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£1.9bn

Assets under management¹



£790m

Energy & Infrastructure AUM¹



50+

Energy & Infrastructure professionals



180

Core renewables investments

















Our strategy of diversification



Diversification increases stability of returns and broadens pipeline of opportunities



^{*}Note: "Other Infra" - targeting infrastructure e.g. utilities or multi-utilities with electricity distribution and / or district heating networks, including those that enable more renewable energy



Highlights



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Acquisitions in the period

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Strengthening the solar and hydro portfolios through acquisitions



Increases average annual production of the DORE hydro portfolio to 197 GWh



Acquisitions post period

Diversifying by technology & revenue streams



Mersey

Reactive Power-shunt reactor

In June, DORE signed an agreement to acquire a UK-based, fully operational 200 MVAr shunt reactor for c.£11m

Expected asset life of 40 years, supporting the UK's electricity system in voltage management, providing increased network resilience, reducing costs to consumers and lowering carbon emissions

The asset has an initial fixed priced, inflation-linked, availability-based contract with National Grid ESO until 2031

Will be funded through DORE's RCF

Blåsjön

Swedish Electricity Distribution System Operator

In July, DORE acquired regulated electricity distributor, which delivers 16-18 GWh p.a. of electricity to its c.1,500 domestic and business customers in Strömsund, N. Sweden

Very long-life assets that are expected to operate and generate substantial yields for generations

Acquired for c.£7m using DORE's RCF

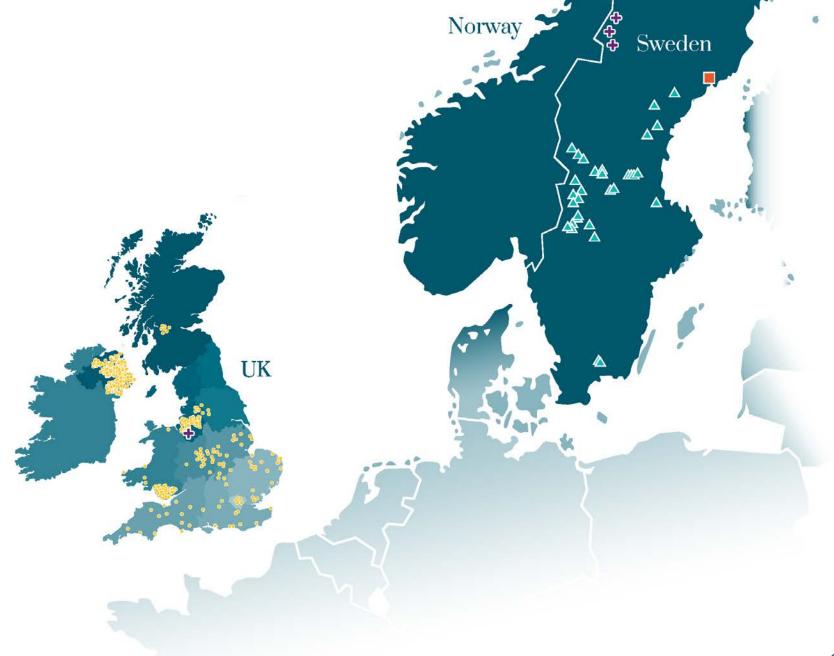
Portfolio







Electrical Grid



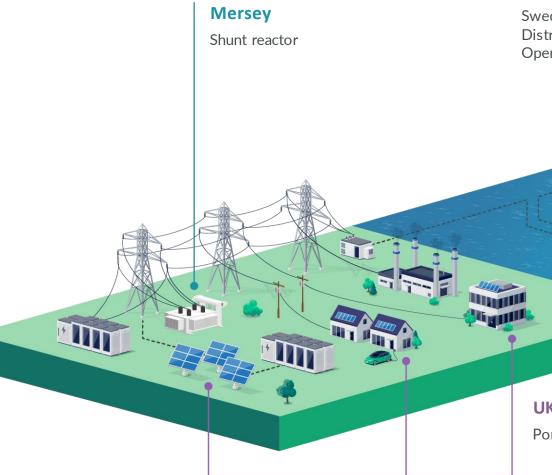
Source: Downing as at 1 September 2023

Portfolio Diversification DORE aims to achieve stable and sustainable returns for shareholders



