

## Dunelm

The Home of Homes

## Interim Results FY22

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## Introduction

Nick Wilkinson - CEO

## H1 highlights

| $+10.6 \%$ | $+36.0 \%$ | $+121 \%$ | $+6.3 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total sales <br> growth | 2YoY total <br> sales growth | 2YoY digital <br> sales growth | Active <br> customer <br> crowth |
| +80 bps | $+25.3 \%$ | $£ 106 m$ | $51 p$ |
| Gross margin <br> increase | Profit before <br> tax growth | Free cash flow ${ }^{4}$ | Interim and <br> special <br> dividends |

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## Delivering accelerated growth

- Our plans to digitise the business are delivering accelerated growth
- Our digital platform is extending the reach of our brand and product offer
- Improving product design, development and supply
- Physical shopping experience, including refits and new stores, continuing to differentiate
- Fulfilment capacity increasing through own and partner operations
- A bigger and better business, well placed to continue to grow market share



## Our Ambition

To become our customers' $1^{\text {st }}$ choice for home

# Financial Review 



## Financial summary

|  | H1 FY22 | H1 FY21 | YoY |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | $\mathbf{£ 7 9 5 . 6 m}$ | $\mathbf{£ 7 1 9 . 4 m}$ | $\mathbf{+ 1 0 . 6 \%}$ |
| Gross margin | $52.8 \%$ | $52.0 \%$ | +80 bps |
| Operating cost \% sales | $34.8 \%$ | $35.5 \%$ | $(70) \mathrm{bps}$ |
| Profit before tax | $\mathbf{£ 1 4 0 . 8 \mathbf { m }}$ | $\mathbf{£ 1 1 2 . 4 m}$ | $\mathbf{+ 2 5 . 3 \%}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Free cash flow |  |  |  |
| Net cash $^{2}$ | $£ 106.3 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 98.0 \mathrm{~m}$ | $+£ 8.3 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Diluted earnings per share | $£ 47.7 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 140.6 \mathrm{~m}$ | $(£ 92.9 \mathrm{~m})$ |
| Interim dividend | 55.4 p | 44.1 p | $+25.6 \%$ |
| Special dividend | 14.0 p | 12.0 p | $+16.7 \%$ |

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## Sales growth

|  | H1 FY22 | YoY | 2YoY |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total sales $^{1}$ | £795.6m | $+10.6 \%$ | $+36.0 \%$ |

Digital \% total sales ${ }^{2} \quad 33 \% \quad$ (2)\%pts $+13 \%$ pts

- Strong growth across channels, especially store sales
- Digital sales of $£ 263$ m, more than double H1 FY20
- Q1 growth supported by non-LFL Summer Sale
- Higher growth in furniture categories driven by improved availability and new ranges
- Outperformed GfK homewares panel by $14 \%$ pts, also grew furniture market share ${ }^{3}$

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## Financial Review

## Gross margin



- Gross margin +80bps compared to H1 FY21
- Improvement driven by high full price sell through of seasonal ranges and provisions taken in comparative period relating to store closures
- H2 margin likely to be impacted by two Sale events as we revert to historic calendar. FY22 expected $\sim 30-50 \mathrm{bps}$ lower than FY21
- Ongoing mitigation and management of cost headwinds and retail pricing

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## Operating costs



|  | H1 FY22 | H1 FY21 | YoY |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Selling \& distribution costs | $£ 220.3 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 211.8 \mathrm{~m}$ | $+4.0 \%$ |
| Administration costs | $£ 56.7 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 43.8 \mathrm{~m}$ | $+29.5 \%$ |
| Total operating costs | $\mathbf{£ 2 7 7 . 0 m}$ | $\mathbf{£ 2 5 5 . 6 m}$ | $\mathbf{+ 8 . 4 \%}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
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- Better than expected operating leverage in H1 driven by strong performance in stores
- Benefit of JRS repayment in FY21 substantially offset by reinstatement of rates this year
- Accrued incentives in H1 FY21 impacted by Covid closures
- Supply chain investments will improve lead times and enable growth in furniture category
- Confidently investing in capability which is delivering growth:
- $£ 5 \mathrm{~m}$ digital and tech
- $£ 2 \mathrm{~m}$ product development and supply


