

### **Purpose, Strategy and Growth**

Board presentation 26 November 2019

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### **Executive summary – Where we make money**

- The PSG team has worked closely with Post Office Finance team to depict a picture of product and channel profitability based on existing Post Office data
- As per last Board meeting, we are presenting product profitability using "Contribution", a new profitability view developed by the PO Finance team, which splits total overheads between "True" overheads (e.g., finance, HR and legal) and Allocated Indirects (e.g., CIO and DMB costs, which are otherwise part of total overheads)
- Channel profitability is presented on trading profit terms
- The analysis drives several insights:
  - As of FY 2018-19, Post Office top revenue driver is Mails [IRRELEVANT], while Financial Services is top contribution driver [IRRELEVANT] with best contribution margin [IRRELEVANT]
  - Over the next two years, product contribution mix changes significantly: almost of contribution is expected to be driven by Cash & Banking | RRELEVANT | While only | RRELEVANT | is driven by Financial Services. Mail contribution remains stable (~10% of total)
  - From a channel perspective, online / non-branch channels drove irrelevant trading profit vs. a loss of irrelevant from physical channels (e.g. Mains, Locals, traditional and DMB), for a total POL trading profit of irrelevant in FY 2018-19

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### **Executive summary – Where we make money: Product profitability**

- As a reminder, in FY2018-19, Post Office generated | RRELEVANT | of revenues and | RRELEVANT | trading profits, a | margin
- In FY2018-19 the top 4 drivers of revenues were Mail (RRELEVANT) of total revenues), Cash & Banking (RRELEVANT) Telecoms (RRELEVANT) and Financial Services (RRELEVANT)
- Over the next 2 years, baseline forecasted revenue is expected to IRRELEVANT CAGR with Mails remaining flat,
   Cash & Banking growing at CAGR and Financial Services IRRELEVANT CAGR
- An analysis of the Direct Contribution shows every product category made a positive direct contribution in FY2018-19; FS the highest direct contribution margin at RRELEVANT
- Overall, Direct Contribution is expected to remain stable over next 2 years (RRELEVANT CAGR) in PO Finance baseline forecast at IRRELEVANT as Cash & Banking growth is offset by shrinking Financial Services and Identity
- The POL Finance team worked to refine the profitability view by splitting Total Overheads between Allocated Indirect Costs and "True" Overheads, providing a view on Contribution (RRELEVANT of revenues)
- Allocated Indirect Costs include CIO, DMB, Network Ops, Agent Fixed Remuneration and Marketing. These
  can be allocated to product categories using standard assumptions
- Compared to "Direct Contribution", the "Contribution" proportion of Mails is significantly smaller (RRELEVANT), FS is almost double (RRELEVANT) and Payments is RRELEVANT
- Contribution is expected to grow RRELEVANT CAGR by FY2020-21 in PO baseline forecast, at which point Cash & Banking expected to drive almost half of Contribution while Mails and FS shrink, and Identity increases its loss

REMINDER: In FY2018-19, Post Office generated IRRELEVANT of revenues and IRRELEVANT trading profits, a relevant margin

FY 2018-19, £M



% of revenue

# IRRELEVANT

Revenue<sup>1</sup>

Direct costs<sup>2</sup>

**Direct contribution** 

Total overheads

**Trading profit** 





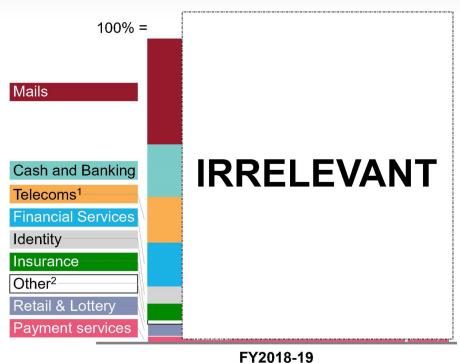
<sup>1</sup> Revenue before network subsidy payment. Differential with reported revenue driven by accounting adjustments: inclusion of POCA as revenue RELEVANT inclusion of FRES travel money



<sup>2</sup> Agent variable costs, processing costs, distribution and postage, postage costs, IT infrastructure & services, finance & losses, marketing; direct overheads and supply chain Source: POL Finance

In FY2018-19 the top 4 drivers of revenues were Mail (RRELEVANT), Cash & Banking (RRELEVANT), Telecoms (RRELEVANT) and Financial Services (RRELEVANT)

£M



FY2018-19 Revenues

1 Telecom and IRRELEVANT
2 Other relates to IRRELEVANT
Source: POL Finance



Over the next 2 years, baseline forecasted revenue is expected to grow RELEVANT CAGR with Mails IRRELEVANT Cash & Banking | RRELEVANT | CAGR and Financial Services | RRELEVANT | CAGR £M, baseline forecast **CAGR** (FY2018-19 to 20-21) Mails IRRELEVANT Cash & Banking Telecoms Financial Services Insurance Other<sup>2</sup> Identity Retail & Lotterv Payment services FY2018-19 FY2019-20 FY2020-21

Revenues<sup>1</sup>

Revenues<sup>1</sup>

Source: POL Finance

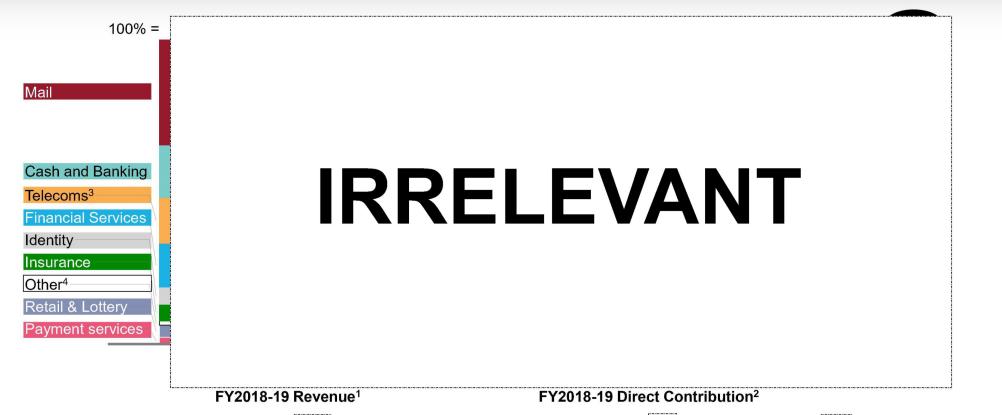


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£M Direct Contribution margin (% of rev)



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£M, baseline forecast

CAGR (FY2018-19 to 20-21)

Mails

Cash & Banking
Telecoms<sup>2</sup>

Financial Services

FY2018-19 Direct Contribution<sup>1</sup>

Insurance
Other<sup>3</sup>
Identity

Retail & Lottery

Payment services

FY2019-20 Direct Contribution<sup>1</sup> FY2020-21
Direct Contribution<sup>1</sup>

1 Direct contribution calculated as revenue minus direct costs per major project group. Excludes Pazyone. 2 Telecom and IRRELEVANT
IRRELEVANT
3 Other relates to IRRELEVANT
Source: POL Finance

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FY 2018-19, £M



% of revenue

# **IRRELEVANT**

Revenue<sup>1</sup>

Direct costs<sup>2</sup>

Direct contribution

Allocated indirect costs<sup>3</sup>

Contribution

Overheads<sup>4</sup>

Trading profit





Resulting "Contribution" view



<sup>1</sup> Revenue before network subsidy payment. Differential with reported RELEVANT revenue driven by accounting adjustments: inclusion of POCA as revenue relevant, inclusion of FRES travel money reference and revenue relevant, exclusion of Payzone Relevant.



IRRELEVANT | processing costs, distribution and postage, postage costs, IT infrastructure & services, finance & losses, marketing; direct overheads and supply chain IRRELEVANT | DMB costs, Marketing, network operations, CIO

<sup>4</sup> Staff costs, finance and operations, legal, risk & governance, HR & people & engagement, communications & central Source: POL Finance

Allocated Indirect Costs include CIO, DMB, Network Ops, Agent Fixed Remuneration and Marketing. These can be allocated to product categories using standard assumptions

FY 2018-19, £M % of revenue.

# IRRELEVANT

Revenue<sup>1</sup> Direct costs<sup>2</sup>

Direct contribution

CIO

DMB

Network operations<sup>3</sup>

Agents fixed remuneration

Marketing

Contribution





<sup>1</sup> Revenue before network subsidy payment. Differential with reported RRELEVANT revenue driven by accounting adjustments: inclusion of POCA as revenue reported RRELEVANT, inclusion of FRES travel money RRELEVANT, exclusion of Payzone RELEVANT.

3 Figures based on 18/19, and so excludes transfer of Retail Operations under Retail in 19/20 Source: POL Finance



<sup>2</sup> IRRELEVANT processing costs, distribution and postage, postage costs, IT infrastructure & services, finance & losses, marketing; direct overheads and supply chain

Compared to "Direct Contribution": the "Contribution" proportion of Mails is significantly ), FS is almost IRRELEVANT ), Payments is IRRELEVANT g **IRRELEVANT** Contribution £M margin (% of rev) 100% Mail Cash and Banking IRRELEVANT Telecoms<sup>4</sup> **Financial Services** Identity Insurance Other<sup>5</sup> Retail & Lottery Payment services

FY2018-19 Direct Cont.<sup>2</sup>

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IRRELEVANT

FY2018-19 Revenue<sup>1</sup>

Source: POL Finance

FY2018-19 Contribution<sup>3</sup>

Contribution to grow IRRELEVANT CAGR by FY2020-21, at which point Cash & Banking expected of Contribution while Mails and FS IRRELEVANT, Identity IRRELEVANT **IRRELEVANT** £M, baseline forecast CAGR (FY2018-19 to 20-21) Mails Cash & Banking Telecoms IRRELEVANT Financial Services Insurance Other Identity Retail & Lottery Payment services **IRRELEVANT IRRELEVANT** OFFICE

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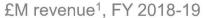
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### Executive summary - Where we make money: Channel profitability

- Channel split shows most product revenues driven at least partly by branches (vs. non-branch, i.e. online and call centres), except for Telco and FS
- 7,400 of POL's ~11,600 PO branches are Mains and Locals
- Online / non-branch channels (IRRELEVANT) as well as Mains (IRRELEVANT) and Locals (IRRELEVANT) are the engines of Post Office profits in FY2018-19
- Within the branch network, Mains and Locals are the engines of profits accounting for respectively drive respectively drive
- **50% of revenues** driven by just **14% of branches** (~1,600 branches)
- Last quartile of branches (ranked by profitability) drive losses almost as great as profits from first 2 quartiles
- 63% of the top quartile branches (ranked by profitability) are Mains; 59% of bottom quartile of branches are Traditional branches

Branch

# Channel split shows most product revenues driven at least partly by branches, except for Telco and PO Money



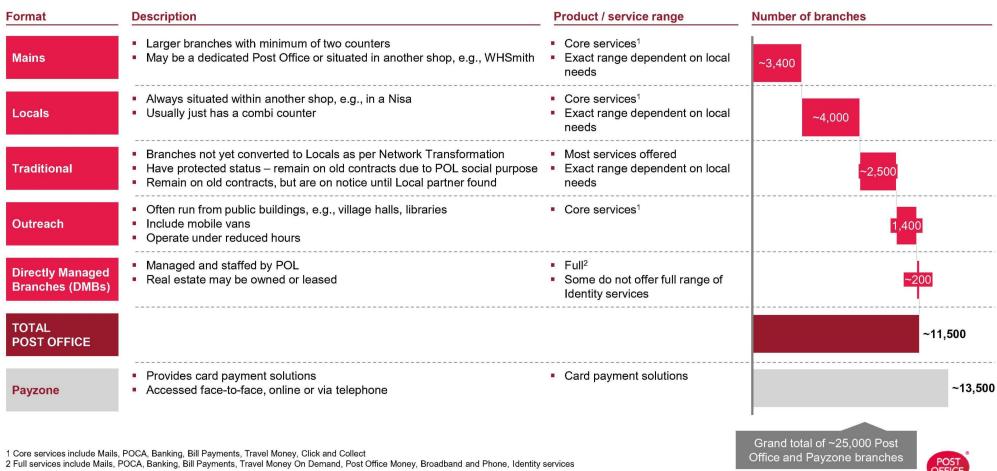


1 Revenue before network subsidy payment. Differential with reported revenue driven by exclusion of Payzone and Royal Mai IRRELEVANT SOURCE: POL, product split based on Credence database



### IRRELEVANT of POL's ~11,600 PO branches are Mains and Locals

As of end of FY2018-19



SOURCE: POL

Online / non-branch channels (IRRELEVANT) as well as Mains IRRELEVANT and Locals IRRELEVANT) are the engines of Post Office profits in FY2018-19 £M trading profit, FY 2018-19

Revenue



Profit margin

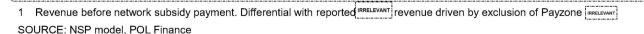
Online / non-branch channels drive IRRELEVANT trading profit vs. IRRELEVANT loss from branches

DMB, followed by traditional branches, (which include community branches) are the main loss drivers



