

NatWest Group FY 2022 Results Fixed income investors

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Strong 2022 performance

Strong	earnings
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Continued focus on growth, efficiency and capital

£5.1bn of distributions, or 290bps of capital, paid and accrued in FY'22

£5.1bn

Operating profit before tax vs £3.8bn in FY'21

29.7%

Income growth¹ of £3.0bn vs FY'21

£1.3bn

Ordinary dividend including 10p final dividend

£3.3bn

Attributable profit vs £3.0bn in FY'21

(2.9)%

Cost¹ reduction of £201m C:l ratio² (14.4)ppts to 55.5% 12.3%

Return on Tangible Equity vs 9.4% in FY'21

14.2%

CET1 ratio

£1.75bn

Special dividend paid, with share consolidation

£2.0bn

Buybacks £1.2bn DBB³ in Q1'22 and £0.8bn on-market buyback⁴

^{1.} Go-forward group excluding notable items. 2. Cost:Income ratio is total Group income and costs, excluding litigation and conduct. 3. Directed buy back completed March 2022.

^{4.} On-market buyback announced 17 February 2023 and accrued in 14.2% CET1 ratio.

We have delivered on our strategy and met our 2022 objectives

Objectives		FY'22 results	Status
Targeted	2022 Income above £11.0 billion in the Go-forward group ^{1,2} (upgraded to £12.8bn³)	£13.1bn	\checkmark
growth	Provide an additional £100 billion of Climate and Sustainable Funding and Financing ⁴	£24.5bn	On track
Expense and	Around 3% cost reduction in 2022 ^{1,5}	2.9%	\checkmark
investment discipline	Invest ~£1bn per year between 2021 and 2023 in our ongoing transformation	~£1bn invested	\checkmark
	Refocusing of NatWest Markets	Complete	✓
Effective capital deployment	Phased withdrawal from the Republic of Ireland	Significant progress	On track
	CET1 ratio of 13-14% by 2023, ~14% by the end of 2022	14.2%	\checkmark
Sustainable	Achieve a return on tangible equity of above 10% for the Group in 2023 (revised to 14-16%³)	12.3%	On track
returns and distributions	Distribute a minimum of £1 billion in 2022 alongside capacity to participate in directed buybacks	£5.1bn paid and accrued	\checkmark

^{1.} Go-forward group excludes Ulster Bank Rol. 2.Income excluding notable items. 3.Income guidance updated to £12.5bn at H1 2022 then £12.8bn at Q3 2022 results and RoTE revised target of 14-16% updated at H1 2022 results. 4. Between 1 July 2021 and the end of 2025, cumulative £32.6bn provided since 1 July 2021 with £24.5bn in 2022. 5. Other operating expenses defined as operating expenses less litigation and conduct costs.

Our purpose enables us to support the economy and our stakeholders



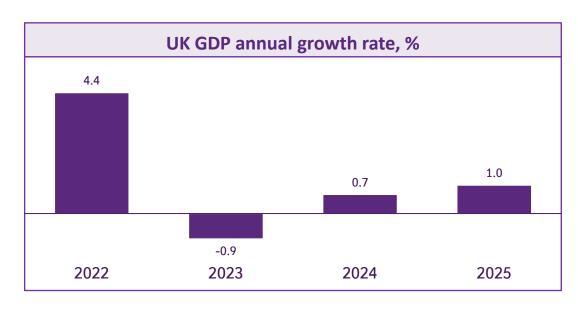
Category	Examples
Supporting our customers	 6.7% growth in lending since FY'21¹ 8.1% growth in Retail and Private Banking lending in FY'22, including £45bn of gross new mortgage lending 4.4% growth in C&I lending in FY'22, with £20.3bn of new CSFF in 2022² 90,000 customers now invest digitally through our wealth businesses
Managing through uncertainty	 Proactive contacts to our retail and business customers offering support and information on cost of living ~0.7m financial health checks carried out £9.7m hardship & active forbearance funding made available through charities and strategic partners³
Supporting Colleagues	 Comprehensive package of pay support for colleagues to help with the cost of living Leading parental leave policy launched Jan 2023 96% of colleagues used the NatWest Academy since launch – with 35% of elective learning focussed on future skills in 2022

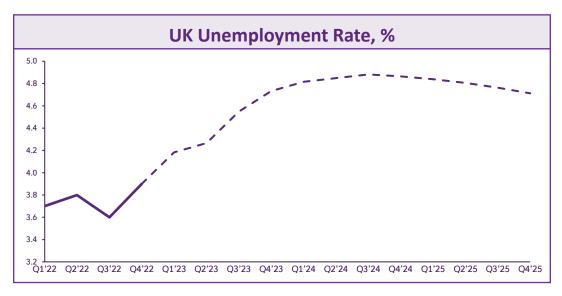
Strong Q4'22 and FY'22 operating performance

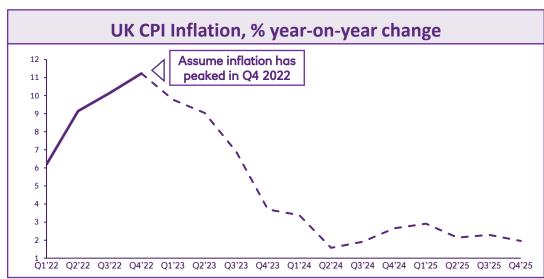
Group, £m	Q4'22	Q3'22	Q4'21	Q4'22 vs Q3'22	Q4'22 vs Q4'21
Net interest income, ex notable items ¹	2,909	2,640	1,922	10.2%	51.4%
Non-interest income, ex notable items ¹	857	757	618	13.2%	38.6%
Total income, ex notable items ¹	3,766	3,397	2,540	10.9%	48.3%
Total income	3,708	3,229	2,602	14.8%	42.5%
Other operating expenses	(2,047)	(1,771)	(2,138)	15.6%	(4.3%)
Litigation and conduct costs	(91)	(125)	(190)	(27.2%)	(52.1%)
Operating expenses	(2,138)	(1,896)	(2,328)	12.8%	(8.2%)
Operating profit before impairments	1,570	1,333	274	17.8%	4.7x
Impairment (losses)/releases	(144)	(247)	269	(41.7%)	nm
Loan impairment rate	0.16%	0.26%	(0.30%)	(0.10%)	0.46%
Operating profit / (loss)	1,426	1,086	543	31.3%	162.6%
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Attributable profit / (loss), £m	1,262	187	434	5.7x	1.9x
Return on Tangible Equity	20.6%	2.9%	5.6%	18ppts	15ppts