Gabriel

Swedish wind farm



Blåsjön

Swedish Electricity Distribution System Operator

Hydropower

Perpetual asset

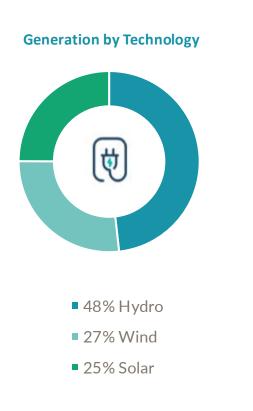
UK Solar

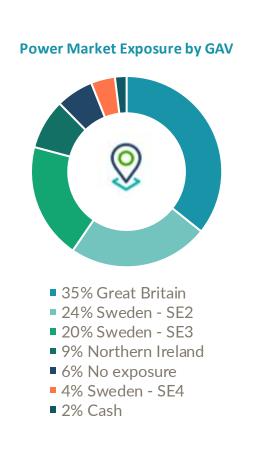
Portfolio of 4,800 assets

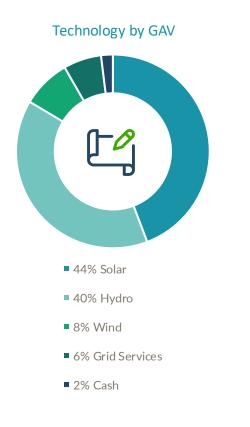
DORE Portfolio breakdown

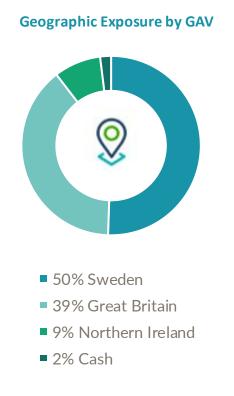


Post acquisitions of Mersey and Blåsjön







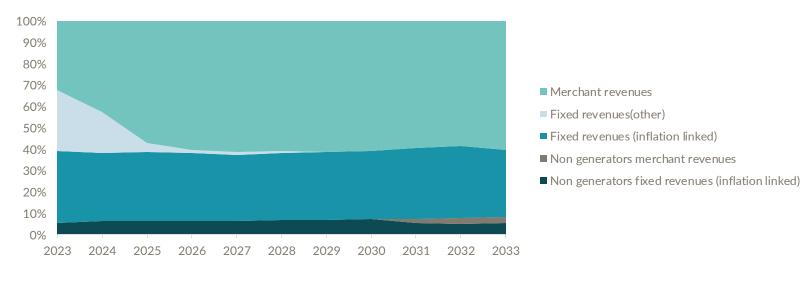


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Diversification across power markets



Portfolio revenue composition



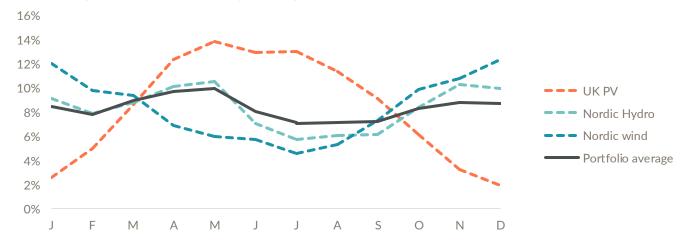
to fix short- medium term cashflows.

Active hedging strategy looking

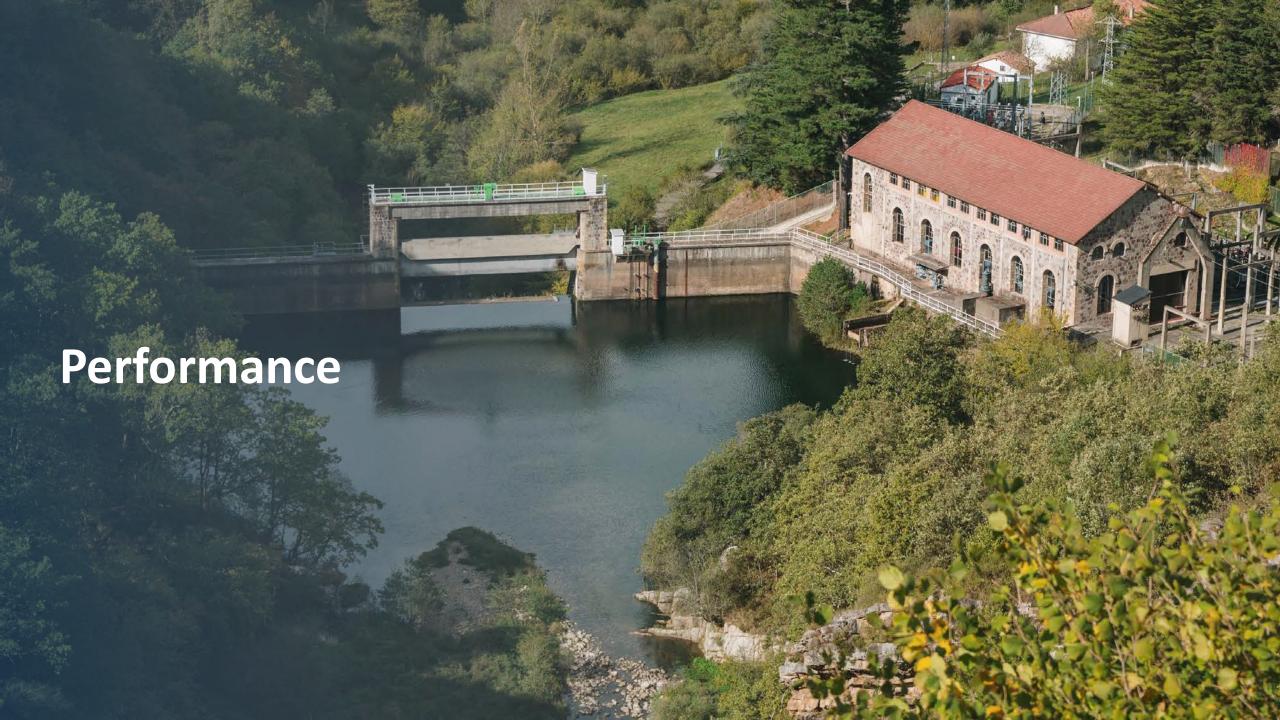
Solar and grid acquisitions provide additional long term fixed, inflation linked revenues

Grid services assets add long term revenue streams that are not derived from the sale of power on the wholesale energy markets

Portfolio generation-Monthly average (% of annual total)



Source: Revenue graph includes post period acquisitions (1 September 2023). Generation graph as at 30 June 2023, actual generation (2012 – 2022 for hydro and wind, 2016 – 2022 for solar)



NAV Growth and Dividends



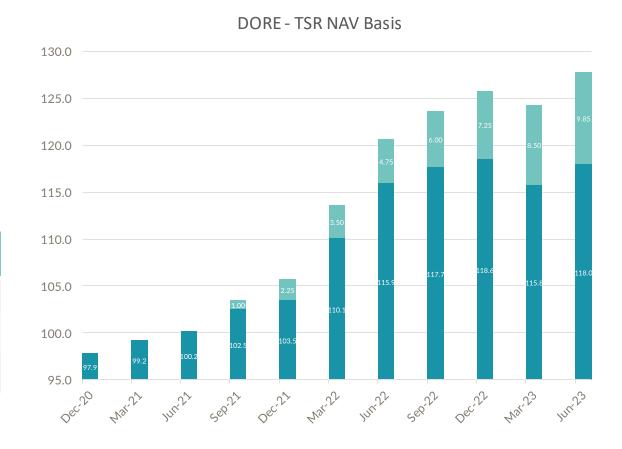
DORE continues to enjoy significant NAV growth

