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### **The Presenting Team**



Melvyn Garrett, Deputy Chief Executive and Executive Director of Finance

- Joined LiveWest in 2013 (then DCH)
- Previously Europe, Middle East and Africa Finance and Operations Director at Motorola Mobility
- Previously held finance, strategy and chief executive positions in the transport, electronics and distribution sectors; with eight years spent in the USA

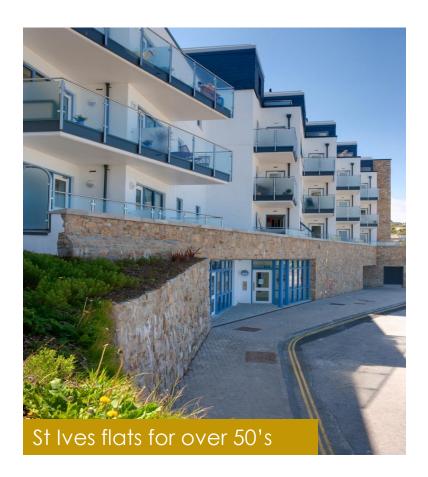


#### Andrew Hart, Director of Corporate Finance

- Joined LiveWest in 2014
- 24 years finance experience including 10 in Corporate Finance Consultancy
- Previously Managing Director at TradeRisks specialising in treasury risk management

#### Agenda

- 1. Introduction to LiveWest
- 2. Company Overview
- **3.** Operational Performance
- 4. Financial Performance
- 5. Business & Development Plan
- 6. Treasury





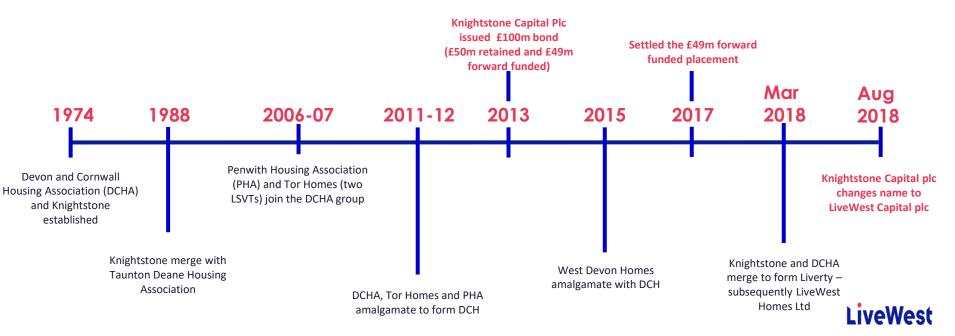
#### Introduction to LiveWest





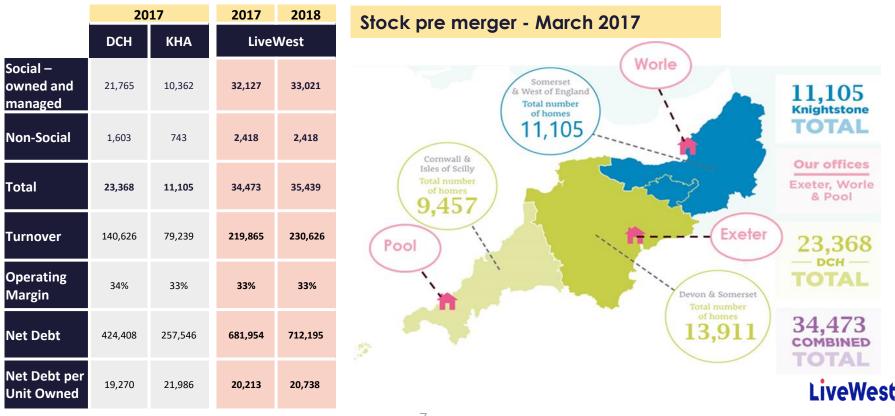
#### Introduction

- Devon and Cornwall Housing (DCH) and Knightstone merged on 5 March 2018 to form LiveWest Homes
- LiveWest:
  - Operates from Gloucestershire to the Isles of Scilly
  - Owns and manages more than 35,000 properties in just 20 Local Authorities
  - Operates in strong urban areas including Bristol, Exeter and Plymouth.
  - High demand with house prices averaging 8.8 times salaries in the South West

