





# Michael Ord Group Chief Executive

#### H1 2021 Overview

Group
performance in
line with
expectations
despite FX
headwind

Revenue **4%** £198.5m Operating profit
10%
£28.1m

EPS **20%** 8.3p Net debt **36%** £38.7m

Good progress on strategic imperatives in both sectors Recordable injury rate
42%
0.66

Rolling 2 year cash conversion **105%** 

Interim dividend per share 23% 1.6p

H2 2021
expected
revenue
92%
covered by
order book

BALANCING SHORT TERM PERFORMANCE WITH LONGER TERM VALUE CREATION





## Safety is our core value

Continued delivery of our Health, Safety & Environment (HSE) strategy:

- Reduction in Recordable Injuries TRIF rate of 0.66 vs 1.13, representing 14 recordable injuries vs 27 in the comparable period
- Continued focus on Process Safety through our assessment of residual risks
- Commencement of our Asset Integrity programme
- Improved knowledge capture and sharing







#### **OUR GOAL REMAINS ZERO HARM**





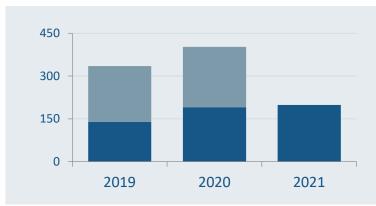
Andrew Lewis
Group Finance Director

## **Group performance**

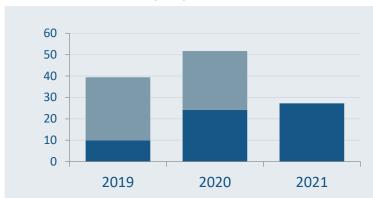


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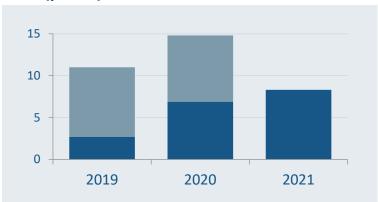
#### Revenue (£m)



#### Profit before tax (£m)



#### **EPS** (pence)



#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- Revenue up by 4% to £198.5m
- Operating profit growth of 10% to £28.1m
- Operating margin increased 80 bps to 14.2%
- Finance expense down 36% to £0.9m
- Operating cash conversion of 96% of EBITDA
- Net debt down 36% to £38.7m
- Diluted EPS increased 20% to 8.3p
- Interim dividend up 23% to 1.6p per share

**OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS** 

- Strong performance from S&I driven by double digit growth in Roke and continued progress on the HMDS Program of Record
- Operational delivery at C&E sites driving margin improvement, investment in sites progressing
- New long-term contracts secured in Countermeasures & Energetics
- Closing order book of £450m, £199m expected to be delivered in H2 2021
- H2 2021 expected revenue approximately 92% covered by order book at 30 April 2021

References to operating profit, profit before tax and earnings per share are to underlying measures

## Group impact of foreign exchange translation

	Constant currency movement	H1 2021 restated at H1 2020 rates £m	H1 2021 £m	H1 2020 £m
Revenue	<b>1</b> 8%	206.3	198.5	191.0
EBITDA	<b>1</b> 2%	39.5	37.6	35.2
Operating profit	<b>1</b> 6%	29.6	28.1	25.6
Diluted EPS	<b>1</b> 28%	8.8p	8.3p	6.9p
Order book	₽ 8%	464.4	450.4	503.9

#### TRANSLATION

- 54% (H1 2020: 48%) of revenue US \$ denominated in H1 2021
- P&L translation US \$1.39 vs US \$1.28 in H1 2020
- Balance sheet translation rate US \$1.38 vs US \$1.26 at H1 2020

#### **SENSITIVITIES**

- 10 cent weaker US \$ gives £8m decrease in half-year revenue and £1.4m decrease in half-year operating profit, full year effect circa £14m revenue and £3m operating profit
- 10 cent weaker US \$ gives £2.4m decrease in net debt at HY
- Future guidance based on US \$1.40

