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Continued profitable growth in a challenging market

Quarter 3 FY19 YTD¹ Highlights versus prior year

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 - Littlewoods revenue down 9.2% to £403.9m (Q3 FY18 YTD: £445.0m)
- Interest income as a percentage of the debtor book increased 0.9%pts to 17.9% (Q3 FY18 YTD: 17.0%)
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- Reported EBITDA, excluding the impact of IFRS 9², increased by 7.8% to £180.9m (Q3 FY18 YTD £167.8m), with the margin up 0.5%pts to 11.6% reflecting good trading and continued strong cost performance
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3. Underlying free cash flow defined on page 11

Continued revenue growth and cost discipline

Income statement

(£ millions)

Q3 FY19 YTD Q3 FY18 YTD Variance %

Excluding impact of IFRS 9²

Very	1,154.9	1,065.4	8.4 %
Littlewoods	403.9	445.0	(9.2)%
Group Revenue	1,558.8	1,510.4	3.2 %
Gross margin	591.7	585.8	1.0 %
% Margin	38.0%	38.8%	(0.8)%pts
Distribution expenses	(172.9)	(162.1)	
Administrative expenses	(240.0)	(257.1)	
Other operating income	2.1	1.2	
EBITDA	180.9	167.8	7.8 %
% Margin	11.6%	11.1%	0.5 %pts

Reported basis

Gross margin	587.2	585.8	0.2 %
% Margin	37.7%	38.8%	(1.1)%pts
Reported EBITDA	176.4	167.8	5.1 %
% Margin	11.3%	11.1%	0.2 %pts

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Highlights

- **Group revenue** grew 3.2% to £1,558.8m driven by Very (+8.4%) partially offset by Littlewoods managed decline (-9.2%)
- Excluding the impact of IFRS 9, **gross margin** down 0.8%pts to 38.0%. Strong underlying retail margin performance offset by the continued switch to Very from Littlewoods, with the reduction reflecting the timing of bad debt provision movements in the prior year
- **Costs as a percentage of group revenue** reduced principally due to lower marketing spend
- **EBITDA** excluding the impact of IFRS 9 increased by 7.8% to £180.9m, with margin up 0.5%pts to 11.6%. **Reported EBITDA** increased by 5.1% to £176.4m

Retail revenue progression

Retail revenue

Highlights

Clothing & Footwear

Electrical

Seasonal

Furniture & Homeware



YoY %

+2.9%

+3.2%

+4.6%

(2.5)%

Q3 FY19
YTD Mix %

33%

40%

15%

12%

Q3 FY18
YTD Mix %

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12%

- **Clothing & Footwear** growth increased in Q3 against the prior quarter. Sportswear continued to be the standout category and has grown by 11.5% in the year-to-date. Full price sales participation represented 65% of total C&F sales (Q3 FY18 YTD 61%)
- **Electrical** performance driven by mobiles and smart tech, with both categories posting double digit year-on-year growth. Solid performance further supported by the growth in small domestic appliances and audio visual categories
- **Seasonal** growth underpinned by a strategic focus on Toys, with the category posting a 14.2% increase in revenue in the year-to-date
- **Furniture & Homeware** performance has strengthened and was in growth of 2.3% in Quarter 3. This reflects a significant improvement against the (9.5)% reported in FY18, through changes in marketing approach

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Growth in FS Revenue driven by Very

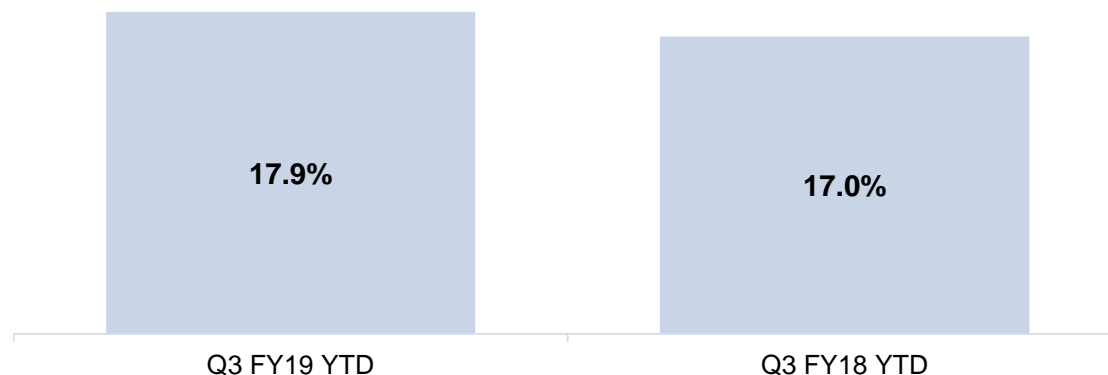
Financial Services revenue

£m	Q3 FY19 YTD	Q3 FY18 YTD	Variance %
Interest Income	299.1	282.3	6.0%
Other	32.1	39.5	(18.7)%
FS revenue	331.2	321.8	2.9%

