



## Northcoders Group plc 2024 Interim Results

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## The Northcoders Team

### **Presentation Team**



**Chris Hill** Founder & Chief Executive Officer



**Charlotte Prior Chief Financial Officer** 

Joined 2018





Nick Parker Non-Executive Director 2024 Interim Results

### **Other Board Members**



**Amul Batra** Joined 2016 Chief Partnerships Officer

Joined 2021



Angela Williams Joined 2022 Non-Executive Chair

## FY 2023 Highlights – Financial

- Revenue grew to £4.4 million (H1 2023: £3.5 million), an increase of 26%, slightly ahead of management expectations
- Gross margin increased to 67% (H1 2023: 62%) following release of the NCore technology platform
- Tenfold increase in underlying adjusted EBITDA of £0.4 million (H1 2023: £0.04 million) as the Group leverages the efficiencies of investments made in FY 2023
- Return to profitability with adjusted EPS increasing to 2.58p (H1 2023: 2.07 loss)
- Strong balance sheet with cash of £1.3 million (H1 2023: £2.0 million) following technology platform investments, delivering enhanced margins

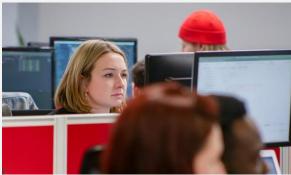
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## FY 2023 Highlights - Operational

- Growth in demand with record Training Bootcamp registrations, reaching 4,703 in the Period (H1 2023: 3,590)
- Q3 2024 has again seen record applications, with 3,313 registrations
- Record visibility and profit per seat following successful Department for Education Skills Bootcamps bid for £10 million covering 18-month period to June 2025
- Geographic expansion continues with over 62% of learners now based outside of Manchester and Leeds, and 34% based in London
- Corporate Solutions division rebranded as Counter<sup>™</sup> in May 2024 appointing Tom Walton as strategic advisor and starting three pilot contracts in the Period
- Successfully selected a new Manchester office, negotiated at a significantly lower rent to the current premises, with a move in date during Q1 2025. Based in the centre of the city's business district it will provide access to multiple new potential customers and hiring partners
- New technology training courses continue to expand with Java and C# courses successfully added to learning suite







