



KCOM Preliminary results 2017

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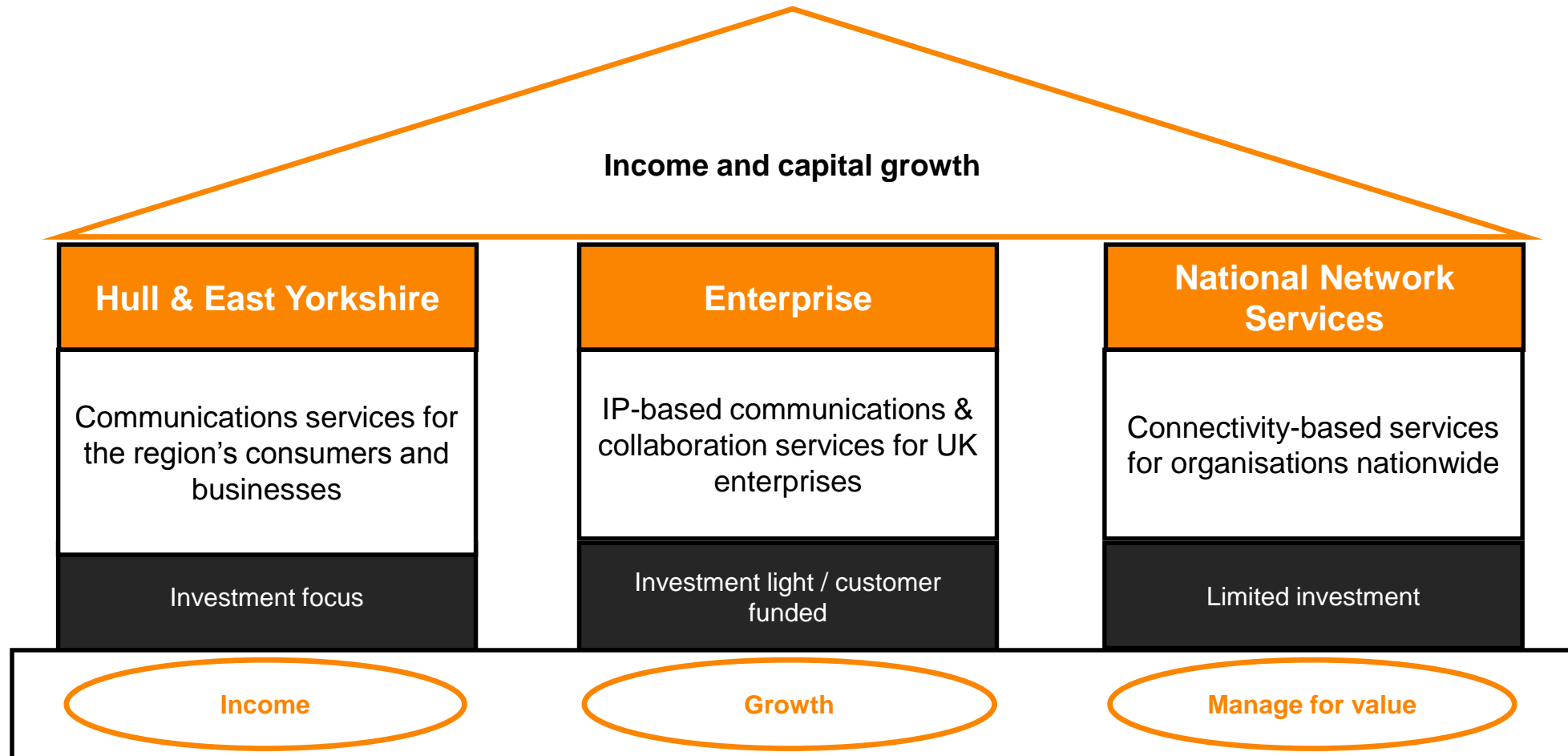


Highlights

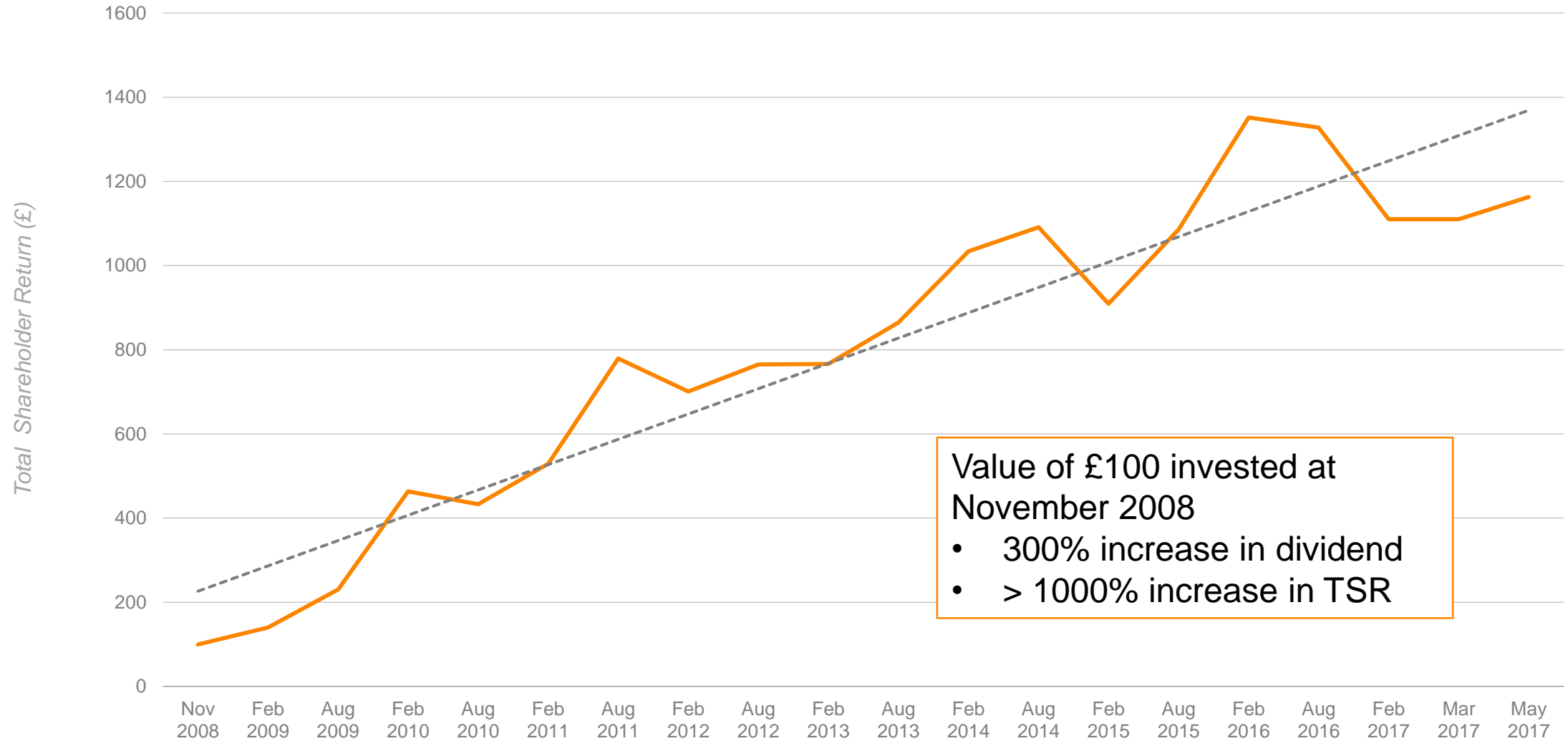
- Results in line with expectations, reduction from last year largely due to continuing decline in legacy business and additional cost of the national fibre network outsource
- Continued investment in fibre network in Hull & East Yorkshire ahead of schedule, supporting a 3% increase in consumer sales
- Enterprise revenue grown by 5%, with top five customers growing by 16%
- Continued focus on optimising cost base with year-on-year reduction in indirect costs
- Strengthened management team and organisation, aligned to deliver our medium term strategy
- Strong cash management with favourable year-on-year underlying working capital movement
- Recommended final dividend of 4.00p to make 6.00p per share for the full year



Creating shareholder value



Focused on total shareholder returns



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Financial performance

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Summary financial results

	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	% Change
Revenue	331.3	349.2	(5)%
EBITDA	67.6	74.9	(10)%
<i>EBITDA %</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>21%</i>	
Profit before tax	38.5	47.9	(20)%
Adjusted basic EPS (pence)*	6.10	7.54	(19)%
Exceptional items	(8.0)	40.9	
Cash capital expenditure	(47.2)	(31.3)	
Net (debt)/funds	(42.4)	7.4	
Full year dividend per share (pence)	6.00	5.91	2%

- Group performance lower than last year:
 - shift away from commodity business
 - additional cost of the national fibre network outsource
 - cost overrun with one Enterprise customer in the project build phase
- Business transformation continues with headcount reduction and advisory costs reflected in exceptional items
- Increased capital investment, including successful ongoing fibre deployment, driving higher D&A
- Strong net debt management with favourable underlying working capital movement
- 6.00p full year dividend recommended

All amounts are before exceptional items

** Adjusted basic EPS is basic EPS adjusted for post tax impact of exceptional items*



Segmental performance

- We have refined our segments to align with the way the business is run and how financial performance is measured

