

HOWDEN



Howden's financial model

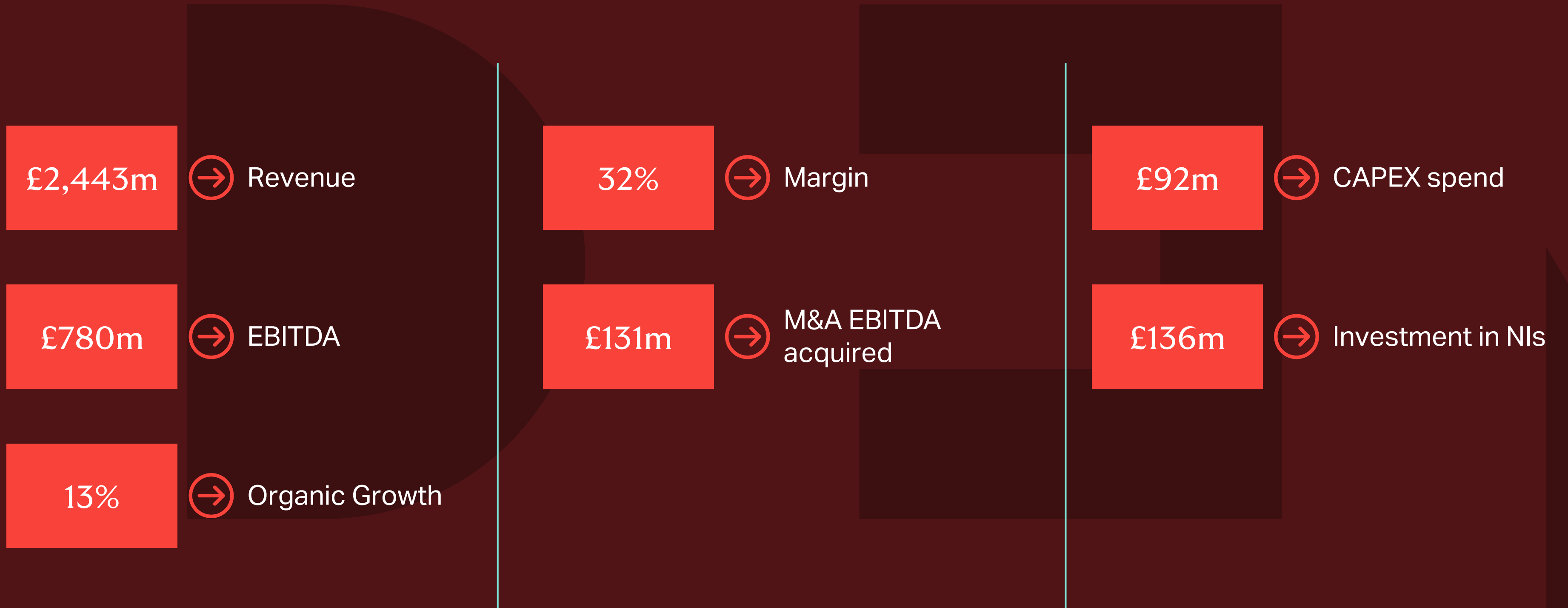
February 2024

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Our recent finance performance

In FY23...



57 deals in total

52 deals < £25m EV

15 countries



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FY23 M&A
another
bumper year

