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### HY25 FINANCIAL RESULTS AUSTRALIA'S FASTEST-GROWING DIRECT LIFE INSURER

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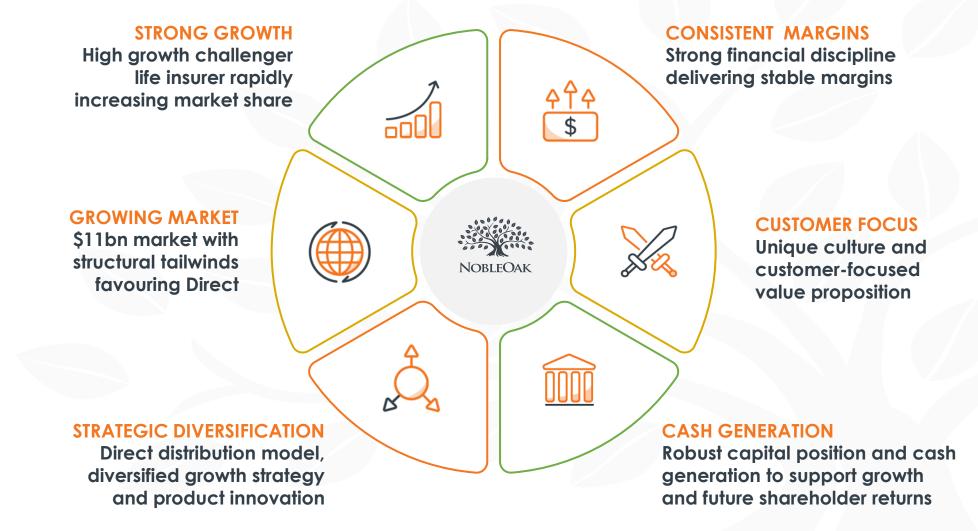


# 01 HY25 highlights

### Who is NobleOak?



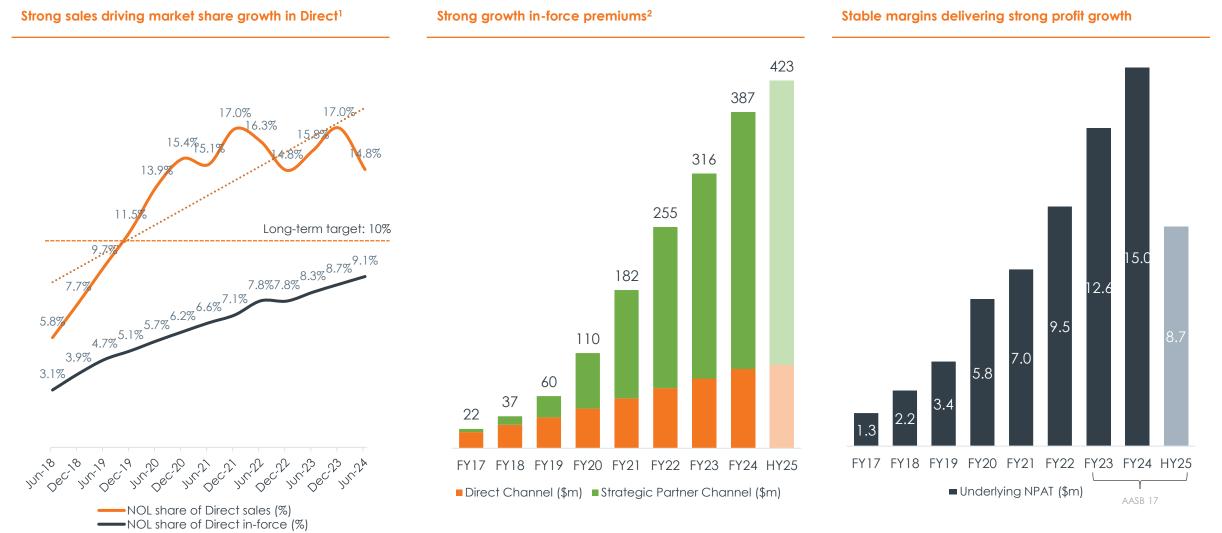
### Australia's fastest-growing and most awarded direct life insurer