	HEY		Enterprise		National Network Services		Central		Group	
	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	FY17 £m	FY16 £m
Revenue	102.3	104.5	91.0	86.7	141.8	163.2	(3.7)	(5.2)	331.3	349.2
Gross Margin	78.5	79.2	25.6	28.6	41.0	44.9			145.1	152.8
%	77%	76%	28%	33%	29%	28%			44%	44%
Indirect Costs	(18.0)	(19.5)	(21.1)	(20.4)	(25.0)	(25.6)	(11.5)	(11.5)	(75.7)	(76.9)
Share based payments	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1.8)	(0.9)	(1.8)	(0.9)
Contribution / EBITDA	60.4	59.8	4.5	8.2	16.0	19.3	(13.2)	(12.4)	67.6	74.9
%	59%	57%	5%	9%	11%	12%			20%	22%

- Indirect costs have reduced by £1.2m (2%) from last year due to continued focus on the cost base. 54 head reduction in H2 as we continue to right-size the business
- Central costs stable year-on-year



Hull and East Yorkshire

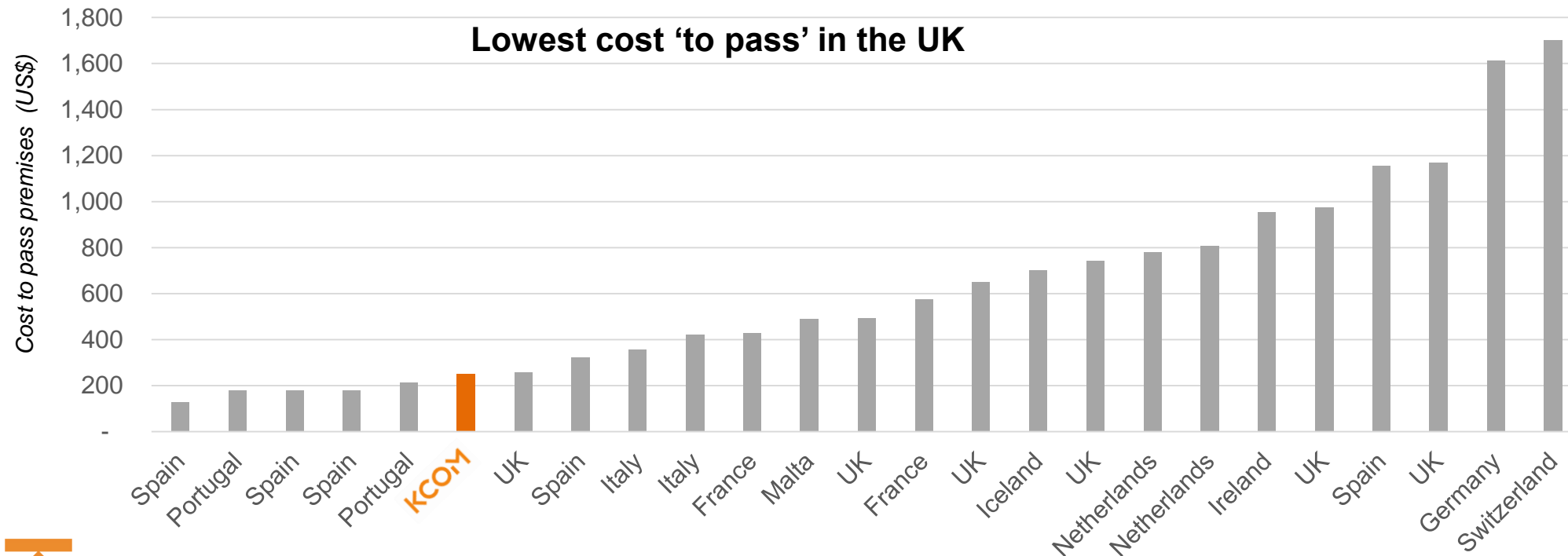
	FY17 £m	FY 16 £m	Change %
Revenue			
Consumer	56.1	54.7	3%
B2B	29.7	31.2	(5)%
Wholesale	11.0	11.6	(5)%
Core business revenue	96.8	97.5	(1)%
Media and Contact Centres	5.5	7.0	(21)%
Total revenue	102.3	104.5	(2)%
Gross margin	78.5	79.2	(1)%
<i>Gross margin %</i>	<i>77%</i>	<i>76%</i>	
Contribution	60.4	59.8	1%
<i>Contribution %</i>	<i>59%</i>	<i>57%</i>	

- Consumer revenue increased by 3% supported by continued fibre deployment with associated ARPU uplift to £34 per user per month
- Fibre deployment at lower cost and higher take up rate than originally anticipated
- Small decline in business revenue due to:
 - prior year impact of government superfast broadband scheme
 - reduction in public sector revenue
- Wholesale revenues stable
- Core revenue increases by 1% when excluding the one-off prior year impacts in business
- Anticipated decline in Contact Centres and Media
- Improved contribution margin



Fibre deployment progress

- Ahead of target to pass 150k premises by December 2017
- 45,000 premises passed during FY17, taking total to 137k
- Take-up remains strong at >30%. 19k premises connected in the year (including 1,400 businesses). Total connected now 43k
- Benchmarking is difficult, however, we believe both our cost to pass and cost to connect are the lowest in the UK based on available comparable benchmark information. In Europe, lower costs exist in areas of multiple dwellings



Source: Analysys Mason

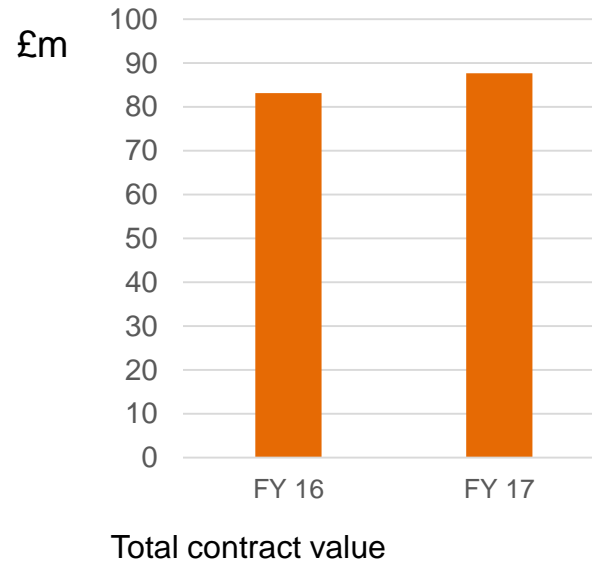
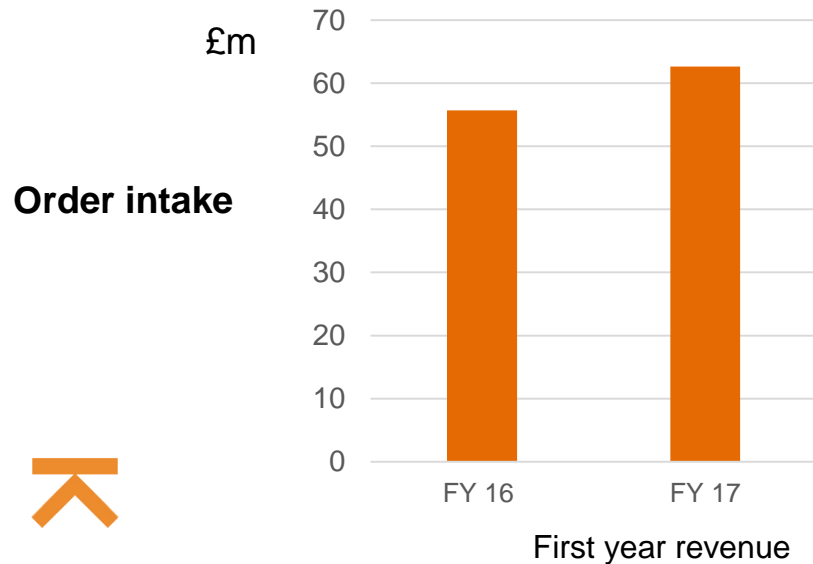
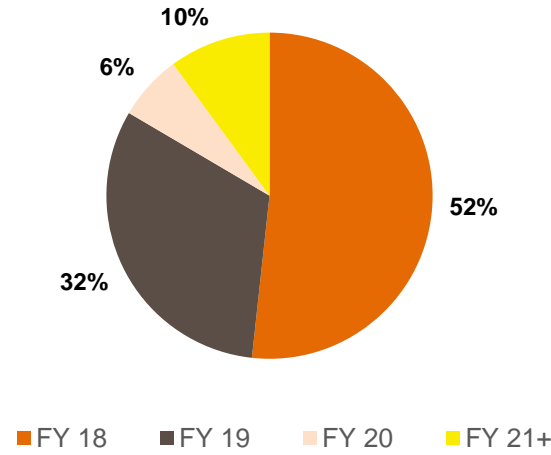
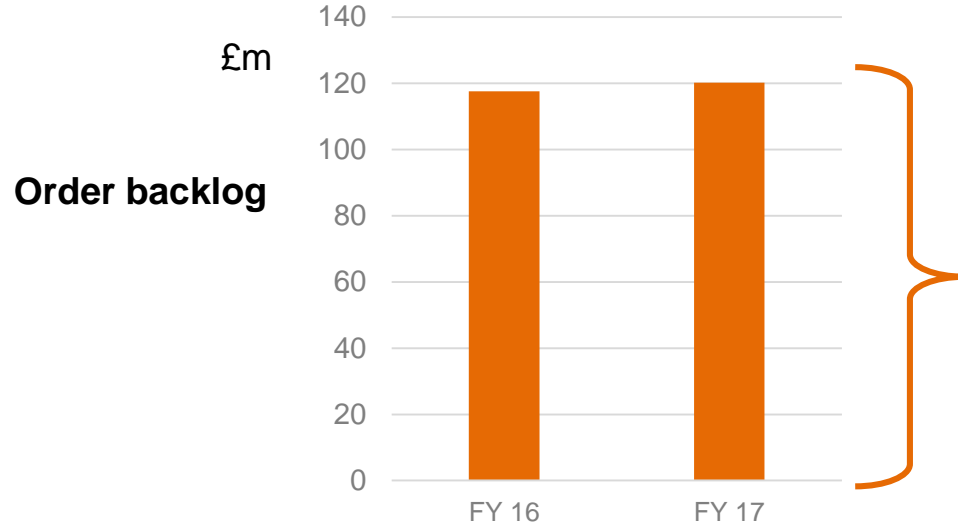
Enterprise