## Interest, tax and EPS

|  | H1 FY22 | H1 FY21 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Financial income and expenses | $(£ 1.9 \mathrm{~m})$ | $(£ 5.9 \mathrm{~m})$ |
| Profit before tax | $\mathbf{£ 1 4 0 . 8 m}$ | $\mathbf{£ 1 1 2 . 4 \mathbf { m }}$ |
| Tax | $(£ 27.4 \mathrm{~m})$ | $(£ 22.2 \mathrm{~m})$ |
| Effective tax rate | $19.5 \%$ | $19.7 \%$ |
| Profit after tax | $\mathbf{£ 1 1 3 . 4 m}$ | $\mathbf{£ 9 0 . 2 m}$ |
|  |  |  |
| Basic earnings per share | 55.9 p | 44.6 p |
| Diluted earnings per share | 55.4 p | 44.1 p |

- Financial income and expenses returns to more usual level (FY21 impacted by appreciation in GBP vs USD)
- Effective tax rate 50 bps higher than headline rate due to disallowable expenditure and 20bps lower than H1 FY21 due to higher availability of capital allowances
- Diluted EPS growth of $25.6 \%$



## Cash generation

|  | H1 FY22 | H1 FY21 | flow: operating profit ratio of $74 \%$ (H1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating profit | £142.7m | £118.3m | FY21: 83\%) |
| Depreciation \& amortisation ${ }^{1}$ | £38.1m | £38.8m |  |
| Working capital (outflow) / inflow | (£21.0m) | (£1.3m) | to build inventory levels to mitigate |
| Share-based payments | £3.2m | £1.1m | against supply chain disruption |
| Tax paid | (£15.0m) | (£19.4m) | Capital investment at more normalised |
| Net cash generated from operating activities | $\mathbf{~} 148.0 \mathrm{~m}$ | $\mathbf{£ 1 3 7 . 5 m}$ | level and includes supply chain |
| Capex (net of disposals) | (£14.2m) | (£6.4m) | vestments and store refits |
| Net interest and loan transaction costs | (£1.6m) | (£0.4m) | Repayment of lease liabilities return |
| Interest on lease liabilities | (£2.4m) | (£2.8m) | to more normalised level, with H1 FY21 |
| Repayment of lease liabilities | (£23.5m) | (£29.9m) | impacted by Covid deferrals in FY20 |
| Free cash flow | £106.3m | £98.0m | New $£ 185 \mathrm{~m}$ sustainability-linked RCF to |
| Net cash / (debt) | £47.7m | £140.6m | align with our ambitions and plans for a |
| Memo: dividends paid | (£178.7m) | - | Net Zero Pathway |

## Financial Review

## Shareholder returns

- Interim ordinary dividend of 14 pence (FY21: 12 pence) reflecting strong H1 performance and confidence in the future
- Given the strength of the business performance, latest outlook and net cash position, announcing today a further special dividend of 37 pence to return to a modest level of leverage
- We retain a level of prudence given the macro-economic outlook but expect to remain highly cash generative and are committed to our published policies


## Capital and dividend policies

- Target average net debt between $0.2 \times$ and $0.6 \times$ the last 12 months' EBITDA (post IFRS 16 basis)
- Ordinary dividend cover of between $1.75 \times$ and $2.25 \times$ earnings per share during the financial year to which the dividend relates
- Return surplus cash if net debt consistently falls below the minimum target of $0.2 \times$ EBITDA


## FY22 guidance

- H2 comparatives impacted by closures in Q3 FY21 and strong re-opening in Q4 FY21
- FY gross margin 30-50bps lower than FY21 - reverting to historic Sale calendar
- Expect H 2 investments to accelerate compared to H 1 levels as new supply chain facilities are fully operational and we invest further in digital \& tech capabilities
- Anticipate full year operating cost ratio to sales to be slightly below medium term guidance of $38 \%$ given strong H1 profitability
- Building inventories to maintain availability and mitigate against supply chain disruption
- FY capex c. $£ 30 \mathrm{~m}$ : expect 2 new stores and 5 major refits in H 2
- Share buyback c. $£ 10 \mathrm{~m}$ in H2 for employee share options
- 53 rd week for statutory purposes



## Moving forward

Nick Wilkinson - CEO


## Moving forward with Purpose <br> To help create the joy of truly feeling at home. <br> Now and for the generations to come

- For all home-lovers: all tastes and budgets, without judgement
- Underpins the extraordinary steps necessary to achieve our carbon targets
- Committed to our colleagues 'feeling at home, wherever they work'
- Delighted that nearly 1,000 colleagues share £10.8m from the latest sharesave scheme
- Ambitious about our brand, being a good company and delivering profitable growth



