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*driving*  
**the top line**

Site Visit 2014

# Getting Into Gear



**service  
revolution**



**the 'h'  
factor**



**stores fit  
to shop**



**21<sup>st</sup> century  
infrastructure**



**click with the  
digital future**



**Emma Fox**

*Commercial Director*

**Rob Swyer**

*Retail Director*

**Andrew Findlay**

*Group Finance Director*

**Questions**

**Lunch**

**Store Tour**



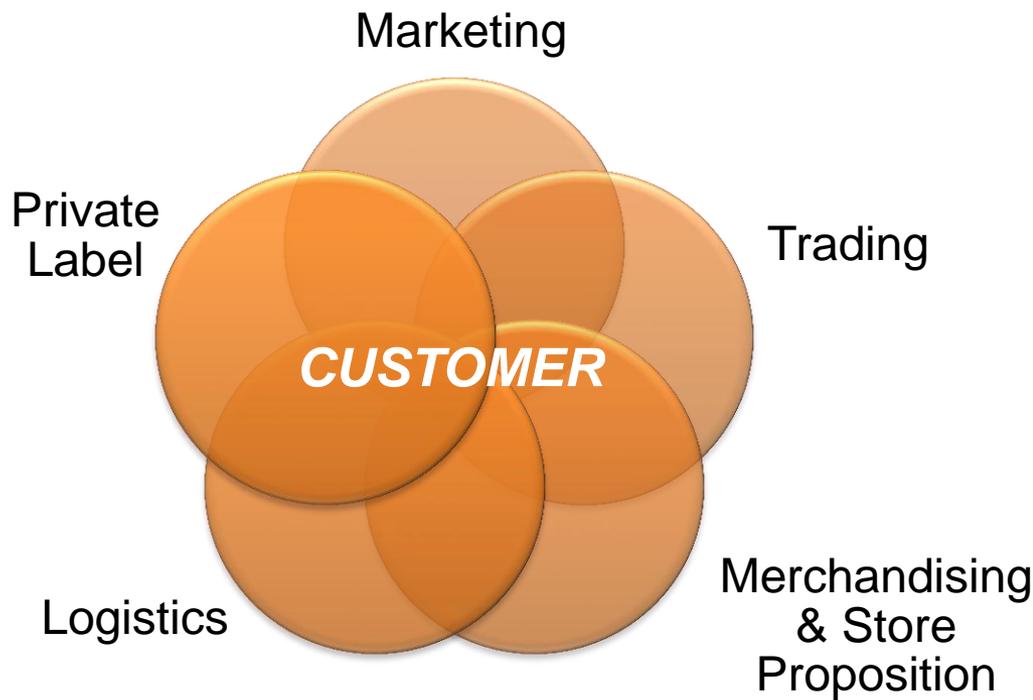


# Emma Fox

*Commercial Director*

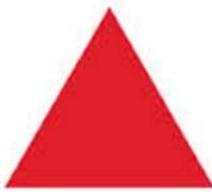


# My Background



Walmart 

ASDA



Bass

# Formula For Growth: Customer Promises



***ACHIEVED THROUGH FOUR CUSTOMER PROMISES***

**PRICES YOU  
CAN TRUST**

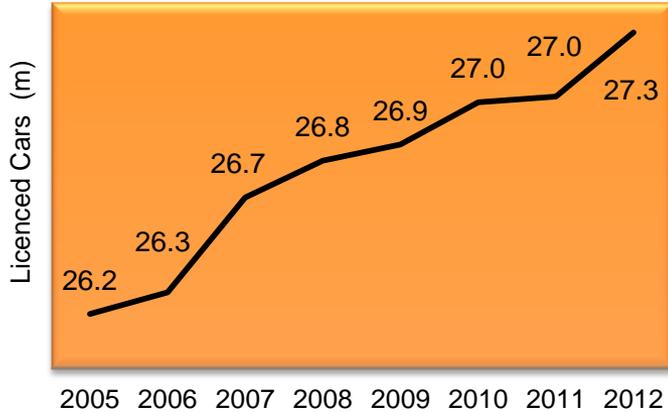
**QUALITY YOU  
CAN TRUST**

**RANGE YOU  
CAN RELY ON**

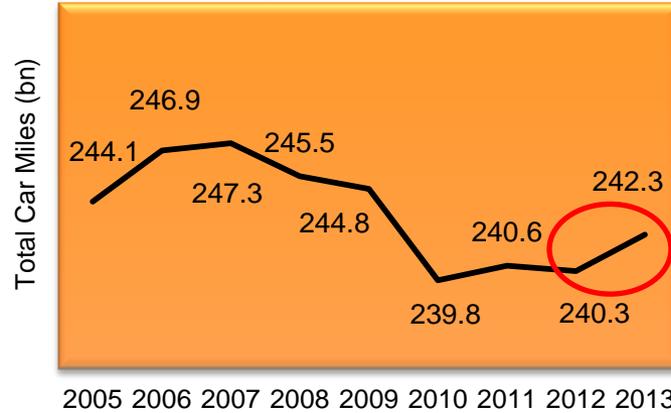
**SERVICE THAT  
WOWS**



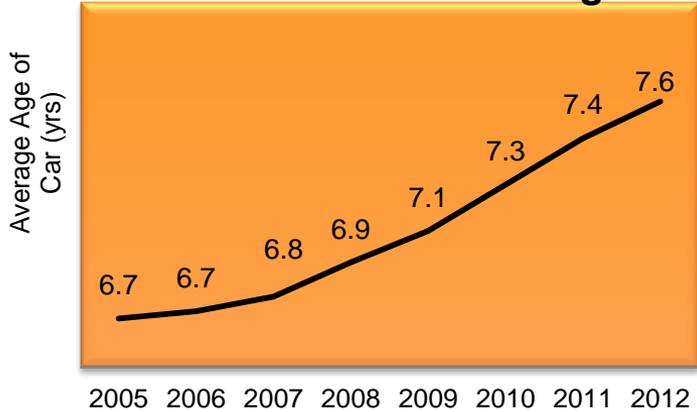
More Cars...



