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## Business model has delivered significant growth since IPO in June 2018



# ROBUST TRADING, INVESTMENT IN GROWTH, ENHANCED DIVIDEND

Business model well placed for growth in current environment

Continued store growth amongst existing franchisees and new franchisees joining the Brand

Trading gained momentum during H2 2023, significant improvement over first half of the year

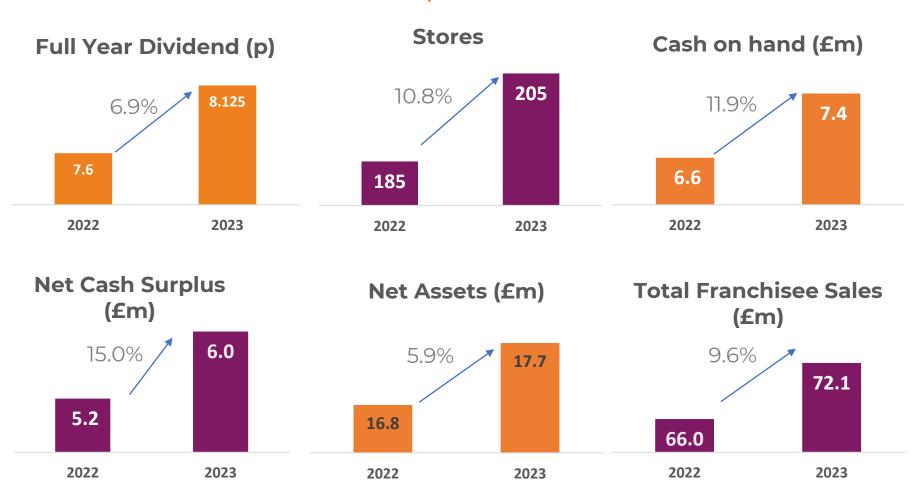
Significant investment in distribution centres to facilitate future growth

Enhanced shareholder returns with improved dividend from increase in cash generation



### CAKE BOX IS WELL POSITIONED FOR GROWTH

#### VALUE FOR FRANCHISE PARTNERS, CUSTOMERS AND SHAREHOLDERS









#### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

### Sales and store growth with increased returns to shareholders

- Total franchise sales up by 9.6%
- Like-for-like franchisee sales up by 1.0%
- 20 New stores opened during the year
- Cake Box revenue up 5.6%
- Gross profit up 8.5% due to improvement in margins
- As previously reported, Underlying EBITDA impacted by the increase in overheads and softer sales in H1 2023
- Increase of 11.9% in cash and cash equivalents and 15.0% improvement in Net Cash position at year end
- Full year dividend up 6.9%

#### **2023 SALES PERFORMANCE**

#### Robust trading while maintaining margins

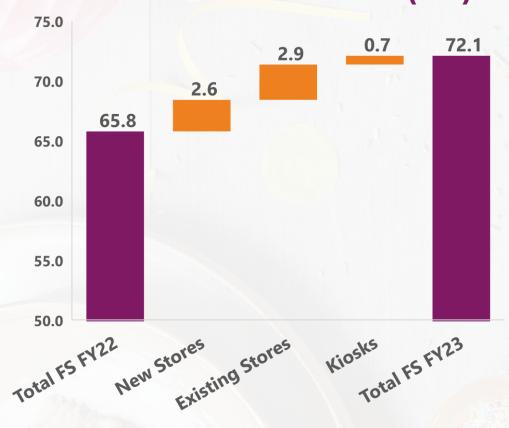
| Com.                    | FV22  | EV22  | % change |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| £m                      | FY23  | FY22  | vs. FY22 |
| Franchise store sales   | 66.5  | 60.9  | 9.2%     |
| Kiosk sales             | 5.6   | 4.9   | 15.2%    |
| Total Franchise sales   | 72.1  | 65.8  | 9.6%     |
|                         |       | , ,   |          |
| Sponge                  | 13.6  | 12.3  | 10.8%    |
| Food items              | 5.9   | 5.5   | 7.1%     |
| Fresh Cream             | 4.0   | 3.4   | 15.5%    |
| Other Goods             | 7.5   | 7.0   | 6.1%     |
| Product sales           | 30.9  | 28.2  | 9.5%     |
| Online sales commission | 1.0   | 0.9   | 6.8%     |
| Franchise packages      | 2.9   | 3.8   | (24.2%)  |
| Total Cake Box sales    | 34.8  | 33.0  | 5.6%     |
|                         |       |       |          |
| Gross margin %          | 49.4% | 48.0% | 2.8%     |

