

RBS: The Progress Continues

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Agenda

- RBS: The Recovery Plan and Scorecard
- Key Elements of Risk Reduction
- Attractive Core Business Franchises
- Q1 Business Highlights
- Conclusion



The Recovery Plan and Scorecard

In 2009 RBS instigated a 5 year Recovery Plan

Objectives

- To serve customers well
- To restore the Bank to a sustainable and conservative risk profile
- To rebuild value for all shareholders

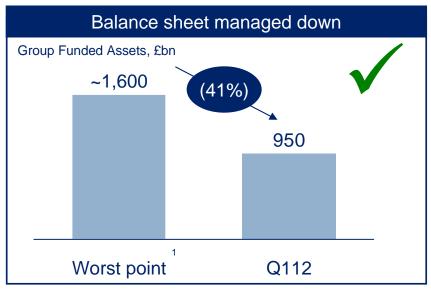
These priorities are interconnected and mutually supporting

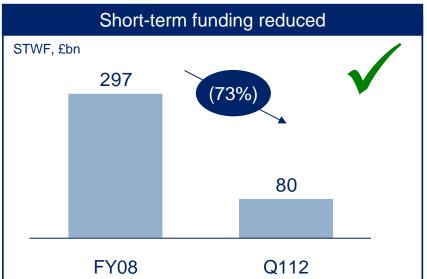
Strategy

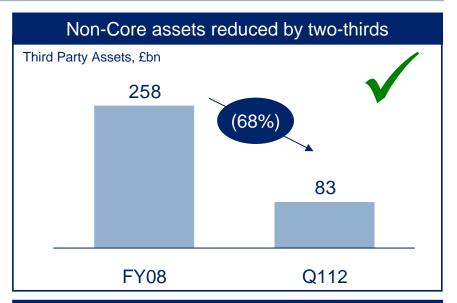
- The new RBS is built upon **customer-driven businesses** with substantial competitive strengths in their respective markets
- Each unit is being reshaped to provide improved and **enduring performance** and to meet new **external challenges**
- Businesses are managed to add value in their own right and to provide a stronger, more balanced and valuable whole through cross-business linkages
- In parallel, RBS legacy risk positions are being worked down and risk profile transformed, in part via Non-Core division

The principles of the RBS plan are working well

Progress to date: Balance sheet



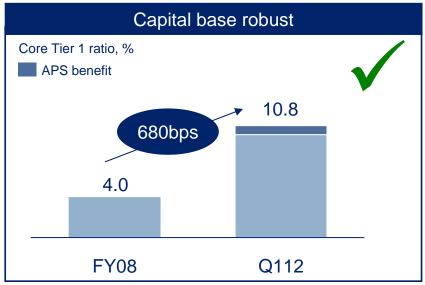


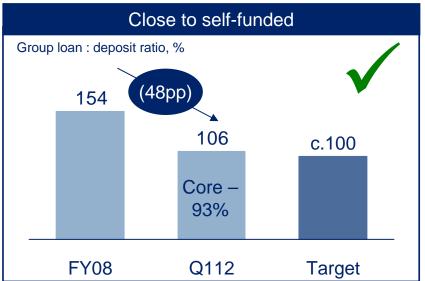


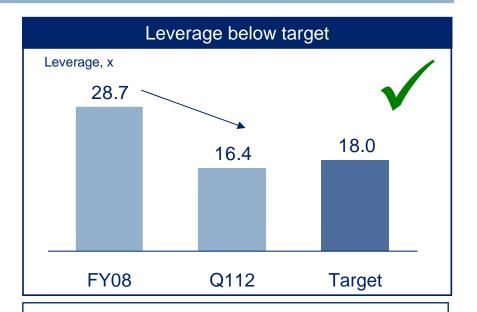


¹ FY07 funded assets, fully consolidated balance sheet. ² Short-term wholesale funding.