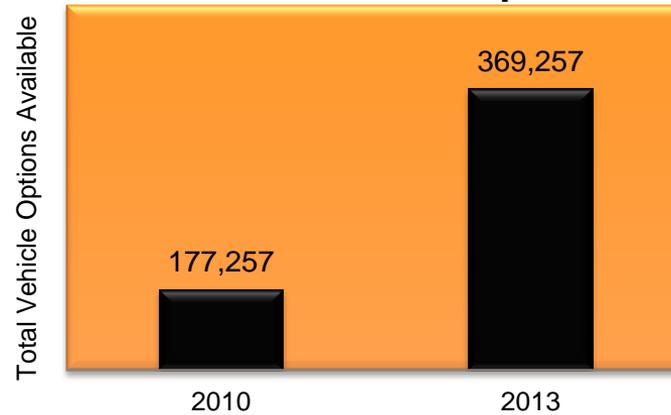
...Starting To be Driven More



Car Parc Continues To Age...



...And Are More Complex



Vauxhall Adam

72 versions

7,290 possible combinations of options



## Car Maintenance



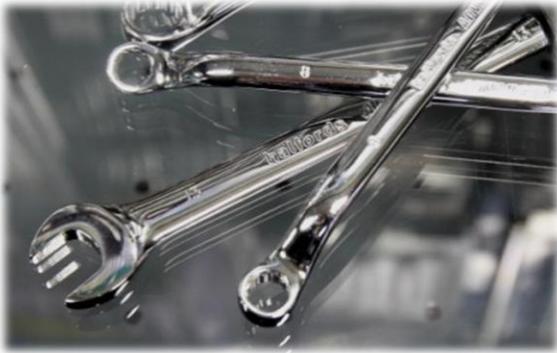
3Bs: opportunities to sustain growth

Exploiting the changes in technology

Increasing car-specific consumables



## Car Maintenance



**halfords**  
**ADVANCED**

**halfords**  
**essentials**

Workshop: a focus on quality, the right range and leveraging a more-aggressive promotional strategy

Lifetime quality guarantee on *Halfords Advanced* socket sets

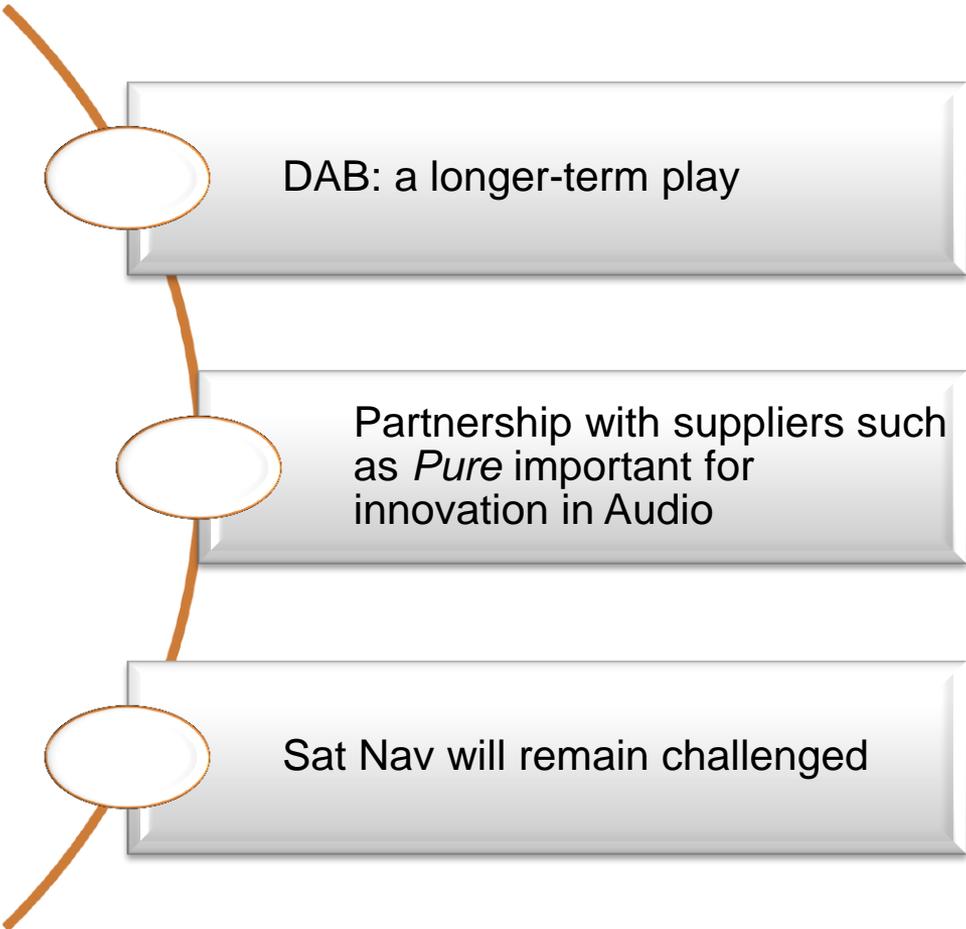
Introducing *Halfords Essentials*: a clear private-label hierarchy