Since IPO we have delivered a **NAV total return of 30.5%** and **5.96% in the year**¹

9.85 pence per share of dividends announced since inception

7.6% increase in target dividend for 2023 to 5.38 pence per share²

	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23
Dividend per share	2.25	5.00	5.38 (target)
Annual increase	Above IPO target	IPO target	7.6%
Dividend cover	1.21x	1.26x	1.4x average over next 3 years ²



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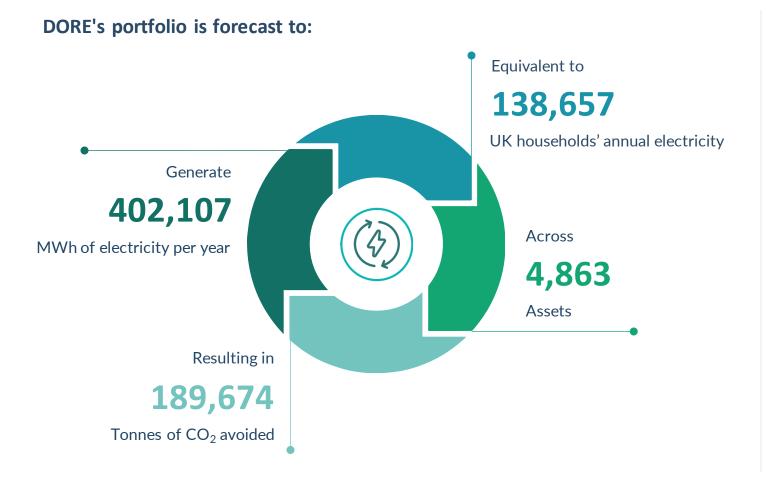
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DORE: Making an impact



DORE won 'Renewables Fund of the Year' at Environmental Finance's Sustainable Investment Awards 2022

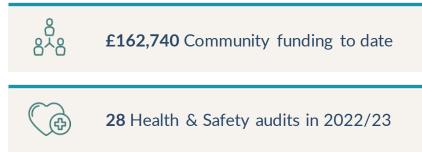


Environmental Management





Social & Governance



Portfolio NAV Development



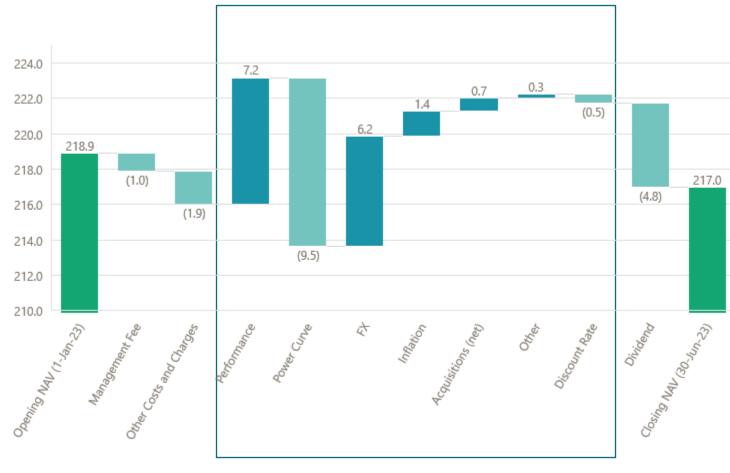
A NAV decrease of 0.5% in the period

During the period, the NAV decreased from 118.6pps to 118.0pps

Principal drivers on the movement of NAV:

- o Future power prices and FX
- o Accretive acquisitions
- Dividend payment of £5m

Weighted average discount for the period has increased from 7.7% to 7.8%



Investment portfolio

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Solar Portfolio



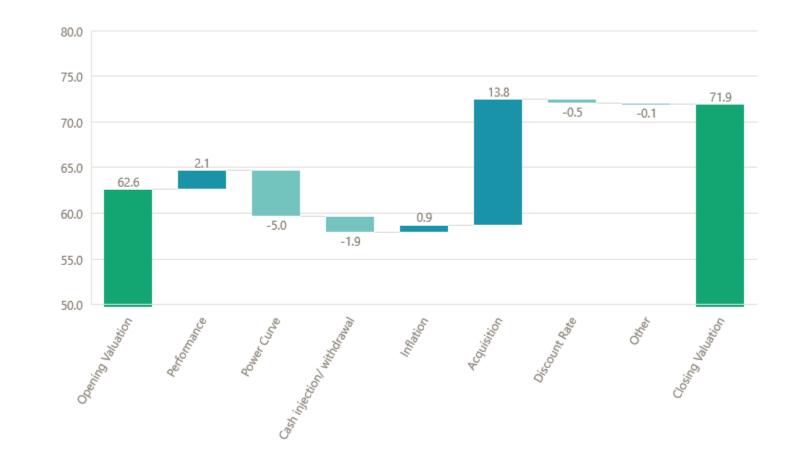
A NAV increase of 14.8% in the period

Performance in the period

Generation was slightly below expectations, substantially offset by higher than expected irradiation.

Revenue for the period was 1.9% over budget driven by higher than budgeted REGO prices.

The acquisition of Project Occasum created a value uplift of £0.4m, these assets are now valued on a levered, post-tax discount rate of 8.0%.



