

# Plastics Capital Introduction January 2018

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## **Investment Proposition**



- 1. Focused on two divisions in the plastic product manufacturing industry with high margins, limited competition and diversified end-market applications
- 2. Well established positions with operating subsidiaries focusing on proprietary products in <u>industrial</u> consumables/components and <u>industrial</u> film packaging
- 3. Tried and tested approach to acquiring, integrating and developing businesses whilst retaining expertise and enhancing management
- 4. Robust financial track record from both organic growth and acquisitions with a balanced approach to capital allocation
- 5. Five year strategic plan underway focusing on multiple organic growth initiatives and bolt-on acquisitions to target doubling EBITDA by 2020
- 6. Acceleration of 'top line' growth evident

#### Plastic - Free?



- Plastic confers numerous benefits (including overall environmental sustainability)
- Frequently no viable alternative to most plastic solutions
  - New materials or degradable materials may prove viable as substitutes
  - We intend to be at the forefront of these potential new materials
    - We already devote considerable time into developing films and other plastic products with increasing strength to weight ratios; these initiatives reduce plastic material use overall
- Plastics have contributed enormously to improved living standards
  - One of their strengths is that they are inert (not harmful) and long lasting....
- Current "evil" is not the plastic itself, it is that that they are not disposed of responsibly by <u>human beings</u> once used
- Disposing of plastic responsibly to us means:
  - Recycling where at all possible in professional recycling organisations
  - Recycled material used by plastics processors and made into other products
  - If the plastic is the sort that cannot be reused
    - Converted into synthetic fuel or, at worst, sent to landfill

# **Plastics Capital 16/17 - in summary**



Revenue\*: £65.8m EBITDA\*: £6.9m EBITDA margin\*: 10.5%

9 factories

- in 3 countries
- with 550+ employees
- selling to 80 countries
- via global sales network
- established in 2002
- listed in 2007

Industrials	% Total Sales #
Hose mandrels	8%
Bearings	22%
Creasing matrix & accessor	ries 22%
Films	
Polythene packaging	21%
Speciality sacks and bags	27%

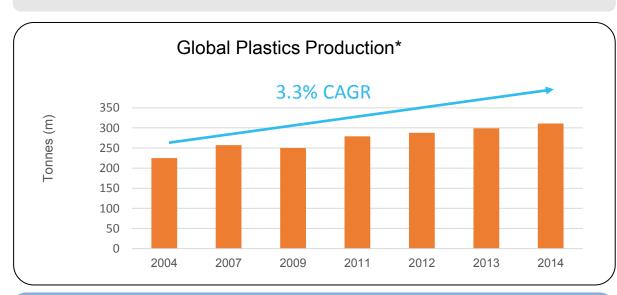
<sup>\*</sup>From 2016/17 full year Results (pre-exceptionals)

<sup># %</sup> of Group revenue - 2016/17 pro forma

#### **Market Characteristics**



#### **Overall market**



2014-20 forecast CAGR 5.3%#

- Niche plastic products growing faster than overall market
  - Special material properties
    - Self lubricating, anti static, flexible
  - Ongoing material / processing development
    - Lighter, stronger, temperature resistance
    - Improved tolerances
  - Substitution of metal, paper/board, rubber

