# We connect for good

BT Group plc FY24



## Who we are and what we sell to our customers



Secure multi-cloud access, security and vertical solutions

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	Revenue £20.8bn	EBITDA £8.1bn	Normalised free cash flow £1.3bn
	E Consumer	BT Business	openreach
Revenue	£9.8bn	£8.1bn	£6.1bn
EBITDA	£2.7bn	£1.6bn	£3.8bn
Normalised FCF	£1.0bn	£0.4bn	£0.6bn
Customers	UK consumers	UK SMB <sup>1</sup> , Corporates, Public Sector, Comms. Providers, MNCs <sup>2</sup>	Communication Providers
Products	Mobile, voice lines, broadband, TV, TNT Sport	Broadband, networking, voice, mobile, IT services, Ethernet	Fibre and copper broadband, voice, Ethernet

# Continued strong delivery against our strategy

Achieved gross annualised cost savings 12 months early of

£3bn

**Solid operational** and **financial performance** 

Delivered ahead of guidance

Growth in revenue and EBITDA

Peak capex passed, normalised free cash flow to increase from here

Improving customer experience

BT Group NPS up 1.0pts YoY to

Reduced capex to £4.9bn, driving increased normalised free cash flow to

24.0 £1.3bn



Increased full-year dividend to

8.0pps<sup>1</sup>

### Our existing strategy is driving long term value

Our ambition

**Our strategy** 

Strategic priorities

To be the world's most trusted connector of people, devices and machines

Build the strongest foundations

Create standout customer experiences

Lead the way to a bright, sustainable future

Deliver Openreach growth and strong returns on FTTP

Drive Consumer growth through converged solutions

Capitalise on Business's unrivalled assets to restore growth

Digitise, automate and reskill to transform the cost base and improve productivity

Optimise the business portfolio and capital allocation

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## Our strategy remains, with sharpened focus to accelerate

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#### Strategic priorities

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#### Focus going forward

Peak capex passed

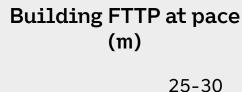
Converged customer experience

**UK focus** 

Further £3bn cost savings

Mid-term NFCF guidance

### Deliver Openreach growth and strong returns on FTTP



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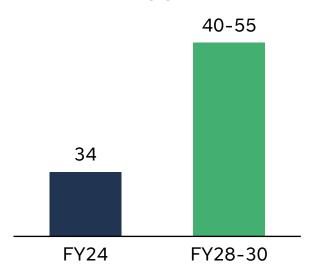


Build FTTP at pace, nationwide

Sustain best-in-class build costs

Continue to deliver superior network quality

Accelerating FTTP take up (%)



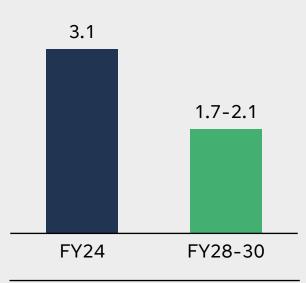
Migrate customers to FTTP at pace

Leverage full integration with CPs

Achieve best-in-class provision costs and customer experience

Drive ARPU growth through indexation and mix

## Reducing repair volumes (m)



Provide excellent service levels

Drive best-in-class repairs

Reduce operating costs

## Drive Consumer growth through converged propositions and services

## Growing converged households (%)



Drive convergence of fixed, mobile and services across base

Leverage brand portfolio, omnichannel, digitalisation and marketplace

Drive customer loyalty and reduce churn

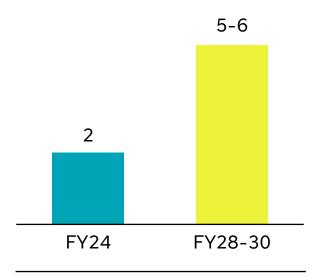


Migrate customers at pace

Drive ARPU growth through upgrades and pricing

Leverage convergence, our differentiated network and brilliant customer experience