Hydropower Portfolio

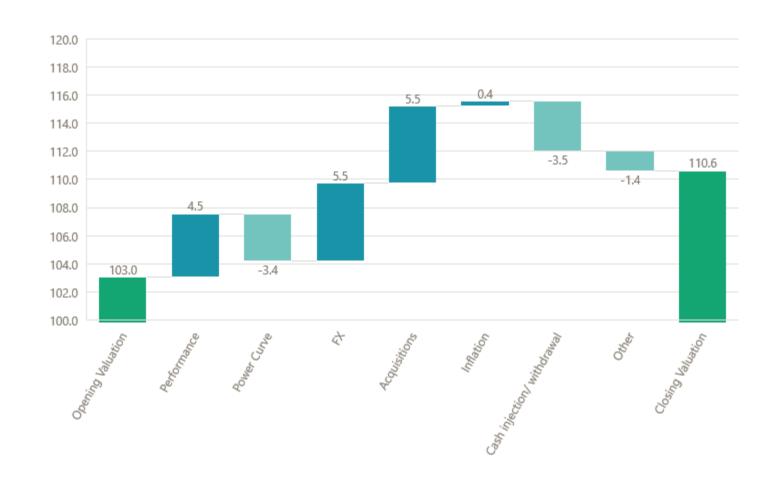


A NAV increase of 7.4% in the period

Performance in the period

Generation across the hydro portfolio was 4.8% below budget due to precipitation in Sweden being 5% below the long-term average.

Revenue was below budget due to lower-than-expected prices in SE3.



Wind Portfolio

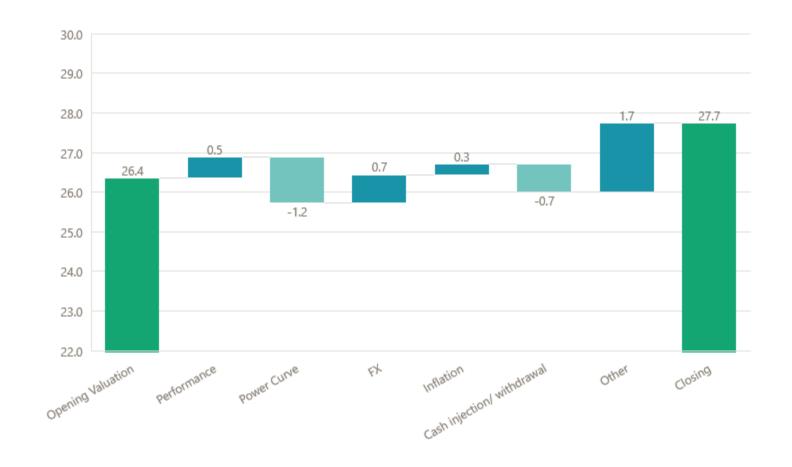


A NAV increase of 5.3% in the period

Performance in the period

Generation across the wind portfolio 6.7% ahead of expectations as a result of strong availability and good wind speeds.

Revenue was 6.2% below budget driven low power prices.



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Discount Rates & Inflation

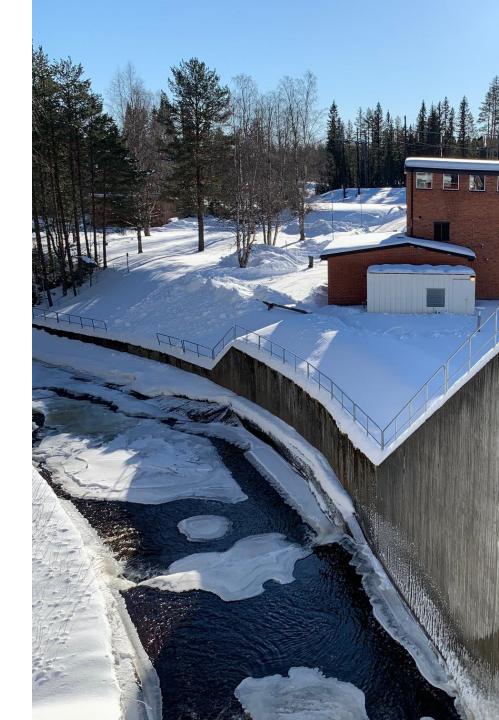
A broad range of assumptions are used in DORE's valuation models. These long-term assumptions are based on long-term forecasts and are generally not affected by short-term fluctuations in inputs, whether economic or technical

Discount rates were revised this quarter. These changes result in a weighted average discount rate across the solar portfolio of 8.0%, compared to 7.8% last quarter

Weighted average portfolio discount rate for the Company is 7.8%:

- o UK solar portfolio 8.0% (blend of geared and ungeared assets)
- Swedish wind portfolio 6.3% (ungeared)
- o Swedish hydro portfolio 8.0% (geared)

		2023	2024	2025
UK RPI	30-Jun-23	8.0%	3.0%	3.0%
	31-Mar-23	6.4%	3.0%	3.0%
UK CPI	30-Jun-23	5.5%	2.25%	2.25%
	31-Mar-23	4.4%	2.25%	2.25%
Sweden	31-Jun-23	8.0%	2.0%	2.0%
	31-Mar-23	5.6%	2.0%	2.0%





Acquisitions and optimisation of assets



Driving efficiencies in the portfolio



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Implementing dispatch control, data monitoring and health & safety procedures



O&M contract optimization, resulting in reduced costs



Sale of energy, hedging and Guarantees of Origin



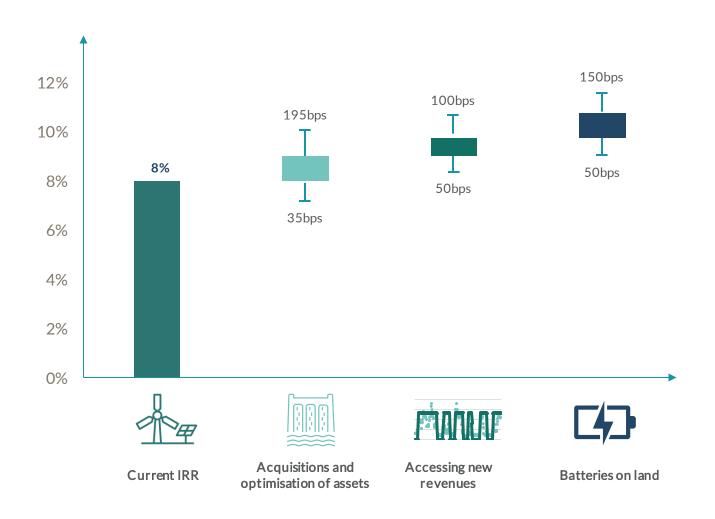
Continue with strategic acquisitions & asset optimisation