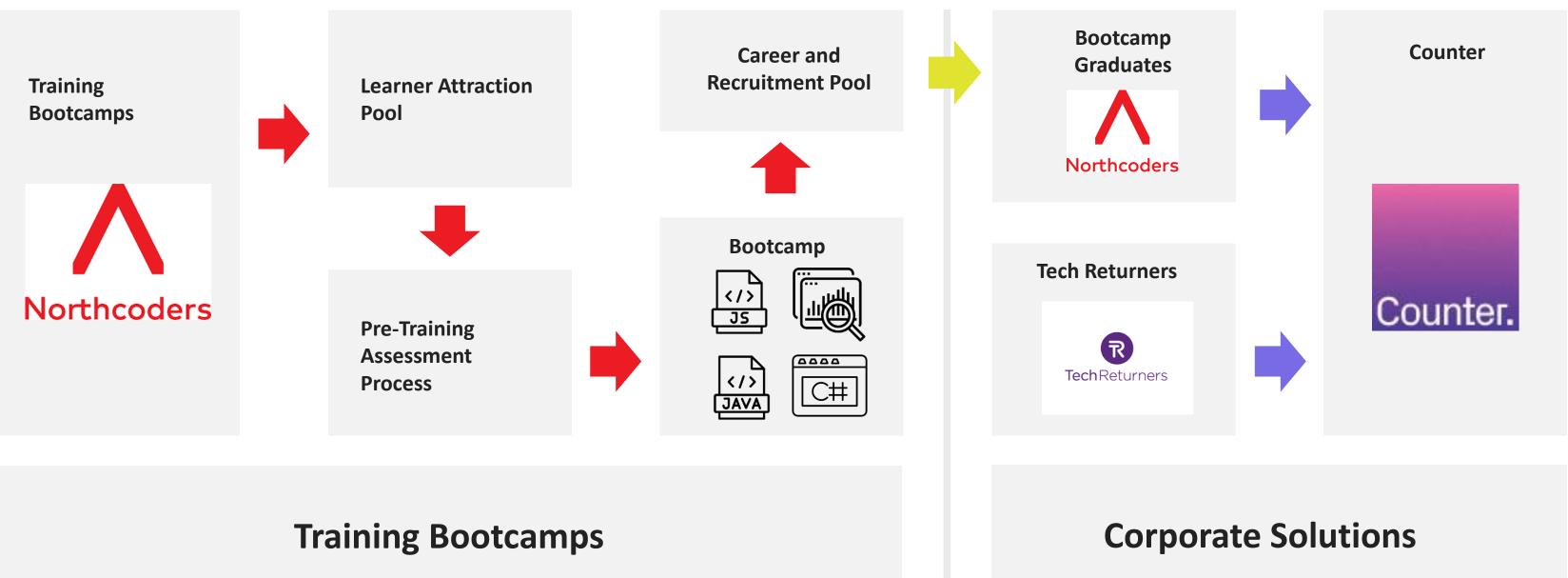


## Business Overview



## **Northcoders Group Business Model**

We operate two Business Divisions, Training Bootcamps and Corporate Solutions, creating life-changing opportunities for people from all walks of life whilst providing the tech industry with the skills it needs.



Our revenue is funded by Consumers (upfront and via student loans), Corporations and the UK Government

## **Our Core Drivers**

### Vast B2B Market Opportunity

The Consulting and Hire, Train & Deploy sector is vast. Northcoders are a credible challenger brand to disrupt a stale sector

## B2C Training Bootcamp Excellence powers our B2B Brand

Training is our heritage, we have an Excellent Reputation and a trailblazing alumni of high achievers to showcase it



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### **Trailing Bootcamp Growth**

Maintaining an average growth of nearly 50% year-over-year for the past three years

### Tech Infrastructure Investment

Ncore and other technology investments are creating efficiencies which leads to higher profitability

## **Our Vision**

### **1** Year Plan

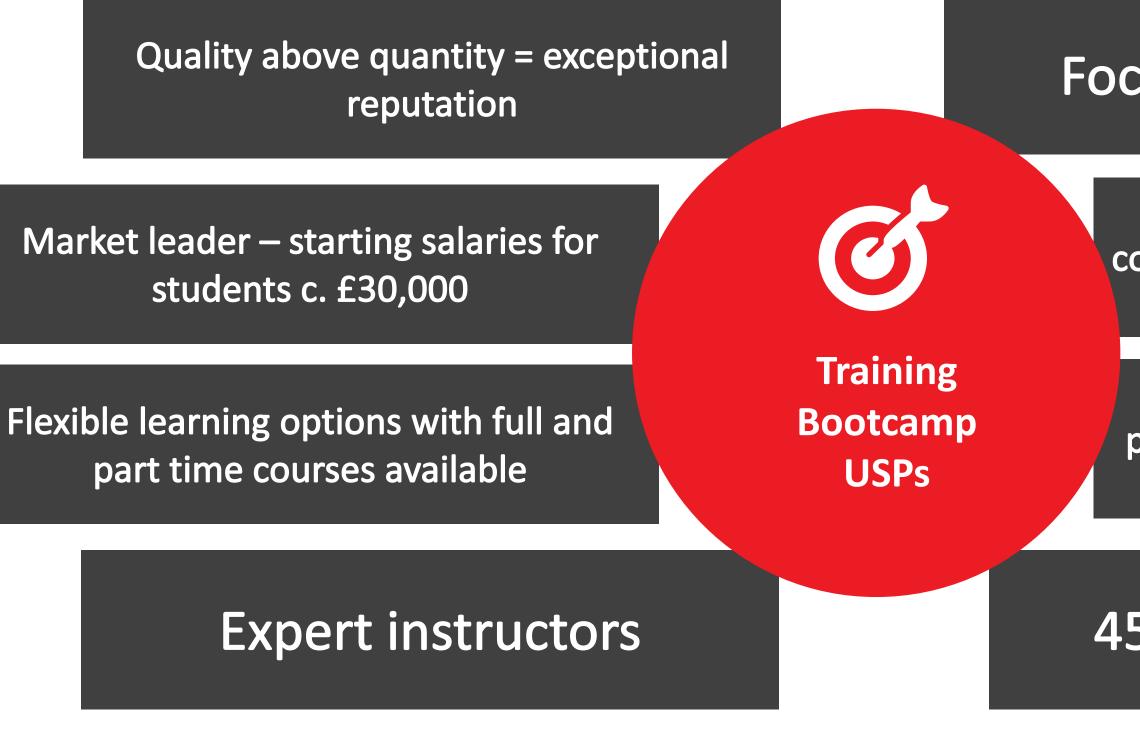
The world-leading Coding Bootcamp with an exciting and credible Hire-Train-Deploy challenger brand