£312m revenue
£117m EBITDA



Number of deals in the country/region

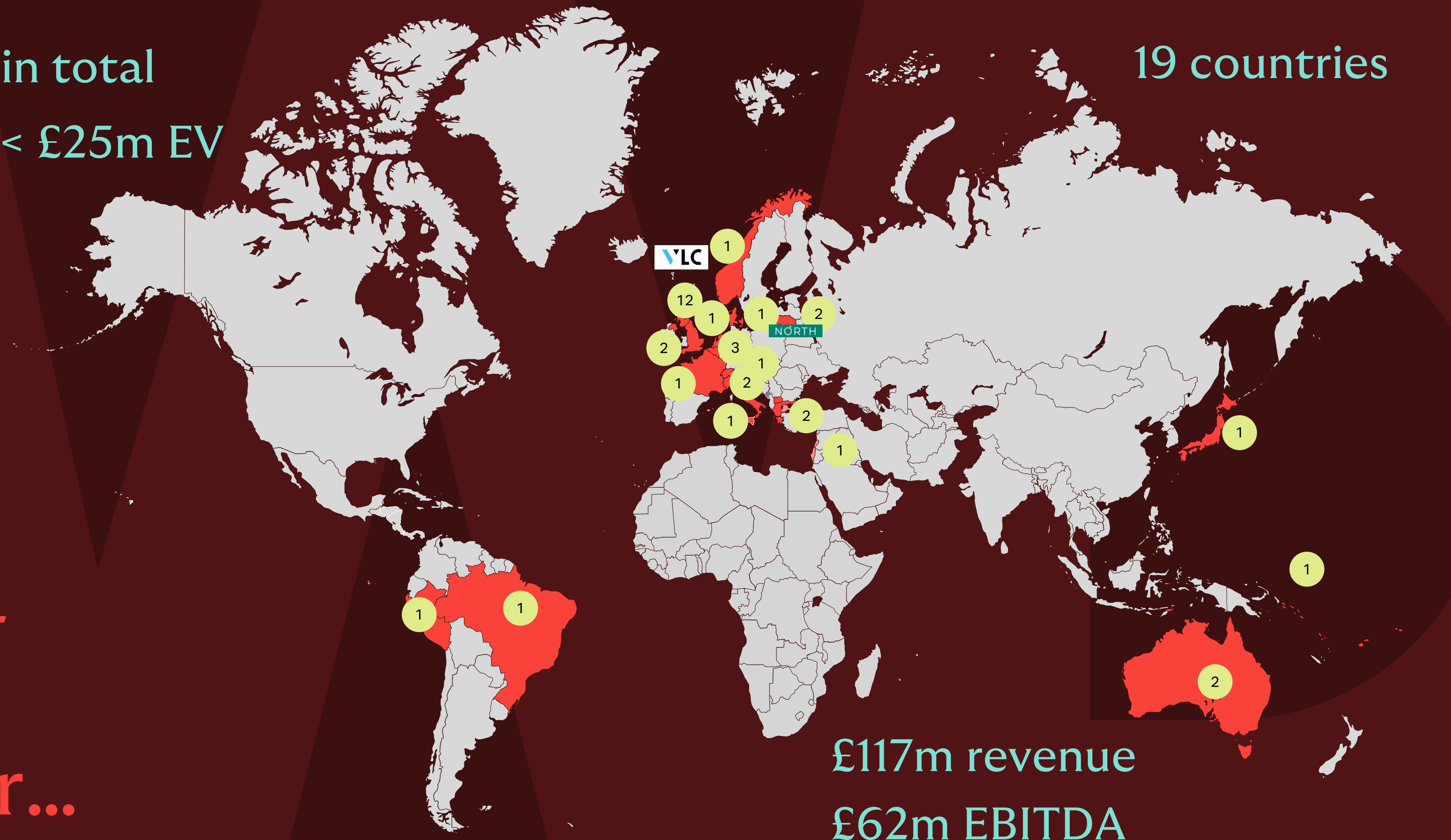
Note: Excludes Group minority investments

36 deals in total

32 deals < £25m EV

19 countries

FY24
M&A
so far...



£117m revenue

£62m EBITDA

Number of deals in the country/region

Note: Excludes Group minority investments; Includes deals signed pending completion, including VLC

FY24 Outlook – based on the MTFP

2023	£2,443m	Revenue		⬆️	£2,833m	2024
	£780m	EBITDA		⬆️	£883m	
	13%	Organic Growth		⬆️	17%	
	32%	Margin		⬇️	30%	
	£117m	M&A EBITDA acquired			TBD	
	£92m	CAPEX spend		⬆️	£118m	
	£136m	Investment in NI		⬆️	£215m	



How do we
fund ourselves?

How are we funded today

Debut bond
issuance and
loan refinancing
successfully
completed
in Feb 2024

Pro Forma at Feb 24	£m
Cash	1,056
Senior Debt	4,884
Junior Debt	410
Other debt / debt like	304
PIK	1,048
Equity	8,748
FY23PF EBITDA	856

Benefits:

- \$7.3bn (£6.0bn) raised with c. \$1bn (£0.7m) of additional cash and facilities⁽¹⁾
- Diversified capital structure
- Leverage and rating maintained at more conservative levels versus private equity backed peers
- Supportive base of c.200 lenders: bonds >3.5x oversubscribed
- Maturity dates extended to Apr 2030 the earliest
- Debt raised as "Cov-Lite" = No performance covenant⁽²⁾
- Fixed rate = better cash management
- Refinanced expensive historic debt = \$40m annual interest saving