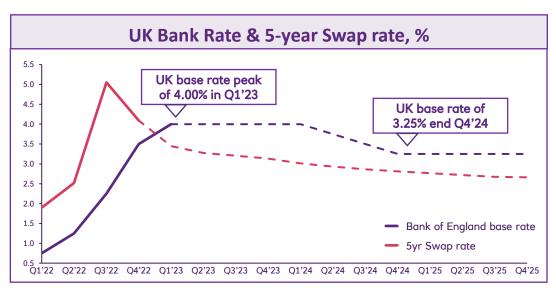
FY'22	FY'21	FY'22 vs FY'21
9,883	7,503	31.7%
3,178	2,681	18.5%
13,061	10,184	28.2%
13,156	10,429	26.1%
(7,302)	(7,292)	0.1%
(385)	(466)	(17.4%)
(7,687)	(7,758)	(0.9%)
5,469	2,671	104.8%
(337)	1,173	(128.7%)
0.09%	(0.32%)	0.41%
5,132	3,844	33.5%
3,340	2,950	13.2%
12.3%	9.4%	3ppts

UK macro-economic context and outlook¹





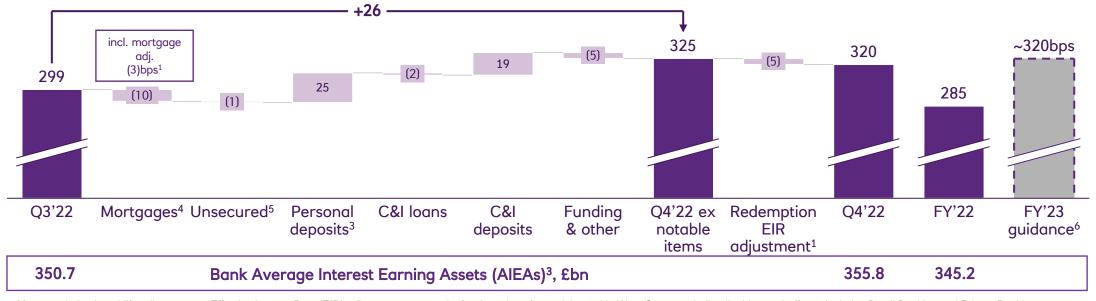




Continued income momentum in the fourth quarter

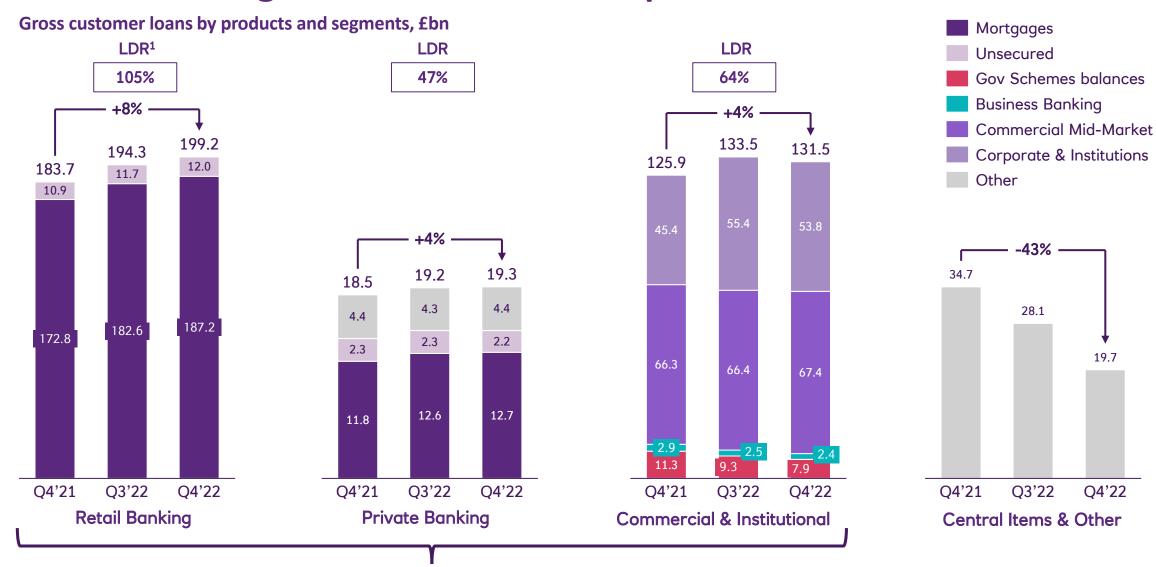


Bank Net Interest Margin², bps



^{1.} Mortgage behavioural life adjustment. 2. Effective Interest Rate (EIR) adjustment as a result of redemption of own debt. 3. NatWest Group excluding liquid asset buffer 4. Includes Retail Banking and Private Banking. 5. Includes all non-mortgage lending in Retail Banking and Private Banking. 6. Based on a Bank of England base rate of 4.00% through the remainder of 2023

