



# Full year results

Year ended  
31 December  
2020

Pioneering safe and  
trusted solutions

11 March 2021



# Agenda

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- **Overview**
- **Financial review**
- **Operational review**
- **Strategic review update**
- **Summary and outlook**
- **Q&A**



# Overview

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- **Key priority throughout the year was safety and wellbeing of employees and customers**
- **Group faced dual challenges of Covid-19 and energy prices**
- **Covid-19 - swift management actions taken to**
  - Reduce discretionary spend
  - Optimise cash flow
  - Protect liquidity
- **Underlying operating profit at top end of guidance**
- **Strong cash performance**
- **Strategic review progressing well**



# Financial review

- **Revenue 16% lower**
  - Q4 sequentially 7% ahead
- **Rapid actions reduced admin costs by 17%**
- **Underlying operating margin resilient at 7.8% (2019: 10.7%)**
- **Strong cash conversion reduced net borrowings by £32.3m**
- **Headroom on committed facilities increased to £120.2m (2019: £41.7m)**

## Revenue

**£518.2m**

2019: £617.1m (16)%

## Underlying operating profit \*

**£40.5m**

2019: £66.3m (39)%

## Cash conversion

**217%**

2019: 99% +118pp

## Net borrowings

**£198.1m**

2019: £230.4m (14)%

\* before separately disclosed items

# Income statement

	2020 £m		2019 £m		
revenue	518.2		617.1		
cost of sales	(380.6)		(432.4)		
gross profit	137.6	26.6%	184.7	29.9%	Gross margin impacted by lower volumes; prices held up
administrative expenses	(98.7)		(119.2)		£20.5m (17%) reduction
associates / jvs	1.6		0.8		
underlying operating profit *	40.5	7.8%	66.3	10.7%	No material currency impact – GBP:USD average of \$1.29 (2019: \$1.28)
net finance charge	(9.0)		(7.8)		Due to increased borrowings at start of year
underlying profit before taxation *	31.5		58.5		
tax on underlying pbt *	(7.2)		(11.6)		
underlying profit after tax *	24.3		46.9		
effective tax rate	22.8%		19.8%		Unrelieved losses pushed up tax rate

\* before separately disclosed items

# Separately disclosed items and statutory operating profit

	2020 £m	2019 £m	
<b>underlying *</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>66.3</b>	
<b>acquisition related</b>	<b>(3.9)</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	← <b>£3.5m credit for deferred consideration in 2019</b>
<b>business disposals</b>	<b>(3.5)</b>	<b>-</b>	← <b>German instrumentation business</b>
<b>impairments:</b>			
DSVs	(31.6)	-	
intangible assets	(19.4)	-	← <b>£17m Marine Support goodwill; £2.4m of IP and devex</b>
tangible fixed assets	(2.4)	(2.7)	
receivables	(19.3)	(6.3)	← <b>£17m on 3 projects in challenging locations</b>
<b>Marine Support restructure</b>	<b>(3.9)</b>	<b>-</b>	← <b>c. 200 people; annualised saving of £8.0m</b>
costs of material litigation	-	(1.5)	
<b>total separately disclosed items</b>	<b>(84.0)</b>	<b>(10.7)</b>	←
<b>statutory</b>	<b>(43.5)</b>	<b>55.6</b>	

	2020 £m
<b>cash flow</b>	
acquisition related	(0.7)
Marine Support restructure	(3.9)
business disposals	1.3
<b>Net</b>	<b>(3.3)</b>