# Car Enhancement



digitalradio





# Equipping families for their leisure time

**halfords**



Wearable fitness technology is a growing trend

Camping now focused on two key markets: families and festivals

Roof storage: single pricing



A step change in our premium range

New brands and extended ranges this summer

*Boardman* at the heart of our premium range



Largest relaunch of own-label brands

*Apollo*: the UK's biggest bike brand

*Carrera*: 2<sup>nd</sup>-largest bike brand

Junior bikes: a step change in the offer



PACs at the core of our  
Cycling strategy

Building further capability

Larger ranges extended  
across our stores



## Low cost finance available on any bike over £399.99



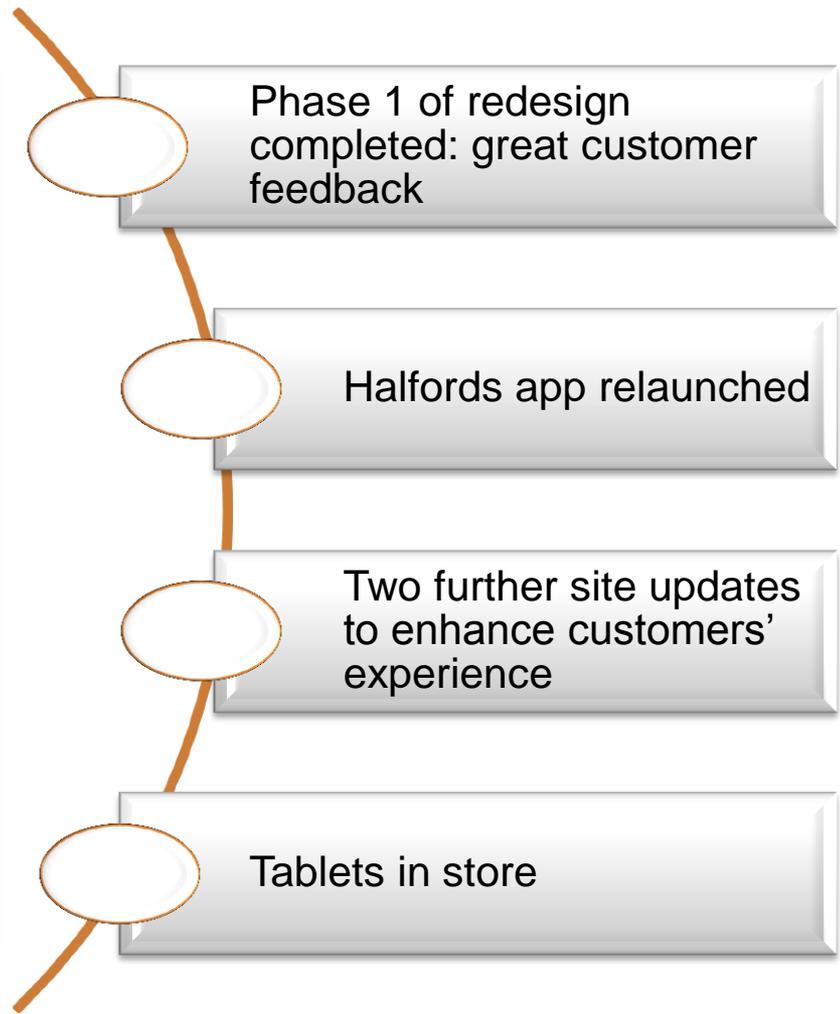
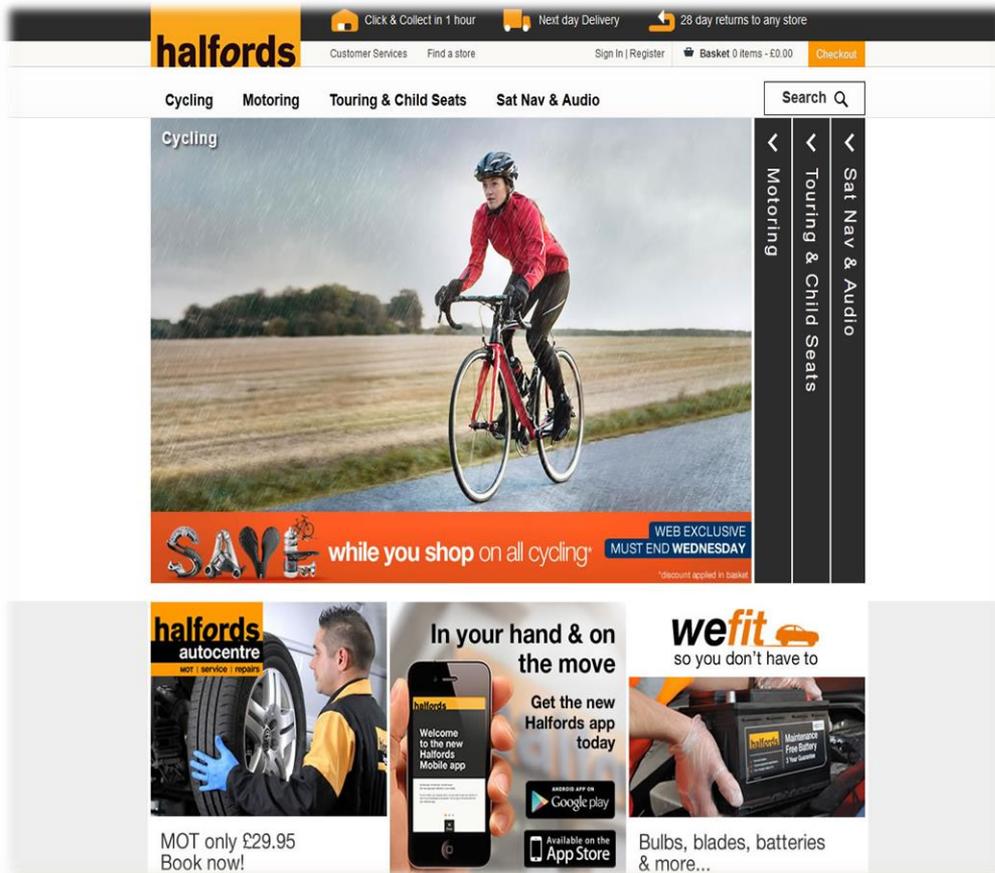
Cycle credit: adding value for customers