Balanced loan growth across the Group in 2022



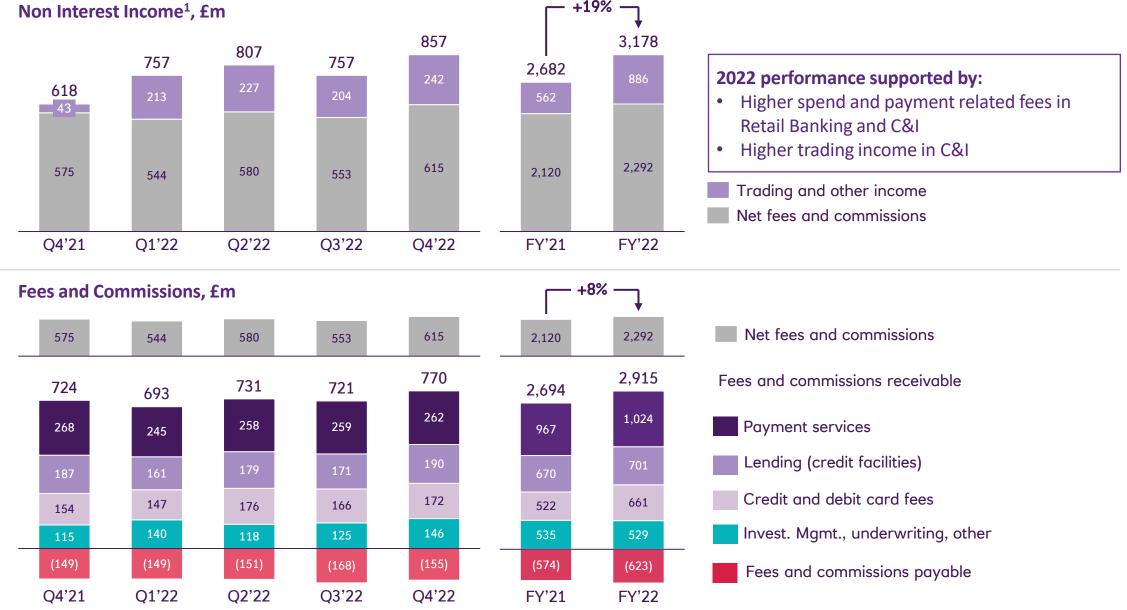
³ business segments £350.0bn, +0.9% vs Q3'22 and +6.7% vs Q4'21

1. Loan:deposit ratio.

19.7

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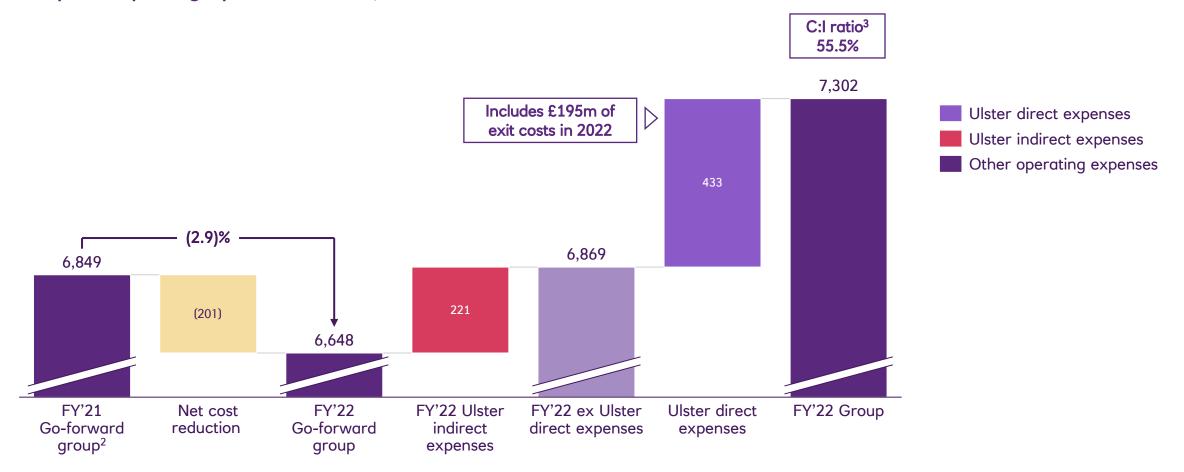
Non interest income supported by new lending fees in Q4



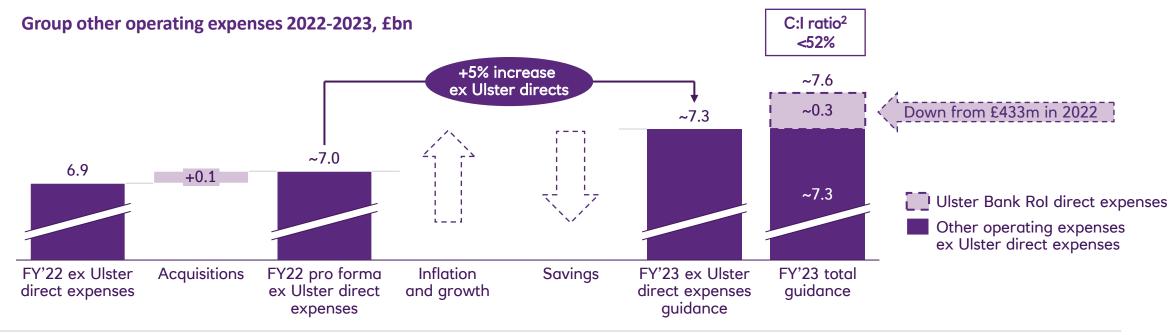
^{1.} Excluding relevant notable income items.

Delivered target reduction of around 3% for 2022

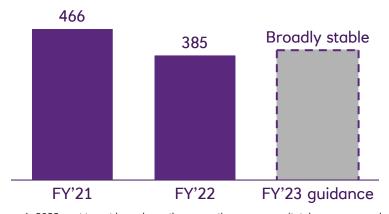
Group other operating expenses¹ 2021-2022, £m



Expect other operating expenses of around £7.6bn in 2023 and litigation and conduct costs to be broadly stable



Litigation and conduct costs, £m



Well diversified, de-risked, high-quality loan book

Arrears levels remain broadly stable

Mortgages

- Customer rates reducing from October peak
- Mortgage LTV of 53%²
- Balances: 66% 5Y, 25% 2Y, 4% Tracker, 4% SVR
- c.£41bn or ~22% of fixed rates expire by the end of 2023
- 17% interest only, including BTL (10% of all mortgages)
- Low levels of arrears and lower forbearance flows than 2021

Corporate

- Diversified £73.6bn corporate loan book
- Low exposure to in focus areas such as Retail £8.4bn, Automotive £7.3bn and Leisure £7.5bn
- Limited exposure to Oil and Gas £1.2bn
- Retail & leisure, property and services sectors represented the largest share of forbearance flow in 2022

CRE

Property ex-CRE

Credit Cards & Other



Gross Loans and

Advances¹

20%

Credit cards and other unsecured

- Unsecured lending increased during 2022, with resilient customer demand after the easing of COVID-19 restrictions
- <4% of Group loans
- ECL coverage of 9.2%
- Stage 3 inflows remained subdued in 2022
- Inflows to arrears have been stable in 2022, having normalised in line with expectations