## Long term market share gains




In the five years to calendar year 2021, c.85\% of our growth has come from market share gains

Long term sales CAGR of 10\%

## How we are delivering market share gains

Long term market share gains driven by continuously and sustainably improving our customer proposition

## Compounding effect of:




## Growing our product offer

## Broad based growth with significant opportunity for further growth across all categories



## Growing our brand

## We are broadening our appeal across all UK home lovers

## 13 million

Active customers ${ }^{1}$
(+3 million since 2016)
$>90 \%$
Brand awareness ${ }^{2}$
(+c.10\%pts since 2016)

## >0.9 million

followers of local Facebook community groups


[^4]2 Prompted awareness 3-month rolling average to December 2021 (BrandVue); note that prior to 2019 brand awareness was reported from Brandlndex
${ }^{3}$ Analysis of Dunelm customers 2016 to 2021, source: Barclays

## Growing our 'total retail system'

## Digital growth is incremental...

Digital sales have grown $5 x$ in 5 years

## ...and is fuelling store sales

$+30 \%$ increase in average store sales ${ }^{2}$

## - 37\% of customers now shop online or multi-channel ${ }^{3}$

- Multi-channel, multi-category customers shop $5 x$ as often and spend $6 x$ as much ${ }^{4}$


## Moving forward - Product



Churchgate (est. 1984) branded free-standing furniture


Constant innovation across all our product ranges


New collaboration - designed for sustainability and to inspire all generations

## Moving forward - Services and experiences



Take-back textile service introduced into all stores


Newly refitted Eastbourne store and Pausa kitchen café


Maturing capability in digital and tech

## Investing in capability and capacity

- Strong returns delivered by investments we are making and the capabilities we are building
- Capacity investments the result of confidence in long term growth opportunities
- Digital and tech capabilities becoming well established, and we will continue to develop further
- Investing in product development and supply capabilities, with an exciting programme underway to upgrade commercial processes and technology
- Confident to continue to invest to drive long-term sustainable growth



## Summary and outlook

- Strong H1 performance across all key metrics
- H2 has started well with a strong Winter Sale
- Macro-economic outlook remains uncertain
- Well placed to maintain value proposition for customers
- Largely own brand range with high proportion of continuity
- Close collaboration with committed suppliers
- Tight operational grip
- Confident in market outlook given increased importance of home
- A bigger and better business, well placed to continue growing market share





## Appendices

## Income statement

|  | H1 FY22 | H1 FY21 | Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenue | £795.6m | £719.4m | £76.2m |
| Cost of Sales | (£375.9m) | (£345.5m) | (£30.4m) |
| Gross Profit | $\mathbf{£ 4 1 9 . 7 m}$ | £373.9m | £45.8m |
| Gross margin \% | 52.8\% | 52.0\% | +80 bps |
| Operating costs | (£277.0m) | (£255.6m) | (f21.4m) |
| Operating profit | £142.7m | $\mathbf{£ 1 1 8 . 3 m}$ | £24.4m |
| Financial income | £0.9m | £0.1m | £0.8m |
| Financial expenses | (£2.8m) | (£6.0m) | £3.2m |
| Profit before tax | £140.8m | £112.4m | £28.4m |
| PBT margin \% | 17.7\% | 15.6\% | +210 bps |
| Taxation | (£27.4m) | (£22.2m) | (£5.2m) |
| Profit after tax | £113.4m | £90.2m | £23.2m |
| Effective tax rate | 19.5\% | 19.7\% | (20) bps |
| Basic earnings per share | 55.9p | 44.6p | 11.3p |
| Diluted earnings per share | 55.4p | 44.1p | 11.3p |

