

## **Q3 Financial Results**

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## **Good Q3 Revenue Growth and Outperformance**

Q3 Headlines

- Revenue **up 7.5%** to £173.9m (2015: £161.8m)
- LFL RevPAR<sup>(1)</sup> up 1.9% to £45.65 (2015: £44.78)
- 0.5 pts outperformance vs. STR Midscale and Economy Segment
- 5 new hotels opened
- EBITDA up £3.8m to £48.9m (2015: £45.1m), YTD EBITDA £87.6m (2015: £83.9m)
- Cash of £85.5m at the quarter end
- October trading impacted by rugby world cup comparison, November in line with previous trends
- Remain cautious on macro outlook, but well positioned

1. RevPAR is computed as the product of the Average Daily Rate for a specified period multiplied by the Occupancy for that period. Like-for-like ("LFL") RevPAR compares the RevPAR in Q3-2016 vs. Q3-2015 on the basis of RevPAR generated by hotels that were opened before 1 January 2015.



# Q3 2016 Results



#### **Continued Progress on Our Strategic Objectives**

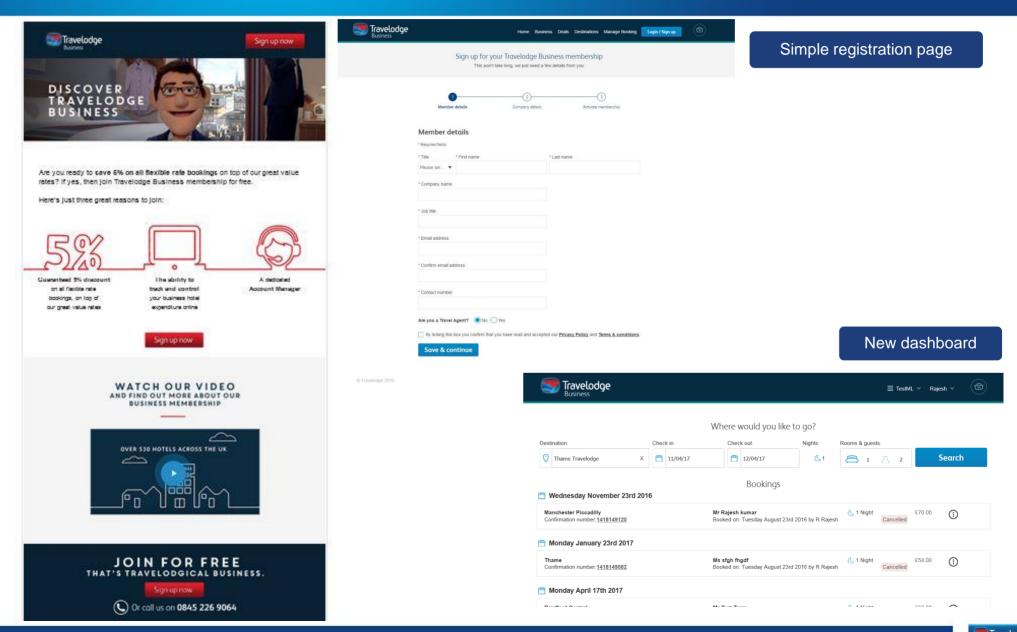
Further business customer growth fuelled by website upgrade

Distinctive Brand: Raise Quality Image	<ul> <li>National advertising presence</li> <li>Quality brand partners e.g. Sleepezee Royal Warrant Beds</li> </ul>
Best for Business: Win Share in a Growing Market	<ul> <li>Focus on 'businesses on a budget'</li> <li>Direct national accounts team</li> <li>Business account card</li> </ul>
Win the Web: Grow Direct Digital Sales	<ul> <li>New website from April 2016</li> <li>Continue to drive app downloads</li> <li>Strong paid and unpaid search presence</li> </ul>
Price is Right: Optimise Rate and Occupancy	<ul> <li>Airline style yield management system (IDeaS)</li> <li>Central pricing team</li> <li>Analytics-driven pricing strategy</li> </ul>
Moments of Truth: Drive Consistency	<ul> <li>Detailed customer feedback drives action</li> <li>Standardised work processes</li> <li>Targeted training</li> </ul>
Development: Extend UK Network	<ul> <li>250 potential locations identified</li> <li>Maintain leasehold growth in London and Regions</li> <li>Principally new-build hotels opened under lease</li> </ul>

