Barclays PLC Q3 2023 Results

Analyst and Investor Conference Call Speech

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Good morning. Thank you for joining Anna and me on today’s third quarter results call.
### Q323 themes

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- Delivered Q323 RoTE of 11.0%
- Mixed market activity and competitive environment for UK retail deposits
- Evaluating material structural cost actions to help drive future returns
- Ongoing prudent risk management and credit performance in-line with our expectations
- Maintained strong capital position

### Against a background of mixed market activity and a competitive environment for UK retail deposits, the Group generated income of £6.3 billion in the quarter, down modestly year-on-year, excluding last year’s impact from the over-issuance of securities.

Our Profit Before Tax was £1.9 billion, with Earnings Per Share of 8.3 pence.

We maintained a strong capital position with our CET1 ratio at 14%, up around 20 basis points on the second quarter and at the top of our target range.

In this context, we delivered a third quarter Return on Tangible Equity of 11%, taking us to 12.5% for the year-to-date and we continue to target above 10% for the full year.

We are managing credit well, with a year-to-date loan loss rate of 43 basis points, versus our through the cycle guidance of 50 - 60 basis points.

Costs reduced by 4% in Q3 year-on-year, excluding over-issuance costs last year, and in Q4 we will continue to drive further efficiencies and greater productivity for the bank.

We expect this to continue to contribute to delivering enhanced returns for shareholders.

We will update you on these and other actions alongside our full year results in February.

Now turning to the business highlights.

We continued to grow our US cards business, with end net receivables up 11% year-on-year at $30 billion.
And we announced a new partnership with Microsoft and Mastercard to issue Xbox’s first ever co-branded card in the US.

The integration of our UK wealth business and our Private Bank is also progressing well.

We grew client assets and liabilities to nearly £180 billion and invested assets to around £105 billion, with this business making nearly £900 million of income in the year-to-date, and generating attractive returns.

In investment banking, we led some prominent transactions in this quarter including the ARM IPO in the US.

However, in the mixed market environment we had pockets of underperformance relative to US peers.

In part, this has reflected our business composition. We performed well in Equity Capital Markets, which is a smaller business for us relative to others.

We were also selective on leverage finance deals as a risk management matter, which has affected our Debt Capital Markets performance.

We continue to be cautious about the market backdrop, but are confident in the potential of our business.

And as an example, we are acting as sole financial advisor to Capri in their $8.5 billion acquisition by Tapestry, announced in the third quarter and expected to close in 2024.

In Markets, this was our second highest Q3 income print in a decade, with income up 4% quarter-on-quarter, better than the US peer average.

However, income was down 13%1, against a record Q3 last year, on a comparable basis, in which we supported clients through extreme volatility in gilts in our home UK market.

This quarter, we did not benefit to the same extent as our US peers did from the volatility in US rates.

As we have said previously, investment in our combined fixed income and equity financing business delivers stability to our overall Markets income.

Over the past four years, our ranking in equity prime brokerage has moved up from 7th rank to joint 5th, complementing our existing strength in fixed income financing where we rank joint 1st globally for the first half of 2023.

Turning now to Barclays UK, we delivered a RoTE above 20% for the quarter.

Both income and expenses were broadly stable, generating a cost income ratio of 56% and we intend to improve this over time as we continue to transform the business digitally.

There has been an impact on our deposits and margins from retail customers seeking a higher return on their savings, which Anna will cover in more detail.

However, at the Group level, deposits were up £7 billion quarter on quarter, demonstrating the strength of our diversified deposit and funding base.
Our performance over the past three years compared to the previous five, shows that we have reset and stabilised Group returns, providing a solid foundation on which to build even further.

Anna and I look forward to providing an Investor Update in February alongside our full year results, where we will talk more about our plan to deliver further value to our shareholders.

This will include setting out our capital allocation priorities, as well as revised financial targets for costs, returns and shareholder distributions.

We have just completed the £750 million buyback announced at the half year, taking total shareholder distributions to around £1.2 billion so far this year including dividends and buybacks.

This is up over 30% on the first half of last year and reflects our commitment to returning capital to shareholders.

