## Purplebricks Group plc FY20 Results Presentation

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## **Highlights & COVID-19** Vic Darvey, Chief Executive Officer



## **FY20 HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Resilient trading in face of very challenging market conditions with Group revenue down only 2%

- UK revenue down 11%, pleased with resilience against a 23% drop in instructions
- 3.9% share of UK listings
- 5.1% share of houses sold

#### Emerging through the COVID-19 pandemic in a very strong position

- US/AUS exits completed; Canada disposed
- New Exec Leadership Team, accelerating digital and data capabilities
- Net cash balance of £66.0m at 15 July

#### Technology led estate agency emerging as the winning model

- Largest and best performing estate agent in the UK, saving customers £77m commission last year
- Clear evidence consumers are increasingly shifting towards apps and tech-based alternatives
- Strong position to accelerate our model, extend our market share and grow our value-add revenue







## **BUSINESS IMPACT OF COVID-19**

- 3 phases of managing through the COVID-19 crisis respond, recover, thrive
- Took swift and decisive actions to protect our people
- Immediate and significant measures in place to preserve cash, with variable cost model a clear advantage
- Trading materially impacted Mar-May 2020
- Technology-led proposition meant we continued to remain open throughout
- Market is now rebounding strongly
- Strong position as consumer behaviour continues to evolve

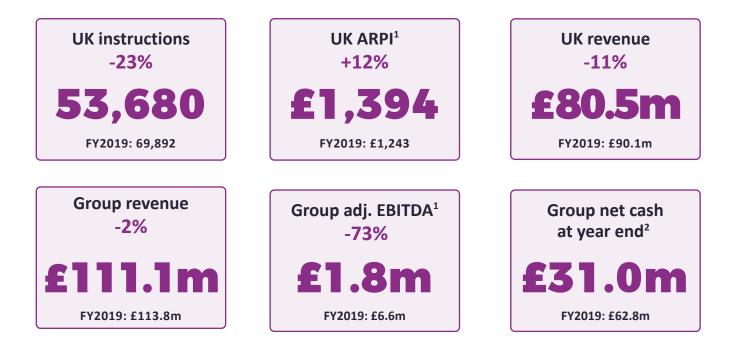




## **Financial review** Andy Botha, Chief Financial Officer



### FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS CHALLENGING MARKET CONDITIONS PREVAILED THROUGHOUT



1. ARPI (Average revenue per instruction) and Adjusted EBITDA definitions see appendix

2. Net cash position as at 15 July was £66.0m



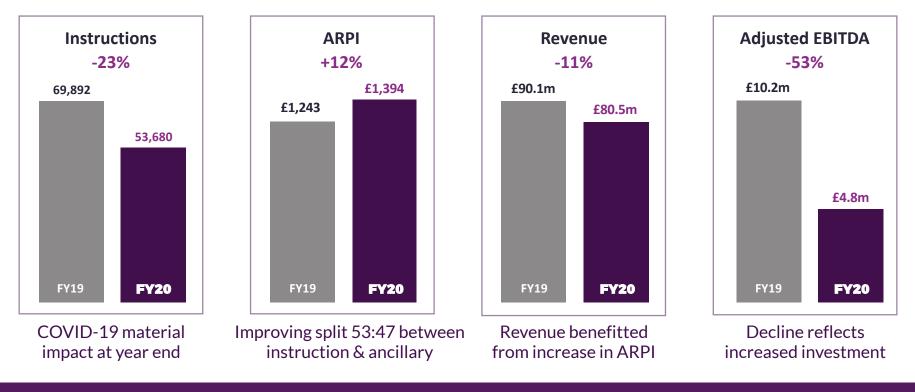
### GROUP SUMMARY INCOME STATEMENT RESILIENT GROUP PERFORMANCE DESPITE EXTERNAL CHALLENGES

	FY 2020 £m	FY 2019 £m	Change %
Revenue	111.1	113.8	-2%
Gross margin %	60.9%	61.0%	-10bps
Adjusted operating costs	(37.1)	(28.7)	+29%
Marketing costs	(28.8)	(34.1)	-16%
Adjusted EBITDA	1.8	6.6	-73%