Commercial Real Estate (CRE)

<5% of Group lending</p>

Mortgages

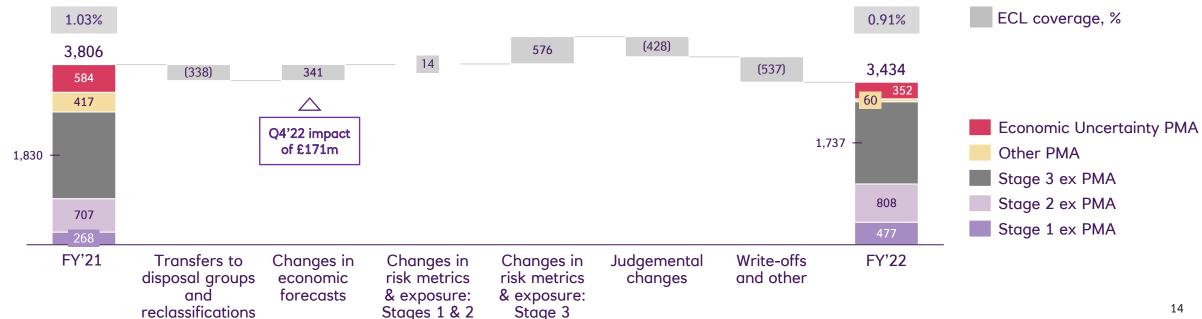
Corporate

- CRE average LTV of 47%²
- Property ex-CRE of £15.4bn, majority of which is housing associations
- Inflows into heightened risk categories increased in Q4 but remained relatively low in volume terms compared to previous downturns

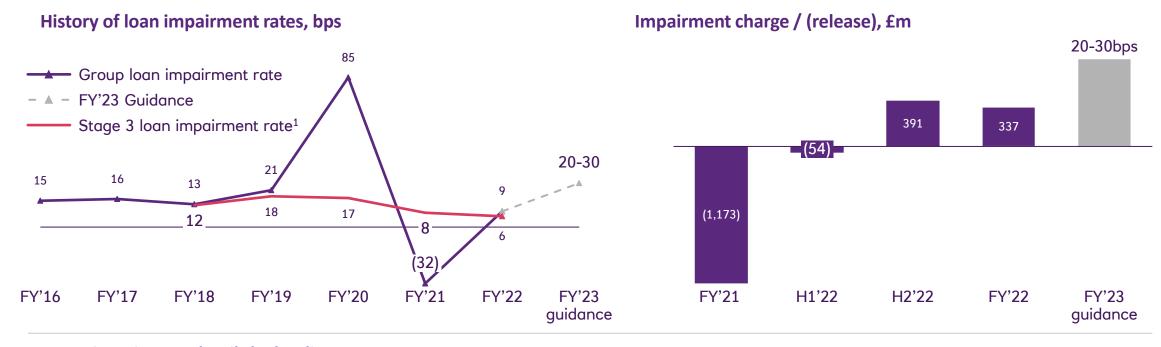
Well provided for the economic cycle and have revised the economic scenarios

onomic scenarios and weightings		Q3'22				FY'22		
	Upside	Base Case	Downside	Extreme downside	Upside	Base Case	Downside	Extreme downside
	10%	35%	30%	25%	19%	45%	21%	16%
Additional Stage 1 and 2 ECL at 100% weighting					445	216	(193)	(1,565)
Weighted-average variables	Q3	'22	FY	'22	Ch	ange	FY'22 E Dowi	xtreme nside
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
UK GDP - annual growth	(1.4)	1.4	(1.1)	0.4	0.3	(1.0)	(3.1)	(1.6)
UK Unemployment - annual avg.	4.5	5.3	4.7	5.4	0.1	0.1	6.0	8.4
UK House Price Index ¹	(7.2)	0.2	(6.6)	(3.2)	0.6	(3.4)	(10.4)	(15.2)
UK Consumer price index ¹	6.2	2.7	6.0	3.1	(0.2)	0.4	17.0	8.8

Group ECL provisions, £bn, and coverage



Our impairment guidance remains unchanged with 20-30bps in 2023



Group impairment details by lending sector

		Personal			Wholesale			
		Unse	cured			Sovereign		
FY'22	Mortgages Credit cards Other personal P		Property	Corporate	and FI	Group		
Impairment charge/(release),	(74)	56	259	126	(47)	17	337	
Loan impairment rate, bps	-4 bps	126 bps	271 bps	39 bps	-6 bps	3 bps	9 bps	
Gross loans to customers ² , £bn	203.0	4.5	9.5	32.6	73.8	53.8	377.1	
ECL coverage ratio, %	0.19%	5.76%	10.82%	1.35%	1.67%	0.15%	0.91%	
ECL coverage ratio - FY'19, %	0.55%	5.83%	8.25%	1.36%	1.66%	0.09%	1.12%	





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Strong capital, MREL and leverage positions in 2022

Capital and leverage

14.2% CET1 ratio

19.3%
Total capital ratio

31.5%
Loss absorbing capital ratio

5.4%UK leverage ratio

£176.1bn
Risk weighted
assets

Robust liquidity and diversified funding

Liquidity and funding

145% Liquidity coverage ratio 145%
Net stable funding ratio

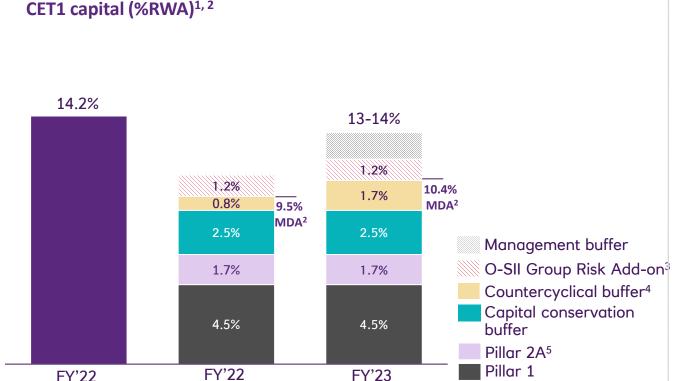
79% Loan to deposit ratio £450.3bn Customer deposits