#### **Q3 Progress**

- Strong growth from business customers, business website up 27.5%
- New business account programme launched
- Upgraded website driving conversion
- Revenue management dashboard analytics
- Continued growth in development pipeline

#### New business account programme





#### New hotels Examples from H2 to date

London Finsbury Park

North London 104 rooms bar café air cooling





#### Manchester Sale

Edge of Town 67 rooms bar café free parking

#### Thetford

Market Town 62 rooms vending free parking





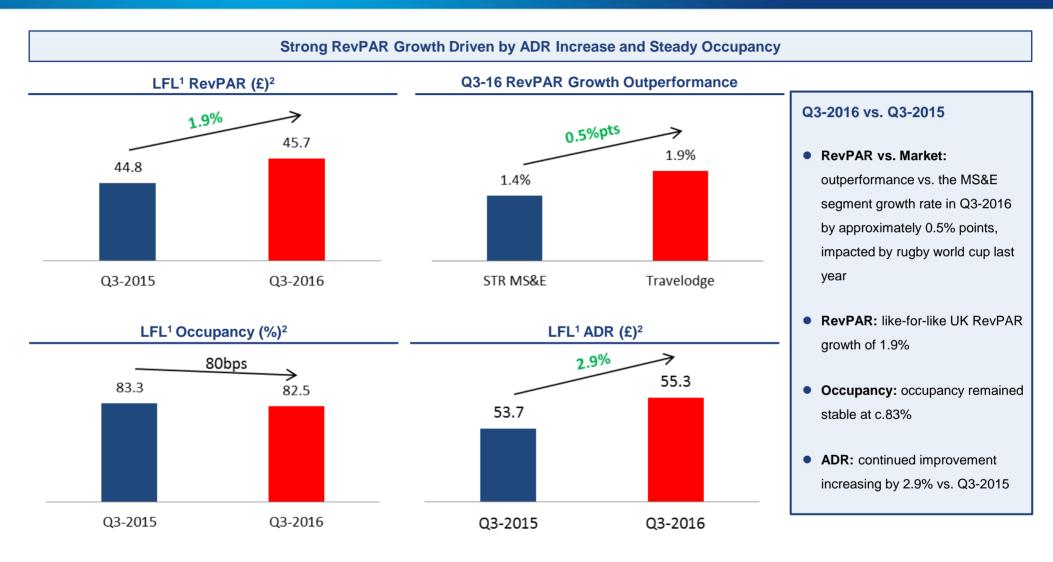
#### Poole

Dorset coast 125 rooms bar café free parking



## **Good Third Quarter Operating Metrics**

**Continued RevPAR growth and outperformance** 

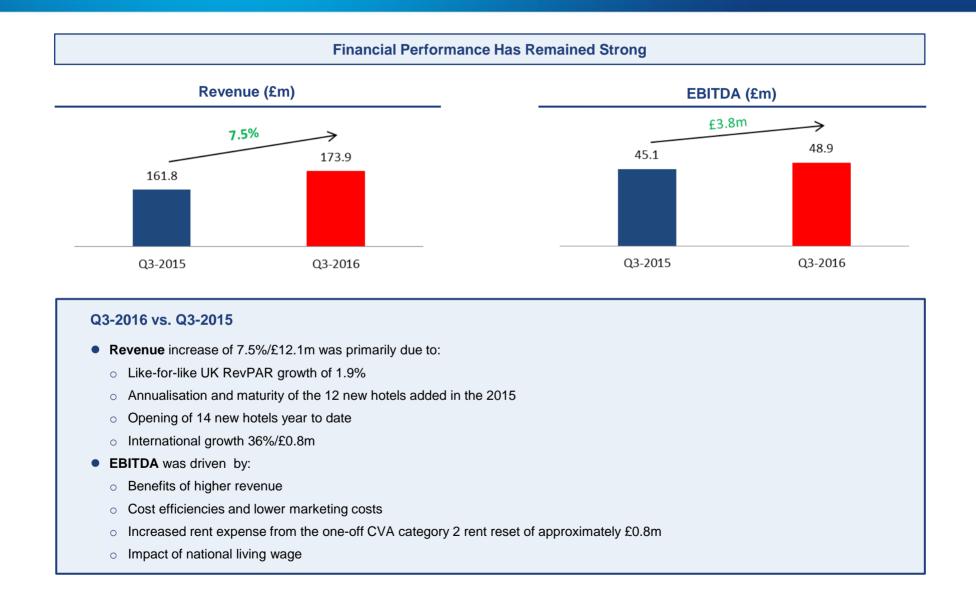


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2. Occupancy, ADR and RevPAR for UK leased estate only.

## **Good Underlying Third Quarter Financial Performance**

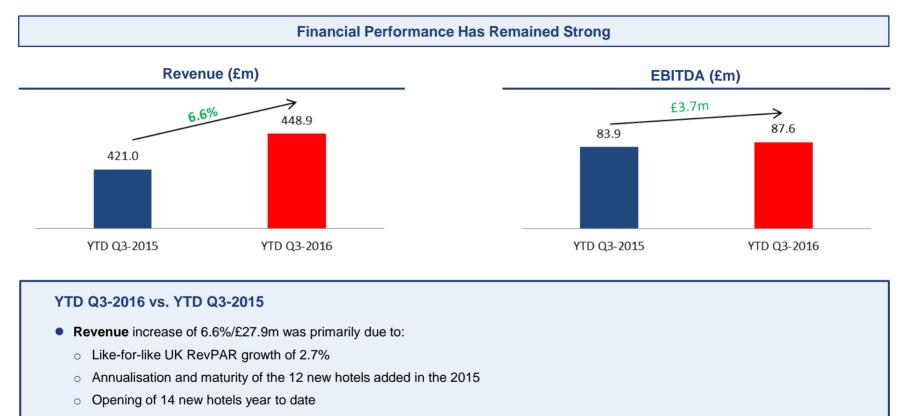
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#### **YTD Revenue and EBITDA Growth**

Good sales growth with EBITDA improvement



- International growth 30%/£1.7m