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# Summarised cash flow

	2020 £m	2019 £m	
underlying operating profit *	40.5	66.3	
depreciation and amortisation	34.2	29.9	
underlying ebitda *	74.7	96.2	← Ebitda 22% lower
working capital	19.5	(21.3)	
pension / other	(6.5)	(9.1)	
operating cash flow	87.7	65.8	← Cash conversion of 217% (2019: 99%)
cash outflow on separately disclosed	(3.9)	(7.4)	
interest paid & tax	(14.6)	(14.6)	
net capital expenditure	(17.8)	(90.2)	
businesses acquired / disposed	(7.1)	(19.1)	← Fathom £1.2m, deferred consideration £6.0m, jv's £0.5m, m&a costs £0.7m, disposals (£1.3)m
dividends paid	(4.0)	(18.4)	← Interim dividend of 8.0p per share
other	(1.9)	(0.6)	
decrease / (increase) in debt	38.4	(84.5)	
net borrowings # at 1 January	(203.0)	(113.6)	
non-cash movements	(10.4)	(4.9)	
net borrowings # at 31 December	(175.0)	(203.0)	← Net debt : ebitda 2.3 times (2019: 2.1 times)

\* before separately disclosed items

# before operating leases of £23.1m (2019: £27.4m)

# Liquidity and balance sheet

Liquidity	2020 £m	2019 £m
unsecured RCFs	300.0	250.0
headroom	120.2	41.7
<b>covenant calculations:</b>		
net debt : ebitda *	2.7	2.7
interest cover (>3.0)	6.1	12.3

Expiry	£m
2021 (December)	20.0
2022 (£50m Jan, £112.5m Jul/Aug)	162.5
2023	-
2024 (July)	87.5
2025 (March)	30.0
	300.0

net debt : ebitda covenant

31.12.20	3.95
30.06.21	3.75
31.12.21	3.50

\* includes bonds and guarantees £28.3m (2019: £54.8m)

Balance Sheet	31.12.20 £m	31.12.19 £m
intangible assets	186.6	215.2
property, plant and equipment	188.9	237.7
investments	8.9	9.9
working capital	65.7	106.3
deferred consideration	(1.7)	(8.2)
tax	(4.1)	(10.7)
pensions	(10.3)	(5.8)
capital employed	434.0	544.4
net borrowings #	(175.0)	(203.0)
right-of-use operating leases	(23.1)	(27.4)
equity	235.9	314.0

- Working capital : sales 13% (2019: 17%)

# before operating leases



# Operational review

	revenue			underlying operating profit *		
	2020 £m	2019 £m	% change	2020 £m	2019 £m	% change
Marine Support	249.4	311.6	(20)	10.1	24.5	(59)
Specialist Technical	130.4	149.4	(13)	14.0	18.4	(24)
Offshore Oil	78.0	88.2	(12)	11.2	14.2	(21)
Tankships	60.4	67.9	(11)	8.0	12.0	(33)
Corporate costs	-	-		(2.8)	(2.8)	
Group	518.2	617.1	(16)	40.5	66.3	(39)

- **Three divisions (ST, OO,T) resilient through pandemic**

- Revenue 12% down
- UOP 25% lower

- **Marine Support**

- Subsea projects c. £70m lower
- One-off restructuring

- **SG&A lower in all divisions**



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# Marine Support

## ■ Ship-to-ship services

- Strong H1 helped by energy price-driven trading activity
- Making promising inroads into growing LNG markets