Progress to date: Balance sheet

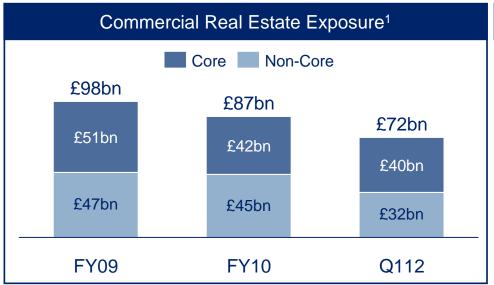


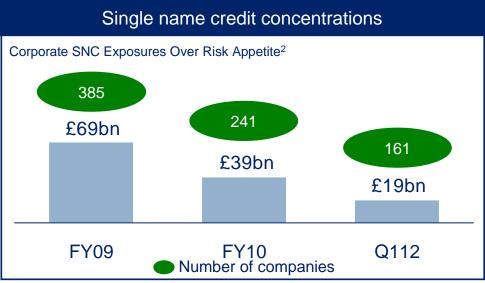


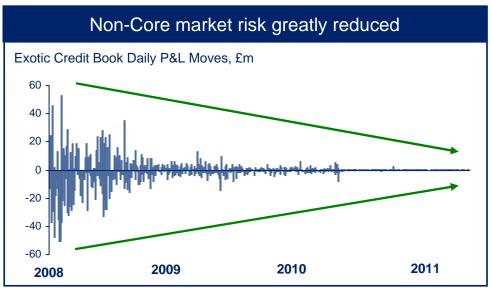


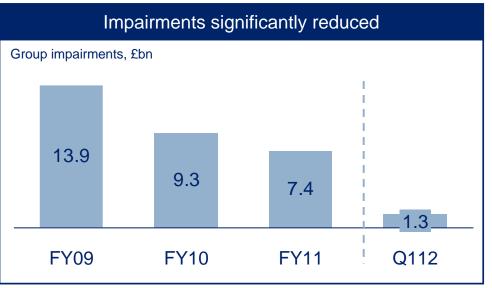
- Focus on safety and security of the bank key balance sheet metrics met or surpassed
- Key measures 'in the pack' or ahead of peers
- Significant progress made in de-risking
- Non-Core reduction ahead of plan and ahead of peers

Progress to date: The Group's risk profile is significantly better









¹ Credit Risk assets excluding RRM and contingent obligations. Data shown as published at each period. 2 New methodology introduced from January 2012, graph shown on old basis.



Key elements of risk reduction

Non-Core: Driving risk improvement

The primary driver of risk reduction

Non-Core – make-up at inception

- Separately managed as run-down division
- At inception:
 - -£258bn of funded assets
 - —£171bn of RWAs
- Larger balance sheet than Standard Chartered, would be 5th largest US bank
- Mix of non-strategic, overly concentrated or stressed assets
- Incorporated portfolios, assets and entire businesses
- Included trading books outside the risk appetite of the Group
- Run-down targeted over 5 years through combination of natural run-off and asset sales
- Cash proceeds used to improve funding position

Non-Core – challenges & answers

- Significant complexity around portfolio assets
 - Brought in asset class expertise, built good data on assets
- Would there be sufficient demand to move assets at reasonable prices?
 - Plan phased run-down in line with economic scenarios
 - Patience required: half of run-down is through natural run-off
 - Opportunistic approach for running ahead
 - User-friendly for buyers

Non-Core: How we went about it

Run-down plan:

Assets at inception: £258bn¹

Run-off² 45-50% **Impairments** 10-15% Disposals / closures 40-45% 2013 Rump:

c.£40bn

Run-off has been key driver:

- Biggest single contributor to run-down 42%³ reduction to date
- No/limited execution costs relative to market disposals
- Requires a focused and systematic approach
- Stay close to clients opportunities may arise to exit earlier or more cheaply
- Maintain a robust approach limit haircuts on repayments, resist rollovers

Impairments are:

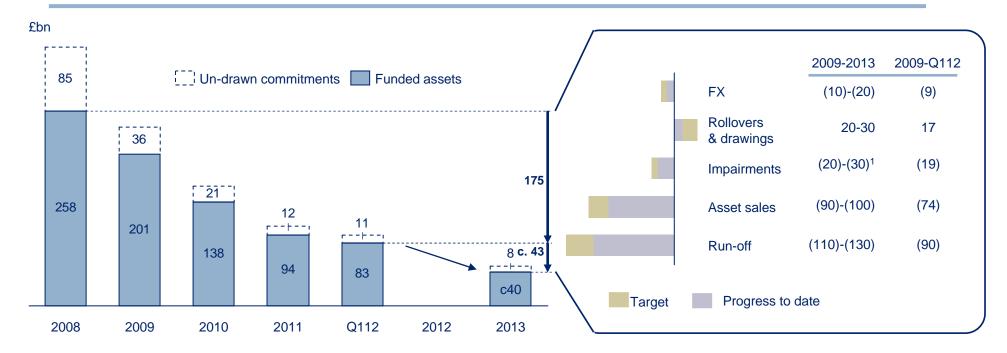
- Better than forecast despite Irish out-turn and prolonged economic down-turn
- Coming in at lower end of £20-30bn guide range for 2009-2013

Disposals are running ahead of projections:

- £74bn to date, significantly ahead of plan
- 3pp cost vs. carrying value to date
- Likely higher disposal costs on remaining plan of c.£25bn asset disposals 2012/13

¹ Excludes MTM derivatives. ² Run-off inc. rollovers, drawings and FX movements. ³ Including £17bn of rollovers and drawings. Excluding this would result in a 52% reduction.