References to EBITDA and operating profit are to underlying measures

#### **Income statement**

£m		H1 2021	H1 2020	2020
Revenue	4%	198.5	191.0	402.5
Operating profit	10%	28.1	25.6	54.7
Operating margin	80bps 👚	14.2%	13.4%	13.6%
Finance expense	36%	(0.9)	(1.4)	(3.0)
Profit before tax	12%	27.2	24.2	51.7
Tax rate		12.1%	17.8%	17.6%
Earnings per share (diluted)	20%	8.3p	6.9p	14.8p
Dividend per share	23%	<b>1.6</b> p	1.3p	3.9p

- Strong period in Sensors & Information driven by double digit growth in Roke and continued progress on the HMDS Program of Record
- Countermeasures & Energetics benefited from improving operational execution, offset by the foreign currency headwind
- Reduced effective tax rate due to the recognition of a deferred tax asset in respect of future US interest deductions
- Interim dividend increased. New policy to target a medium-term dividend cover of c.2.5x underlying EPS

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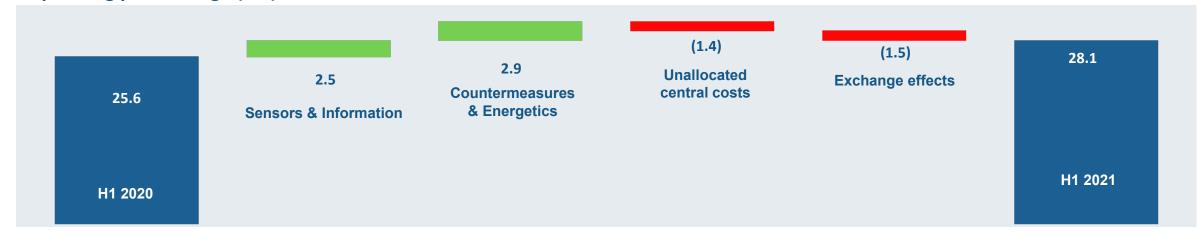


## Revenue and profit bridge - Group

#### Revenue bridge (£m)



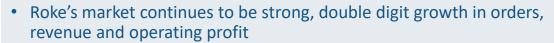
#### Operating profit bridge (£m)



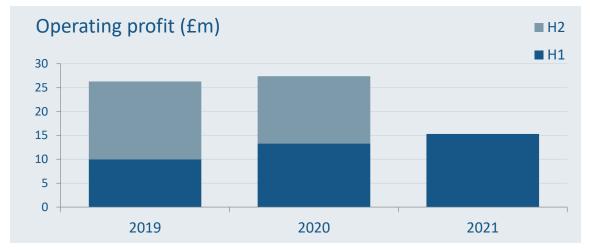


### **Sensors & Information**

		H1 2021 £m	H1 2020 £m	2020 £m
Revenue	11%	74.4	67.3	137.2
EBITDA	10%	16.6	15.1	30.7
Operating profit	15%	15.3	13.3	27.4
Operating margin	80bps 👚	20.6%	19.8%	20.0%
Order book	12%	108.9	97.0	87.3



- HMDS delivery phase continuing, further delivery orders received (\$63m) under the previously announced \$200m IDIQ contract
- Deliveries made on the EMBD LRIP award
- AVCAD / JBTDS Chem / Bio PoR progressing as planned
- Closing order book of £108.9m



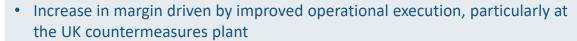


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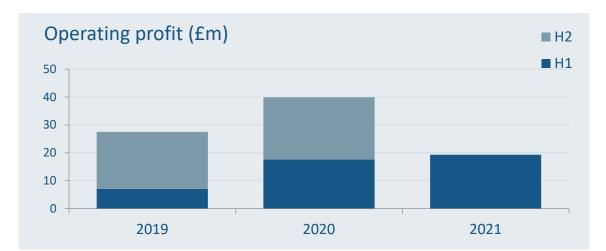


### **Countermeasures & Energetics**

		H1 2021 £m	H1 2020 £m	2020 £m
Revenue		124.1	123.7	265.3
EBITDA	8%	27.5	25.4	56.5
Operating profit	10%	19.3	17.6	39.9
Operating margin	140bps 👚	15.6%	14.2%	15.0%
Order book	16%	341.5	406.9	388.7



