

Property For Industry

1Q20 Update – Dividend Confirmed

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Property for Industry (PFI) has delivered a 1Q20 update, confirming its 1Q20 dividend and providing some detail of the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on its business. PFI is providing some relief to tenants on a case by case basis, which could potentially be entirely offset by benefits from lower floating interest rates and higher building depreciation allowances. As such, we see potential upside risk to our FY20 DPS of 5.8cps. PFI remains one of our preferred exposures in the listed property vehicle (LPV) sector given its defensive attributes, internal management structure, and strong track record throughout a number of cycles. OUTPERFORM.

NZX Code	PFI	Financials: Dec/	19A	20E	21E	22E	Valuation (x)	19A	20E	21E	22E
Share price	NZ\$2.21	NPAT* (NZ\$m)	42.6	43.8	44.0	44.9	EV/EBITDA	20.2	20.2	20.0	19.7
Target price	NZ\$2.15	EPS* (NZc)	8.5	8.8	8.8	9.0	EV/EBIT	20.2	20.2	20.0	19.7
Risk rating	Low	EPS growth* (%)	1.9	3.0	0.3	2.2	PE	25.9	25.1	25.1	24.5
Issued shares	498.7m	DPS (NZc)	7.6	5.8	7.0	7.1	Price / NTA	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
Market cap	NZ\$1,102m	Imputation (%)	100	100	100	100	Cash div yld (%)	3.4	2.6	3.2	3.2
Avg daily turnover	288.7k (NZ\$658k)	*Based on normalised profits					Gross div yld (%)	4.9	3.8	4.5	4.6

PFI providing relief

In the release, PFI highlighted that it is working with tenants on a case by case basis, providing a mixture of rent abatements and deferrals. Additionally, PFI noted that approximately 6% of tenants were contractually entitled to rent relief under clause 27.5 of the ADLS 6th edition lease. We estimate this equates to c.0.5% of gross rent over Level 4. It is unlikely we will know the full impact of COVID-19 on PFI's FY20 rent collection for a while, and PFI expects discussions with tenants to continue throughout 2020.

1Q20 dividend confirmed

PFI has confirmed its 1Q20 dividend of 1.8cps, in line with its 1Q19 dividend. Dividends are being considered on a quarterly basis, with PFI assessing 1) its performance over the period, and 2) its financial position. Its performance over the period (Jan-Mar) would have been only marginally impacted by the government enforced lockdown which began on 26 March, and its balance sheet remains in a strong position.

What is the risk to FY20 dividends?

Reintroduction of building depreciation will provide PFI with an NZ\$1.9m FY20 AFFO benefit. Additionally, we estimate lower floating debt costs will provide a net benefit of c.NZ\$0.7m to FY20 AFFO. The combined AFFO benefit of NZ\$2.5m would require a 4.5% reduction in PFI's gross rent, or c.2.3 weeks rent free for every tenant. With only a "small number" of tenants requiring rent relief the net impact vs. PFI's prior FY20 distribution guidance of 7.65-7.70cps (since withdrawn) may be limited. As such, we see upside risk to our current FY20 DPS estimate of 5.8cps. That said, with rent relief largely impacting 2Q cash flows we see particular risk to this quarterly dividend payment. Furthermore, PFI may still elect to be conservative given the highly uncertain economic outlook.

Property for Industry Ltd (PFI)

Priced as at 08 May 2020 (NZ\$)

2.21
12-month target price (NZ\$)*
2.15

Expected share price return

-2.7%

Net dividend yield

2.8%

Estimated 12-month return

0.1%

Key WACC assumptions

Risk free rate

2.00%

Equity beta

0.70

WACC

5.3%

Terminal growth

1.5%

Spot valuations (NZ\$)

1. DCF

1.99

2. NAV

2.06

3. n/a

n/a

DCF valuation summary (NZ\$m)

Total firm value

1,489

(Net debt)/cash

(412)

Less: Capitalised operating leases

0

Value of equity

1,071

Profit and Loss Account (NZ\$m)

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
Sales revenue	76.1	79.8	80.4	81.5	82.9
Normalised EBITDA	71.4	74.7	74.8	75.3	76.6
Depreciation and amortisation	0	0	0	0	0
Normalised EBIT	71.4	74.7	74.8	75.3	76.6
Net interest	(18.8)	(19.0)	(18.9)	(19.0)	(18.9)
Associate income	0	0	0	0	0
Tax	(10.9)	(13.1)	(12.1)	(12.3)	(12.9)
Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0
Normalised NPAT	41.8	42.6	43.8	44.0	44.9
Abnormals/other	68.3	133.7	20.4	18.5	18.8
Reported NPAT	110.1	176.3	64.2	62.5	63.8
Normalised EPS (cps)	8.4	8.5	8.8	8.8	9.0
DPS (cps)	7.6	7.6	5.8	7.0	7.1

