

# **ARROW GLOBAL GROUP**

Results for the quarter ended 31 March 2023

18 May 2023

# INTRODUCTION

Zach Lewy Group Chief Executive Officer

## Successful transition to a capital-light integrated fund manager

Development of our FUM growing capital-light revenue.....delivering free cash flow and de-leveraging



Strong progress on fundraising, two additional discretionary funds raised in the last 12 months, with first close of Arrow Real Estate Opportunities (AREO) to complement our flagship Arrow Credit Opportunities (ACO) funds

# Further strategic milestones achieved in expansion of vertically integrated fund management model



- De-leveraging a strategic priority
- Strong collections performance versus ERC £82 million collections for the quarter (Q1 2022: £108 million), representing 117% of ERC
- Adjusted EBITDA reduced by 18% to £72 million (Q1 2022: £88 million) and short-term increase in leverage from 4.1 times in December 2022 to 4.4 times primarily driven by the ERC profile, reflecting increased level of real estate/collateral backed portfolios
- Commitment to **de-leveraging to circa 3 times** over the medium term



Continue to scale our fund management proposition

- > ACO 2 €2.75 billion fundraise complete, the largest distressed debt fund and fourth largest debt fund closed globally in the quarter
- Good progress developing vertically integrated operating model into real estate and direct lending adjacent asset classes
- First close of our **discretionary Real Estate Equity Fund** (AREO) with capital raised of €100 million (€110 million including Arrow coinvest) represents a significant milestone for the Group. Additional fundraising is expected during 2023, with significant growth potential
- Continued scaling of investment activity with €209 million originated in Q1 2023 across ACO (Q1 2022: €168 million)
- > Delivering strong returns with Deal IRR (after servicing costs) of 18% and 20% for ACO 1 and ACO 2 respectively
- Record Q1 2023 for Maslow, owned 49% by Arrow, originating £400 million development finance loans, 100% sourced from external LPs

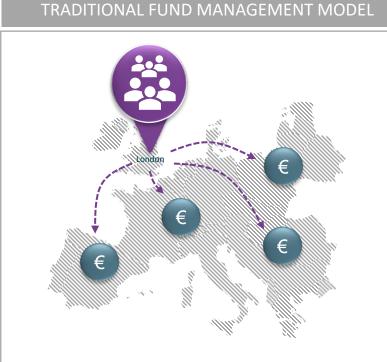


Efficient local platforms create a differentiated proposition

- Alignment of our fund management and servicing activity in chosen market segments, scaling capabilities, including the acquisition of Eagle Street, a pan-European real estate investment and asset manager focused on the UK and Ireland for total consideration of £8 million and on-track to complete the divestment of lower margin non-core UK platforms
- Integrated Fund Management segment delivered EBITDA up 3% to £8.4 million and EBITDA margin up from 16.8% to 18.9% YoY increase despite the exclusion from the underlying result of the UK platforms subject to divestment
- Maintaining our strong regulatory and customer franchise, as part of our broader ESG commitments

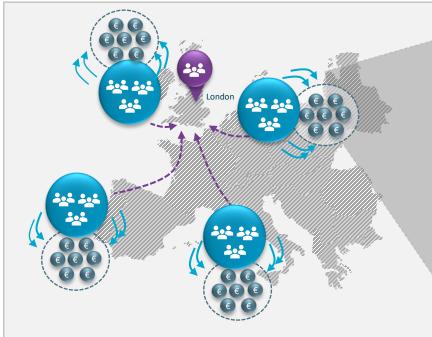
# Vertically integrated fund management model drives competitive advantage and enables expansion into adjacent asset classes

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- > A central investment team located in London
- Origination focused on large deals, in competitive processes
- Limited geographical presence opportunistic deals, partnering with local servicers