Highlights

- **Interest income** up 6.0% to £299.1m driven by Very. Very, with its higher interest bearing element, comprises 83% of total interest income at Q3 FY19 YTD, compared to 72% of debtor book (80% of total interest and 67% of debtor book in prior year)
- As a percentage of the debtor book, interest income increased by 0.9%pts to 17.9%, driven by shift in brand mix towards Very (now 74% of group revenue compared to 71% in prior year)
- **Other** financial services revenue reduction reflects lower insurance and warranty volumes year-on-year
- **Average debtor book** grew 1.3% to £1,674.2m driven by revenue growth across Very and Littlewoods Ireland

Interest Income as % of Debtor Book



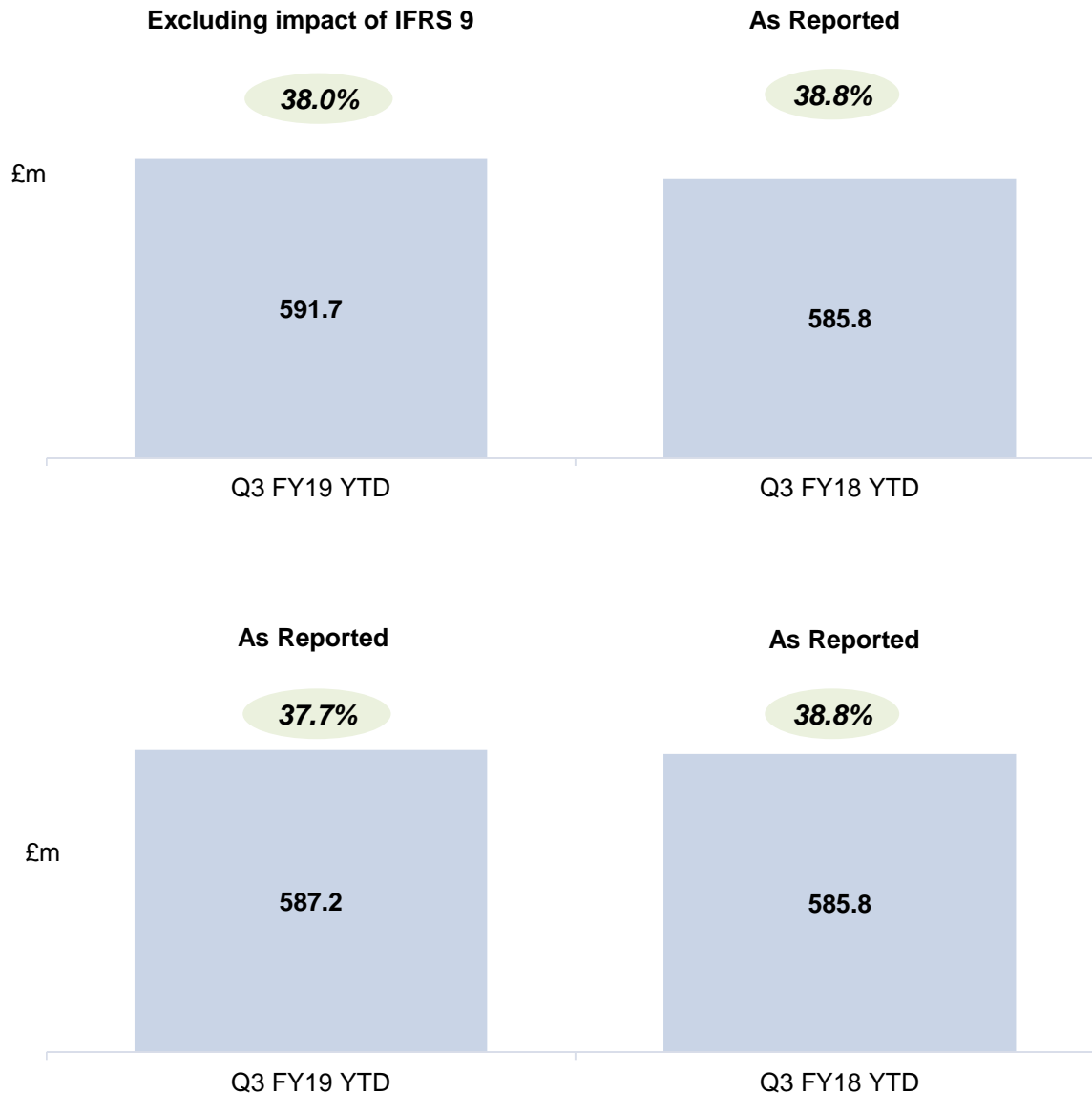
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Strong retail gross margin performance year-to-date

Gross Margin and Gross Margin Rate

Highlights



- Excluding the impact of IFRS 9, **gross margin rate** decreased by 0.8%pts to 38.0%:
 - Retail margins saw an improvement in underlying rate as a result of a strong full price performance across all product divisions. This was offset by the switch to Very from Littlewoods;
 - After adjusting for IFRS 9, margin reduced due to the timing of bad debt provision movements in prior year
- On a reported basis, Q3 FY19 YTD **gross margin rate** decreased 1.1%pts to 37.7% (Q3 FY18 YTD: 38.8%)

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Quality of debtor book maintained with year-on-year bad debt reflecting timing of provision movements