Thank you for listening and I’ll pass it onto Anna now.
Thank you, Venkat, and good morning, everyone.

Turning now to slide 6.
### Performance highlights

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<td>&gt;10% in 2023¹</td>
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<td><strong>Cost: income ratio</strong></td>
<td>Low 60s % in 2023¹</td>
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<td><strong>Average Liquidity Coverage Ratio²</strong></td>
<td>&gt;100% regulatory minimum³</td>
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¹The Group is evaluating actions to reduce structural costs to help drive future returns, which may result in additional charges in Q4, target excludes any such structural cost actions. |
²Average Liquidity Coverage Ratio >100% is a regulatory minimum, not a Barclays target. | ³Yield average of the last 12 spot month-end LC ratios

Return on tangible equity for the third quarter was 11%, which takes us to 12.5% for the year to date.

The cost income ratio was 63% in Q3, and 61% for the nine months, in line with our low 60’s guidance for the full year.

We continued to see limited signs of credit stress, as the loan loss rate for the quarter was 42 basis points, and 43 for the nine months.

And we have maintained strong capital and liquidity positions.

As you just heard from Venkat, we will update you with revised financial targets at an Investor Update alongside our full year results.

As part of this update, we are evaluating actions to reduce structural costs, which may result in additional charges in Q4, impacting this year’s statutory performance.

Excluding any such charges, we continue to target a RoTE above 10% for the full year.

Focusing now on Q3, starting on slide 7.
There was no impact from the over-issuance of securities this quarter, but given the largely offsetting impacts to income and costs in Q3 last year, I will again use the adjusted numbers for the prior period\(^1\).

Group profit before tax was around £50 million lower at £1.9 billion, with income down 2% and costs down 4% year-on-year.

Within total costs, operating costs were stable, and there were no litigation and conduct charges this quarter, compared to £164 million in Q3 last year.

Impairment charges were up £52 million to £433 million, with the charge and business mix as we expected, largely driven by growth in US cards.

TNAV increased 25 pence to 316 pence, reflecting our profits, and positive cash flow hedge reserve movements broadly offsetting last quarter’s downward move.

As usual, I will now cover the three key drivers of our returns, namely income, costs and credit risk management. Starting on slide 8.

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\(^1\) Excludes the impact of the Over-issuance of Securities Q322 financial impacts: Equities income reduction of £466m, litigation and conduct reduction of £503m (Note: Charts may not sum due to rounding.)
Group income was down 2% at £6.3 billion.

The 8% stronger Sterling / US dollar rate in Q3 year-on-year reduced our reported income, around 40% of which is in dollars.

CIB income fell 6%, with lower activity in the investment bank, partially offset by corporate income growth year-on-year.

Consumer Cards & Payments income was up 9%, driven by growth in US cards receivables, and the UK wealth business transfer from Barclays UK in Q2.

Excluding the transfer, CC&P income was up 5%, and Barclays UK income was up 1%.
Net interest income across the bank grew by £179 million or 6% year-on-year, driving a 13 basis points increase in Group NIM to 3.98%.

Barclays UK contributed around half of Group NII this quarter, with approximately 20% from CIB and 30% from CC&P, mostly US cards and the Private Bank.

BUK NII was £17 million higher year-on-year, with NIM of 3.04% basis points, below where we anticipated at Q2, which I will come back to when I cover Barclays UK.

CC&P NII increased by £64 million mainly from US cards balance growth, partially offset by private client deposit migration to our higher yielding products.

This generated NIM of c.8.9% in Q3, which was up from c.8.3% at Q2 and included a small one-off increase in the Private Bank, so we would expect NIM to step back a little in Q4.

CIB NII increased £94 million year-on-year, which included an improvement of 9 basis points to 3.65% in NIM driven by the benefit of rate rises in Transaction Banking.

Moving onto costs on slide 10.
We are delivering our operating cost guidance, with costs in Q2 and Q3 of around £4 billion, below the Q1 high point.

The cost income ratio improved year-on-year to 63%, consistent with Q2.

Barclays UK cost income ratio was 56%, with total costs flat year-on-year, as we progressed our digital transformation and rationalisation of the physical footprint and headcount.

