

# **Market Release**

11 December 2025

#### **Investor update materials**

Steadfast Managing Director and CEO, Robert Kelly AM and members of the Steadfast executive leadership team will host an operating update for investors and analysts at 10:00am (AEDT), today.

Attached are the presentation slides.

#### Webcast details

To access the live webcast, please click here.

A replay of the webcast will be made available on the investor website approximately two business days after the initial broadcast.

This announcement is authorised by the Steadfast Board of Directors.

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Steadfast Group operates insurance broker and agency networks in Australia, New Zealand, Singapore and the United States of America. The brokers and agencies in Steadfast's networks place over AU\$25 billion in gross written premium annually.

Steadfast provides a broad range of services and solutions to support the broker and agency businesses in its networks, including market access, technology, risk solutions and operational support. Steadfast also acts as a long-term partner by offering its members equity solutions to support succession, perpetuation and acquisition growth.

Steadfast owns a portfolio of 30 underwriting agencies providing specialist insurance products in niche market segments to the open market.

Steadfast also owns an established Lloyds broking house, HWS Specialty, offering wholesale placement for brokers and agents around the world as well as direct insurance solutions. Headquartered in London, UK, with offices in France, Greece and Australia.

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# **Investor update**

**Investor Presentation** 

11 December 2025



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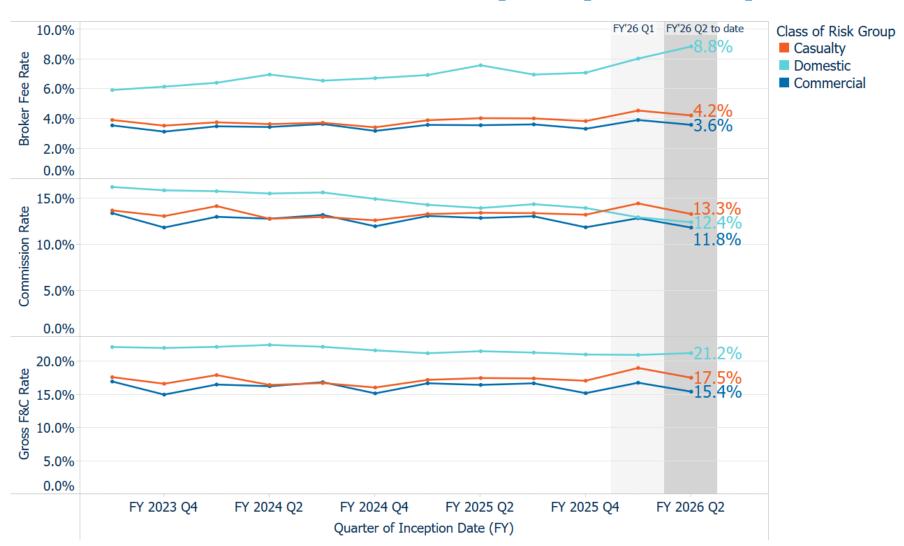
# **Steadfast Group**

# **Steadfast Group – continued focus on growth and cost optimisation**

	Steadfast Group
Growth	<ul> <li>Organic - enhanced fee &amp; commission analytics for more nimble access to current market trends and insights</li> <li>Acquisitions of \$127.7m completed at 30 November 2025</li> <li>Increased maximum gearing ratio to 40% (excl premium funding borrowings), in line with existing bank covenants</li> </ul>
Strategic integration/ realignment of Subsidiaries	Continued engagement and evaluation with Subsidiary CEOs
Continued Subsidiary oversight & Benchmarking	<ul> <li>Dedicated Subsidiary Performance team remains focused on performance oversight, benchmark data sharing and implementation of margin improvement initiatives</li> </ul>
Expense management discipline	<ul> <li>Cost saving measures across head office and subsidiaries projected to deliver annualised savings of approximately \$3.6m, pro rata for 2H26</li> <li>Targeted reduction of non-critical marketing &amp; events spend</li> <li>External vendor cost reduction through leveraging internal expertise and re-prioritisation of Group projects</li> <li>Reduction in overhead costs by rationalising non-critical head office roles</li> </ul>



