

Interim Results 2025 and Agriculture Strategy Update

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Agenda



• Overview

- Financial Review: H1 2025 Results
- Agriculture Strategy Update
- Outlook and Summary

Overview



Strategic repositioning towards pure-play specialist agriculture supplement business

Unlocking value for shareholders

- Successful disposal of Engineering Division for £75m, post period end
- Tender Offer process to return up to £70m to shareholders expected to conclude in early July (subject to shareholder approval)
- Corporate simplification delivering sustainable cost reductions across the Group

Transformation to Specialist Agriculture business

- New, clear growth strategy focused on value creation
- Demonstrating clear momentum as global specialists in feed supplements for pasture-based livestock and building leading market positions in targeted segments

Leadership change to support new strategic direction

• Group CEO David White will step down with effect from 30 June 2025 and Josh Hoopes, currently CEO Global Agriculture, will be appointed CEO

Well placed to achieve significant profitable growth and drive shareholder returns

Engineering disposal and return of capital



Engineering disposal

- Completed the disposal of the larger part of the Engineering division for £75m enterprise value on 22 April 2025, post period end
- Ongoing process to realise value for the remaining part of its Engineering Division, Chirton Engineering

Return of capital

- A Tender Offer process to return up to £70m to shareholders will be initiated in the second half of May and is expected to conclude in early July (subject to shareholder approval)
- Interim Dividend of 1.2p per share to be paid prior to conclusion of the Tender Offer



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Financial Review: HY2025 Results

Continuing Operations



	FY25 £m	FY24 £m	Change %
Revenue: UK Agriculture	27.6	24.0	+15.0%
US Agriculture	23.0	23.3	-1.3%
Total	50.6	47.3	+7.0%
Adjusted EBIT: UK	3.0	1.7	+76.5%
US	2.6	2.1	+23.8%
JV profits	1.4	1.4	-
Central	(1.1)	(1.6)	-31.3%
Total	5.9	3.6	+63.9%
Adjusted EPS (p)	5.1	3.5	+45.7
Basic EPS (p)	6.5	1.9	+242.1

Agriculture momentum building:

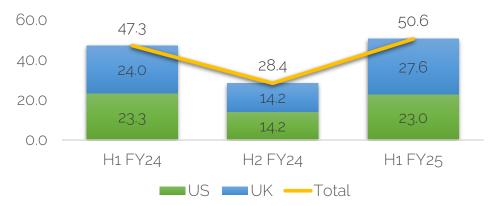
YOY variance	e (%)	FY24 H1	FY24 H2	FY25 H1
Volume	UK	+11	+13	+13
	US	-18	-9	+3

- UK economy driven feed blocks recovery more advanced than US
- UK is a mature market where opportunity is for margin optimisation and share gains. Benefits of management integration and commercial focus
- US revenue +1.5% YOY at constant exchange rates
- US has geographical opportunity in states not currently active in context of cyclical recovery in next 12-24 months. Southern states continue to be drought impacted whilst northern climatic conditions are good
- JVs performing in line with FY24 with growth expected in US as benefits of additional production line are delivered
- Central costs reductions to continue post Engineering sale

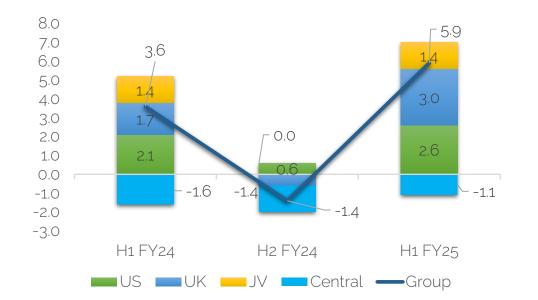
Summary Financials – Continuing Operations

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Revenue (£m)



Adjusted Operating Profit (£m)