Net Multiple

4.5x

Senior Debt

5.0x

Junior Debt

5.3x

Other debt / debt like

16.8x

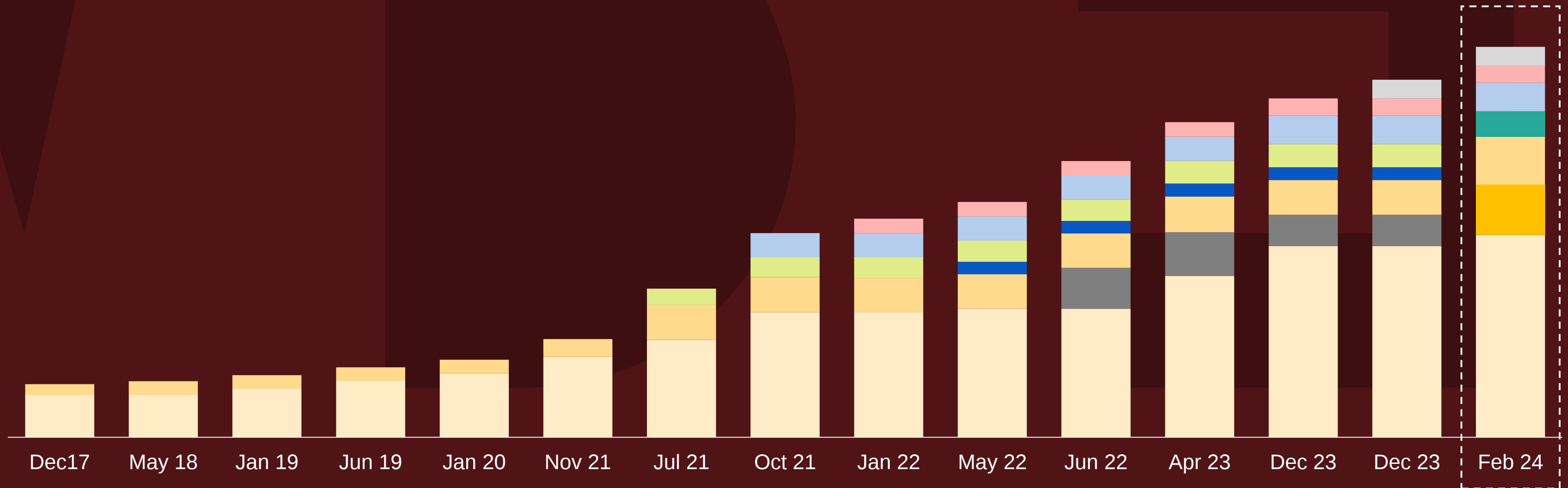
FY23PF EBITDA

(1) Covering two years of interest payments using cash on BS only and four years with the addition of the RCF

(2) Except if RCF is drawn by more than 40%

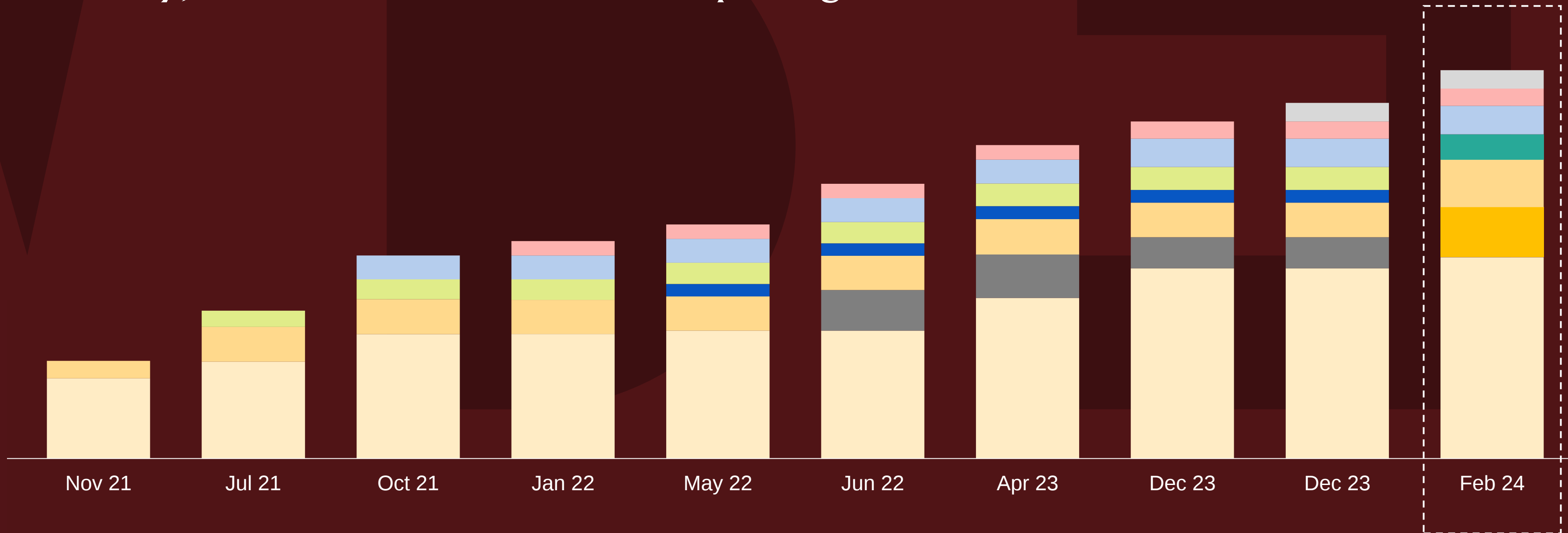
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What does the recent bond issuance mean for you