#### THE DIFFERENTIATED ARROW MODEL: LOCAL OPERATOR-INVESTOR BUSINESS



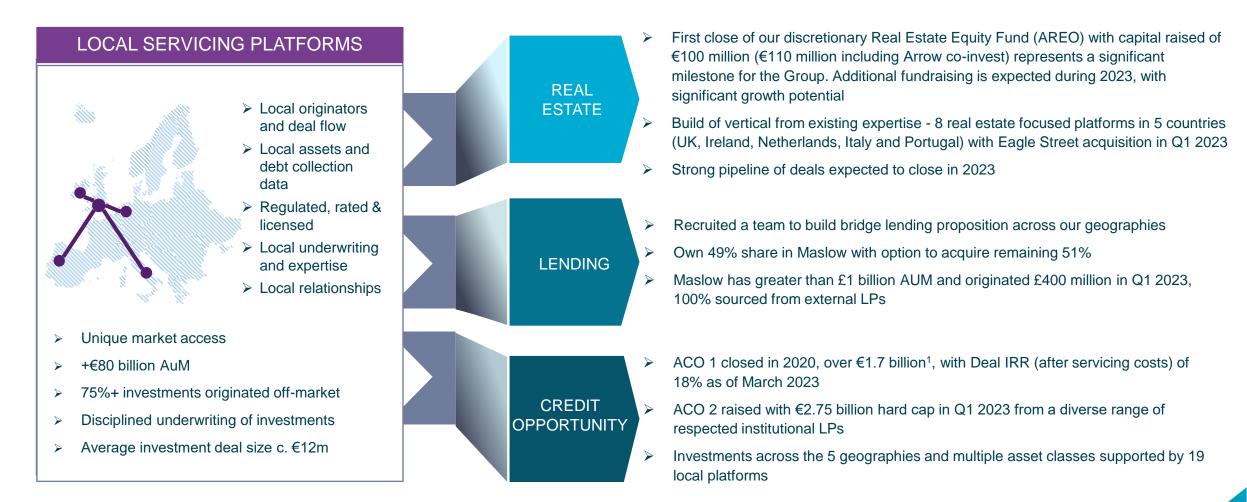
- Highly differentiated vertically integrated asset manager predominantly focused on real estate asset backed strategies (real estate equity, credit and direct lending opportunities)
- Local leading asset management platforms, combined with centralised expertise across areas such as underwriting, fundraising, capital allocation and governance
- > Unique market access: granular, off-market opportunities
- Deep local presence: Best in class local asset management, track-record, market knowledge and expertise, strong local relationships

#### Local Advantage

#### 19 LOCAL PLATFORMS ACROSS 5 MARKETS, WITH +2,300 EMPLOYEES

- Local origination capability and assets under management as the source for investment opportunities
- Ability to unlock the large volume of opportunities in the complex, fragmented and heterogeneous European market
- Matching institutional capital to granular investments in micro markets
- Focusing on high-return segments and through offmarket origination strategy, able to deliver strong riskadjusted returns for investors

# **Operating model well positioned to pursue different investment strategies across three core asset class 'verticals'**



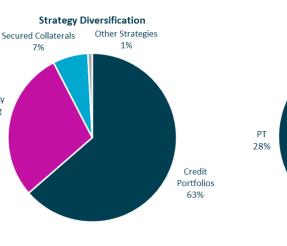
Ability to invest opportunistically across market cycles and asset classes leveraging our local platform footprint

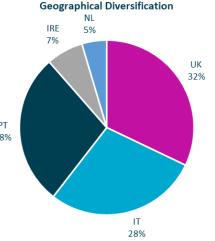
# Record quarter for fundraising and origination and ACO continuing to deliver strong returns

- ACO 2 fund recognised as the largest distressed debt fund and fourth largest debt fund overall closed globally in the quarter, reaching its hard cap of €2.75 billion
- > The Group continues to invest in our integrated fund manager proposition to ensure continued growth in deployment at attractive returns
- Continued scaling of investment activity with €209 million originated in Q1 2023 across ACO (Q1 2022: €168 million)
- > ACO 1 is delivering strong returns, with a Deal IRR (after servicing costs) of 18% as of March 2023
  - The collections profile remains strong, having collected 1.2x of underwrite as at March 2023
  - Over 35% of investments funded by recycled collections
- > Attractive early returns for ACO 2 with Deal IRR (after servicing costs) of 20%
- > Over 90% of ACO 1 is secured on real estate, cash in court and other mixed security and is built from highly granular deployment, with over 350 individual investments