- Tennessee capacity expansion investment continued, first revenue expected in H2 2022
- Countermeasures USA received a 5 year IDIQ contract, Chemring Energetics UK secured a 15-year long-term partnering agreement with Martin Baker
- Chicago facility participated in key space programmes, including Mars Perseverance Rover landing in February 2021
- Closing order book of £341.5m, decrease from H1 2020 reflects the delivery of the two year order for F-35 countermeasures and the negative impacts of foreign exchange rates





References to EBITDA, operating profit and operating margin are to underlying measures



## Segmental impact of foreign exchange translation

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Order book	♣ 8%	464.4	503.9	450.4



Sensors & Information	Constant currency movement	H1 2021 restated at 2020 rates	H1 2020	H1 2021
	movement	£m	£m	£m
Revenue	<b>1</b> 5%	77.1	67.3	74.4
EBITDA	<b>1</b> 5%	17.3	15.1	16.6
Operating profit	<b>1</b> 9%	15.8	13.3	15.3
Order book	<b>1</b> 7%	113.3	97.0	108.9

Countermeasures & Energetics	Constant currency movement	H1 2021 restated at 2020 rates	H1 2020	H1 2021
		£m	£m	£m
Revenue	4%	129.2	123.7	124.1
EBITDA	14%	28.9	25.4	27.5
Operating profit	16%	20.5	17.6	19.3
Order book	14%	351.1	406.9	341.5

References to EBITDA and operating profit are to underlying measures. Continuing businesses only

#### Cash flow

£m	H1 2021	H1 2020	2020
Cash generated from continuing underlying operations	36.1	56.2	82.4
Cash impact of discontinued underlying operations	-	(0.4)	(2.6)
Cash impact of non-underlying items	(0.5)	(2.8)	(4.9)
Cash flows from operating activities	35.6	53.0	74.9
Tax	(3.8)	(0.3)	1.0
Divestment of subsidiaries	0.4	0.8	14.5
Capital expenditure	(14.1)	(19.9)	(39.9)
Free cash flow	18.1	33.6	50.5
Finance expense	(2.2)	(2.3)	(3.0)
Own shares purchased, FX translation and other movements	1.0	(2.9)	(3.1)
Dividends paid	(7.4)	(6.8)	(10.4)
Movement in net debt	9.5	21.6	34.0
Adoption of IFRS 16: Leases	-	(6.5)	(6.5)
Opening net debt	(48.2)	(75.7)	(75.7)
Closing net debt	(38.7)	(60.6)	(48.2)

- Strong operating cash conversion, 96% operating cash: EBITDA, showing continued focus on working capital
- Trend of maintaining low intra period net debt volatility continued
- Rolling two year average cash conversion is 105% of EBITDA
- Capex investment, primarily in C&E segment with major programmes at UK and Tennessee sites continuing
- 2021 and 2022 capex guide remains c£40-£50m before reducing in 2023 and expected to start to trend back towards depreciation





#### **Balance sheet**

£m	H1 2021	H1 2020	2020
Goodwill & intangibles	117.0	131.1	125.1
Development costs	28.8	28.6	29.8
Property, plant & equipment	191.9	186.5	194.0
Working capital	83.3	70.6	85.1
Pension surplus	11.8	4.8	7.6
Other	(57.4)	(46.3)	(63.8)
	375.4	375.3	377.8
Net debt	(38.7)	(60.6)	(48.2)
Net assets	336.7	314.7	329.6

- Net debt reduced to £38.7m and Net Debt: EBITDA ratio of 0.5x (H1 2020: 0.8x). The focus has been on operating cash generation to fund investment in capex
- Working capital as a % of annualised revenue has decreased from 21% to 20%, as working capital fell £2m compared to FY20
- Total facilities of £145m, of which £105m were undrawn at 30 April 2021, provide good liquidity
- The resilience of the pension scheme's investment strategy demonstrated by maintaining the surplus position