- Mains and Locals branches are the engine of profit in the branch network
- Outreach loss is relatively RRELEVANT of trading profits)
- Closed branches drive **IRRELEVANT** of total network losses







# Detailed view of branch profitability shows DMB and Traditional accounting for the vast majority of all losses generated by the branch network

FY2018-19

**Profit-making** Loss-making Total # of branches # of branches **Trading Trading** # of branches **Trading** Profit. Profit. Profit, As of end of As of end of As of end of Channel FY18/19 FY18/19 £m FY18/19 FY18/19 £m FY18/19 £m FY18/19 Locals Mains IRRELEVANT Outreach Traditional **DMB** TOTAL<sup>2</sup>

#### **Key takeaways**

- Online channel is the primary driver of POL profit
- Excluding DMB, POL physical network will have a positive profitability profile

**IRRELEVANT** 

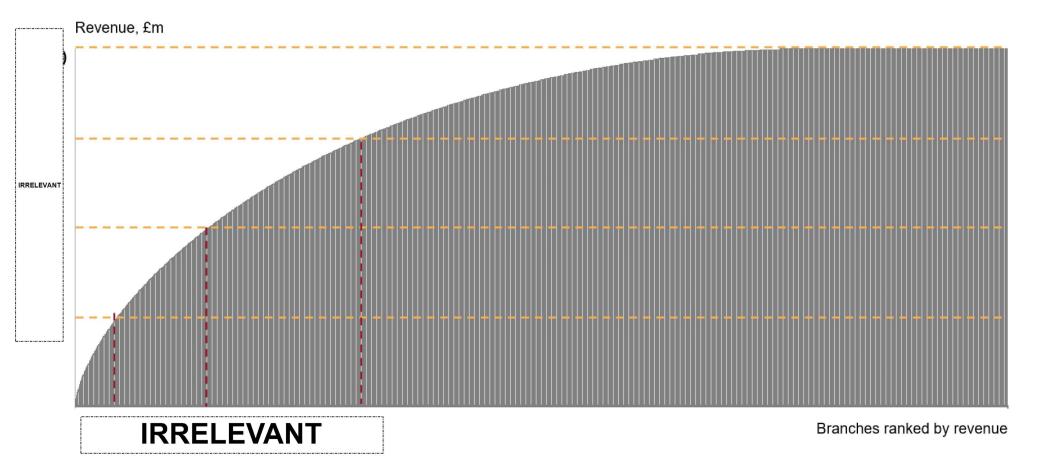
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<sup>1</sup> outreach branches are served by units. These units will be used in the analysis over the next pages; 2 Excludes profitability associated to closed branches SOURCE: NSP model, POL Finance

PRELIMINARY

RRELEVANT of revenues driven by just RRELEVANT of branches (RRELEVANT branches)

FY 2018-19



Analysis only includes open branches as of FY2018/19 SOURCE: NSP model, POL Finance

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# Last quartile of branches (ranked by profitability) drive losses almost as great as profits from first 2 quartiles

Third quartile

FY 2018-19

First quartile

Profit, £m

Revenue (% of total revenues)
TOTAL [RRELEVANT]

Fourth quartile



# IRRELEVANT

Second quartile

Branches ranked by profitability

Analysis only includes open branches as of FY2018/19 SOURCE: NSP model, POL Finance



of the top quartile branches (ranked by profitability) are Mains, RELEVANT 6 of bottom quartile of branches are Traditional branches

FY 2018-19, % of branches by type

Main Local Traditional Outreach DMB

Profit margin

# IRRELEVANT

First quartile of branches ranked by profitability

Second quartile of branches ranked by profitability

Third quartile of branches ranked by profitability

Fourth quartile of branches ranked by profitability

# IRRELEVANT

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SOURCE: NSP model, POL Finance



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#### Summary of OHI findings and their potential uses

#### **Diagnostic headlines**

- Impressive level of engagement with the survey
- Bottom quartile organisational health indicating significant opportunity for improvement
- Accountability, work environment and motivation relative strengths (though still third quartile): relatively more effective in creating a sense of community and belonging; practices around openness, trust, engaging leadership and ownership amongst most emphasised
- Purpose and direction not clearly understood, reinforcing need for current work on Purpose, Strategy & Growth
- Lack of consistent measurement and management of business and risk, or acting to address problems
- Lack of institutional skills and talent, external orientation and innovation/learning
- Overall, senior managers' views most critical (especially innovation and learning)
- Current values centre around community, being of service, care and respect, but also hierarchy and bureaucracy; whereas desired values include competitiveness, accountability, efficiency and being well organised
- Main purpose themes at Post Office are about being a trusted brand, with access for all, serving customer's mails, parcel and cash needs

#### Uses of the OHI findings

- Syndicate the results internally to increase understanding of the challenges (both generally and for particular parts of the organisation)
- Start to create a narrative about the required change building on the quantitative and qualitative detail of the survey results
- Use the detailed information about where practices need to change to inform concrete improvement initiatives
- Once Purpose, Strategy & Growth are clearer, use OHI results to inform what is needed to enable the new strategy
- Track progress and course correct where/if needed

### Organisational health is related to – but different from – organisational performance

Performance Health

Focus of the OHI survey

What an enterprise does to improve how it develops compelling products and services, channels them efficiently through its network and sells them into the market to drive financial and operational results

How an organisation aligns itself, executes with excellence, and renews itself to sustainably achieve performance aspirations

### Organisations that focus on Org Health outperform their peers at every level



#### **Across Industries**

Healthy
companies across
industries outperform
their unhealthy peers in
the stock market<sup>1</sup> by

**3X** 



#### **Across Companies**

Companies that focus on health show an

18%

increase in EBITA between surveys



#### Within Companies

Health explains up to

50%

of performance variation across units

# The OHI survey digs deep to understand what's happening under the surface and provide a detailed picture of organisational health

#### **Employee Engagement survey**

- Evaluates individual employee happiness / attitudes (e.g. how employees feel)
- Helps identify employee "hot buttons".
   (e.g., satisfaction, happiness, morale, engagement, work environment)
- Allows customisation and comparison based on unique questions / lines of inquiry
- Focuses on manager level reporting vs. enterprise-wide focus areas

#### **Organisational Health Index (OHI)**

- Evaluates an organisation's long-term capacity to perform
- Identifies strengths and opportunities across a robust set of management practices proven to drive health
- Enables benchmarking across industries, regions and a global database
- Focuses on enterprise-wide, functional and business unit insights to inform actions to improve health

In practice, employee engagement and the OHI are complementary, however a healthy organisation is not just about happy employees, but also aligning the workforce and behaviors with the organisation goals

# The Organisational Health Index (OHI) offers proven insights and expert support to build an enduring organization that can sustain performance

Conducted an exhaustive academic review

Interviewed key leaders across our client base

Developed the Organisational Health Index (OHI) Survey







20 minute survey







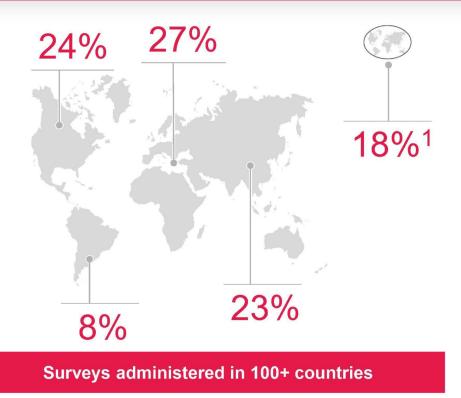
3-5
precise recommendations



# With 1+ billion data points, the OHI offers an unparalleled depth and breadth of knowledge, across geographies and industries

Global reach and relevance,

% of OHI surveys



### Robust industry benchmarks

- Global Energy & Materials
- Banking
- TMT (High Tech-Media-Telecom)
- Consumer/Retail
- Advanced Industries
- Healthcare Systems and Services
- Pharmaceuticals and Medical Products
- Public Sector
- Insurance
- Travel, Transport & Logistics
- Asset Management & Institutional Investors
- Infrastructure
- Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services
- Social Sector
- Multi-Sector Conglomerate



#### **OHI statistics at Post Office**



2448

Employees invited to participate in the survey (excludes DMB)



73%

Employees provided responses to the survey



>2000

Individual comments, recommendations and opinions as provided by employees at all levels

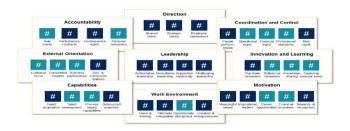
### Two major measurements in the OHI

#### 9 Health Outcomes



- Interprets if what is happening on the ground is working, and how well
- Agreement scale
- Example: "This Post Office colleague is highly motivated"

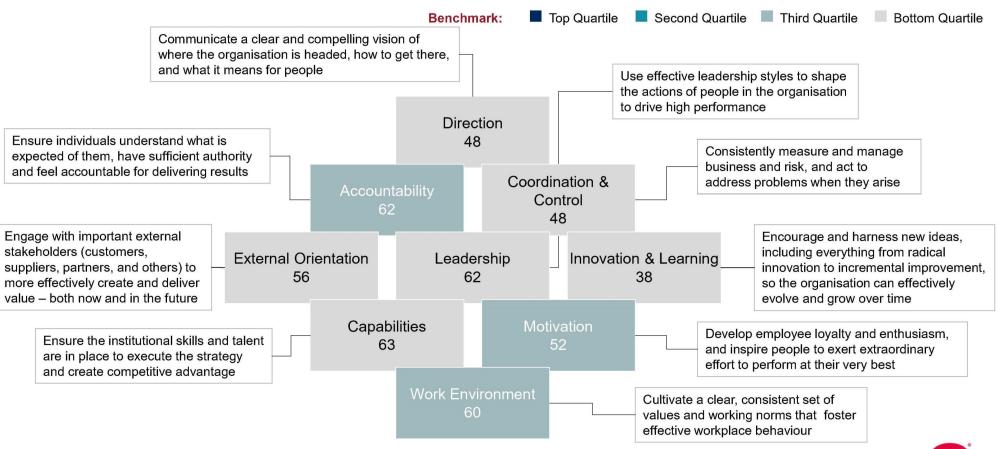
### 37 Management Practices



- Identifies colleagues' perceptions of what's happening on the ground
- Frequency scale, from "almost always" to "almost never"
- Example: "Managers in Post Office provide praise, thanks, or other forms of recognition to high performers"

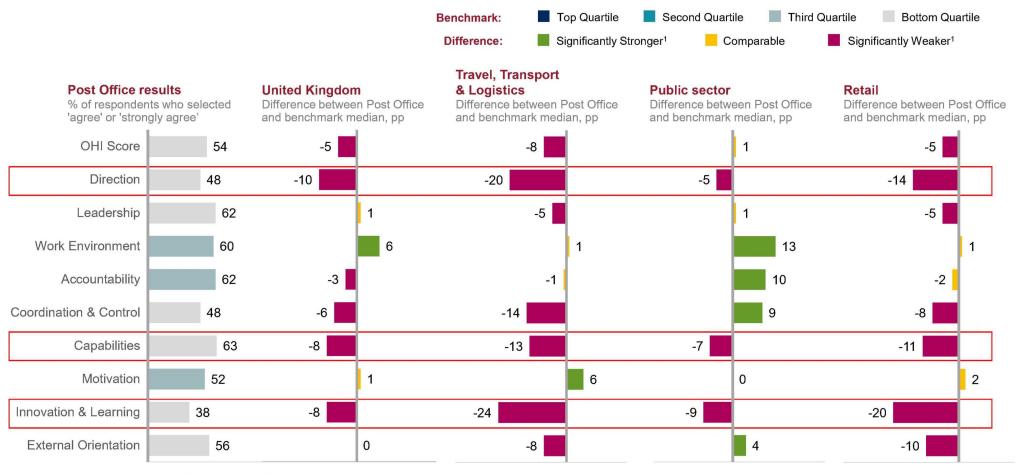
### Employees' sense of community and belonging provide a foundation to build on once direction becomes clearer

% of respondents who selected 'agree' or 'strongly agree'



Source: Post Office (n=1770); Benchmark: Global (n=2,877,871, no. surveys=878)

### Direction, Capabilities and Innovation & Learning are lagging most vs. UK benchmark

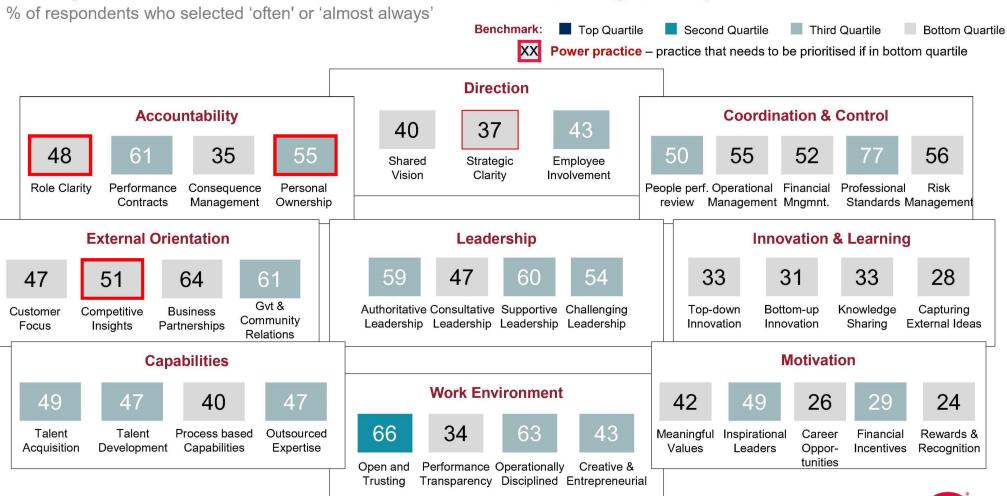


<sup>1</sup> The significance level is at p = .05. Statistical significance is calculated based on outcome distribution, size of population and size of point difference.

