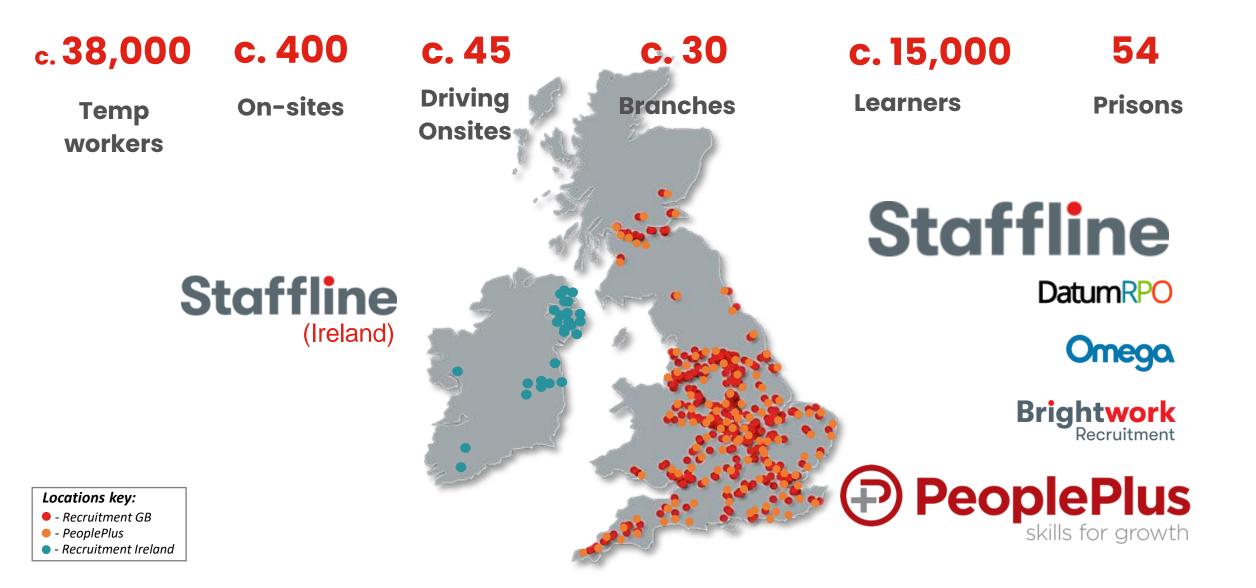
FY 2022 Results Trading update

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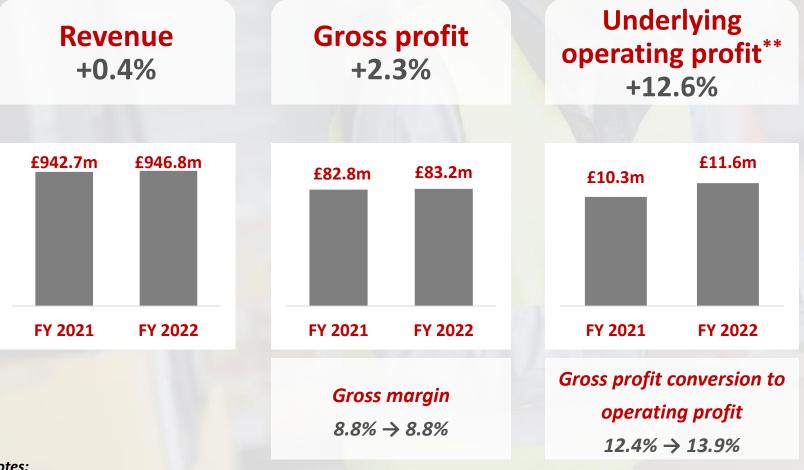
Highlights

FY2022 results ahead of market expectations
 Revenue growth achieved in H2 2022
 Gross Profit up 0.5%
 Operating profit up 12.6%
 Permanent fees up 66%, 9.5% of Recruitment Gross Profit (2021: 6.0%)

Net cash achieved after all Covid related liabilities settled

- Successful implementation of new contracts BMW & Vinci
- Restart contract mobilised and profitable H2
- Further expansion in the Republic of Ireland
- PeoplePlus awarded new £15m contract (Justice)

Revenue and profits*



- Revenue: New wins offsetting softening demand from COVID benefitting clients
- Recruitment offsetting decline in PeoplePlus
- Perm fees up 66% v
 2021 and 177% v 2020
- Organic growth combined with tight control of costs increased conversion ratio
- First profit from Restart contract

Notes:

*Presented on a continuing basis. The figures are unaudited and provisional.

******Underlying results exclude goodwill impairment, amortisation of intangible assets arising on business combinations, reorganisation costs and other non-underlying charges

Net cash and a strong balance sheet

£5.0m

FY 2022

Strong trading cashflow and balance sheet supported by interest rate protection

Net cash (pre-IFRS16) -£1.9m

£6.9m

FY 2021

Facilities and covenant strength with interest rate protection

•Facilities headroom of +£75m

•Leverage @ 0.6x EBITDA

•3 year Interest rate cap purchased Q4 2021, hedging 2/3 exposure over 1.00% SONIA^{*} Strengthened balance sheet with strong trading cashflow despite repayment of c.£12m of COVID government support

- Net cash decreased by £1.9m on a pre-IFRS16 basis, but actually increased by £10.1m on an underlying basis
- Tight working capital management
- Three year Interest rate cap purchased in Q4 2021 gives significant protection against rising interest rates

Notes:

*Sterling Overnight Interbank Average Rate

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<u>H1 2022</u>

Recruitment BMW & Vinci

- H1 incurred implementation costs
- H2 will benefit from full 6 months of operating profit
- Restart (PeoplePlus)
 - Operating profit commencing H2
- H2 standard seasonal peak uplift
 - Traditional H2 seasonal uplift & World Cup
- Organic market share growth
 - Seeing organic growth pipeline of opportunity in existing customers

Actual H2 outcomes

• BMW (Recruitment GB)

- Onboarded c.1,800 workers during H2
- £60m revenue per annum, 3 year contract with option for 2 year extension
- Restart (PeoplePlus)
 - Successful delivery of operating profit
- H2 standard seasonal peak uplift
 - Delivered robust peak with strong service delivery
- Organic market share growth
 - Managed service contract implemented in Q3/4 with leading supermarket

Expanding market share and winning new accounts



Samworth Brothers

QUALITY FOODS



RESTART SCHEME





Outlook

Albert Ellis, CEO





Group Outlook

Macro economic backdrop

- Recruitment businesses not immune to the widely reported weakness in the sector
- Cautious approach to PeoplePlus's lower than predicted volumes in Skills and Restart

But we have a ".... healthy pipeline of new opportunities, a strengthened balance sheet... an experienced management team.. the Group remains well placed to capitalise on the considerable market opportunitiesand further grow our market share."

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