Value creation



Maximising the value of the Company's diverse portfolio



Current IRR – Downing's current renewable energy projects typically target a gross return of **c.8**%

Acquisitions and optimisation of assets – Investment strategy contains a range of acquisition and optimisation targets, providing enhancing returns by up to 195bps

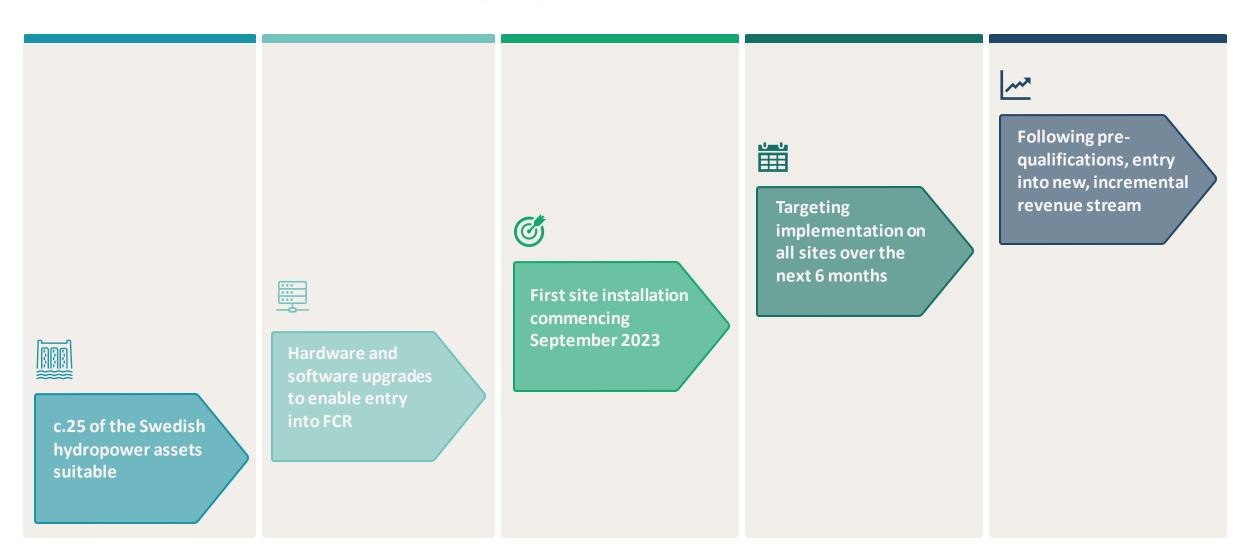
Ancillary revenues – Maximising the use of HPP sites via the installation of new hardware and software technologies, increasing returns by up to c. 100bps

Batteries on land – Innovative battery solutions on land owned by the HPPs, enhancing returns by up to 150bps

Accessing new revenues



Majority of hydropower plants are well placed to access the growing Frequency Regulation Markets



Battery co-location with hydro



Future capital growth



Swedish hydro portfolio has multiple sites with large landbanks

Low cost of entry increases returns: Existing grid capacity can be utilised for new co-located battery storage installations

Specific focus on FCR-D and FFR markets



No development fee: not purchasing projects from a third party developer

Lower capital costs: grid connection to substation where hydropower plant is connected

Lower ongoing costs: no land rental as land is already owned



Forecast power prices



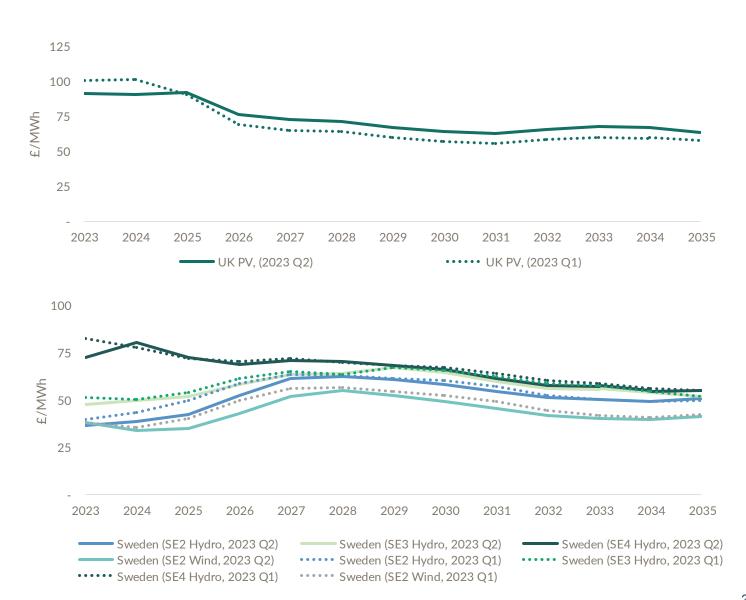
UK

Forecasts have increased in the period have increased compared to the prior quarter

Addition of long term fixed revenues through rooftop portfolio acquisition

Sweden

Forecasts have differed slightly in the short term (2023-2026) with the longer-term assumptions (2027 onwards) consistent with those of the prior quarter



Significant pipeline opportunities



Opportunities significantly exceed available cash and RCF



Hydro

Sweden, Norway and Iceland

Pipeline of separate bolt-on opportunities for DHAB being progressed. Several in bilateral or exclusive stages.