The bonds create some new obligations for Howden, the most significant being quarterly reporting

What are high yield bonds?

- Widely used by large corporates and especially insurance brokers
- Fixed rate debt instruments
- Issued to a broad investor base through public markets with standardised terms
- Rated by credit agencies
- Publicly traded on secondary markets

What does this mean for Howden?

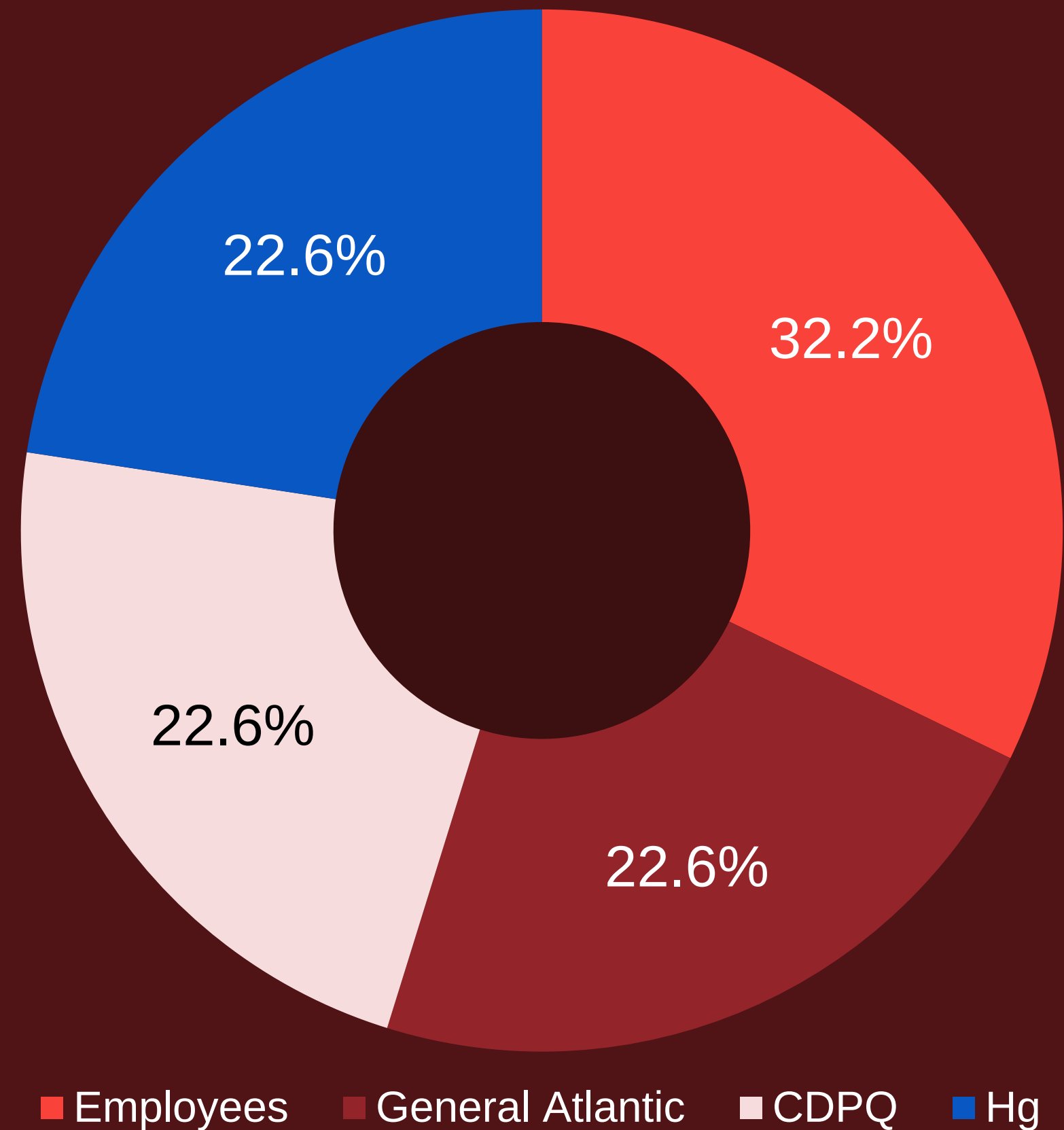
- More onerous quarterly reporting
- Non-negotiable deadlines: not reporting on time = bond default
- Controls over financial figures and disclosures need to be effective
- Reduction in the volume of assets/subsidiaries to pledge against our borrowings
- Gives access to a different pool of lenders – diversify our capital base
- More flexibility in how we use funds

