





# Highlights of the six months ended 31 October 2024



## Investment Case

#### Long-term Sustainable Added Value Model

Berkeley is a unique assetfocused development business that seeks to manage risk and generate value through market cycles, with its inherent latent value rooted in its unrivalled land holdings. We seek to find the optimum development solution for each site in terms of both the social, natural and economic value for all stakeholders, and the returns we deliver to our shareholders. We firmly believe these two are mutually compatible and reinforcing. The pace at which homes are delivered from the land holdings is determined by the prevailing operating environment and Berkeley will always adopt a long-term approach, prioritising financial strength above annual profit targets.

#### **Five Key Features of Berkeley**

Only large UK homebuilder focused on brownfield regeneration at scale

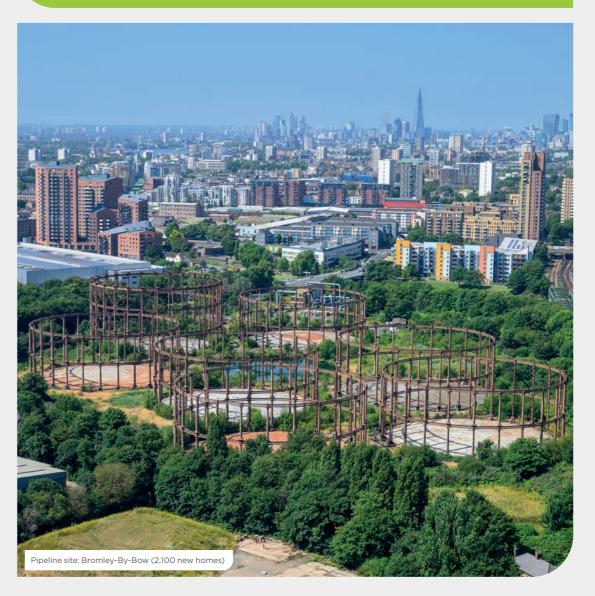
- 2 Core London and South East markets are systematically under supplied
- Financial strength giving the business strategic optionality
- Unrivalled land holdings sustaining delivery profile for the next 10 years
- Added value developer focused on maximising returns on every site
- Bottom-up approach which identifies the best development solution and maximises absolute returns from each site
- Sales volumes important on a site-by-site basis, but are not the sole determinant for creating value
- Long-term value is created through the land and planning strategy at any point in the cycle
- Risk managed through land approach and forward selling
- Agile and responsive to the prevailing operating environment

#### **Capital Allocation Policy**

First, ensure financial strength reflects the cyclical nature and complexity of brownfield development and is appropriate for the prevailing operating environment.

Second, invest in the business (land and work-in-progress) at the right time.

Third, make returns to shareholders through dividends and share buy-backs.



## Berkeley 2035

Berkeley 2035 is a 10-year growth strategy to capitalise on the emerging opportunities while taking into account the volatility that persists in the operating environment. Berkeley will invest in the near-term to drive higher profits and returns to shareholders over the long-term.

The Government's aspiration to deliver 1.5 million homes over this parliament has been a catalyst to unlocking the planning system. Berkeley is well aligned to Government's ambition with its brownfield land holdings and pipeline in urban areas.

While there is more to do to ease the planning system and near-term conditions remain volatile, the overall backdrop of improving operating environment is increasingly supportive of investment.

#### **Investment Opportunities to Drive Value**

#### **1. Increase Return on Capital in the Core Business**

- Optimisation through re-planning of existing regeneration sites with great placemaking and customer service
- Secure pipeline land through the planning system and bring into delivery
- New land investment with greater certainty in planning and support for brownfield

#### 2. Establish a market-leading Build to Rent platform

- Drive income production on 16 fantastic sites
- Scale... consider increasing allocation beyond initial 4,000 home portfolio
- 3. Make returns to shareholders

#### **Flexible Capital Allocation**

Berkeley has identified £7 billion of free cash flow to deploy over the next 10 years, with the ability to flex a greater allocation to new land, its BTR platform or shareholder returns as the operating environment unfolds.

Initial allocation:

Land investment (broadly replacement)	£2.5 billion
Existing BTR commitment	£1.2 billion
Minimum level of shareholder returns	£2.0 billion
Flexible allocation	£1.3 billion
Capital to be deployed over 10 years	£7.0 billion

There is the opportunity to introduce third-party funding to Berkeley's BTR platform which provides additional financial capacity and the flexibility to further increase investment or enhance shareholder returns.