## Improving the quality of the order book

H1 2021 ORDER BOOK £450m, £199m EXPECTED TO BE DELIVERED AS REVENUE IN H2 2021, GIVING 92% COVERAGE

#### **SENSORS & INFORMATION**



#### **COUNTERMEASURES & ENERGETICS**



- Order intake of £100m (H1 2020: £87m), up 15%
- Book to bill ratio of 135%
- Period end order book of £109m (H1 2020: £97m)
- 2021 deliveries in order book of £59m, covering 80% of expected H2 2021 revenue (H1 2020: 81%)

- Order intake of £90m (H1 2020: £163m), down 45%
- Book to bill ratio of 72%
- Period end order book of £341m (H1 2020: £407m)
- 2021 deliveries in order book of £140m, covering 98% of expected H2 2021 revenue (H1 2020: 98%)
- Strong comparator for order intake driven by multi-year contract for the supply of countermeasures for the F-35
- Change of Administration in US delayed orders to H2 2021

#### THE ORDER BOOK'S IMPROVED QUALITY IS DRIVEN BY STRONG LONG-TERM CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIPS

#### **Examples include:**

- Continued strong order intake from Roke's National Security and Defence customers
- Further HMDS delivery orders received (\$63m) under the previously announced \$200m IDIQ contract
- UK Energetics business' 15 year long-term partnering agreement with Martin Baker







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#### **US Market Environment**



- National Security priorities of Biden administration very similar to those of UK Integrated Review
  - Competition with China and a pivot to Indo-Pacific dominant in planning assumptions
- Flat DoD budget but increased emphasis on:
  - Cyber, Space, Hypersonics, EW, and Chem/Bio security
  - Diplomacy, intelligence collection/assessment and command systems
  - Relationships with allies and partners
- Ongoing Force realignment started in the last administration continues









- ✓ Demand for Chemring's Chem/Bio Sensors and Roke USA Inc.
- ✓ Opportunities for Chemring Energetic Devices



#### **UK Market Environment**



- Fundamentals of UK market position supported by recent policy priorities
- Need for sustainable UK industrial base recognised
  - > Essential for national security & resilience
  - ➤ Vital role of mid-tier industry acknowledged
- US confirmed as UK's most important strategic ally
  - > Special Security Agreement (SSA) with DoD facilitates our US market position
  - > Leverage capabilities across both markets
  - Formation of "Roke USA" as a platform for growth



- Sensors & Information Sector validated as main area for strategic focus
  - ✓ Science & Technology, AI, data science and autonomy focus
  - ✓ Cyber-security and Offensive-cyber UK Strategic Capability
  - ✓ North-based National Cyber Force and "Cyber Corridor" Roke Manchester
  - ✓ Increased UKG investment in developing UK EW





## **Investing in our Technologies**

- Investing in new and adapting existing technologies to meet evolving customer requirements technology roadmap with high relevance to customer missions
- Example areas of focus:
  - ➤ Cyber and Electronic Warfare end to end solutions to control and dominate the digital and physical battlespaces
  - ➤ Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning simplifying complexity and enhancing decision making in rapidly changing environments
  - ➤ Ground based Electronic Countermeasures individual protection against radio frequency initiated IED's
  - ➤ Airborne Multi-shot countermeasures next generation flare combining multiple payloads in one flare body, enhancing platform protection







Protective technologies to detect and defeat ever-changing threats

## **Investing in our People**

- **→** Chemring Wide Development Framework
  - Focused on attracting, retaining and nurturing talent
  - ➤ Creating internal networks to share knowledge and experience
  - Leadership Development Programme supports all those involved in first line management
- ➤ Early Careers Framework focusses on the development of UK wide apprentice programme and the innovative Cyber Launchpad providing opportunities for apprentices, graduates and early-career hires to develop a wide array of skills
- ➤ Roke Manchester supporting Roke's strategy to grow talent and develop new hubs across the UK
- Focused on mental health and wellbeing







Attracting, developing and retaining world-class talent



## **Inorganic Investment Opportunities**

- Focus on creating balance sheet flexibility to be able to execute the right opportunities
- Strengthening business processes and capabilities to identify, transact and integrate opportunities
- Focus on Sensors & Information segment providing technology, skills and routes to market