- Total franchisee sales up due to new store openings and stronger H2 2023 trading
- Cake Box sales impacted by decline in rate of store openings yr on yr
- Gross margin increased by
   1.4 percentage points

#### **2023 FRANCHISE SALES PERFORMANCE**

Positive sales growth driven by new and existing channels

#### Franchise sales channels (£m)



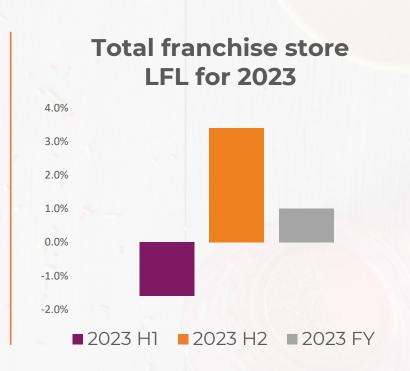
- 9.6% growth yr on yr in
   Total franchise sales
- £6.3m increase in total franchise sales, £2.6m (41%) from new openings and £3.6m (59%) from existing stores/kiosks
- H2 sales performance significantly improved following the prolonged hot weather and overseas holidays (following the lifting of covid restrictions) experienced in H1

#### 2023 FRANCHISE SALES LIKE-FOR-LIKE PERFORMANCE

Positive Like-for-Like growth driven by improved H2 performance

|                       | 2023   |      |      |  |
|-----------------------|--------|------|------|--|
|                       | H1     | H2   | FY   |  |
| Total Franchise store |        |      | - 13 |  |
| sales                 | (1.6%) | 3.4% | 1.0% |  |

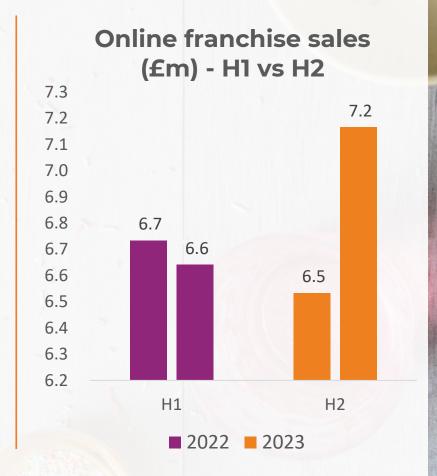
- H1 performance impacted by warmer weather and holidays following lifting of Covid restrictions
- Stronger H2 performance ensuring
   FY positive LFL



#### 2023 ONLINE SYSTEM SALES PERFORMANCE

#### Online sales normalised following Covid lockdowns

| £m                         | FY23  | FY22  | %<br>change<br>vs. FY22 |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|
| Total online sales         | 13.8  | 13.3  | 4.1%                    |
| % of franchise store sales | 20.8% | 21.8% | (4.7%)                  |
|                            |       |       |                         |
|                            |       |       |                         |
| £m                         | H1    | H2    | FY23                    |
| Franchise store sales      | 31.8  | 34.7  | 66.5                    |
| Total online sales         | 6.6   | 7.2   | 13.8                    |
| % of franchise store sales | 20.9% | 20.6% | 20.8%                   |



#### **2023 ONLINE SYSTEM SALES PERFORMANCE**

Three phases of performance.

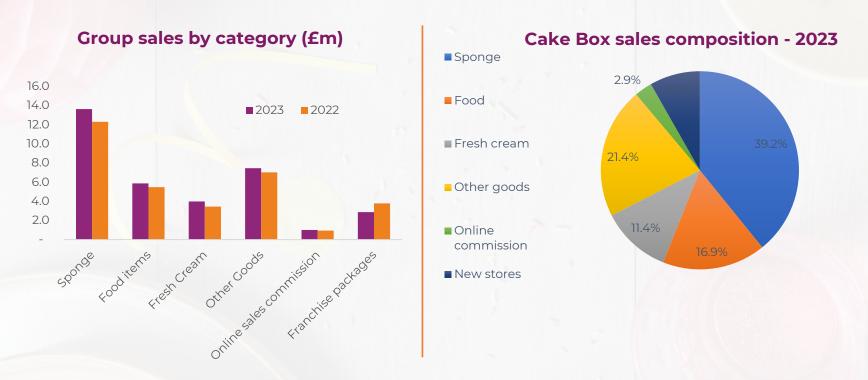
Pre and Post Investment in growth and recruitment of Marketing Director.