### **3 Year Picture**

The leading UK technology skills accelerator that's redefining success in the technology consultancy, training, and hire, train, deploy sector 2024 Interim Results

### **10 Year Vision**

A partnerships-driven global professional services provider focused on technology skills and capability



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## Focused curriculum

## 8 years of community - over 3,000 students trained to date

## Job placement support & 89% of grads into work

## 450+ Hiring partners





## Partners for progress

At Counter<sup>M</sup>, we embed highly engaged, tech problem solvers from diverse backgrounds into the very fabric of your business for the long term.

> We are a challenger brand to the stagnant "Hire-Train-Deploy" sector which is ripe for

Counter.

# disruption through partnerships & innovation

## Counter Leadership Team

Amul Batra Managing Director Co-Founder Northcoders Group PLC

Counter<sup>TM</sup> is part of Northcoders Group PLC, which also includes the Northcoders and Tech Returners brands. The Group's mission is to deliver lifechanging opportunities for people from all walks of life whilst providing the tech industry with the skills it needs.

Our Leadership Team is comprised of tech business leaders from across the North.





Tom Walton Strategic Advisor Co Founder of Infinity Works



James Heggs Technical Director Co Founder & CTO Tech Returners

## What we do



Consultants cherry-picked in collaboration with your business



Teams are assembled on a project basis meaning 100% utilisation rate



Other expertise and specialisms can be sourced through Tech Returners



Returners & Counter Consultants become FTEs post contract completion

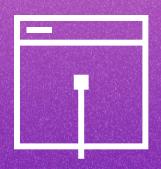
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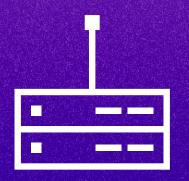




Our Counter team are specially trained in the key areas of technology, always ensuring you have the right team for your specific project and organisations' needs.



Software Engineering

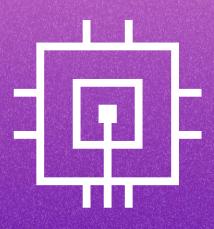


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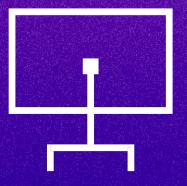
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Cloud Computing

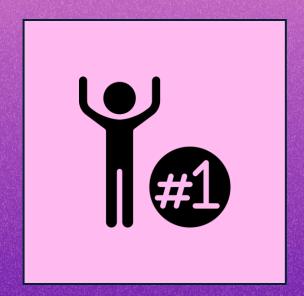


Artificial Intelligence



Low Code Development

## **COUNTER's USPs**



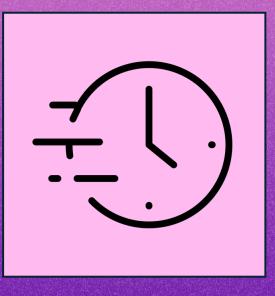
**Highest performing Northcoders & Tech Returners graduates** 