Consumer Cards & Payments operating costs increased by 9%, broadly in-line with income, as we invested to grow US cards and our Private Bank.

CIB operating costs were stable year-on-year and below the Q1 level, as guided.

As we said, we are evaluating actions to reduce structural costs across the Group, and will give more detail at our Investor Update.

Moving onto credit on slide 11.
Well provisioned balance sheet

- Impairment provision increased £0.3bn QoQ to £6.4bn
- Retain economic uncertainty adjustments of £0.3bn
- Modest impact from MEV5 update
- Total coverage of 1.4% (UK cards 6.3%, US cards 9.7%)

We are seeing the benefit of our long-standing, prudent approach to provisioning.

Both in terms of credit decisions we have taken in the past — reflected in our balance sheet provision and coverage ratios — as well as the credit protection we have in the CIB.

The impairment allowance increased by £0.3 billion to £6.4 billion.

This was primarily driven by our US cards portfolio, in line with our expectations.

We updated the macro-economic variables from Q2, resulting in a modest impact on expected credit losses.

We maintained robust coverage ratios of 1.4% for the Group, and 8.6% for our card portfolios in aggregate, which I’ll cover in more detail on the next slide, starting with UK cards.
We continue to see conservative customer behaviour across our UK portfolios, and credit performance remains benign.

Customers are being disciplined about building unsecured balances, with UK card repayment rates high across the credit spectrum.

Although we have grown balances modestly over the past year, interest earning lending balances (IELs) have decreased, impacting NIM, but benefiting credit performance.

We do expect IELs to grow in 2024, as our more recent customer acquisition activity begins to mature.

30-day arrears rates remain stable and low relative to historic levels.

The nature of our US cards proposition is different. As a reminder, we are the partner card issuer for around 20 clients’ rewards programmes, including some of the biggest brands in the US.

Given our historic skew to travel and airlines, this is a high credit quality portfolio.

Our risk mix has improved since the end of 2019, with 88% of the book above a 660 FICO, compared to 86% at the end of 2019, including the addition of the GAP portfolio in 2022.

On the chart, you can see that 30-day arrears rates are now in line with our pre-pandemic experience at 2.7%, as we expected.
Our impairment coverage also increased to 9.7%, with stage 2 now at 35%, reflecting our expectation of higher unemployment from September’s low level of 3.8% to a peak of 4.4% by Q3 2024.

This would of course result in increased arrears, which are reflected in our balance sheet provisioning.

Moving onto the impairment charge on slide 13.
The impairment charge of £433 million was up around £50 million year-on-year, giving a loan loss rate of 42 basis points.

Most of the Q3 charge was driven by growth in US card balances, continued seasoning of the GAP book in line with expectations, and the increase in arrears that I mentioned.

Our guidance of 50-60 basis points through the cycle, is higher than the year-to-date experience.

We are mindful that Q4 usually sees a higher charge, in part reflecting seasonality and our expectations of US cards growth over the holiday season.

This generally leads to higher balances and some build in impairment under IFRS9, where increased utilisation, even by customers who are making timely payments, can trigger stage two migration.

The Barclays UK charge was £59 million, with a loan loss rate of 10 basis points, and this has been below 30 now for nearly three years.

Even though our customers are experiencing affordability pressures, this is not translating into credit stress as they manage their finances proactively.

The CIB had a small release, and we are seeing no real observed credit deterioration, with our synthetic credit protection also working well.

Moving now to the business performance, starting with Barclays UK on slide 14.
Barclays UK delivered 21.0% RoTE in Q323

Profits were stable year-on-year with RoTE of 21% for the quarter.

Excluding the UK wealth transfer, income was up 1%.

Costs were broadly stable as our transformation plan progressed, resulting in a cost to income ratio of 56% for the quarter.

Loan growth remained muted, reflecting customer caution in the current macro-economic environment and our prudent risk positioning.

The reduction in Business Banking assets was driven primarily by repayment of government-backed loan schemes of £2.7 billion.

Mortgage balances were stable in the quarter at £166 billion, with remortgaging still contributing most of the activity.
Now looking at BUK NIM, which was 3.04%.