	FY17 £m	FY 16 £m	Change %
Revenue			
Projects	48.2	49.0	(2%)
Managed service	30.6	24.2	26%
Network	12.2	13.5	(10)%
Total revenue	91.0	86.7	5%
Gross margin	25.6	28.6	(10)%
<i>Gross margin %</i>	28%	33%	
Contribution	4.5	8.2	(45)%
<i>Contribution %</i>	5%	9%	

- Revenue growth of 5% driven by strengthening market reputation and growing key customer relationships
- Our enterprise business is focused on market areas where there is good growth and where we have market leading skills
- Revenue from our top 5 customers increased by 16% year-on-year
- Contribution affected by cost overruns on fixed price contracts with one customer leading to recognition of £3.6m loss for the build phase of these contracts
- Contribution margin is stable at 9% year-on-year after adjusting for this



Strengthening sales position



- FY18 has strong cover already in the backlog
- Order intake (excluding renewals) showed improvement year-on-year



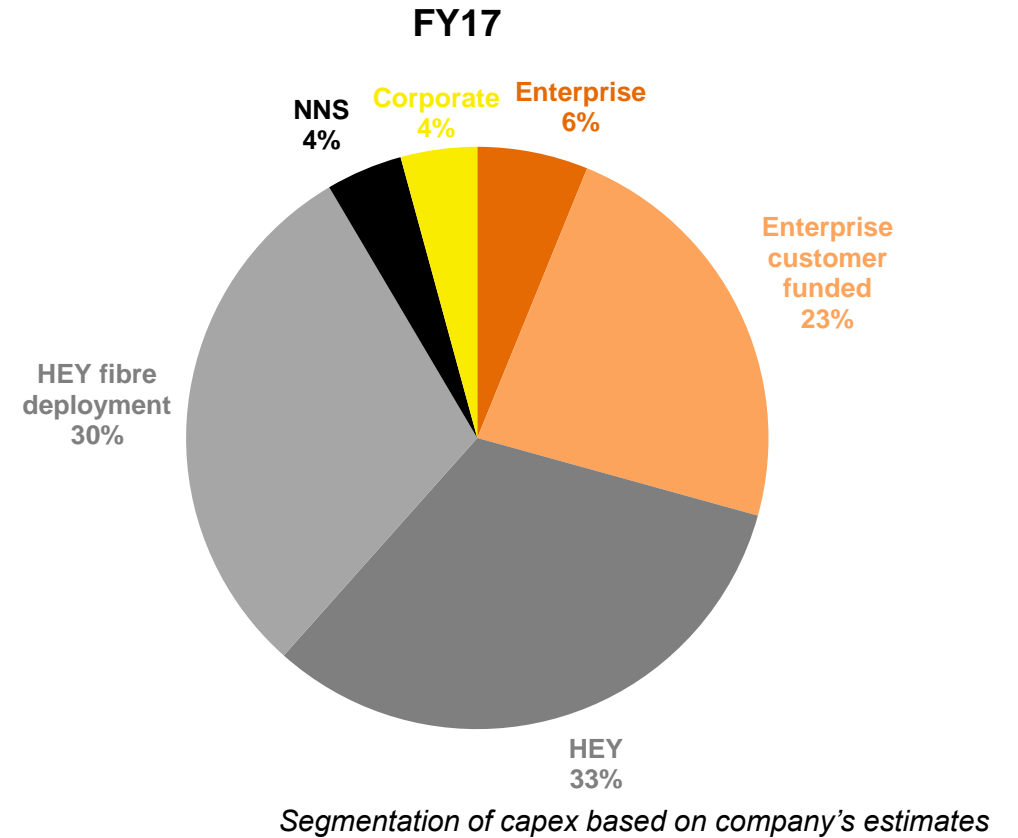
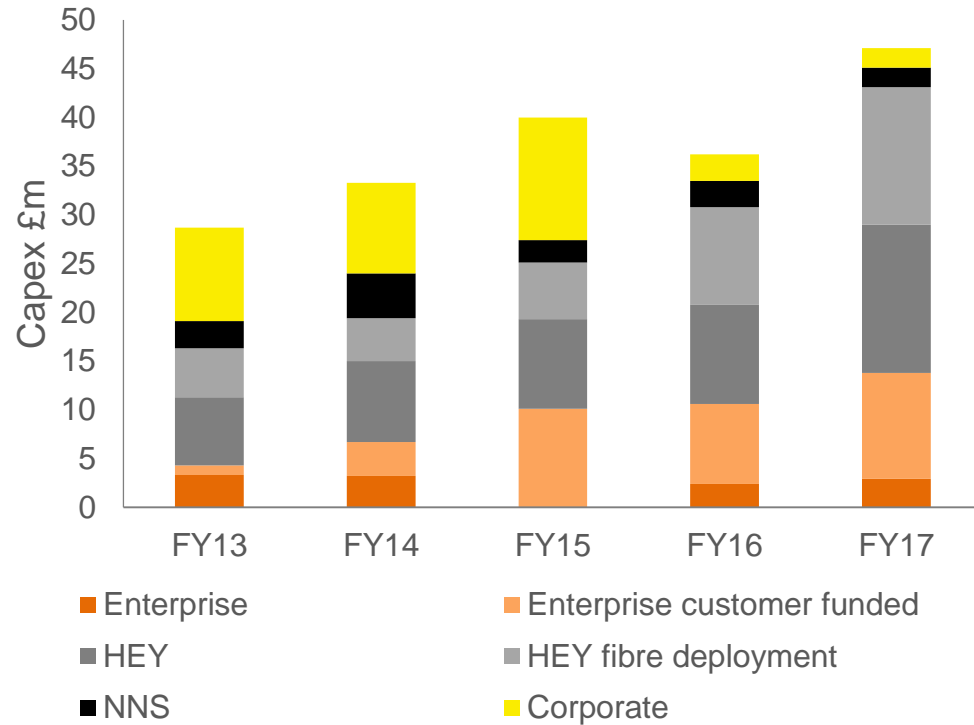
National Network Services

	FY17 £m	FY16 £m	Change %
Revenue			
Large Corporate	47.4	60.9	(22)%
SMB	52.6	55.2	(5)%
Partners	41.8	47.1	(11)%
Total revenue	141.8	163.2	(13)%
Gross profit	41.0	44.9	(9)%
<i>Gross margin %</i>	29%	28%	
Contribution	16.0	19.3	(17)%
<i>Contribution %</i>	11%	12%	

- We have a renewed focus on this segment to manage it for maximum value
- New management targeted with managing churn in the commodity end of the market along with driving value and growth in the less commodity areas
- Large Corporate revenue has declined as expected due to difficulty in differentiating ourselves in this commoditised part of the market. We expect this to continue to decline by another c £25m in FY18
- Focus is on providing value in the larger end of SMB market with resultant higher churn with some smaller customers
- Total revenue is expected to continue to decline in FY18 due to known losses in Large Corporate. After this, we expect it to stabilise