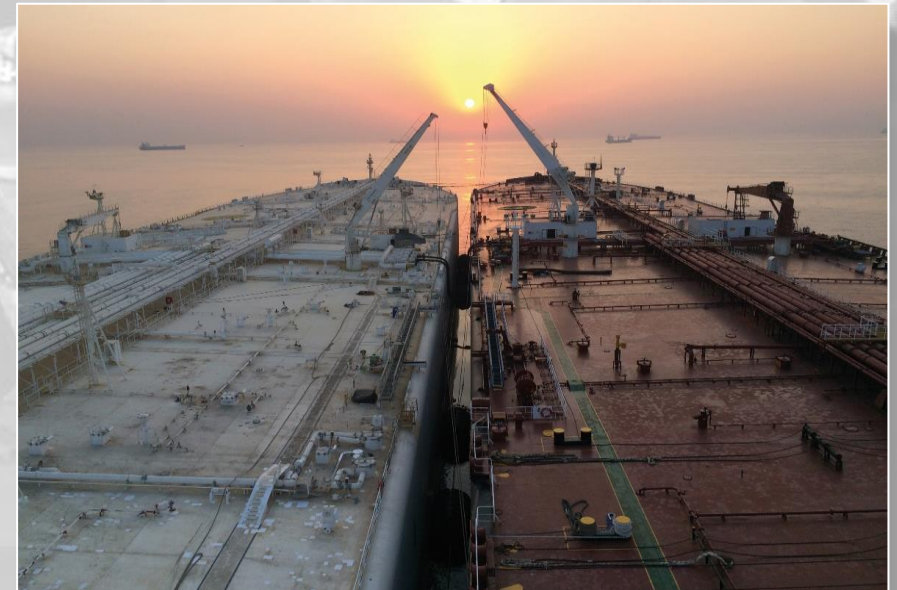
## ■ Subsea

- Many projects delayed or cancelled due to weak oil & gas market
- Dive support vessels underutilised
- Actions taken on costs; new management in place with focus on sustainable growth

## ■ Renewables

- Offshore wind projects delayed by Covid-19
- Leveraging strength in niche applications
- Growing order backlog in UK, Taiwan, US

	2020	2019
revenue (£m)	249.4	311.6
underlying operating profit * (£m)	10.1	24.5
underlying operating margin * (%)	4.0	7.9



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# Specialist Technical

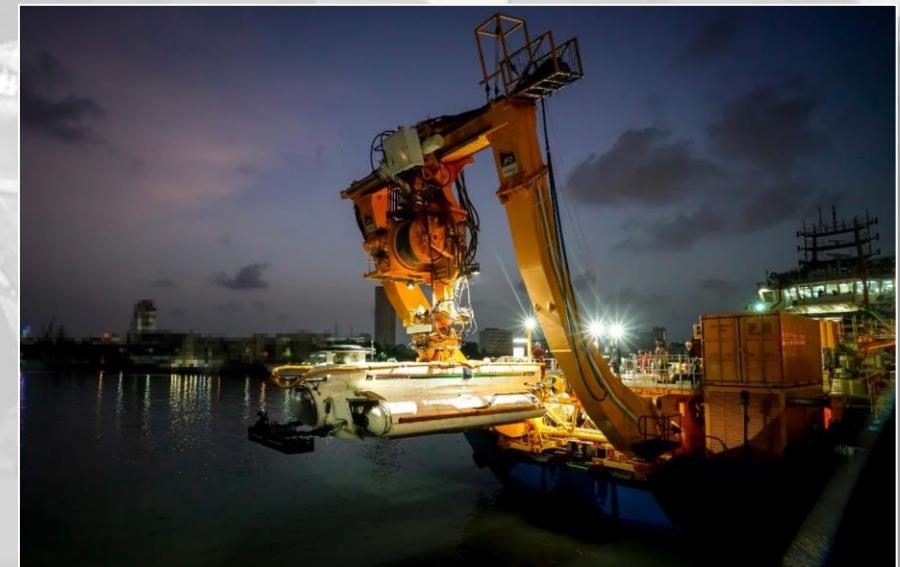
## ■ JFD

- Resilient financial performance in challenging environments
- Covid-19 impact felt in Asia Pacific project delays, product supply chain disruptions, and sub rescue service delivery
- World-first 500m saturation diving system delivered for commissioning
- Customer handover completed for six swimmer delivery vehicles

## ■ JF Nuclear

- Excellent customer collaboration helped mitigate Covid-19 impacts
- Good revenue growth and improving profitability
- Growing volumes at Dounreay rig hall

	2020	2019
revenue (£m)	130.4	149.4
underlying operating profit * (£m)	14.0	18.4
underlying operating margin * (%)	10.7	12.3



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# Offshore Oil

## ■ Scantech AS

- Strong customer relations sustained business through series of lockdowns in Norway
- New opportunities outside core oil & gas market