Further diversification in new price zones / geographies.



BESS

Nordic Region

Multiple opportunities to colocate batteries with existing Swedish hydropower plants.

BESS opportunities with third parties in the Nordic region being progressed.



Grid Services

UK and Sweden

Further opportunities in the UK such as synchronous condensers.

Looking to pursue bolt on opportunities for Swedish DSO.



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UK Electricity Generator Levy and EU Price Cap



No impact from recent proposed Government legislation

DORE reiterates its guidance that the Electricity Generator Levy is not anticipated to have a material impact on the Company's profitability. Whilst the UK portfolio's generation is forecast to fall within the now reduced threshold of 50GWh, the Company's receipts from sales of wholesale power at an average price in excess of £70/MWh are not forecast to exceed the £10m allowance.

DORE's Northern European focus results in exposure to electricity markets with average prices much lower than those of central and southern Europe and the UK

- Exemptions for hydropower benefitting from reservoirs (directly / indirectly)
- Irrespective of exemptions, the tax is limited in time (until June 2023) and is consequently not expected to have a material impact on the NAV as price forecasts for this portfolio is below the threshold of EUR180/MWh (or SEK 1957/MWh)

Investment Highlights



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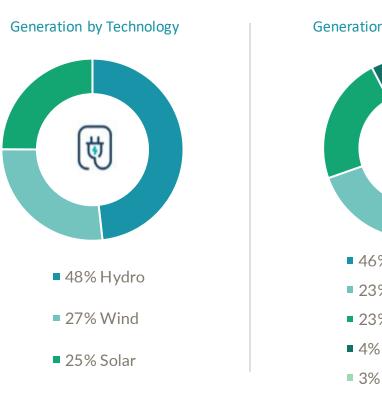
Manager	Downing LLP	Structure	Investment Trust	
Strategy	Diversified portfolio of core renewables and other infrastructure assets in UK, Ireland and Northern Europe; operational and construction-ready.	SFDR classification	Article 9 Fund	
Target NAV total return*	6.5% - 7.5% p.a. (medium to long term)	Listing	London Stock Exchange; UK Official List	
Target annualised dividend*	5.38p per share for the calendar year 2023 (paid quarterly). Progressive policy thereafter	Investment restrictions - as % of GAV**	By Technology: Wind: <60% Solar: <60% Hydro: <60% Geothermal: <60% Other Infrastructure: <25%	By Geography: UK: <75% Ireland and Northern Europe (combined): <75%
Fees – as % of NAV	Investment management fee: 0.95% p.a. up to £500m 0.85% p.a. above No performance fees	Currency	GBP; hedging of foreign exchange ("FX") risks in relation to dividend distributions. Partial hedging of FX risks in relation to NAV.	
Gearing	Project-level debt: long-term target of up to 50% of GAV RCF: ability to borrow short-term to fund acquisitions (up to 10% of GAV at time of drawdown)	Discount control	14.99% share buyback authority; continuation votes in December 2025, at the 2031 AGM and every 5 years thereafter	

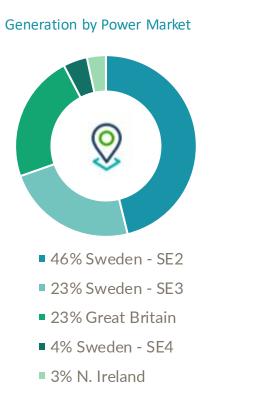
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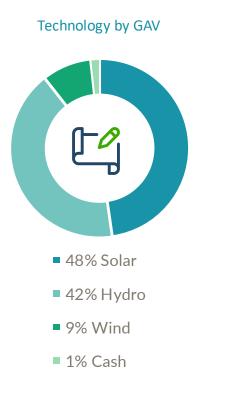
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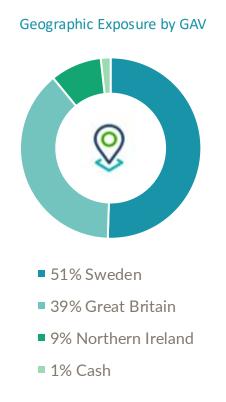


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Refinancing of Hydro Assets (DHAB)



DHAB entered a 7 year debt facility of €43.5m with SEB



Hydropower Plants acquired in Central Sweden through two acquisitions

Forecast to generate 48 GWh p.a. Purchase price of c. €25m



Two Hydropower Plants in Southern Sweden Acquired

Forecast to generate c. 18 GWh p.a. Purchase price c. €20m

May 2022



Hydro Portfolio of seven assets in Central Sweden Acquired

Forecast to generate c. 14 GWh p.a. Purchase price c. £6m



Two Hydro plants in north central Sweden

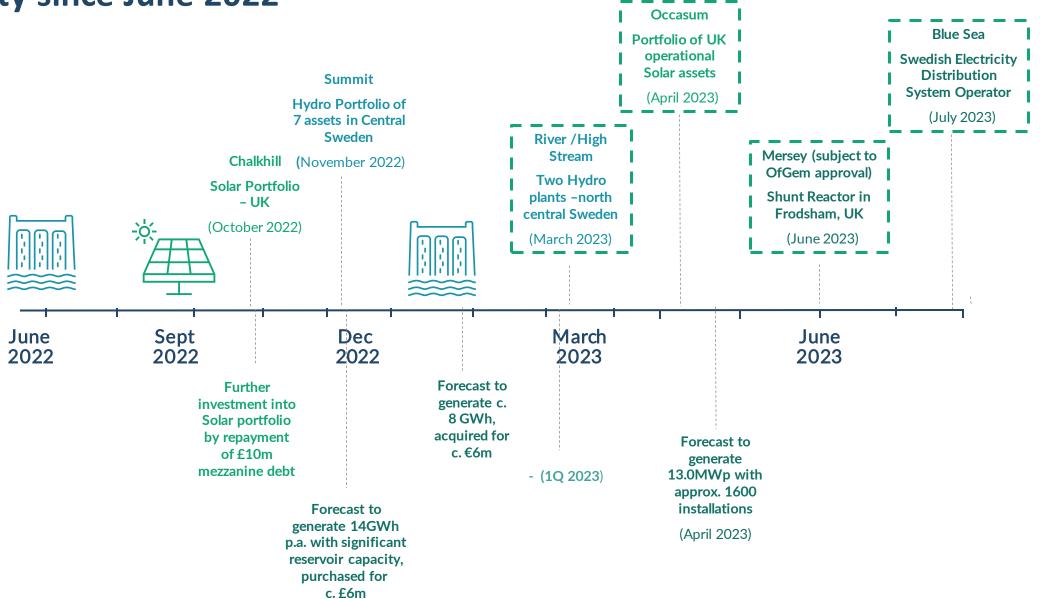
Forecast to generate c. 8 GWh p.a. Purchase price c. €6m

