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2022 Interim Results

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Presentation team



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James is Chief Executive Officer of the Group, which he joined in January 2018. His responsibilities include implementing the strategy agreed by the Board and managing the day-to-day operations of the Group.



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Consumer Legal Services

NAHL Group plc

JATIONAL ACCIDENT LAW

What we do

Delivering marketing services, personal injury claim processing and property searches to UK consumers and businesses

- Highly productive marketing engine, powered by the sector's most trusted brand, National Accident Helpline
- Integrated claim processing engine, National Accident Law

Our strategy

How we do it

Create a higher margin, integrated law firm, underpinned by a flexible placement model

Passionate

Unified

Our strategy

What we do

Broaden our customer base, extend our competencies and specialisms and be more efficient through the use of technology

Delivering a range of specialist services to claimants and

defendants in the catastrophic and serious injury market

• Bush & Co - the standout brand in a consolidating market

- Values driven culture
- Award-winning employee engagement

leadership team

Highly experienced and trusted

• 278 employees (30 June 2022)





A leader in the consumer legal services and catastrophic injury markets



A valued and essential service

BUSH & CO



Driven

Financial Highlights

Delivering in line with expectations

Revenue **£20.7m** H1 2021: £19.5m Operating profit **£2.3m** H1 2021: £2.5m Profit before tax **£0.1m** H1 2021: £0.6m

Basic earnings per share

0.0 H1 2021: 0.8p Free cash flow¹ **£1.0m** H1 2021: £1.4m Net debt¹ at 30 Jun 2022 **£14.5m** 31 Dec 2021: £15.5m

¹ Alternative performance measures are defined in note 1 to the Interim Results



Operational Highlights

Building a more sustainable and profitable business

- Performance in the first half was in line with our expectations
- In Consumer Legal Services:
 - 4% revenue growth, driven by 14% growth from Personal Injury
 - Consistent market share gains in subdued markets National Accident Helpline generated 27% more enquiries than last year
 - 61% more enquiries placed into National Accident Law ("NAL") and cash from settlements increased by 50%
 - Embedded value of NAL's book of claims increased to £9.8m future cash at 30 June (31 December 2021: £8.4m)
- In Critical Care:
 - 12% revenue growth driven by increased activity expert witness reports +11%; initial needs assessments +12%
 - Business development focus continues to deliver strong pipeline of future work
 - Early progress with growth initiatives and 41 new associates recruited
- Net debt reduced by £1.0m to £14.5m
- Outlook expect to meet market expectations for the full year







Financial Review

Financial Performance

Investing for future growth

	First half				
£m	2022	2021	+/-	%	2021
Consumer Legal Services	14.1	13.6	0.5	3.7%	26.6
Critical Care	6.7	6.0	0.7	12.1%	12.3
Revenue	20.7	19.5	1.2	6.3%	38.9
Consumer Legal Services	2.1	2.4	(0.3)	-13.6%	3.7
Critical Care	1.6	1.7	(0.0)	-2.4%	3.3
Shared Services	(0.9)	(0.9)	0.0	-1.8%	(1.6)
	2.9	3.2	(0.4)	-11.0%	5.4
Other adjustments	(0.6)	(0.8)	0.2	-22.4%	(1.2)
Operating profit	2.3	2.5	(0.2)	-7.5%	4.2
Non-controlling interests	(1.9)	(1.7)	(0.3)		(3.5)
Net interest	(0.3)	(0.2)	(0.0)	_	(0.5)
Profit before tax	0.1	0.6	(0.5)		0.2
Taxation	(0.0)	(0.1)	0.1	_	(0.0)
Profit for the period	0.0	0.5	(0.4)		0.2
Operating margin	11.0%	12.6%	-2.7 ppts		10.7%
EPS (pence)	-	0.8	(0.8)	_	0.3

Rounding differences exist



- Revenue growth of 6% to £20.7m (H1 2021: £19.5m)
- Market share gains in both divisions
- Strong performance from Critical Care, growing revenues by 12%
- Operating profit of £2.3m (H1 2021: £2.5m) reflects continued investments in both divisions
- 61% increase in enquiries placed into NAL, an investment of £1.4m (H1 2021: £1.0m)
- Profits attributable to non-controlling interests in LLPs up by 17% reflecting increased case settlements
- Profit before tax of £0.1m (H1 2021: £0.6m) resulting from continued investment for future growth

Cash Flow and Net Debt Accelerating cash collection in NAL

- £1.0m of FCF generated in H1 2022, including £1.5m of cash generated from settled claims in NAL, up 50% from 2021 (H1 2021: £1.0m)
- £1.9m cash received from JV partnerships, an increase of 46% reflecting more mature cases now settling
- The Group continues to invest in new cases into NAL and capacity to process them. The number of open cases grew to 9,884 at June, an increase of 25% on December 2021
- Strong operating cash conversion of 152% in the period (H1 2021: 136%)
- Net debt reduced to £14.5m (31 Dec 2021: £15.5m)









Business Updates – Consumer Legal Services

Consumer Legal Services

A leader in personal injury legal services

Our Strategy

Create a higher margin, integrated law firm, underpinned by a flexible placement model.

This will be achieved by:

- 1. Continuing to generate our own work, growing enquiry volumes through our market-leading brand, National Accident Helpline;
- 2. Processing an increasing number of those enquiries through our own consumer-focused law firm, National Accident Law; and
- 3. Leveraging our agile and scalable placement model to manage growth.