£74.4bn
Wholesale funding

Strong capital and leverage positions

minimum

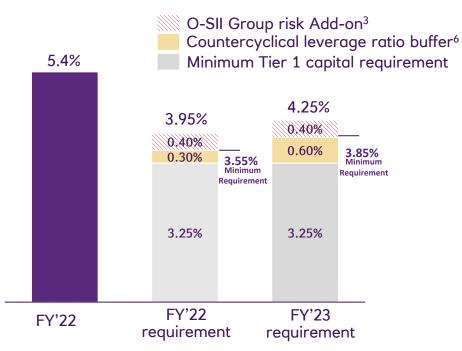
requirement



operating

range

UK leverage ratio (% leverage exposure)



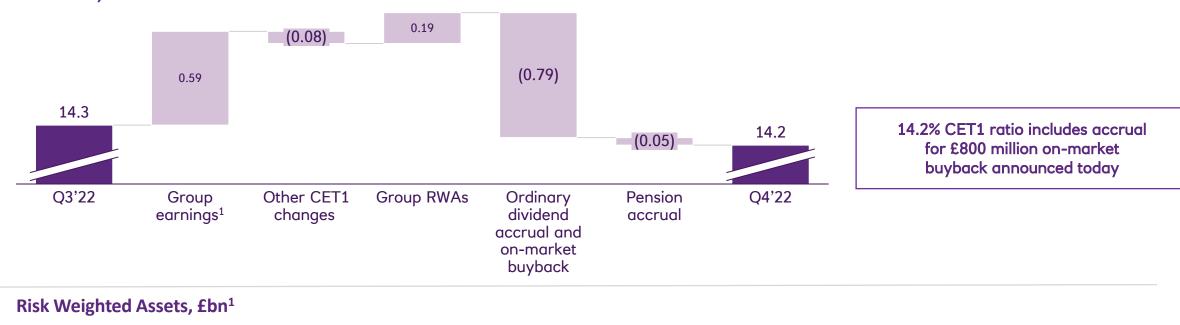
CET1

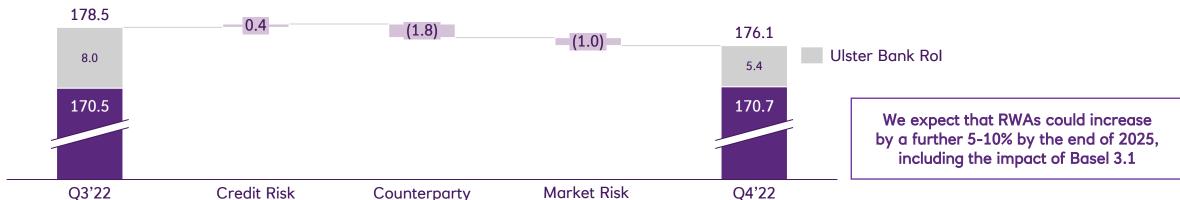
^{1.} Operating range in 2023 reflects medium term CET1 of 13-14. 2. Based on assumption of static regulatory capital requirement 3.0-SII buffer of 1.5% applies to the ring-fenced bank holding company. The equivalent O-SII Group Risk Add-on' is ~1.2%. The O-SII Group Risk Add-on is included in the Group's minimum supervisory minimum. . 4. Countercyclical buffer - The UK CCyB rate increased from 0% to 1% effective from 13 December 2022.

A further increase from 1% to 2% was announced on 5 July 2022, effective 5 July 2023. 5. Pillar 2A requirements are expected to vary over time and are subject to at least annual review. 56.25% of the total Pillar 2A requirement must be met from CET1 capital. 6. The countercyclical leverage ratio buffer is set at 35% of NatWest Group's CCyB. As noted above the UK CCyB is anticipated to increase from 1% to 2% from 5 July 2023. Foreign exposures may be subject to different CCyB rates depending on the rate set in those jurisdictions.

Continued sustainable capital generation and distribution with progress towards CET1 range of 13-14%