# Market share gains driving growth in premiums and profits

### In-force premium provides strong annuity stream revenue





1. NobleOak Market share and Industry lapse rates are calculated using APRA's half-yearly life insurance performance statistics (Excluding Group, CCI and Funeral insurance premiums). Note that due to anomalies in APRA market data as at 30 June 2024, Plan for Life data has also been used for this period. Data is available six months in arrears. 2. In-force premiums excluding Genus.

## HY25 highlights

### Ongoing outperformance and investing for long-term growth



Strong in-force premium growth and continued market share gains across the portfolio



Margin stability driven by sound pricing, strong underwriting and financial discipline



**Investing to further enhance** the omnichannel customer experience



Leveraging analytics and AI for better customer insights and underwriting performance



**Organic capital generation** provides for organic and inorganic growth opportunities, and/or dividend consideration



FiftyUp Club acquisition provides long term revenue stream and access to 480,000 members



## HY25 financial highlights





In-force premiums <sup>1</sup>	New business	Lapse rate <sup>1</sup>	Underlying NPAT <sup>2</sup>
\$422.9m 🔺	\$30.4m 🔺	11.6%	\$8.7m
<b>+20%</b> vs. HY24	+15% vs. HY24	3.8 ppts below industry	+11% vs. HY24
	New business market share <sup>3</sup>	Regulatory capital multiple	Underlying diluted EPS
In-force premium market share <sup>3</sup>	New business market share <sup>3</sup>	Regulatory capital multiple	Underlying diluted EPS 9.7cps

- **Excludes** Genus
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A reconciliation between Statutory NPAT to Underlying NPAT is provided on page 28 As at 30 June 2024. Market share calculated using APRA's life insurance performance statistics. Data is available six months in arrears. Note that due to anomalies in APRA market data as at 30 June 2024, Plan for Life data has also been used for this period. 7





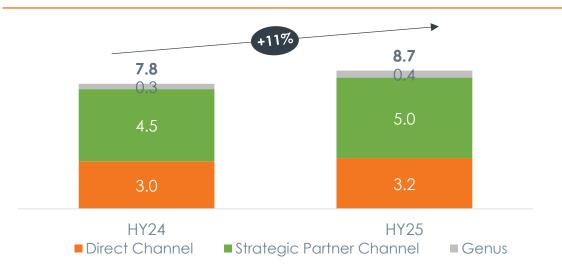
# 02 Financial results

# **Group financial performance**

### Key financial metrics<sup>1</sup>

\$m/%	HY25	HY24	Var
In-force premiums at period end (ex-Genus)	422.9	351.4	+20%
New business	30.4	26.5	+15%
Lapse rate	11. <b>6</b> %	9.2%	(2.4 ppts)
Net insurance premium revenue	58.2	48.7	+19%
Underlying gross insurance margin	11. <b>6</b> %	12.2%	(0.6 ppts)
Underlying Administration expense ratio	7.3%	7.5%	+0.2 ppts
Investment return (% of insurance Premium)	1.5%	1.5%	+0.0 ppts
Underlying NPAT	8.7	7.8	+11%

### Underlying NPAT (\$m)





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- Active policies up 13% to over 145,000 in last 12 months
- Strong 20% in-force premium growth
- Continuing to gain market share now 3.7% of industry in-force premium<sup>1</sup>
- Maintained strong new business market share of 12.9%, well above our long-term target of 10%
- Lapse experience in-line with expectation, remains below industry average
- Strong underwriting performance benefiting from conservative reinsurance strategy and portfolio mix, with net claims in line with expectations and industry average
- Expense ratio impacted by investment in marketleading customer experience
- Current interest rates a tailwind, with average return on invested assets (before fees) 4.6% (HY24: 4.4%)
- Overall margin stability driving underlying NPAT up 11% to \$8.7m
- 1. APRA life insurance performance statistics, June 2024. Data is available six months in arrears. Note that due to anomalies in APRA market data as at 30 June 2024, Plan for Life data has also been used for this period.
- 2. Key metrics are presented on the way management analyses business performance. See the Statutory to Management Results Reconciliation Section in the Directors report in the financial report for the year ended 30 June 2024 for more information.