## **On-Shore solution Near-Shore pricing**

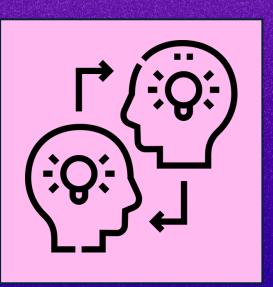
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## Fast implementation (6-8 weeks)



## **Subject Matter experts**

No "hand-holding" required by client



## Competitive Landscape

## **Training Bootcamps**

General Assembly Flatiron School Le Wagon

App Academy Hack Reactor Makers Academy





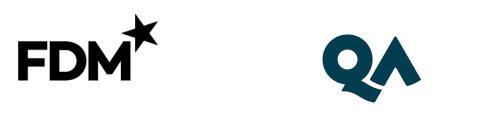








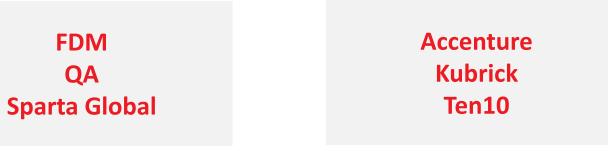






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### **Corporate Solutions**









## Market Conditions

### **Prime Minister Keir Starmer said:**

"Our skills system is in a mess, which is why we are transforming our approach to meet skills needs over the coming decades." "They will help to deliver our number one mission as a government, to kickstart economic growth, by opening up new opportunities for young people and enabling British businesses to recruit more home-grown talent. From construction to IT, healthcare to engineering, our success as a country depends on delivering highly skilled workforces for the long-term. Skills England will put in place the framework needed to achieve that goal while reducing our reliance on workers from overseas."

'After 23 consecutive months of contraction or no growth, IT employment ticked up modestly in February for the second consecutive month,"

'The demand for software engineers continues to surge with each new ground-breaking technological advancement..'