Our ownership structure

Employees continue to be the most meaningful owners of our business alongside our equity investors

Long term equity providers,
committed to our growth plans:

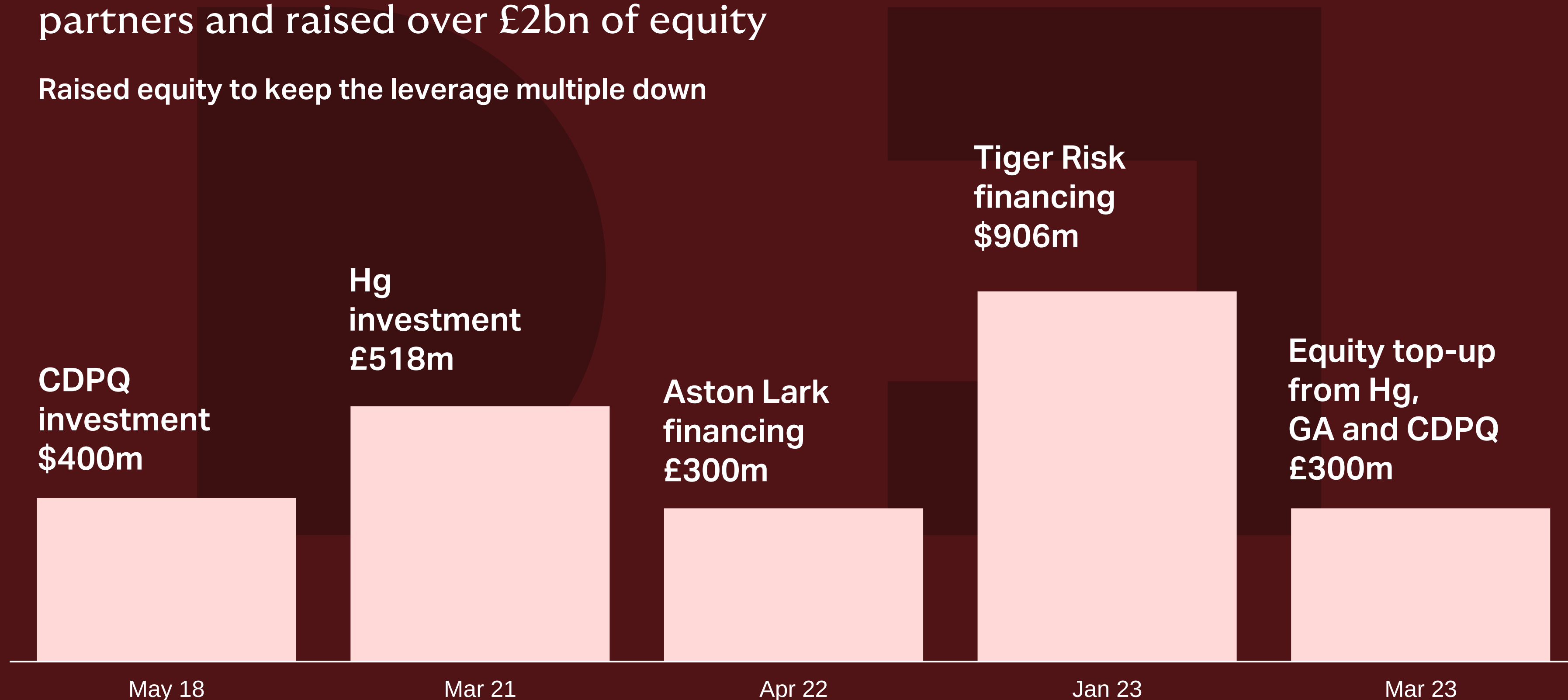
- General Atlantic: 10 years (2013)
- CDPQ: 6 years (2018)
- Hg: 3 years (2021)