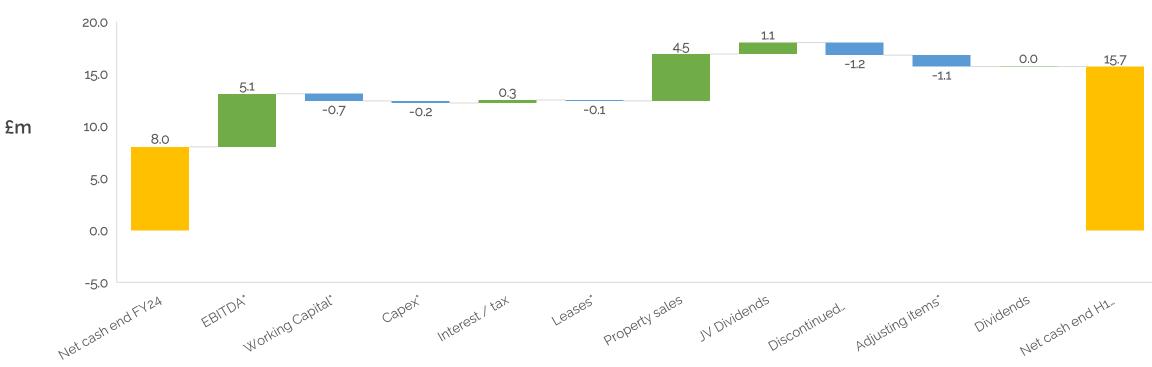
Progress in seasonal business

- H1 FY25 Revenues up 7% on H1 FY24
- H1 FY25 Adjusted Operating Profit up £2.3m on H1 FY24
- H2 FY24 Adjusted Operating Profit was loss of £1.4m vs profit of £3.6m in H1 FY24
- Trading improvements expected to continue in H2 FY25 – but seasonality remains
- Central costs reductions influenced by timing of Engineering disposal

Net Cash/(Debt) Movement



Movement in net cash/(debt) (excluding leases)



■ Increase ■ Decrease ■ Total

Key points

- Main bank facility in place until December 2026 facility £6m, process to extend commencing shortly
- Post period end:
 - Property disposal receipts £2.5m
 - Final Dividend FY24: £2.7m
 - Pension escrow payment £4.5m

*in respect of continuing operations only



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Statutory Disclosure

Balance Sheet

	28 / 2/ 25	31 /8	/24
	£m	Restated £m	Change
Fixed assets	20.9	21.3	-1.9%
Net working capital	11.3	10.6	-6.6%
Assets/liabilities held for resale/deferred consideration	54.3	53.9	+0.7%
Assets employed	86.5	85.8	+0.8%
Pension surplus	0.8	1.8	-55.6%
Net cash / (debt) (excluding leases)	15.7	8.0	+96.3%
Lease liabilities	(0.6)	(O.7)	-14.3%
Net assets	102.4	94.9	+7.9%

*Note: £3.4m net debt reflected within Assets/liabilities held for sale

- Net assets held for sale in FY25 & FY24 relate to 'discontinued activities':
 - Engineering Division (FY24 and FY25)
 - Properties (FY24 and FY25)
 - Afgritech (FY24)
- Pension surplus reduced by actuarial assumptions
- Simpler Balance Sheet after disposal of assets held for sale



Adjusting Items



 Restructuring costs reflect 	£'m	Continuing	Discontinued	Total
Head Office and New Zealand (continuing) and Afgritech	Cash Items			
(discontinued)Final US ERP implementation	Restructuring costs and costs to sell assets held for sale	0.9	0.4	1.3
costs	ERP Implementation	0.1	-	0.1
 Pension scheme de-risking fees 	Pension de-risking	0.2	-	0.2
Property sales: investment	Profit on property sale	(2.9)	0.3	(2.6)
properties and former Head Office	Total	(1.7)	0.7	(1.0)

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Cost efficiencies



- Progress in simplification and right-sizing of Group operations in line with focus on value generation
- Completed the sale of eight investment / non-core properties for £7m in year to date
- Completed the de-risking of its defined benefit pension scheme through a policy buy-in in January 2025
- Ongoing focus on central cost reduction through the rightsizing of central functions:
 - H1 adjusted central costs £1.1m vs H1 FY24: £1.6m
 - Engineering disposal allows further savings to be implemented





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Global Agriculture Strategy Update



A global specialist

of feed supplements for cattle, horses, sheep and goats.

• Our mission...

To deliver research-based products that **optimise livestock performance** and **profitability**... ...enabling farms to produce **safe**, **healthy**, and **sustainable food**.

Our manufacturing sites

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• What makes us different and enables growth...

Global specialist in livestock supplements for grazing-based customers

Strategically located

operations with local sales execution

Patented, **research-backed** product portfolio





A Clear and Focused Strategy to Deliver Value





Improve operating margin across Global Agriculture portfolio



Expand into **new** extensive, grazing based **growth geographies**

Drive shareholder returns and growth by leveraging our **feed supplement expertise** as a **global specialist** for extensive, grazing based food systems.



