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# SPH REIT FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT \* FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MAY 2019

Constituted in the Republic of Singapore pursuant to a Trust Deed dated 9 July 2013.

#### Introduction

The investment strategy of SPH REIT is to invest, directly or indirectly, in a portfolio of income-producing real estate which is used primarily for retail purposes in Asia Pacific, as well as real estate-related assets.

The portfolio of SPH REIT comprises the following four quality and well located commercial properties in Singapore and Australia:

- \* Paragon, a premier upscale retail mall and medical suite/office property, well known for its upscale mall housing many luxury brands, located in the heart of Orchard Road; and
- \* The Clementi Mall, a mid-market suburban mall located in the centre of Clementi town, an established residential estate in the west of Singapore.
- \* The Rail Mall, a unique cluster of shop units with established F&B offerings along Upper Bukit Timah Road, nestled in an affluent residential catchment.
- \* SPH REIT also holds a 85.0% stake in Figtree Grove Shopping Centre, an established subregional shopping centre in Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia.

#### Review by auditors

The financial information as set out in this announcement for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019 has been extracted from the interim financial information for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019, which has been reviewed by our auditors, KPMG LLP\*, in accordance with the Singapore Standard on Review Engagement 2410 Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity.

<sup>\*</sup> Please refer to the attached review report.

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## 1(a) An income statement together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

### 1(a)(i) Statement of Total Return

G	r	O	u	p

	3Q 2019 S\$'000	3Q 2018 S\$'000	Change %	YTD 3Q 2019 S\$'000	YTD 3Q 2018 S\$'000	Change %
Gross revenue Property	58,333	51,769	12.7	170,261	158,840	7.2
operating expenses Net property	(12,005)	(11,210)	7.1	(36,292)	(33,823)	7.3
income	46,328	40,559	14.2	133,969	125,017	7.2
Income support <sup>1</sup>	÷	188	NM	-	188	NM
Amortisation of intangible asset	÷	(188)	NM	-	(188)	NM
Manager's management fees	(4,555)	(4,141)	10.0	(13,249)	(12,483)	6.1
Investment management fees <sup>2</sup>	(189)	<b>-</b> s	NM	(337)	ear	NM
Trust expenses <sup>3</sup>	(664)	(404)	64.4	(1,558)	(1,211)	28.7
Finance income	202	215	(6.0)	578	605	(4.5)
Finance costs	(8,258)	(6,064)	36.2	(22,204)	(18,053)	23.0
Net income	32,864	30,165	8.9	97,199	93,875	3.5
Fair value change on investment properties <sup>4</sup>				(14.057)		NINA
Total return before taxes		<b>3</b> 0		(14,857)	1	NM
and distribution	32,864	30,165	8.9	82,342	93,875	(12.3)
Less: income tax <sup>5</sup>	(143)	<b>(4</b> )	NM	(309)	5 <b>00</b> 0	NM
Total return after taxes and before	S-					•
distribution	32,721	30,165	8.5	82,033	93,875	(12.6)
Attributable to: Unitholders	32,446	30,165	7.6	83,437	93,875	(11.1)
Non-controlling interests	275	_	NM	(1,404)	_	NM
Total return for the period	32,721	30,165	8.5	82,033	93,875	(12.6)

NM Not Meaningful

#### 1(a) An income statement together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year (cont'd)

#### 1(a)(i) Statement of Total Return (Cont'd)

#### Notes:

- Income support relates to the top-up payment from the vendors of The Clementi Mall pursuant to the Deed of Income Support. The income support has ended on 23 July 2018, five years from listing date on 24 July 2013.
- This relates to investment management fee paid to the investment manager of SPH REIT Moelis Australia Trust.
- Includes recurring trust expenses such as trustee's fees, valuation fees, audit and tax adviser's fees, legal & others professional fees, cost associated with the preparation of annual reports, and investor communication costs.
- This relates to the acquisition costs incurred from the acquisition of Figtree Grove Shopping Centre.
- 5. This relates to withholding tax payable for Australia.