- EBITDA was driven by:
  - o Benefits of higher revenue
  - o Cost efficiencies and reduced marketing costs
  - o Increased rent expense from the one-off CVA category 2 rent reset of approximately £2.5m
  - Impact of national living wage since 1 April 2016

## **Continued Strong Cash Generation**

Solid cash conversion and lower capex

£m	YTD Q3-2016	YTD Q3-2015	Diff.
EBITDA before Exceptional Items and IFRS Rent Charge	87.6	83.9	3.7
IFRS Rent Charge	(2.7)	(3.6)	0.9
Working Capital	14.3	32.3	(18.0)
Net Cash Flows from Operating activities before Exceptionals	99.2	112.6	(13.4)
Capital Expenditure	(26.1)	(38.2)	12.1
Free Cash Flow Generated	73.1	74.4	(1.3)
Interest Costs - Bank Interest Paid	(21.4)	(14.2)	(7.2)
- Bond Interest Paid	(2.2)	-	(2.2)
- Finance Fees Paid	(0.2)	(0.3)	0.1
Interest Income	0.4	0.3	0.1
Interest Element of Finance Lease Rental Payments	(3.3)	(3.0)	(0.3)
Cash Spend on Provisions and Exceptional Items	(23.6)	(4.3)	(19.3)
Non-Trading Cash Flow	(50.3)	(21.5)	(28.8)
Cash Generated	22.8	52.9	(30.1)
Refinancing and Repayment of Investor Loan	(14.2)	(10.0)	(4.2)
Movement in Cash	8.6	42.9	(34.3)
Opening Cash	76.9	38.9	38.0
Closing Cash	85.5	81.8	3.7