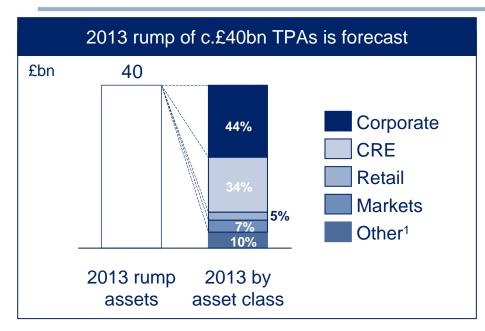
Good progress in Non-Core run-down



- Funded assets reduced by a further £11bn to £83bn; half disposals, half run-off
- £5bn of signed but not completed deals including Aviation Capital
- Remain on target to achieve year end range of £65-70bn funded assets
- RWAs decline £3bn to £90bn

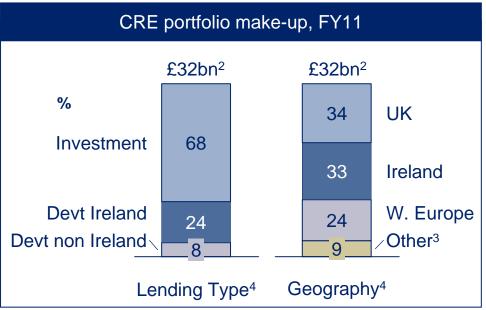
¹ Excludes FY08 impairments of £4.9bn.

Non-Core: 2013 'rump'



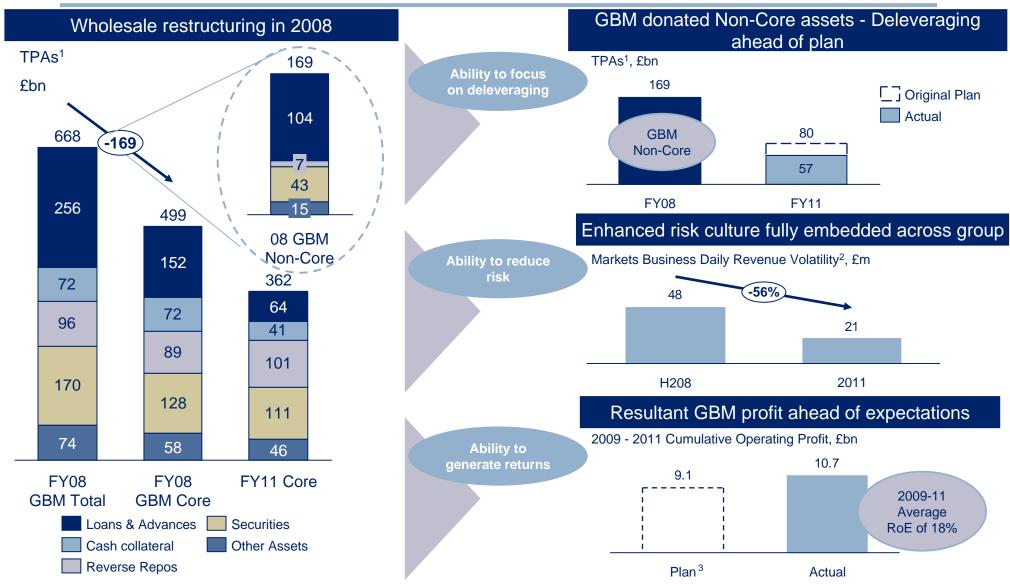
- 2011 CRE portfolio attributes:
 - Exposure dominated by Investment lending
 - 47% of book classed as REIL, provisioned at 44%
 - Ulster Bank Development provisioned at 57%
 - Well balanced by geography; 2/3 non-Ireland,
 UK biased to London and South-East

- 2013 Non-Core 'rump' estimated at c.£40bn, including:
 - Corporate and other assets of low yield but generally good credit quality
 - CRE of c.£15bn, c.60-65% in longer-term work-out
- Natural run-off pace for rump is c.50% by 2016



¹ includes SME lending. ² Based on loans and advances. ³ Includes US and RoW. ⁴ Based on Credit Risk Assets.

GBM: Restructuring 2008/09



¹ Third party assets excluding MTM derivatives. Derivatives at fair value of £145bn also moved to Non-Core; total GBM derivatives at FY08 £895bn. ² Standard deviation of Markets daily revenue. ³ Excluding Sempra.

GBM: Why we had to go to round two restructuring

Economic

- Slower economic recovery
- Flatter yield curve

RBS impact

- NIM and impairment headwinds
- Lower customer activity levels

Market

- Customer risk aversion
- Dislocated funding markets

RBS impact

- Lower IB client activity & risk volatility
- Higher Group funding costs
- Still more conservative funding model required