Bad Debt and as % of Debtor Book



Highlights

- On 1 July 2018 IFRS 9 Financial Instruments was adopted. As an expected loss model this changes the profile of the bad debt expense line during the course of the year. Excluding the £4.5m adverse provision movement which resulted in the year-to-date relative to accounting under IAS 39, **bad debt as a percentage of the debtor book** of 6.4% (Q3 FY18 YTD reported: 5.6%; 6.3% excluding provision movement)
- The adverse year-on-year variance was driven by the timing of bad debt provision movements in prior year
- The underlying quality of the debtor book remains in line with prior year with a strong focus on responsible lending and assessment of customer sustainability at both acquisition and during the lifetime of lending, as well as increasing proportion of lower risk Very customers
- On a reported basis, Q3 FY19 YTD **bad debt as a percentage of the debtor book** adverse to prior year at 6.7% (Q3 FY18 YTD: 5.6%)

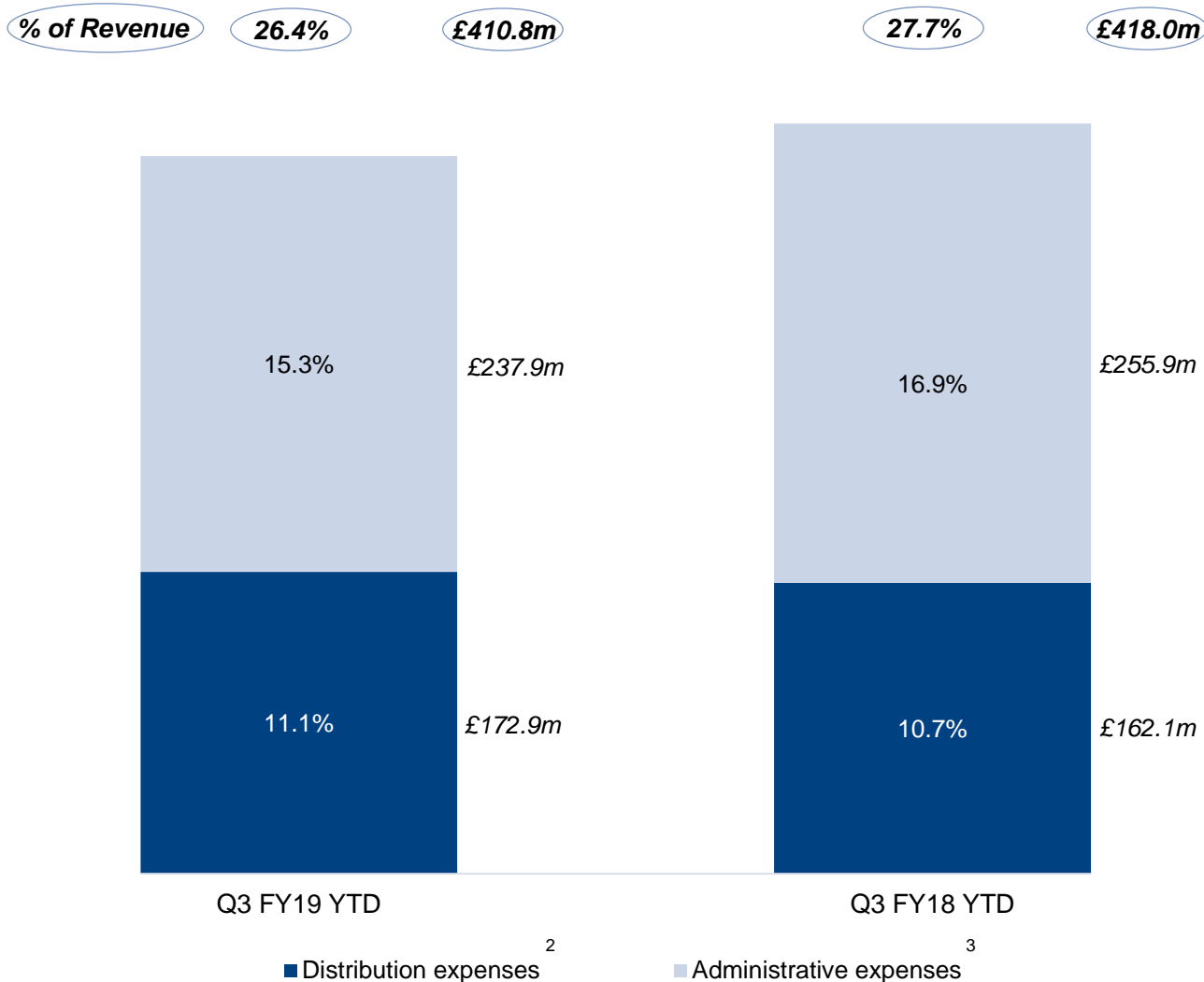
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Cost control continues

Operating costs

Highlights



- Total costs as a percentage of revenue reduced by 1.3%pts to 26.4% reflecting a strong culture of cost control in the business and is significantly lower than 2 years ago (Q3 FY17 YTD: 29.5%)
 - **Administrative costs** as a % of revenue decreased by 1.6%pts to 15.3% driven by lower marketing spend including through shorter TV advertising and reducing spend which does not drive demand, as we find more efficient ways to communicate with our customers
 - **Distribution costs** as a % of revenue increased by 0.4%pts to 11.1% including the impact of higher fuel costs, inflation and product mix