Rank	Fund	Manager	Capital raised (\$bn)	Strategy
1.	HPS Strategic Investment Partners V	HPS Investment Partners	12.00	Subordinated / mezzanine debt
2.	Crescent Credit Solutions VII	Crescent Capital Group	8.00	Subordinated / mezzanine debt
3.	Audax Direct Lending Solutions Fund II	Audax Group	3.00	Senior debt
4.	Arrow Credit Opportunity II	Arrow Global	2.93	Distressed
10.	AG Credit Solutions Fund Annex Dislocation Fund 2	Angelo Gordon	1.30	Subordinated / mezzanine debt







Source: Private Debt Investor

# **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Phil Shepherd Group Chief Commercial Officer

### **Underlying group cash performance**

- The Group delivered a strong cash result for the quarter with collections 117% of ERC
- Collections of £81.5 million were £26.6 million lower than prior year, reflecting the ERC profile
  - ERC profile increasingly "lumpy" as the level of real estate/collateral backed investment portfolios increases
  - Large £15.3 million collection in Q1 2022
- Adjusted EBITDA was £72.1 million with leverage increasing by 0.3x to 4.4x since December 2022, reflecting the collections profile
- We remain committed to de-leveraging over the medium term to c.3 times
- Free cash flow post portfolio investment increased by 8% to £29 million (Q1 2022: £27 million)
  - Purchases were £24.6 million<sup>1</sup> in 2023 (2022: £50.0 million), reflecting co-investment at 10% in ACO 2 rather than 25% in ACO 1

Cash Performance	Q1 2023 £'m	Q1 2022 £'m	Change %
Core cash collections	81.5	108.1	(25)
Adjusted EBITDA	72.1	88.0	(18)
Leverage <sup>2</sup>	4.4x	4.1x	0.3x
Free cash flow generation	53	77	(30)
Free cash flow post portfolio investment	29	27	8

#### **Integrated Fund Management Segment**

- Integrated Fund Management income was £44.6 million, a decrease of £4.4 million compared with prior year:-
  - £9.5 million decrease as the revenue of Capquest and Mars UK is reported within adjusting items and not in the underlying result
  - £5.1 million growth in capital light revenues

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- Increased management fees from our discretionary funds three discretionary funds (ACO 1, ACO 2 and AREO 1) compared with one as at March 2022
- Strong asset management and servicing driven by continued third party contract wins across all territories
- Expansion of our real estate footprint
- Despite exclusion of divested platforms from the underlying result, Q1 EBITDA increased by 3% to £8.4 million
  - LTM EBITDA has increased by 69% to £39.9 million compared with March 2022
- EBITDA margin expanded by 2.1%pts from 16.8% to 18.9%, reflecting the operational leverage and efficiency from scaling of our operations
- We continue to invest in the growth of our Integrated Fund Management Segment to capture opportunities in real estate and direct lending adjacent asset classes
  - EBITDA and profit margins will continue to grow over the medium term as the business scales FUM and in time recognises carried interest

Integrated Fund Management Segment EBITDA	Q1 2023 £'m	Q1 2022 £'m	Change %
Income	44.6	49.1	(9)
Business operating costs	(20.6)	(23.6)	(13)
Overheads (excl. D&A and FX)	(15.6)	(17.2)	(9)
EBITDA	8.4	8.2	3
EBITDA margin (%)	18.9	16.8	13

Note: Results for Capquest and Mars UK excluded in Q1 2023 (included in Q1 2022)