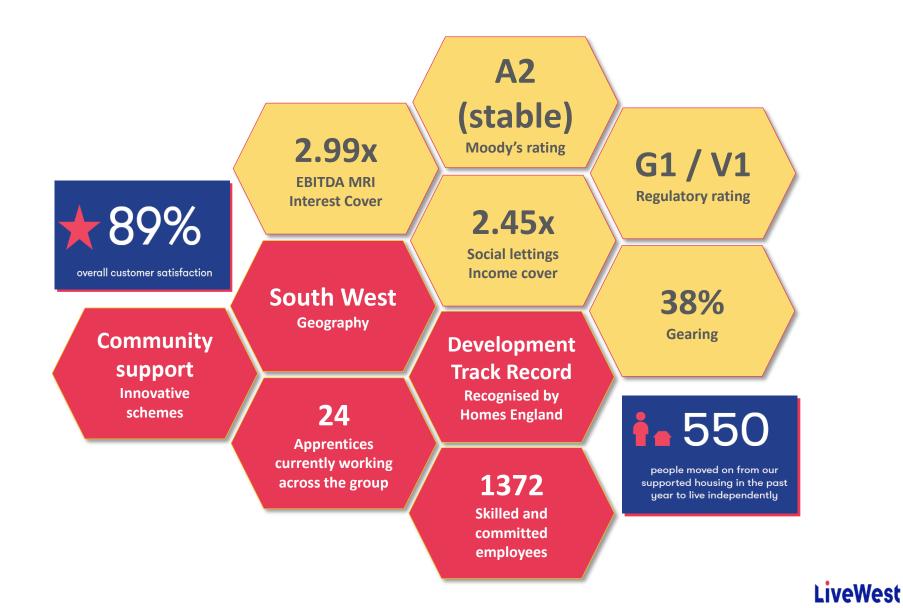


## **Reasons for the Merger**

- Complementary geographical fit
- Cultural similarities, with a shared heritage
- Compatible growth ambitions
- Opportunities for efficiencies through performance and cost management
- Untapped potential in Knightstone; low gearing, high interest cover and yet limited growth in past 10 years