Source: Post Office UK (n=1770); Benchmark: Global (n=2,877,871, no. surveys=878); United Kingdom (n=50,623, no. surveys=26); Public Sector (n=96,288, no. surveys=37); Travel, Transport & Logistics (n=136,237, no. surveys=36); Retail (n=155,238, no. surveys=39)



### Survey scores across 9 health outcomes and 37 management practices



### Survey scores are supported by a set of related questions: "Accountability" example

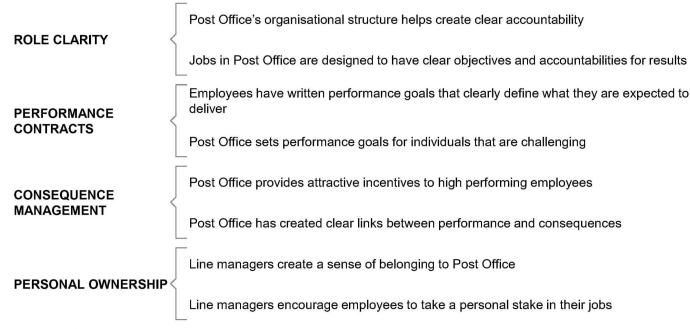


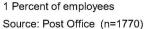
Employees clearly understand what is expected of them

Employees are held accountable for the results they are expected to deliver

Employees within Post Office have sufficient authority to make decisions

#### Accountability practice questions<sup>1</sup>







## Gap between Post Office scores and next best quartiles is key in understanding scores

Percentage points

Direction 48	Shared Vision	40	11-15
	Strategic Clarity	37	15-19
	Employee Involvement	43	5-9
	Authoritative Leadership	59	6-10
Leadership <b>62</b>	Consultative Leadership	47	4-8
	Supportive Leadership	60	4-8
	Challenging Leadership	54	11-15
VA/ and c	Open and Trusting	66	3-7
Work Environment <b>60</b>	Performance Transparency	34	3-7
	Operationally Disciplined	63	8-12
	Creative & Entrepreneurial	43	7-11
	Role Clarity	48	6-10
Accountability <b>62</b>	Performance Contracts	61	6-10
	Consequence Management	35	3-7
	Personal Ownership	55	5-9
	Talent Acquisition	49	9-13
Capabilities <b>63</b>	Talent Development	47	8-12
	Process Based Capabilities	40	8-12
	Outsourced Expertise	47	5-9



Source: Post Office (n=1770); Benchmark: Global (n=2,877,871, no. surveys=878)



### **Next steps on OHI**

- Continue sharing survey results with relevant Post Office groups
- Start shaping the interventions to improve organisational health by identifying which management practices can be improved via workshops with L40 (session on 10 December), GE, etc.
- As the strategy work continues to be refined, ensure focus on improving the management practices that are most relevant to delivering that strategy

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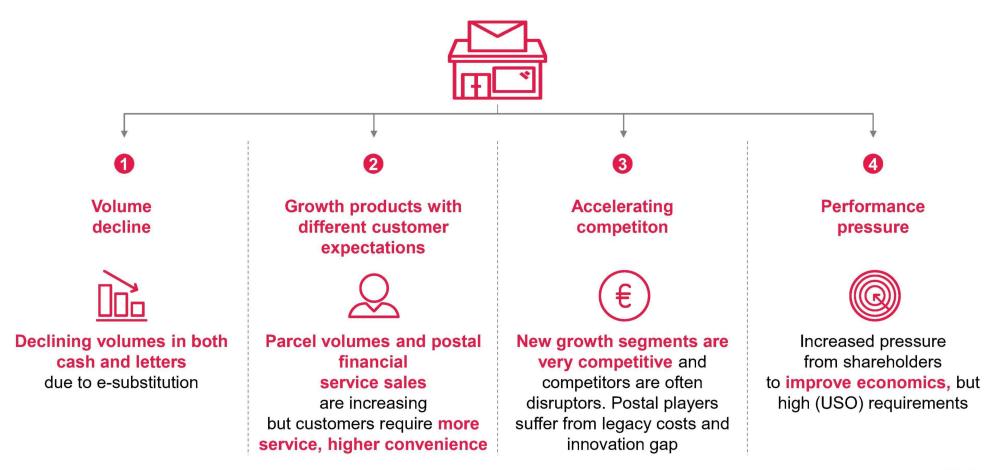
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### **Executive summary – postal market overview**

- Postal players have been under increasing pressure. Several trends contribute to this:
  - Structural and irreversible decline of the mail business
  - Customers demanding higher convenience and service in the core products offered by postal players, while often not being willing to pay higher prices (especially B2C e-commerce parcel senders)
  - Disruptors are winning the postal players' natural new growth segments (e.g. parcels and financial services), in particular Amazon
  - Regulatory pressure to maintain retail network coverage and USO requirements continue impacting postal players' economics; although most European players still enjoy some form of subsidy

### Postal players have been under increasing pressure which impacts branch networks



# The world of post is changing fast in the face of megatrends that generate both threats and opportunities

## Digitisation of letters



- World going paperless
- Advertising going digital

# E-commerce and parcels growth

Shopping at your fingertips

### **Disruptive innovators**

 Amazon: "Marketplace" and "Fulfilment by Amazon"

#### The gig economy



- Much lower labour cost structure
- Different motivations from 'lifestyle couriers'

## Disruption in financial services



- Cashless, online and mobile banking
- Trust deficit
- Withdrawal from the high street

## Megatrends impacting global postal markets

## Digital government



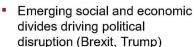
 Online management of national and municipal services, benefits, and taxes

## The mobile economy



- 'Uberfication' of services
- Changing customer interaction models

### The polymorphous world



#### The privatisation wave



- European posts under private ownership
- Peak in government sales

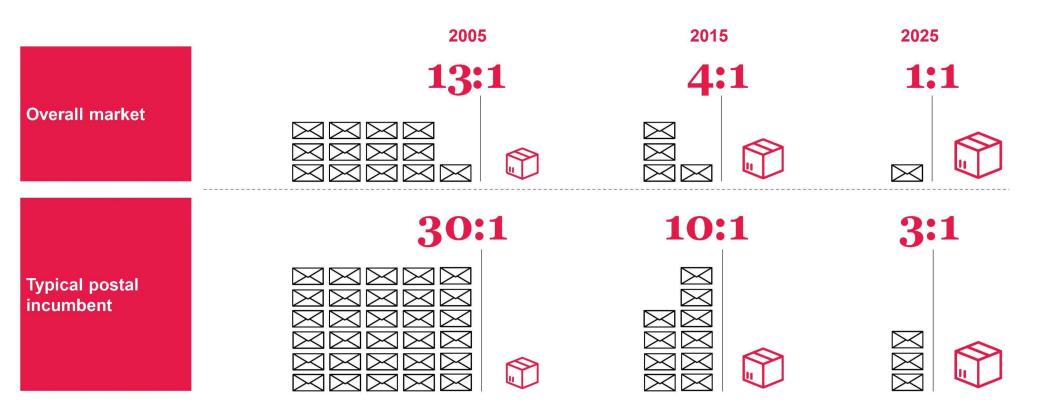
## Convenience retail



- Growth in convenience and discounter retail
- Big box retailers entering the market



## Mail and parcel are set to reach volume parity by 2025

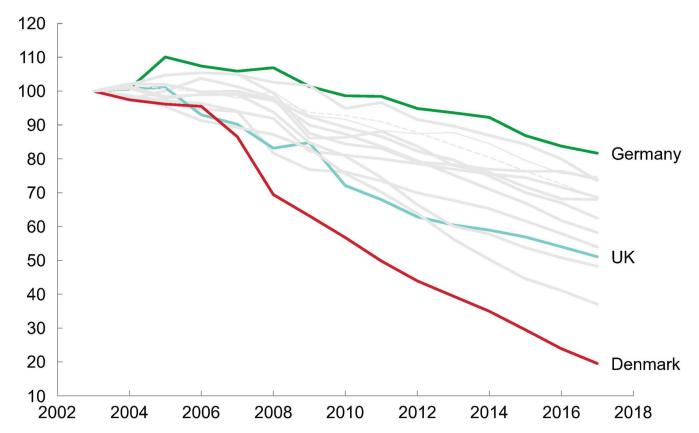


### The decline of the mail business is structural and irreversible

**ESTIMATES** 

### Addressed domestic letter volumes in selected markets<sup>1</sup>

Indexed, 2003=100



<sup>1</sup> Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, US SOURCE: Operators' website and annual report; Regulators; UPU; Press

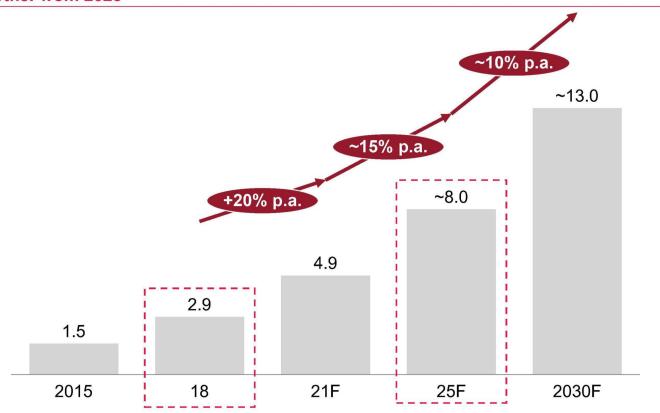
## A few observations and additional facts ...

- Drop in mail volumes in key
   European postal markets –
   speed of decline driven by local habits and regulation
- 80% drop in mail volume in Denmark since 2003 – eGovernment initiatives since 2007 accelerated decline
- <20% drop in mail volume in Germany – least affected market in the analyzed set
- Most of key postal markets increased stamp prices since 2010, only Switzerland kept prices stable

### E-commerce is currently a ~ USD 3 tr market, quadrupling to ~ USD 8 tr by 2025

E-commerce market worldwide USD trillions

Based on observation of historic growth of most mature e-commerce markets (e.g., UK, US), our assumption is that growth rate will decline from 2020 onwards and further from 2025



#### A few additional facts ...

**20X** increase in global e-commerce since 2000

**5x** growth differential between online and brick and mortar retail expected in 2016-21

**30%** share of total retail to happen online by 2030

**70-80%** of all e-commerce purchases delivered via networks

**36bn** e-commerce (B2C) parcels handled globally p.a.

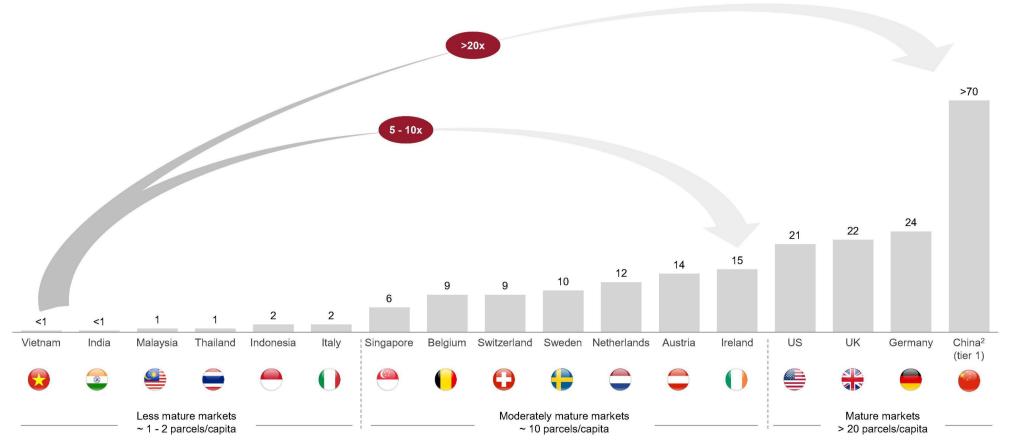
New geographies, consumer segments, product verticals, channels and occasions as drivers

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## Differences in e-commerce parcel penetration highlight growth opportunities

E-commerce relevant parcel<sup>1</sup> penetration

In parcels per capita, per year



<sup>1 &</sup>quot;E-commerce-relevant" is defined as domestic B2C parcels, with speed typical for e-commerce shipments in the given country2 Shanghai and Beijing, assuming 70% B2C share SOURCE: Research, various reports



### 4 universal truths

### **Competitive market**

**40%** 

of parcel market share for typical incumbent

Australia with dominating incumbent share in B2C<sup>1</sup> parcel delivery (75%<sup>2</sup>), particularly outside major population areas

Competition is aggressive and increasing, e.g., etailers such as Amazon are already insourcing logistics

### **Customer expectations**

**70%** 

prefer price over speed

44% of customers have no willingness to pay extra for same-day parcel delivery, 40% only <1 EUR<sup>3</sup>

Currently 90% of parcel deliveries are same-day or next-day deliveries

### **Legacy costs**

~30%

higher unit costs vs. competitors in urban areas

Labor represents 80% of parcel production costs
In urban areas labor cost disadvantage of up to 30% - without benefit of network effects

### **Innovation gap**

**10**X

less IT jobs

No postal incumbent listed in Forbes top 100 list of digital companies 2018

Postal incumbents are often stuck with rigid corporate cultures that are slow moving and risk averse

<sup>1. 30%</sup> market share in B2B; 2 Based on percent of total volumes in 2015; 3 Consumer survey across US, China and Germany (n= 4,700), conducted 2016 Source: IPC; APA/Branchenradar

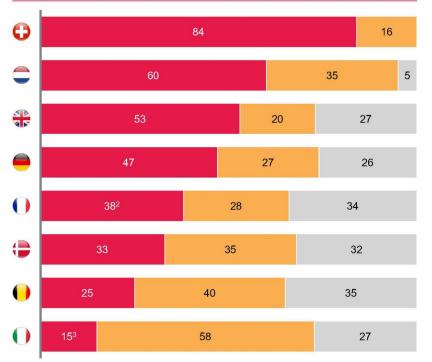
## Domestic volumes dominated by local players – various competitor types attacking with sharp value propositions

Postal Incumbent 2 main competitors Other

Tough competition - postal incumbents are #1 in most parcel markets, but face strong rivalry ...