#### **Balance Sheet Segment**

- > Collections performance was strong in Q1 2023, representing 117% of ERC
- Net collections<sup>1</sup> were £68.7 million and exceeded portfolio purchases of £24.6<sup>2</sup> million by £44.1 million
- > EBITDA was £12.8 million, £7.8 million lower than prior year driven by the divestment:
  - No income or associated collection costs on the divested portfolios (both 50% being sold, together with the 50% retained by Arrow) are reported within our underlying results
  - Performance under the lock-box mechanism will adjust the proceeds received from Intrum and also the re-recognition value on the 50% retained by Arrow
  - > EBITDA on the divested portfolios in Q1 2022 was circa £5 million
- The chart shows expected cash realisations/collections from investment portfolios in 2023
  - Reforecast ERC post divestment/collections of c.£420 million (£40 million higher than 2022)
  - Includes the current ERC (excluding UK portfolios subject to divestment), rebased ERC on 50% of the retained UK portfolios and the cash realised from divestment of 50% of the portfolios to Intrum (£91 million)
  - Excludes any in year cash collections on portfolios acquired in the remaining 9 months of 2023
  - Such cash realisations/collections through the reminder of 2023 will represent strong progress towards the medium term strategic leverage commitment of 3.0 times
- . Net collections is collections less collections activity costs
- Includes movement in investments awaiting deployment of £9.3 million

Balance Sheet Segment EBITDA	Q1 2023 £'m	Q1 2022 £'m	Change %
Core cash collections	81.5	108.1	(25)
Net collections <sup>1</sup>	68.7	85.4	(20)
Income	25.6	43.3	(41)
Business operating costs	(12.8)	(22.7)	(44)
EBITDA	12.8	20.6	(38)
EBITDA margin (%)	50.1	47.7	5

Note: 100% of portfolios subject to divestment excluded in Q1 2023 (included in Q1 2022)



#### Cash realisations/collections from investment portfolios £m

#### **Group Segment**

- > EBITDA in the Group segment remained stable year on year driven by:-
  - Continued increase in group overheads absorbed by the fund as the scale of ACO increases
  - Strong cost control focus and the impact of the £20 million annualised cost savings delivered during 2022
  - Offset by increased investment in areas such as fund raising as we scale our fund management operations
- Investment leaves the business well placed to grow capital-light fee model in adjacent asset classes, such as real estate and direct lending

Group Segment EBITDA	Q1 2023 £'m	Q1 2022 £'m	Change %
Income	0.0	0.0	-
Business operating costs	0.1	(0.2)	(124)
Overheads (excl. D&A and FX)	(7.2)	(6.7)	8
EBITDA	(7.2)	(6.9)	3

## **Summary of group performance**

- Loss before adjusting items was £10.4 million for the quarter, with the year on year result impacted by the divestment
  - No income / costs included on 100% of the balance sheet assets (c.£5 million in Q1 2022)
  - Capquest / Mars platform profits reported through adjusting items (£0.5m)
- > Financing costs were £6.1 million higher YoY reflecting:-
  - Rising interest rates
  - > Costs of maintaining high levels of liquidity headroom
- During the period, £1.6 million FX gain (2022: £0.5 million loss) on the non-cash retranslation of our a net Euro liability position as a natural hedge to the surplus Euro income generation from increasing fund management income and in due course, carried interest

Profit before tax and KPIs	Q1 2023 £'m	Q1 2022 £'m	Change %
EBITDA:			
Integrated Fund Management	8.4	8.2	3
Balance Sheet Business	12.8	20.6	(38)
Group	(7.2)	(6.9)	3
EBITDA	14.1	21.9	(36)
Depreciation and amortisation	(2.8)	(2.6)	8
FX (losses) / gains	1.6	(0.5)	-
Interest costs	(25.3)	(19.3)	32
Share of profit from associate net of tax	2.1	1.1	91
(Loss) / Profit before tax before adjusting items	(10.4)	0.6	n/a

Note: Results for Capquest and Mars UK and 100% of portfolios subject to divestment excluded in Q1 2023 (included in Q1 2022)

#### **Collections**

- Cash collections of £81.5 million have remained strong in Q1,  $\geq$ representing 117% of ERC
- Despite the macro-economic uncertainty and the cost of living  $\geq$ impacts, collections across all territories remain resilient and the Group's ERC continues to reflect assumptions in line with broader economic expectations
- Large individual collection of £15.3 million in Q1 2022 and "lumpy" collections profile from the increased level of real estate or collateral backed investment portfolios resulted in collections reducing £26.6 million against prior year (Q1 2022 £108.1 million)