CET1 ratio, %

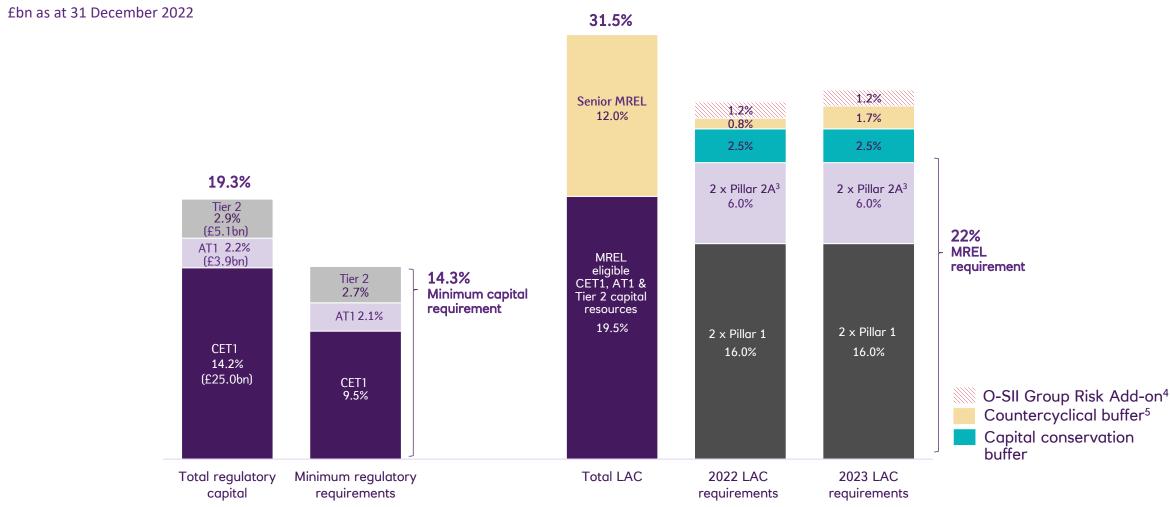




Credit Risk

Total MREL resources comfortably above requirements¹

Total Loss Absorbing Capital (LAC)^{1,2}



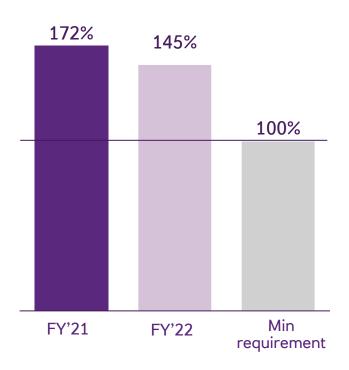
^{1. &}quot;MREL" = Minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities. 2. Illustration, based on assumption of static regulatory capital requirements. MREL requirement is set at 2x (Pillar 1+ Pillar 2A) per Bank of England guidance. 3. Pillar 2A requirement held constant over the period for illustration purposes. Pillar 2A requirements are expected to vary over time and are subject to at least an annual review. 56.25% of the total Pillar 2A requirement must be met from CET1 capital. 4. O-SII buffer of 1.5% applies to the ring-fenced bank holding company. The equivalent O-SII Group Risk Add-on' is ~1.2%. The O-SII Group Risk Add-on is included in the Group's minimum supervisory minimum. 5. The UK CCyB rate increased from 0% to 1% effective from 13 December 2022. A further increase from 1% to 2% was announced on 5 July 2022, effective 5 July 2023.

Liquidity coverage ratio remains well above minimum UK requirement

Liquidity coverage ratio

£52bn

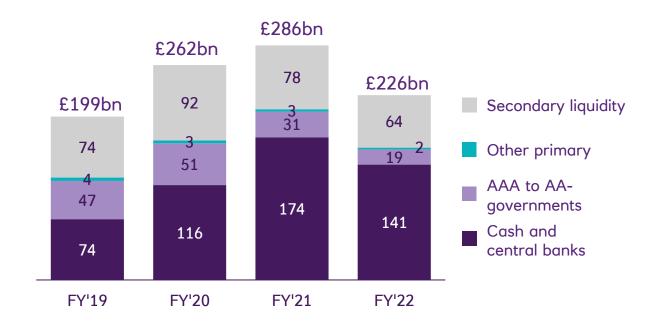
surplus liquidity over minimum requirement



High quality liquidity pool

£162bn

of primary liquidity with a mix of cash and high quality sovereign bonds



Strong customer deposit franchise

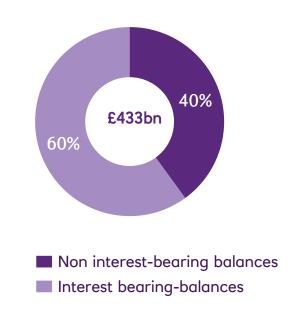
Group customer deposit composition

As at 31st December 2022

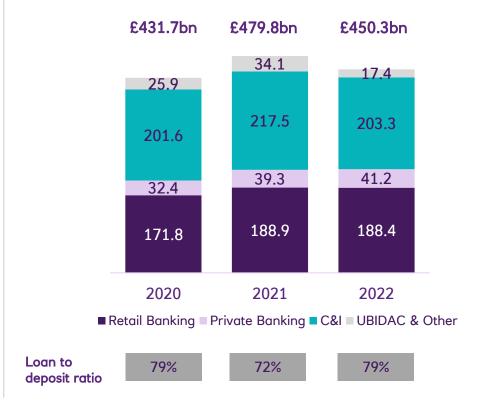


Franchise customer deposit mix

(ex UBIDAC and Treasury)
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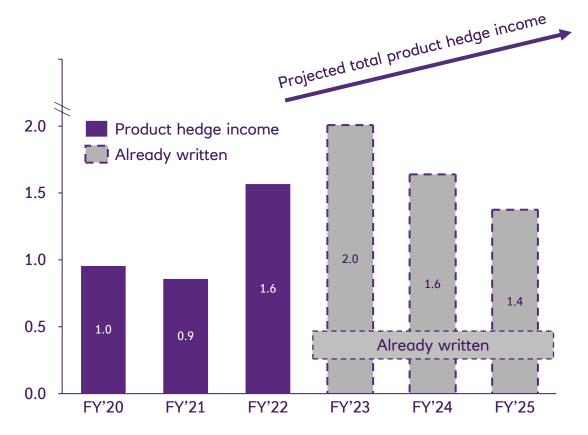


Group Customer deposit trends



Structural hedging provides a multi-year tailwind

Product structural hedge income statement outlook, £bn



Structural hedge	FY'20	FY'21	FY'22
Period end notional	£169bn	£206bn	£230bn
of which product hedge notional	£125bn	£161bn	£184bn
Annual yield - product hedge	0.83%	0.59%	0.89%
Q4 yield - product hedge	0.72%	0.59%	1.16%

Considerations for product structural hedge income £184bn product hedge notional at year end 2022

- We model 3.3% average 5-year swap rate on reinvestment versus c.1.1% average redemption yield for 2023¹
- Annual maturities are c.£40bn. Reinvestment volume will be influenced by the mix and flows of customer deposits
- Assuming no change to deposit balances or mix versus year end 2022, we would expect the hedge notional to reduce steadily by £5bn over the course of the next 12 months from £184bn

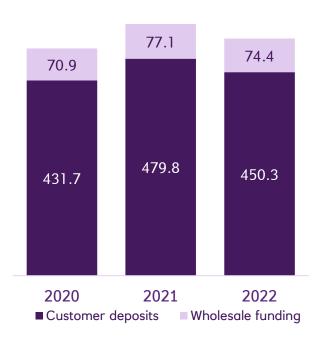
Sensitivity ²	+25 basis points parallel upward shift				ısis points p ownward sh	
£m	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Structural Hedge	50	158	260	(50)	(158)	(260)
Managed Margin	148	141	136	(170)	(140)	(129)
Total	198	299	396	(220)	(298)	(389)

^{1.} Balances mature fairly evenly throughout the year, so around half of the annualised reinvestment benefit will occur in calendar year 2023. 2. Of the Year 1 sensitivity ~80% relates to product structural hedge