- Revenue held up well despite UK instructions being down 23%
- Revenue benefitted from continuing improvement in ARPI
- Gross margin maintained in challenging environment
- Marketing costs demonstrated high degree of flexibility
- UK contributed £4.8m of adjusted EBITDA in the period
- Canadian loss of £1.4m driven by market conditions and ongoing marketing investment



### UK PERFORMANCE REVENUE SUPPORTED BY ARPI GROWTH





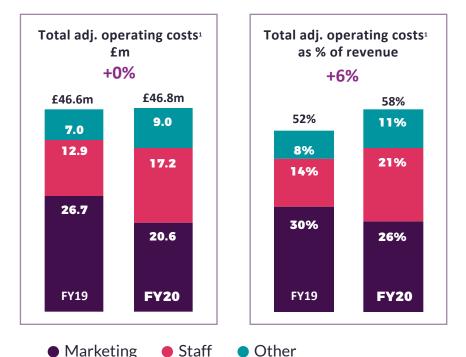
### IMPROVING PERFORMANCE PRE-COVID-19 Full year results heavily impacted by the pandemic

	10 months FY 2020 £m	2 months FY 2020 £m	12 months FY 2020 £m	10 months FY 2020 % change	2 months FY 2020 % change	12 months FY 2020 % change
Instructions (#)	49,150	4,530	53,680	-15%	-63%	-23%
Revenue	73.9	6.6	80.5	0%	-59%	-11%
Adjusted operating costs	(22.7)	(3.5)	(26.2)	+41%	-9%	+32%
Marketing costs	(19.1)	(1.5)	(20.6)	-14%	-66%	-23%
Adjusted EBITDA	5.7	(0.9)	4.8	-31%	-148%	-53%

Tough 1st 10 months but progress across key metrics beginning to be seen

- Last 2 months, post COVID-19, contributed to poor full year instructions and EBITDA outcomes
- Cost reductions in March and April demonstrate capability to flex costs down when required

### CONTROLLING OPERATING COSTS IN THE UK costs flat overall with investment focused on digital and team

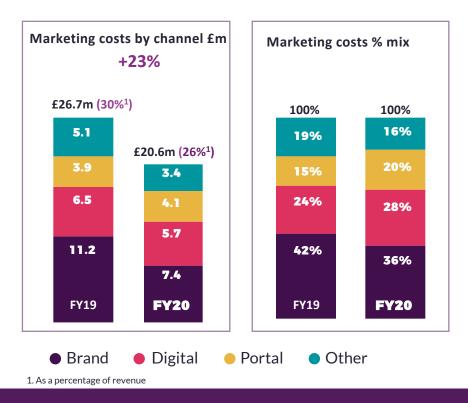


- Costs flat year on year as we see rate of growth % slowing
- Investment in new management and digital talent in year
- Conservative capitalisation of tech and digital team costs
- Marketing spend reducing in absolute £ terms and also as a % of revenue



1. Total adjusted operating costs include marketing costs

### CONTROLLING UK MARKETING COSTS SPEND REDUCING TO 26% OF REVENUE AS CHANNEL SPEND EVOLVES

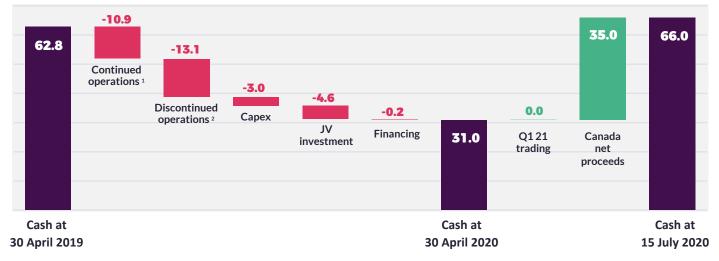


- Efficient use of brand marketing spend maintains healthy awareness in the market
- Further opportunity remains in digital as we develop this channel further
- Property portals continue to be a key source of leads, focus moving forward on even greater efficiency





### CASH BRIDGE HIGHLIGHTS BALANCE SHEET STRENGTH UK FOCUSED BUSINESS WITH HEALTHY RESERVES



- Year end of £31m cash and no bank debt
- Positive actions taken to conserve cash during COVID-19 as can be seen by Q1 trading cash flow
- Post Canada sale cash balance of £66.0m, in position to weather any market volatility but also to invest where required
- No need to make use of furlough bonus scheme