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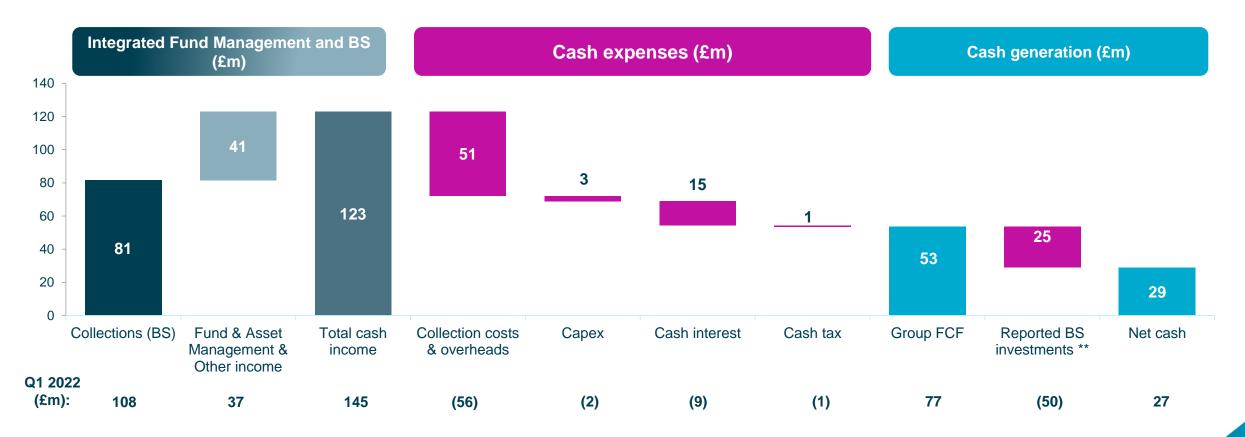
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## Free cash flow generation

- Strong free cash flow\* generation of £53 million (Q1 2022: £77 million)
- > Free cash flow generation exceeded the cash outflow for portfolio investments by £29 million (Q1 2022 £27 million)
- > Investment levels will benefit from 10% co-invest ratio in ACO 2 versus 25% through ACO 1, therefore capital intensity is expected to continue to reduce across 2023
- > Unique integrated fund manager model enables revenue/earnings growth with balance sheet de-leveraging as we go forward



\* Free cash flow = Cash generated after the effects of capital expenditure, financing and tax cash impacts & before reinvestment and cash impact of adjusting items

\*\* Investments made includes movements on funding into holding structure, does not include funding deferred purchases from previous years

#### **Cash generation and capital allocation**

- > Free cash flow (£53 million) exceeded cash purchases (£25 million) by £29 million
- > Net debt rose by £22 million in Q1 2023 as shown in the table below
- > During Q1 2023, the group completed the acquisition of Eagle Street for £8 million
- > Other movements include £16 million operational working capital outflow, which predominantly relates the payment of year end bonuses paid in Q1 2023
- > Going forward (with 10% co-investment in ACO 2), the strong free cash flow is expected to continue to exceed portfolio investment and support de-leveraging

1. Includes movements on funding into holding structure made in 2022 and 2023

<sup>2.</sup> Represents £27 million working capital & other adjustments and £1 million positive sundry movements on other balances

### Liquidity and leverage position

- Group leverage increased by 0.3 times during Q1 2023 from 4.1x to 4.4x, primarily driven by a one-off collection in Q1 2022
- Significant levels of liquidity headroom with no bond maturities until 2026
  - > Weighted average duration of debt 4.0 years (FY 2022: 4.2 years)
  - Weighted average cost of debt of 6.5% (FY 2022: 6.3%)
  - Currently circa 80% of total bonds are fixed rate, including the impact of interest rate swaps
- Gross 120-month ERC was £1,752 million at Q1 2023, 2.2% higher than December 2022
- Commitment to reaching medium term target leverage of circa 3 times, with £500 million cumulative cash flow generation (after portfolio investment) over the next 4-5 year period
- Reforecast full year cash realised/collections from portfolios in 2023 of circa £420 million represents strong progress towards the medium term strategic leverage commitment of 3.0 times
  - Includes current ERC (excluding UK portfolios subject to divestment), ERC on 50% of the retained UK portfolios and the cash realised from divestment of 50% of the portfolios to Intrum (£90.7 million)