Stable and diversified funding sources

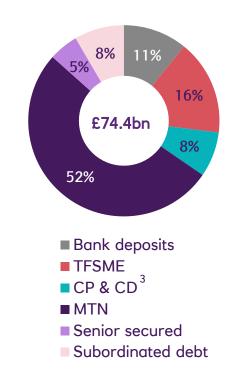
Funding composition (£bn)^{1,2}

Customer deposits provide ~86% of funding supply



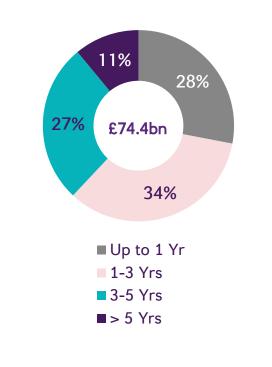
Wholesale funding mix¹

Access to diverse wholesale funding products



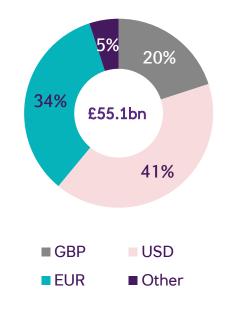
Wholesale funding by maturity

Longer term funding ~70% of total wholesale funding



Senior notes and subordinated liabilities by currency

Access to diverse currency markets



^{1.} Wholesale funding excluding repos, derivative cash collateral. 2. Customer deposits includes NBFIs repo balances. 3. MTN issuance includes Group issued senior unsecured MREL securities and OpCo issued senior unsecured.

Strong support for wholesale funding transactions in 2022¹

Across multiple currencies and tenors

issuance

		2022 guidance	2022 actual				-4-	* * *
NatWest Croup pla	Senior unsecured (MREL)	~£3bn to £5bn	~£3.7bn	• \$1bn 6NC5 • \$1.5bn 4NC3	• £750m 7NC6	• €1bn 6NC5 Green	-	-
Group plc (HoldCo)	Tier 2 capital	-	£650m ²	-	• £650m 10.5NC5.5	-	-	-
NatWest Markets Plc	Senior unsecured (non-MREL) public benchmark	~£4bn to £5bn	~£4.6bn	• \$1.5bn 3yr dual-tranche	• £750m 5yr	• €1bn 5Yr • €1.25bn 3Yr	• CHF300m 3Yr • CHF220m 5Yr	• \$A600m 3yr

dual-tranche

In 2023, expect to be active from HoldCo and OpCo, across multiple asset classes

		2023 guidance
NatWest Group plc (HoldCo)	Senior unsecured MREL	~£3bn to £5bn
	Tier 2 capital	Up to £1bn
NatWest Markets Plc (OpCo)	Senior unsecured (non-MREL) ¹	~£3bn to £5bn
NatWest Markets NV (OpCo)	Senior unsecured (non-MREL) ²	Up to £1bn

^{1.} Includes primary/benchmark transactions only. Does not include private placements. 2. Includes a mix of public benchmark issuance and private placements.

Ratings progress in 2022

	Moody's	S&P	Fitch				
Group holding company							
NatWest Group plc	A3/Sta	BBB/Sta	A/Sta				
Ring-fenced bank operating companies							
NatWest Bank Plc	A1/Sta ¹	A/Sta	A+/Sta				
Royal Bank of Scotland plc	A1/Sta ¹	A/Sta	A+/Sta				
NatWest Bank Europe GMBH	NR	A/Sta	A+/Sta				
Ulster Bank Ireland DAC	A1/Sta ¹	A-/Sta	BBB+/Sta				
Non ring-fenced bank operating companies							
NatWest Markets Plc	A1/Sta	A-/Sta	A+/Sta				
NatWest Markets N.V.	A1/Sta	A-/Sta	A+/Sta				
NatWest Markets Securities Inc	NR	A-/Sta	A/Sta				
RBSI Ltd	A1/Sta ¹	A-/Sta	A/Sta				

^{1.} Moody's long-term Deposit Rating. The ring-fenced bank operating companies do not issue rated senior unsecured debt. Nevertheless Moody's assigns an Issuer Rating and the outlook was changed to Negative from Stable on 25/10/22, after the Moody's UK Sovereign Rating outlook was changed to Negative from Stable.





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Medium-term group targets and 2023 guidance

SUSTAINABLE MEDIUM-TERM GROUP TARGETS

Sustainable RoTE

14-16%

Cost:Income ratio¹

<50% by 2025

Payout ratio 40%

+ capacity for buybacks

Provide £100 billion of Climate and Sustainable Funding and Financing by 2025

Operating with a CET1 ratio in the range of 13-14%

2023 GUIDANCE

Total Income

~£14.8bn NIM: ~3.20% Other operating costs and C:I ratio¹

~£7.6bn <52%

Loan impairment rate

20-30bps

RoTE

14-16%

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Distributions

Payout ratio 40% + capacity for buybacks²

^{1.} Cost:Income ratio is total Group income and costs, excluding litigation and conduct. 2. We have permission from the PRA to participate in a direct buyback from the UK government of up to 4.99% of issued share capital and we will execute the £800m on-market buyback announced today









Appendices

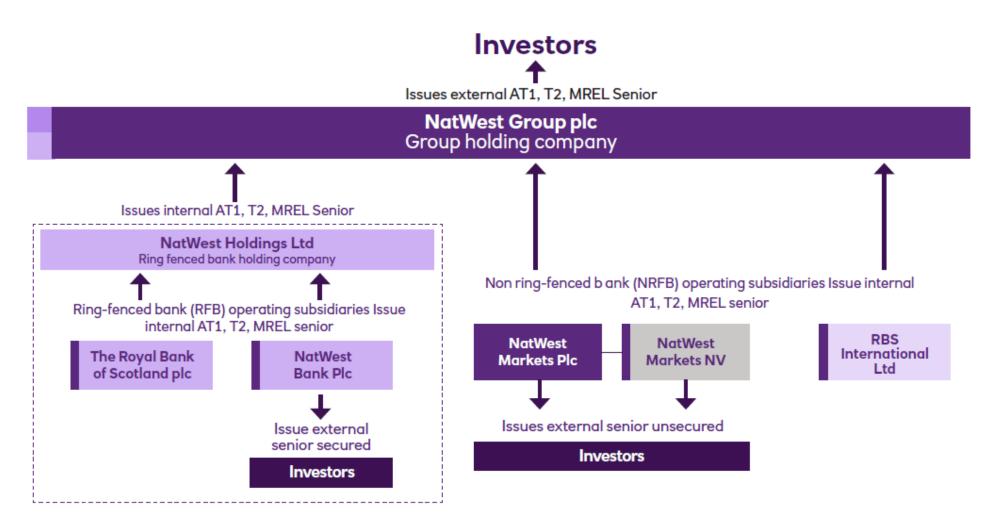
Issuing entity structure

External issuance of AT1, Tier 2 and MREL is only from NatWest Group plc, the group holding company.

