# OUR 2017 ACHIEVEMENTS

Key highlights from our Annual YBS Group Performance

Mike Regnier, Yorkshire Building Society's Chief Executive, said:

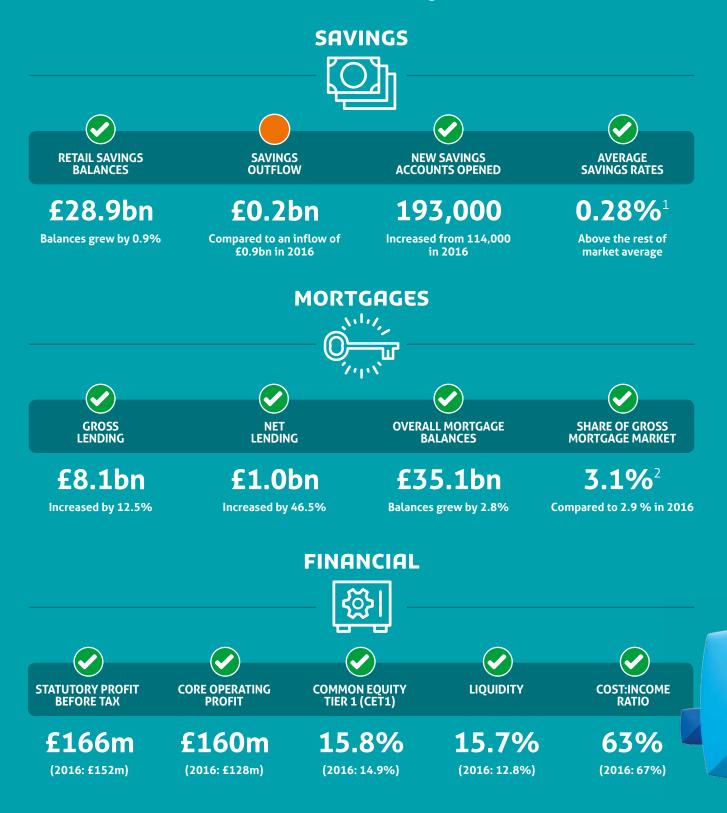
I'm pleased to be reporting a strong financial performance for 2017, despite a very competitive market and ongoing wider economic uncertainty.



You can find more about the Group's performance in our <u>Press Release</u> the highlights of which are summarised overleaf:

## Group performance at a glance

In a challenging year the Group's financial performance has been strong.



Sources:

<sup>1</sup> YBS Group average savings rate compared to rest of market average rates based on savings stock from CACI's Current Account and Savings Database (CSDB), covering 86% of retail savings market (based on stock value). Data period January-October 2017.

<sup>2</sup> UK Finance (December 2017).

### YBS Share Plans 2017- at a glance

It has been another busy year with many exciting developments.

We continued to work with Secondsight and WEALTH at Work to provide financial education support in the workplace, with a growing number of companies utilising this service, integrating them into their share plan communications. This is helping employees make the right choices around their workplace benefits and safeguarding their future wellbeing.

We outperformed our expectations following the launch of our Discretionary Share Plan service with Investec Bank plc, which now extends to a portfolio of 24 clients for this product line alone.

2018 promises to be an equally exciting year as we continue to provide enhancements to our digital solutions and product range so we can continually strive to deliver a marketleading client and customer experience, whilst maintaining our ambitious growth plans.

We are also working with Salary Finance to provide an additional way for employees of organisations in all sectors to save directly from their pay into an online Yorkshire Building Society savings account, which is already generating interest.



#### Delivering a market leading customer experience is our passion here at YBS Share Plans.



We ask on a scale of 1-10 how likely clients and participants are to recommend our services to other companies. Clients: Derived from YBS Share Plans client survey responses 12 months rolling January to December 2017. Participant NPS - (+47) YBS Share Plans Customer Experience Surveys Source: KPMG Nunwood Relational Study derived from 2,181 surveys completed by Share Plan Participants January to December 2017. Net Promoter, Net Promoter Score, and NPS are trademarks of Satemetrix Systems, Inc., Bain & Company, Inc., and Fred Feichheld.

#### Empowering and engaging employees

We have seen an increasing number of clients utilising our digital solutions with many schemes now operating paperless, making joining a scheme and buying/ selling shares at maturity as easy and simple as possible. This, along with integrated Financial Education material, has helped and engaged employees to make the right informed choices and in many cases has increased participation in the plans.

We are delighted that our clients' success has been recognised at several industry awards.

• **Morgan Sindall Group plc** was joint winner in the award for the Most Effective Communication of an Employee Share Plan (5,001 - 50,000 employees) and • Janus Henderson Investors took the award for the Best Overall Performance in Fostering Employee Share Ownership (up to 5,000 employees) at the 2017 ProShare Awards.

A further 5 clients were shortlisted; Ted Baker plc, Halfords Group plc, Breedon Group plc, National Grid plc and Global Payments Inc.

3 clients were shortlisted for the 2017 Irish ProShare Association (IPSA) Awards with 2 winners; Global Payments Inc. and Provident Financial Group, winning the categories of Best International Share Plan and Most Effective Communication of an Employee Share Plan respectively.

Ashley Price Head of YBS Share Plans



# What our Share Plans participants say...

"Great customer service and share plan website is very informative, allowing you to keep up to date with the shareplan progress." Share Plan participant

"Every time I have needed to speak to someone, I have had a very good interaction with them and they seem to care. It doesn't seem like we are just another person on the phone."

Share Plan participant

I just think they are super efficient. Everything that comes is so simple Share Plan participant

#### What our Share Plan clients say...

"YBS Share Plans has developed an innovative and effective solution to our discretionary share plan administration. In just a short time, the team have demonstrated the ability to understand our business and culture whilst providing a consistent and high quality service. The team's professionalism, flexibility and willingness is what sets them apart from its peers and we look forward to a long and continuing relationship." **The Go-Ahead Group plc** 

"Over the years YBS has provided a reliable accurate service in a very professional manner." National Grid plc

"A knowledgeable and friendly team who provide an unbeatable offer in comparison to the savings market. A pleasure to do business with." Wm Morrison Supermarkets plc

The verbatim comments and quotes above are views expressed by our corporate clients and their employees and not those of YBS Share Plans or Yorkshire Building Society.

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