#### **Shareholder Value Proposition**

- Increase the return on capital in the core business through optimising existing sites, bringing the pipeline sites into delivery and through investment in new land
- Materially grow the value of the rental platform
- Maintain size of future land holdings gross margin (£6 billion)
- Return at least £2 billion to shareholders (see below)
- Invest a further £1.3 billion or increase shareholder returns
- Financial flexibility with funding to rental platform to further increase investment or shareholder returns
- Maintain market leading brand and reputation for quality and delivery

#### Minimum of £2 billion of Shareholder returns

- £260 million by 30 September 2025
- £34 million dividend in March 2025 (33p)
- Residual amount, after share buy-backs, paid as a dividend in September 2025
- £640 million by 30 September 2030
- Phased over 5 years
- Combination of share buy-backs (opportunistic basis) and dividends
- £1,100 million by 30 September 2034

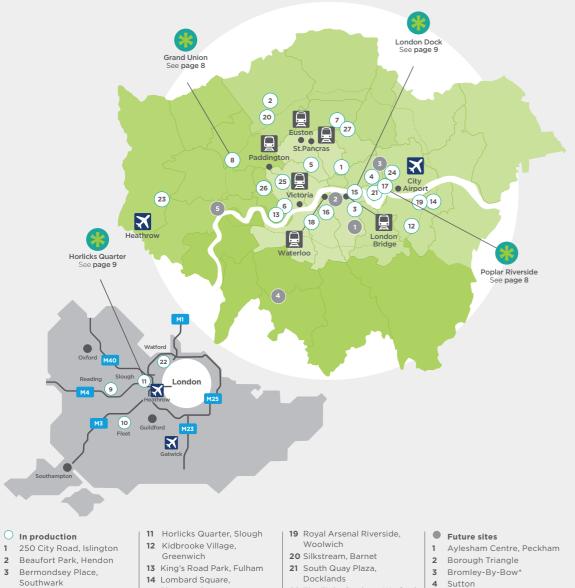
#### Financial Guidance (FY25 and FY26)

- Deliver at least £975 million of pre-tax profit across FY25 (£525 million) and FY26 (£450 million)
- Operating margins in the historic range (17.5% to 19.5%), with overheads stable
- Net cash will depend upon pace of investment in land and share buy-backs and is anticipated to be between £250 million and £400 million over next 18 months to end of FY26
- With prevailing sales rates, **forward sales** to moderate from £1.5 billion
- Land holdings future gross margin above £6.0 billion at 30 April 2026



## Brownfield regeneration at scale

Berkeley is the only large UK homebuilder to align with Government on prioritising brownfield land, as we progress 32 of the country's most challenging projects, 27 of which are in delivery.



#### 22 The Eight Gardens, Watford

26 White City Living

27 Woodberry Down,

Finsbury Park

5 Syon Lane, Brentford\*

\* Pipeline sites

Plumstead 15 London Dock, Wapping 23 The Green Quarter, Ealing

- 24 TwelveTrees Park, Newham 16 Oval Village 17 Poplar Riverside 25 West End Gate, Paddington
- 7 Clarendon, Haringey 18 Prince of Wales Drive,

Wandsworth

- 8 Grand Union, Brent 9 Green Park Village, Reading
- **10** Hartland Village, Fleet

5 Camden Goods Yard

4 Bow Green

6 Chelsea Creek

#### **Berkeley's Land Holdings**

At 31 October 2024	
Future plots - all owned	52,501 homes
Future sales value	£26.9bn
Average selling price *	£518k
Average plot cost *	£48k
Land cost %	9.2%
Future gross margin	£6,723m
Future gross margin %	25.0%

\* Reflects joint venture sites at 100%.

#### **Berkeley's Pipeline**

The pipeline comprises approximately 13,500 homes across 13 sites and includes:

Beckton	4,000+	Kensal Green	700
<ul> <li>Bromley-By-Bow</li> </ul>	2,100	Motspur Park	400
• Brentford (St Edward)	2,100	Chambers Wharf, Southwark	350

#### **Build to Rent Platform**

Berkeley has commenced production on over 20% of its initial platform.