## **Direct Channel**



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### Commentary

- Direct policy count up 8% to almost 51,000 in last 12 months, supporting strong in-force premium growth
- Investment in digital marketing and alliance partnerships driving market share of direct in-force premium to an all time high of 9.1%
- New business sales reduced 4% due to active capital conservation to support the acquisition of RevTech
- Maintained strong new business market share of 14.8%<sup>1</sup>, well above our long-term target of 10%
- Lapse rate increasing in line with portfolio maturation, remains below industry average at 14.1%
- Insurance margin sustainable with net claims experience broadly in line with expectations
- Expense ratio impacted by investment to maintain market leading customer experience
- Underlying NPAT up 7% to \$3.2m
- 1. APRA life insurance performance statistics, June 2024. Data is available six months in arrears. Note that due to anomalies in APRA market data as at 30 June 2024, Plan for Life data has also been used for this period.

In-force premiums (\$m)



# **Strategic Partner Channel**

In-force premiums (\$m)





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- Contemporary products, high quality service and strong partnerships with NEOS and PPS driving market share gains – now 3.1% of industry in-force premium<sup>1</sup>
- New business sales grew by 19%, reflecting 12.5%<sup>1</sup> market share of advised sales in a growing market
- Lapse rates continue to normalise as the portfolios mature, but remain within expectation and well below the industry average
- Strong underwriting performance, with underlying claims experience in line with expectations, benefiting from strategically conservative risk retention in advised business
- Expense ratio continues to benefit from operating leverage and financial discipline
- Underlying NPAT up 11% to \$5.0m

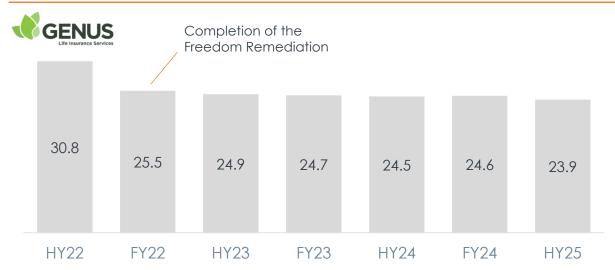
APRA life insurance performance statistics, June 2024. Data is available six months in arrears. Note that due to anomalies in APRA market data as at 30 June 2024, Plan for Life data has also been used for this period.

### Genus

### Key financial metrics

\$m / %	HY25	HY24	Var
In-force premiums under management	23.9	24.5	(3%)
Underlying Administration expenses (excluding amortisation)	2.5	2.6	+4%
Amortisation of portfolio acquisition cost	0.2	0.2	0%
Underlying NPAT	0.4	0.3	+30%

### Genus in-force premiums under management (\$m)





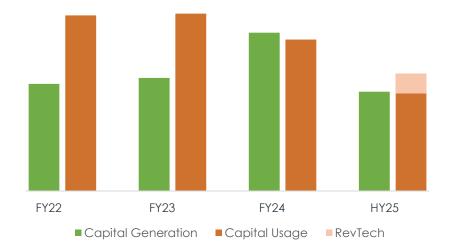
- Reduction of in-force premiums under management slightly favourable to expectations
- Additional \$0.1 million of Underlying NPAT in the half year driven by expense efficiency and improved investment returns
- Expect to return to a more normal run-off pattern of c.5-10% per annum.

