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THRUVISION TECHNOLOGY

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23.5p

Market Cap: £37.8m



Source: LSE Data (priced as at prior close)

KEY DATA	
Net (debt)/cash	£2.3m (at 30/09/23)
Enterprise value	£35.5m
Index/market	AIM
Next news	Interims, December
Shares in issue (m)	161.0
Chairman	Tom Black
CEO	Colin Evans
CFO	Victoria Balchin

COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Thruvision is the leading developer, manufacturer and supplier of walk-through security technology.

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Strategic investor endorsement via £3.2m raise

Thruvision has successfully concluded the placing of 13.6m new ordinary shares at a 6.8% premium, raising £3.2m gross. This includes a £2.5m strategic investment from Pentland Capital, part of the Pentland Group, which owns leading sports brands such as Speedo, Berghaus, Canterbury, Ellesse and Mitre, as well as being the majority shareholder in JD Sports, a long-term customer and early adopter of the Thruvision technology. Existing shareholder Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management also invested a further £0.5m. In our view, the strategic investment by Pentland Capital serves as a clear validation of Thruvision's business model, as well as bolstering its financial flexibility.

- **£3.2m fundraise**. Thruvision has successfully placed 13.6m new ordinary shares at 23.5p/share a c.6.8% premium to the closing price on 20 October raising gross proceeds of £3.2m (£3m net). The new shares equate to c.9.2% of the issued share capital and increase total voting rights to 161m on admission (26 October). The proceeds are to be used for continued investment in its sales and marketing capability, and delivering key new software functionality. It will also provide additional working capital flexibility and strengthens the balance sheet.
- Strategic investor. As part of the placing, Pentland Capital, the investment arm of Pentland Group, has secured a 7% equity stake in Thruvision. This follows discussions earlier in the year to form a strategic relationship, with an intention, over time, to acquire a minimum 10% stake in Thruvision. Having a strategic investor such as Pentland is, in our view, a big vote of confidence for the Thruvision product and reinforces its established position in the Retail market. Also, given Pentland's other investments, we believe that this could lead to new customers on the retail/logistics side. Pentland Capital is the majority shareholder of JD Sports, which is already one of Thruvision's longest-standing customers with equipment installed in five of its distribution centres in the UK and Europe.
- Forecasts updated. Our estimates of group financial performance are unchanged, however per-share amounts and the financial position are adjusted to reflect the fundraise. We look forward to Thruvision's progress with a strong new partner, and a dramatically reinforced balance sheet and market standing.

FYE MAR (£M)	2021	2022	2023	2024E
Revenue	6.7	8.4	12.4	8.1
Adj EBITDA	-1.6	-1.7	-0.2	-2.5
Fully Adj PBT	-2.4	-2.3	-0.8	-3.2
Fully Adj EPS (p)	-1.7	-1.1	-0.5	-1.9
EV/Sales (x)	5.3x	4.3x	2.9x	4.4x
EV/EBITDA (x)	-22.9x	-20.9x	-162.3x	-13.2x
PER (x)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: Company Information and Progressive Equity Research estimates.

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Forecast revisions

We revise our forecasts to reflect the fundraise, as summarised in the following table.

Thruvision – Forecast revisions following October 2023 fundraise

		FY24E	
£m unless stated	Old	New	Change (%)
Revenue	8.1	8.1	0%
Adj EBITDA	-2.5	-2.5	0%
Fully adj PBT	-3.2	-3.2	0%
Fully adj EPS (p)	-2.1	-1.9	5%
Net cash	2.7	5.8	115%

Source: Progressive Equity Research estimates

Our group revenue, EBITDA and PBT estimates are unchanged from those previously published. See our note '*CBP shortfall but strength elsewhere*', 2 October 2023.

Our revised per-share metrics reflect the issuance of 13.6m new ordinary shares via the fundraise. Note, our EPS forecast is calculated on a fully-diluted weighted average share count.

The group's financial position is significantly improved via the inflow of new funds. We previously forecast net cash to remain broadly flat year on year at $\pm 2.7m$, while our new FY24E forecast net cash position is $\pm 5.8m$.

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Financial Summary: Thruvision

Year end: March (£m unless shown)

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Operating cash flow (0.6) (1.6) (2.5) 0.5
Free Cash flow (1.0) (2.3) (2.6) (0.1)
FCF per share (p) (0.7) (1.6) (1.7) 0.0
Acquisitions 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
Disposals 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
Shares issued 0.1 0.2 0.1 3.0
Net cash flow (1.1) (1.8) (2.7) 2.9
Overdrafts / borrowings 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0
Cash & equivalents 7.3 5.4 2.8 5.8
Net (Debt)/Cash 7.3 5.4 2.8 5.8
NAV AND RETURNS 2021 2022 2023 2024E
Net asset value 11.3 9.4 8.8 8.8
NAV/share (p) 7.8 6.5 5.8 5.5
Net Tangible Asset Value 1.1 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.2
NTAV/share (p) 0.8 0.8 0.7
Average equity 12.3 10.4 9.1 8.8
Post-tax ROE (%) (18.9%) (16.8%) (8.8%) (33.8%)
METRICS 2021 2022 2023 2024E
Revenue growth (16.3%) 24.8% 48.5% (34.6%)
Adj EBITDA growth45.0%9.5%(87.1%)1063.4%
Adj EBIT growth 36.1% 9.2% (60.4%) 254.6%
Adj PBT growth98.8%(5.9%)(62.4%)272.2%
Adj EPS growth128.0%(33.3%)(53.8%)252.6%
Dividend growth N/A N/A N/A N/A
Adj EBIT margins(30.9%)(27.0%)(7.2%)(39.1%)
VALUATION 2021 2022 2023 2024E
EV/Sales (x) 5.3 4.3 2.9 4.4
EV/EBITDA (x) -22.9 -20.9 -162.3 -13.2
EV/NOPAT (x) -19.7 -17.5 -49.4 -11.2
PER (x) N/A N/A N/A N/A
Dividend yield N/A N/A N/A N/A
FCF yield (3.0%) (6.7%) (7.3%) (0.2%)

Source: Company information and Progressive Equity Research estimates



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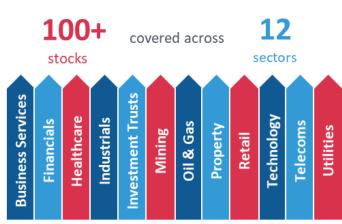
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