Equity

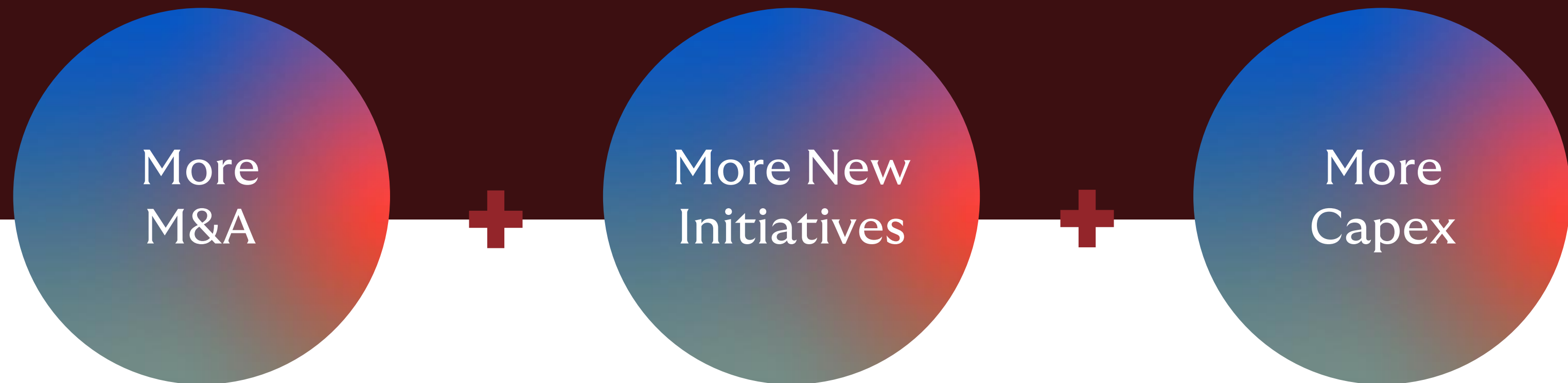
We have been well supported by our equity partners and raised over £2bn of equity

Raised equity to keep the leverage multiple down



We continue to pursue a cash hungry growth plan

We expect to spend in excess of £1bn to support growth in FY24



To continue to pursue our strategy we need to

- Maximise the efficiency and return of the cash we have; and
 - Continue to be able to raise funding from the debt and equity market
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- Liquidity is harder to find now than it has been in the recent past
 - We need to keep working hard to keep our success story going

The market environment remains tough

We can't relax or take our foot off the pedal - it's not easy out there

Financial Times

Ukraine war and the West's relations with China reshape global trade

Financial Times

Central banks must keep interest rates high until inflation is tamed, says OECD

Reuters

Wall St sinks as weak earnings fan fears of economic slowdown

New York Times

Credit Markets Are Creaking, Creating Economic Uncertainty

Reuters

European shares fall as interest rate uncertainty dampens sentiment

World Economic Forum

We're on the brink of a 'polycrisis'

How do we stay attractive to investors?

We need to focus on actions we can control

01 Maintain **strong organic growth** – be the best for our clients, win in the market

02 Demonstrate **resilience**

03 Maintain **margin** – control costs

04 Focussed **capex spend** – ensure we are getting a return

05 Track our investments (M&A and NIs) – show we are spending money wisely

06 Increased **scale and diversity** – supported by M&A and NIs

07 **Act like a large company:**

- On time and accurate budgets and reforecasts
- Effective internal controls – no errors
- Reporting like a large company – full P&L, Balance Sheet and Cashflows matter

08 Deliver the MTFP



Thank you

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