## **Company Highlights**

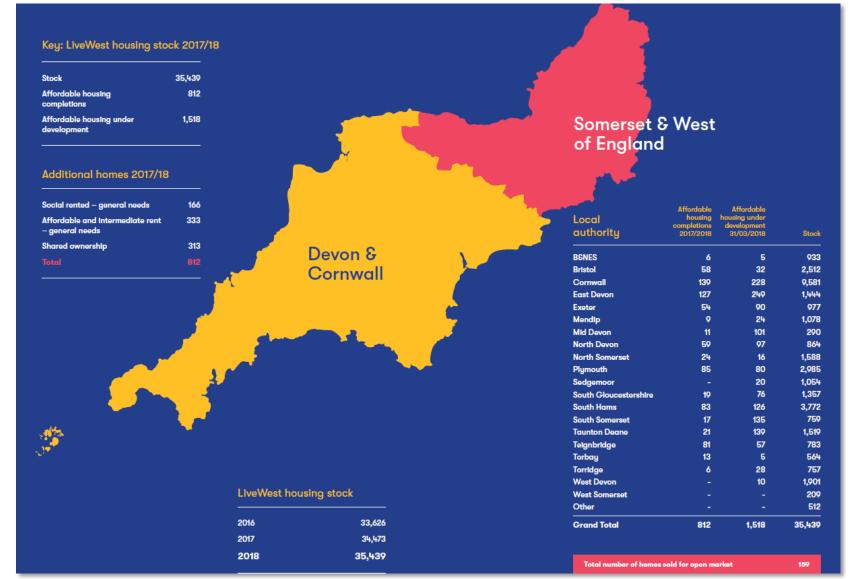


#### Company overview

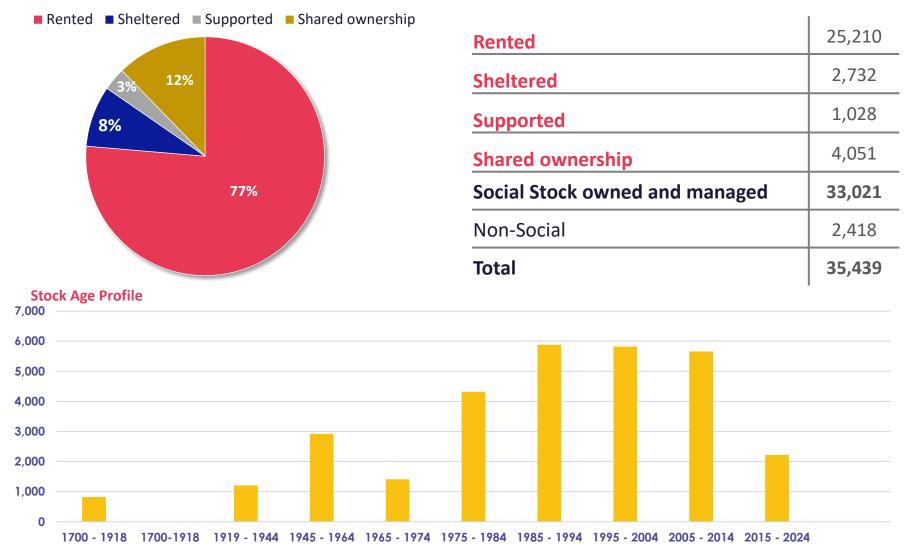




#### Area of Operation (managed housing stock)



### LiveWest: Stock by Tenure Type



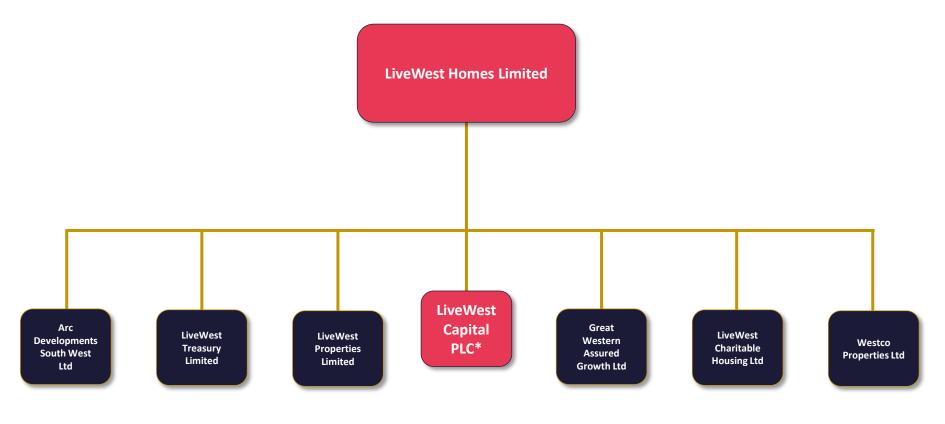
### **Board & Governance**

- Board comprises up to 12 members:
- 10 independent members, 2 executives
  - LiveWest board is led by Linda Nash, formerly Knightstone
  - LiveWest CEO is Paul Crawford, formerly DCH
- 2 vacancies held skills required to be reviewed later in the year
- Treasury Committee includes specialist banking co-opted member