Growth Rates

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
Revenue (%)	7.7	4.9	0.8	1.3	1.7
EBITDA (%)	10.1	4.6	0.2	0.7	1.8
EBIT (%)	10.1	4.6	0.2	0.7	1.8
Normalised NPAT (%)	12.5	1.9	3.0	0.3	2.2
Normalised EPS (%)	3.7	1.9	3.0	0.3	2.2
Ordinary DPS (%)	1.3	0.7	-23.6	20.1	2.3

Cash Flow (NZ\$m)

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
EBITDA	71.4	74.7	74.8	75.3	76.6
Working capital change	1.6	1.7	0.2	0.3	0.4
Interest & tax paid	(19.2)	(28.1)	(31.0)	(31.4)	(31.7)
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Operating cash flow	53.7	48.4	44.0	44.2	45.3
Capital expenditure	(14.8)	(16.1)	(5.2)	(5.3)	(5.4)
(Acquisitions)/divestments	(28.3)	(10.3)	0	0	0
Other	(0.1)	0.7	0	0	0
Funding available/(required)	10.6	22.8	38.8	38.9	39.9
Dividends paid	(37.9)	(37.7)	(32.5)	(33.3)	(35.4)
Equity raised/(returned)	0	0	0	0	0
(Increase)/decrease in net debt	(27.3)	(14.9)	6.3	5.6	4.5

Balance Sheet (NZ\$m)

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
Working capital	(9.2)	(7.2)	(7.2)	(7.3)	(7.5)
Fixed assets	1,318.7	1,469.3	1,489.0	1,512.9	1,537.1
Intangibles	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1	29.1
Right of use asset	0	0	0	0	0
Other assets	5.0	13.8	13.8	13.8	13.8
Total funds employed	1,343.5	1,505.0	1,524.7	1,548.4	1,572.5
Net debt/(cash)	396.6	411.8	405.4	399.8	395.3
Lease liability	0	0	0	0	0
Other liabilities	35.1	46.1	46.2	46.4	46.6
Shareholder's funds	911.8	1,047.1	1,073.1	1,102.2	1,130.6
Minority interests	0	0	0	0	0
Total funding sources	1,343.5	1,505.0	1,524.7	1,548.4	1,572.5

* Forsyth Barr target prices reflect valuation rolled forward at cost of equity less the next 12-months dividend

Valuation Ratios

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
EV/EBITDA (x)	20.8	20.2	20.2	20.0	19.7
EV/EBIT (x)	20.8	20.2	20.2	20.0	19.7
PE (x)	26.4	25.9	25.1	25.1	24.5
Price/NTA (x)	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
Free cash flow yield (%)	3.5	2.9	3.5	3.5	3.6
Net dividend yield (%)	3.4	3.4	2.6	3.2	3.2
Gross dividend yield (%)	4.9	4.9	3.8	4.5	4.6

Capital Structure

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
Interest cover EBIT (x)	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1
Interest cover EBITDA (x)	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.1
Net debt/ND+E (%)	30.3	28.2	27.4	26.6	25.9
Net debt/EBITDA (x)	5.6	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.2

Key Ratios

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
Return on assets (%)	5.3	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8
Return on equity (%)	4.6	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0
Return on funds employed (%)	4.4	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.9
EBITDA margin (%)	93.9	93.6	93.0	92.5	92.5
EBIT margin (%)	93.9	93.6	93.0	92.5	92.5
Capex to sales (%)	19.5	20.1	6.5	6.5	6.5
Capex to depreciation (%)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Imputation (%)	100	100	100	100	100
Pay-out ratio (%)	90	89	66	79	79

Property Statistics

	2015A	2016A	2017A	2018A	2019A
Major Prop. Values - PFI (NZ\$m)					
7-9 Niall Burgess Rd, Mt Wellington	27.3	28.9	31.0	32.0	43.5
54 Carbine Rd, Mt Wellington	22.4	25.8	26.4	28.6	33.0
6 Donner Place, Mt Wellington	14.5	15.0	15.1	15.1	24.8
686 Rosebank Rd, Avondale	32.2	33.4	35.0	40.0	44.5
212 Cavendish Drive, Manukau	17.1	19.1	22.4	29.7	29.7
3-5 Niall Burgess Rd, Mt Wellington	15.7	17.3	17.7	20.0	21.0
30-32 Bowden Rd, Mt Wellington	20.7	21.4	25.4	27.0	27.8

Major Prop. Values - DPF (NZ\$m)