Nov 2022 March 2023

Dec 2021 Dec 2021 Jan 2022







Attraction of Hydro



Hydro's perpetual life, high production factors and storage capacity constitute key investment attractions



Acquisition strategy creates value

DORE, through DHAB, is able to make bolt-on acquisitions of single plants or smaller portfolios at attractive acquisition prices

DHAB has an established platform able to integrate single sites, providing economies of scale across operations and capital structure / cost of debt

Hydropower plants acquired often have upside potential, e.g. accessing ancillary services or improved water dispatch regulation



Capture price optimisation

DORE's hydro portfolio has c.120 Mm³ of storage capacity

Hydropower with reservoirs is a form of long duration energy storage which can be measured in hours, days, weeks, months and seasons

Ability to restrict production when prices are low and increase production when prices are high



Future NAV Growth

DCF valuation approach for longer life assets, itself, results in an increasing valuation for hydropower portfolio, unlike fixed life solar and wind assets

Freehold ownership of land, permits have perpetual water rights

Maintenance capex needed to maintain value included in investment case



Risk management

A large concentration of any intermittent technology in any given power market can result in below average capture prices

Combining different technology sources in the same price zone can reduce the price risk for periods of non-production where generation profiles show low correlation

Recent acquisitions with strategic benefits

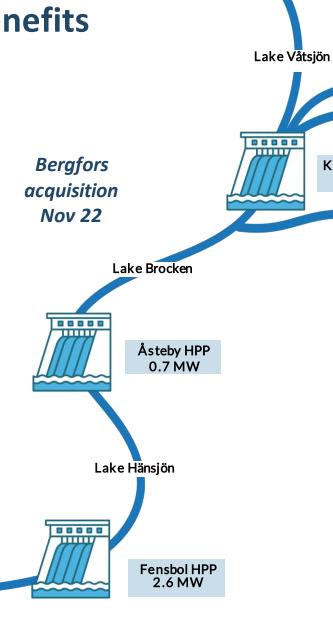
Three of the recently acquired HPPs provide wider portfolio benefits

Bergfors Acquisition – Nov 2022

Portfolio of seven hydropower plants (14 GWh)

Kristinefors HPP is small (0.1 MW), but located upstream of existing assets

This provides DHAB with full regulation control of all reservoirs in this river system





Röbjörke HPP 3.4 MW **Downing**

Lake Vägsjön

Lake Mangen

Kristinefors HPP 0.1 MW

Lake Öjesjön

Dam Marhall

Recent acquisitions with strategic benefits



Bergfors Acquistion – Nov 2022 (continued)

Mölnbacka HPP (1.8 MW) has flexible regulation capacity

Production optimisation when power prices are high

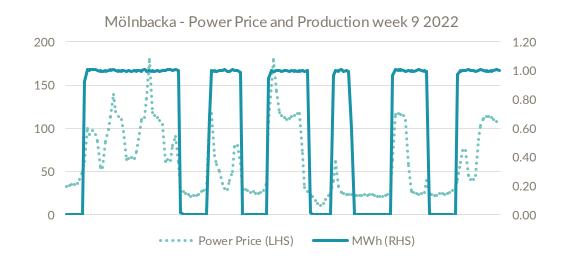
Plant suitable for Frequency Regulation Markets

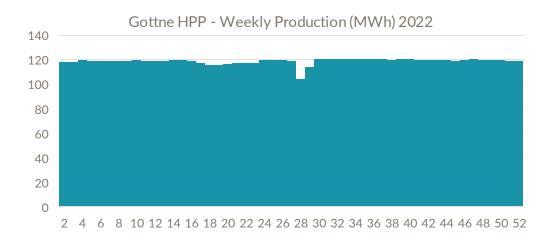
Gottne Acquisition – March 2023

New geographical precipitation area

Under-dimensioned for river flows, usually producing at maximum capacity 24/7

Production profile provides increased stability for portfolio hedging strategy

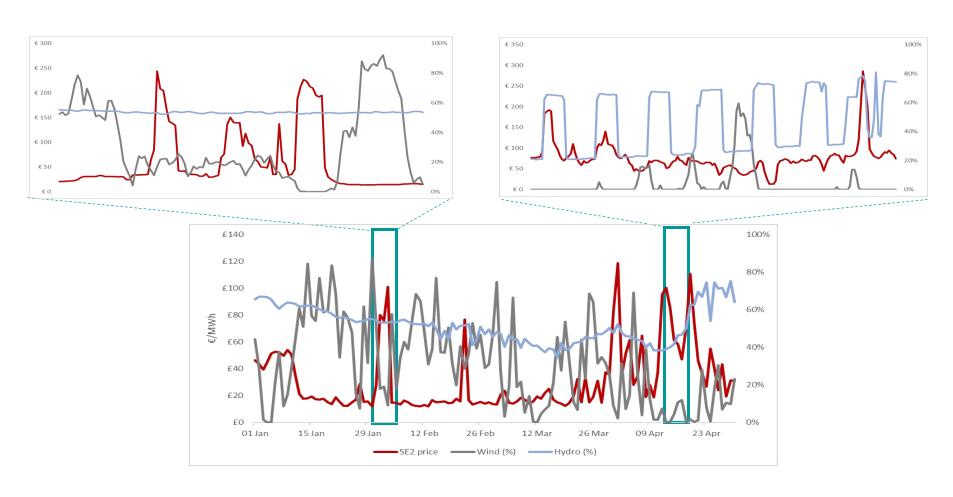




Maximising returns: hydro and wind



Hydropower production can offset some of the correlation between low wind levels and high prices