	Initial BTR Homes	Total BTR Homes
London		
Alexandra Gate, Haringey (Zone 3)	187	402
Grand Union, Brent (Zone 3)	177	326
Kidbrooke Village, Greenwich (Zone 3)	90	206
Silkstream, Hendon (Zone 3)	74	183
South-East		
Eden Grove, Staines (Surrey)	158	158
Horlicks Quarter, Slough (Berkshire)	147	327
BTR in production	833	1,602
BTR future production	3,167	-
Other sites	-	2,398
Initial BTR Portfolio	4,000	4,000

#### **Future BTR Portfolio Sites**

#### London

- Lombard Square, Plumstead (Zone 4)
- The Green Quarter, Southall (Zone 4)
- TwelveTrees Park, Newham (Zone 2)
- Poplar Riverside (Zone 2)
- Bromley-by-Bow (Zone 2)
- Bow Green (Zone 2)
- Lea Bridge (Zone 3)

#### South East

- Worthing (West Sussex)
- Glasswater Locks (Birmingham)
- Bath Riverside (Somerset)

# Brownfield regeneration at scale continued





Unlocking this 22-acre industrial estate in Brent required an upfront capital investment of £170 million, complex enabling infrastructure and close engagement with the council and surrounding community to shape a unique masterplan which meets local needs.

Grand Union is now a popular canalside neighbourhood, which will deliver 3,350 private and affordable homes, 10 acres of public space, up to 400 permanent jobs and 200 apprenticeships, community amenities and an innovative multi-storey industrial workspace.

# 😽 London Dock



Once known as "Fortress Wapping", this 15-acre former printworks and headquarters for News International Media Group is being transformed into a welcoming neighbourhood with 1,800 private and affordable homes and more than 7 acres of landscaped public spaces, including a new civic square and pedestrian street.

The Grade II Listed Pennington Street Warehouse has been sensitively restored to become the commercial and cultural heart of this growing community. Once complete London Dock will provide 200,000 square feet of commercial space, 1,500 jobs and a new secondary school for Tower Hamlets.

🛞 Poplar Riverside

Part of the Lower Lea Valley Opportunity Area, this 20acre former gasworks is being transformed into a welcoming riverside neighbourhood with more than 2,500 private and affordable homes.

The open landscape will include a public square, 2.4 acres of parkland, playspace and walking routes, including a riverside walk, along with a secondary school, crèche, shops, cafés, restaurants and flexible commercial space for employment, enterprise and leisure.



# 🛞 Horlicks Quarter

The regeneration of the 12-acre Horlicks Factory site is creating up to 1,300 private and affordable homes in a sustainable location close to Slough Town Centre.

The iconic factory building, along with its clocktower and 47-metre chimney, are being carefully restored to form the historic centrepiece of this mixed-use neighbourhood, alongside high quality public open spaces and gardens, a new community square, nursery and café.



# A place for people, communities and nature

The 88-acre former Southall Gasworks is being transformed into a nature-rich neighbourhood of 3,750 homes, characterised by 13 acres of beautiful parks, meadows and wetlands, designed in partnership with the London Wildlife Trust. Close to half of the site will be public space, including a mix of natural habitats, fitness trails, public squares, outdoor event space and children's play and recreation areas.





Soutnall Gasworks in use as a Heathrow car park pefore regeneration



We have been delighted to have worked in partnership to deliver the following at The Green Quarter:

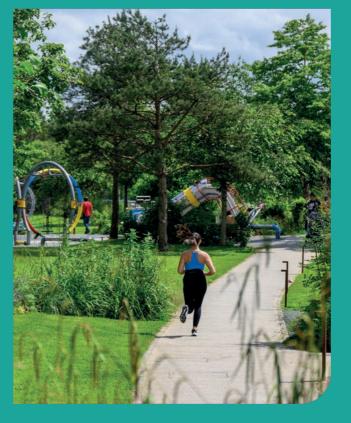
- More than 65 community activities and events, engaging more than 8,000 local people and bringing together the local community.
- Supported more than 35 apprentices, hosted 12 work experience placements and 28 site tours. There have also been nearly 30 engagement sessions with local schools to showcase the range of careers available within the built environment sector.

 A new electric bike hire scheme has been launched, helping residents and the local community travel sustainably between the station and all areas of the development.

- A new tree nursery, consisting of 600 airpotted trees of six different species grown in the UK. These will remain on site for at least 15 years before being planted for permanent use across future St George dougloopments
- A 14-week youth leadership programme with Groundwork London, one of the Berkeley

Foundation's Strategic Partners, alongside Southall Community College.

- A 'Go Green' event in October 2023 which brought the community together in celebration of sustainability and the great outdoors, including workshops led by the London Wildlife Trust.
- A Meanwhile use community hub, Parkside Yards, with retail opportunities and creative activities for all.