#### Domestic parcel & express market shares,

Selective markets1, Percent



... with 3 types of competitors attacking with sharp value propositions

Competitor type	Strengths	Exam	ples	
	Transferrable expertise from B2B operations (e.g., time-window delivery)	US	UPS	ups
B2B-focused parcel specialists and express integrators	Network synergies due to B2B baseload and factor cost advantages	EU	DPD	🗳 dpd
	Stronger brands in some markets	CN	SF Express	(SF) EXPRESS IN IT IS IN IT
	High agility and innovative power ('digital first', '10X better' mindset)	US	Postmates	POSTMATES
B2C delivery startups	Ability to cherry-pick and tailor offering to coverage areas or verticals	EU	Ocado	<b>©</b> ocado∣
	Ability to 'buy market growth' on the back of growth financing	CN	Ele.me	ele.me
	High agility and innovative power ('digital first', greenfield)	US	Amazon	amazon
Forward-integrating e-tailers	Superior consumer insight and access ('what's inside the box')	EU	Amazon	amazon
	Ability to cross-subsidize with other revenue streams (e.g., commissions)	CN	Alibaba	Alibaba.com

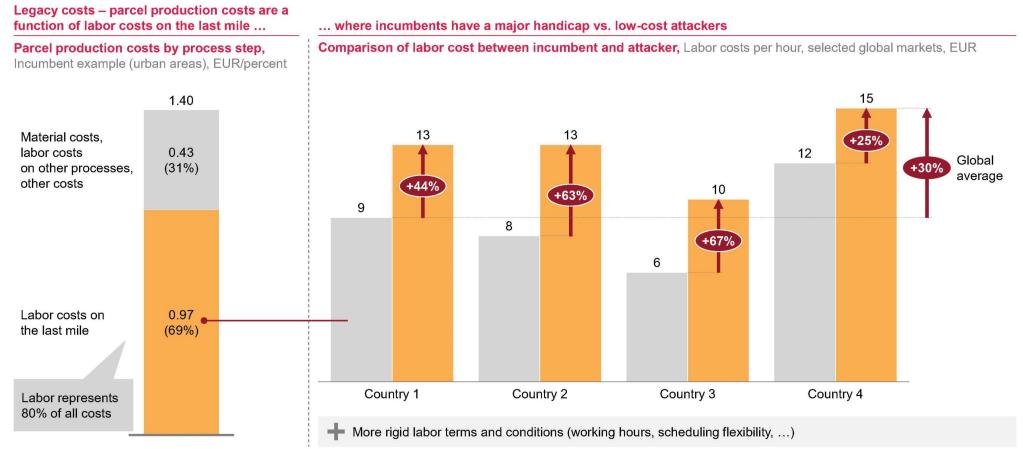
<sup>1</sup> Revenue-based for BE, DK, FR; 2 Includes Coliposte, Chronopost, Exapaq; 3 Poste Italiane is not in top 3

Two main competitors include: DPD and DHL in SW; UPS and DHL in BE; GLS and local player in DK; FedEx and UPS in FR; Hermes and DPD in DE and UK; DHL and GLS in NL; Top 3 in IT: Bartolini, FedEx and UPS

SOURCE: IPC



### Legacy costs – parcel production costs are a function of labor costs on the last mile where incumbents have a major handicap vs. low-cost attackers Low-cost attacker Incumbent



<sup>1</sup> Case example for delivery of 1 parcel in Berlin through a parcel network with 125,000 parcels per day SOURCE: Press



# Innovation gap – postal incumbents find it harder to innovate than their 'digital first' attackers

O Postal incumbents appear on Forbes' Top 100 Digital companies list

Amazon, Alibaba and JD.com all listed within Top 50

#10 FedEx as first Postal/Parcel company on most admired companies list

#2 Amazon ranking

IT Jobs open worldwide for Deutsche Post DHL¹

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Jobs offered by Amazon within the category of Operations, IT & Support-Engineering<sup>1</sup>

60% Of FTEs are longer than 10 years with their firm

Year median tenure at Amazon and Google

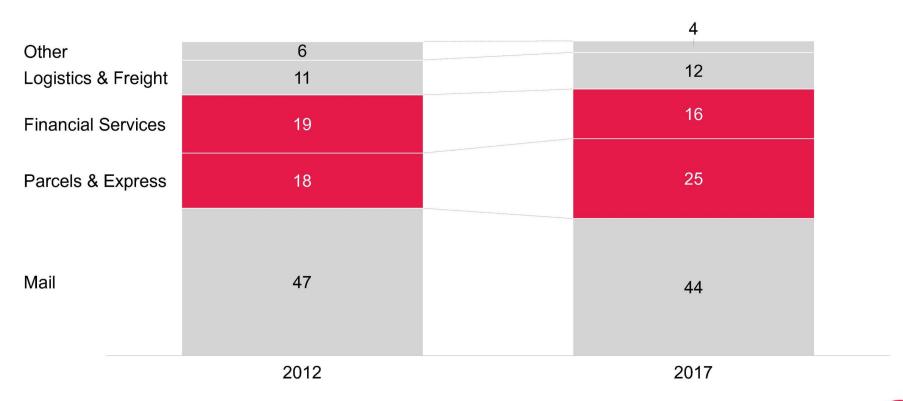
Capital expenditure as a share of total revenue in 2017 by Postal companies

**~6%** Capital expenditure on average by Amazon, Alibaba, JD.com

## E-commerce and financial services are important drivers of growth in postal business

### Industry revenue share <sup>1</sup>

Percentage

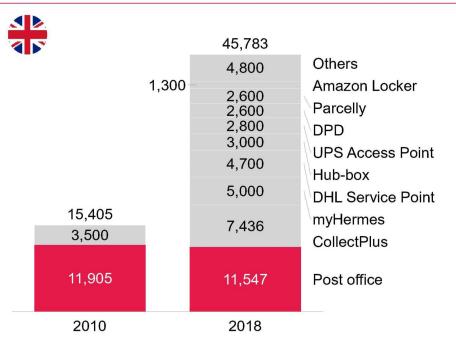


<sup>1</sup> Includes IPC members (postal operators from Europe, North America and the Asia-Pacific region). Collectively, their operations deliver 80% of global mail volumes SOURCE: IPC

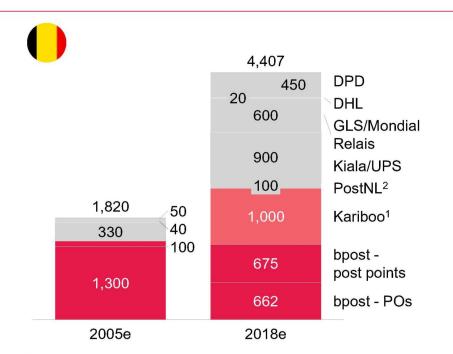
# E-commerce shoppers' need for convenient receiving drives explosive growth of parcel retail networks

#### Post and parcel retail network expansion

# of offices



~7 new branches opened every day in the UK between 2010 and 2017



bpost increased its network relying on postal points and non-exclusive parcel shops

<sup>1</sup> Kariboo points serve as non-exclusive parcelshops (for bpost and some for competitor PostNL too); 2 PostNL relies on Kariboo and additional own points SOURCE: UPU; Company Web sites; Press search

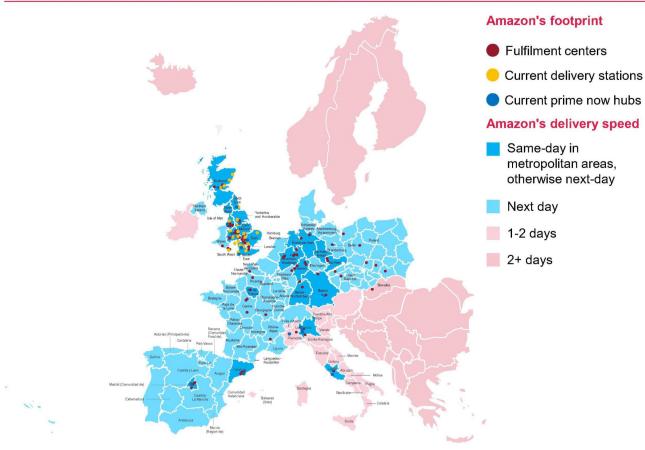
## E-commerce supergiants are entering the battle for B2C logistics



<sup>1</sup> Total costs of e-commerce merchants, both in- and outsourced SOURCE: Industry experts

## Example Amazon: broad fulfilment network as basis for fast delivery across regions

### Amazon's fulfilment network and delivery speeds



<sup>1</sup> Best available delivery speed for Amazon Prime customers, delivery speeds for some products and areas may vary Source: Web search

### **Implications**

Amazon has a broad network of fulfillment center across Europe to enable both scale and speed

Amazon already has a consistent same-day offering in metropolitan areas in main countries

Amazon also leverages its broad fulfillment network to offer fast cross-border deliveries (e.g., Belgium, Portugal, Poland)

# Amazon's value proposition is built on operational excellence, scale-induced quality improvements and an integrated offering

What amazon offers...



- Best-in-class fulfillment, fast delivery and customer-friendly returns fulfillment
- Branding that drives endconsumer trust in fast and reliable service



**Excellence** 

Scale and Consolidation

- Superior service levels currently unavailable to eCommerce merchants
- Scale effects for eCommerce merchants



- Integrated domestic and international carrier management
- End-to-End tracking across entire value chain







 Distributed Order Management system with integrated optimization algorithm for cost and speed in FC network



- Integrated fulfillment center network to allow fast shipping and easy localization
- Late cutoffs, rigorous cutoff manage-ment and service promise transparency



- Direct Injections into foreign networks to limit quality losses
- IT-Integration with and optimized use of international deferred carrier network





 Priority processes to ensure fastest delivery in deferred network (i.e. at affordable cost)

Reverse logistics



 Integrated white-label returns portal for direct connection between returns, inventory and payment

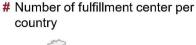
# Logistics partners can enable a consistent next day service promise across Europe for retailers – matching Amazon on fulfilment center density not a requirement

Amazon's current fulfilment center footprint in Europe



Theoretical requirements for consistent next-day-shipping in Europe







72 FF center



~9 FF center

~87% of Amazon's 72 fulfillment center in Europe are only required due to the immense scale of the business and are strategically located to service high density areas

# Governments are increasingly digitising their services, reducing the need for both mail and a physical footprint

#### **Public Sector examples**

Sweden



Strong digital agendas in social insurance and tax:

- Social insurance agency: eliminating paper forms and manual handling processes
- Tax: authorisation of annual tax declaration through text message response to pre-filled tax form

Denmark



Top down digitisation agenda spearheaded by the central digitisation agency:

Digitising 80% of all government communication: non-digital communications to citizens are banned except in rare exception cases

Australia

UK



Service New South Wales developed a unified, single point of contact for residents and businesses for more than 800 transactions, including:

- Driver licenses
- Birth certificates
- Seniors1 Cards
- Fair Trading licenses



Core services now predominantly online:

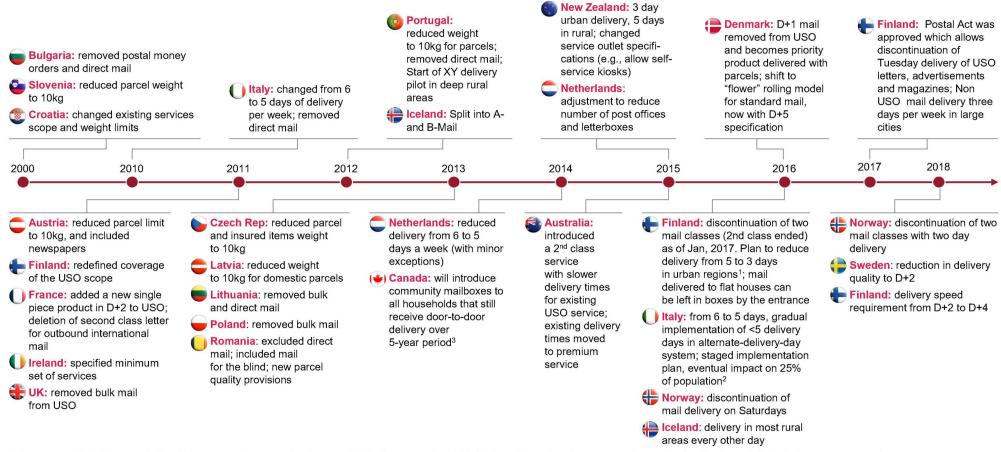
- Tax return submission
- Passport renewal
- Car tax renewal, including abolition of physical tax disc
- Renewal of driving licenses
- Booking driving tests (over 98% booked online)
- Parking fines payment





Elsewhere on GOV.UK

### As volumes decline, operators obtain more important USO scope modification. EXAMPLE



1 Coverage: 85% of the population. This measure is not yet implemented, 2 Delivery standard of 2-13 days depend on distance, product, and urbanization , 3 Halted after government change and review

Source: Press, academic literature search, operators' reporting

# Though, regulatory pressures on network coverage have been increasing in some markets



### **Portugal**

Anacom reviewing minimum required coverage on each municipality, likely to result in increased (branch-like) coverage in 33 locations for CTT





33

### **Netherlands**



The State allowed several USO modifications, including halving number of post offices and letter boxes





1,000 offices

1,000 down from 2,000



8,700 postboxes

9,300 down from 18,000

### Regulatory debate will stay key lever on the long-run

## Themes to address in regulatory management

### Peer examples

Regulatory negotiation stays key for postal services entrusted with USO, branch requirement



Optimization within the current requirement



Stable network size, but boost outsourcing of operation



Renegotiation of constraint to decrease service cost



Network size adaption



Negotiation of the financing or alternative delivery of the public service



Tax exemption for territorial presence and joint post-townhall operation of branches

## Regulatory requirement on network size and proximity is a key lever

	Minimum branch number	Distance criteria		
	12,000 fixed location facilities  At least 1 permanent facility in any municipality with more than 2,000 residents	Customers in any municipality with more than 4,000 residents or in adjoining built-up areas shall in general be able to reach a permanent facility within no more than 2,000 m. Additionally, in every district 1 permanent facility shall be located per 80 km². All other locations must be served by mobile postal service units		
<b>+</b>	At least 1 facility in each municipality <sup>1</sup>	Service points shall be placed so that users have access to a service point within a reasonable distance		
	×	At least 95% of the national population should have access to a complete assortment of postal services within a 5 km reach from where they live.  The distribution of service points, with a complete assortment outside residential areas of more than 5,000 inhabitants, shall provide access to at least 85% of the non-urban population within a 5 km radius		
	×	Under the regulatory conditions, Royal Mail must ensure facilities are provided such that the premises of not less than 95% of users or potential users are within 5 km of an access point capable of receiving the largest relevant postal packets and registered mail, and that the premises of not less than 95% of users in each postcode area are within 10 km of such access points		
•	×	At least 90% of the population must be able to reach this network within 20 minutes on foot or by public transport (30 minutes if a doorstep collection service exists). In addition, at least one post office in every For financial services included in the USO, at least 90% of the population must have access to the services within 30 minutes by foot or by public transport on average		
•	Postal Law requires one facility by municipality The Sixth Management Contract provides that bpost must maintain a retail network SGEI of at least 1,300 postal service points, including post offices and third-party-run postal shops.	×		
	×	Services must be accessible to everyone and be provided at a reasonable distance from one's home or workplace. The density of the access points must take into account the needs of users		
0	×	At least 99% of the national population and at least 95% of the population in each department must be less than 10 km from a post office branch. All municipalities with over 10,000 inhabitants must have at least 1 post office branch per 20,000 inhabitants. Additional post office network requirements (following the requirements of La Poste's public service mission of regional planning) do not permit more than 10% of a department's population to be further than 5 km or more than 20 minutes by car under normal driving conditions for the area concerned from the closest La Poste point of contact. The 2010 postal act requires that the postal network consists of at least 17,000 contact points		
	The Postal Market Act prescribes a minimum of 1,650 postal service points.	Density criteria newly introduced. Austrian Post must ensure that all municipalities with over 10,000 inhabitants as well as 90% of the people living in the urban areas of all provincial capitals must have access to a postal service point within a radius of two kilometers. In all other regions, the prescribed maximum distance to a postal service point is ten kilometers		

<sup>1</sup> Service points shall be placed so that users of a universal service have access to a service point within a reasonable distance of their permanent residence. It is also possible to operate a service point that is not at a fixed location

SOURCE: Regulators, Opretators' reporting, Press

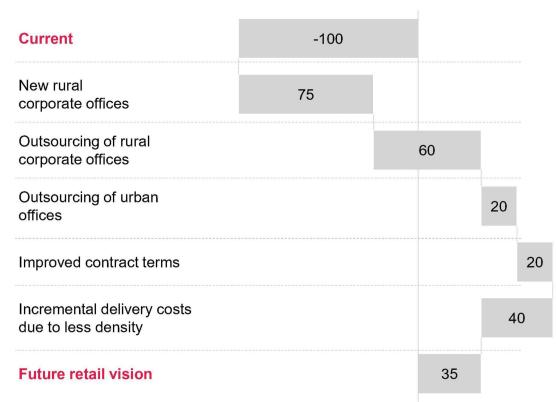
# In light of sector trends, postal players have been optimizing their retail network – example of North American postal player

### **Key actions**

- Review of product portfolio
- Simplifications of retail products and processes
- Full clean sheet redesign of branch formats, pricing and third-party contracts
  - Urban office conversion/closure (~400)
  - Rural office conversion to co-located (~900)
- Optimized retail footprint exploiting new-gained flexibility in USO regulation

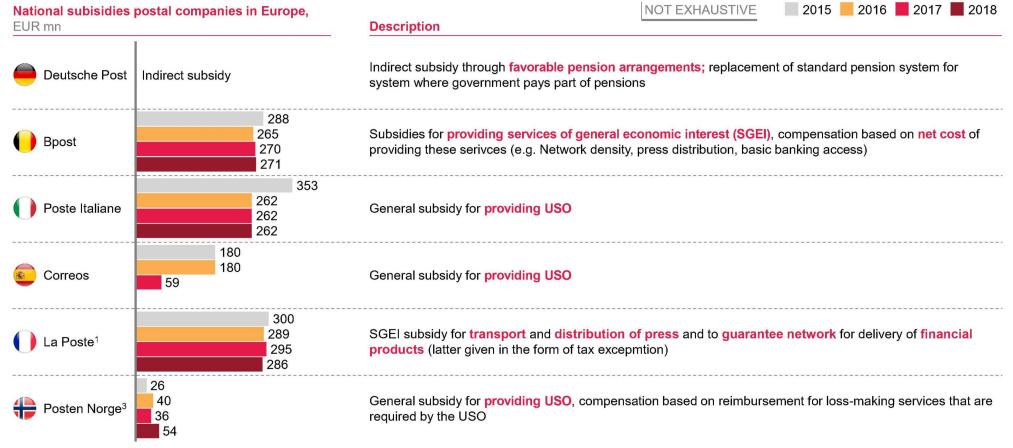


#### EBIT impact, \$mn



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# Throughout Europe postal companies receive (in)direct subsidies for sustaining the USO



<sup>1</sup> Excluding compensation for providing banking services, 2 Based on exchange rate of 1,13 EUR per GBP; network subsidy payment to Post Office Limited 3 Based on exchange rate of 0,10 EUR per NOK

Source: Annual reports postal companies, national supervisors



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### **Executive summary – learnings from postal players**

There are three pillars of learnings from other post players:

- 1. Winning in competitive growth areas requires **adapting the retail network structure** to better serve consumers (e.g., DHL's dense parcelshop network provides convenience to its e-commerce receivers)
  - Multi-tiered networks allow for improved economics without compromising on sales and convenience
- 2. Growing the top-line through non-core, third-party products usually fails to create sizeable revenue streams. Most sizable growth areas are parcels and financial services. Sales performance programmes as well as targeted incentives can be effective growth levers
- 3. Remaining competitive with a lean cost base requires **consolidating footprint** and **different approaches to ownership** (e.g., franchise, dealers)
  - Automation in selected areas, both in customer-facing activities and in in-store operations, is a key
    lever to improve customer experience in a cost-effective manner, culminating in the "unmanned branch"
    (Singapore, Finland)
  - Strong partnerships with retailers (e.g. in Canada) have been successful, based on standardised master franchise arrangements and clear understanding of economic benefits of having a post office (e.g. 15% sales uplift for retail)

## We have reviewed over 40 posts globally to identify learnings for postal retail networks



## Three main groups of questions to be addressed



### Retail network strategy

- How can stores help win in growth segments such as e-commerce and FS?
- What is the right branch segmentation to ensure appropriate and efficient service?



### **Product & sales**

- What further products should be commercialized and how?
- 4 How sales in branches can become more efficient?



### **Operations & economics**

- What ownership model work to control costs while delivering excellence?
- 6 What is the ideal store coverage and operational model?

# 1 DHL is building a dense parcelshop network to provide convenience to its e-commerce receivers





- Offers proximity access to parcel sending for individual customers
- At target state, DHL aims to have 20,000 parcelshops (today ~11,000 parcelshops, 13,000 retail outlets and 3,700 parcel lockers)
- Low and variable cost operations
- Basic product offering parcel receipt, send and returns, domestic stamps
- Only needs basic equipment (a handheld scanner, label printer) and inventory is minimal

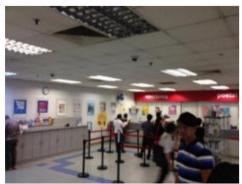
## 1 SingPost redesigned branches to reflect e-commerce ambition



### From...

Change Alley Post Office

Post Office as key customer touchpoint does not reflect SingPost's vision and transformation







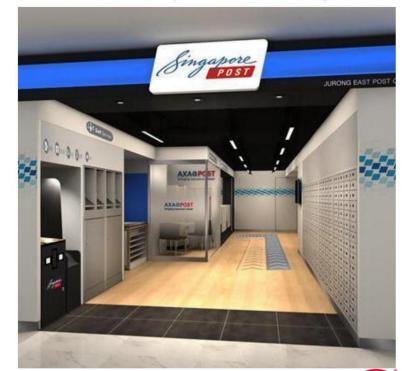




#### To...

Ocean Financial Center

New branch with 60% less overall space, but 24/7 self service zone occupies 48% of total space





## 1 Canada Post tests a concept store to meet online shoppers' needs





- Drive-thru parcel pickup
- All-in-one self-serve shipping station
- A fitting room where customers can try on the outfit they bought online and if needed, return it immediately
- Self-serve vending kiosk
- Extended hours: self-serve 24/7, opening 9-9 on weekdays, 9-5 weekends

## 1 Poste Italiane has established a leading FS business through BancoPosta

### Banco Posta

#### **BancoPosta starting position**

- Large incumbent utility with 8m customer, 150k employees and €0.5tn in assets
- BancoPosta can offer a full suite of products without a banking license
  - BancoPosta cannot lend to the public directly, but can be an intermediary
- BancoPosta is, however, required to maintain ring fenced capital





#### **Key developments**

- Since 2001, BancoPosta has innovated and grown its product range in a steady and managed way
  - They moved from current accounts and payments, to prepaid cards, and on to mobile payments
  - Other products include lending, mutual funds, insurance
- BancoPosta has managed this growth through numerous partnerships
- Banking clients receive several advantages
  - Priority postal branch services; Discounts on postal and other products; Easier online money transfers

#### **Outcome**

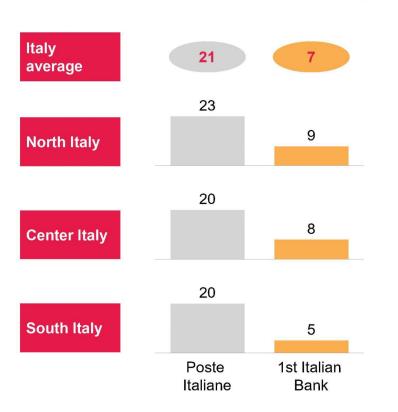
- In 10 years, BancoPosta more than doubled the market share in terms of number current accounts
- Moving to expand wealth management and increase distribution of loans, mortgages and P&C insurance
  - Strongly positive market reception to renewed 5-year strategic vision: double digit share price increase
- The postal networks allows for nearly 3x the number of branches versus the next largest bank

# Poste Italiane created a competitive advantage in financial services with its large branch network

**Poste**italiane

Coverage of Italian population, Branches / 100k

inhabitant



### Italy's leading customer distribution network



### Mail & parcel

Unrivalled physical distribution network



## Payments, mobile & digital

- Italian payments champion
- Advanced customer data capabilities
- Leading financial web and app platforms