## Market-leading FTTP base (m)

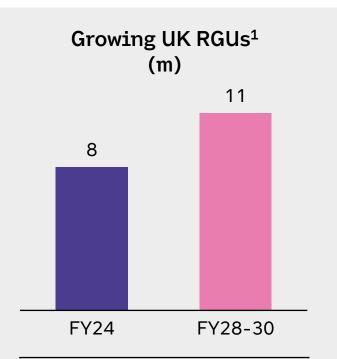


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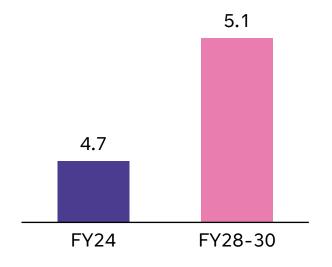
Standardise and scale product portfolio

Drive ARPU growth through convergence, upgrades and pricing

Enhance CX<sup>3</sup> through digitalisation

Reduce churn to grow our customer base

## Improving Managed services revenue (£bn)



Leverage our differentiated secure cloud connectivity capability

Drive digital workplace, security and ESG initiatives to deliver for our customers

Maintain and grow our strong customer relationships

## Migrating units off legacy networks<sup>2</sup> (k)



Migrate customers to next generation products and services

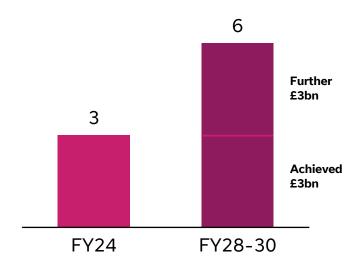
Transform our cost base through modernisation and closure of legacy networks/IT

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# Digitise, automate and reskill to transform cost base and improve productivity

## Gross annualised cost savings (£bn)

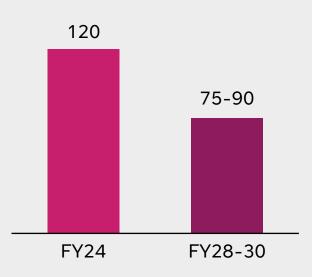


Complete the FTTP build and drive lower fault rates in Openreach

Leverage brand digitalisation in Consumer

Transform product, process and technology in Business



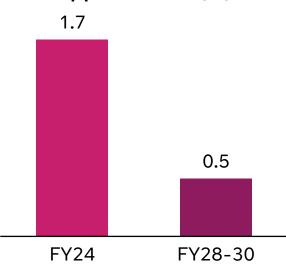


Implement new technology to digitalise customer journeys

Transform product, process and technology in Business

Reskill colleagues and streamline organisation

## Closing business applications (m)



Migrate to new products and platforms

Close legacy IT and networks

### Optimise the business portfolio and capital allocation

Disciplined approach to capital allocation

Consistent and predictable revenue growth Consistent and predictable EBITDA growth enhanced by cost transformation Material expansion in NFCF, post peak FTTP build Invest for growth Support Maintain strong **Progressive** in value pension fund balance sheet dividends

NFCF growth from FY25 (£bn)



## Outlook | Driving consistent and predictable growth in value

	FY25	End of decade
Adjusted revenue <sup>1</sup>	0-1.0%	Consistent and predictable growth
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	~£8.2bn	Consistent and predictable growth ahead of revenue enhanced by cost transformation
Reported capex <sup>2</sup>	<£4.8bn	<£4.8bn to FY26 reduces by ~£1bn post peak FTTP build
Normalised free cash flow <sup>3</sup>	~£1.5bn	~£2.0bn in FY27 ~£3.0bn by end of decade
Dividend	8.0pps	Progressive

<sup>1.</sup> Before specific items; 2. Excluding spectrum payments; 3. After net interest paid and payment of lease liabilities, before pension deficit payments (including the cash tax benefit of pension deficit payments) and specific items.

