Arbuthnot Banking Group PLC 2010 YEAR END RESULTS

17 March 2011





Business Review

ANDREW SALMON – Chief Operating Officer

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Key Messages

Year of continued progress in 2010 across all parts of the Group

- All three divisions profitable
- Profit before tax at £5.1m same as previous year
- Underlying business growth of 85% excluding one off items
- Recommended dividend increased by 1p to 23p

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- Retail Banking Continue to build out diversified lending portfolios and accelerate Current account growth
- Private Banking Returns in core business are improving, focus now on wealth proposition
- Investment Banking Continued growth in the core proposition



Private Banking

- Improved returns even with investment in Gilliat Financial Solutions
- Liquidity, funding and capital remain strong
- Loan book remains healthy with robust loan to value ratios
- Maintaining focus on:
 - Selectively lending
 - Providing exceptional service to clients
 - Wealth Management: whole of market wealth planning and discretionary investment management
 - Continued independence of advice

Arbuthnot Latham grew its profitability, with the focus on the core private banking and wealth proposition



Retail Banking

Building Diversified Lending portfolios

- Asset Finance
 - Motor
 - Music
 - Cycles
 - Personal Computers (Rentsmart)
 - Pay 4 Later / Retail Finance
 - Fitness and leisure
- Personal Lending
 - Existing bank customers
 - Strategic partnership channels
- Current Account with Prepaid Card growth accelerating
 - Increased number of relationships with affinity partners
 - Significant growth in online new business volumes
 - Cash based rewards scheme proving popular

Secure Trust Bank is creating embedded value in its niche portfolios. The Current Account now has an attractive cash reward scheme paying up to 4%



Investment Banking

- Arbuthnot Securities returned to profitability
- AIM Broker of the year 2010
- Completed 16 corporate transactions included main market IPO of Shaft Sinkers Holdings plc
- Average market cap of AIM clients rose to £32m (2009:£17m)
- Build out
 - Business Services
 - Closed End Funds
 - Financials
 - Macroeconomics
 - Natural Resources
 - Real Estate
- Continued quality recruitment

Arbuthnot Securities returned to profitability in the year



Financial Review

JAMES COBB – Group Finance Director

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Headline Results

	2010	2009
Operating Income	£54.8m	£51.7m
Profit Before Tax	£5.1m	£5.1m
Profit attributable to Equity holders of the Company	£3.7m	£3.5m
Basic Earnings Per Share	25p	23.4p
Total Dividend Per Share	23p	22p
Total Assets	£565.1m	£452.5m
Regulatory Capital	£43.2m	£44.3m

- Operating Income increased 6%
- Significant Items:
 - All businesses profitable
 - 85% Underlying growth
- Profit before tax level at £5.1m
- Recommended 1p increase in total dividend
- Dividend covered by earnings
- Total asset growth 25% Total assets above ½ billion for first time in Group's history
- Regulatory capital broadly unchanged



Divisional Performance 1/2

	2010	2009	Change
	£(000)	£(000)	
Private Banking (Arbuthnot Latham)	1,045	206	407%
Retail Banking (Secure Trust)	8,511	10,219	(17%)
Investment Banking (Arbuthnot Securities)	1,039	(147)	N/M
Switzerland	(100)	(506)	80%
Group Costs	(5,391)	(4,722)	(14%)
Profit Before Tax	5,104	5,050	
Tax	(1,383)	(1,679)	
Profit After Tax	3,721	3,371	
Of which			
Attributable to Group Share Holders	3,747	3,507	
Minority Interests	(26)	(136)	



Divisional Performance 2/2

Private Banking

- Profit before tax £1.0m
- Core Private banking business increased profits by £1.0m to £1.67m offset by share of investment in Gilliat Financial Solutions (£0.6m)
- · Comments:
 - Customer assets up 19%
 - Customer deposits up 20%
 - Customer margins widened offset by cost of liquidity
 - Credit losses continue at less than 0.5% of book
 - LTV remain robust

Retail Banking

- Profit before tax £8.5m
- Comments:
 - Prior year comparative distorted by release of provisions from cessation of insurance business £1.1m
 - Cost of surplus deposits f1.7m
 - Management restructure cost £0.7m
 - Underlying business grew 19%, driven mainly by lending growth.
 - Customer assets up 73%
 - Customer deposit up 65%
 - Continued OneBill customer numbers declining but now offset by Current account growth

Investment Banking

- Profit before tax £1.0m
- · Comments:
 - Business returns to profit despite volatile markets
 - Corporate Finance Fees consistent at £9.1m
 - Secondary revenues level at f8.0m
 - Cost base lower by £1.0m
- Minority Interest unchanged at 40.4%



Key Message

- Good progress in all divisions
- Aim to be the significant lender in niche asset classes
- Diversification of portfolios key to long term sustainability
- Balance sheet growth creating embedded earnings to be realised over time
- Controlled growth, not sacrificing long term value for short term volume



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