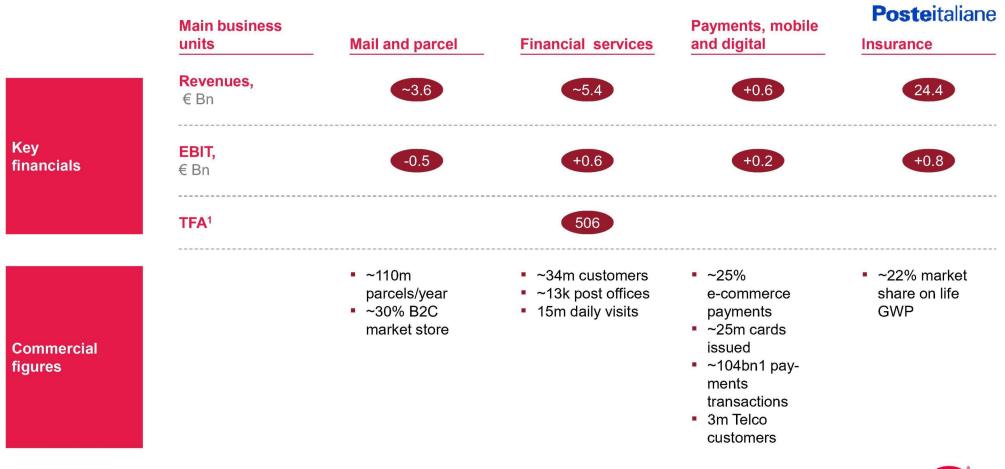
#### Financial & insurance

 Market leading product distribution network

Poste has nearly 50% of population as a customer, 18% share in savings accounts, 8% in consumer loans and outperforms peers on ROE (~23%)

# 1 Poste italiane : The FS play

2017



1 Total financial assets

# 1 La Poste is expanding financial product portfolio and adjusts the branch environment





- La Poste Bank and BPE collaborate to offer private banking services
- Early 2019, BPE has 75 offices, BPE-spaces in 45 post offices complement its own branches deploying private banking spaces in some of its post offices

targeting the postal bank's 600,000 affluent clients



# 1 Portugal's CTT has moved up the FS value chain from distribution to creating and broadening the product offering

🥰 ctt

#### Where CTT started

- In 2015, Banco CTT was created as legal entity with banking license provided by Bank of Portugal
- Prior to this, CTT offered very limited financial services
- CTT had a very strong existing mass market postal customer base
- The initial approach was for a low risk balance sheet strategy



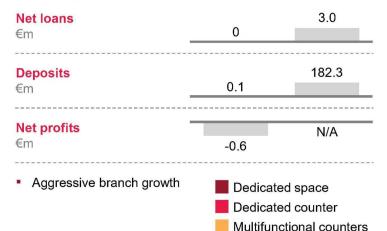
Dedicated counter space

#### Key developments

- The bank focuses on the mass market, offering simple, transactional products
  - Principles of fairness, transparency, low cost
- Lending began as an intermediary, in partnership with Cetelem
  - It is gradually increasing its exposure to credit risk and broadening the product range
- The initial 51 branches have expanded to ~200, built off CTT's postal network
  - Branches have either multifunction counters (with postal), dedicated counters, or dedicated space
- Digital focused

## Outcome

Strong customer growth, and move to breakeven (2015 v 3Q16):





## 1 Within FS we see different strategies for posts

**Traditional approach** Radical moves

- A Last Mile Utility for all F2F needs
- (B) Classic Postal Bank model with **Distribution only**
- Digital Customer Interface provider
- Become **Ethical Bank**
- Ecosystem covering FS (Fintech) + non-FS

- Description
- Offer branch services for existing banks
- Expand into KYC/ ID verification for credit checks etc
- Expand current offering (e.g., credit cards, loans)
- Negotiate best possible distributor terms
- Act as aggregator of all financial relationships (PSD2 play)
- Offer 3<sup>rd</sup> party and own products
- Build a fair ethical bank based on brand trust
- Fair and transparent themed
- Become key gateway that spans FS and related sectors
- Partner with Fintech
- Build ecosystem

- **Potential**
- Fee-based partnership with banks
- JV with traditional banking to act as intermediary

Multiple models possible depending on product choice – opportunity to take origination revenues either directly as a bank or in JVs



Example

players















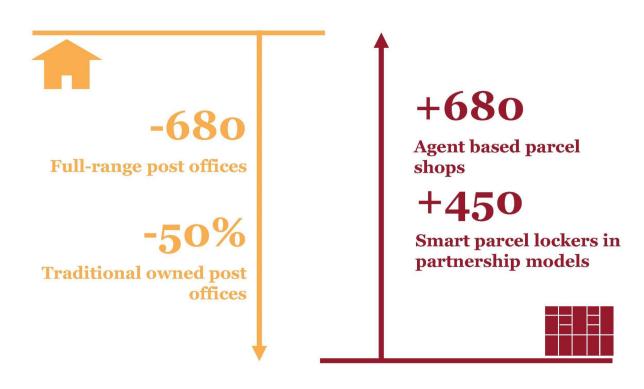






## 2 Retail networks have to be adapted to maximize customer convenience

#### European post and parcel player example



### **Key considerations**

- Maximizing convenience through longer opening hours and additional (community) services
- Improving accessibility for pickup and returns through more access points
- Creating lock-in effect with ecommerce customers through parcel lockers
- Providing attractive agent incentives in a post-mail environment

2 Successful postal peers transformed their branches in multi- tiered networks to allow sales, convenience and lower cost

1 Sales focus

Large offices with a wide range of services

**Primary goal** is to provide the highest quality service and ensure a positive brand perception

2 Service focus

Mid-sized offices with an optimal set of services

Primary goal is to provide **fast**, **efficient and high-quality** of large volumes of transactions

**3** Local Access

Small offices with a narrow range of core services

Primary goal is meet the accessibility criteria/social needs or provide a response to the competition

**4** Direct Channels

A set of alternative channels provides more options to the customer and increases the quality of customer service – mainly websites, mobile applications, call centers

# 2 For example, La Poste has 3 outlet formats, to which DPD adds parcel shop and locker network



#### Own operated office

- ~8,700 outlets
- 1-2, 3-5, 7-8 counters, banking dedicated office or counter in medium and large offices
- Private customers, SME and corporate
- Service offers
  - Full range postal
  - Full range financial services
  - Full range of mobile and digital services
  - Third party services

#### 3rd-party municipality outlet

- ~6.500 outlets
- 1-2, 3-5 counter, banking dedicated counter in medium ones
- Municipality branches are operated partnership with a town hall or group of municipalities
- Private customers1
- Service offers
  - Large scale of post, parcel services
  - Most commonly used FS

#### 3rd-party retail outlet

- ~2,000 outlets
- 1(-2) counter at retailer
- Framework agreements with a few large retailers (Franprix, Total, Carrefour) but also individual retail contracts
- Private customers1
- Service offers
  - Most commonly used post, parcel and basic financial service

#### DPD Pickup (parcel shop)

- ~7,800 in France (31,200 in Europe)
- 1 counter
- Equipment: handheld scanner, label printer, scale
- Private customers, SME
- Service offers
  - Parcel sending, return and receiving (direct order to shop or failed home delivery)
  - Product exchange, sending and receipt of equipment for repair (e.g., set-top box)
  - Parcel shop to parcel shop sending France and international within DPD European network



## DPD Pickup Station (parcel locker)

- ~350 (250 in stations, 150 in post offices)
- Private customers
- Service offers
  - Parcel receipt on choice of customer to order in locker









1 Or SMEs behaving like private customers SOURCE: La Poste; Press

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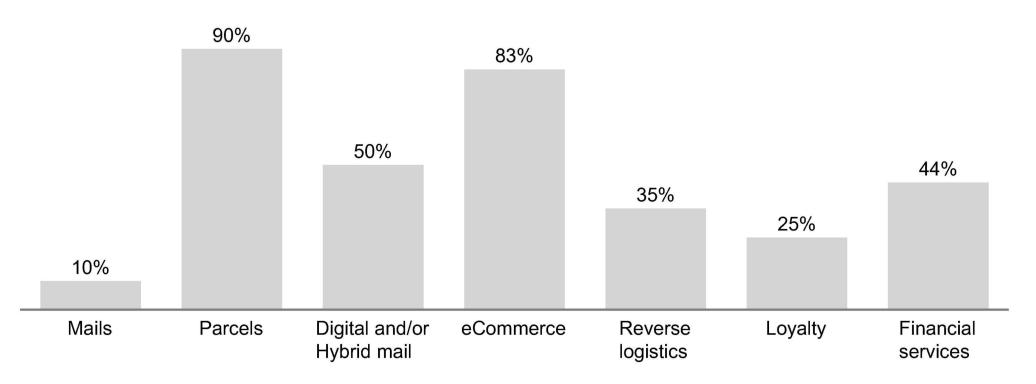
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# 3 Postal players have attempted to sell various non-core, third-party products in offices

Description	Example operator
Mobile phones, prepaid cards and subscriptions	Various operators
Fixed line and internet subscriptions	UK Post Office
Stationery	Commonly offered
Personal computers and other electronic items	Swiss Post in the past, Austrian Post
Various items (e.g. consumer electronics) via mail order	Poste Italiane
Books/CDs/DVDs	Commonly offered
Gift vouchers	UK
Public transport tickets/subscription	Czech Post
Event tickets	China Post for Expo
Flight ticket booking & payment (Jetstar airlines)	SingPost
Cinema ticket booking & payment	SingPost
Toys and games	Australia Post
ID photo service	Australia Post
Copy and fax services	Austrian Post
Drop off and pickup point for computer repair services	SingPost
Travel services, e.g., rental car, airline and hotel booking	UK Post Office

# What are the services you see being the most important to success over the next 5 years?



NOTE: Multiple answers were allowed

SOURCE: Escher

## 3 EU peers offer varied level of government services and often decoupled NOT EXHAUSTIVE from branch network

Italic Service provided outside post office

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Bureau Areas<sup>2</sup>

#### **Payment services**

- Reimbursement requests concerning health expenses
- Utility payments
- Toll road payments

#### ID verification, authenticcation, enrolment

- Notarial or judiciary certificates
- Real estate, civil or commercial certificates requests

#### E-government services

#### Official document applications and renewals1

- Driving license renewal
- Residence permit renewal
- Registering foreign workers' contracts
- Registering intellectual property

#### Other government services

 Scheduling appointments at the hospital or healthcare center

Vehicle tax

- Social welfare payments
- State pension payments
- Payment services for unbanked citizens
- Electronic payment for customs duties
- Electronic payment services for INAIL (insurance for workplace accidents

PosteID application

- With PosteID, users can enter into SPID, a single login system for access to all online services of the Italian public administrations (e.g. INPS, social security institution, and INAIL)
- Passport services
- Health card application
- Application for cards of welfare benefits
- 5700 offices operate citizen help desk, which allows multiple services. e.g. land registry, residence permit personal certificates applications
- Integrated notification services: manages selected government official communications towards citizens (e.g. traffic fines)
- End to end management of PosteVita fund, a national health insurance system for companies and public administrations



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- Adminpay secure online payment for e-government
- Video ID checks
- SuisseID (likely 2020)
- Vivates secure eHealth data exchange
- E-voting platform

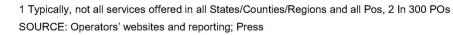
- Postal voting
- Secure delivery and digital access to court documents



- Cash transactions for unbanked citizens

- E2E license plate management
- Fishing permit

- Medical document distribution
- Traffic fine management
- Treasury's financial transactions
- Pensions' home distribution





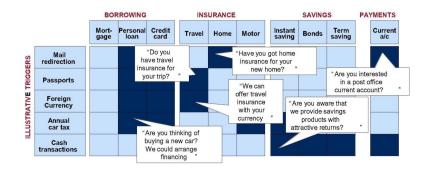
- 3 "Lessons learned" from other postal services companies yield several insights for POL direction
- 1 Every post has made attempts to grow outside the core in "adjacent" markets. The vast majority of these efforts has failed to create either sizeable revenue streams (more than £20m per annum) or profits. E.g., mailroom management, ID validation, secure email, digital letterbox, document archiving, warehousing, postie add on services (meter reading) etc
- 2 The successes have been primarily from legacy assets, in particular growth of financial services and mobile (e.g., Poste Italiane), as well as parcel markets
- 3 Other posts have, in general, failed to incubate new businesses organically. There have been some successes in making acquisitions, especially in two areas:
  - Rollup of other express or parcel operators (DHL Express in Europe, UPS and Fedex globally)
  - Acquisition of businesses which have subsequently been run at arm's length in order to preserve different culture and people processes e.g. Deutsche Post acquisition of digital marketing boutiques Nugg and Admail

## 4 Sales scripts, tools can boost in-branch sales

#### Best practices from retail and banking environment

- Standard and well-known to staff scripts for basic products is use
- A heatmap of potential cross and up-sell situation identified and staffed trained on transitions if recognizing any of the triggers
- Staff is coached on translating products knowledge to a language understandable by any customer
- Adequate training and coaching e.g., via role plays providing experience on how to deal with different customers
- Regular monitoring, feedback and performance dialogues are provided to staff

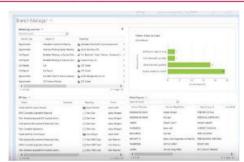
#### Counter clerk trigger-selling chart example



#### Simple visual and IT tools help track process and progress



Visual sales performance management board



Branch manager's CRM tool

## 4 Branch-specific incentive practices can lift sales

RETAIL BANKING EXAMPLE

#### Best practices at retail banks

- Pay out incentives frequently and more often to create right frontline motivation
- Create gradual incentives to drive growth don't create strong step function
- Ensure employees clearly understand how their incentives tie to overall goals of the institution
- Prioritize strategic objectives (e.g., tiered quotas)
- Drive collaboration amongst sales teams (e.g., group bonus)
- Use leverage in financial incentives to drive appropriate employee behavior
- Provide attractive non-cash incentives to conveys importance and special appreciation
- Build loyalty to the company through unique and culturespecific awards

#### **Examples at postal operators**



Incentivizes to postal clerks by providing possibility to become financial advisor in case of stellar performance



Recruits and manages postal banking staff as in banks: employees specialize in products, they are in charge of a client portfolio, there is separation of staff for retail and corporate banking staff, incentivized for sales



Luxembourgish Post provides incentive-pay for both financial services and telecommunication sales staff

EU postal incumbent

Team incentive for most successful office in sales of third-party product

## Three main groups of questions to be addressed



### Retail network strategy

- How can stores help win in growth segments such as e-commerce and FS?
- What is the right branch segmentation to ensure appropriate and efficient service?