Employernews.co.uk

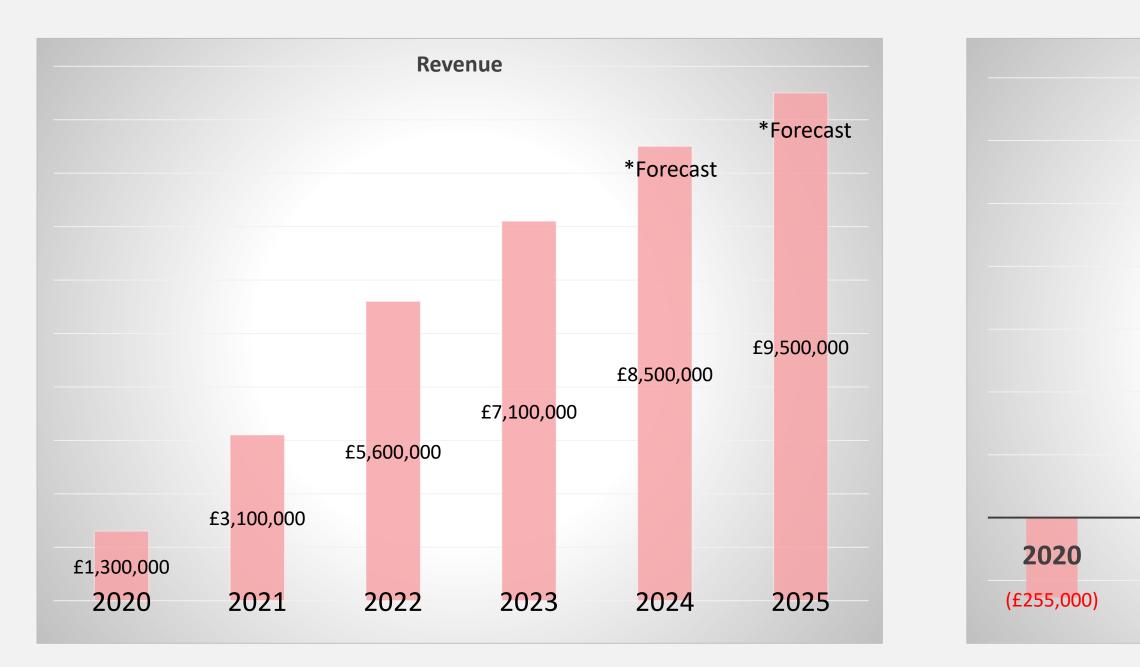
Staffing Industry Analysis – March 2024

June 2024 study by the <u>British Chambers of Commerce</u> found that engineers, including software engineers, was the most frequently cited role type where skills shortages exists. IT developers also appeared in the top 10.

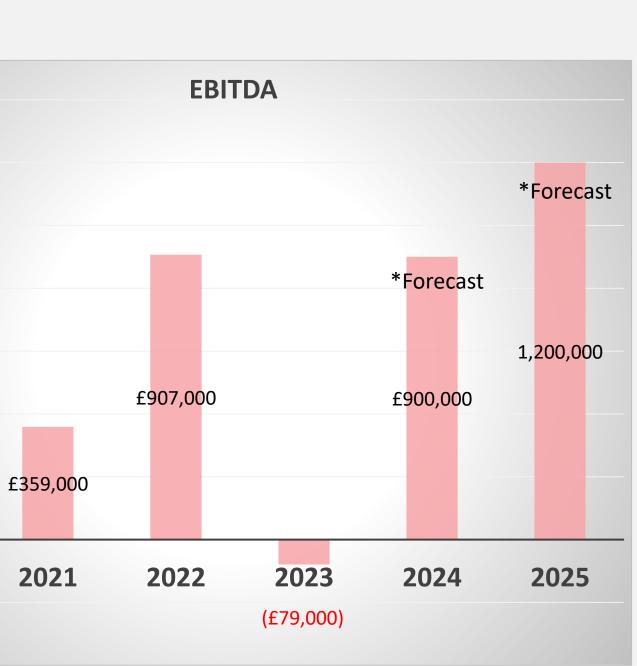
'Despite facing a challenging financial climate, Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) within the UK's tech sector are demonstrating optimism and resilience, with 69% reported to be investing in young talent'
 TechDay - The UK's, technology news network February 2024