## ■ Scantech Offshore

- Strong financial performance underpinned by long-term fleet rental model
- New opportunities in offshore wind bubble-curtains

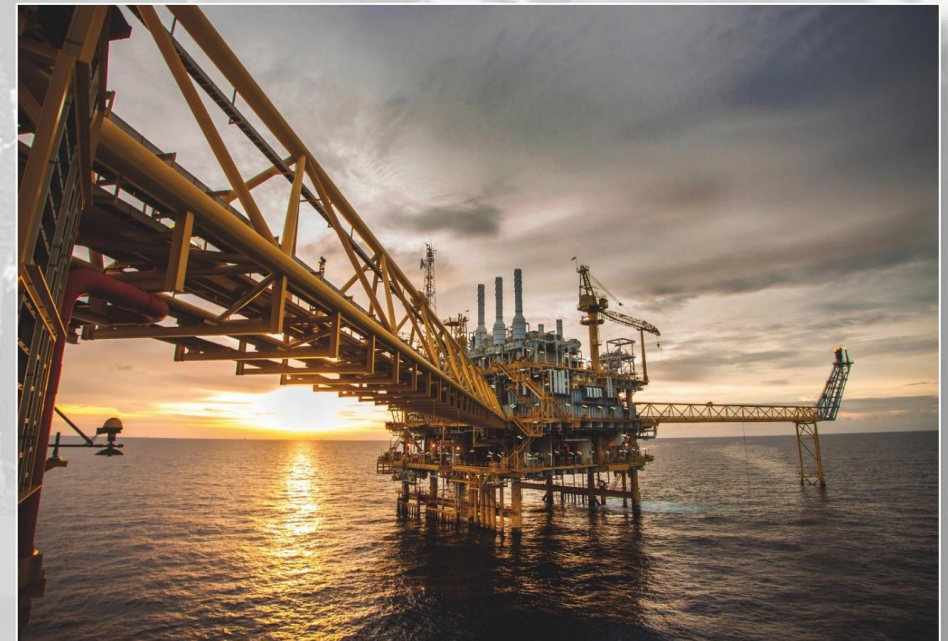
## ■ JF Offshore

- High demand for decommissioning cutting services
- Strong improvement in subsea excavation

## ■ RMs pumptools

- Sustained strong demand for artificial lift technology which extends life of production wells

	2020	2019
revenue (£m)	78.0	88.2
underlying operating profit * (£m)	11.2	14.2
underlying operating margin * (%)	14.4	16.1



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# Tankships

- **Sharp drop in demand in May 2020 due to Covid-19**
- **Gradual recovery thereafter**
  - c. 90% utilisation through Q4
- **Ongoing fleet renewal**
  - One older vessel (Galway Fisher) sold
  - Developing plan to access dual fuel tonnage by 2022
- **Cattedown operations resilient notwithstanding lockdowns**

	2020	2019
revenue (£m)	60.4	67.9
underlying operating profit * (£m)	8.0	12.0
underlying operating margin * (%)	13.2	17.7



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# Strategic review – introduction

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- Embarked on full portfolio review early 2020; objective to revisit and retest our Group strategy
- Good progress made prior to Covid-19
- Management focus shifted to deal with Covid-19 disruption, but significant work continued
- Commenced cultural transition to a purpose-led, values-driven, sustainable company
- Focus on delivering sustainable financial returns and more effective engagement with all stakeholders
- Capital Markets Day H1 2021

# Strategic review – context

Strong fundamentals	Scope for significant improvement
<p><b>Strong track record of EPS and dividend growth, and cash generation since 2001</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last 5 years: flat operating margin and declining ROCE               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Portfolio simplification to improve quality of earnings</li> <li>→ Renewed capital allocation discipline</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Innovative, niche player responding to demanding and technical challenges</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complex organisational structure               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Operational improvement opportunities</li> <li>→ Exit low-margin businesses outside our focus markets</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Highly skilled, dedicated and pioneering workforce</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need for increased engagement               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Overdue investment in our people</li> <li>→ Enthusiastic response to purpose and values</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Operating in diverse end markets</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refocus on attractive segments of marine, defence and energy markets               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Concentrating on niche markets where we can add value and grow profits sustainably</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