• H1 Delivery Made Across Each Strategic Pillar

Improve operating margin across Global Agriculture portfolio

- Proposed closure of Animax site announced with plans to move to outsourced bolus supplier
- Sharper raw material procurement delivering year on year margin growth
- **Poteau capital investment** in progress (automation and efficiency gains expected FY26)

Deliver profitable commercial growth in the core business

- H1 market share gains made in UK and Belle Fourche geography (Poteau remains under development)
- Reinvigorated marketing strategy readied for core block business Crystalyx[®] (UK) and Smartlic[®] (US)
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Outlook and Summary



- Post Engineering Division disposal, Group performance will be more seasonal with typically lower second-half trading activity across northern hemisphere agriculture markets
- Trading conditions in the US remain challenging, largely due to climate-related challenges, with the anticipated recovery in US herd size now expected beyond H2 2025, which will impact performance in FY26
- Clear strategic priority to deliver increased market share and margin enhancements through disciplined commercial execution, supported by further central cost savings driven by Engineering disposal









Appendix Full Global Agriculture Strategy

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Delivering today, building **our future**

• Who we are...

A global specialist of feed supplements for cattle, horses, sheep and goats.

Multinational manufacturing across **3 different countries**

- Over **20 countries** sold to globally
- 5 market leading product brands: Crystalyx[®], Smartlic[®], Feed in a Drum[®], Horslyx[®] and Tracesure[®]
- Led by global leadership team with agricultural depth

Listed on the London Stock Exchange since 1972

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• What we do...

Manufacture and sell **research proven supplements** delivered through block, bolus and bagged mineral formats.





The **core product** for our business.

Feed licks

Making up **90%** of our **revenue**.





• Why farmers purchase our products...

Because forages aren't enough, Crystalyx nutrition solutions help maximise your herd's potential and your profits.

- Our products improve the health, performance, and fertility of livestock.
- We **boost microbial activity** in the rumen which enhances feed digestibility.
- Product nutrients are delivered as a **highly palatable** low moisture feed lick that self-moderate intake.
- They can be **used in all-weather**, **all-season**, **all conditions** both in the barn and in the field.

Crystalyx vs **competitor**



Crystalyx feed licks have been shown to be consumed by animals far **more consistently** than competitors' products.



• Why our products are different...

Our **research backed** products deliver farmers **supplements they can trust** and deliver a **minimum 2:1 return on investment**.

- 42.2% increase in dairy heifer daily liveweight gain.
- **24**% improvement in bull fertility.
- **59.5**% increased milk yield in dairy cattle experiencing heat stress.
- 12% improvement in lambing percentage.
- 41.7% increase in daily liveweight gain when fed to housed calves.
 208% increase in colostrum IgG in dairy cows.
- **100% pregnancy rates** in replacement heifers.

global results from **independent** university trials Our products, produce astounding results with forage fed livestock throughout the world.



• Our strategy...





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Improve operating margin across Global Agriculture portfolio

- **Portfolio shift** away from low margin, commodity-based products
 - Recent closure and disposal of Afgritech (New York, USA based rumen bypass business)
- Introduce **operational excellence** programme
 - Integrated UK operations leadership across three sites
 - Oklahoma USA site leadership change
- Execute **cost improvement** plan
 - Group procurement established
 - Animax commissioned automated bolus machines







Deliver profitable commercial growth in the core business

- Focus on driving branded, differentiated and patented products within portfolio
 - Farm level marketing and demand generation investment initiated
 - Global NPD programme established
- Reinvigorated **commerciality and sales capability**
 - New UK commercial leadership with integrated sales team across all product ranges
 - Additional commercial resources applied to Poteau, Oklahoma site territories
- Plus, expected improvement in underlying market conditions







- New distribution partner and model established for New Zealand market
 - Volume growth expected
 - Cost reduction in progress
- Explore opportunities for targeted investment into new, specially selected, high potential markets
- Leverage **global product portfolio** and intellectual property



The OECD has forecast beef consumption will increase to 76Mt between 2020 and 2029, while the FAO predicts global protein availability from beef will rise 8% in the 10 years to 2031.





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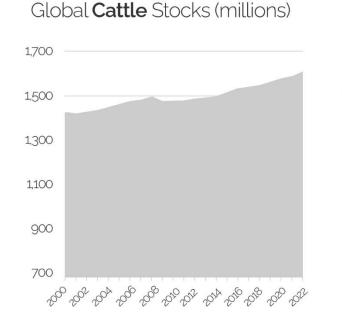
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• Industry growth and future demand...