#### 1(a)(ii) Distribution Statement

			Gro	<u>up</u>		
	3Q	3Q	01	YTD 3Q	YTD 3Q	01
	2019	2018	Change	2019	2018	Change
#	S\$'000	S\$'000	%	S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Total return for the period attributable to						
Unitholders	32,446	30,165	7.6	83,437	93,875	(11.1)
Add: Non-tax						
deductible <sup>1</sup>	4,348	4,930	(11.8)	26,231	13,859	89.3
Income available						
for distribution	36,794	35,095	4.8	109,668	107,734	1.8
Distribution to	=					
Unitholders <sup>2</sup>	35,953	35,205	2.1	106,995	105,532	1.4

NM Not Meaningful

#### Notes:

- Non-tax deductible items refer to the Manager's management fees paid/payable in units, trustee's fees, straight-line rental adjustments, amortisation of income support, amortisation of debt issuance costs, fair value change on investment properties and net income from subsidiary.
- Distribution for 3Q 2019 includes income available for distribution retained earlier in the year. For YTD 3Q 2019, the distribution to unitholders was 97.6% of income available for distribution.

## 1(b)(i) A balance sheet together with a comparative statement as at the end of the immediately preceding financial year

#### **Statements of Financial Position**

	<u>Gr</u>	oup	<u>Trust</u>		
	As at 31 May 19	As at 31 Aug 18	As at 31 May 19	As at 31 Aug 18	
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	
Non-current assets					
Plant and equipment Investment	589	682	589	682	
properties investment in	3,565,685	3,368,300	3,370,017	3,368,300	
subsidiary Frade and other	=	5	981	72 <b>5</b> 7	
receivables Derivative financial		5	97,967		
instruments <sup>1</sup>	768		768	-	
	3,567,042	3,368,982	3,470,322	3,368,982	
Current assets Frade and other receivables <sup>2</sup>	5,299	3,087	3,078	3,087	
Cash and cash equivalents	43,451	35,965	36,401	35,965	
equivalents	48,750	39,052	39,479	39,052	
Fotal assets	3,615,792	3,408,034	3,509,801	3,408,034	
Non-current					
liabilities					
Borrowings Derivative financial	883,400	683,261	783,639	683,261	
instruments1	2,191	2,814	2,191	2,814	
Frade and other payables <sup>3</sup>	22,879	32,622	22,879	32,622	
	908,470	718,697	808,709	718,697	
Current liabilities Borrowings	209,970	209,813	209,970	209,813	
Frade and other					
payables³	56,363	40,577	52,833	40,577	
	266,333	250,390	262,803	250,390	
Total liabilities	1,174,803	969,087	1,071,512	969,087	
Net assets	2,440,989	2,438,947	2,438,289	2,438,947	
Represented by:					
Unitholders' fund Non-controlling	2,426,079	2,438,947	2,438,289	2,438,947	
interests	14,910		-	-	
Total Equity	2,440,989	2,438,947	2,438,289	2,438,947	

#### Notes:

- Derivative financial instruments represent the fair value of the interest rate swap and cross currency interest rate swap contracts.
- 2. Trade and other receivables comprised mainly rental receivable and trade amount due from related parties.
- 3. Trade and other payables comprised mainly rental deposit, accrued interest and other payables.

### For The Period Ended 31 May 2019

### (b)(ii) Borrowing

#### **Secured borrowing**

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As at As at 31 May 19 31 Aug 18		As at 31 May 19	As at 31 Aug 18
S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
209,970	209,813	209,970	209,813
883,400	683,261	783,639	683,261
1,093,370	893,074	993,609	893,074
	As at 31 May 19 \$\$'000  209,970  883,400	31 May 19     31 Aug 18       \$\$'000     \$\$'000       209,970     209,813       883,400     683,261	As at As at 31 May 19 31 Aug 18 31 May 19 S\$'000 S\$'000 S\$'000  209,970 209,813 209,970  883,400 683,261 783,639

#### **Details of collateral**

The Group's secured term loan amounted to S\$1.1 billion. This consist of a term loan of S\$995 million secured by way of a legal mortgage on Paragon and a term loan of A\$105 million secured by way of a legal mortgage on Figtree Grove Shopping Centre. Refinancing for the 2019 loan tranche is being finalised.