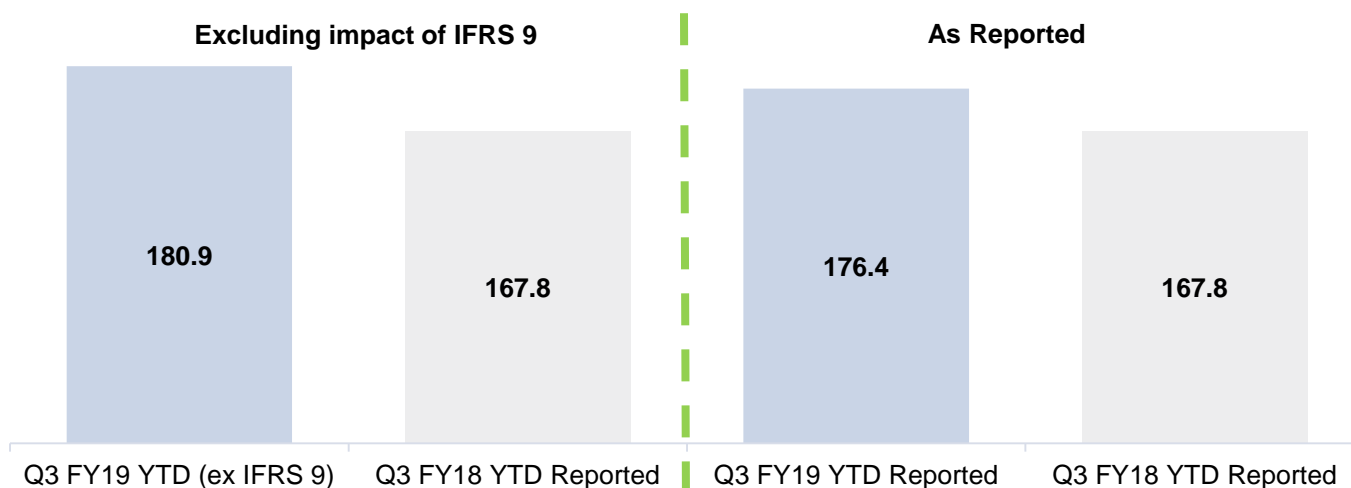
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2. Distribution expenses comprise distribution and fulfilment costs
3. Administrative expenses comprise marketing, contact centres, head office costs and other operating income, excluding depreciation and amortisation

Strong growth in EBITDA excluding IFRS 9 impact

Year-on-year Reported EBITDA reconciliation

Highlights



- Excluding the impact of IFRS 9, EBITDA grew by 7.8% to £180.9m
- Reported EBITDA of £176.4m

(£ millions)	exc. IFRS 9 ¹		Reported		
	Q3 FY19 YTD	Variance %	Q3 FY19 YTD	Q3 FY18 YTD	Variance %
Reported EBITDA	180.9	7.8 %	176.4	167.8	5.1 %
Adjusted for:					
Fair value adjustments to financial instruments	0.0		0.0	7.8	
Foreign exchange translation movements on trade creditors	2.0		2.0	(1.0)	
IAS19 and IFRIC 14 pension adjustments	1.0		1.0	(0.1)	
Management EBITDA²	184.0	5.4 %	179.5	174.5	2.9 %
Adjusted for:					
Management fee	3.8		3.8	3.8	
Consultancy costs	-		-	1.8	
Securitisation interest	(32.5)		(32.5)	(26.6)	
Adjusted EBITDA post securitisation interest	155.3	1.2 %	150.8	153.5	(1.8)%

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Underlying free cash flow remains strong

Cash Flows		Highlights	
(£ millions)	Q3 FY19 YTD	Q3 FY18 YTD	
Adjusted EBITDA (post securitisation interest)	150.8	153.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net working capital movement (post securitisation funding) driven by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Lower working capital outflow through trade receivables than prior year reflecting higher customer payment rates; – Prepayments / other receivables reflecting payments associated with the fit out of the new fulfilment centre and timing of other prepayments; – Trade and other payables reflecting timing of supplier payments; – Draw down of securitisation facility includes current year benefit from the new issue of 'B' and 'C' notes and the impact of the securitisation of the Ireland debtor book • Pension plan buy-out completed resulting in £14.4m cash benefit • Acquisition of property, plant, equipment and intangible assets decrease over prior year reflects timing of the business' investment in strategic projects
Net working capital movement:			
Movement in inventories	(12.1)	(9.9)	
Movement in trade receivables ²	(44.4)	(93.3)	
Movement in prepayments and other receivables ²	(89.5)	(62.1)	
Movement in trade and other payables ³	(24.8)	22.5	
Movement in securitisation facility	129.6	133.1	
Net working capital movement (post securitisation funding)	(41.2)	(9.7)	
Pension contributions	2.9	(16.3)	
Underlying operating free cash flow	112.4	127.5	
Acquisition of property, plant, equipment and intangible assets	(55.2)	(68.7)	
Underlying free cash flow	57.3	58.8	