#### Comment

YTD Q3-2016 vs. YTD Q3-2015				
•	<b>Working Capital</b> inflow of £14.3m in YTD Q3-2016 vs £32.3m in YTD Q3-2015 primarily due to:			
	<ul> <li>Timing of rent payments around the quarter ends.</li> </ul>			
•	<ul> <li>Net Cash from Operating Activities decreased by £13.4m, primarily due to:</li> <li>Working capital impact noted above.</li> </ul>			
•	<ul> <li>Capital Expenditure decreased by £12.1m, primarily due to:</li> <li>Completion of the modernisation programme in December 2015.</li> </ul>			
•	Bank and Bond Interest Paid increased by £9.4m, primarily due to:			

- New bond and bank interest moving from PIK to cash paid from the beginning of 2015.
- **Provisions and Exceptional Items** spend includes refinancing costs £14.9m, CVA fund £3.9m and other provisions and exceptionals £4.8m.
- **Refinancing** outflow of £14.2m comprising: Flare Facility Repayment £12.9m, Term Loan Repayments £371.3m, Bond Issue £390.0m and Repayment of Investor Loan £20.0m.

#### **Net Debt and Leverage**

Debt (£m)		Liquidity
£m	Q3-2016	Cash on Balance Sheet: £86m
Cash and Cash Equivalents	85.5	<ul> <li>Revolving Credit Facility: £50m (unutilised)</li> <li>Letter of Credit Facility: £30m (£18.6m utilised)</li> </ul>
Senior Secured Notes	390.0	Financial Ratios
Finance Leases	31.6	• Net Senior Secured Debt / LTM EBITDA <sup>1</sup> = 2.8x
Total Third Pary Indebtedness	421.6	• Net Third Party Debt / LTM EBITDA <sup>1</sup> = 3.1x

1. LTM EBITDA is calculated adding the Q3-2016 EBITDA (£87.6m) and subtracting the Q3-2015 EBITDA (£83.9m) to the 2015 Reported EBITDA of £105.1m. Net debt is net of cash and cash equivalents.

#### **Summary and Outlook**

**Good Revenue Growth and Outperformance** 

- Continued RevPAR growth and market outperformance
- Good progress on strategic initiatives
- 5 new hotel openings in the quarter, 14 year to date

- 2 further hotels opened post quarter end, on track for 19 for the year
- October trading impacted by rugby world cup comparison, November in line with previous trends
- Brexit leads to cautious market outlook but remain fundamentally well positioned







# Appendices





## **Company Background**



### **Company Overview FY 2015**

#### Who We Are

- UK's second largest hotel brand based on number of hotels and rooms
- Positioned in the attractive value segment with 525 hotels and serving 18m business and leisure customers
- Well invested modernised hotel portfolio
- Well balanced approximately even business / leisure customer split
- Almost 90% booking direct, with 78% through own websites
- Low upfront capex leasehold model







Key St	tatistics (FY2015)
Hotels	525
Rooms	39,190
Occupancy <sup>1</sup>	76.5%
ADR <sup>1</sup>	£50.2
RevPAR <sup>1</sup>	£38.4
Revenue	£559.6m
EBITDAR	£261.6m
EBITDA	£105.1m
Rent Cover <sup>2</sup>	1.7x



1. Occupancy, ADR and RevPAR for Travelodge UK leased Hotels only.

2. Represents the ratio of EBITDAR to net external rent payable.

- 3. Includes 13 hotels operated under management contracts.
- 4. Operations in Ireland under a master franchise.



## **Key Credit Highlights**



