Property footprint      | c.900k<br>sq ft  | c.300k sq ft            | c.700 sq foot                    |
| <b>Branches</b>         | 162 <sup>1</sup> | Fewer,<br>digitally-led | 131                              |
| 실☆ Data Centres         | 6                | 2                       | 1 <sup>st</sup> exits end FY23   |
| Infrastructure in Cloud | c.5%             | c.75%                   | Migration starts<br>FY23         |
|                         | 13 weeks         | 6 weeks                 | 11 weeks<br>(new Agile projects) |

Progress in target areas, building pace of change

# Strong pipeline of exciting new digital products and propositions

#### Launched in FY22

#### Slyce



- Buy Now Pay Better; c.30k waitlist<sup>1</sup>
- Access to credit and credit score building
- Digital, regulated, simple and transparent

#### **Business M-Track and Marketplace**



- Significant growth in digitally-led BCA sales
- Partnering with innovative fintechs
- Offering new solutions for customers

#### PCAs with debit cashback



- > 216k new accounts opened since Q121
- Revolving Brighter Money Bundles campaign
- Strong growth in merchant-funded cashback

#### Coming next

#### **Digital Wallet**

Initial launch building to a full digital wallet proposition over time



- Ability to earn and spend points
- Access to unique rewards
- Expanding reward programme
- · Instalment capability
- Point of sale issuance

#### Mortgages

New digital platform with end to end digitisation



- New customer portal; omni-channel
- · Paperless, automated case tracking
- Extended market reach
- Consistent reliable decisions
- Improved turnaround times

# Latest guidance

#### FY22 financial guidance from Q3 trading update

| NIM                 | FY22 NIM expected to be around 185bps  |
|---------------------|--|
| Costs               | Underlying costs expected to be broadly stable in FY22   |
| Cost of risk        | Expect single digit cost of risk for FY22  |
| Restructuring costs | Expect c.£275m across FY22-FY24  |
| Capital<br>Return   | FY22 30% dividend payout; Board will consider top-up to existing £75m Buyback programme and will update alongside FY22 results |

#### **Medium-term outlook from Interim results**

| RoTE              | Expect to deliver a statutory double digit return in FY24  |
|-------------------|--|
| Growth            | Above market growth in Business & Unsecured; maintain mortgage share   |
| Income            | Mix-driven NIM expansion; OOI to rise as proportion of income  |
| Gross<br>savings  | Gross cost savings of c.£175m by FY24; c.50% to be reinvested, including offsetting inflation  |
| Costs             | Cost: Income ratio to be <50%  |
| CET1              | CET1 target range 13-13.5% long term; expect to operate above that for the time being  |
| Capital<br>Return | 30% dividend pay-out supplemented by buybacks, subject to ongoing assessment of surplus capital, market conditions and regulatory approval |

# Appendix



# Structural hedge supportive to NIM; group positively geared to rising rates

#### Structural hedge - size and gross yield as at H1 2022

# Hedge Notional £bn Gross Yield 0.32% 0.45% 32 32 32 Sep-21 Q1 22 Q2 22

- Increase in gross yield reflects re-investment benefit of c.1/60<sup>th</sup> of total hedge balance each month at the prevailing 5Y swap rate
- Gross yield does not reflect income from the legacy hedge unwind
- Legacy hedge of c.£15bn at H122 will be fully unwound by FY25; contribution was c.£150m in FY21 and will be c.£120m in FY22
- Size of structural hedge subject to ongoing review of balance stability as market pricing and customer behaviour evolves

#### **Group interest rate sensitivity as at H1 2022**

| NII impact      | Year 1  | Year 2   | Year 3   |
|-----------------|---------|----------|----------|
| +25bps parallel | c.£10m  | c.£20m   | c.£35m   |
| -25bps parallel | c.£(5)m | c.£(20)m | c.£(35)m |

- The sensitivities assume an immediate 25bps parallel shift in interest rate curves, including the bank base rate and forward rate curve
- Assumes the balance sheet is constant; does not reflect new business margin implications
- Size of structural hedge is calibrated to an assumed level of deposit pass-through; actual level of pass-through could be different in practice
- Year 2 and 3 impacts driven by structural hedge re-investment



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