#### **Product & sales**

- What further products should be commercialized and how?
- 4 How sales in branches can become more efficient?



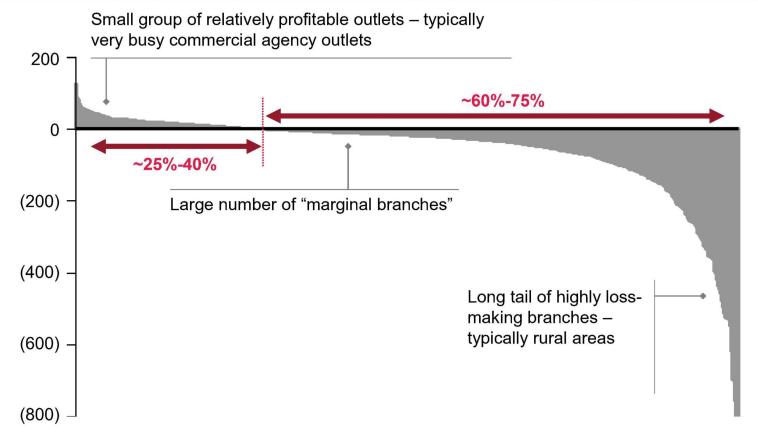
### **Operations & economics**

- What ownership model work to control costs while delivering excellence?
- 6 What is the ideal store coverage and operational model?

## **5** Typically only 1/3 of own-operated branches are profitable...

### Profit (loss) per branch<sup>1</sup>

€ thousand



1 Net profit per branch includes income less direct and attributable costs of network provision SOURCE: Typical experience across multiple European postal counters networks

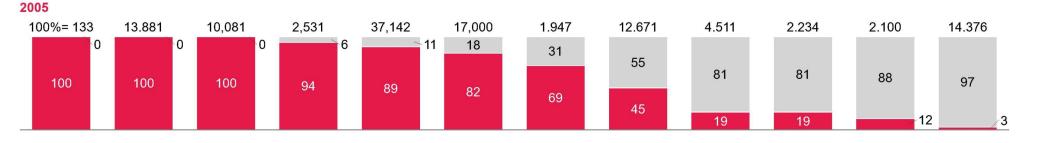


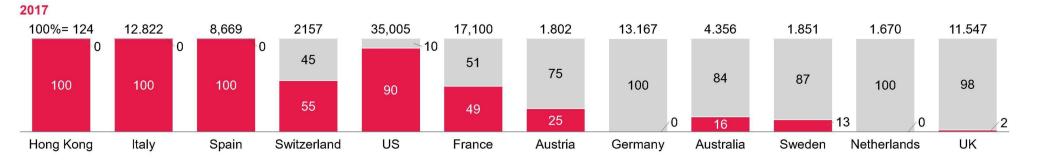
# 6 ... which leads to a strong trend of outsourcing offices

Outsourced Own

#### Postal retail network size and ownership

Percent





<sup>1</sup> PostNL owns offices, but provide services only to corporate clients and were excluded for benchmark purposes SOURCE: Company websites and annual reports; Regulator reports; Press

# 5 Achieving best strategy typically requires relocating many postal branches and innovative approach to partnerships

Where different partners could support the network

















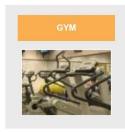
























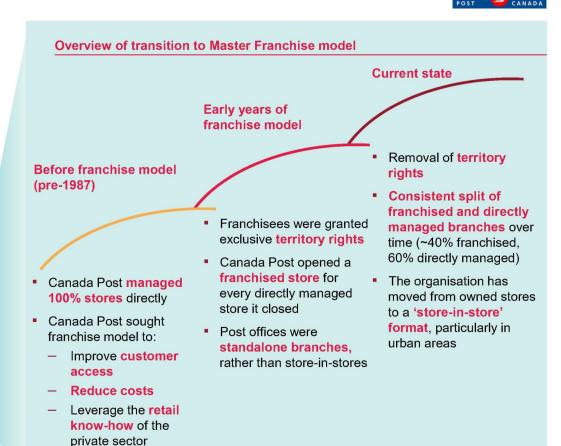


# 5 Example - Canada Post has transitioned from a fully Direct to more of a Master Franchise model over time

#### **Overview of Canada Post**

- Canada Post operates 6,200 branches
- 98% of Canadians live within 15km of a Canada Post branch
- Canada Post delivers mails and parcels to around ~16M addresses per year
- Canada Post generates ~\$8.2B
   annual revenue





# 5 Example - Canada Post's Master Franchise model enables a lean organisation structure with standardised, fixed-period contract terms



#### **Overview of Canada Post franchising model**

- Sub-franchisee owns and operates a Post Office within an existing retail store, e.g., a drugstore
- No exclusive territory rights
- Blended margin of ~20% for Master Franchisees and additional economic benefits driven by increased customer footfall generated by Post Office products (~15% sales uplift)
- Contract term of 5 years with option for a further 5-year renewal
- Minimum of 76 opening hours per week and 7 days per week
- No management of store operations, performance management of stores conducted on a quarterly basis
- Explicit preference for household brand names as partners, as quality is perceived to be better

#### Example partnerships











#### **Relationship with Shoppers Drug Mart**

#### **Overview**





- Canada Post agrees a framework with Shoppers Drug Mart but actual contract is signed on a store-by-store basis – very specific formal contract with standard terms and pricing
- The Master Franchisee is responsible for paying most of the setup cost, i.e., standard fit-out, staging and equipment
- The relationship between Canada Post and Shoppers Drug Mart is renewed every 5 years

# Insights for POL



- Although Master Franchise models create a leaner agent servicing structure, larger contract management teams are required to ensure consistency among franchisees
- Fixed period contracts allow the franchised organisation to update arrangement terms if desired, making it easier to change franchise strategy





SOURCE: Canada Post

# 5 Increasing automation plays an important role in transforming network economics and driving future customer satisfaction

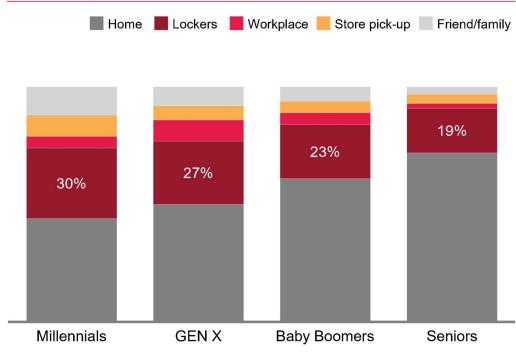
# Counter automation mentioned as #1 factor in branch productivity

Escher postal survey responses<sup>1</sup>



# Younger generations use significantly more automated delivery method

Doddle survey



# 5 Example - Singapore Post introduced self-service postal machines as early as 1997 and also built up the world's densest parcel locker network

Self-service Automated Machines (SAM) were introduced in 1997 by SingPost

In 2010, two thirds of the counter network is composed of SAMs. In 2016, only 3 post offices were not equiped with a SAM They allow easy access to services without queuing and also outside of office opening hours and often 24/7

Wide range of products and services include: bill payments, government services, top ups and gaming etc. SAM specially started to be popular in the early 2000s with introduction 24/7 machines



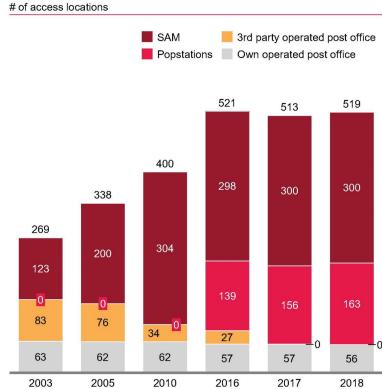
SingPost introduced Popstations (automated parcel terminals) in 2013 for convenient parcel receipt and return

Both services are especially appreciated by younger generation due to convenience Network is composed of 139 machines today, with expansion plan of doubling the network on mid-term

In 2015, 29 Pos have been renovated all allowing digital access, 24/7 letter, bill payment and parcel services Machines allow parcel sending, receiving and returning and customers can also rent a box for peer to peer e-commerce sending



### # of access locations



Source: Singapore Post; Press

## **5** Example – Posti starts roll-out of unmanned post offices

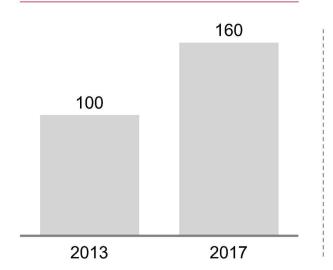
- Posti has completed its second unmanned postal kiosk, located outside Posti's headquarters in Helsinki.
- The kiosk features parcel lockers for collection of parcels and lodging ecommerce returns. Customers can also send domestic and international parcels.
- Customers can contact Posti customer service personnel via a video link for help and advice.



# 5 Parcel lockers gain in popularity and some operators make aggressive bet towards this delivery mode

# Overall trend towards expansion of locker networks continues ...

# of terminals of IPC members, indexed



### ... with pronounced strategy towards lockers at a few operators

Examples



~3700 terminals across Germany

- Lockers introduced as early as 2001
- Multiple generations of technology tested
- Over 10% of population are registered regular users
- Plans to roll out 7,000 by 2021

post

~1,600 terminals in 2018

- 40% of the Finns are covered by a seven day parcel distribution via lockers
- Target of 1500 terminals by end 2019, most dense EU network at target state

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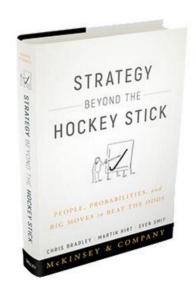
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## REMINDER: Big Bets will help shape the future of the Post Office

- Research found that a significant and flexible reallocation of resources to support "big bets" is one of the most important drivers of revenue growth and profitability improvement
- "Big bets" are initiatives that require significant resources and investment (£10m+ of total CAPEX and exceptional spend over the entire duration of the project) and will materially impact the strategy and/or operating model of the Post Office
- We developed a methodology by which we propose to assess and choose a portfolio of "big bets" using 3 dimensions: financial returns, ease of value capture and fit with the purpose of the Post Office
- Since the previous Board meeting, we have:
  - Further developed our long list of potential Big Bets
  - Assessed the Big Bets against the 3 said dimensions
  - Started ruling out some Big Bets on the basis of poor financials or low feasibility



## We are currently in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final stage of our approach to building a Big Bet portfolio

	1 Ideation Finish w/c/ 4 Nov	Evaluation Finish w/c 25 Nov	3 Selection
Activities	<ul> <li>Generate Big Bet ideas</li> <li>Structure into categories</li> <li>Refine Big Bet definitions</li> <li>Assign primary source of content for evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>decide on Big Bets:</li> <li>Financial estimates (benefits, investment, terminal value when insightful)</li> <li>Feasibility assessment</li> <li>Fit with PO Purpose</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continue to pressure test / refine big-bets, maturing financial estimates and feasibility assessment</li> <li>Cut weakest individual projects by financial / feasibility rankings</li> <li>Select a portfolio from the individual Big Bets based on: affordability, timing, risk profile, interdependencies, PO capacity and capability for change</li> <li>Step-back and test: can we make these bolder, more ambitious?</li> </ul>
Outputs	<ul> <li>Agreed long list of Big Bets</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>List of excluded Big Bets</li> <li>List of shortlisted Big Bets with summary 1-pager</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sequence of Big Bets that will shape the Post Office for next 5 years</li> </ul>

## ③ Big Bet selection is first done at a project level, then at a portfolio level



#### Project-level assessment

Evaluate Big Bets under 3 dimensions:

# High-level financials

- Investment required and contribution
- Level of granularity: as much as relevant for selection
- Informed by external market view when relevant

### **Feasibility**

- How likely is POL to succeed in implementing and capturing the value
- Informed by external market view when relevant

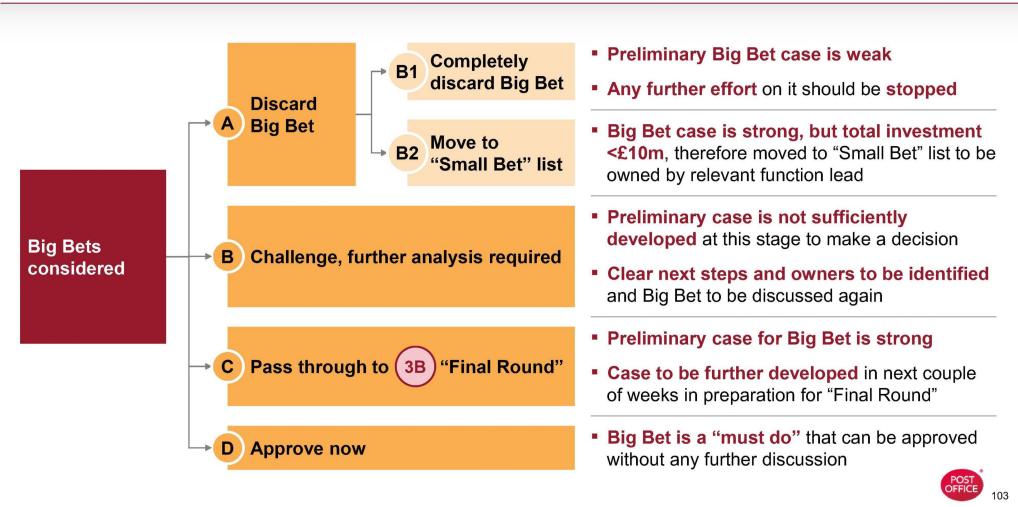
# Fit with POL's purpose

Will it increase convenience, access for all, ability to help our end customers with everyday tasks, etc.?