	2015A	2016A	2017A	2018A	2019A
Carlaw Commercial, Parnell	60.8	61.8	62.1	63.8	72.0
Carlaw Gateway, Parnell	33.8	35.0	35.0	35.5	34.4
78 Springs Road, East Tamaki	72.0	78.5	82.8	83.0	95.0
229 Dairy Flat Highway, Albany	22.9	24.7	27.0	28.0	
15 Jomac Place, Avondale	21.0	23.6	24.0	24.5	25.1

Portfolio Summary

	2018A	2019A	2020E	2021E	2022E
Investment properties (NZ\$m)	987	1,083	1,211	1,322	1,476
Weighted average lease term (yrs)	5.2	4.8	5.3	5.4	5.4
Occupancy rate (%)	99.6	99.6	99.9	99.3	99.0
Number of properties	84	83	92	94	94
NTA per share (NZ\$)	1.41	1.61	1.63	1.78	2.06

Investment Summary

Property for Industry (PFI) has continued its track record of reliable and steady performance underpinned by a clear, low risk strategy. PFI's large industrial portfolio is centred on the key precincts in Auckland, and it is well positioned to continue to deliver its defensive attributes. Revaluation gains have been strong, driven by significant cap rate firming. **OUTPERFORM.**

Business quality

- **Property fundamentals:** PFI has occupancy of 99% and a WALT of 5.4 years. A deep occupier market and change of use optionality over the medium term provides defensive attributes for the industrial market.
- **Defensive qualities:** Industrial property has a very stable earnings profile and has been resilient through the cycle. Over 80% of PFI's portfolio is weighted to Auckland with record low vacancy and strong tenant demand.

Earnings and cashflow outlook

- **Transactional activity:** PFI has ~NZ\$80m of uncommitted debt capacity. We expect PFI will continue to be opportunistic with respect to acquisitions.
- **Development activity:** PFI's NZ\$7m spec development on surplus land at 212 Cavendish Drive has now been leased to Kiwi Steel on a 15-year term.

Financial structure

- **Balance sheet capacity plus an intention to recycle more assets:** Balance sheet is solid at 28% geared, well below the 50% banking covenant limit and its self-imposed 40% maximum. PFI has a well diversified debt book with four banks in its syndicate and two issued bonds, and continues to divest non-core property.

Risk factors

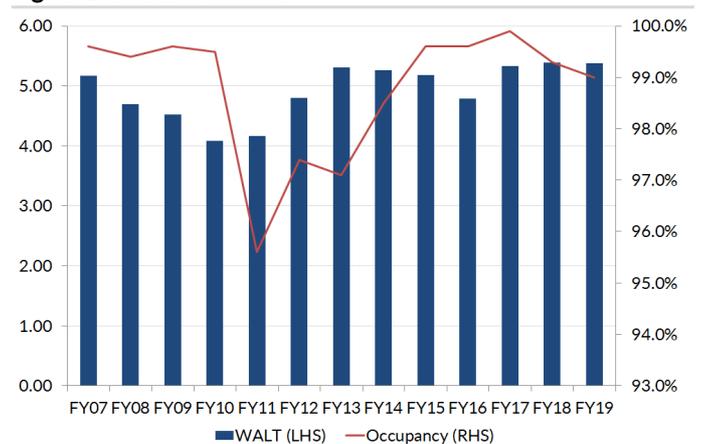
- **Rising interest rates:** Higher interest rates make other yield investments more attractive relative to listed property dividend yields.

Figure 1. Sector and regional portfolio exposure

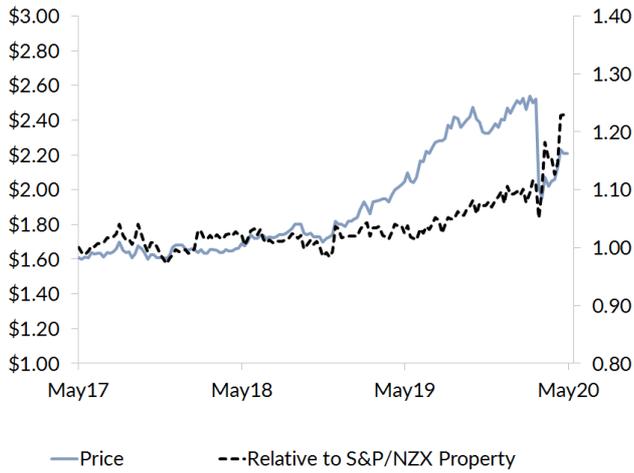
	Auckland	Other North Island	South Island	Total
Industrial	70%	12%	5%	87%
Office	7%	0%	0%	7%
Mixed use	5%	1%	0%	6%
Total	83%	13%	5%	100%