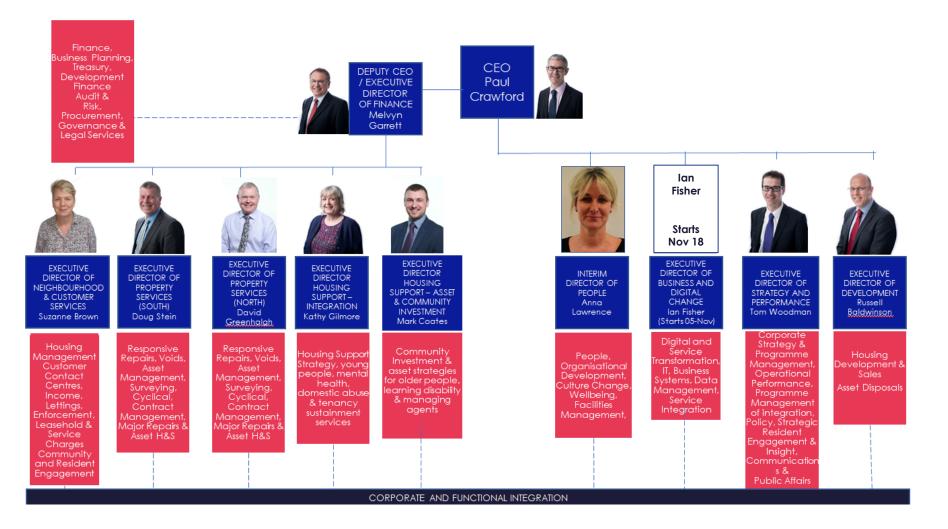


#### **Corporate Structure**

- Only one Registered Provider in the group, LiveWest Homes Limited
- A programme of rationalisation of subsidiaries is anticipated, with the aim of simplifying the structure further over time



#### **Board & Governance**



#### Strategy

Our initial LiveWest strategy is to take forward the key themes from our merger business case, to:

- 1. Deliver a substantial yet considered increase in the number of new homes
- 2. Continue to deliver high-quality services, and ensure these are fit for the future:
  - more than just a landlord, we invest in empowerment and support services that add value to our work, improve people's life chances and sustain communities
  - working with and empowering local communities we invest in neighbourhoods making them stronger for the long term, building the foundations of a better future
  - direct resources to the services and communities where there is greatest need, where we can make the biggest impact, and where community investment makes the most substantial difference to customer satisfaction and our overall service offer
- 3. Ensure the financial and organisational resilience that underpins our ambitious plans

# All this whilst creating significant social value for customers and the broader community

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#### Operational Performance





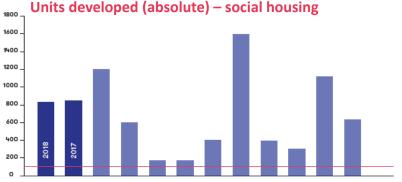
#### **Operational Indicators**

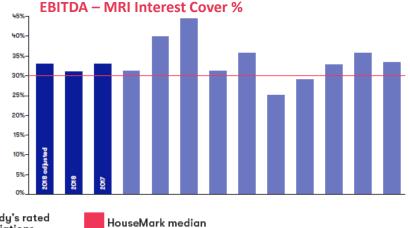
		March 2018	March 2017
Management cost per unit	Total	£1,083	61 051
	Underlying	£1,033	£1,051
Maintenance cost per unit		£1,618 £1,600	
Social housing interest cover		245% 224%	
Rent arrears		1.90%	2.09%
Void rent loss		0.51%	0.42%
Landlord Surplus %		35%	33%
Operating surplus %		33%	
Net Debt per unit owned		20,738	
Units developed (affordable)		812	829
Units developed (total)		954	999

- Management and maintenance costs are key areas for improvement through delivery of the merger business case
- Rent void loss and arrears stable picture in spite of welfare reform
- Customer satisfaction will be a key measure of us meeting our aim to deliver high quality services

## **Operational Indicators - Benchmarking**







Gearing %

- Comparing LiveWest against a selection of Moody's rated housing associations using HouseMark data
- Comprises of current A2 or higher rated associations with the benchmark group consisting of:
  - Clarion Housing Group Limited
  - Bromford Housing Group Limited
  - Flagship Housing Group Limited
  - Sovereign Housing Association Limited

- Stonewater Limited
- Midland Heart Limited
- Moat Homes Limited

- Orbit Group Limited
- Sanctuary Housing Association
- Southern Housing Group Limited



Source: LiveWest financial Statements 2018 Housemark Annual Cost & Performance Report 2017

### **Sector Considerations**

#### Welfare Reforms

	July 2018	March 2018	March 2017
Rent arrears	1.73%	1.90%	2.09%
Void rent loss	0.50%	0.51%	0.42%
Tenants in receipt of Universal Credit	1,793	1,319	631