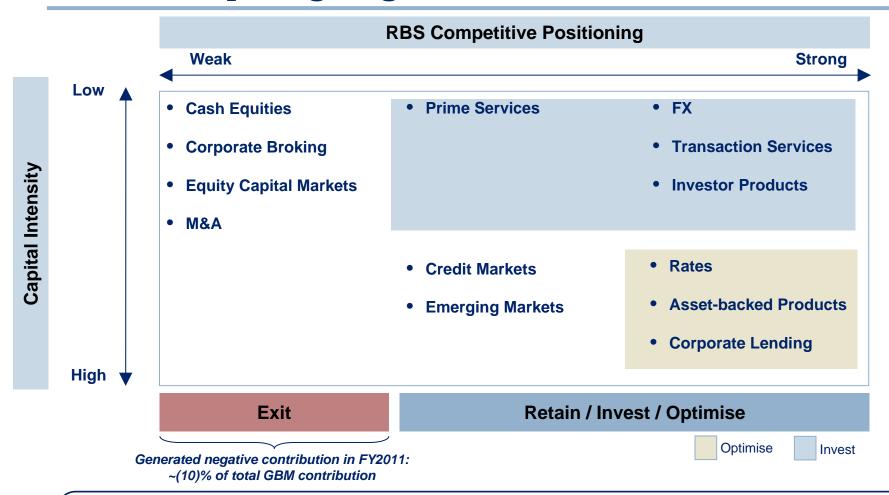
Regulatory

- Basel capital and liquidity requirements
- ICB

RBS impact

- Much higher capital requirement
- Increased funding, liquidity and capital costs

GBM: The plan going forward



- Focus on businesses where we hold a competitive advantage. Maintain market share. Serve clients well.
- Plan will: reduce complexity; drive a more conservative balance sheet, improving sustainability of funding requirement; improve risk profile; and deliver more stable revenues and solid returns.

Markets business overview

Summary

- Provides products and services to a wide range of the Group's clients and addresses the more complex financial needs
 of large corporate and institutional clients and (via Retail network, RBS Wealth and third party distributors)
 sophisticated retail investors
- Intermediates between diverse issuer and investor client sets, including clients of the wider Group

Client offering

Intermediating between issuers and investors across asset classes

Issuers

- Large corporates IB Clients
- Smaller corporates other RBSG divisions
- Financial institutions PGS clients, productcovered clients, other RBSG divisions

Investors

- Institutional investors
- Retail investors: sophisticated RBS Wealth clients

Serving Corporates & FIs in their treasury & risk management operations

Corporates

- Large corporates
- Product covered clients
- Smaller corporates Domestic clients of UK Corporate, Ulster, Citizens

Financial Institutions

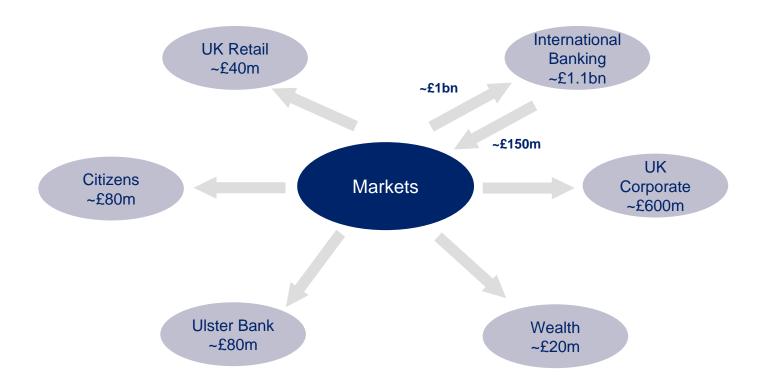
- Banks
- Insurers
- Institutional investors

Products

- Currencies spot FX and currency hedging
- Rates interest rate hedging, inflation, money markets
- Emerging Markets access to non G11 offshore and onshore products
- Asset-backed Products, FI Solutions complex balance sheet, capital and liquidity solutions including securitisations
- Prime Services prime brokerage, clearing, collateral services, futures
- DCM and Credit execution and market intelligence
- Investor Products and Equity Derivatives
- Risk Solutions corporate risk management solutions

Significant connectivity of Markets business with rest of RBS Group

Revenue Connectivity of Markets and International Banking Businesses Across RBS Group



■ ~£1.9bn¹ revenues generated across RBSG in 2011 through Markets connectivity

Markets products to Group clients and International Banking products to Markets clients.

International Banking overview

Summary

- Client focus: Internationally oriented corporates and their subsidiaries. Financial Institutions to who we sell Transactions Services
- Coverage model: Integrated coverage organisation serving own client base and international transaction services needs
 of the Group's customers

Formation rationale

- Combine GBM Banking with GTS International
- Extract cost synergies from front office and shared infrastructure
- Align capital to optimise returns across M&IB
- Ensure all locations deliver attractive returns across the network
- Stable, low volatility returns

Country presence

EMEA:

 Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Kazakhstan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Qatar, Russia, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, UAE, UK

APAC:

 Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand

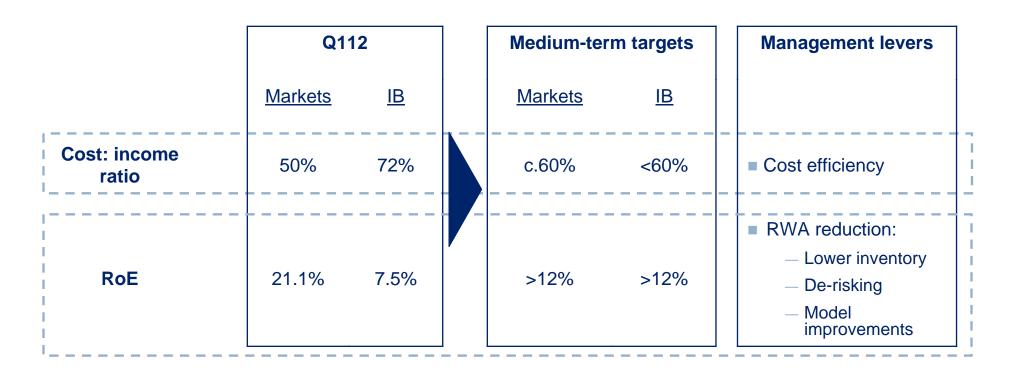
AMERICAS:

- Canada, USA
- ... presence in additional 20+ countries through partner bank agreements

Products

- Payments and cash management
- Trade finance
- Liquidity and deposits
- Lending and structured lending
- Corporate Advisory
- Electronic channels & client workflow integration
- Access to all Markets products, including DCM, FX and Rates

Markets & Int'l Banking: Achievable medium term targets



- Reduce asset and capital usage to improve funding profile and returns
- Deliver meaningful cost synergies
- Enhance connectivity with other divisions



Attractive Core business franchises

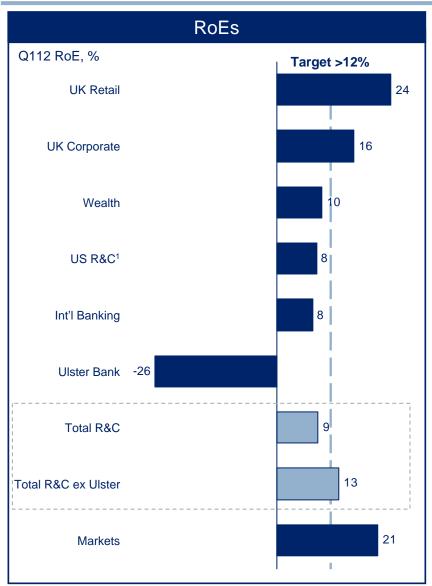
Core: Robust franchises, leading market positions

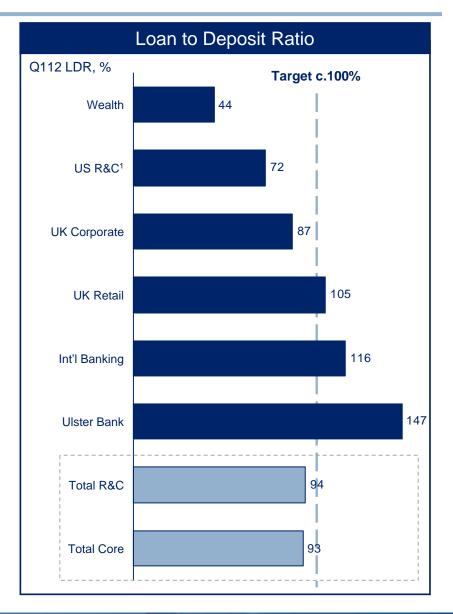
- UK Retail:
 - #2¹ for UK current accounts (13m); 11.4m savings accounts
- UK Corporate:
 - #1² SME bank, #1³ Corporate Bank; c1.2m customers
- Wealth:
 - #1⁴ UK High Net Worth Private Bank
- US R&C:
 - Top 5⁵ player in 8 of the top10 markets in which we operate
- Ulster Bank:
 - #1⁶ bank in Northern Ireland, #3 Island of Ireland; serving 2m customers
- International Banking:
 - Top tier cash management provider (#1 UK⁷, #4 Western Europe⁸, #6 Global⁸)
 - Top tier bookrunner of syndicated loans (#1 UK, #4 Western Europe; #10 Global)⁹
- Markets:
 - Top 5¹⁰ in FX, Rates and Asset Backed Products
- Direct Line Group:
 - #1 personal lines insurer with 19% share in motor and 18% in home¹¹

An attractive Group, increasingly evident as Non-Core recedes

¹ GfK NOP Financial Research Survey (FRS) 6 months ending January 2012, market share of all current accounts, 28,811 adults interviewed, UK Retail includes RBS, NatWest and Coutts. ² RBSG 26% main bank market share. Chaterhouse Business Banking Survey YEQ4 2011; based on 16,613 interviews with businesses in Great Britain turning over up to £25m pa. ³ pH Group (Experian). ⁴ Private Asset Management, RBS estimates. ⁵ Deposit market share data, FDIC. ⁶ PWC annual survey for Corporate; IPSOS MORI for Retail. ⁷ Ranked #1 for market footprint UK, 2012 Greenwich Share Leader – European Large Corporate Cash Management. ⁸ Euromoney results for Corporates, FY11. ⁹ Dealogic Loans Review FY11. ¹⁰ Coalition and RBS estimates. ¹¹ GfK NOP Financial Research Survey (FRS) 3 months ending Dec 2011.