*A Summer Of Cycling: in-store and online*

*TDF ranges across Boardman, Pendleton and Carrera*



# click with the digital future



# Community Engagement



Increasing the number of kids' bike clubs

Partnership with the *Scouts Association*

*Re~Cycle* partnership goes from strength to strength

Halfords very much a part of the community

# Commercial Summary

Category growth based on a customer-focused strategy

Car Maintenance and Cycling opportunities

Online Retail: a good start, more to do

Community engagement underpinning our specialist credentials

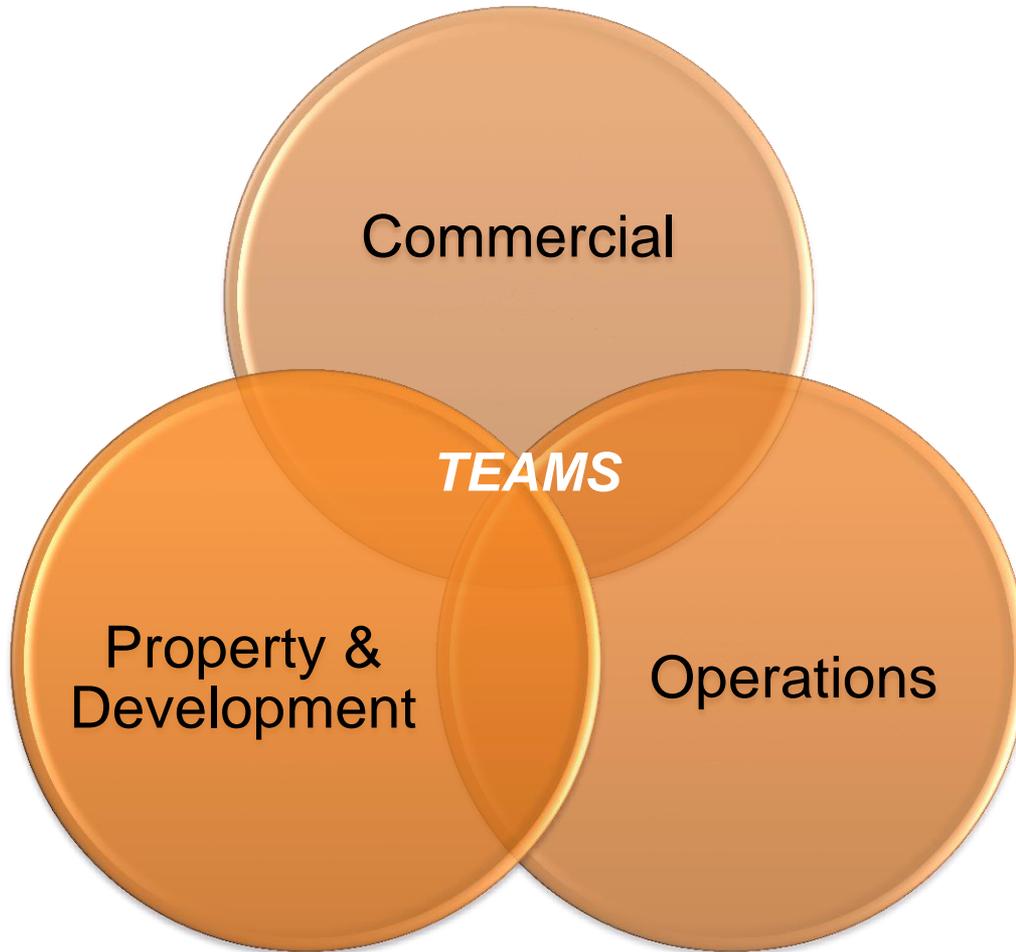


# Rob Swyer

*Retail Director*



# My Background



**ASDA**



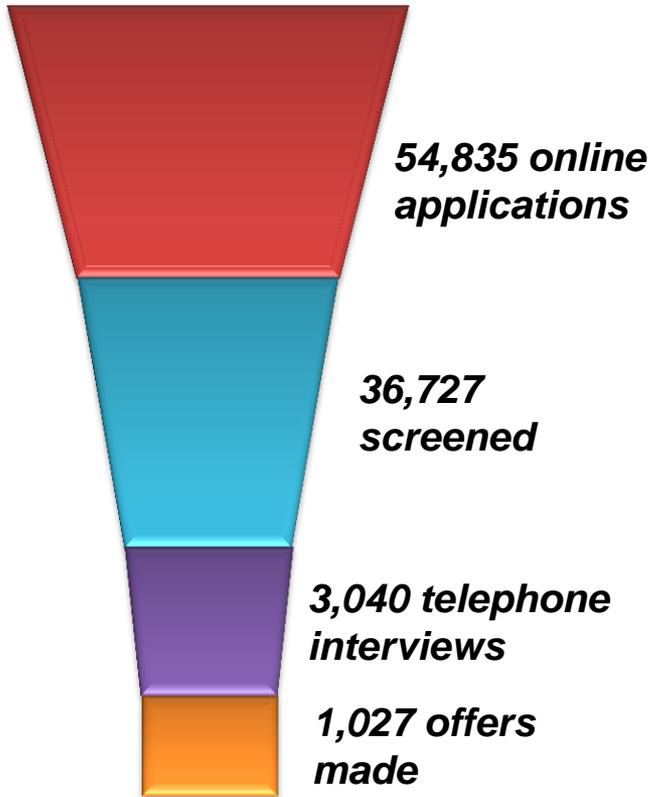
# Getting Into Gear:

## Giving Clarity To Every Colleague In Every Store

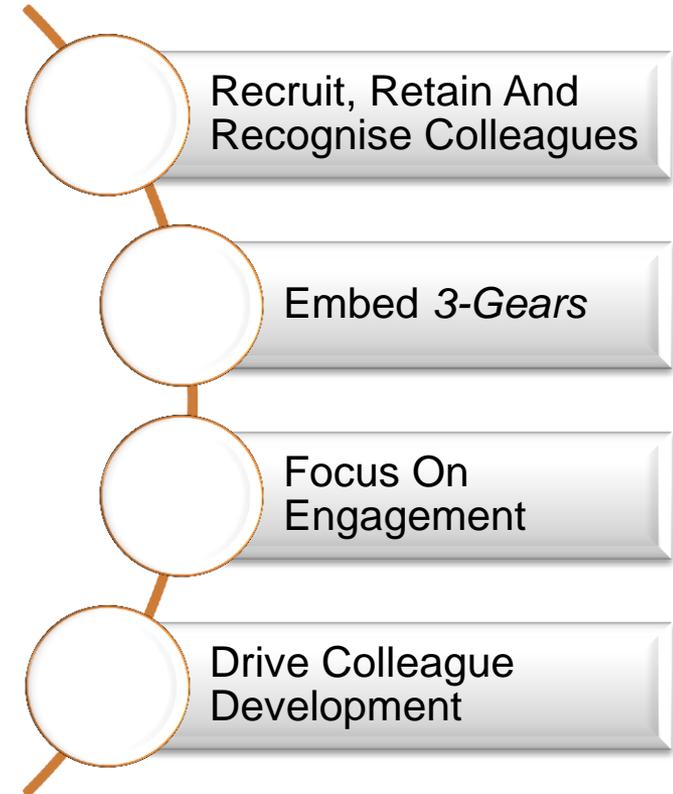


# Key Focus: A Great Place To Work

## RECRUITMENT



## GEARS



# Key Focus: Stores To Be Proud Of



Strengthening Operational Standards

Driving Continuous Improvements In Store

Supporting The Refresh Programme

# Key Focus: WOW Every Customer



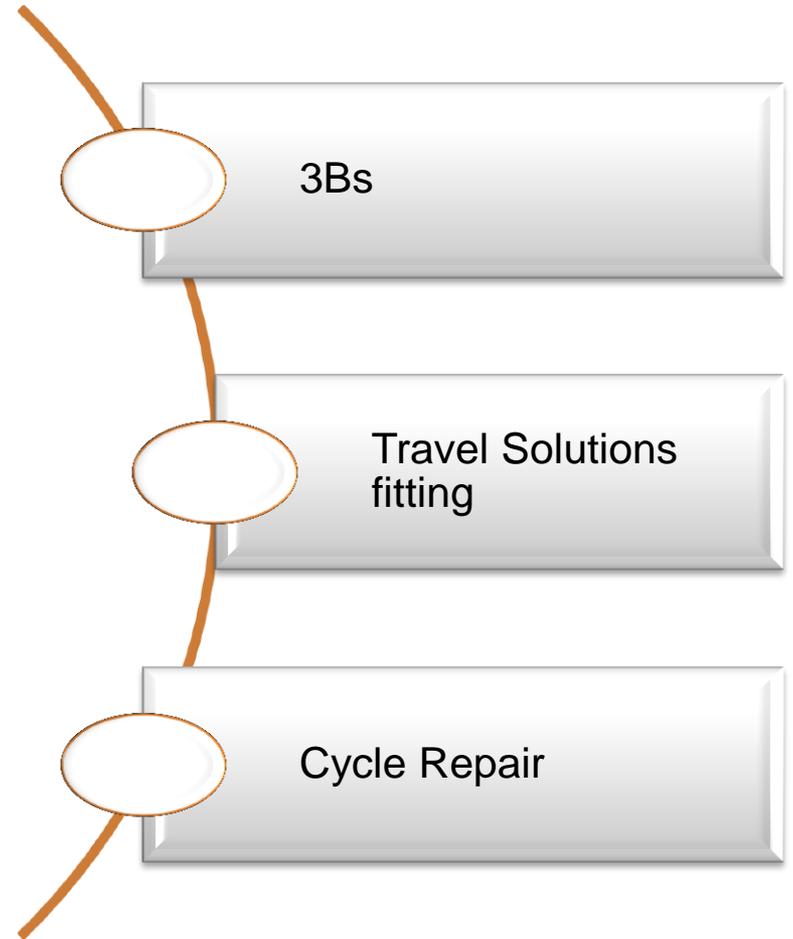
Customer Is The  
Most Important Person

Solving Customer Issues Based  
On Passion And Knowledge

Colleague Appearance

# Key Focus:

Services That Make Us The Best



# Stores Fit To Shop



Deliver Better Standards In Existing Stores

Develop The Refresh Concept

Execute The Rollout Programme

# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 1. Invite Me In



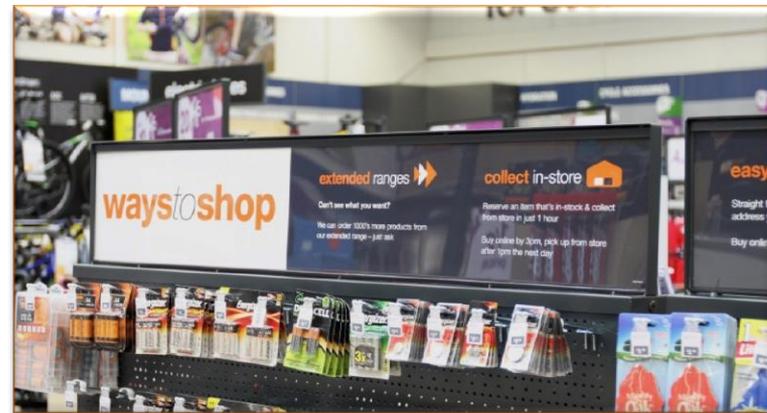
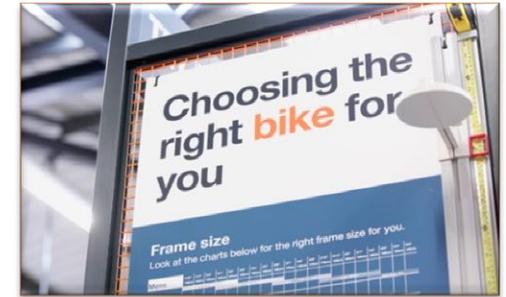
# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 2. Showcase **wefit** / Cycle Repair



# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 3. Customer Guidance



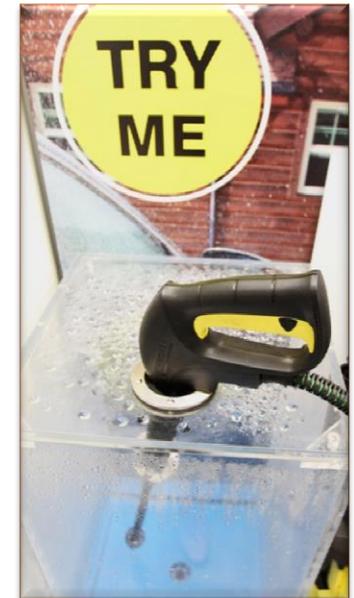
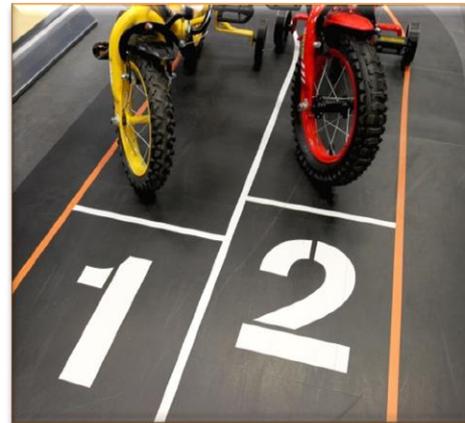
# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 4. Reallocation Of Space



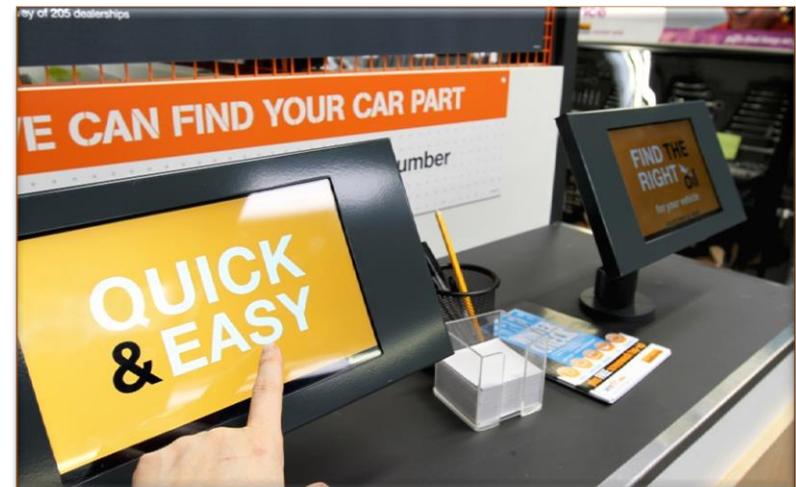
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## 5. Enliven Customer Journey



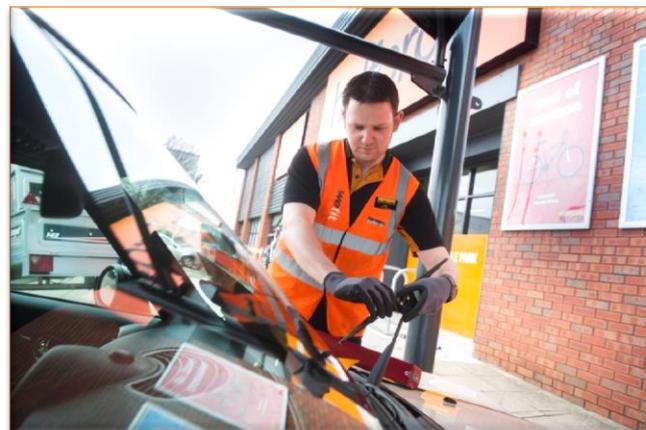
# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 6. *Relevant Digital Touch-points*



# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 7. Showcase Colleagues



# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 8. Communicate Value



# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 9. Considerate Customer Experience



# A Framework For Stores To Be Proud Of

## 10. Category Icons & Stories



# The Transformation At Coventry

Before



After



# The Transformation At York

Before



After



# The Transformation At Evesham

Before



After



# Service and Stores: Summary

Driving Retail Standards In Every Store

Embedding A Strong Service Culture Through Colleagues

Executing The Refresh Programme

Continuing To Develop The Refresh Concepts

**WE FIT**

**BULBS**

**WIPER BLADES**

**BATTERIES**

**So you don't  
have to**

## **Andrew Findlay**

*Group Finance Director*

# Key Considerations

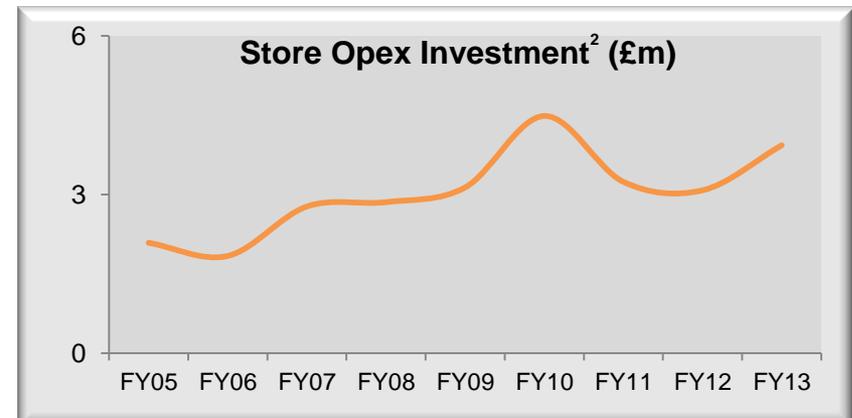
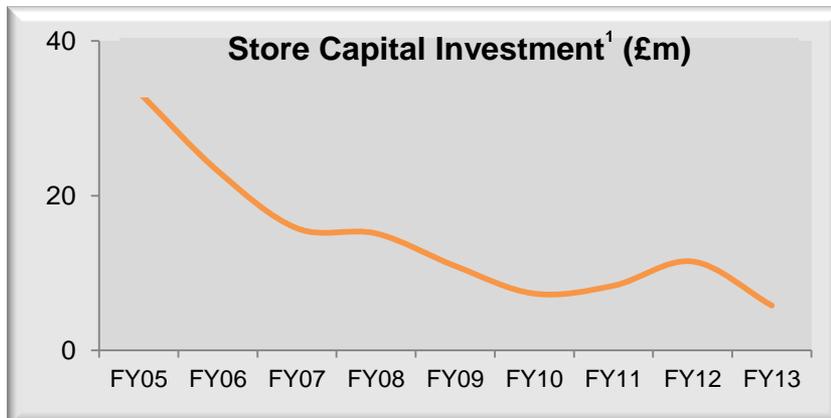