# **Capital position strengthened**

### Reached inflexion point of net capital generation



### Capital Usage Since IPO





- The business delivered positive capital generation on an underlying basis
- Assets above target:
  - Increase by \$0.3m over the half year (excluding capital used for RevTech acquisition)
  - reduced by \$2.4m over the half (after using \$2.7m for RevTech acquisition)
- NobleOak has reached an inflexion point and expects to generate free cash flow in coming years
- This significant milestone will support accelerating organic growth, potential inorganic opportunities and / or potential for future dividends



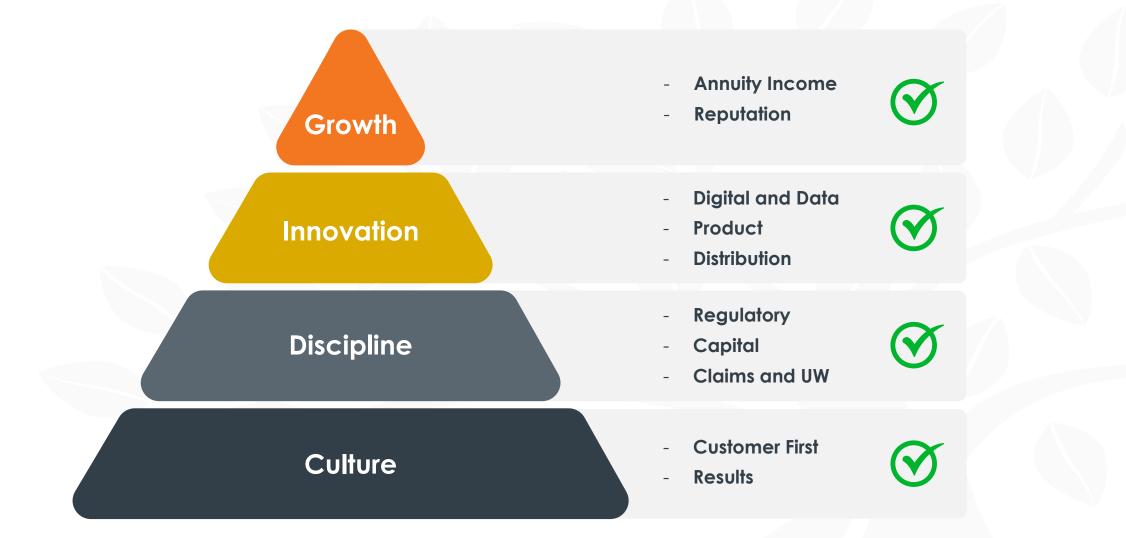


# 03 Business update

## Platform for long term success

NobleOak continue to drive for long term growth





### Progress on key strategic initiatives



### 1. DIRECT LIFE LEADER

## Build on our position as Australia's leading direct life insurer



### Award-winning streak continues

Australia's most awarded direct life insurer for the sixth consecutive year

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### Product improvements

Launched updated direct Life Insurance and IP products and new 10-year benefit product with new features and enhanced pricing

### Brand engagement

Implementing refreshed brand campaign to boost awareness among prospects

### ✓ New alliances

Onboarded five new partnerships

### Investment in innovation

Increased investment in new products and innovation (including Al in underwriting) and direct wealth pilot

### 2. STRATEGIC PARTNERS GROWTH

Build and support our adviser partners

### New pricing



### Partnership expansion

Continued strong partnerships with NEOS and PPS. Successfully onboarded new PPS reinsurer.

### Investment in new product

Developing a new white-labelled advised life insurance product that broadens our target market

### 3. CAPTURE SCALE ADVANTAGES

## Optimise the business to achieve economies of scale



### Capital generation

Continued organic capital generation



### Successful acquisition

Acquired the Revtech FiftyUp Club revenue stream and membership.