<sup>\*</sup> PlasticsEurope (PEMRG) / Consultic

<sup>#</sup> View Research Inc. 2015

#### **Market Characteristics**



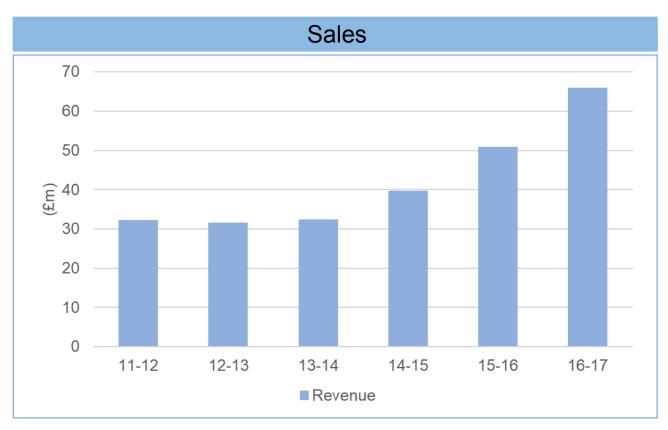
#### **Target product markets**

- Proprietary technology
- Barriers to switching
- Automated processes
- Technical solutions selling
- Offering stable pricing with good margins and limited competition
- Diverse customer base with established relationships
- Acquisition opportunities (stand alone & bolt-on)

#### Niche characteristics:

- Addressable markets £10 £100m
- Market leadership positions
- Growth rates of 5-10% per annum
- Opportunity for good margins



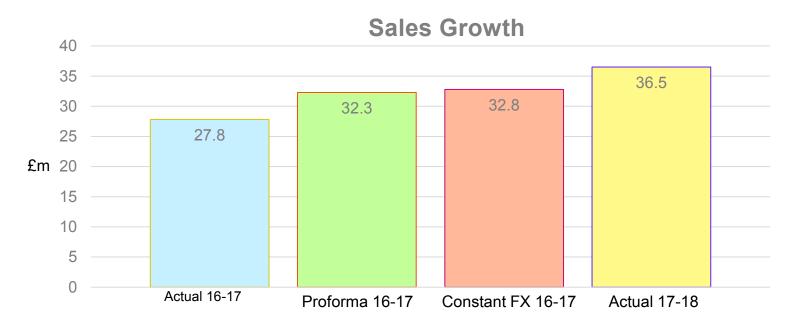


- Sales growth accelerating
- Changing product mix
- Healthy EBITDA margins maintained

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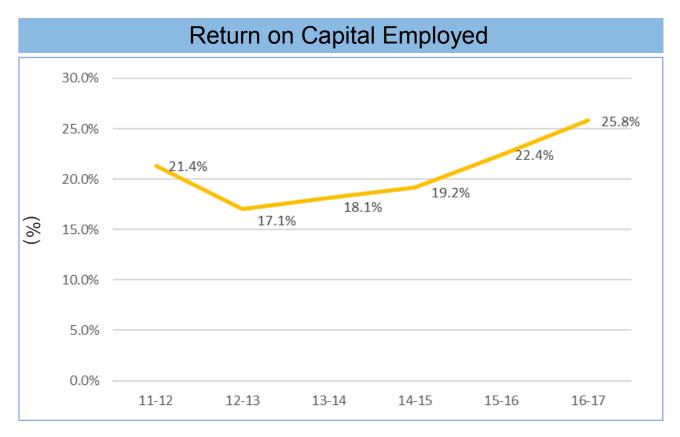
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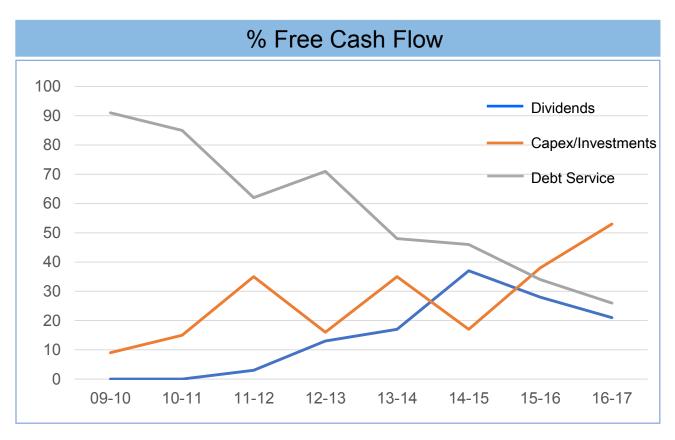
- 16% growth by acquisition
  - Full half year contributions from Synpac, CCM, Mito
- 1.8% growth due to FX
  - Sterling depreciation since Brexit
- 13.5% organic growth up from FY 2016-17 = 6.7%