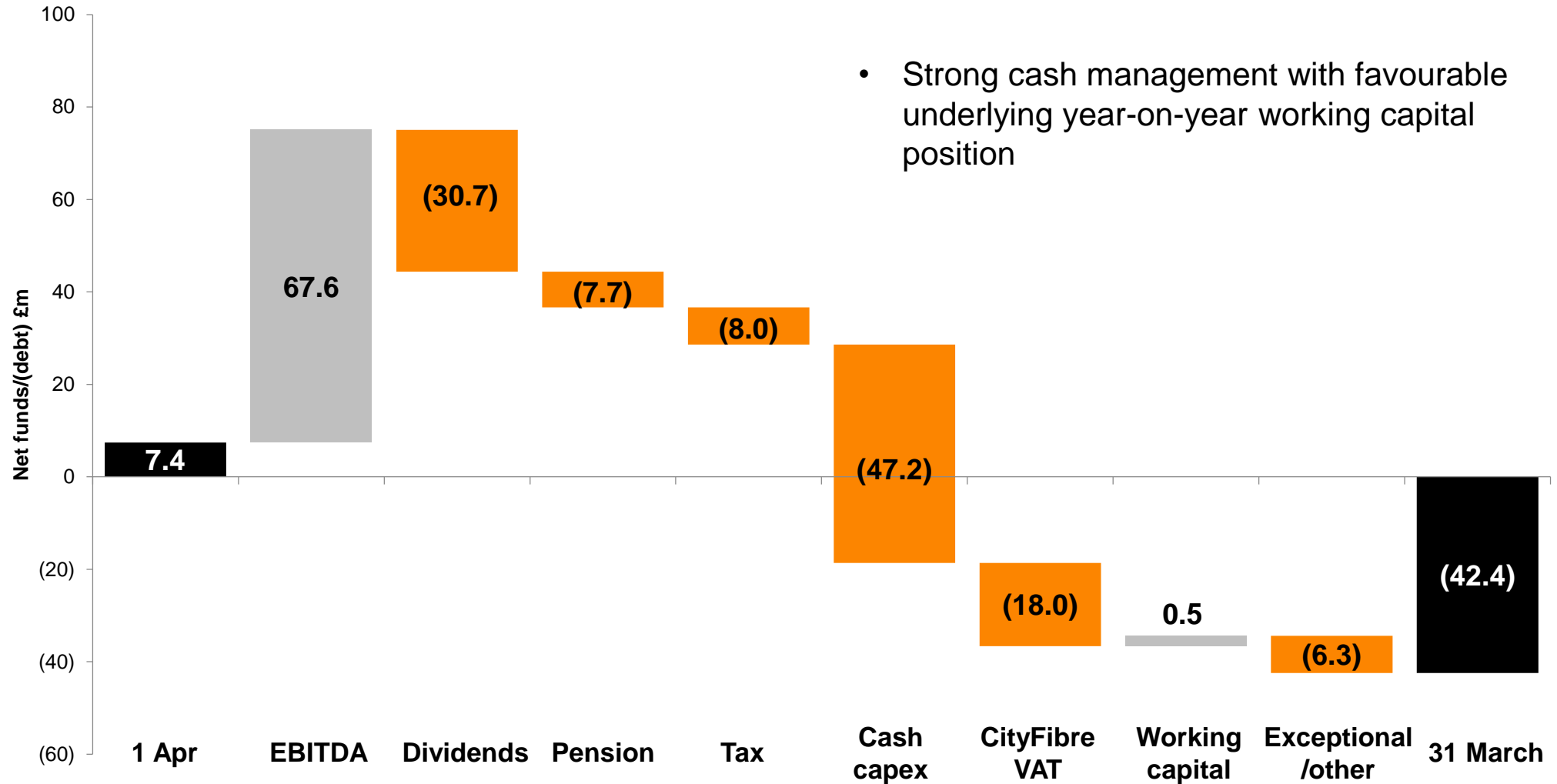
Capital investment



- Over last 5 years c 45% of our capital expenditure has been invested in our Hull and East Yorkshire segment, with c 63% invested in FY17
- Enterprise is relatively asset-light. Only c 6% of total capex in FY17 has been invested in Enterprise where it is not contract specific and funded by the customer as part of that contract
- Corporate spend in FY13-FY15 was on internal systems development



Net debt and cashflow



- Strong cash management with favourable underlying year-on-year working capital position





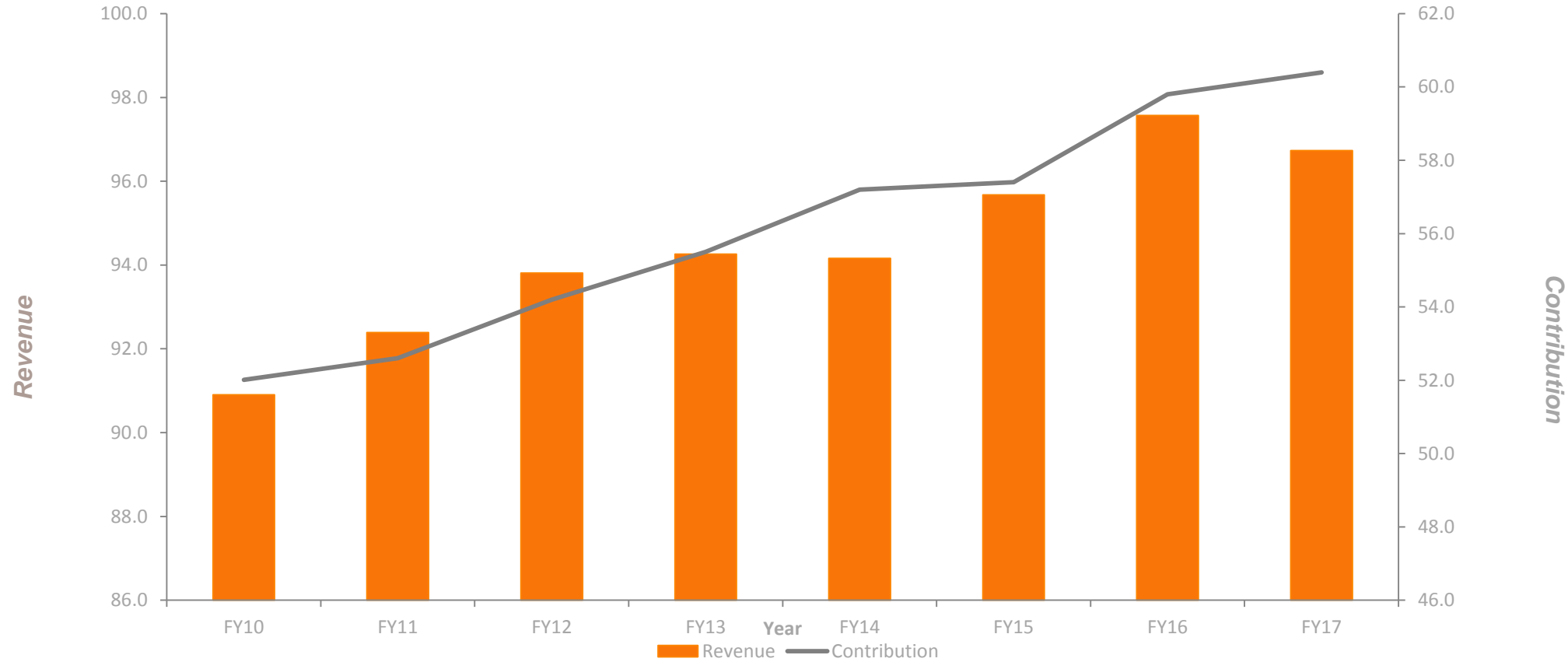
Business strategy:

**Hull & East Yorkshire
Enterprise**

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HEY– FY10-FY17 Revenue and contribution



FY11
Consumer Voice & Data bundles launched

FY12
Fibre deployment commences

FY15
Business Voice & Data bundles launched

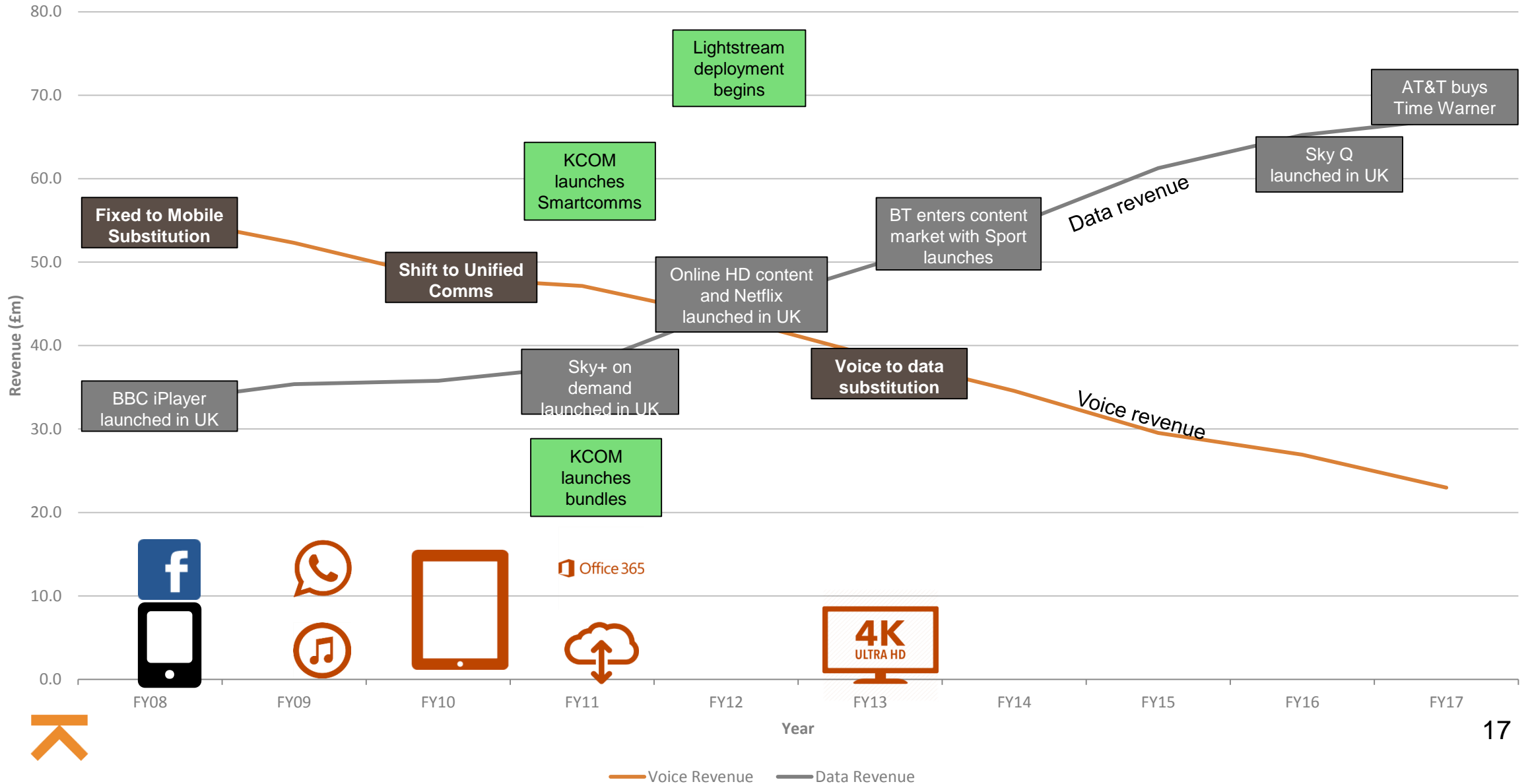
FY16
Business Super Connected Government Voucher Scheme