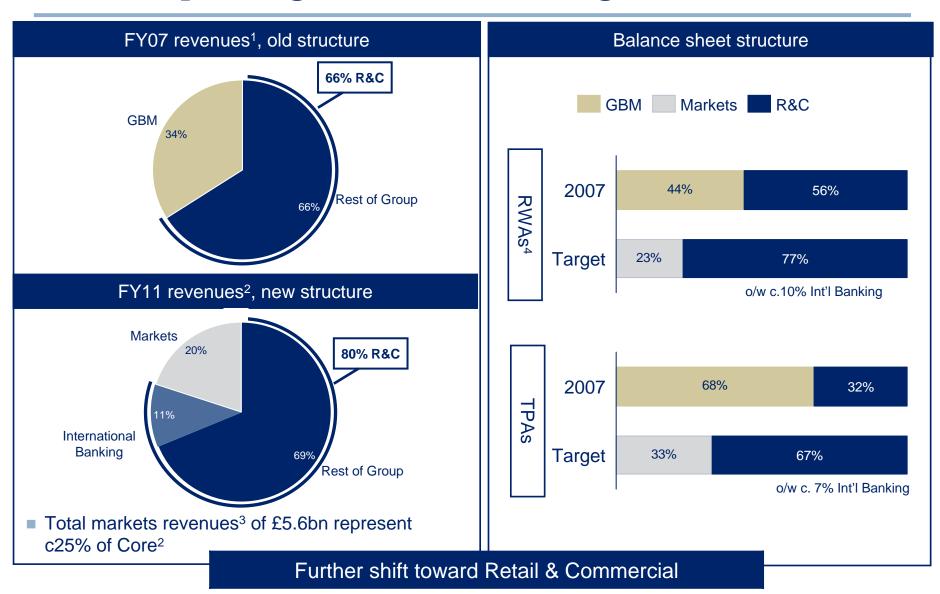
Core: A complementary mix of businesses





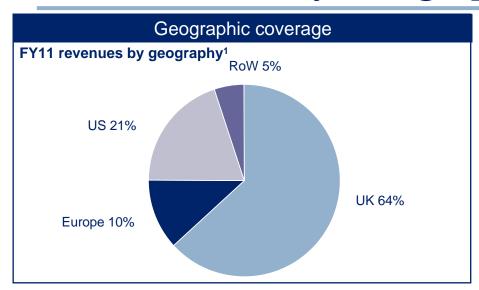
¹ Underlying excluding litigation charge.

Core: Improving sustainable strength & value

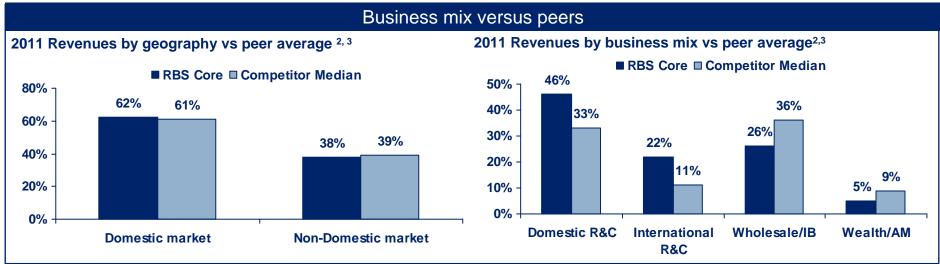


¹ Total Group excluding insurance. ² Core excluding Insurance. ³ Revenues booked in both Markets and other Divisions. ⁴ RWA target fully loaded for Basel III.