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### Financial track record – through the market cycle

6 months

Years

to 31 ended October 30 April £m (unless otherwise stated) 2024 2024 2023 2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017 2016 2015 2014 2013 2012 2011 2010 2009 2008 2007 2006 2005 Income Statement Units Sold\* 2,103 3,521 4,043 3,760 2,825 2,723 3,698 3,678 3,802 3,776 3,355 3,742 3,712 3,565 2,544 2,201 1,501 3,167 2,852 3,001 2,292 Average selling price<sup>3</sup> £600k £664k £608k £603k £770k £677k £748k £725k £668k £515k £575k £423k £354k £280k £271k £263k £395k £295k £285k £293k £309k 1,279 2,550 2,348 1,920 2,957 2,627 2,048 743 992 918 918 795 Revenue<sup>3</sup> 2.464 2,202 2,841 2,120 1,621 1,373 1,041 615 702 Operating profit 258 480 518 508 502 470 768 817 737 502 524 375 280 196 136 106 125 206 177 161 153 31 Exceptional items Share of JV profit 7 65 96 56 22 33 9 163 63 37 28 12 (1) (2) 2 (1) (2) 7 12 10 (9) 10 (11) (13) (7) (2) (3) (8) (8) (13) (8) (2) (4) (9) 4 (7) (8) Net finance income / (costs) 12 1 (7) 4 275 557 775 531 215 155 Profit before tax 604 552 518 504 977 793 540 380 271 136 110 120 194 188 165 24.5% 19.3% 20.2% 19.5% 20.3% 21.6% 22.8% 24.5% 26.0% 28.8% 28.1% 24.7% 23.1% 20.4% 18.8% 18.3% 17.3% 17.8% 20.8% 19.3% 17.5% Operating margin Pre-tax return on equity 15.6% 16.2% 18.7% 17.5% 16.5% 16.6% 27.9% 41.9% 41.3% 30.8% 35.1% 27.5% 22.4% 21.2% 15.3% 13.3% 11.6% 18.8% 16.7% 16.6% 15.9% Basic earnings per share 187p 374p 427p 418p 339p 325p 481p 587p 456p 296p 313p 222p 160p 121p 72p 60p 71p 114p 113p 101p 95p 119p 41p 517p 117p 180p 149p 200p 200p Dividends per share\* 207p 92p 91p 371p 108p 185p 190p 15p 219 99 195 Dividend / B-Share\*\* 98 452 146 150 53 147 255 260 244 20 242 242 622 13 19 23 155 189 131 199 140 65 5 30 21 Share buy-backs 72 64 Shareholder return 242 170 254 515 334 280 252 287 319 264 244 195 20 30 13 19 242 242 \_ 643 **Balance Sheet** Capital employed 3,036 3,029 2,922 2,867 2,047 1.963 1,988 1,904 1.789 1,705 1,207 1,312 1,278 1,158 892 545 517 686 701 617 877 474 532 410 1.128 1.139 975 687 286 107 431 129 45 (58) 42 317 285 (5) 81 (255) Net cash/(debt) 269 221 Net assets 3,510 3,561 3,332 3,136 3,175 3,102 2,963 2,591 2,075 1,813 1,638 1,441 1,322 1,100 934 862 801 682 782 837 621 102m 106m 108m 111m 122m 126m 129m 134m 140m 138m 137m 135m 131m 131m 131m 135m 130m 121m 120m 120m 120m Closing shares Net assets per share £34.47 £33.63 £31.01 £28.18 £26.12 £24.72 £23.04 £19.38 £14.80 £13.14 £11.99 £10.65 £10.09 £8.39 £7.10 £6.36 £6.15 £5.64 £6.49 £6.97 £5.18 Land Holdings 52,501 54,081 58,045 66,163 63,270 58,413 54,955 46,867 46,351 42,858 37,473 35,963 25,684 26,021 27,026 28,099 30,044 31,365 30,128 23,819 23,123 Plots 8,258 6,247 2,580 6,929 7,629 6.884 6.417 6.003 6,378 6.146 5.272 4.514 2,852 2,304 2.038 2,014 2,728 2,234 1,672 1,671 Estimated gross margin 6,723 **Forward sales** Cash due\*\*\* 1,510 1,701 2.136 2.171 1,712 1.858 1.831 2.193 2.743 3.259 2.959 2.274 1.453 1.056 814 648 1,210 936 582 948 620

\* Excludes joint ventures.

\*\* The £452 million in 2022 was made via a B-Share payment and constitutes the 371p dividend per share.

\*\*\* Cash due from private customers during the next three financial years under unconditional contracts for sale.



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