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Customer redress update

- Balance sheet provision of £100.4m at 30 June 2018
- In the 9 months to 31 March 2019, £111.7m had been paid out with an additional £41.0m provision recognised during Quarter 1 FY19
- Further provision of £50.0m recognised in Q3 FY19 resulting in a balance sheet provision of £79.7m at 31 March 2019

Corporate update

- Rebrand of Shop Direct to “The Very Group” will take place later in 2019, bringing the company name and identity in line with the flagship consumer brand Very.co.uk
- Following recent assessment of assets and liabilities of the Littlewoods Pension Scheme, considerable progress has been made to achieve full buy-out of the liabilities of the Littlewoods Pension Scheme. In this respect, the Trustees have agreed with the Company to suspend contributions totaling £20m from May 2019 until August 2020 whilst the buy-out readiness programme is progressed and when buy-out values can be more accurately assessed
- Andy Burton appointed Chief Technology Officer
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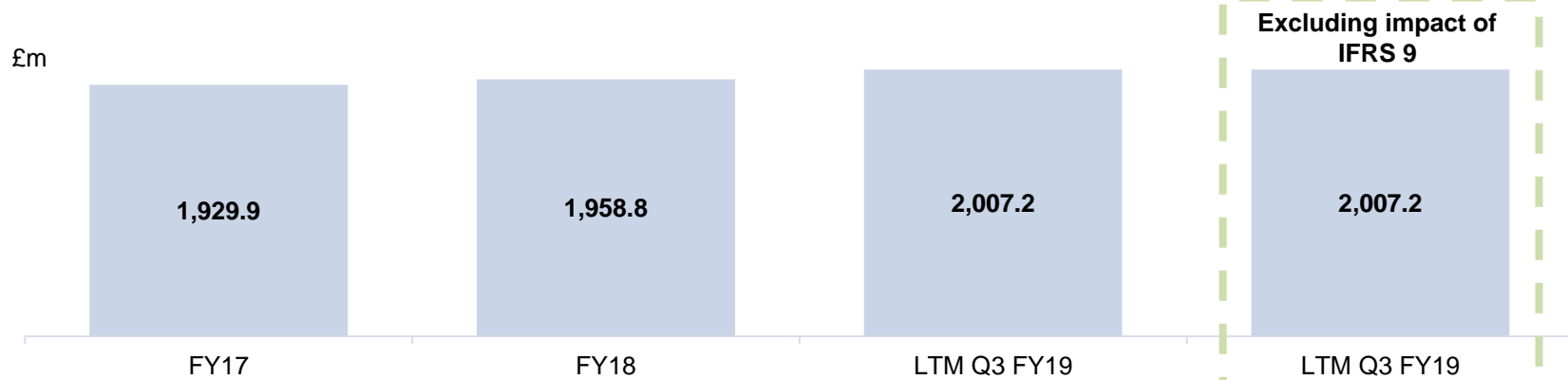
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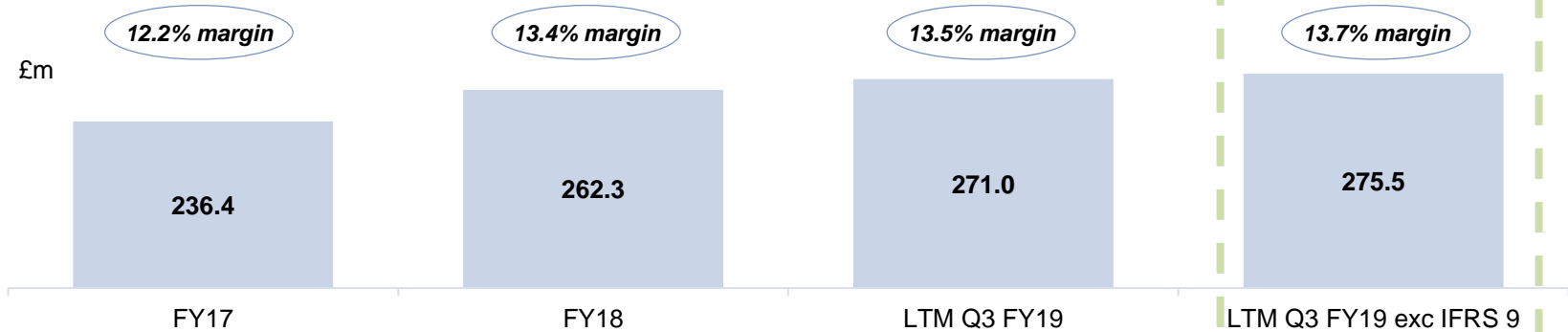
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Appendix A: LTM KPIs