£'millions	Mar-23
Cash	(126)
£350m 6% Fixed Rate Notes due 2026	350
€640m Floating Rate Notes due 2027 Euribor + 4.625%	562
€400m 4.5% Fixed Rate Notes due 2026	352
Revolving credit facility - £285m maturing 2026	180
Total secured net debt	1,318
LTM Adjusted EBITDA	299.5
Leverage	4.4x
Liquidity headroom (cash and RCF headroom)	223
84-month ERC <sup>1</sup>	1,598
120-month ERC <sup>1</sup>	1,752

## **STRATEGIC FOCUS**

Zach Lewy Group Chief Executive Officer

## The leading integrated fund manager



De-leveraging - a strategic priority

- Committed to reducing leverage to circa 3 times and repaying net debt over the medium term
- Strong collections focus, augmenting the build of capital light revenue streams
- Co-investment reduced to 10% for ACO 2 will drive increasing free cashflow after portfolio re-investment, supporting de-leveraging and will generate a proforma return on capital invested of circa 40%



Continue to scale our fund management proposition

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- First close of our discretionary Real Estate Equity Fund (AREO) with capital raised of €100 million (€110 million including Arrow co-invest) represents a significant milestone for the Group. Additional fundraising is expected during 2023, with significant growth potential
- > Ongoing scaling of our origination through our off-market, local strategy driving higher returns
- > Broadening our origination capabilities organically



Efficient local platforms create a differentiated proposition

- Integrated Fund Management segment delivering increased EBITDA and profitability as we scale our business
- > Local platforms provide a differentiated strategy (typically smaller, higher return deals) versus other credit funds
- Maintaining our strong regulatory and customer franchise as part of our broader ESG commitments

# Appendix

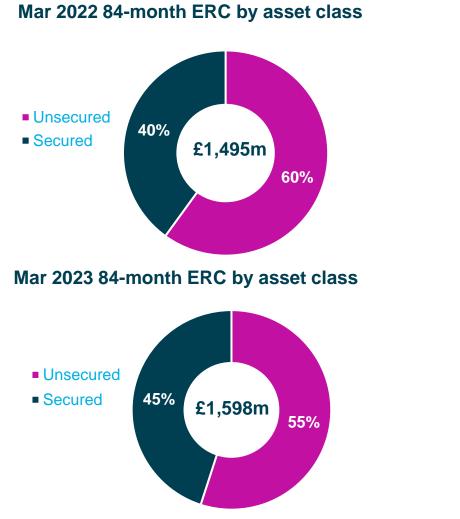
## **Divestment of non-core platforms : accounting & financial impact**

- Following a strategic review, in Q3 2022, Arrow agreed to divest our non-core platforms, Capquest and Mars UK, to Intrum UK, subject to customary closing conditions including regulatory approval, with UK wholly-owned unsecured back book subject to a 50:50 profit sharing arrangement
  - 100% of UK wholly-owned unsecured back book represents £235.6 million of carrying value, £403.9 million of 84-month ERC and £496.7 million of 120-month ERC as at 31 March 2023
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  - Represented 105%<sup>1</sup> of book value compared with carrying value as at March 2022 of £271.7 million (50%: £135.9 million) and net assets of the platform
  - The transaction is subject to "lock box" on the portfolios from March 2022 and completion accounts for the platforms with circa £15 million of short-term working capital / assets expected to be transferred
  - > Actual cash proceeds will depend upon completion date. If completion had occurred as at March 2023, then the cash proceeds would be £134.9 million
- For accounting purposes, assets and liabilities subject to the agreement, including 100% of the portfolios, have been reclassified to 'assets held for sale' and 'liabilities held for sale' and remeasured at their expected proceeds less costs to sell
- £0.5 million gain has been recognised in adjusting items for the quarter, which effectively represents the trading result of the Capquest / Mars platforms
- The combined perimeter of the balance sheet investments continue to be recognised as held for sale until completion and no revenues / costs have been reported in either the adjusting items or underlying P&L result
- Post point of sale, the 50% balance sheet investments retained by Arrow will be accounted on a joint venture basis, with the investment amount dependent upon the performance of the portfolios during the lock box period