## Balance sheet

|  | H1 FY22 | H1 FY21 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Right-of-use assets | $£ 264.4 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 291.5 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Other non-current assets | $£ 190.0 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 196.5 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Inventories | $£ 204.4 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 166.9 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Cash | $£ 22.5 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 140.6 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Other current assets | $\mathbf{£ 7 2 9 . 0 \mathrm { m }}$ | $\mathbf{£ 8 1 0 . 8 \mathrm { m }}$ |
| Total assets | $(£ 295.5 \mathrm{~m})$ | $(£ 322.6 \mathrm{~m})$ |
| Lease liabilities | $(£ 214.3 \mathrm{~m})$ | $(£ 226.7 \mathrm{~m})$ |
| Bank loans | $(£ 4.4 \mathrm{~m})$ | $(£ 5.5 \mathrm{~m})$ |
| Other current liabilities | $\mathbf{( £ 5 1 4 . 2 \mathrm { m } )}$ | $\mathbf{( £ 5 5 4 . 8 \mathrm { m } )}$ |
| Other non-current liabilities | $\mathbf{£ 2 1 4 . 8 m}$ | $\mathbf{£ 2 5 6 . 0 \mathrm { m }}$ |
| Total liabilities |  |  |
| Net assets | $£ 1.5 \mathrm{~m}$ | $(£ 5.5 \mathrm{~m})$ |
|  | $£ 46.8 \mathrm{~m}$ | $£ 46.8 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Hedging reserve | $\mathbf{£ 2 1 6 6 . 5 \mathrm { m }}$ | $£ 214.7 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| Share capital/share premium/other reserves | $\mathbf{£ 2 5 6 . 0 m}$ |  |
| Retained earnings |  |  |
| Total equity |  |  |

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## 5-year financial summary

|  | FY17 | FY18 | FY19 | FY20 ${ }^{1}$ | FY21 | FY21 H1 | FY22 H1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total sales | £955.6m | £1,050.1m | £1,100.4m | £1,057.9m | £1,336.2m | £719.4m | £795.6m |
| Total sales growth | 8.5\% | 9.9\% | 4.8\% | (3.9\%) | 26.3\% | 23.0\% | 10.6\% |
| Gross margin \% | 48.9\% | 48.0\% | 49.6\% | 50.3\% | 51.6\% | 52.0\% | 52.8\% |
| Profit before tax ${ }^{2}$ | £109.3m | £102.0m | £125.9m | £109.1m | £157.8m | £112.4m | £140.8m |
| Free cash flow ${ }^{3}$ | £12.8m | £51.0m | £152.8m | £174.7m | £108.5m | £98.0m | £106.3m |
| Net cash / (debt) ${ }^{4}$ | (£122.1m) | ( $£ 124.0 \mathrm{~m}$ ) | (£25.3m) | £45.4m | £128.6m | £140.6m | £47.7m |
| Diluted EPS ${ }^{2}$ | 42.8p | 40.0p | 49.9p | 42.9p | 62.9p | 44.1p | 55.4p |
| Dividends paid | £51.6m | £53.4m | £54.6m | £106.0m | £24.3m | - | £178.7m |

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## Performance vs GfK homewares panel



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## New sustainable financing

- Refinanced our revolving credit facility (RCF) in December
- New $£ 185$ m sustainability-linked RCF to align with our ambitions and plans for a Net Zero Pathway
- Annual targets covering:
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- Responsible cotton sourcing
- Plastic packaging reduction
- Provision of take-back schemes to our customers
- 2.5bps premium or reduction to the base margin based on performance
- Net cash of $£ 48$ m at 25 December; facility undrawn at the end of the period

| Facility | Limit | Expiry | Covenants |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Revolving credit facility (RCF) | $£ 185 \mathrm{~m}$ | December 2025 | Leverage: | $<2.5 \times$ |
|  |  |  | Fixed charge cover: | $>1.75 \times$ |
| Overdraft (uncommitted) | $£ 10 \mathrm{~m}$ |  |  |  |

Overdraft (uncommitted)
£10m

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## Our financial model

Sales
Strong revenue growth and market share gains from multichannel approach, acquiring more customers and increasing their frequency

## Gross margin

Maintain c.50\% gross margin through leveraging supplier relationships, relentless focus on sourcing and disciplined approach to promotions

## Operating costs

## PBT margin

Invest in the proposition to drive growth and focus on productivity improvements to offset inflation, c.38\% ratio with higher digital mix

Aim to maintain c.12\% margin over the medium term with absolute returns growing as the business scales

Cash
High cash generation to allow investment for future growth and to deliver strong shareholder returns