FY17
Decline in public sector spend due to YHPSN

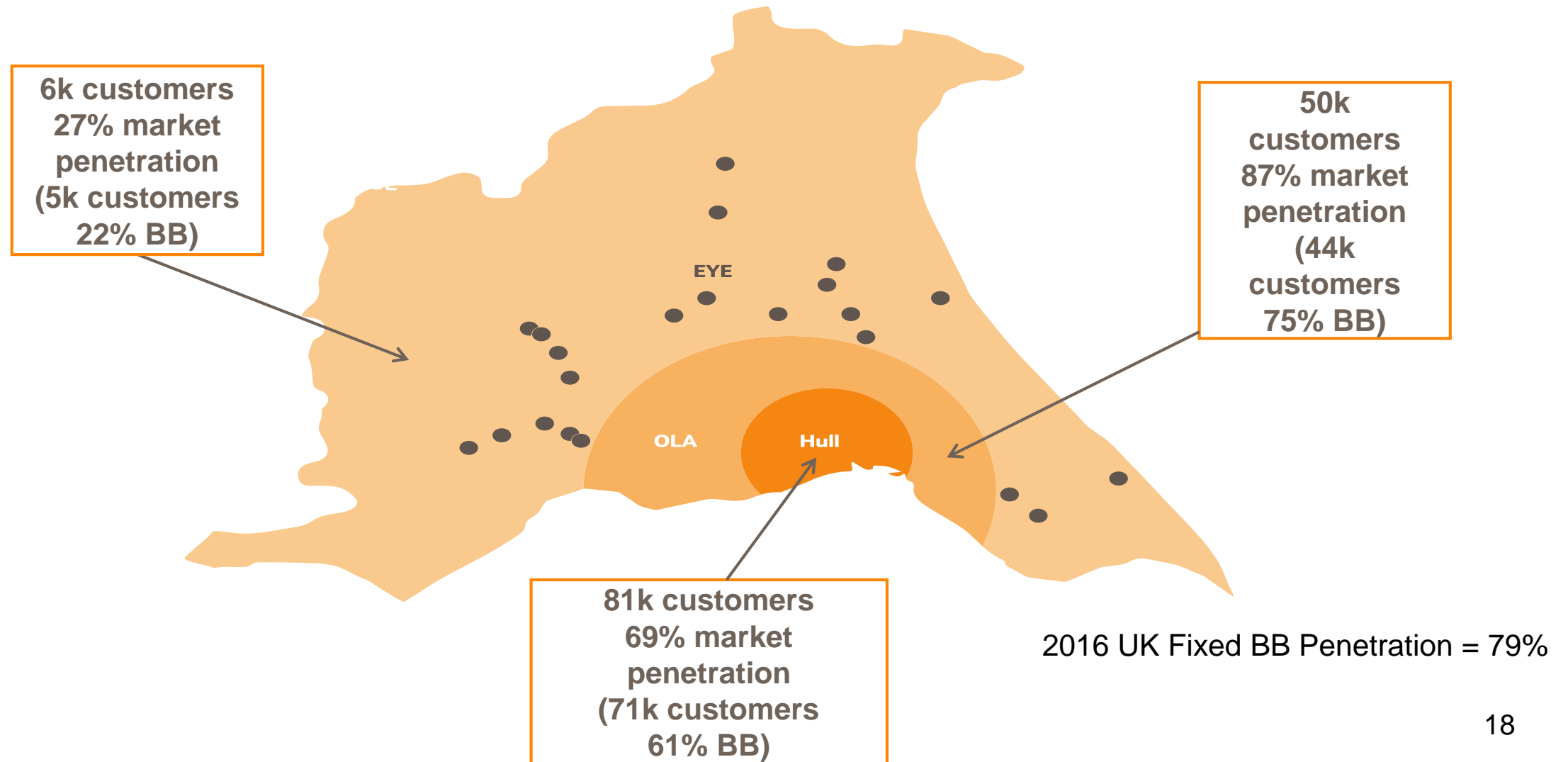


Revenue is Core business only (excludes Media and Contact Centres)
Contribution is total HEY. Central costs recharge based on management estimates from FY10-15.

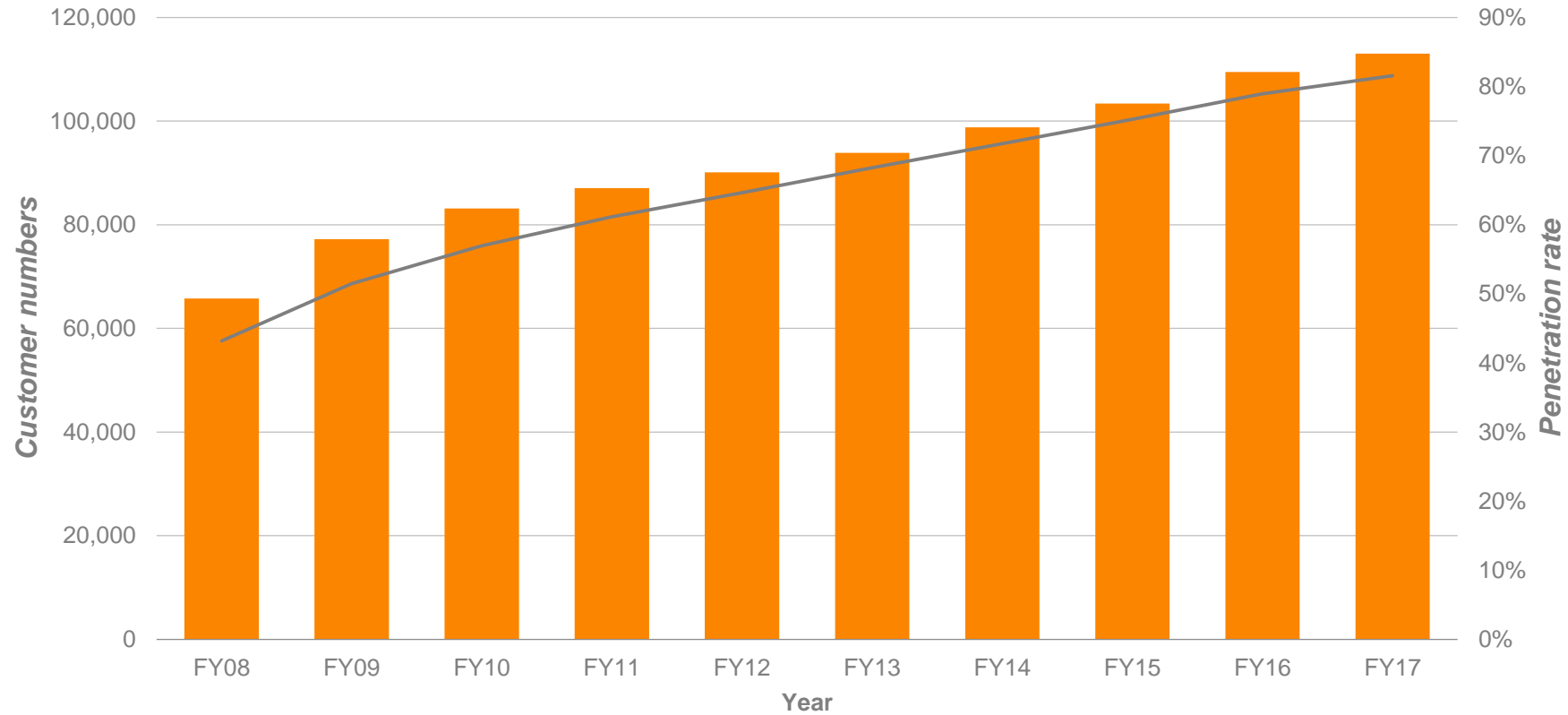
Changing behaviours; technological evolution



Our consumer market



Consumer - FY08-FY17 Broadband Penetration



■ Broadband customer numbers
 — Broadband penetration rate

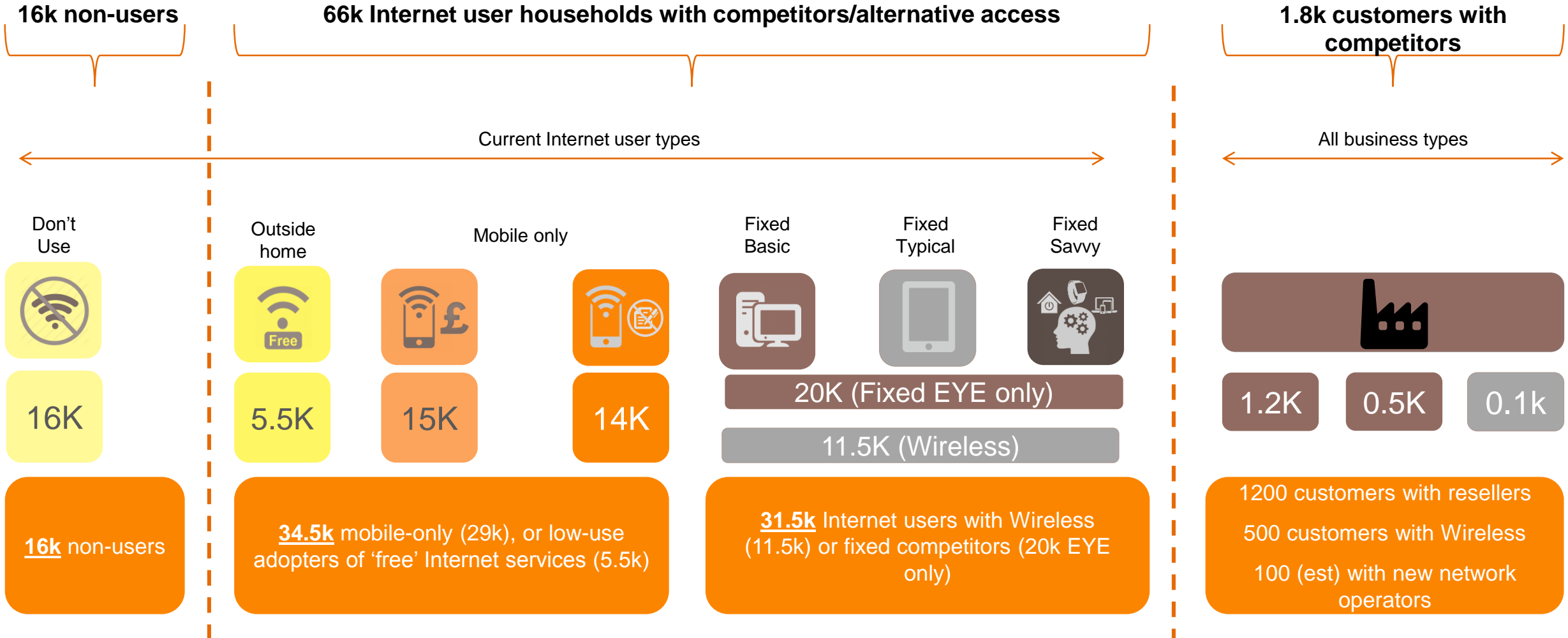
FY08-FY10
 Traditional fixed line voice decline (outstripping rate of data growth)