As a reminder, BUK NII is around 25% of Group income, and one basis point of NIM equates to around £20 million of NII annualised, or less than 0.1% of Group income.

At Q2 we said that we expected NIM to step down in Q3 and then to stabilise into Q4.

Most of the moving parts played out as expected in Q3, with structural hedge tailwinds continuing and mortgage margin pressure somewhat easing.

The impact of base rates was also in line, given pass-through rates have increased.

However, the step down in NIM in Q3 was larger than expected, with deposit balance and mix trends more pronounced.

Average balances quarter-on-quarter actually contributed a larger deposit effect, than the period end balances we have shown on the slide.

When combined with pricing effects, this reduced NIM by a net 21 basis points, compared to a net 6 basis points in Q2.

You can see that we grew deposits during the pandemic by £53 billion to £258 billion by the end of 2022, as customers built up cash with us in their current and instant access accounts.
We anticipated that these balances would fall as customers managed their finances proactively, paying down debt and locking in higher yields on their residual savings.

Our current account moves appear in-line with the latest Bank of England industry data, but intense competitive pricing meant we did not capture as much of the flow into higher rate products.

We emphasised at Q2 how sensitive guidance is to the level and mix of deposits, and this remains the case.

We now guide to a range of 305 to 310 basis points for the full year.

To help frame this, if we see similar trends in Q4 as we did in Q3, both in terms of mix and volume, full year NIM would be towards the top end of this range.

Turning now to structural hedge income, two-thirds of which accrues to Barclays UK.
Slide 16 illustrates the importance of the hedge to the level and visibility of our future net interest income.

The hedge is designed to reduce volatility in NII, so in an environment where rates are peaking and eventually start to fall, it will help to stabilise NIM.

It also provides a high degree of certainty to future NII.

The chart shows that 95% of 2023 gross hedge income is already locked in.

And the next two years’ portions of locked in NII have increased by £300-400 million per year since H1, as we rolled a further quarter of hedge maturities.

Notional hedge balances reduced by £4 billion in Q3 to £252 billion.

Given the trends we are seeing in retail deposits, we expect the notional balance to continue to reduce more or less in line with lower hedgeable deposits.

Swap rates currently at around 4.5%, mean reinvestment rates remain well above maturing yields of around 1-1.5% for the next two years.

And with £50 to 60 billion of hedges maturing annually over this period, we expect the reinvestment effect to outweigh notional hedge declines.

Turning now to Consumer Cards and Payments on slide 17.
Growth in our US card balances and the UK wealth transfer drove a 9% increase in CC&P income, partially offset by FX.

We grew US Cards balances by 11% year-on-year to $30 billion.

In the Private Bank total invested assets were £105 billion, up 27% excluding UK Wealth, as clients moved deposits to money market funds and other investments with us.

Payments income was modestly down year-on-year, as consumers adjusted their spending to lower value essential items, which have lower margins, offsetting the 9% increase in payments processed.

RoTE was 9.6% reflecting both higher income and operating costs year-on-year, as we grow these businesses.

Moving onto the CIB.
**Corporate & Investment Bank stable against a mixed backdrop**

### Performance

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CIB income fell 6% year-on-year in Sterling terms, in part reflecting the stronger Sterling / US dollar rate.

The more stable elements of our CIB income performed as we expected.

In Markets, the relative stability from our combined fixed income and equity financing business was visible again, compared to the downward move in intermediation.

And Corporate delivered strong year-on-year income growth, reflecting higher rates in Transaction Banking and the non-repeat of leverage finance marks this time last year in Corporate Lending.

As you heard from Venkat, Markets was down 13% in dollars versus a record third quarter in 2022.

FICC fell 19% in dollars as we benefitted less from US rates volatility, compared to gilt volatility in the UK this time last year.

Fixed income financing income reduced due to a normalisation of inflation linked benefits, as we have mentioned previously.

And we are smaller in securitised products, which was an area of strength for some of our peers.

Equities was up 3% in dollars, as derivatives and cash performance was partially offset by equity financing, as client balances continued to grow, albeit as spreads tightened.