#### **2023 GROUP SALES PERFORMANCE**

5.6% increase in group sales year on year



- Group product revenue increased 9.5% for 2023, in-line with total franchise sales increase year on year
- New store sales down due to fewer stores opened during 2023 20 opened (FY22: 31)

#### 2023 Analysis of Group EBITDA

#### 8.5% increase in gross profit year on year

| £m                               | FY23   | FY22  | % change<br>vs. FY22 |
|----------------------------------|--------|-------|----------------------|
| Gross profit                     | 17.2   | 15.8  | 8.5%                 |
| Overheads                        | (11.6) | (8.8) | (31.0%)              |
| Depreciation                     | 0.8    | 0.9   | 11.7%                |
| Amortisation                     | 0.3    | 0.1   | (139.6%)             |
|                                  |        |       |                      |
| Underlying EBITDA                | 6.7    | 8.0   | (16.9%)              |
| Reversal of Share Option expense | -      | 0.5   |                      |
| Reversal of accrued rates        | -      | 0.3   |                      |
| Reported EBITDA                  | 6.7    | 8.8   | (24.3%)              |

- 16.9% reduction in Underlying EBITDA driven by increase of £2.7m in overheads
- Increase in overheads due to:
  - Salaries and wages increased -£1.2m
  - Other overheads -£1.5m

#### 2023 GROUP EBITDA MOVEMENT (£m)

Increase in gross profit offset by increase in overheads



#### **2023 INCOME STATEMENT**

#### PBT lower due to increase in overheads

|   |       |       | %                  |
|---|-------|-------|--------------------|
| £m  | FY23  | FY22  | change<br>vs. FY22 |
| Reported EBITDA                             | 6.7   | 8.8   | (24.3%)            |
| Depreciation and Amortisation               | (1.1) | (1.0) | (7.6%)             |
| Profit on disposal of tangible fixed assets | 0.1   | · -   |                    |
| Finance costs                               | (0.2) | (0.1) |                    |
| Profit before tax                           | 5.4   | 7.7   | (28.6%)            |
| Taxation                                    | (1.2) | (1.4) | 13.2%              |
| Profit after tax                            | 4.3   | 6.3   | (31.7%)            |
| Basic EPS (pence)                           | 10.59 | 15.78 | (31.7%)            |

- Amortisation on right-of-use assets higher due to first full year of amortisation charges
- Effective taxation rate of 22.2%, higher than statutory rate due to tax rate increases impact caused by deferred tax

#### **2023 FREE CASH FLOW**

#### Free cash in line with FY22

| £m                           | FY23  | FY22  | % change<br>vs. FY22 |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|----------------------|
| EBITDA                       | 6.7   | 8.8   | (24.2%)              |
| IFRS 16 - net lease payments | (0.3) |       |                      |
| Working capital              | 1.0   | (1.6) | 165.1%               |
| Net interest                 | (O.1) | (O.1) | (66.5%)              |
| Taxation                     | (1.3) | (1.4) | 4.7%                 |
| Free cash flow               | 6.0   | 5.7   | 0.1%                 |

 Working capital was mainly impacted by the timing of the payment of suppliers at year end

#### 2023 NET CASH SURPLUS (£m)

Increased investment in growth and shareholder returns





### INVESTING TO DRIVE FUTURE GROWTH

Further £2.0.m capex spend to underpin future growth

Distribution Centres improvements -£1.1m Investment in Technology -£0.4m Distribution Fleet – £0.5m



Freehold
improvements to
Distribution centres
New production
equipment



New Website development ERP system implementation



New Refrigerated vans

A more normalised capex expenditure programme is expected in future years following the past two years investment in the distribution facilities.