Revenue diversity: Geography and business mix

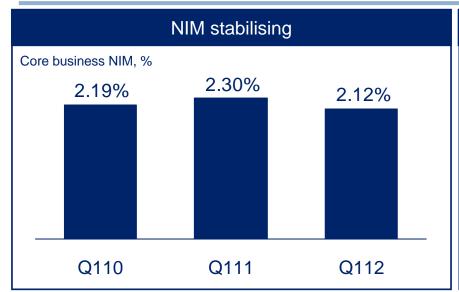




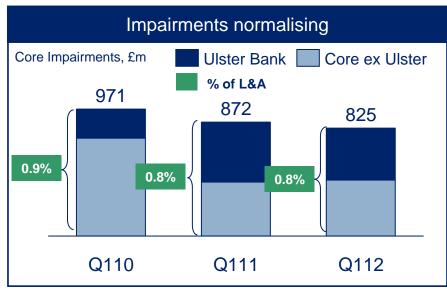


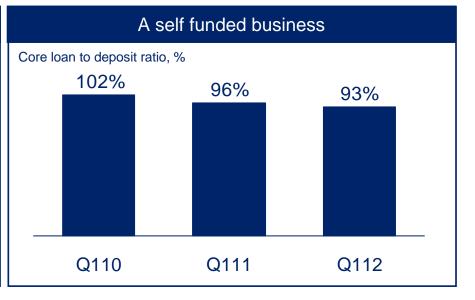
¹ RBS Core excluding RBS Insurance and Central items. ² RBS splits based on revenues pre-restructure of GBM into Markets and International Banking. ³ Based on FY11 results, peers consist of Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Barclays, BNP Paribas, Citigroup, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs, HSBC, JP Morgan Chase, Lloyds Banking Group, Morgan Stanley, Santander, Societe Generale, UBS.

Core: A sustainable business emerging









¹ Excludes US litigation costs



Q1 Business highlights

Business Highlights

Robust operating profit:

- £1.2bn Group operating profit in Q112 vs £144m loss in Q411
- Core operating profit of £1.7bn; RoE of 11%, 14.4% excluding Ulster Bank
- Rebound from subdued client activity levels in Markets

Risk reduction continues apace:

- Funded assets reduced £27bn to £950bn; Non-Core funded assets reduced to £83bn
- Group impairments declined 22% to £1.3bn, driven by a c£260m reduction in Non-Core
- Investment Bank restructuring progressing well; cash equities business exited

Capital, Liquidity and Funding position further strengthened:

- Core Tier One ratio improved to 10.8%
- Short-term wholesale funding reliance declined £23bn to £80bn
- Group LDR improved 2% to 106%; Core LDR improved 1% to 93%

Progress to standalone strength:

- SLS paid, CGS to be repaid by mid May
- Successful Liability Management Exercise delivers £0.6bn profit
- Resumption of Preference Share dividends, 1 for 10 ordinary share consolidation

Financial highlights

Core Business:		
	Q112	
Operating profit ¹	£1.7bn	+46% q-o-q driven by improved performance in Markets business
Return on Equity ²	11%	14.4% excluding Ulster Bank
R&C NIM	2.91%	+1bp q-o-q; wholesale funding reduction offsets mix towards secured lending and lower swap rates
Cost : income ratio ^{1,3}	60%	2% improvement q-o-q driven by non-staff expenses
Impairments	£0.8bn	12% reduction despite ongoing elevated charges in Ulster Bank
Loan : deposit ratio⁴	93%	Remains ahead of target; loan demand subdued ex UK Retail & US R&C

Group Progress:			
	Q112		
Operating profit ¹	£1.2bn	Reduced Non-Core losses and rebound in Markets performance	
Non-Core funded assets	£83bn	£11bn funded asset reduction q-o-q; remains on target for YE range £65-70bn	
Capital strength	10.8%	Further improvement in capital strength reflecting ongoing risk reduction	
Pre-tax loss	£1.4bn	After £2.5bn own credit adjustment charge	

¹ Excluding own credit adjustment (OCA). ² Equity allocated based on share of Group tangible equity. ³ Adjusted C:I ratio net of insurance claims. ⁴ Net of provisions.

Progress against plan

Group – Key performance indicators	Worst point	Q112	Medium-term Target
Balance sheet & risk:			
Loan : deposit ratio (net of provisions)	154% ¹	106%	c100%
Short-term wholesale funding ²	£297bn ³	£80bn	<10% TPAs
Liquidity portfolio⁴	£90bn ³	£153bn	>1.5x STWF
Leverage ratio⁵	28.7x ⁶	16x	<18x
Core Tier 1 Capital ratio	4%	10.8%	>10%
Value drivers:			
Return on Equity (RoE) [®]	(31%) ⁸	11%	>12%
Cost: income ratio ¹¹	97% 10	60%	<55%

- Capital and Funding targets in good shape; Basel III to come
- Prioritising:
 - Safety and soundness of the Group
 - Ongoing reduction in wholesale funding
 - An appropriate liquidity buffer

¹ As at October 2008 ² Amount of unsecured wholesale funding under 1 year including bank deposits <1 year excluding derivatives collateral. ³ As of December 2008 ⁴ Eligible assets held for contingent liquidity purposes including cash, government issued securities and other securities eligible with central banks. ⁵ Funded tangible assets divided by Tier 1 Capital. ⁶ As of June 2008 ⁷ As of 1 January 2008. ⁸ Group return on tangible equity for 2008 ⁹ Indicative: Core attributable profit taxed at 28% on attributable core average tangible equity (c75% of Group tangible equity based on RWAs). ¹⁰ 2008. ¹¹ Adjusted cost:income ratio net of insurance claims.