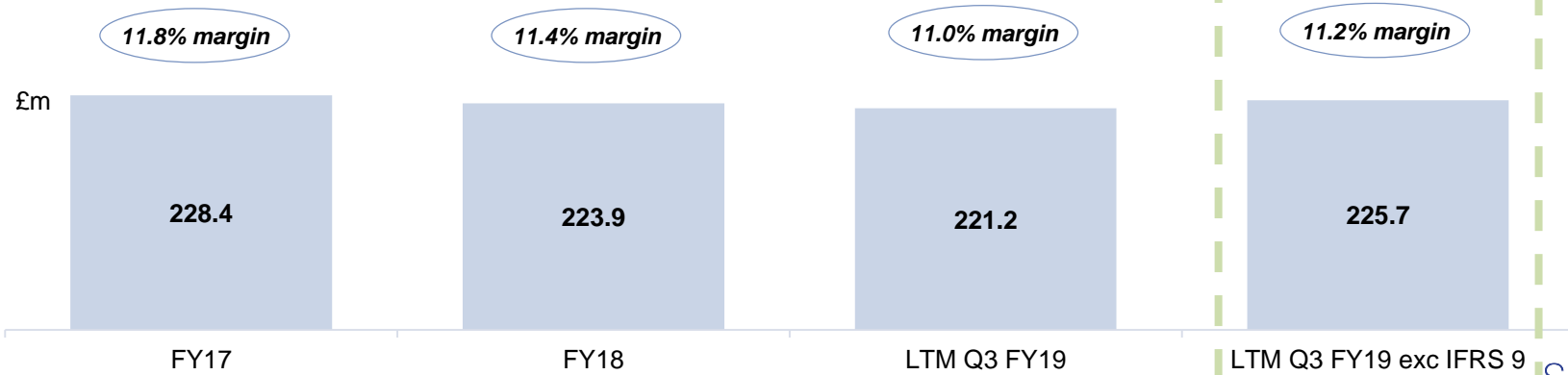
LTM Revenue



LTM Reported EBITDA



LTM Adjusted EBITDA post securitisation interest



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Capital expenditure	(55.2)	(68.7)
Underlying free cash flow	57.3	58.8
Interest paid (excluding securitisation interest)	(29.5)	(38.4)
Income taxes (paid) / received	(0.3)	-
Cash impact of exceptional items	(9.9)	(9.4)
Management fees	(3.8)	(3.8)
Consultancy costs / non-recurring costs	-	(1.8)
Cash received from / (paid) to the parent company	1.0	(123.4)
(Repayments of) / draw downs from finance leases	(1.2)	0.3
(Repayments of) / draw downs from bank borrowings	-	(500.0)
Proceeds from issue of senior secured notes	-	550.0
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents pre customer redress	13.6	(67.7)
Customer redress payments	(111.7)	(79.3)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(98.1)	(147.0)

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Appendix C: Net Leverage

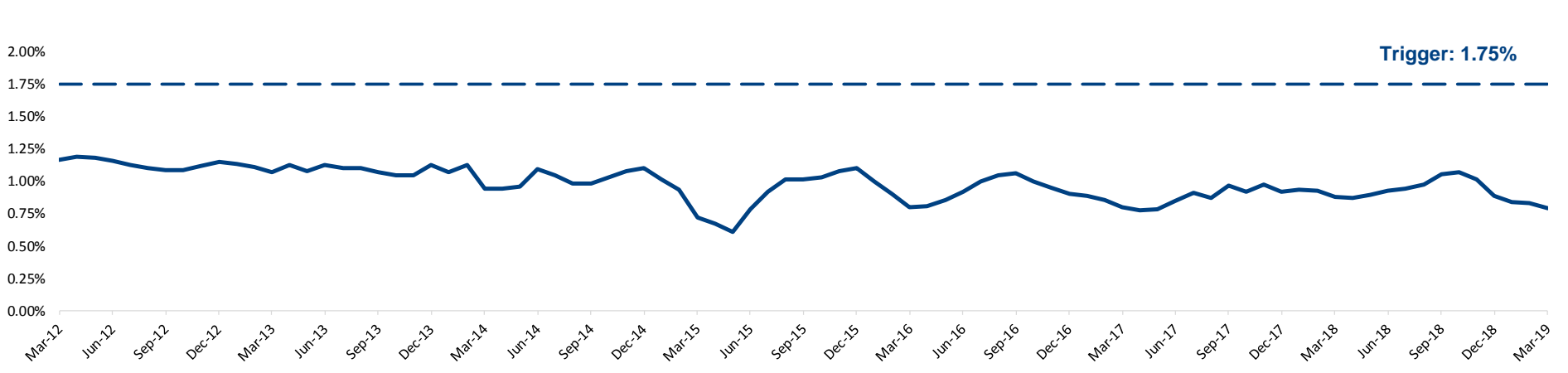
Net Leverage

<i>(£ millions)</i>	Excluding impact of IFRS 9						
	Q3 FY19 exc IFRS 9	Q3 FY19	Q2 FY19 exc IFRS 9	Q2 FY19	Q1 FY19	Q4 FY18	Q3 FY18
Cash & Cash Equivalents	56.9	56.9	97.9	97.9	79.3	140.5	12.3
Fixed Rate Notes	(550.0)	(550.0)	(550.0)	(550.0)	(550.0)	(550.0)	(550.0)
Term Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revolving Credit Facility	(110.0)	(110.0)	-	-	(120.0)	(95.0)	(100.0)
Other debt	(10.7)	(10.7)	(6.1)	(6.1)	(12.0)	(12.4)	(13.5)
Total Gross Debt (excluding Securitisation)	(670.7)	(670.7)	(556.1)	(556.1)	(682.0)	(657.4)	(663.5)
Total Net Debt (excluding Securitisation)	(613.8)	(613.8)	(458.2)	(458.2)	(602.7)	(516.9)	(651.2)
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LTM Adjusted EBITDA (post securitisation interest)	225.7	221.2	224.9	213.5	227.5	223.9	217.8
Q3 FY19 to Q3 FY18 Actual	2.7x	2.8x	2.0x	2.1x	2.6x	2.3x	3.0x