Banking fees were down 24% year-on-year, with a better performance in ECM not sufficient to offset weaker DCM and Advisory, given the relative scale of those businesses for us.
Combined with stable costs and a small impairment release, RoTE was 9.2% which, even in a mixed quarter like this one, does not reflect the potential of our franchise.

CIB RWAs were relatively stable, with the increase to £219 billion on Q2 largely driven by FX.

Turning now to capital, funding and liquidity, starting on slide 19.
We continue to maintain a well-capitalised and liquid balance sheet, with diverse sources of funding and a significant excess of deposits over loans.

Looking at these metrics in more detail, starting with capital on slide 20.
Our CET1 ratio increased around 20 basis points to 14%.

Attributable profit generated 37 basis points, totalling 128 basis points over the last three quarters.

As we indicated previously, our MDA hurdle increased to 11.8% from the increase in the UK countercyclical buffer, and we continue to operate with ample headroom.

Whilst Basel 3.1 remains at proposal stage, we continue to guide to the day 1 RWA impact to be at the lower end of the 5-10% range.

This reflects what we see from all the proposals across the jurisdictions we operate in, including the US.

As a reminder, the PRA’s rules remain the most relevant on a group consolidated basis.
Our total deposit position remained stable, as we have a diverse deposit franchise across consumer, UK and international corporate customers.

Within that, the decline in BUK deposits that we discussed earlier was more than offset this quarter by inflows from global corporates.

And this places us in a strong position to manage seasonal fluctuations that we often see around year-end from balances held for financial sector clients.
Our LCR of 159% represents a surplus of £116 billion above our minimum regulatory requirements.

We continue to be comfortable with our liquidity position, and we have demonstrated its robustness throughout the market disruption earlier this year.
So, concluding with our outlook.

We are evaluating actions to reduce structural costs to help drive future returns, which may result in material additional charges in Q4, impacting this year’s statutory performance.

Excluding any such structural cost actions, we continue to target RoTE above 10% in 2023 and a cost income ratio in the low 60s.

Our Loan Loss Rate guidance remains 50-60 basis points. This is higher than the year-to-date experience, allowing for some potential seasonality in US cards in Q4.

As of now, we are not seeing anything that concerns us, and we would view the guidance as a through the cycle range.

Our CET1 ratio was at the top end of our target range, and strong capital generation in the year to date supports our commitment to return capital to shareholders.

We will provide more details at an Investor Update at our full year results in February, including our capital allocation priorities and revised financial targets.

Thank you for listening. We will now take your questions, and as usual please limit yourself to two per person, so we get round to everybody.
Footnotes

1 Excludes the impact of the Over-issuance of Securities (Q322 financial impacts: Equities income reduction of £466m, litigation and conduct reduction of £503m)
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What is important to our investors and stakeholders evolves over time and we aim to anticipate and respond to these changes. Disclosure expectations in relation to climate change and sustainability matters are particularly fast moving and differ in some ways from more traditional areas of reporting in the level of detail and forward-looking nature of the information involved and the consideration of impacts on the environment and other persons. We have

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adapted our approach in relation to disclosure of such matters. Our disclosures take into account the wider context relevant to these topics, including evolving stakeholder views, and longer time-frames for assessing potential risks and impacts having regard to international long-term climate and nature-based policy goals. Our climate and sustainability-related disclosures are subject to more uncertainty than disclosures relating to other subjects given market challenges in relation to data reliability, consistency and timeliness, and in relation to the use of estimates and assumptions and the application and development of methodologies. These factors mean disclosures may be amended, updated, and recalculated in future as market practice and data quality and availability develops.

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Non-IFRS Performance Measures

Barclays' management believes that the non-IFRS performance measures included in this presentation provide valuable information to the readers of the financial statements as they enable the reader to identify a more consistent basis for comparing the businesses' performance between financial periods and provide more detail concerning the elements of performance which the managers of these businesses are most directly able to influence or are relevant for an assessment of the Group. They also reflect an important aspect of the way in which operating targets are defined and performance is monitored by Barclays' management. However, any non-IFRS performance measures in this presentation are not a substitute for IFRS measures and readers should consider the IFRS measures as well. Non-IFRS performance measures are defined and reconciliations are available on our results announcement for the period ended 30 June 2023.