# Strategic review – opportunities

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- **Refocus on structurally growing niche segments in marine, defence and energy markets**
- **Drive growth across the energy mix**
  - Invest in current and adjacent activities benefiting from the energy transition
  - Support growing focus on efficiency improvement and emissions reductions
  - Broaden offshore wind capabilities, deploying new technologies and supporting maturing installed base
- **Accelerate growth in developing geographies**
  - Asia, Africa, Latin America – extend to maximise profitable growth
  - Partner to leverage local knowledge and resources
- **Explore potential to expand into adjacent end markets**



# Strategic review – critical enablers

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- **Four strategic enablers and their supporting processes will assist delivery**
  1. **Strategy and planning**
    - Robust, data-driven process to underpin investment priorities
  2. **Capital allocation**
    - Focus on capital efficiency and increasing returns on investments
    - Invest in organic growth opportunities
    - Selective M&A – fill gaps in portfolio, broaden geographies, increase service offering
  3. **Commercial excellence**
    - Value selling, stakeholder management, price optimisation
  4. **Operational excellence**
    - Project management, performance management, risk management

# Strategic review – back to basics

## Refocus on:

- Quality of earnings
- Driving gross margin improvements
- Sustainable, profitable growth derived from USPs

## Invest where:

- Markets are growing
- We have competitive advantage
- Opportunity for higher margins



**Sustainable growing business delivering value for all stakeholders**

# Summary and outlook

- Resilient performance during Covid-19 by majority of the business
- Trading in line with expectations
- Broad spread of end markets, customers and geographies
- Track record of converting operating profit into cash
- Continued focus on ESG
- Strategic review aims to deliver significant improvement
  - Quality of our business
  - Grow operating margins
  - Sustainably increase the return to our stakeholders



# Questions and answers





# Free cash flow

Appendix 1

£m	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Underlying ebitda	49.9	57.6	64.4	72.6	68.8	75.4	81.4	90.5	94.3	74.7
Working capital movement	(9.3)	1.6	7.6	(11.9)	(22.9)	(19.0)	(43.9)	11.1	(21.3)	19.5
DB pensions / other	(2.7)	(2.8)	(9.4)	(4.1)	(2.7)	(4.4)	(6.2)	(5.4)	(6.7)	(6.5)
Operating cash flow	37.9	56.4	62.6	56.6	43.2	52.0	31.2	96.2	66.3	87.7
Interest & tax	(9.3)	(8.3)	(10.1)	(9.1)	(12.2)	(10.9)	(12.9)	(13.3)	(14.6)	(14.6)
Maintenance capex	(8.4)	(11.8)	(9.9)	(11.4)	(9.8)	(7.4)	(6.9)	(21.3)	(13.3)	(7.4)
Other	(1.2)	(0.5)	(2.2)	(2.9)	(2.3)	(0.5)	(0.8)	(0.8)	(9.9)	(5.8)
<b>Free cash flow</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>60.8</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>59.9</b>

<b>3 year average</b>	49.7
<b>5 year average</b>	38.6
<b>10 year average</b>	34.1

# Net borrowings

Appendix 2

	2020 £m	2019 £m	% change
net borrowings - IFRS 16 basis	198.1	230.4	(32.3)
right of use * operating leases	(23.1)	(27.4)	4.3
net borrowings - IAS 17 basis	175.0	203.0	(28.0)
bonds / guarantees under bank covenants	28.3	54.8	(26.5)
net borrowings for bank covenants	203.6	257.8	(54.5)

\* Total right of use lease liabilities of £32.5m (2019: £30.2m) include £9.4m (2019: £2.8m) classified as finance lease under IAS 17

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