### Further opportunities

Commenced engagement with advisors to explore potential inorganic growth opportunities



#### **Regulatory capital**

Managed ongoing ACRC capital instruments

# Investment in brand and distribution driving Direct sales



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Relaunch of "Nobleman" brand campaign

- Campaign focuses on quality coverage, exceptional value for money and impeccable service
- Expected to drive increased brand awareness among target customers and Alliance partners to drive Direct sales
- Maintaining cost discipline by focusing on high visibility channels

Advertising with leading media partners to amplify our brand

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# 04 FY25 outlook

### FY25 key strategic initiatives



### DIRECT LIFE LEADER

# Build on our position as Australia's leading direct life insurer

### **Growth - Brand and Partnerships**

Innovative brand strategy to strengthen the brand, expand alliances, and enhance SEM capabilities

#### Innovation

Continued investment in growth initiatives and generating new product ideas

#### **Omnichannel Development**

Progress digital transformation efforts and streamline operations to enhance the customer experience

**Customer Retention** Further develop personalised strategies to focus on retention

### STRATEGIC PARTNERS GROWTH

Build and support our network of adviser partners

### **Refine pricing**

Continue to refine product pricing to maintain competitive positioning and improve margins

#### **Product Launch**

Introduce a strategic partner product

### **CAPTURE SCALE ADVANTAGES**

# Optimise the business to achieve economies of scale

**FiftyUp Club Integration** Leverage the FiftyUp Club to accelerate sales and boost capital generation

### **Capital Strategy**

Continue to responsibly manage capital including utilisation through organic, inorganic growth and dividend opportunities

#### **Data Utilisation**

Implement data strategy, integrating analytics and AI to gain better customer insights and optimise underwriting and marketing

#### **Risk and Compliance**

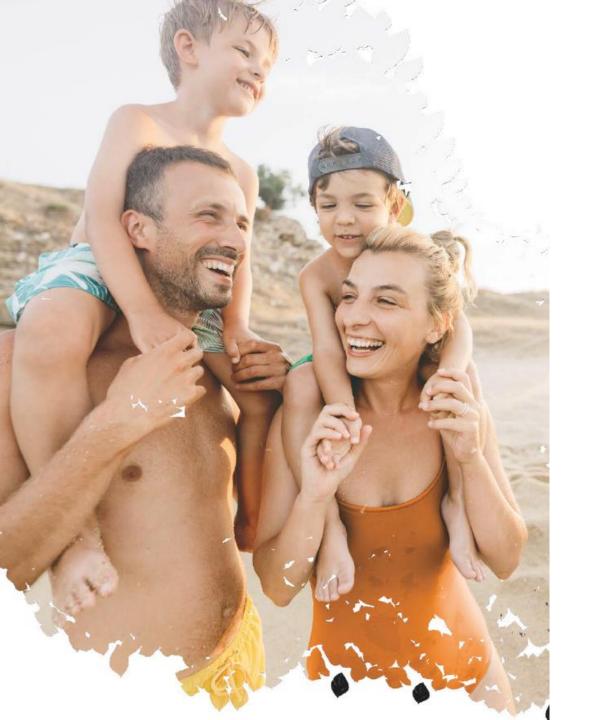
Further streamline compliance processes and refine risk management frameworks to maintain strong compliance standards

# FY25 outlook





	Market share growth	Expect to continue to outperform in an improving market
\$	Margin stability	Maintaining strong financial disciplines while investing for growth
	Team development	Continue to build capability and strengthen team
	Digital enhancement	Ongoing enhancement of omnichannel portal to drive better customer outcomes
	Strategy execution	Drive organic growth through innovation while evaluating inorganic opportunities
¢ <sup>4</sup> 4 \$	Capital strength	Sound capital position, with organic capital generation to support accelerated growth and the potential for dividends