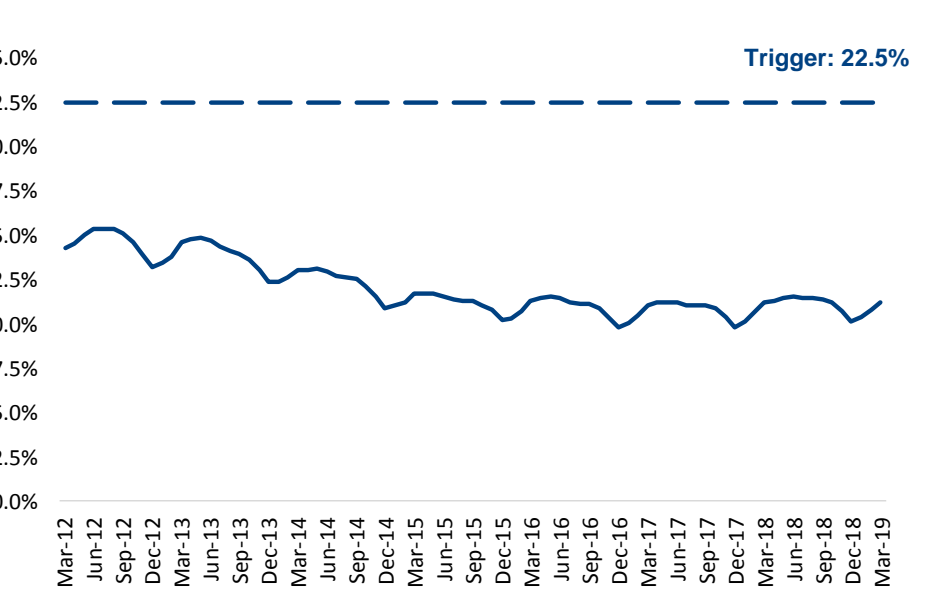
Appendix D: Securitisation Performance Covenants

Key triggers and historical performance – stable performance over economic cycles

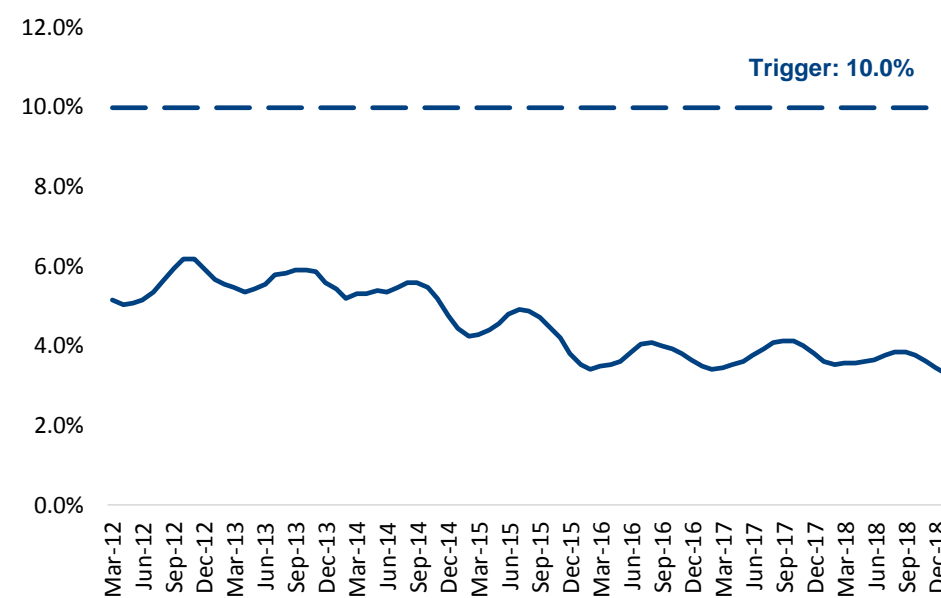
Defaults (3-month moving average)