Financial Results

- **Revenue increased 4%** to £14.1m (H1 2021: £13.6m)
- Operating profit fell by 14% to £2.1m (H1 2021: £2.4m) having invested £1.4m in new enquiries in NAL (H1 2021: £1.0m)

Operational Results

- ✓ 27% more personal injury enquiries generated
- ✓ 19% market share in key non-RTA market (employers, public and occupier liability claims)
- ✓ 9,884 ongoing claims in NAL at 30 June 2022, worth an estimated £9.8m in future cash
- ✓ 50% more cash from settlements collected in NAL
- ✓ National Accident Helpline returned to TV advertising



National Accident Helpline

Growing volumes in a subdued market

- Market remains subdued due to reduced accident numbers and lack of stimulation
 - COVID-19 related behavioural changes reduced accident numbers in non-RTA market ٠
 - The Civil Liability Act 2018 removed significant value from the RTA market ٠
- We estimate market to be worth £1.1bn in revenue p.a.
- National Accident Helpline is consistently growing market share and holds 19% of non-RTA segment



Non-RTA market volumes compared to UK mobility trend¹



Non-RTA Portal Claims² and NAH Market Share³

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1 Google mobility data (Workplace) 2 MOJ Portal (claimsportal.org.uk)

National Accident Helpline

Growing enquiry volumes through our market-leading brand

- 27% more enquiries generated than last year
- Stopped processing tariff-only RTA claims in February 2022 to focus resources on higher value claims
- Mix of enquiries continues to favour non-RTA (employers', public and occupier liability) claims
- National Accident Helpline launched new TV advertising campaign in June 2022 (#TellYourStory) to build engagement and awareness







National Accident Law

Processing more enquiries in our consumer-focused law firm

- 61% more enquiries placed into National Accident Law in the period, estimated to be worth £2.9m in future revenue
- Demand continues to be strong from our panel of third-party law firms
- £1.5m of cash from settlements collected in NAL across all cohorts, 50% more than last year



Enquiry numbers by placement channel



Estimated cash value of each cohort in NAL's book of ongoing claims



National Accident Law

Growing revenues and cash receipts since launch in 2019

- Total value of all cohorts since inception increased 25% in H1 to £14.9m
- 2,850 claims won to date, generating £5.1m of cash from settlements in NAL
- 626 claims settled in H1, generating £1.5m in cash 50% more cash than last year
- 9,884 ongoing claims, estimated embedded value of £9.8m future cash (£2.3m accrued, £7.5m unrecognised)
- Ongoing claims worth estimated £6.5m of unrecognised gross profit









Business Updates – Critical Care

Critical Care

A leading player in the catastrophic injury market

Our Strategy

Grow share in our market by appealing to a broader customer base, extending our competencies and specialisms and to be more efficient at what we do through the use of technology.

Financial Results

- **Revenue increased 12%** to £6.7m (H1 2021: £6.0m)
- Operating profit 2% lower at £1.6m (H1 2021: 1.7m), reflecting continued investment in business development, people and systems

Strategic Progress

- ✓ Recruited 41 new associates in key specialisms
- ✓ Growing market share
- Developing growth initiatives, including Bush Care Solutions and employed case managers





Critical Care

Developed our capability and pipeline of work

Expert witness performed strongly

- 20% growth in revenues in H1
- 11% growth in reports issued; 11% growth in new instructions
- Working with 115 expert witness associates

Case Management adapting to new ways of working

- 3% fall in revenues in H1
- 12% growth in initial needs assessments (INAs); 5% growth in ongoing cases (vs 31 December) which generate recurring revenue; 19% growth in INA instructions
- Lower average revenue for online work
- Working with 96 case managers

Developing growth initiatives

- Bush Care Solutions growing numbers care packages (recurring revenue)
- Employed case managers generate higher margins



507

H1 2021

■ Reports issued ■ Instructions

454

323 371

H2 2020

408 419

H1 2020



545

H1 2022

504

431 466

H2 2021





Summary and Outlook

Summary

Continued progress on strategic objectives; trading in line with expectations

- Despite the well-documented macroeconomic uncertainty, the performance of the Group in the first half of the year was in line with our expectations
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Outlook

Despite macroeconomic uncertainty, the Group continues to trade in line with market expectations and is on track to meet full year forecasts

- In Consumer Legal Services:
 - In July and August, National Accident Helpline grew personal injury enquiry numbers by 4% compared to last year
 - The business is yet to see sustained growth in claim numbers in the market but should be in a better position to judge the market's medium-term prospects early next year
 - £0.6m of cash from settlements was collected in National Accident Law, 93% more than last year
- In Critical Care:
 - In Critical Care, 26% more INA reports were issued in July and August than last year
 - 24% fewer EW reports were issued over the holiday season than last year, but we anticipate a return to growth for the remainder of the year
- The Group continues to maintain a tight control over costs and discretionary spend whilst progressing our investments in both divisions
- The Board remains committed to managing net debt and anticipates it reducing further this year







Questions





Appendices

Personal Injury

A flexible, self-funding business model, purpose built to generate shareholder returns across the cycle





National Accident Law – Claim Processing Reviewing the performance of the 2019 cohort of claims





National Accident Law – Claim Processing Reviewing the performance of the 2020 cohort of claims



• £1.0m unrecognised revenue



National Accident Law – Claim Processing Reviewing the performance of the 2021 cohort of claims