Appendix

## Dunelm ESG highlights

Guided by our purpose, ambitions and shared values

| Act like owners $\quad$ Keep listening and learning | Long term thinking Stronger together |
| :---: | :---: |
| Colleagues <br> - Best practice Covid-safe protocols maintained to protect colleagues and customers <br> - Continued our 'This is me' inclusion \& diversity programme, including more training and colleague network groups to support specific communities <br> - Mental health and wellbeing buddies in place throughout the business <br> - Continued to invest in colleague personal safety protection <br> - Domestic abuse campaign launch in partnership with Retail Trust and Domestic Abuse Alliance <br> - Hybrid working adopted for support teams - 'feeling at home, wherever you work' <br> - Remit of Colleague Support Fund extended <br> - One or more NEDs engage with National Colleague Voice 6x p.a. | Climate change and environment <br> - Sustainability and commitment to Net Zero Pathway integrated into company purpose, ambitions, plans and measures <br> - Stretching science-based scope 1, 2 and 3 targets - 50\% reduction by 2030 vs 2019 base <br> - Full TCFD reporting on climate change for FY22 <br> - Sustainability linked RCF signed in December 2021 <br> - Supporters of Textiles 2030 - industry approach to reduce carbon, water emissions and increase circularity in textile production <br> - Working with suppliers to design and produce lower impact products continued increase in more responsibly sourced materials (e.g timber and cotton), reducing packaging and lowering manufacturing emissions <br> - Offering products to help customers repair and upcycle <br> - Rolled out textiles take-back scheme in stores, electricals take-back extended |
| Communities <br> - New national charity partner Mind, chosen by colleagues, raising awareness and providing links to the charity's resources and support as well as fundraising <br> - Stores and support sites helping their local communities through campaigns such as 'delivering joy', with the support of our customers | Suppliers <br> - Strong supplier relationships, fair trading terms built on mutual trust <br> - Working closely to manage supply chain disruption <br> - Robust ethical trading, anti-slavery, anti-bribery policies and audits, including unannounced visits, greater supply chain transparency |
| Governance <br> - Code compliant Board, Chair plus 6 independent, 4 non-independent (from 1 March 2022) <br> - Continually refreshed - 2 additional NEDs in FY22 <br> - Diverse gender, nationality, ethnicity, background and experience - 36\% female (from 1 March 2022) | - Strong support for all AGM resolutions, including Rule 9 waiver <br> - Executive and senior management variable pay linked to financial / nonfinancial KPIs and sustainable long-term value creation <br> - Sustainability KPIs in FY22-24 management LTIP <br> - Continuing to strengthen stakeholder engagement, talent and succession, and risk management |

## Investment proposition

| Brand purpose | A brand appealing to a wide range of customers, market leader in a large <br> fragmented market, with a challenger brand mentality |
| :--- | :--- |
| Product proposition | A distinctive and specialist product portfolio - offering quality, value and style - <br> largely own brand and sourced from long-term committed suppliers |
| Total retail system | A total retail system that combines the advantages of digital and local shopping <br> experiences to better serve UK homewares shoppers, and benefits from our <br> convenient, low-cost store portfolio |
| Financial position | A highly cash generative business with agility to invest |
| Shared values | Shared values, strong relationships and a commitment to doing the right thing for <br> the long term, for all our stakeholders |
| Future growth | A clear runway for attracting more customers and increasing their frequency |




[^0]:    Due to the store closure periods in H1 FY21, a comparison to H1 FY20 is also provided
    Due to the store closure periods in H1 FY21, a comparison to H1 FY2 is also provided
    2Digital includes home delivery, Click \& Collect (or Reserve \& Collect before October 2019) and tablet-based sales in store
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    ${ }_{3}$ Unique active customers who have shopped in the 12 months to December 2021, based on management estimates using Barclays data
    ${ }^{4}$ Free cash flow is defined as net cash generated from operating activities less capex (net of disposals), net interest paid and loan
    transaction costs, interest on lease liabilities and repayment of lease liabilities
    INTERIM RESULTS - FY22

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    Excluding lease liabilities

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    tablet-based sales in store
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    ${ }^{3}$ Based on GfK weekly homewares and furniture panel

[^3]:    INTERIM RESULTS - FY22

[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ Internal analysis based on Barclays data

[^5]:    INTERIM RESULTS - FY22

[^6]:    ${ }^{1}$ FY20 and subsequent periods reported on an IFRS 16 basis. All prior years reported under IAS 17
    2 FY17 and FY18 presented before exceptional items
    ${ }^{3}$ Free cash flow is defined as net cash generated from operating activities less capex (net of disposals), net interest paid and loan transaction costs, interest on lease liabilities and repayment of lease liabilities
    4 Excluding lease liabilities. Definition updated in December 2021 to exclude unamortised debt issue costs. The new definition has been applied prospectively to FY22 and FY21 comparative information only

[^7]:    GfK weekly homewares panel excluding Dunelm. Represents just over half of the market size as reported by GlobalData. Dunelm growth shown for comparable categories

[^8]:    INTERIM RESULTS - FY22