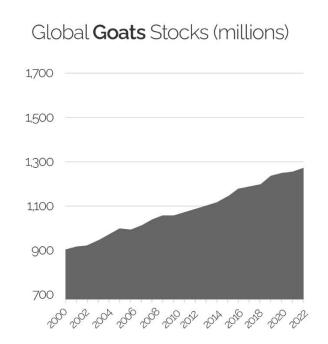
	Growth	CAGR
5 Years	4%	0.81%
10 Years	8%	0.76%
20 Years	12%	0.57%

1,700 1,500 1,300 1,100 900

Global Sheep Stocks (millions)

	Growth	CAGR
5 Years	10%	2.01%
10 Years	16%	1.47%
20 Years	29%	1.27%

Increasing demand for animal protein due to global population growth and rising affluence

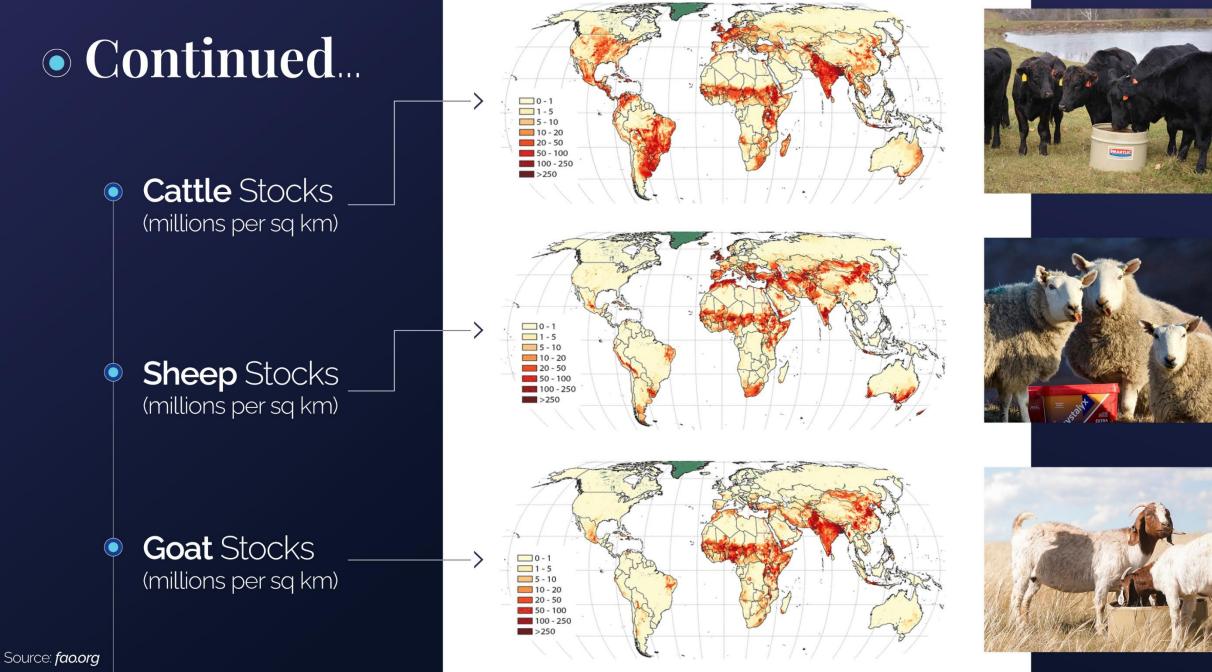


	Growth	CAGR
5 Years	6%	1.24%
10 Years	15%	1.45%
20 Years	35%	1.50%







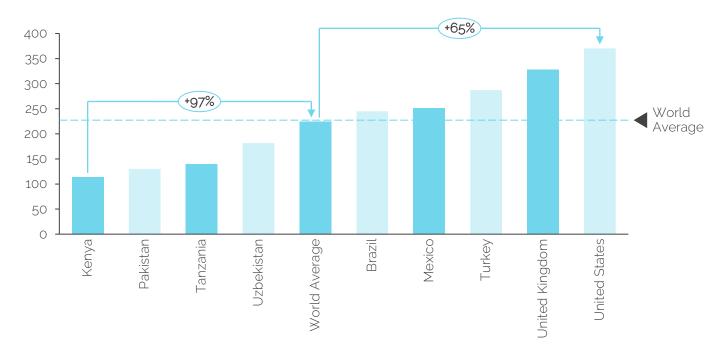




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Strategic use of supplements can improve **productivity**, rural livelihoods and food security.

Global Cattle Meat Yields (Kg per animal)



Source: fao.org/faostat





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Carr's Group is **well-positioned for growth** with strong product offerings, strategic market presence, and a **clear focus** on **delivering shareholder value**.

> Delivering today, building **our future**



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