## STRATEGIC AND OPERATIONAL UPDATE

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#### **OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**



20

200th



9.6%



4.1%

**Opened** 

**New Stores** Franchise store opened during 2023

Increase in total franchisee sales FY23

Increase in online system sales





#### FRANCHISEE OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



£72.1m



£13.8m



44



Positive LFL sales growth for FY 2023



Upheld value proposition to customers

Total franchisee revenue

Online franchise sales

Multi-store franchisees

### **5 KEY AREAS OF FOCUS IN 2024**



Empowering
Franchisees and
Operational
Excellence



Expanding
Store Estate
and Franchisee
Growth



Data-driven
Approach and
Multi-channel
Expansion

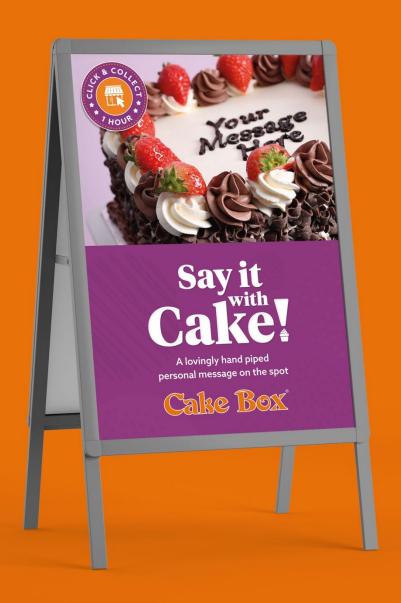


Strengthening Leadership and Governance



Commitment to Community and ESG Initiatives

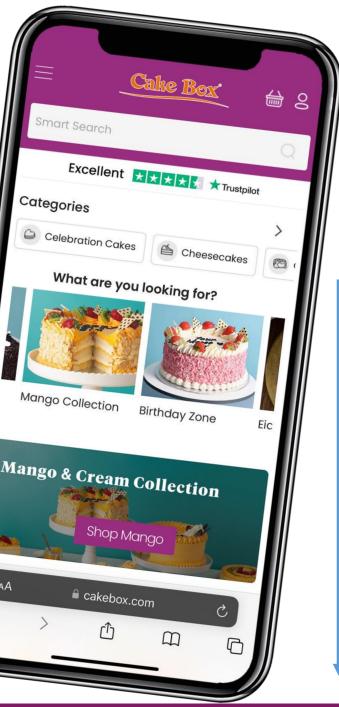




#### **MARKETING**

FOCUSING ON PRODUCT, STORES AND CUSTOMERS TO DRIVE SUCCESS.





### OPTIMISE CLICK & COLLECT USER JOURNEY

A BIG OPPORTUNITY TO WIN WITH DIGITAL FIRST APPROACH FOR ON AND OFFLINE (OMNI-CHANNEL)





### SUMMARY & CURRENT TRADING

#### **SUMMARY**

- Successfully navigated very tough trading conditions during 2023
- Continued franchise store growth 20 stores opened in FY23 taking total to 205
- Maintained value to our end customers by keeping our price inflation well within the macro economic inflationary levels
- Following our recent Capex investment, we are well placed to deliver future growth for our franchisees and enhanced returns for our shareholders

#### **CURRENT TRADING**

- We have continued the momentum from H2 2023 into Q1 2024 with positive like-for-like franchise sales growth of 5.4% for the first 11 weeks of 2024
- 3 new franchise stores have opened since year end
- New website launched in June 23 to drive sales growth
- Confident on outlook for the year







### INTRODUCTION TO CAKE BOX

- First store opened in 2008
- Business conceived in 2008 with a single shop in East London, now headquartered in Enfield, Greater London
- 205 franchise stores as at 31st March
   2023
- Specialises in making delicious, high quality, bespoke celebration fresh cream cakes in-store while customers wait
- All of our cakes are free from egg products
- Personalisation offered even while you wait
- One hour click & collect available for popular cakes
- · Strong growth profile



#### **OUR PRODUCTS**

Fruit Gateaux
Serves 8



Cake Slice
Serves 1-2



Cheesecakes
Serves 8



Platter Cake Serves 64



- Freshly hand-made cakes and slices in-store using fresh cream
- Cakes available to order in-store or online for collection
- Hundreds of celebration cake designs to choose from
- Cakes can be personalised on the spot with a free message
- Personalised photos printed on sugar paper can be added to any cake
- Large range of cakes for immediate purchase from patisserie displays
- Large selection of cake sizes ranging from 8 to 120 servings per cake
- . Individual hand made cake slices

Cupcakes



#### STORE FRANCHISE APPLICATION PROCESS