Market	Key attributes
<ul> <li>Assessing differentiated players in a fragmented market</li> <li>Cyber-security and digital resilience businesses tend to drive higher multiples</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Niche position</li> <li>Discriminating IP</li> <li>Customer mission criticality</li> <li>High degree of customer intimacy</li> <li>Cultural compatibility</li> </ul>
Financial	Opportunities
<ul> <li>Target has profitable track record and predicted growth</li> <li>Target has strong operating margins that fit our medium term objectives</li> <li>Funding discipline – balance sheet strength must be maintained post acquisition</li> </ul>	Allocating suitable resources to target identification, prioritisation and relationship development





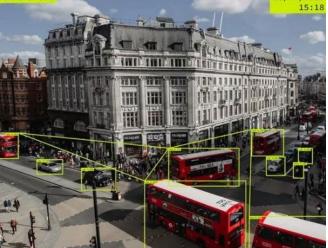




## **Cubica Acquisition**

- Established position in artificial intelligence, machine learning, data fusion and autonomy
- Leading technology that provides state-of-the-art solutions to enable online platforms and law enforcement detect imagery relating to child sexual exploitation
- Primary customer base UK Government, law enforcement, and international customers
- An excellent strategic and cultural fit for our Roke business
- Brings significant additional research and development capability to the Group supporting next generation technologies and expansion of product, service and capability offerings
- Acquisition creates further opportunities for Chemring to enhance and further accelerate growth in our Roke business





FY21 Revenue £2.9m, 19 employees located in Woking, UK



## **Key ESG Activities in 2021**

#### Building on the good progress made in 2020

- Conducted multi-stakeholder materiality assessment to identify key priorities high impact topics include:
  - health & safety
  - diversity & inclusion
  - > reducing climate change
  - employee wellbeing
- Continued focus on employee wellbeing including adoption, where appropriate, of hybrid working practices
- Medium-term targets and plans will be published with FY21 results

We are committed to building a strong and sustainable company









#### Outlook

- Continue to build a high quality business for sustainable performance and growth
- Strengthen our culture of Safety, Excellence and Innovation
- Approximately 92% of expected H2 revenue covered by order book
- Focus on strong cash generation to remain a primary objective
- Board's expectations for 2021 performance remain unchanged
- Chemring's long-term prospects remain strong







#### **INNOVATING TO PROTECT**







## **Appendix**

## **Appendix 1. Chemring at a glance**

Chemring is a technology company with an international footprint and a breadth of market leading products and services



**Our Purpose** 

Chemring helps make the world a safer place. Across physical and digital environments, our exceptional teams deliver innovative protective technologies to detect and defeat ever-changing threats

**Our Values** 

#### **SAFETY**

We place safety at the heart of everything we do

#### **EXCELLENCE**

Focussed on ensuring we consistently meet high standards

#### INNOVATION

We create world-class solutions and develop world-class thinking

## Our Expertise

#### **SENSORS & INFORMATION**

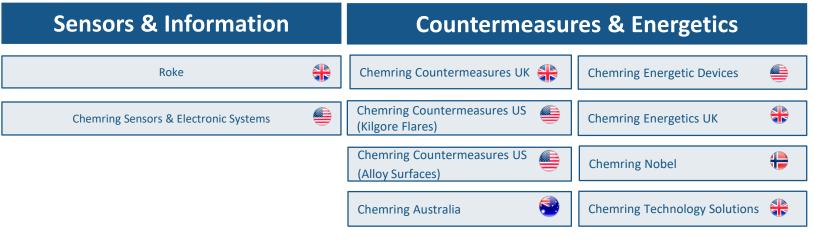
- Leading provider in information and electronic warfare, chemical & biological agent and explosive hazard detection
- Leading supplier of consulting and technology services, trusted by government and industrial partners worldwide to solve security-critical issues

#### **COUNTERMEASURES & ENERGETICS**

- Global leader in advanced expendable countermeasures to protect air and sea platforms from the threat of missile attack
- High reliability single use devices performing critical functions for the space, aerospace, defence and industrial markets