Subsidiary operating companies will only issue internal AT1, Tier 2 and MREL.

NatWest Bank Plc issues senior secured securities externally.

Natwest Markets Plc issues senior unsecured securities externally.



Legal entity capital positions

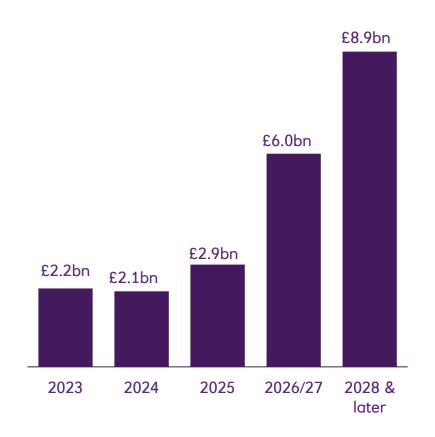
FY 2022	NatWest Holdings Limited	NatWest Bank Plc	Royal Bank of Scotland plc	Ulster Bank Ireland DAC	NatWest Markets Plc	NatWest Markets NV	RBSI
Capital and leverage metrics							
CET1 ratio	12.8%	11.3%	11.6%	38.6%	17.2%	21.0%	18.5%
Tier 1 ratio	15.4%	13.3%	16.8%	38.6%	20.4%	24.0%	22.4%
Total Capital ratio	18.9%	15.9%	25.4%	39.9%	25.7%	25.9%	22.5%
RWA	£143.6bn	£112.4bn	£18.5bn	€6.4bn	£21.4bn	€8.1bn	£7.6bn
Leverage ratio ¹	5.4%	4.4%	6.4%	17.5%	5.4%	9.1%	4.0%
Internal MREL issuance							
Tier 1	£3.7bn	£2.5bn	£1.0bn	-	£0.9bn	£0.2bn	£0.3bn
Tier 2	£4.6bn	£2.9bn	£1.5bn	-	£1.5bn	£0.1bn	-
Senior unsecured	£10.4bn	£6.4bn	£0.4bn	£0.5bn	£3.2bn	-	£0.3bn
Total internal issuance	£18.7bn	£11.8bn	£2.9bn	£0.5bn	£5.6bn	£0.3bn	£0.6bn

^{1.} The leverage ratio for December 2022 has been calculated in accordance with current PRA rules except for UBIDAC and NatWest Markets NV which are calculated in accordance with the EU Capital Requirements Regulation. For RBSI, the Leverage ratio is calculated in line with Jersey Financial Services Commission (JFSC) guidance.

NatWest Group plc run-off profile

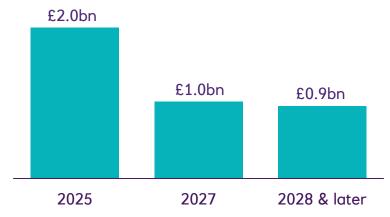
Senior MREL run-off profile

Contractual maturity, balance sheet value £billion equivalent

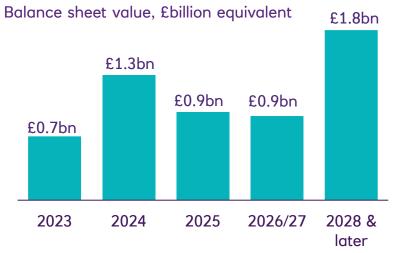


NWG plc AT1 call profile

Balance sheet value, £billion equivalent



NWG plc Tier 2 roll-off profile¹



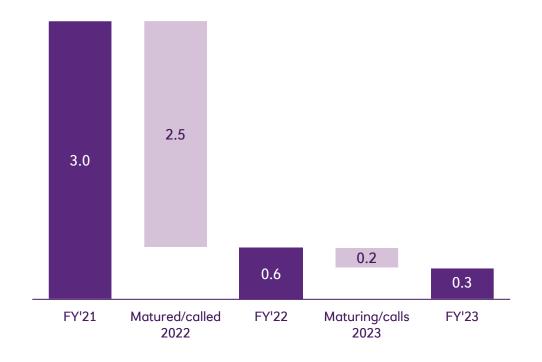
^{1.} Based on first call date of instrument, however this does not indicate NatWest Group's strategy on capital and funding management

Legacy capital stack

Low residual balance of legacy capital following capital optimisation actions

Legacy capital actions 2022-23

Nominal value, £billion equivalent¹



Security	Nominal value				
Tier 1					
GB0006227051 NWB plc 9% Perp	£116m				
Tier 2					
XS0041078535 NWB plc 11.5% Perp ²	£31m				
GB0007548026 NWG plc 5.5% Perp	£0.2m				
GB0007548133 NWG plc 11% Perp	£0.2m				
US00077TAA25 NWM NV 7.75% May 2023	\$101m				
XS0123050956 NWM NV February 2041	€170m				
US00077TAB08 NWM NV 7.125% October 2093	\$21.6m				
XS0357281046 NWM Plc April 2023	€123m				
XS0154144132 NWM Plc 5.625% September 2026	£16m				
XS0138939854 NWM Plc 5.625% June 2032	£0.1m				
XS0116447599 NWM Plc 3.09% Perp	£1.4m				
IE0004325282 UBIDAC SONIA + 2.8266% Perp	£1.1m				
IE0004325514 UBIDAC 11.75% Perp	£11.5m				
IE0004325399 UBIDAC 11.375% Perp	€31m				

^{1.} Based on FX as at 31.12.2022

^{2.} XS0041078535 NWB plc 11.5% call was announced on 12/12/2022 and redeemed on the 19/01/2023.

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