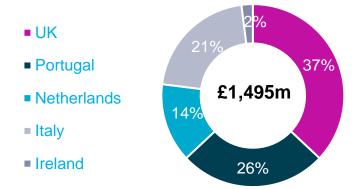
Represents the gross sale proceeds as at March 2022, being the effective date for the lockbox arrangement, compared with the investment carrying value (50% being divested) and the net assets of the platforms being divested

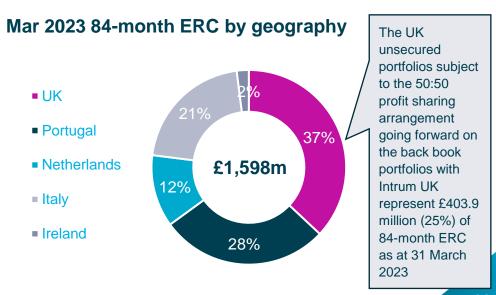
## ERC exposure by geography and type

ERC for FVTPL assets is typically measured net of servicing and collection costs and represents 38% of total ERC



#### Mar 2022 84-month ERC by geography





#### Notes

1. ERC includes Arrow's investment in ACO 1 and ACO 2

 ERC for FVTPL assets, such as Arrow's share of ACO 1 & 2, is typically measured on a 'net of servicing and collection costs' basis, as opposed to amortised cost assets which are typically measured gross. As the percentage of FVTPL 84-month ERC has grown from 14% to 38% since ACO 1 was launched in December 2019, a growing proportion of the Group's ERC is reported on a net basis

#### **Gross debt maturity profile against 120 month ERC**

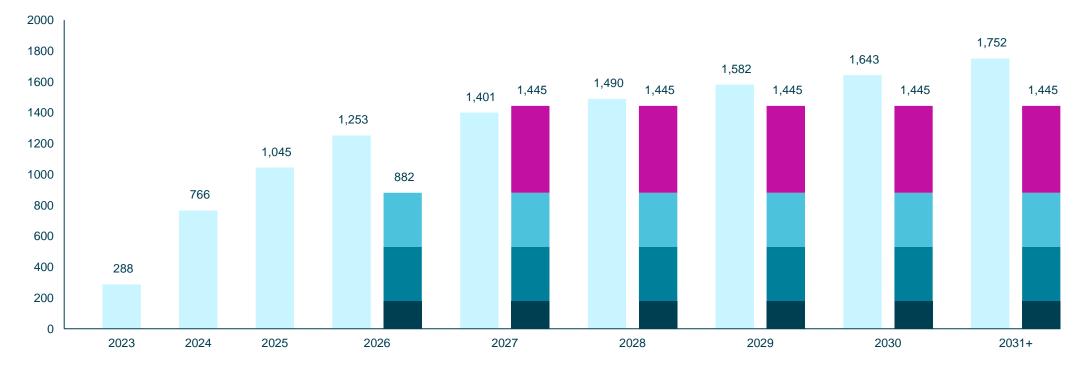
Cumulative 120-month ERC<sup>1</sup>

£285 million RCF<sup>2</sup>

£350 million 6% Fixed Rate Notes due 2026, Callable at par from November 2025

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<sup>1</sup> 120-month ERC includes £496.7 million of ERC relating to UK unsecured portfolios subject to the 50:50 profit sharing arrangement going forward on the back book portfolios with Intrum UK

<sup>2</sup> Drawn RCF balance as at March 2023 was £180 million

<sup>3</sup> All debt maturities are shown gross, not taking into account Group cash balances of £126 million which were held as at March 2023

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