## Broker fee & commission (F&C) rates by class of risk

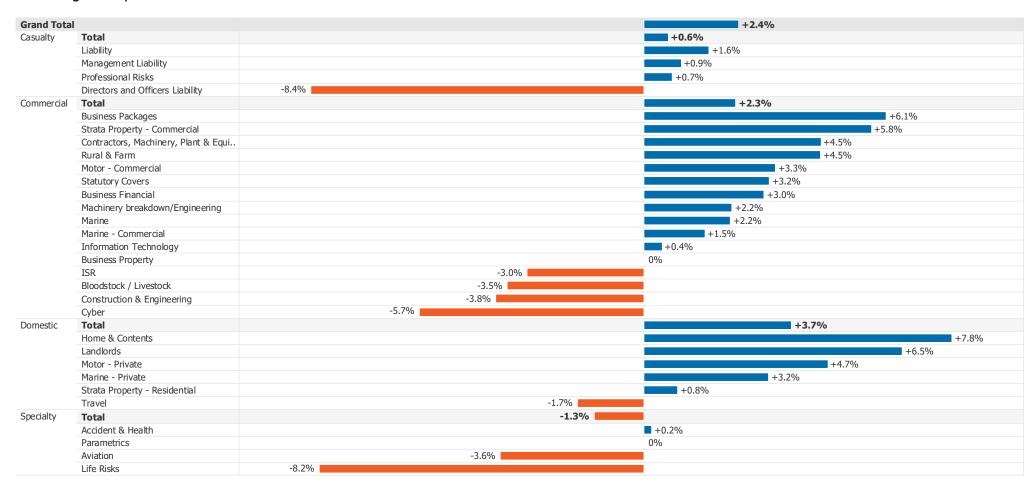




## **Insurance premium update**

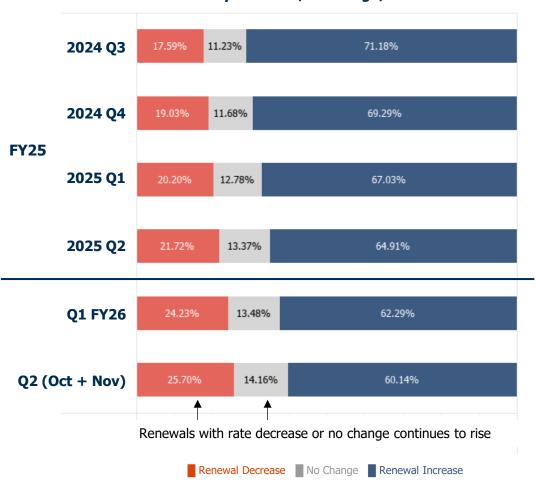
Average base insurance premium increase by 30 November 2025 <sup>1</sup>

Average YTD premium increase is 2.4%



## **Overall premium change on renewal**

#### Percent of Renewals by decrease/no change/increase





## **Australasian acquisition pipeline**

Completed \$128m of acquisitions FY26 to 30 November 2025

FY26 YTD Australasian investment spend (excl. International)	Acquisition cost
2 new acquisitions	\$13.6m
21 step ups	\$92.6m
13 bolt ons	\$21.5m
Total spend year to date	\$127.7m
Australasian Trapped Capital Pipeline projected to complete in the remainder of FY26 (including Rothbury)	\$202.0m

\$13.0m Annualised EBITA 9.8x Average Multiple

• The Steadfast Group Board has approved a maximum gearing ratio of 40% (excluding premium funding borrowings), up from 35%, in line with existing bank covenants



### **ACCC** update

Working with the ACCC to establish a working protocol between ACCC and Steadfast prior to official commencement of Australia's merger control framework on 1 January 2026

- Steadfast made ACCC applications in FY25 and FY26.
- The applications have covered transactions with prices varying from under \$1 million to over \$100 million.
- ACCC is aware of Steadfast's business model. Steadfast has worked with the ACCC on the form and content of our applications to make them as relevant as possible to their decision-making processes.
- During CY2025, the ACCC has returned 18 of 20 applications and all have been returned without objection. The other 2 applications were made recently and are still being considered.
- The ACCC's turn around on the applications has sped up from 33 calendar days to 10 calendar days.
- The ACCC's new regime starts officially on 1 January 2026, and we will be continuing with the same co-operative approach.





# Steadfast Australasian Network

# **Broking Subsidiaries focus on subsidiary performance**

	Broking Subsidiaries
Organic growth	<ul> <li>Access to F&amp;C analysis to maintain sustainable revenue stream</li> <li>Implementation of new business strategies to target previous clients</li> <li>Interest income uplift and treasury management improvement</li> </ul>
Strategic integration/ realignment of Subsidiaries	<ul> <li>Enhanced operational efficiency &amp; scalability through reduced duplication of operational process, infrastructure and cost</li> </ul>
Continued Subsidiary oversight & benchmarking	<ul> <li>Enhanced monthly financial reporting framework and Board governance uplift program</li> <li>Targeted Subsidiary engagement and proactive identification of performance outliers</li> <li>Enhanced fee &amp; commission analysis for uplift in revenue growth opportunities</li> <li>Leverage advanced new business/ renewal data analysis strategies for client retention</li> </ul>
Expense management discipline	<ul> <li>Optimisation of non-critical personnel expenses</li> <li>Targeted reduction of non critical events/ conference spend</li> <li>Reducing IT vendor costs</li> <li>No backfill of non-critical positions</li> <li>Realignment of incentives to be more aligned with financial performance</li> </ul>



## A strong focus on Australasia Broking growth



#### **Organic Growth**

#### **Broker Network & Revenue Increase**

- Number of Australasia Network Brokers grown from 402 to 421
- ~25% increase FY26 Broker Licence fee revenue

#### **Professional Services Fee (PSF)**

- ~5% increase FY26 Insurer Partner Fees
- Discussions underway for FY27 Insurer Partner PSF

#### **Broking Subsidiary Revenue Growth**







- Positive revenue growth with diversified product lines and geographic locations
- Reduced dependency on commission revenue, strategic shift to fee revenue
- Positive policy volume growth and client retention



