

Our Group is focused on the health, education, defence, custodial, highways and environment sectors, where we have core and proven expertise, and a strong pipeline, as well as our growing capabilities in higher margin adjacent markets.

Strategy to 2030

Our Group has consistently delivered increases in both revenue and divisional operating margin since becoming a standalone construction group in 2020. Our Strategy to 2030 targets sustainable growth in core and adjacent markets.

We remain committed to a progressive culture, socially responsible delivery, quality and innovation, risk management and sustainable financial returns to create long-term value for our stakeholders.



Growth via core markets

Building Highways Environment

Growth via adjacent markets

Private Rented Sector | Capital maintenance and asset optimisation within existing Environment sector | Green retrofit | Affordable homes | Specialist Services















Risk management

Assessing and managing risks and uncertainties is the central element of our process and business strategy. Commercial control and rigorous risk management are an integral part of our strategy. We achieve this through our:

- Focus on margin improvement as we grow.
- Disciplined approach to project selection including:
 - → Ensuring appropriate terms and conditions for each project.
 - → Employing margin thresholds.

- → Peer reviews of bids and contract reporting.
- → Board approval for all bids with specific risk factors or with a value of over £25m.
- Aligned and informed supply chain.
- Clear management reporting lines.

Sustainable Growth

Being sustainable makes us more efficient, helps us to win work, engages our employees and benefits communities and the environment. KPIs for our strategy period to are measured on a full year basis.



| Strategic priorities | Sustainability pillars | Objective | FY23 | Ambition |
|----------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|---|
| Progressive culture | Health and safety | Lost Time Incident Rate | 0.20 | No harm |
| | | Accident Frequency Rate | 0.09 | No harm |
| | &요 Our people | Early careers as % total employees | 6.3% | >8% |
| | | Women as a % of total employees | 21.6% | YoY increase |
| | | Employee advocacy | 86% | >80% |
| Socially responsible delivery | Environment and climate change | Scope 1 and 2 carbon emissions (CO ₂ e tonnes) | 11,822 | Net zero by 2030 |
| | | Scope 3 carbon emissions (CO ₂ e tonnes) | 477,042 | Net zero by 2045 |
| | | Waste intensity (tn/£100K revenue) | 21.8 | YoY reduction |
| | Communities | % of completed projects delivering >25% of Social and Local Economic Value as % of contract value | 94% | 60% |
| | | CCS performance | 43.4 (industry ave. 40.0) | >39 and above industry ave |
| Quality and innovation | Clients | % of repeat business in order book | 87% | >80% |
| | | % full year planned revenue secured at start of the financial year | 92% | >85% |
| | 🖇 Supply chain | % business unit core trades spend with Aligned subcontractors | 58% | 70%-80% |
| | | Prompt payment - % of invoices paid within 60 days | 98% | >95% |
| | Objective | | FY23 | 2030 target |
| Sustainable financial returns | Focus on both top and bottom line growth and accelerated growth in our higher-margin adjacent market businesses | | 2.4% | Divisional operating margin growth to 4.0%. |
| | Maintaining disciplined contract selection and robust risk management in resilient market sectors. | | £1.4bn | Revenue growth to in excess of £2.2bn. |
| | Retain a strong balance sheet. | | Average month-end cash £135m | Operating cash generation. |
| | Sustainable dividends. | | Dividend cover of 1.8x | Dividend cover of 1.8x. |

Key strengths

- Well-capitalised and debt-free.
- Disciplined approach to project selection and rigorous risk management.
- Strong, long-term, collaborative client and supply chain relationships.
- Public and regulated sector investment is driving robust demand in our chosen markets, where we are on key frameworks.
- Growing capability in higher margin activities.
- Our investment in digital and technical is delivering greater efficiency for clients, and driving down carbon.
- At 30 June 2023, we had 3,900 employees, with 6.3% of them in graduate, apprentice or trainee roles.

Order book by sector³

| Building | Total £2.2bn |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Education | £593m |
| Defence and custodial | £696m |
| FM | £335m |
| Health | £79m |
| Commercial & other | £519m |
| Infrastructure | Total £1.5bn |
| Highways | £562m |
| Environment | £894m |

Revenue¹





Average month-end cash²

£150m

Order book³





¹ Full year to 30 June 2023. ² Six months to 31 December 2023.



³ As at 31 December 2023.