- Improving arrears performance in spite of welfare reform measures:
  - 7 day waiting period scrapped, meaning first payment to be made in 5 weeks instead of 6 weeks
  - Where a claimant migrates from Housing Benefit (HB) to Universal Credit, HB will continue to be paid for a 2 week period following the UC claim date – Some Local Authorities using Discretionary Housing Payments (DHP) to cover rent until UC is paid to claimant
  - Previous proposal to limit HB to Local Housing Allowance (LHA) levels for all social housing, including proposal to limit HB for single claimants to Shared Accommodation Rate (SAR) have been scrapped
  - Decision to bar 18-21 year olds from receiving HB implemented in April 2017 was scrapped in March 2018

#### **Grenfell Tower**

Continued robust processes to assure effective landlord safety management

Fire Risk Management:

- Structured response to Grenfell across the organisation
- Supported DCLG reporting requirements
- Reviewed procedures with support of our Fire Brigade partners
- Re-assessed all buildings where potential for additional risks were identified, any necessary actions implemented
- Resources made available for any necessary works
- No buildings with ACMs (Aluminium Composite Materials)
- Ongoing resourcing of fire risk management across the organisation

#### Financial Performance



### **Financial Performance**

	FRS102			UKGAAP	
Underlying performance	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Landlord turnover - £m	171	168	166	151	136
Surplus landlord activities - £m	59	56	49	50	47
Landlord Surplus %	35%	33%	30%	33%	35%
1st tranche property sales - £m	23	23	17	12	12
Open market sales - £m	29	20	14	14	14
Total property sales - £m	52	43	31	26	26
Property sales % of turnover	23%	20%	15%	14%	15%
Total Turnover	231	220	205	187	174
Operating Surplus - £m	76	73	57	54	53
Operating surplus %	33%	33%	28%	29%	30%
Net surplus - £m	56	52	24	28	32
Net surplus %	24%	24%	12%	15%	18%
Gearing %	38%	38%	36%	37%	38%
EBITDA-MRI Interest cover %	299%	289%	264%	275%	270%
Debt as multiple of turnover	3.09	3.10	3.00	3.27	3.43
Net Debt per unit owned	20,738	20,213	18,793	18,882	18,101

• 2018 underlying operating surplus excludes non-recurring costs of £5.3m and one off merger costs £1.7m.

- Within interest costs are one off merger costs for lender consent of £0.7m and termination fees in respect of an uneconomic loan facility of £3.7m
- Value for money initiatives have maintained the underlying operating margin, and improved social housing letting surplus margin in spite of welfare reform
- Significant interest cover and gearing headroom compared with lenders covenants and internal targets
- Well positioned to continue to increase development, improve our service offerings and maximise the opportunities that will
  result from merger

#### Business & Development Plan



Tayberry Close, Somerset



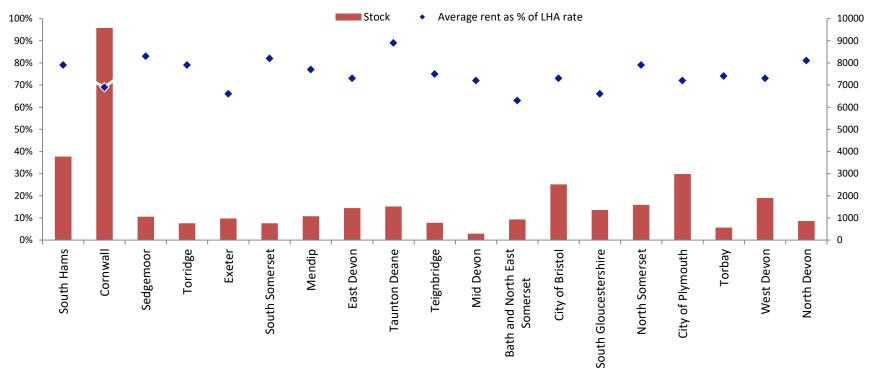
#### **Development Strategy**

- 16,000 homes over next 10 years
- Focus on principal housing market areas, Bristol, Bath, Exeter, Plymouth, Truro and Taunton
- Affordable housing delivered through land led schemes and s.106
- Open market sites delivered through joint venture with either house builders or contractors or own build for sites up to 100 homes
- Focus on sites with outline planning permission or conditional subject to planning as well as longer term strategic opportunities
- Homes England Partnership with Sovereign to deliver a total of 2,275 new homes by March 2022. LiveWest committed to 935 of these homes.
- Investment appraisal yield and profit margins set annually by the board