## Annex

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#### BT Group Manifesto: Our ESG strategy in action

Our Manifesto is overseen by the Responsible Business Committee (a Board sub-committee)

#### Highlights for FY24

- We're making good progress on the BT Group Manifesto our commitment to accelerating growth through technology that's responsible, inclusive and sustainable
- We've cut our carbon emissions intensity by 61%, against our target to deliver an 87% cut by March 2031 (compared to 2017 levels).<sup>1</sup>
- We've now helped 23 million people improve their digital skills since FY15 reaching 3.7 million people in the last year. We're on track to reach 25 million by March 2026.

#### Responsible

#### New tech must earn people's trust and transform lives for the better

- We published our approach to children's digital rights. The 2023 Global Child Forum Benchmark Report rated BT Group as one of Europe's top performing companies and as a global leader in the telecoms sector
- We launched a 'worker's voice' pilot in five supplier factories, to understand the experience of people working in our supply chain
- We continued to conduct due diligence on our direct tier 1 manufacturing supply chain
- We published an AI standard for colleagues to ensure our use, development, purchase and sale of AI is consistent with our responsible tech principles
- We enhanced our sales due diligence in Business, helping us assess any potential human rights risks through the life of a customer's contract.

#### Inclusive

#### The future of tech must be inclusive and diverse for everyone to benefit

- We're making progress in ethnic minority representation, but have more to do to build a truly equitable and inclusive culture across BT Group
- Our EE Hope United campaign helped 3.5 million people with digital skills to help tackle online hate
- In partnership with AbilityNet, we've helped around 3,000 digitally-excluded over-65s build their confidence and develop digital skills
- We helped over 200,000 small business owners and their employees with free digital skills support this year, reaching over one million in total since FY15
- We continue to support around one million low income and vulnerable customers with discounted broadband and calls
- With Home-Start UK, we supported socially excluded households with gift in-kind contributions, fund-raising and donations totalling £134,000 this year.

#### Sustainable

#### Tech must accelerate the journey to net zero emissions and a circular world

- We cut our carbon emissions intensity by 61%<sup>1</sup> adding more than 1,700 electric vehicles (EVs) this year (over 4,100 in our commercial fleet in total). We also launched a pilot to provide EV charging points through our street cabinets
- We've reduced our supply chain emissions by 25% since FY17 against a 42% reduction target by 2031
- We launched a campaign asking our suppliers to set sciencebased targets, and to report on progress annually
- To support our goal to enable a circular economy<sup>2</sup>, we've collected nearly 2.6m electronics devices through our various trade-in and take-back schemes
- This year, we helped our customers avoid more than 1.5m tonnes of carbon emissions (3.8m tonnes since 2021) through technologies including full fibre broadband, mobile solutions and cloud computing
- We remained on CDP's A list for our climate disclosures, and achieved an 'Advanced' score with EcoVadis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gases per unit of gross value added.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>We want to become a circular business by March 2030 and build towards a circular tech ecosystem by March 2040.

# Openreach | Strong performance driven by CPI linked pricing and growth in sales of FTTP<sup>1</sup> and Ethernet

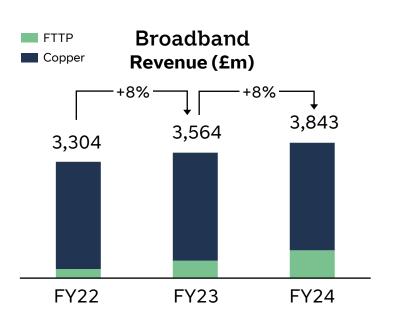
FTTP footprint now **14.0m** premises

Achieved **4m** annualised build rate in Q4

Market-leading FTTP take up of **34%** 

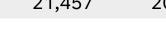
"Excellent" Trustpilot rating

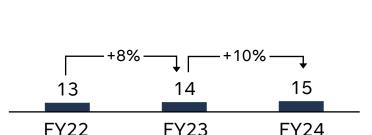
**Preferred bidder** for Project Gigabit (Type C)<sup>2</sup>



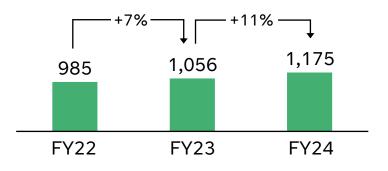


ARPU<sup>3</sup> (£)