#### **Inorganic Growth**





- Strategic expansion into New Zealand market, leveraging CBN scalability in system, processes and customer service
- Folio brings an additional \$20.7m GWP and includes 19 member brokerages and 30 individual brokers across NZ

#### **Active Acquisition Pipeline**

Continued focus on new broker acquisitions, step up and bolt on opportunities



#### **Strategic Integration/Alignment**

#### 70+ Broker Hubbings completed since IPO

An additional 6 Broker Hubbings completed FY26 YTD<sup>1</sup>

#### Strategic rationale:

- Enables cost base improvements through scale
- Streamline operations
- Leverage specialist capabilities
- **Enhanced client outcomes**
- Broader business reach

## **Strategic benefits of Subsidiary Broker Hubbing**



#### **Financial Benefits**

- · Consolidation of duplicate management and back-office roles
- · Consolidation of office spend
- Reduction in administration spend, including technology, finance and compliance
- Enhanced operational efficiency through streamlined system and process integration



#### **Non-financial Benefits**

- Leverage brokerage specialisations
- Capitalise on scale and positive market reputation
- Broader business reach through access to new client segments and geographic regions driving growth potential
- Opportunity for career progression and staff development
- Enhanced governance structures

#### **Broker Hubbing Examples**





















# **Steadfast Underwriting Agencies**

# **Underwriting Agencies focus on subsidiary performance**

	Underwriting Agencies
Organic & inorganic growth	<ul> <li>Agency "hubbing" opportunities for scalable inorganic growth</li> <li>Broadening diversification in revenue streams through new product lines</li> <li>Underwriting system modernisation creating cross sell/ product adjacency and new distribution channel access</li> </ul>
Strategic integration/ realignment of Subsidiaries	Agencies consolidation & aggregation of binders
Continued Subsidiary oversight & benchmarking	<ul> <li>Enhanced monthly financial reporting framework and Board governance uplift program</li> <li>Targeted Subsidiary engagement and proactive identification of performance outliers</li> <li>Enhanced fee &amp; commission analysis for uplift in revenue growth opportunities</li> <li>Leverage advanced new business/ renewal data analysis strategies for client retention</li> </ul>
Expense management discipline	<ul> <li>Optimisation of non-critical personnel expenses</li> <li>Targeted reduction of non-critical events/ conference spend</li> <li>Reducing IT vendor costs</li> <li>No replacement for all non-critical roles</li> <li>Realignment of incentives to be more aligned with financial performance</li> </ul>



# A strong focus on Underwriting Agencies strategic growth



#### **Organic Growth**

# CASTLE

- Sure Insurance new Australia wide product, QBE backed
- Utilising Sure's industry leading pricing and risk selection
- Strong performance since October 2025 launch



- Consolidation of Mansions, Dawes and Argis
- Single technology platform & broker portal
- Significant opportunity for continued YoY growth and cross-selling of products

#### **New Product Launches**

 Further product diversification in Underwriting Agencies through new market products from CHU, Mecon, Emergence & Coast. Launch of Unity Trade Credit



#### **Inorganic Growth**



- Acquisition of Xenon Underwriting by ProRisk
- Building scale through disciplined product diversification and geographic reach

#### **Active Acquisition Pipeline**

 Focused on product diversification, geographic expansion and scalable growth



#### **Strategic Integration/Alignment**

#### **Ongoing Agency Consolidation Focus**

- Successful completion of Consumer Agencies consolidation (Prevail)
- Continuation of Commercial Agencies consolidation

#### **Mid-Scale Agency Growth**

Supporting growth of mid-scale Agencies through acquisition and new product development

#### **Technology Investment**

 Investment in automation with resulting efficiencies through the Underwriting Agency IT platform replacement program



## Creating value through Agency consolidation

50% GWP Growth

74% EBITA Growth

FY20 - 25 across Mansions, Dawes & Argis



#### **Strategic Intent**



#### **Technology Efficiency**

9000+ Brokers utilising
Simplafy Connect as a single
broker portal enhancing
17 broker service



#### **New Distribution Channels**

Cross sell opportunities across channels focusing on distinct customer groups with unique needs



#### **Data & Analytics**

Dedicated team producing real time analysis on portfolio performance and growth opportunities



#### **Growth Opportunities**

Leveraging Agency scale to address HWNI underinsurance and product innovation for adjacent HWNI offerings



# **Steadfast International**

### **Steadfast International**

Progress to date



~US\$6 billion 250 i

**US Network P&C GWP** 

250 independent agencies

**US Network Members** 



US\$125+ million GWP 2,000+ agencies
Platform



110 countries

290 members

**6** countries

**200+** people



£175+ million

London GWP

**2,900+ clients**UK/Europe clients

**April 2023** October 2023 August 2024 December 2024 **March 2025** August 2025 Creation of Steadfast Acquisition of Acquisition of H.W. Wood rebranded Acquisition of Novum ISU rebranded to H.W. Wood & International, including to HWS Specialty **Underwriting Partners** ISU Group **ISU Steadfast** existing stake in **HWI France** UnisonSteadfast 19 THE STRENGTH YOU NEED



# Questions

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