FY11
 Consumer Voice & Data bundles launched

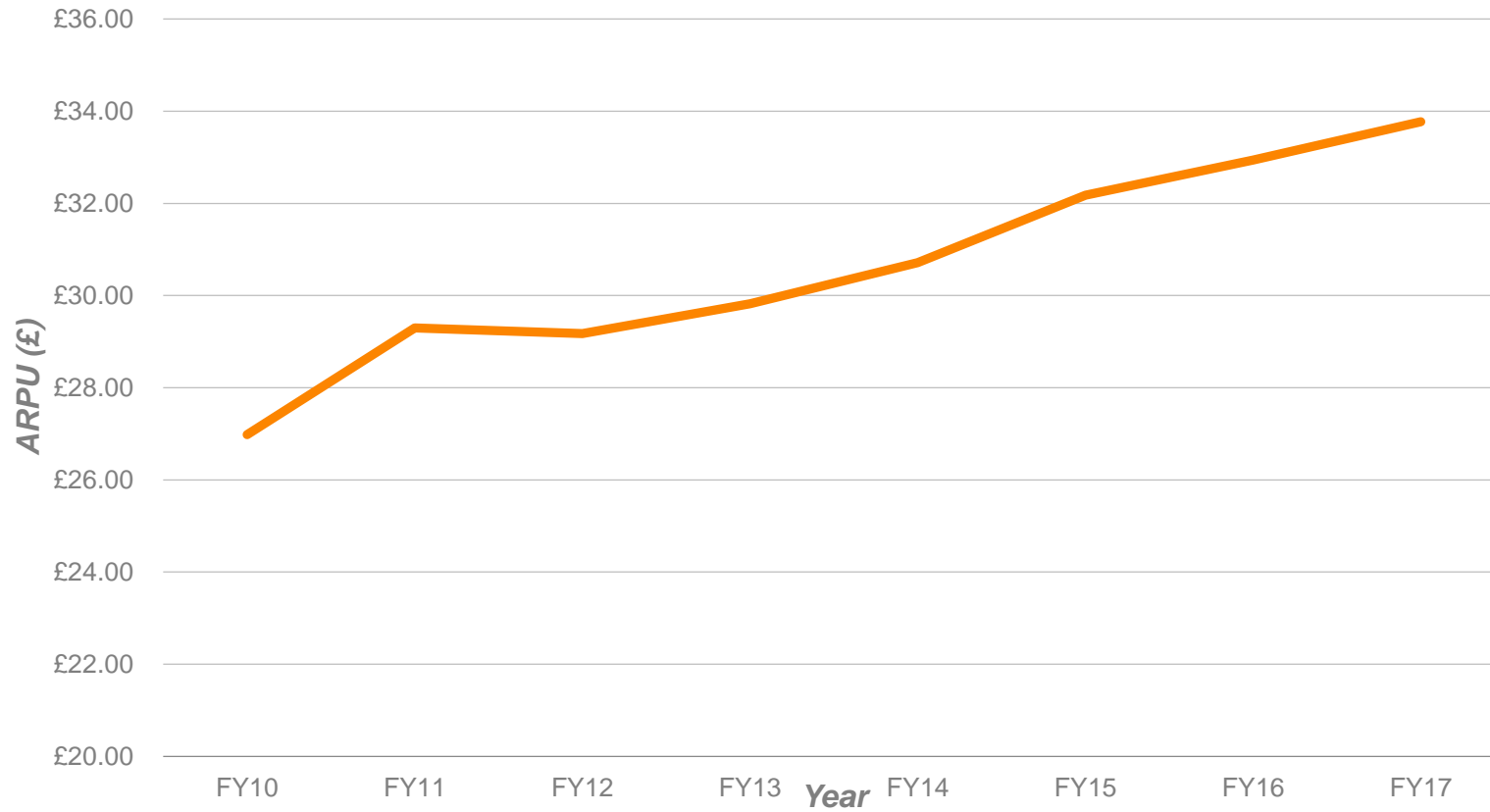
FY12
 Fibre roll out commences



The addressable broadband opportunity in HEY



HEY Consumer – FY10-17 ARPUs



Fibre & bundles adoption driving ARPU uplift



Future ARPU development: OTT services



Automation



CCTV



Security

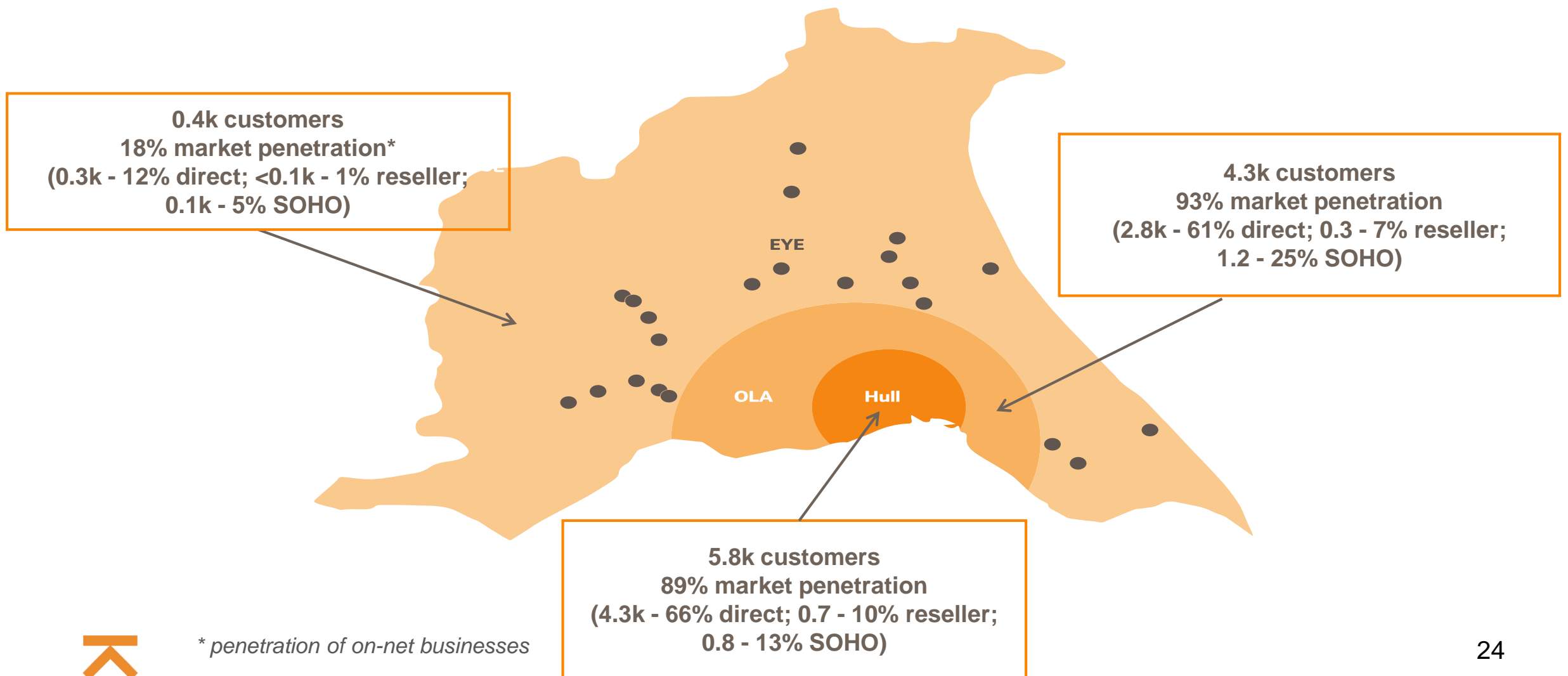


FY18 strategy - consumer

- Drive engagement, acquisition, upsell and retention through adoption model alongside cease analysis and deliver activities to minimise churn
 - Pass 35k properties with FTTP
 - Launch pick and mix bundles and KCOM TV application hub/platform
 - Develop and launch refreshed In-home Service Experience
- Deliver Customer Experience improvements
 - System and process investment, starting with Oneserve, followed by a billing initiative
 - Contact centre operational quality improvements
- Continue to manage and monitor ADSL network performance
 - Start conversion to fully fibre network