1. Inclusive of trading cash-flow, working capital movements and debt factoring expense

2. Inclusive of closure costs, working capital unwind and pre-closure announcement trading losses

### CLEAR CAPITAL ALLOCATION PRIORITIES DISCIPLINED AND RIGOROUS ASSESSMENT OF ALL INVESTMENT DECISIONS

- No strategic need to increase spend dramatically but no hesitation to do so if required
- Selective investments in FY21 focused on accelerating our strategic initiatives:





Technology and automation

Talent and skills in Digital and Field



Marketing to support market uplift

Always looking at opportunities to further accelerate strategy



## **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

- Resilient Group performance despite external challenges in the year
- All resources now focused on UK growth
- Confidence from our cash position today
- Focused on multiple levers to grow revenue and control costs
- Q1 trading strongly which is encouraging, too early to extrapolate further



# Strategy update and outlook

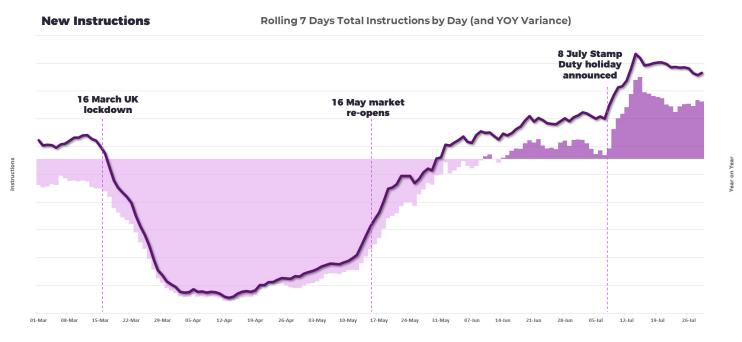
### Vic Darvey, Chief Executive Officer







### MARKET REBOUNDING POST COVID strong performance, strong lead indicators of recovery



- Market rebounding strongly following lift of housing market suspension and Stamp Duty holiday
- Record instructions of over 7,000 homes in July
- Well positioned as consumers move towards virtual valuations and viewings
- H2 outlook more uncertain – too early to extrapolate for the rest of the year



#### Source: Company data

**Technology led** estate agency is the winning model, accelerated by changing customer behaviour





## LARGEST & BEST PERFORMING ESTATE AGENT IN THE UK



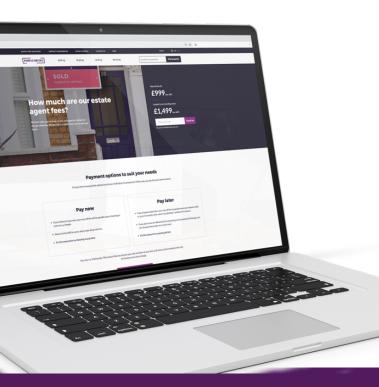


### MULTIPLE LEVERS IN OUR CONTROL TO DRIVE GROWTH our house strategy unchanged









#### **FY20 ACHIEVED**

- Completed pricing deep dive and in-market tests
  - There is still headroom for price increases
  - More sophisticated pricing will widen the market opportunity & introduce new customer segments
- Commenced tech work to establish capability to move to more agile pricing structure
- Design work completed on 'bundled propositions' to appeal to a wider audience

- Target London and surrounding areas, where most headroom exists
- Pilot new pricing 'bundles' in Q2



## **1 2 3 4** Estate agent of the future



#### FY20 ACHIEVED

- Restructured teams to accelerate ability to deliver, with dedicated squads focused on improving the customer journey
- Increased our resources in mobile and the App to deliver a more personalised experience for our customers
- 4.5 star approval rating in the App Store (based on over 27,000 ratings)

- New Chief Technology Officer starting 7 September
- Re-accelerate the growth of core by delivering rapid innovation of the customer journey
- Increase LPE productivity by delivering greater automation and efficiency



### Enhancing performance in the field



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#### HOUSE PROUD



#### **FY20 ACHIEVED**

- Transformational strategic progress in the year
- Field restructure completed Territory Operators reduced from 120 to 42
- Clear leadership and span of control in each territory
- The right income opportunities for our agent community
- Improved retention rates of our best agents

- Implement a new target operating model
- Focus on consistent and improved performance across all regions
- Improving effectiveness and efficiencies across the customer 'funnel' to increase conversion in the living room