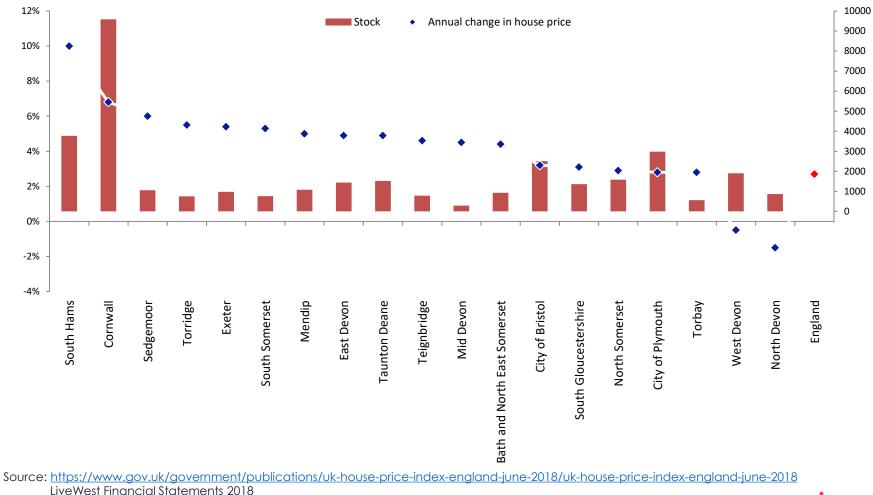
### **Market Conditions**



Average rent as a % of LHA rate

Source: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-housing-allowance-lha-rates-applicable-from-april-2018-to-march-2019 LiveWest Financial Statements 2018

### **Market Conditions**



Annual change in house prices by LA as at June 2018

#### Waters Edge, Exmouth



Cross subsidising social housing with open market sales allowed us to double the affordable provision on the site from 9 to 18 homes



#### Treasury

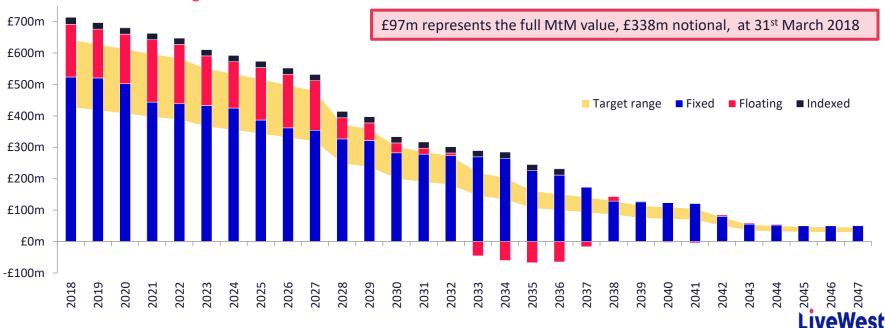




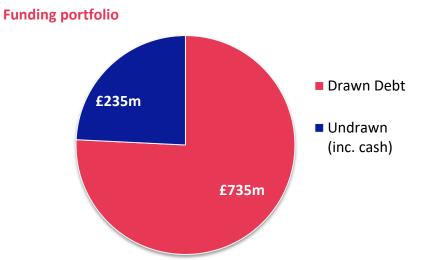
### **Debt Portfolio – March 18**

	Loans	Swaps	Net loans	%	Target range
Fixed	216	318	534	73%	60% - 90%
Floating	513	(338)	175	23%	0% - 40%
Index linked	6	20	26	4%	0% - 25%
Total Debt	735	-	735	100%	
Cash and liquid investments	(23)	-	(23)		
Net Debt	712	-	712		