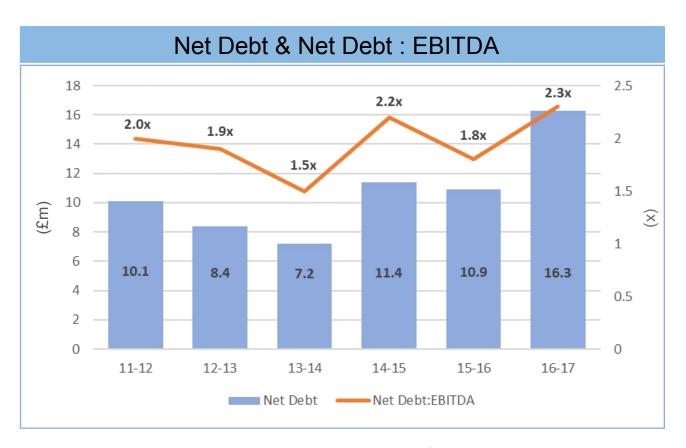
- ROCE starting to reflect returns on investment
- Strong cash conversion ranging from 72% to 96% over 5 years





- Debt service as % free cash flow reducing significantly
- Acceleration of capex spend
- Dividend now suspended





- Net debt : EBITDA within target range of 1-2x
- Net debt reduction in 2015/16 despite further acquisitions increased capex
- Interest cover still rising currently at 15.1x

### **Strategic Plan Underway**



#### 2020 objectives

- £100m Group sales
- EBITDA margins in 15-20% range
- Net Debt: EBITDA in 1-2x range

#### 5 year strategic plan

- Launched early 2015
- Multiple organic growth initiatives
- Bolt-on acquisitions

# H2 investment commitments

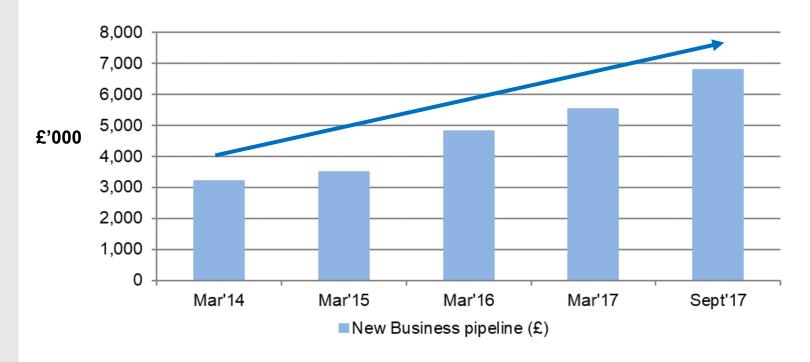
- £0.2m for customer-specific projects
- £0.9m for capacity expansion
- £0.3m for new product introductions
- £0.1m for progressive investment bolt-ons

#### **New Business Performance**

#### Pipeline



- Business won... but not yet in production or not yet at fully mature production levels, is now at £6.8m. This compares to £5.5m as at 31 March 2017.
  - Mainly reflects bearings projects
- Lost business accounts for less than 1% of turnover across entire group



#### **Summary & Outlook**



- Revenue growth is very strong and likely to remain so for foreseeable future
  - Benefitting from investments in capabilities and capacity made over recent years
  - Order books are close to full
  - Pipeline of won projects has strengthened again
  - We will continue to invest to take advantage of the momentum now built
- Profitability is lagging behind due to a number of factors
  - Currency: no benefit of sterling devaluation to date
  - Commodity raw materials have been against us in H1
  - Business mix: Films temporarily growing faster than Industrials
  - Ongoing investment in capacity and people to sustain rate of growth
  - Capital costs which will recede in importance as we grow and over time
- We believe these factors will recede over time
- Our target of more than doubling EBITDA by 2020 remains achievable



