

Business Model

In Scotland and Ireland our ambition is to be the pre-eminent brand-led wholesale drinks supplier to the licensed on and off-trade. Our platforms in both territories provide: an unrivalled range across our Core, Premium, Agency and 3rd Party Brands; enhanced customer service; and comprehensive geographic coverage. We firmly believe this is the right model to meet the needs of both customers and consumers, who are increasingly demanding authentic, differentiated local brands as well as global reach.



Revenue Generation and Earnings Growth

- In our core geographies of Ireland and Scotland, we seek revenue generation through a full-service, brand-led wholesale model predominantly focused on our own range of brands and meeting customers needs. In the rest of Great Britain we focus on cider market share expansion and our growing premium portfolio. Internationally we focus on volume and value growth in established markets and seeding new markets in Asia & Africa.
- We seek to make brand innovations at low cost and exploit niche and premium markets.
- We seek earnings growth through revenue generation, cost control and margin improvement.

Cash Generation

- Our core businesses are strongly cash generative. We therefore focus on cash. We critically review the value for money of all brand and capital investment. Our current emphasis is on investment in brands and innovation to drive revenue and market share. Group management relentlessly drive to reduce costs—in production, distribution and commercial overheads.

Engagement

- We engage with our workforce and incentivise them to ensure alignment with shareholders.
- Local management are incentivised with financial targets relevant to their local business unit.
- Where necessary, we are prepared to buy in expertise on a margin-sharing basis.

Strategic Capital

- We seek local expansion in our core territories. Potential acquisitions must complement our business and meet our strategic objectives.
- We are prepared to make larger transformational acquisitions, and we are ready to seize opportunities as they arise due to the strength of our Balance Sheet.
- We will make disposals where they will enhance shareholder value.
- In the absence of capital investment opportunities we will return surplus cash to our shareholders.

Social Responsibility

- Throughout the Group we seek to operate compliantly with the law and as good corporate citizens.
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