1-5 months delinquency rates



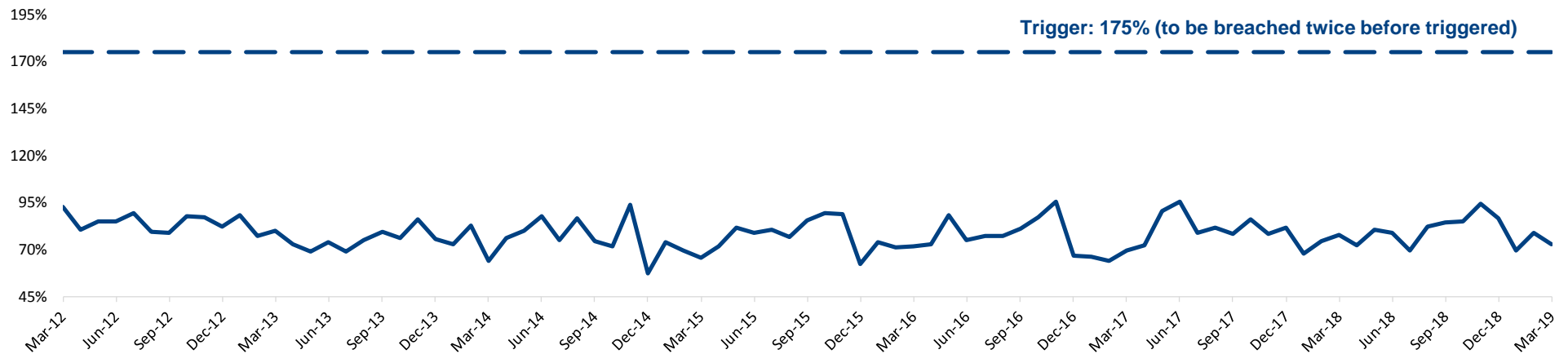
5+ months delinquency rates



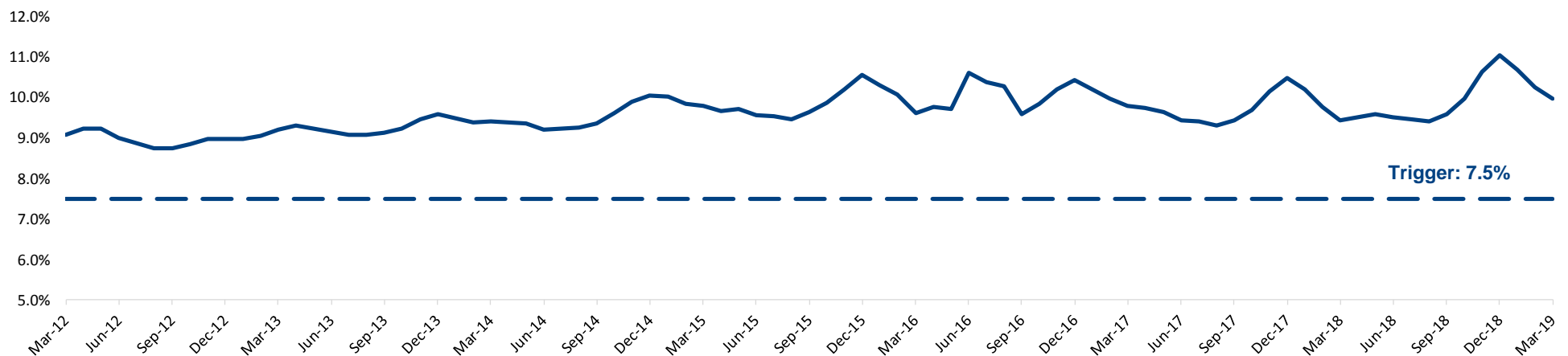
Appendix D: Securitisation Performance Covenants

Key triggers and historical performance – stable performance over economic cycles

Dilutions Ratio



Payment Rate (3-month moving average)



Appendix E: Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet

	Q3 FY19	Q3 FY18
Non-current assets	629.1	566.7
Current assets	2,364.7	2,491.5
<i>of which:</i>		
<i>Inventories</i>	114.0	124.2
<i>Trade receivables</i> ¹	1,420.2	1,556.5
<i>Amounts owed by Group undertakings</i> ¹	512.9	584.6
<i>Cash and bank balances</i>	56.9	12.3
Current liabilities	(814.7)	(834.3)
<i>of which:</i>		
<i>Trade and other payables</i>	(544.8)	(546.0)
Non-current liabilities	(2,121.8)	(2,040.5)
<i>of which:</i>		
<i>Securitisation borrowings</i>	(1,447.0)	(1,361.9)
<i>Retirement benefit obligations</i>	(61.7)	(74.4)
Total equity	(57.3)	(183.4)

Notes

- Included within Trade and other receivables in Balance Sheet
- Q3 FY19 reported under IFRS 9. Q3 FY18 reported under IAS 39

Highlights

- Non-current assets** increase driven by capital investment in strategic initiatives
- Inventories** have decreased due to a targeted reduction in inventory cover days
- Trade receivables** driven by increase in provision on adoption of IFRS 9 of £141m at July 2018
- Amounts owed by Group undertakings** have decreased by £72m driven by the £100m of cash received from parent company in June 2018
- Securitisation borrowings:** The 'A' Notes commitment of £1,325m and the 'B' and 'C' Notes commitment of £210m expire December 2021, giving a total maximum value of £1,535m. The securitisation borrowings also include £24m in relation to the extension of the securitisation programme to include the receivables of Shop Direct Ireland Ltd
- Retirement benefit obligations** lower than prior year with both defined benefit schemes in technical provisions surplus. The liability reflects voluntary contributions agreed to encourage trustees to move towards buy-out

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