Our business market

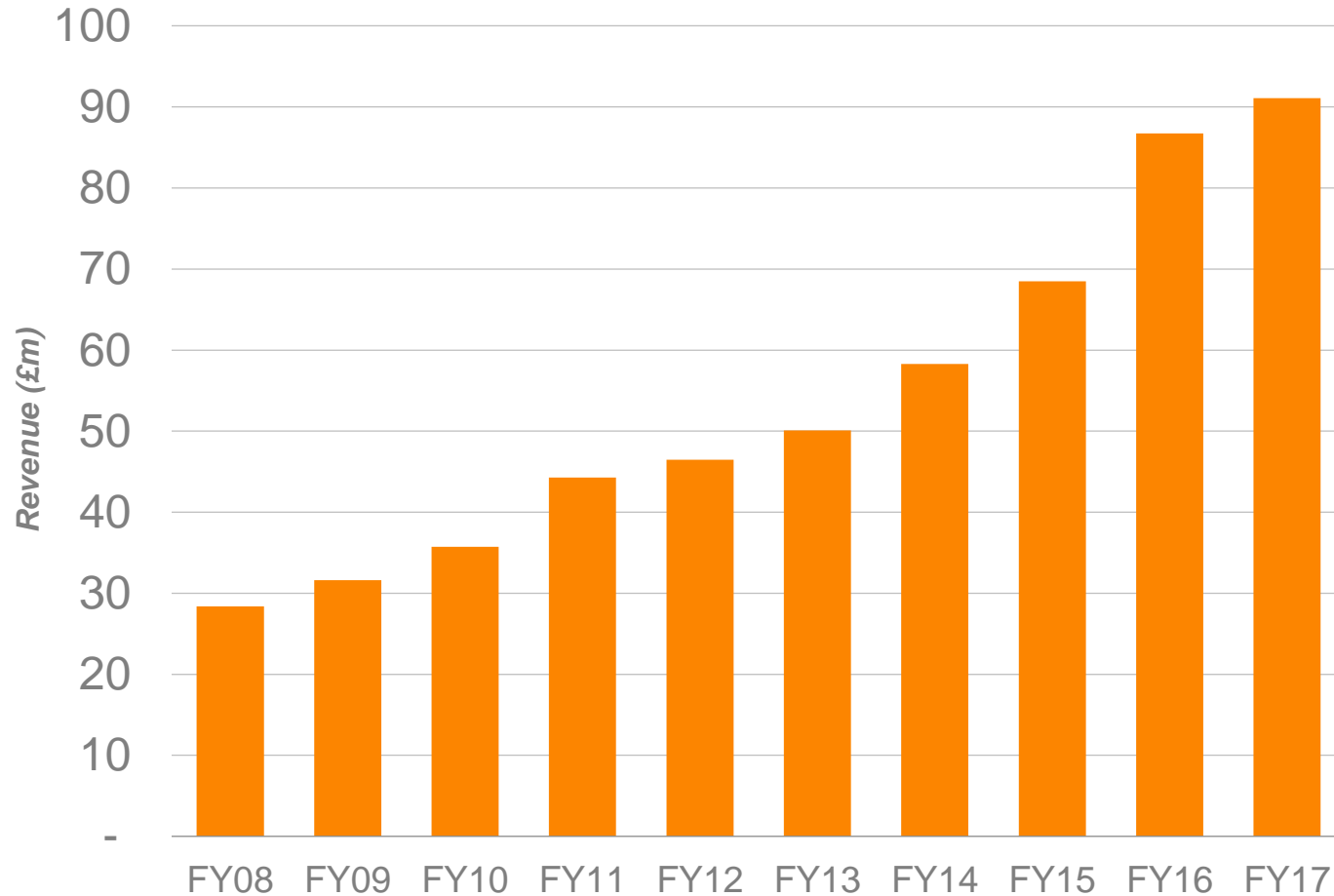


Business – FY18 Strategy

- Leverage the investment in fibre with the provision of increased focus on OTT services such as our SIP product, Smartcomms and security propositions
- Introduction of a new suite of propositions based on clear customer/prospect insight and segmentation to ensure the portfolio is relevant for all customers/prospects
- Differentiate through a clear strategy on improved customer experience with customers segments provided with a level of personalisation commensurate with their spend/opportunity.



Enterprise: progress

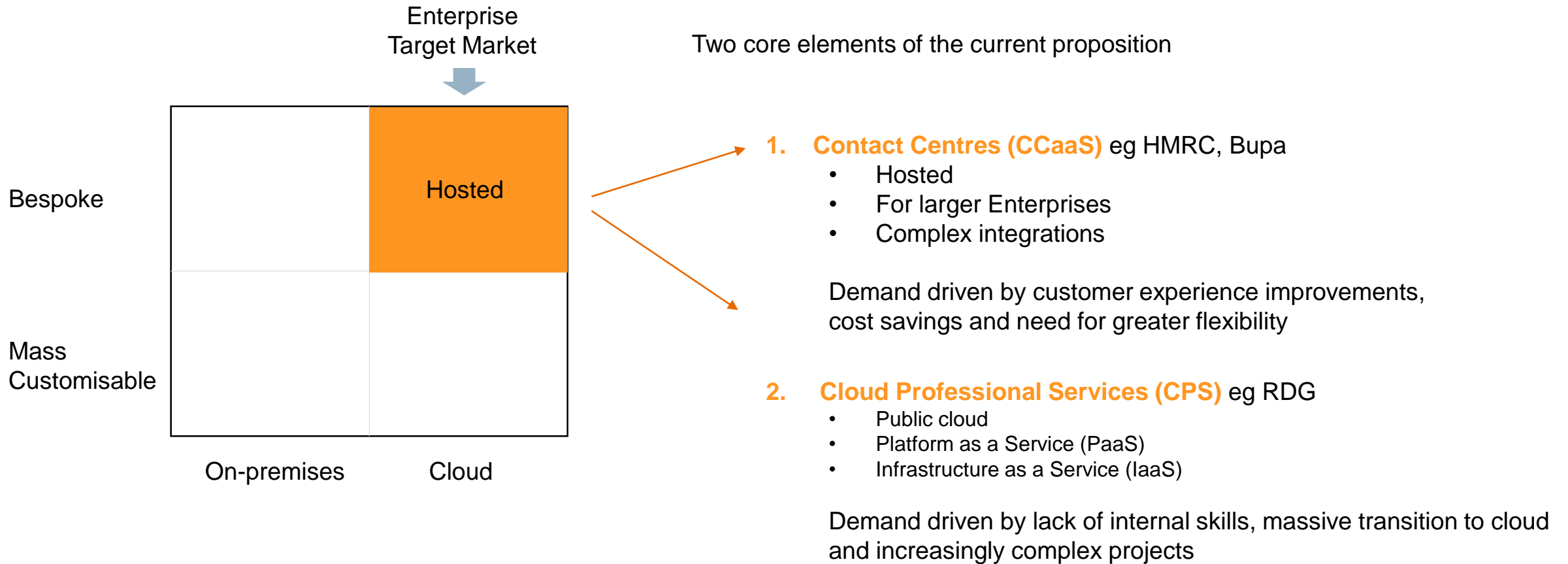


Derived from management information from legacy brands

- Deepened existing customer relationship
- Deployed solutions across cloud and contact centre
- Investment in expanding sales team
- Creation of flexible, deployable talent pool
- Project management capability further developed



Enterprise growth is based on cloud delivered applications that require specialist services to create bespoke solutions



Distinctive capabilities that provide competitive advantage

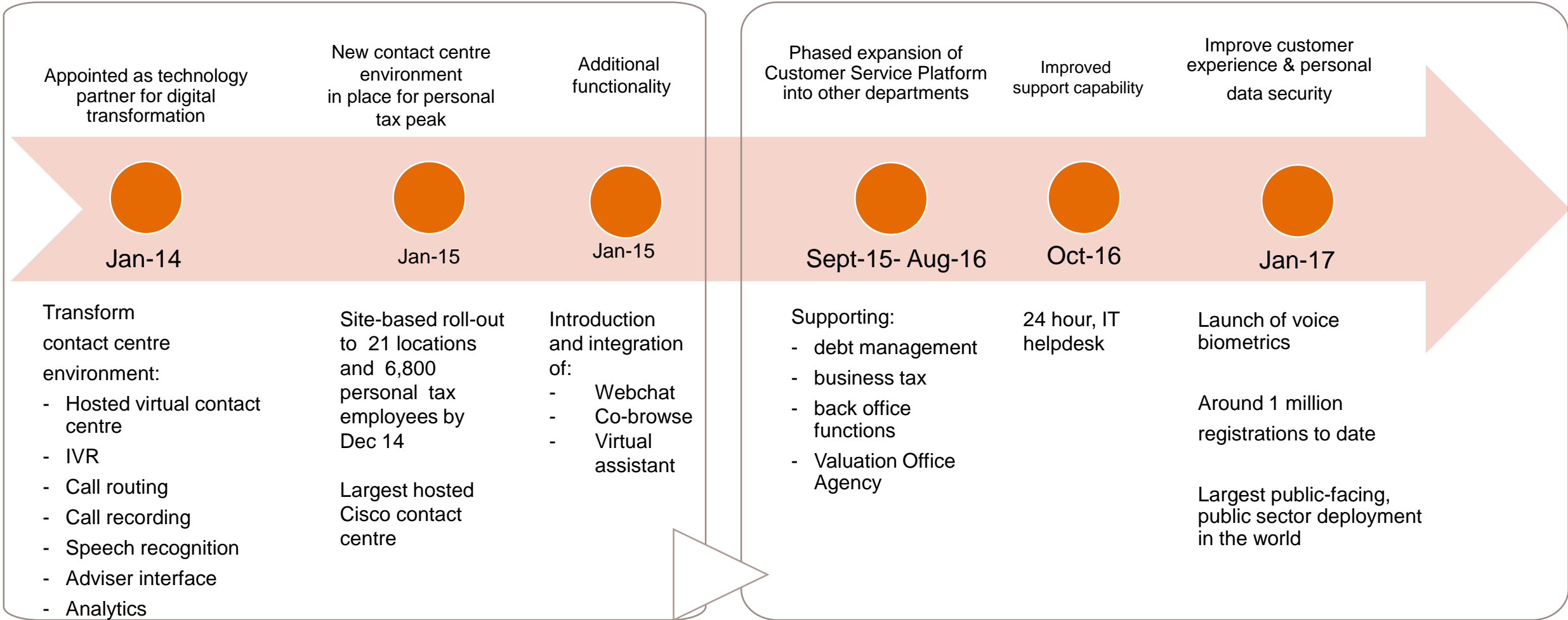
Contact Centre as a Service

- Demonstrated track record with transformation for largest contact centre in the UK, HMRC
- Preferred partner status with Cisco – certified Gold Partner
- KCOM Workplaces proposition capable of customisation through technology from multiple vendors