Source: Forsyth Barr analysis, Company Reports

Figure 2. Portfolio metrics



Source: Forsyth Barr analysis, Company Reports

Figure 3. Price performance


Source: Forsyth Barr analysis

Figure 4. Substantial shareholders

Shareholder	Latest Holding
ANZ NZ Investments	7.3%
ACC	5.3%

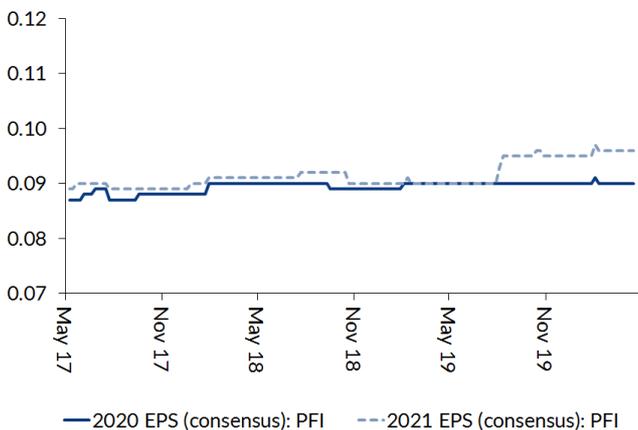
Source: NZX, Forsyth Barr analysis, NOTE: based on SSH notices only

Figure 5. International valuation comparisons

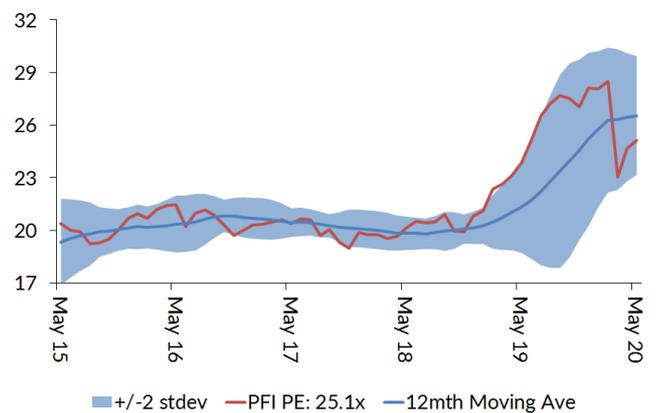
Company	Code	Price	Mkt Cap (m)	PE		EV/EBITDA		EV/EBIT		Cash Yld
				2020E	2021E	2020E	2021E	2020E	2021E	
<i>(metrics re-weighted to reflect PFI's balance date - December)</i>										
Property For Industry	PFI NZ	NZ\$2.21	NZ\$1,102	25.1x	25.1x	20.2x	20.1x	20.2x	20.1x	3.2%
Argosy Property *	ARG NZ	NZ\$1.08	NZ\$893	15.9x	15.7x	15.7x	14.6x	15.7x	14.6x	5.0%
Goodman Property Trust *	GMT NZ	NZ\$2.29	NZ\$3,173	33.4x	32.3x	27.4x	25.7x	27.4x	25.7x	2.6%
Investore *	IPL NZ	NZ\$1.77	NZ\$539	22.6x	21.8x	18.9x	17.5x	18.9x	17.5x	4.3%
Kiwi Property Group *	KPG NZ	NZ\$0.98	NZ\$1,538	13.5x	13.3x	14.5x	13.9x	14.5x	13.9x	6.0%
Asset Plus *	APL NZ	NZ\$0.40	NZ\$64	10.7x	11.1x	8.5x	8.7x	8.5x	8.7x	6.4%
Precinct Properties NZ *	PCT NZ	NZ\$1.58	NZ\$2,069	23.4x	23.3x	21.6x	19.9x	21.6x	19.9x	3.1%
Stride Property *	SPG NZ	NZ\$1.50	NZ\$548	15.1x	14.1x	17.0x	16.0x	17.0x	16.0x	5.5%
Vital Healthcare *	VHP NZ	NZ\$2.45	NZ\$1,110	24.3x	23.4x	21.4x	19.8x	21.4x	19.8x	3.4%
Compcpo Average:				19.9x	19.4x	18.1x	17.0x	18.1x	17.0x	4.5%
PFI Relative:				27%	29%	12%	18%	12%	18%	-30%

EV = Current Market Cap + Actual Net Debt

Source: *Forsyth Barr analysis, Bloomberg Consensus, Compcpo metrics re-weighted to reflect headline (PFI) companies fiscal year end

Figure 6. Consensus EPS momentum (NZ\$)


Source: Forsyth Barr analysis

Figure 7. One year forward PE (x)


Source: Forsyth Barr analysis

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