# **1234** Transforming our customer processes







Over 74,912 reviews. Rated "Excellent". July 2020

#### **FY20 ACHIEVED**

- Investing to enhance customer engagement
  - World Class Manager training programme and Contact Centre School
  - Introduction of proactive post sales support
- Delivering great customer service
  - Net Promoter Score of 84
  - Feefo Gold Trusted Service Award for the second year running

- Deployment of new omni-channel customer engagement platform
- Introduction of further automation to reduce dependency on contact centre



## Multiple levers to achieve our medium-term opportunities

#### Growing ancillary revenue ARPI £1,750-£1,800

- Mortgages
- Conveyancing
- New services to home buyers

Expanding addressable market 10% LISTINGS

- Evolving our pricing
- Increasing share of
- underpenetrated segments

Transforming processes and customer engagement EBITDA MARGIN 25-30%

Reducing operational costs

- Improving LPE performance
- Reducing time to sell



## SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

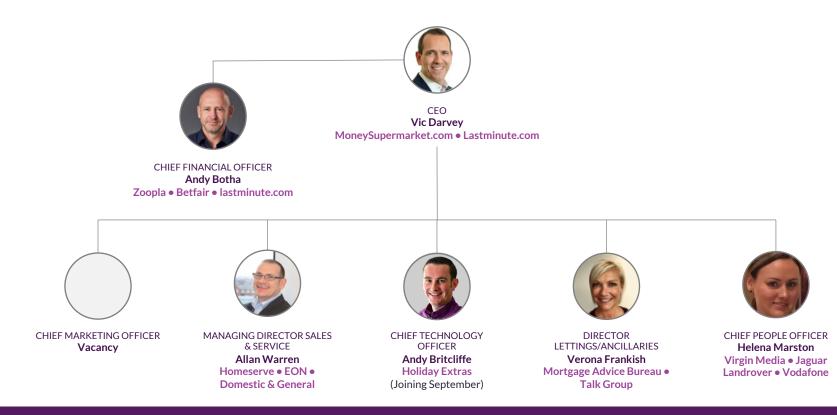
- Market rebounding strongly following lift of housing market suspension and Stamp Duty holiday but outlook remains uncertain
- Technology led estate agency emerging as the winning model with consumers continuing to shift towards apps and techbased alternatives
- Significant opportunity for further innovation with FY21 focus on delivering strategic initiatives at pace
- Strong position as multiple levers for growth in our control
- Opportunity to drive leverage and scale by extending our market and growing value-add revenues



## **APPENDIX**

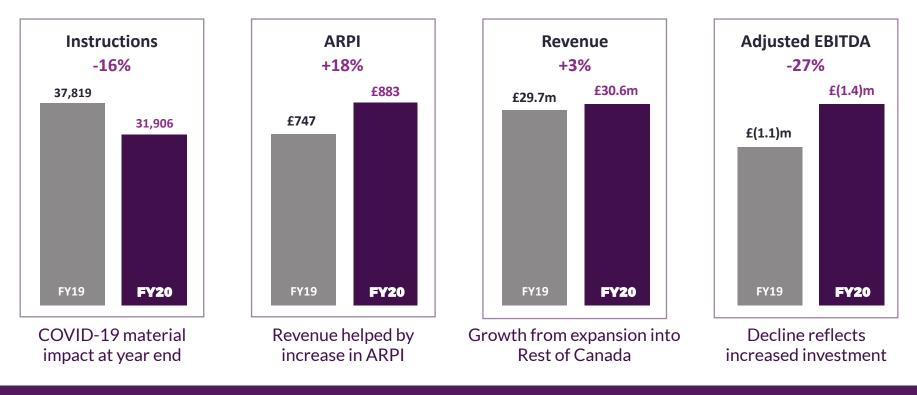


### A NEW AND EXPERIENCED LEADERSHIP TEAM WITH DIGITAL CAPABILITIES





## **PERFORMANCE – CANADA** (FY19 PRO FORMA BASIS)





## **ACCOUNTING TERMS**

#### Instructions

This term refers to the number of instructions won

ARPI (Average Revenue Per Instruction)

ARPI: Average revenue per instruction equates to total fee income divided by the number of instructions published in the year

#### Adjusted EBITDA

Refer to RNS, note 4, Alternative Performance Measures

Adjusted operating costs

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