## **Appendix 2. Business groupings**





- Our client base spans defence, security and commercial industries and we deliver capabilities and solutions to over 50 countries across the globe
- We employ approximately 2,300 employees worldwide, at locations in the UK, the US, Norway, and Australia. Headquartered in Romsey, UK



Working with our customers to make the world a safer place

## **Appendix 3. Investment case**

Significant multi-year visibility and high barriers to entry

Diversified,
protection-led
portfolio, with strong
customer
relationships

We operate in niche markets where we have technology differentiation

Longer term growth underpinned by increasing demand and possible market share gains augmented by selective acquisitions

Mid teens margin Group with strong cash conversion









## **Appendix 4. Non-underlying items**

CONTINUING OPERATIONS					
£m	Note	H1 2021 P&L Cost	H1 2021 Cash paid		
Acquired intangibles amortisation		(3.7)	-		
Business restructuring	а	-	(0.2)		
Mark to market of FX forward contracts		0.8	-		
Impact on profit before tax / cash flow		(2.9)	(0.2)		
Tax credit on non-underlying items		0.4			
Impact on continuing profit after tax		(2.5)			
Notes					

DISCONTINUED OF ENAMONS					
		H1 2021	H1 2021		
		P&L	Cash		
£m	Note	cost	paid		
Claim related costs	а	-	(0.3)		

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

#### Notes

a - costs relating to business closures and previously disposed of businesses

Impact on profit before tax / cash flow



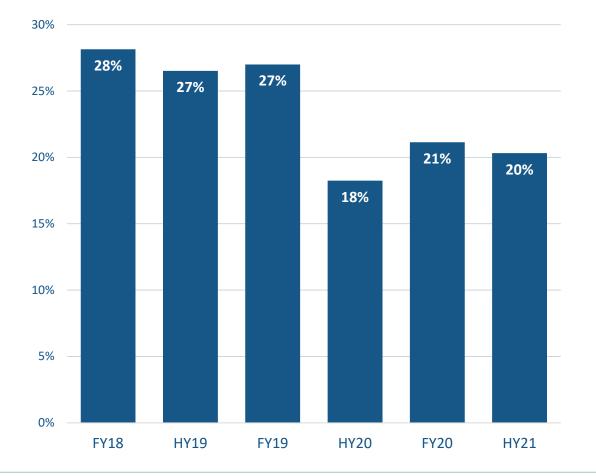
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a - costs relating to Tennessee site transformation programme

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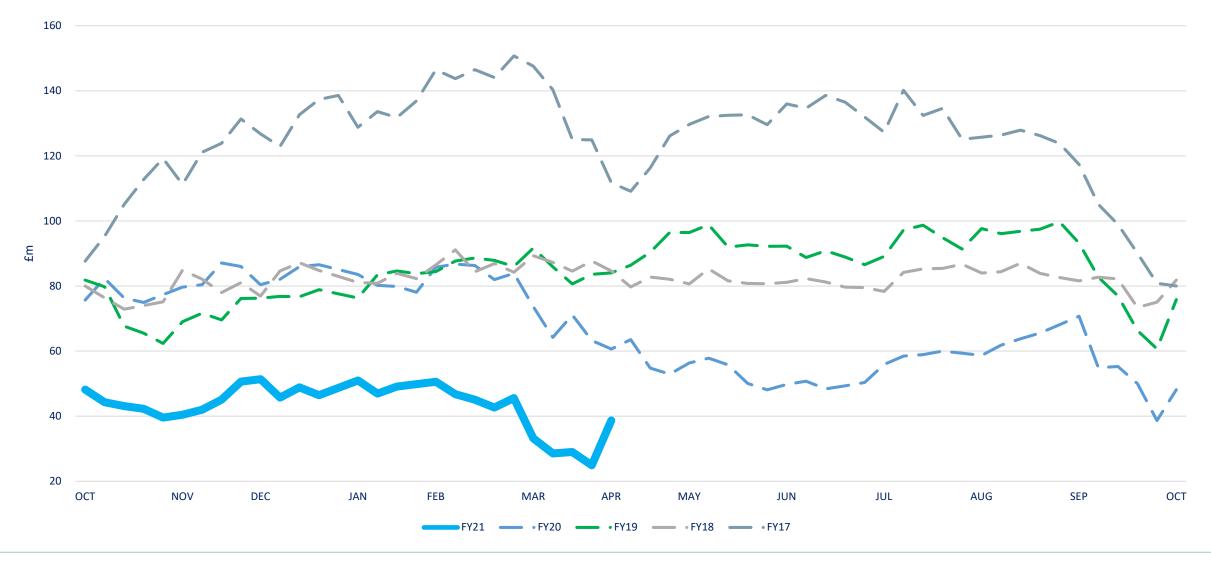
£m	H1 2021	FY 2020	H1 2020
Inventories	80.3	91.3	91.1
Advance receipts from customers	(24.4)	(22.8)	(19.9)
Net inventory	55.9	68.5	71.2
Receivables	40.4	45.9	41.0
Payables	(7.0)	(19.9)	(38.6)
Other items	(6.0)	(9.4)	(3.0)
2% -	83.3	85.1	70.6
	H1 2021	FY 2020	H1 2020
Revenue (£m) 4% 1 Working capital as a % of last	198.5	402.5	191.0
12 months revenue 1%	20%	21%	18%