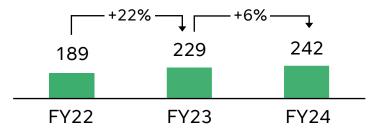


#### Ethernet Revenue (£m)





#### ARPU<sup>3</sup>(£)



<sup>1.</sup> Fibre to the premises; 2. Subject to contract signing; 3. Excluding connections

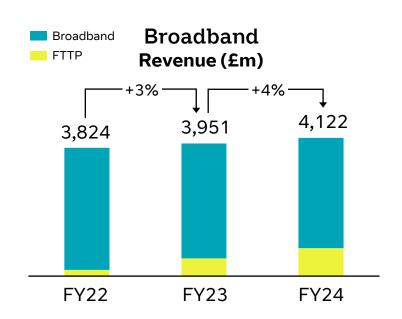
# Consumer | Growth delivered through CPI linked pricing, increased roaming and FTTP connections

Launched new EE digital platform and new pricing mechanic

Increased FTTP connections up 39%

5G connections up 22%

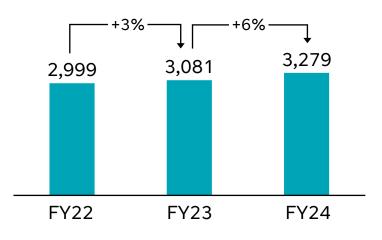
Ofcom complaints equal to or lower than industry average<sup>2</sup>

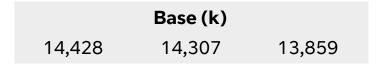




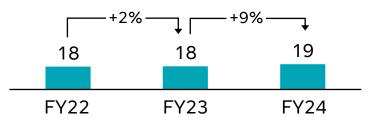


#### Postpaid Mobile<sup>1</sup> Revenue (£m)





#### ARPU (£)



<sup>1.</sup> Postpaid includes Plusnet mobile, discontinued in FY24. FY23 base of ~400k 2. For mobile, broadband and landline

1,167

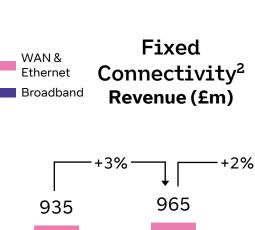
# Business | Legacy declines and higher input costs partially offset by growth in SMB<sup>1</sup> and security

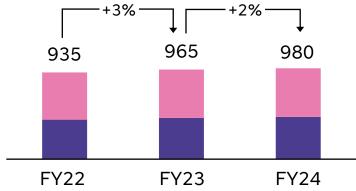
Improving rate of decline and showing signs of operational improvement

FTTP base up 58% and 5G base up 80%

Security growth up 11% YoY

Strong NPS of 29.6







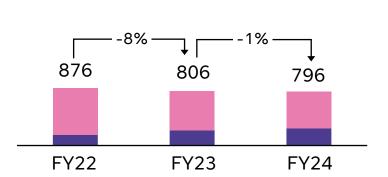
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Mobile

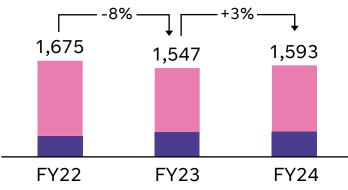
Revenue (£m)

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**Future BT Group** 

## Strategic enablers driving future growth

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#### Customer

**Efficiency** 

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	FY23	FY24	FY28-FY30
Openreach FTTP premises passed	10.3m	13.8m	25m-30m
Openreach FTTP take up	30%	34%	40-55%
5G UK population coverage	68.1%	75%	>98%
Retail FTTP take up <sup>1</sup>	1.8m	2.6m	6.5m-8.5m
5G connections <sup>1</sup>	8.6m	11.1m	13.0m-14.5m
Convergence households	23%	23%	30-50%
Group NPS	+22.1	+24.0	+30.0-35.0
Units on legacy networks	10.5m	6.5m	<500k
Total headcount	130k	120k	75k-90k