The bottom graph shows the daily average of wind and hydro generation and prices (source NASDAQ 2022). The top two graphs zoom in on two periods with high prices, but the graphs show the same data on an hourly basis.

Debt Summary as at 31 Dec 2022



	Short Term	Long Term		
Asset	HoldCo	SE Hydro	UK Solar	SE Wind
Currency	GBP or EUR	EUR	GBP	-
Term loan / RCF Facility (HoldCo)	£40m (RCF)	€43.5m	£67m (RPI-Linked fix rate) / £11.8m (nominal fix rate)	-
Drawn to date - term loan (31 Dec 22)	nil	€27.4m	£59.9m (RPI-Linked fix rate) / £8.5m (nominal fix rate)	-
Initial Term (yrs)	4 + 1 year	7	17	-
Expiry Date	Dec 2024 + 1 year	Nov 2028	Sep 2034	-
Facility date	Dec. 2020	Nov 2021	Nov 2017	-
Margin	2.25%	1.70%	2.20% (Note: Fix Rate referenced below are all-in rates)	-
Variable interest %	SONIA	EURIBOR	n.a.	-
Hedging				-
% hedged (of facility size)	n.a.	79%	100%	-
Swap rate / Fix Rate	n.a.	0.96%	0.5% (RPI-Linked) / 3.17% (nominal fix rate)	-
Swap expiry date	n.a.	Nov 2033	Facility Expiry Date	-

Sensitivity Analysis

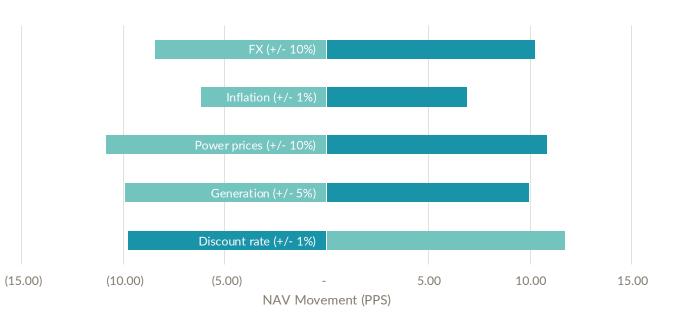


Portfolio valuation sensitivities – As at 30 June 2023

Weighted average discount rate 7.8%

No change to long term inflation assumptions (2024 onwards) of 3% in the UK and 2% in Sweden.

No exposure to interest rates until 2032



Why do we focus on renewables?



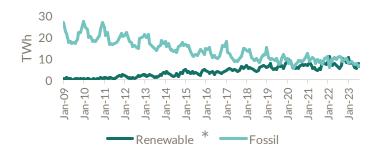


What is the opportunity?

Net zero is only possible with an increased reliance on renewable energy generators and their associated services

Government commitment requires urgent global action from both public & private markets

UK government will support up to 440,000 renewable jobs in 2030** and receive up to £90b of private investment by 2030





Investment proposition

As an investor there are benefits from investing in renewables:

- 1. Income and capital growth throughout long term asset operating cycles
- **2. Risk diversification** is possible if investing across multiple technologies
- **3. Stabilised cash flows** from mixed revenue sources



Investment proposition

Renewable energy investments typically make a positive contribution to several UN Sustainable Development Goals:











^{*}UK renewable includes solar, wind and hydro. Fossil includes coal and natural gas. **Source: 'Powering up Britain: The Zero Net Growth Plan, March 2023, gov.uk

Why invest with DORE?



Powering the transition to clean energy and a sustainable future through diversified investments, all while achieving stable returns



In-house management & expertise

DORE is managed by **Downing LLP**, an established investment manager with over 30 years' experience and a considerable track record in the core renewables space.

Downing has a dedicated asset management team, who focus on maximising asset value throughout the investment lifespan, and an experiences development team.



A diversified portfolio

DORE gives investors access to a robust strategy of diversification across technology, geography and revenue.

Diversification increases stability of returns, helps to manage risk and broadens the pipeline of opportunities.



Attractive returns

DORE's target total return on net asset value (NAV) is 6.5% p.a. - 7.5% p.a.* over the medium to long-term.

Since IPO there has been a NAV total return of 30.5%.

12 month performance was 5.96%.



Making a difference

DORE is committed to a sustainable investment approach and a cleaner, greener future.

DORE is classified as an Article 9 fund, which makes impactful investments and has specific Sustainable Investment Objectives.









DORE: Making an impact

DORE won 'Renewables Fund of the Year' at Environmental Finance's Sustainable Investment Awards 2022

The Sustainable Investment Awards are global and seek to recognise asset managers, analysts and data providers incorporating ESG across all asset classes. DORE is also an Article 9 Fund under European SFDR regulation.

Article 9 means a 'fund that has sustainable investment as its objective or a reduction in carbon emissions as its objective'.



DORE's Core Sustainable Objective:

To accelerate the transition to net zero through its investments, compiling and operating a diversified portfolio of renewable energy and infrastructure assets to help facilitate the transition to a more sustainable future. This directly contributes to climate change mitigation.