# A Background Of Under-investment

*We have to invest in our store network to remain relevant and grow*

## Nine-Year History Of Store Under-Investment

	ACTIVITY / CAPITAL INVESTMENT
Stores Opened / Relocated	c.120 stores
Most Recent Material Programmes	c.90 stores from flat to L-shaped mezzanines FY05-FY08 c.80 light-touch store refreshes FY12
Average Catch-up Investment <sup>1</sup>	c.£2m
Average Investment in Refits, Resizes and Relocations	c.£5m



**Notes:** 1. Excludes IT investment in store only 2. Excludes any general store-related costs, e.g. telephone, service charges, minor branch equipment (chairs, utensils etc.)

# Good Progress So Far

## FY14 Refreshed Stores

3 trial stores

c.15 additional stores

1 mezzanine-store extension

1 *Cycleworld + Invite Me In*

c.5 right-sizes/relocations in  
refreshed format

# Good Progress So Far

## Rollout Drivers

Capability in place

'Full Fat', 'Light' and 'Invite Me In' models established

Clear selection criteria

Accepted store design format

Standardised conversion plan embedded

# Performance To Date

*The three trial stores were completed in July 2013, and have since been measured on a Relative LfL<sup>1</sup> basis*

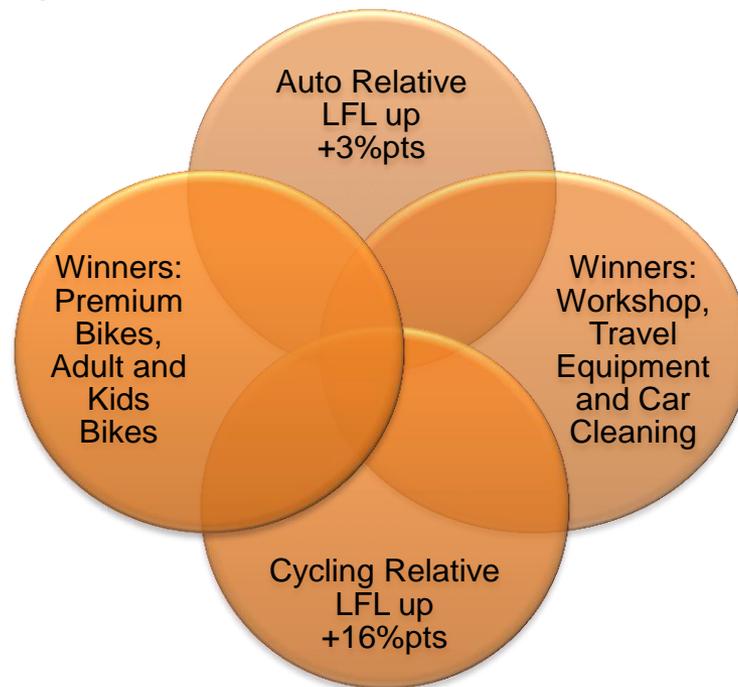
**Coventry:** flat store - below par store prior to conversion, ranked in bottom 10%, now ranked in top 20%

**Evesham:** gallery mezzanine - Car Maintenance moved upstairs, Cycling downstairs, ranked mid table

**York:** L-shaped mezzanine format - already a high-performing store

	Store Ranking <sup>2</sup>		
	Pre-conversion average	Post-conversion average	Change
Coventry	438	82	+ 356
Evesham	228	137	+ 91
York	20	12	+ 8

**Relative LFL +6.5%**



**Notes:**

1. Relative LFL measures the store's like-for-like ("LfL") sales performance post conversion, as a variance to the store's LfL sales performance before conversion, as a variance of the same measures for a control group of stores. Figures shown up to 21 February 2014

2. Ranking - based on overall BAU Retail scorecard which includes sales (incl. value-added sales), customer feedback (Net Promoter Score, Mystery Shop results and concerns) and colleagues (retention and absence). Figures shown up to the end of January 2014

# Investment Costs

Capital Investment	Highest Cost Scenario Per Store
<p>Refresh ('look &amp; feel' elements)</p> <p><i>Key costs: joinery, main contractor, furniture and store equipment</i></p>	c. 85%
<p>Catch-Up</p> <p><i>Key costs can include: flooring, warehouse construction, colleague area, new racking</i></p>	c.15%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>c.£190-210K</b>

*Emulating Evesham would also require one-off opex investments of up to c.£35-40k per store*

# Investment Costs

## Cost Mitigation

Full Fat vs Light Models

'Cycleworld' and 'Invite Me In'

Investment On A  
Store-by-store Basis

**A BLEND OF REFRESH MODELS**

# Rollout Programme

*We have a comprehensive store-selection process based on both quantitative and qualitative data*

## Store

(sales, margin, mix of sales etc.)

## Property

(lease length, format, age, condition etc.)