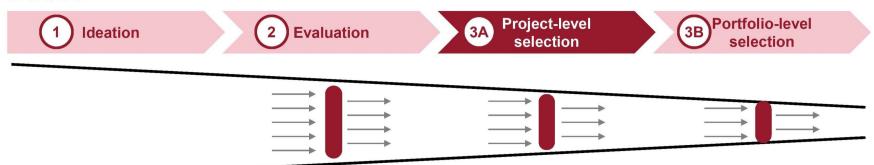
## 3B) Portfolio-level assessment

- Bring all remaining potential Big Bets in a single list
- Refine high-level financial as relevant
- Construct Big Bet portfolio options taking into account:
  - Affordability of investment cash flows required
  - Timing and Risk profile of overall portfolio:
    - Does the portfolio offer a healthy balance between higher-certainty and higherrisk/potential payoff Big Bets, and between shorter- and longer-term payoffs?
    - What is the potential correlation between risk profiles of the higher-risk Big Bets?
    - PO capabilities and capacity for change
  - Potential interdependencies between projects

## Big Bet are submitted to a "decision tree" that underlines a rigorous selection process



# The result is an iterative process that gets us progressively closer to the recommended Big Bet portfolio



Decisionmaking activities

- No decision at this stage
- Rule out those Big Bets whose high-level financials, feasibility or purpose fit are clearly weak
- Through an iterative process, reduce the list to a manageable size by ruling out those Big Bets that have the weakest financials and feasibility
- Select Big Bet portfolio options based on:
  - Affordability
  - Timing
  - Risk profile
  - Interdependencies
  - PO capacity and capability for change

# of potential Big Bets

~40

~25

~15-20

~10-15



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## 4 Big Bet categories

### **Examples of Potential Big Bets**

Optimise the product portfolio and grow revenues from the existing product categories

Transform the network and its operations to ensure its sustainability

Build technology and digital capabilities to support the business

Right-size the central functions

- Sell Telco business
- Digitise parcel journey
- Replace Bol ATMs with POL ATMs
- Redefine the network
- Improve customer experience through branch automation
- Modernise Horizon
- Build digital and analytics capabilities to support other Big Bets
- Right-size the central functions

## Big Bets: Optimise the product portfolio & grow revenues from the existing product cat.

		Big bets	Example of initiatives
	Mails and parcels	Digitise the parcel journey	<ul> <li>Implement an online parcels business connected to the branch journeys</li> </ul>
		Extend the PUDO network	<ul> <li>Increase the PUDO points through Payzone and Parcelshop</li> </ul>
	Bill Pay	Expand the Bill Pay network	<ul> <li>Expand the bill payment network through contract wins and whole estate convenience retailers deals</li> </ul>
	Telco	Telco: divest or keep	<ul> <li>Divest Telco, or keep Telco &amp; reduce cost base through RFP and potential supplier change</li> </ul>
		Replace BOI ATMs with POL ATMs	<ul> <li>Invest in infrastructure to replace current Bol ATMs by POL ATMs</li> </ul>
Optimise	Banking	Grow banking framework business	<ul> <li>Invest in marketing campaign to increase awareness</li> <li>Take a partnership lead approach to develop new services for banks</li> </ul>
the product	Identity	Grow Identity business	<ul> <li>Invest to develop Identify service and seek partnership with a bank</li> </ul>
portfolio and grow revenues		Build an FX transactional proposition	<ul> <li>Expand current FX offering to capitalise on market growth within travel Credit/Debit card market</li> </ul>
from the existing product categories	FS	IR	RELEVANT
	Cross-		
	product categ.	Marketing / Branding investment	■ Invest in developing a Post Office campaign to reinvigorate its brand
	Adjacencies		
	Business model		RRELEVANT

## Big Bets: Transform the network and its operations to ensure its sustainability

	Big bets	Example of initiatives	
	Redefine the network based on customer needs	<ul> <li>Continue DMB closure program at accelerated pace</li> <li>Continue Mains to Locals program</li> <li>Continue New Network Locations program</li> </ul>	
	In-branch cash automation	<ul> <li>Invest in cash automation through TCRs and automated deposit machines</li> </ul>	
	In-branch mails automation	<ul> <li>Invest in automating in-branch mails customer journey through deploying SSKs</li> </ul>	
Transform the network and its operations to ensure its sustainability	Improve agents' experience	<ul> <li>Modernise agent support (e.g., Branch Hub)</li> <li>Digitise agent journeys (e.g., training)</li> <li>Optimise the channel mix and ROI for the agent package taking into account pay, alarms &amp; security, building spend, cash, field teams</li> <li>Change Horizon and processes to simplify customer journeys in branches, reducing errors &amp; queues</li> </ul>	
	Improve supply chain efficiency	<ul> <li>Optimise supply chain efficiency, ownership and systems</li> <li>Outsource cash supply chain</li> <li>Apply advanced analytics to optimise supply chain logistics</li> </ul>	
	Develop agents' capabilities	<ul><li>"Super-size" hot housing</li><li>Build sales competencies of postmasters</li></ul>	POST

# Big Bets: Build technology and digital capabilities to support the business

	Big bets	Example of initiatives
	Modernise Horizon	<ul> <li>Invest to move the Horizon technology onto modern architecture and without any supplier lock-in</li> <li>Review the business needs that drive complexity into what the future Horizon must do</li> </ul>
Build technology and digital capabilities to	Enable management information across POL	Build a MI strategy that enables data-led decision making
support the business	Build customer data and loyalty approach	Build a customer loyalty program underpinned by data & analytics capabilities
	Platform capability building	<ul> <li>Build a POL own platform that allows owning customer data across POL online businesses</li> </ul>

## **Big Bets: Right-size the central functions**

	Big bets	Example of initiatives
Right-size the central functions	Right-size the central functions	<ul> <li>Zero-base lowest run cost for staff costs and non-staff costs that will support the business</li> <li>Leverage tools such as digitisation, automation and spans &amp; layers to transform and right size the central functions for:         <ul> <li>SLP-grade managers</li> <li>Supply chain</li> <li>(not DMBs)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Undertake review of Ts&Cs challenges such as MTSF	<ul> <li>Undertake review of employees Ts&amp;Cs to close the gap with market average metrics</li> </ul>

## **Discarded Big Bets**

Big bets

#### **Example of initiatives**

We should not divest insurance because it is an important profit contributor (13% of total

# IRRELEVANT

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capabilities

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Workstreams

#### **PHASE I: Baseline and Theme**

4 weeks (30 Sep to 25 Oct)

- Provide a fact base to assess POL's markets and customers
- Start assessing the "strategic balance sheet" of POL
- **Brainstorm alternative Purposes**
- Identify emerging themes that would inform the future strategic "Big Bets"
- Design a Customer Insight survey
- Organisational Launch the Organisational Health Index (OHI) survey
  - Provide targeted expert support to the Zero-Based review of the organisation
  - Identify major problems posing a threat to continuity of the business ("lights out" risk)
  - 29 October 2019

#### **Phase II: Strategy Development**

7 weeks (28 Oct to 13 Dec)

- Articulate Post Office purpose
- Define the future strategy and start answering the strategic questions listed earlier, e.g.:
  - "Big bets"
  - Markets should we play in
  - Attractive growth opportunities
  - Strategy financials / economics
- Launch the Customer Insight survey
- Playback the results of the OHI survey
- Identify the leadership steps to shape the actions informing the strategy
- Continue ZBB acceleration
- Baseline technology
- Identify implications for the business strategy
- 26 November 2019
- 19 December

#### Phase III: Syndication and Iteration

5 weeks (6 Jan to 7 Feb)

- Syndicate and refine the strategic choices, and finalise the answer to the strategic questions
- Articulate the 2-3 "Big Bets", including resources needed to support them
- Prioritise initiatives to embed Purpose and Strategy
- Integrate with 5 year plan
- Drive OHI survey results into target behaviours and interventions
- Prioritise technology initiatives to deliver strategy
- 28 January 2020



## Overall PSG plan: several workstreams come together to feed into Big Bets over next 4 weeks

	Output	November	December	January
Purpose	A refreshed statement of our purpose that states what POL stands for and	Gather inputs from wide group of stakeholders	Test early purpose statements	Finalise purpose statement
Customers & Postmasters	Resonates with our customers and our Postmasters	Understand what customers and postmasters think through engagement and surveys	Feed results into iterations of the Big Bets	Engage postmasters with findings (may be later)
Big Bets	Captures the coherent set of services we will invest money and effort into	Create long-list with estimated financials and feasibility; shortlist best	Iterate portfolio of Big Bets with learnings from Purpose, Customer and Financials	Select portfolio and engage stakeholders to confirm
Financials & Markets	Aligns us to where POL can be profitable within our investment envelope	Estimate product and channel profitability; analyse markets for difficult Big Bet decisions	Improve financial forecasts and feasibility assessments where required for shortlisted Big Bets	
Org capabilities	Fits our capabilities and motivates our people	Baseline the organisation to understand changes needed to deliver Big Bets	Review ways to strengthen effectiveness of Product and Partnership	Identify leadership actions to shape the culture needed to support Big Bets
Technology	Is supported by a funded set of technology changes	Diagnose issues with technology and identify what it takes to move forwards	ITLT works on addressing issues and designs project to identify Horizon way forwards	ITLT starts project to under- stand Horizon and identify a costed way forwards Q1 2020
Integration	Brings together all the above in board papers + unified plans	Feed Purpose, Customers & Postmasters and Financial & Markets inputs into Big Bets	Ensure coherence of Big Bet iterations with Purpose and Customers & Postmasters view	Feed Big Bet choices into financial forecast

## We are engaging postmasters through "curry nights", 1-on-1s and an online survey

#### **Curry Nights and 1-on-1s** Survey Engaged over 80 postmasters at "curry nights", including: Sent to ~6,000¹ postmasters at 18:00 on Friday 15 Nov Current Diverse blend of branch formats/ locations (rural, suburban, urban) 6% response rate by end of first week of survey being live progress Current Varving tenures ranging from <1 year to 33+ years</li> Reminder email sent Friday 22 Nov pro- The youngest postmaster in the UK at 22 years old gress Area Managers will follow-up to encourage people to Postmaster for the only Post Office run by a town council complete survey during routine branch visits **Next steps** Third generation postmaster, handed down in the family since 1932 Close survey Friday 29 Nov and analyse results ■ Final "curry night" with ~15 London area postmasters Next • 10+ 1-on-1 conversations with high performing postmasters **Early results** steps scheduled for w/c 25 Nov Serving our communities 215 Location Date A trusted brand 213 Mon 4th 🗸 Eastbourne 203 Part of the social fabric in our communities Tue 12<sup>th</sup> ✓ Burton-on-Trent Care for our customers 135 Weston-super-Mare Thu 14<sup>th</sup> ✓ Curry 129 Consistent, friendly service nights Mon 18th ✓ Cambridge Middle 25 ranked themes Tue 19th ✓ Manchester Value for money Guildford Thu 21st 🗸 Enabling lives and businesses to move forward Tue 26th London 122 Convenient online presence England Helping businesses grow 125 10+ post-One-Wales Moving the UK forward masters: on-

Scotland

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ones

w/c 25th

<sup>1 ~6,000</sup> represents postmasters that opted in to communications per GDPR restrictions; DMBs were excluded from this survey as their input was taken in the OHI survey