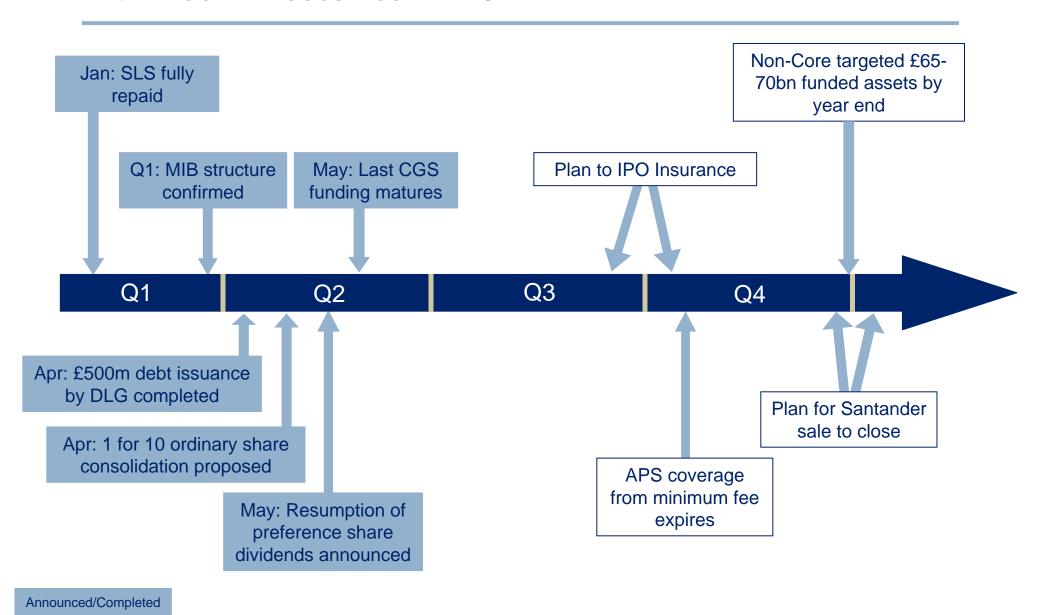
Funding and liquidity vs. peers

Key Metrics	RBS Q112	UK Peers ⁴	EU Peers ⁴	Better than Peers	
		FY11	FY11	UK	EU
Loan : Deposit Ratio (Group/Core)	106% / 93%	109%	99%	√ √	x / ✓
Liquidity Buffer ¹ as % STWF ²	191%	151%	89%	\checkmark	✓
STWF ² as % Funded Balance Sheet	8%	13%	13%	✓	✓
STWF ² as % TWF ³	34%	51%	47%	\checkmark	✓
Deposits as % Total Funding	65%	52%	47%	√	✓

- RBS 2011 funding & liquidity metrics compare well to peers
- Targeting further improvement across all metrics which should place the Group in a top quartile funding and liquidity position by 2013/4

¹ Liquidity buffer reserves comprise cash at central banks and eligible unencumbered government and other debt securities as far as we are able to determine from public disclosures. Debt securities held for trading are excluded from the liquidity buffer metrics above. ² Short Term Wholesale Funding. ³ Total Wholesale Funding – includes cash collateral as most of the peer banks do not disclose cash collateral separately from other deposits. ⁴ Peers include Barclays, Lloyds, HSBC, BNP Paribas, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Santander and UBS

Planned milestones in 2012





Conclusion

Markers of success

A fundamentally restructured group

- A resized, restructured and de-risked balance sheet
- An efficiently run, lower cost business

A viable, attractive, standalone business

- Maintenance of market-leading positions with customer relevance
- Complementary business proposition with appropriate capital usage
- Generating RoE > CoE

A rebalanced risk profile

- Fully overhauled risk management approach
- Appropriate risk appetite central to the business model

Under-investment addressed

- Focused on organic growth
- Investing for future cost savings
- Improving efficiency, customer service and staff utilisation

An appealing investment case

- Path to solid returns clear; sustainable business model and balance sheet
- Establish strong dividend platform
- UK Government able to exit its holding

Conclusions

Core Franchises	 Solid operating performance from the Core Business Retail & Commercial remains stable against backdrop of weak economy Markets rebounds, demonstrating strength of franchise despite smaller balance sheet
Non-Core and Risk	 Non-Core continues to execute well; losses £799m lower than Q411 Funded assets decline by a further £11bn to £83bn, now only 9% of Group assets Impairments fall 35% q-o-q on a reported basis, 56% excluding Ulster Bank
Balance Sheet	 £27bn reduction in Group funded assets to £950bn Loan to deposit ratio further improved to 106% for Group and 93% for Core Short-term wholesale funding reduced by £23bn to £80bn
Capital position	 Core Tier 1 ratio further strengthened to 10.8%, +20bps q-o-q Remain well-positioned to support business plan and absorb further regulatory capital requirements



Questions?