## Market

(demographics/competition)

## Financial

(NPV + IRR)



*Balanced list of  
stores to refresh*



Year	Refreshed Stores (circa)
FY14	25
FY15	55
FY16	70
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150</b>

# Summary: Financials

We have to do this

Growth is the prime consideration

Good progress to date with a robust rollout programme ahead

We won't touch store again for at least five years



# Matt Davies

*Chief Executive*



# Key Messages From Today

New Commercial Thinking Driving Our *'H' Factor*

Colleagues: Central To Delivering Our *Service Revolution*

Good Progress With *Stores Fit To Shop*: Meeting Expectations

*Getting Into Gear*. Going To Plan, A Great Platform For Growth

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Appendices

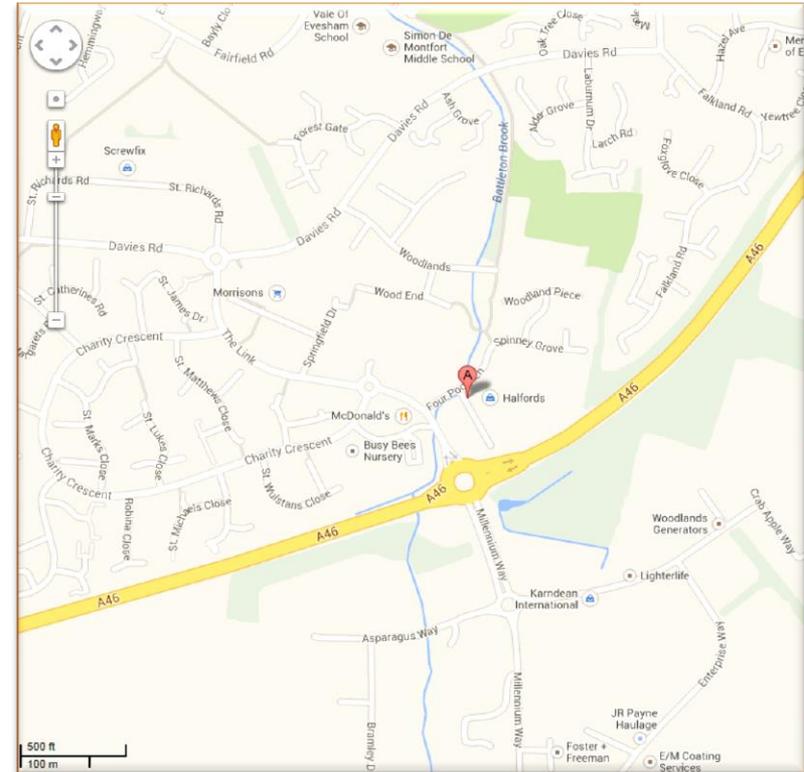
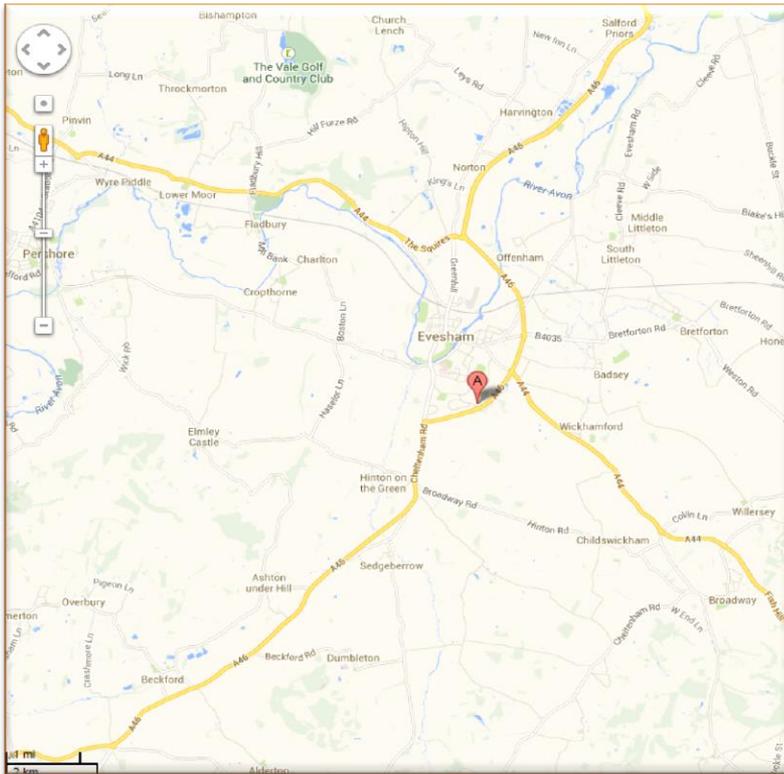
# Relative LFL Calculation: An Example

An illustration of how pre vs. post vs. control like-for-like sales (Relative LFL) have been calculated. Figures used are for illustration purposes only

	Like-For Like Sales		
	Pre-conversion Weeks 1-11	Post-conversion Weeks 18+	Change
A: Trial Stores	+2%	+7%	+5%
B: Control Stores	+2%	+3%	+1%
Relative LFL (A-B)	-	-	+4%

# Halfords Evesham

A: Four Pools Retail Park, Four Pools Lane, Evesham, Worcestershire WR11 1DJ



# Retail Capital Expenditure FY14-FY16: unchanged expectations

	(£m circa)
Store Portfolio	50
IT & Digital	38
Other	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

Stores	(circa)
Store Refreshes	150
Rightsizes and Relocations	23-30
Cycle departments	all stores
Colleague Training Facilities	10

# Retail Portfolio Space

Average Leaseable Space <sup>1</sup> (sq.ft)	Average Total Trading Space, including Mezzanine (sq.ft)	Average Ground Floor Trading Space (sq.ft)	Average Mezzanine Trading Space (sq.ft)
9,355	8,109	6,425	3,069

**Notes:** 1) Ground floor only, including back of house.  
All data as at H1 FY14

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## **Next Newsflow**

22 May - Preliminary Results

# Forward-Looking Statements

**INCLUDED IN THIS PRESENTATION ARE FORWARD-LOOKING MANAGEMENT COMMENTS AND OTHER STATEMENTS THAT REFLECT MANAGEMENT'S CURRENT OUTLOOK FOR FUTURE PERIODS**

These expectations are based on currently available competitive, financial, and economic data along with our current operating plans and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results contemplated by the forward-looking statements.

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