“We are now running, we believe, the largest virtual contact centre on the planet. Through the Contact Platform, we are able to support flexible working and new digital tools to help our customers interact with their digital accounts.” **Mike Potter, Chief Digital & Information Officer**



Contact Centre as a Service - HMRC



Distinctive capabilities that provide competitive advantage

Cloud Professional Services

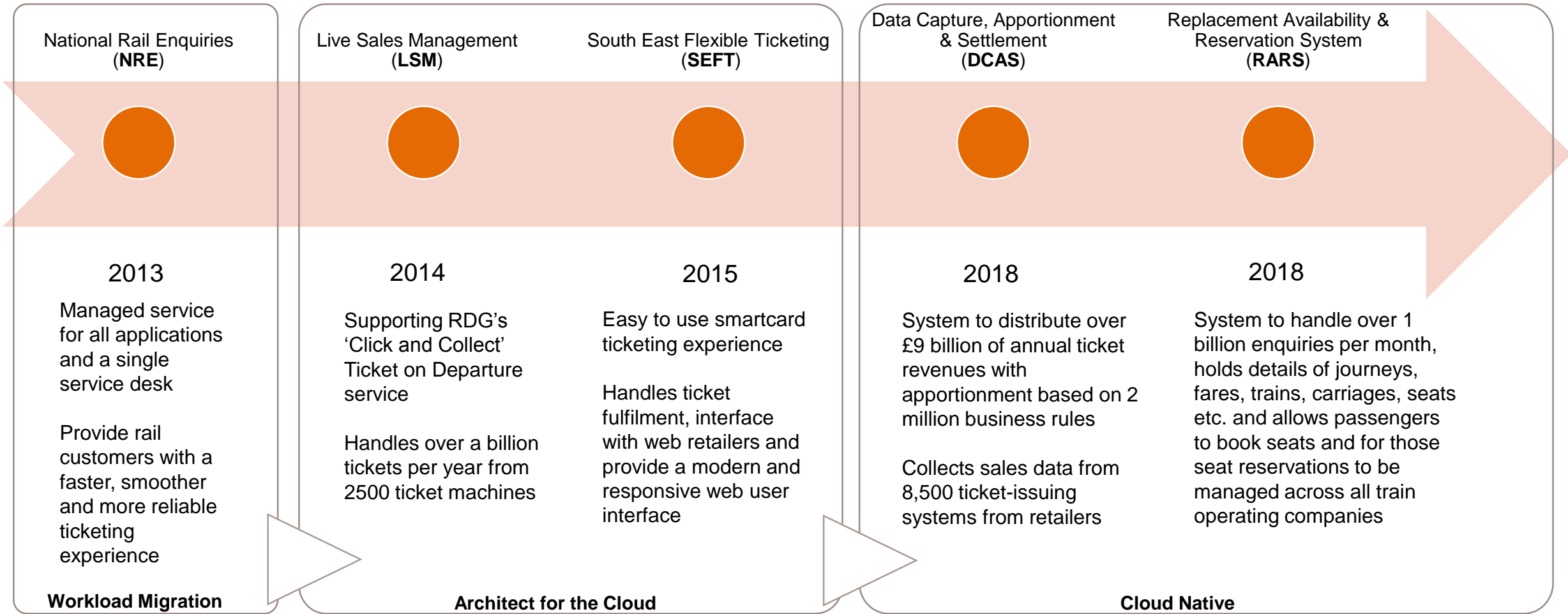
- Significant number of technical experts for cloud assignments, many of which are highly rated cloud architects
- Partnerships with 2 out of 3 key vendor partners and highest level of AWS accreditation
 - AWS – premier consulting partner
 - Microsoft – silver status; key Azure partner
 - Emerging relationship with Google
- Premier reference client who requires high-end consulting, architecting and development work

“Rail Settlement Plan, part of the Rail Delivery Group has awarded KCOM three significant contracts, each for a business critical application forming part of a suite of applications that support the retailing of train tickets. This was on the strength of their competitive proposal and on demonstration of their capability to deliver in a way which matches the requirements of our organisation,” **Steve Howes, Managing Director**

Rail Delivery Group

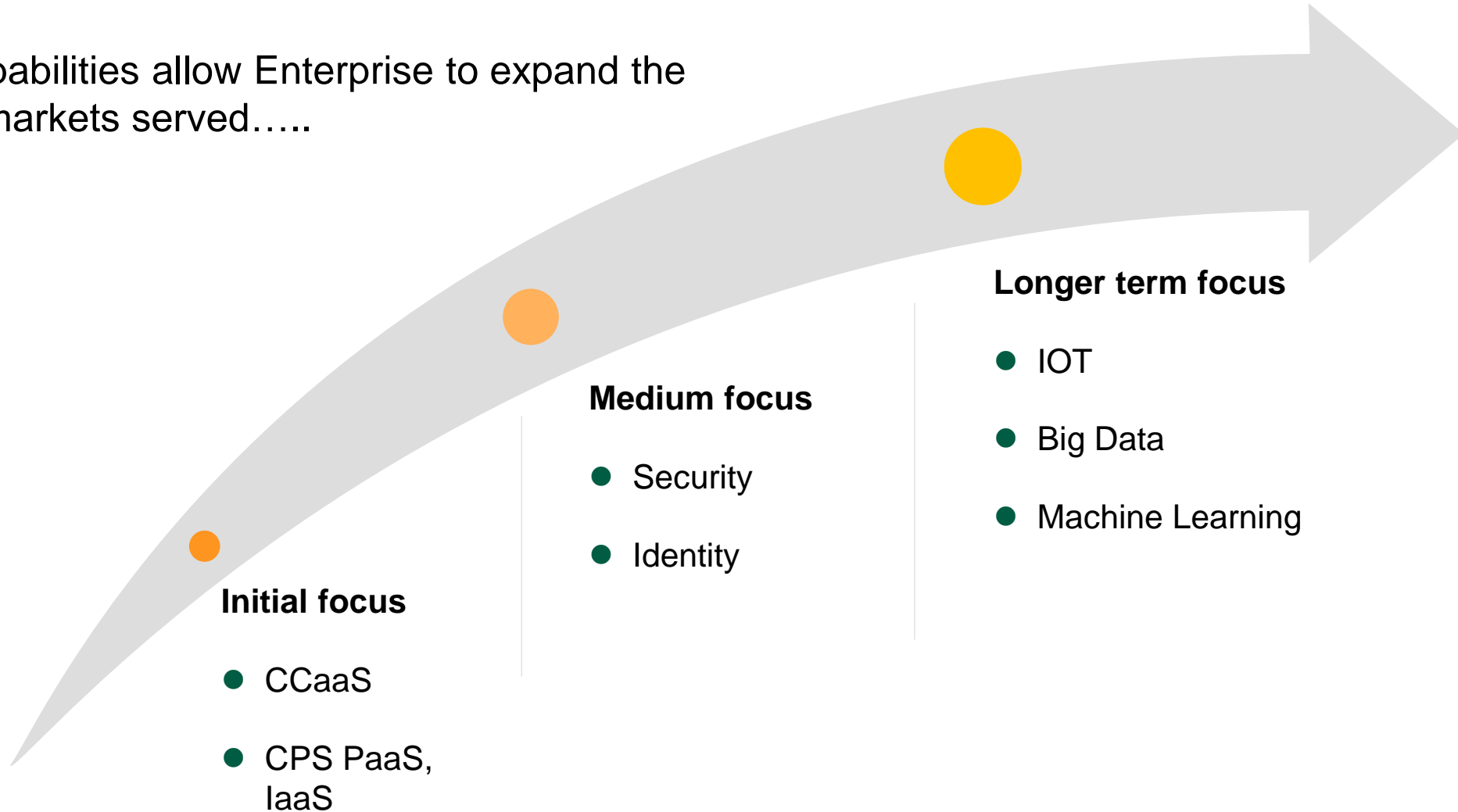


Cloud capabilities - RDG



Next steps - Enterprise

These capabilities allow Enterprise to expand the range of markets served.....



Summary

- Board is confident in the potential from KCOM transition into
 - a regional fibre based services provider through continued deployment of fibre and development of over-the-top services
 - a provider of complex IP solutions to the enterprise market, driven in the near term by expanding presence in IP-services focused on contact centre and cloud services.
- Remain focused on creating a simplified business which will operate on a reduced cost base and that continues to generate sustainable returns and growth for shareholders.