**Actuals** 

## Strategic metrics – definitions

Metric	Definition

#### **Networks**

#### Customer

**Efficiency** 

Openreach FTTP premises passed	Total Openreach premises passed
Openreach FTTP take up	% Openreach FTTP take up - Openreach connections as proportion of Openreach premises passed
5G UK population coverage	Population coverage of 5G network based on postcode
Retail FTTP take up	Enterprise and Consumer customers on FTTP
5G connections	5G customers (SIM + Handset or SIMO)
Convergence households	% of total Consumer households (excl. solus voice) that have either EE or BT broadband and PAYM mobile
Group NPS	BT Group net promoter score
Units on legacy networks	Number of unique users or circuits run over legacy networks
Total headcount	Total number of full time equivalent employees plus implied (derived from cost) sub contractors

## FY24 Additional IR Data

Strong cash position and credit rating targets confirmed

Net financial debt (excluding leases) was £14.5bn at 31 March 2024.

Cash and current investments of £2.8bn at 31 March 2024.

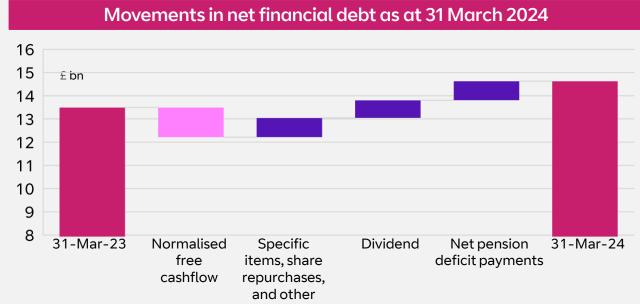
Undrawn revolving credit facility of £2.1bn matures in March 2027.

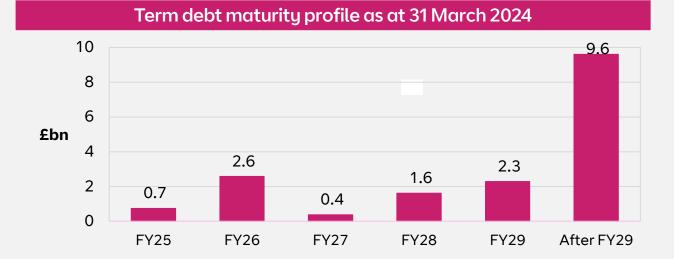
Smooth, long-dated term debt maturity profile. Weighted average debt maturity of >7yrs.

Minimum 70% of debt maintained at fixed rate. Weighted average cost of debt 4.9%.

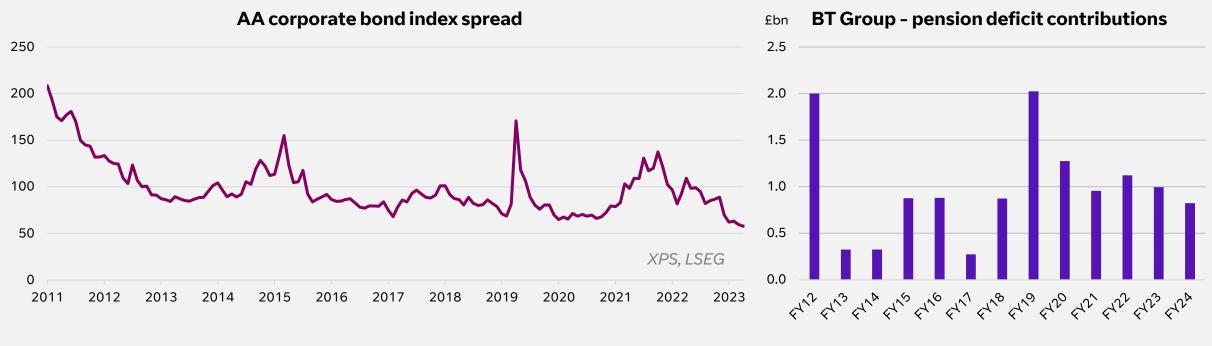
Board committed to medium-term credit rating target of BBB+, with a minimum rating of BBB.