#### Working capital as a % of last 12 months revenue





## **Appendix 6. Weekly Net Debt**



## Appendix 7. Financial objectives and assumptions 2021-23

REVENUE	<ul> <li>S&amp;I - Mid single digit % growth, with the potential for step changes as the US PORs commence full rate production</li> <li>C&amp;E - Low single digit % growth driven by the US market, including F-35, potential for step change across 2022 and 2023 as Tennessee facility generates first incremental revenue</li> </ul>
OPERATING MARGINS	Targeting mid to high teen return on sales % at a segmental level in the medium term
INTEREST	Expected to fall again in 2021 due to continued reduction in net debt
CAPEX	<ul> <li>£40-50m for 2021 and 2022 as investment in safety, automation and catch up capex continues in the main manufacturing facilities and the capacity expansion project in Tennessee is completed. Expected to trend towards depreciation in FY23 having been elevated for 4 years</li> </ul>
FX	<ul> <li>US\$1.40: £1</li> <li>Sensitivity to 10c move in \$ rate is circa £14m at an annual revenue level and £3m at an annual underlying operating profit level</li> </ul>
TAX	<ul> <li>2021 – 2023: Effective tax rate in the mid to high teens</li> <li>Beyond 2023: Effective tax rate in the low 20s</li> </ul>



## Appendix 8. Market Consensus 2021, 2022 & 2023

- The Group is aware of seven analysts publishing independent research on the Group
- The Group has compiled consensus data from the research it has been made aware of
- The Group compiled mean consensus is:

	2021	2022	2023
Revenue (£m)	404	423	445
Underlying Operating Profit (£m)	57.1	62.1	66.7
Underlying Earnings Per Share (pence)	15.1	16.1	17.8
Net Debt (£m)	44	29	7

## **Appendix 9. Glossary**

Acronym	Meaning	Acronym	Meaning
AVCAD	Aerosol & Vapor Chemical Agent Detector	F-35	F-35 Joint Strike Fighter
CM	Countermeasures	GHG	Greenhouse Gases
CCM UK	Chemring Countermeasures UK	HMDS	Husky Mounted Detection System
CCM US	Chemring Countermeasures US	IDIQ	Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity
CED	Chemring Energetic Devices	JBTDS	Joint Biological Tactical Detection System
CEUK	Chemring Energetics UK	LRIP	Low Rate Initial Production
СНА	Chemring Australia	LTI	Lost Time Incident
CHG	Chemring Group	MENA	Middle East & North Africa
CSES	Chemring Sensors & Electronic Systems	PoR	Program of Record
C&E	Countermeasures & Energetics	SFO	Serious Fraud Office
CV-19	COVID-19	SMD	Special Material Decoy
EMBD	Enhanced Maritime Biological Detection	S&I	Sensors & Information
EMD	Engineering and Manufacturing Development	UAV	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
EW	Electronic Warfare	UK MOD	United Kingdom Ministry of Defence
FRP	Full Rate Production	US DoD	United States Department of Defense



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