## Financial performance

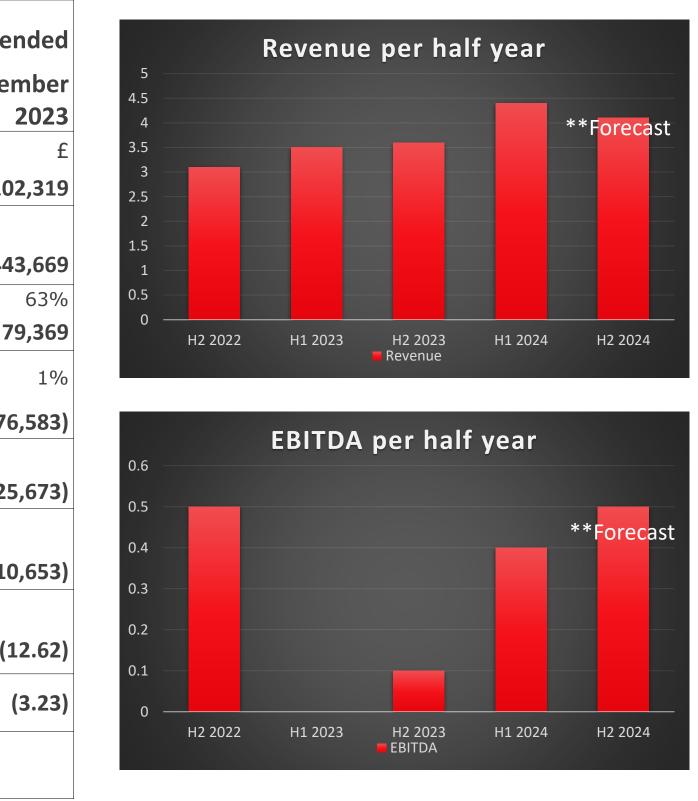


\*Broker forecasts not actuals



Income statement		6 months	Year ei
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	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	f	£	
Revenue	4,353,628	3,450,579	7,102
Gross profit	2,910,877	2,180,934	4,443
Gross margin	67%	63%	
Adjusted EBITDA*	447,876	39,373	79
Margin	10%	1%	
Operating profit/(loss)	154,716	(222,268)	(1,076
Profit/(loss) before tax	118,137	(306,908)	(1,225
Net profit/(loss) after tax	108,407	(250,933)	(1,010
Basic earnings per share (pence)	1.35	(3.16)	(1
Adjusted earnings per share (pence)	2.58	(2.07)	(

\* Adjusted EBITDA refers to earnings before interest, foreign exchange gains, tax, depreciation and amortisation, impairment and share based payment expense \*\* Broker Forecast



## Statement of cash flows

Cash flows from operating activities:

Changes in working capital:	
(Increase)/decrease in trade & other receivables	
Increase/ (decrease) in trade & other payables	
Cash (used in) / from operations	
Tax refunded	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	
Net cash (used in) investing activities	
Proceeds from issue of shares	
Proceeds from new bank loans and borrowings	
Repayments of bank loans and borrowings	
Payment of lease obligations	
Interest paid	
Net cash from financing activities	
Net cash increase in cash	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the Period	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the Period	

6 months ended	6 months ended	Year ended
30 June 2024	30 June 2023	31 December 2023
£	£	£
447,876	39,373	(483,317)
(93,185)	244,532	891,421
59,508	(183,937)	129,871
414,199	99,968	537,975
-	82,483	113,461
414,199	182,451	651,436
(375,026)	(538,828)	(996,759)
-	-	-
-	-	-
(171,985)	(166,665)	(418,177)
(137,714)	(141,363)	(279,826)
(38,267)	(68,019)	(116,775)
(347,966)	(376,047)	(814,778)
(308,793)	(732,424)	(1,160,101)
1,617,172	2,777,273	2,777,273
1,308,379	2,044,849	1,617,172

30 June 2024	30 June 2023	31 December 2023
£	£	£
3,608,158	3,542,301	3,533,309
3,535,923	4,885,858	3,730,859
7,144,081	8,428,159	7,264,168
(1,661,670)	(1,636,433)	(1,818,179)
1,874,253	3,249,425	1,912,680
(463,349)	(1,292,366)	(628,370)
(2,125,019)	(2,928,799)	(2,446,549)
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## Outlook

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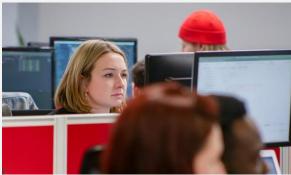


## **Summary & Outlook**

- The second half of FY 2024 started well and the Group is pleased to report trading has been slightly ahead of management expectations. As brand awareness and national expansion increases, Northcoders will look to provide remote learners outside of Manchester with more in-person networking opportunities and strengthening the Group's regional hiring partner base
- Focus remains upon investing into new technology disciplines, expanding our Corporate Solutions division, Counter™, increasing brand awareness and leveraging the efficiencies of NCore, whilst delivering increased profitability
  Looking ahead, the Board is confident in Northcoders' ability to deliver FY 2024 revenue and profits in line with market
  - expectations









## Thank You... Any Questions?



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