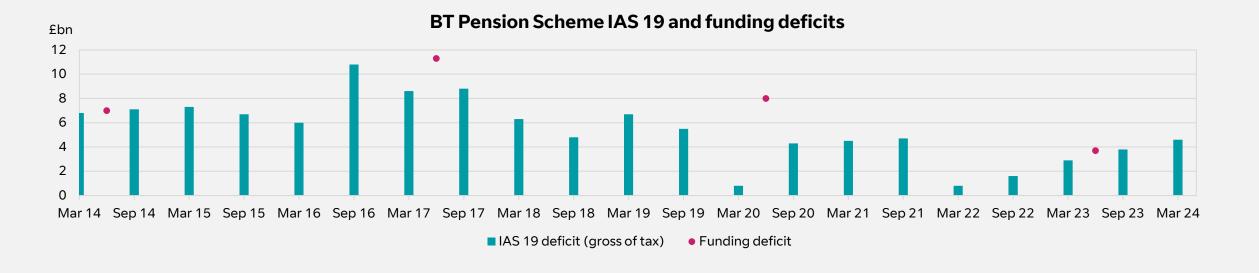
- Moody's: Baa2, stable outlook
- S&P: BBB, stable outlook
- Fitch: BBB, stable outlook



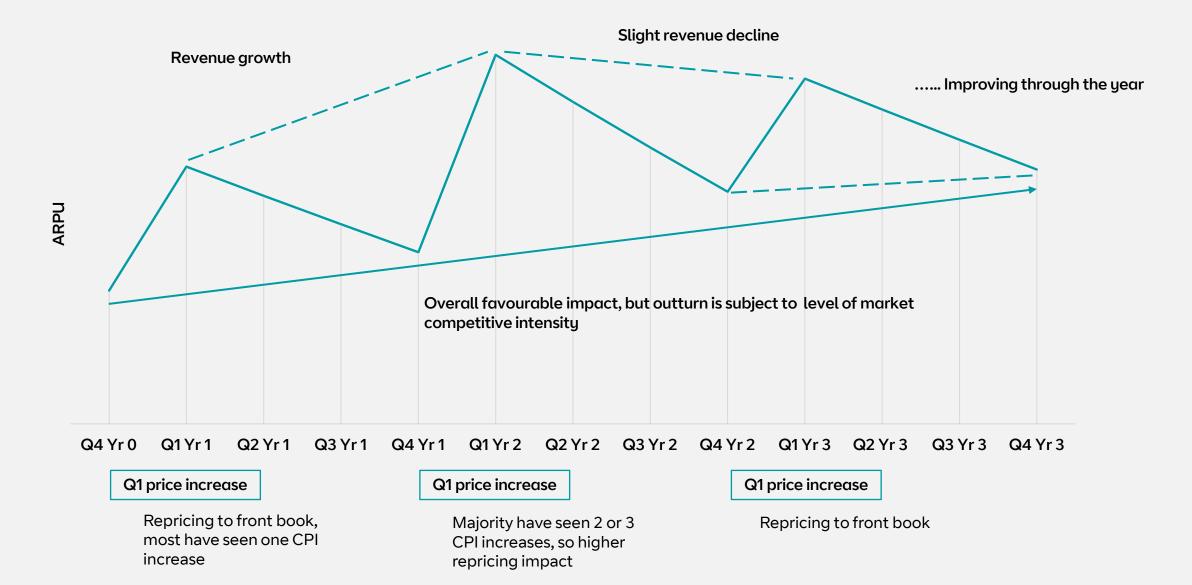


#### **Pensions**





## Consumer pricing: illustrative example of in-contract price rises



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BT Group consists of three customer-facing units: Consumer serves individuals and families in the UK; Business covers companies and public services in the UK and internationally; Openreach is an independently governed, wholly owned subsidiary wholesaling fixed access infrastructure services to its customers - over 700 communications providers across the UK.

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