# 06 Appendix

### **Consolidated income statement**

Management analysis of the underlying result

Management Analysis \$'000	HY25	Restated HY24	Variance %
Insurance premium revenue	216,025	181,241	19%
Reinsurance expenses	(157,831)	(132,519)	19%
Net insurance premium revenue	58,194	48,722	1 <b>9</b> %
Net claims expense	(13,535)	(9,052)	50%
Net commissions and other revenue	2,646	7,672	(66%)
Policy acquisition costs	(24,354)	(27,647)	(12%)
Change in net policy liabilities	3,224	(946)	(441%)
Insurance profit	26,175	18,749	40%
Administration expenses	(17,546)	(16,945)	4%
Insurance operating profit	8,629	1,803	378%
Net investment income	3,197	2,660	20%
Profit before tax	11,826	4,463	165%
Income tax expense	(3,545)	(1,552)	128%
Profit after tax	8,281	2,911	184%
Post tax impact of			
Recurring Adjustments:			
Policy liability economic assumption changes	(816)	585	
Loss recognition reserve changes	2	1,232	
Non-recurring Adjustments:			
AASB 17 implementation expenses	382	1,409	
Product Development and IT transformation projects	520	918	
Corporate transactions and projects	290	-	
Funeral fund member allocation	_	780	
Underlying NPAT	8,659	7,835	11%



This profit or loss statement is presented in the format management utilise to analyse and monitor the performance of the business. The management analysis assesses the insurance operating result as net insurance revenue, net claims, net commission and other income, policy acquisition costs, changes in policy liabilities and expenses for the purposes of explaining the key drivers of the Group's operating result and calculating key metrics. Analysis of the nature of income and expenses within the insurance operating result provides useful additional information about underlying trends in relation to the different components of underwriting profitability.

A reconciliation from the management analysis to the statutory result is presented in the Half-year Condensed Consolidated Financial Report for the period ended 31 December 2024.

# **Financial strength**

### Sound capital position above regulatory requirements

#### Statutory balance sheet at 31 December 2024

\$m	31 Dec 2024	30 Jun 2024
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	76.4	64.0
Receivables	5.1	13.1
Insurance contract assets	78.0	65.8
Reinsurance contract assets	91.5	81.3
Financial assets	218.3	207.5
Plant and equipment	0.4	0.4
Right-of-use assets	4.4	4.8
Intangible assets	3.3	3.8
Deferred tax asset	18.7	23.0
Total assets	496.1	463.7
Liabilities		
Payables	110.7	121.5
Insurance contract liabilities	187.4	175.1
Reinsurance contract liabilities	105.0	90.5
Lease liabilities	4.9	5.3
Total liabilities	408.0	392.3
Net assets	88.1	71.4
Equity		
Issued capital	104.7	96.4
Accumulated losses	(17.8)	(26.1)
Other reserves	1.2	1.1
Total equity	88.1	71.4

#### Capital adequacy

\$m / %	31 Dec 2024	30 Jun 2024
Capital base – (a)	46.0	42.2
Prescribed capital amount - (b)	23.7	21.9
Capital adequacy multiple % (a)/(b)	194%	193%
Target capital (incl. management buffer) - (c)	39.7	33.5
Assets in excess of target (a) – (c)	6.3	8.7



### Commentary

#### **Financial assets**

- Primarily held in term deposits and short duration fixed interest securities
- Claims settled by reinsurers on actuarial reserve basis represent \$16.5m (Jun-24: \$15.9m)
- Deposit Back assets held to secure reinsurance assets exposures \$100.3m (Jun-24: \$100.3m)

#### **Policy liabilities**

 Reinsurance contract assets are reduced by claims settled by reinsurers on actuarial reserve basis represent \$16.5m (Jun-24: \$15.9m)

#### Intangible assets

 Includes \$2.0m (Jun-24: \$2.2m) amortised cost of acquiring A&G run-off portfolio

#### **Deferred tax assets**

Include \$15.3m (Jun-24: \$19.6m) deferred tax loss asset

#### Payables

 Includes \$100.3m (Jun-24: \$100.3m) payable to reinsurers under deposit back arrangement supporting reinsurance asset concentration exposures

#### Dividend

• No dividend declared in line with stated intention to invest for growth

#### **Capital adequacy**

Sound capital adequacy multiple

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