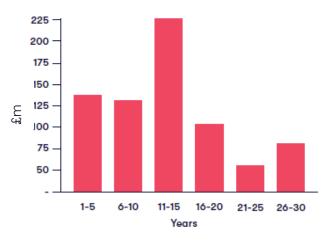
Debt mix outstanding



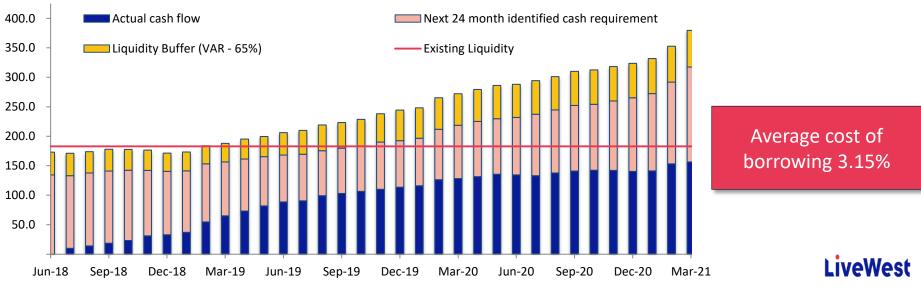
## **Capacity & Liquidity**



#### **Debt repayment profile**



#### Liquidity



#### **Transaction Terms**

Structure	
Issuer	LiveWest Capital plc (formerly Knightstone Capital Plc)
Rating	A2 (stable) by Moody's
Transaction	Sale of retained secured bonds due October 2048
Coupon	5.576%
Size	Up to £50 million
Total deal size	£100 million
Repayment	Bullet
Asset Cover	115% EUV-SH / 125% MV-ST
Interest Cover	Operating Surplus/Net interest payable to exceed 90% in the same financial year and 105% for a three financial year period
Denominations	£100k+1k
Listing	UKLA
Use of proceeds	General corporate purposes

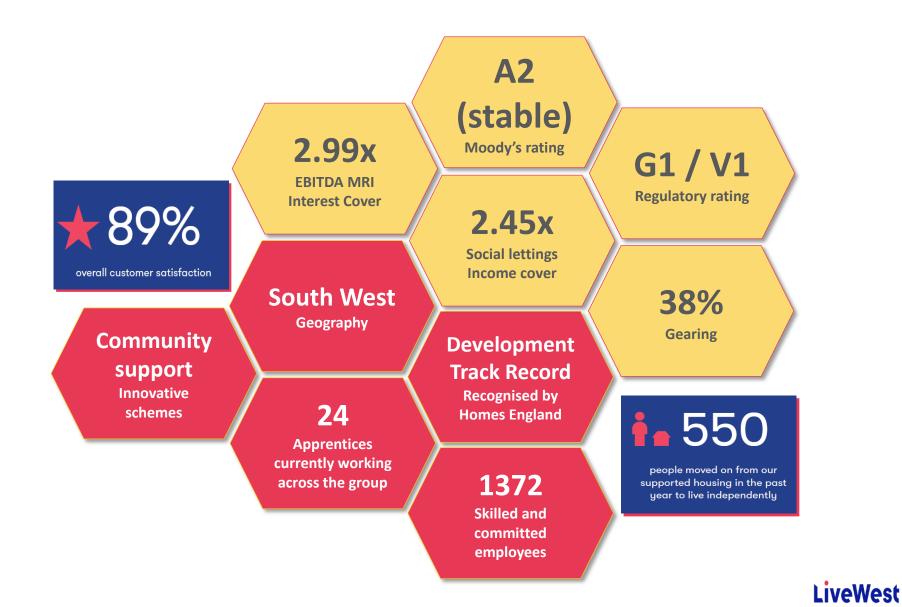
Please refer to the Knightstone Capital PLC Prospectus dated 27<sup>th</sup> September 2013 for further detail

### **Capacity for Future Borrowing**

- In addition to the £235m cash and fully secured undrawn loans, LiveWest has unencumbered assets of £869m to secure against future borrowing
- This capacity significantly exceeds the business plan requirement
- In addition new units will be developed in the business plan period and there is excess security that could be released from existing loans

	£m	£m
Cash and fully secured undrawn loans		235
Unsecured values		
General Needs	698	
Shared Ownership	171	
New borrowing capacity		869
Total capacity		1,104

## **Company Highlights**



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