## 1(c) A cash flow statement together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

Statement of Cash Flows	Group			
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018
Out to the second secon	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities	20.704	20.405	00.000	02.075
Net income	32,721	30,165	82,033	93,875
Adjustments for:				
Fair value change on investment			14 057	
properties	4 555	- 4,141	14,857 13,249	12,483
Manager's fee paid/payable in units	4,555 44	4,141 51	13,249	162
Depreciation of plant and equipment Finance income		(215)	(578)	(605)
Finance moone Finance costs	(202) 8,258	6,064	22,204	18,053
Amortisation of intangible asset	0,230	188	22,204	188
Straight-line rental adjustments	158	97	107	(432)
Operating cash flow before working capital	100	- 31	101	(402)
changes	45,534	40,491	132,011	123,724
Changes in operating assets and liabilities	40,004	40,401	102,011	120,721
Trade and other receivables	1,030	868	(2,333)	496
Trade and other payables	(3,222)	1,003	(1,314)	(2,638)
Net cash from operating activities	43,342	42,362	128,364	121,582
Cash flows from investing activities				
Acquisition of investment properties	=	023	(207,670)	-
Additions to investment properties	(408)	(2,821)	(1,374)	(4,562)
Purchase of plant and equipment	(24)	(13)	(46)	(24)
Interest received	233	199	592	592
Deposit paid for acquisition of investment				
property	3	(5,054)	-	(5,054)
Net cash used in investing activities	(199)	(7,689)	(208,498)	(9,048)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from issue of units to non-				
controlling interest			16,834	, <u>-</u>
Proceeds from bank loan			,	
(net of transaction costs) <sup>1</sup>	4	_	200,115	_
Distribution to unitholders	(36,440)	(35,947)	(107,820)	(106,624)
Distribution to non-controlling interests of	(00,1.0)	(00,0 )	(101,020)	(100,021)
a subsidiary	(195)		(195)	\ <del>-</del>
Payment of transaction costs related to	(100)		(,	
borrowing <sup>2</sup>		(486)	_	(486)
Interest paid	(8,010)	(5,619)	(21,274)	(17,008)
Net cash (used in)/from financing			, , ,	
activities	(44,645)	(42,052)	87,660	(124,118)

## 1(c) A cash flow statement together with a comparative statement for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year (Cont'd)

#### Statement of Cash Flows (Cont'd)

	Group				
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018	
-	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and					
cash equivalents	(1,502)	(7,379)	7,526	(11,584)	
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on					
cash and cash equivalents held	(40)		(40)	153	
Cash and cash equivalents at					
beginning of the period	44,993	58,800	35,965	63,005	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of					
the period	43,451	51,421	43,451	51,421	
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#### Notes:

- 1. The net proceeds from bank loan had been used to acquire Figtree Grove Shopping Centre and the acquisition was completed on 21 December 2018.
- 2. This relates to upfront fees incurred for refinancing the loan tranche that matured in March 2018.

#### 1(d)(i) Statement of Changes in Unitholders' Funds

		<u>Gro</u>	<u>oup</u>	
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Balance as at beginning of period	2,426,611	2,426,941	2,438,947	2,421,060
Operations Total return for the period / net increase in assets resulting from operations	32,446	30,165	83,437	93,875
Hedging reserve Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges <sup>1</sup>	(1,292)	1,218	(1,540)	5,724
Translation differences from financial statements of foreign entities	199	e e	(194)	-
Unitholders' transactions Distribution to unitholders Manager's fee paid/payable	(36,440)	(35,947)	(107,820)	(106,624)
in units	4,555	4,141	13,249	12,483
	(31,885)	(31,806)	(94,571)	(94,141)
Unitholders' funds as at end of period	2,426,079	2,426,518	2,426,079	2,426,518

#### Note:

1. This relates to interest rate swap and cross currency interest rate swap arrangements.

### 1(d)(i) Statement of Changes in Unitholders' Funds (Cont'd)

	<u>Trust</u>					
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018		
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000		
Balance as at beginning of period	2,438,990	2,426,941	2,438,947	2,421,060		
Operations Total return for the period / net increase in assets resulting from operations	32,476	30,165	95,453	93,875		
Hedging reserve Effective portion of changes in fair value						
of cash flow hedges1	(1,292)	1,218	(1,540)	5,724		
Unitholders' transactions Distribution to		· ·				
unitholders Manager's fee	(36,440)	(35,947)	(107,820)	(106,624)		
paid/payable in units	4,555	4,141	13,249	12,483		
, ,	(31,885)	(31,806)	(94,571)	(94,141)		
Unitholders' funds as at end of period	2,438,289	2,426,518	2,438,289	2,426,518		

#### Note:

### 1(d)(ii) Details of Changes in Issued and Issuable Units

#### **Group and Trust**

	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018
	No. of units '000	No. of units '000	No. of units '000	No. of units '000
Issued units as at beginning of				
period	2,584,364	2,567,660	2,571,845	2,556,106
Manager's fee paid in	0.407	0.070	44.000	40.007
units <sup>1,3</sup>	2,167	2,073	14,686	13,627
	2,586,531	2,569,733	2,586,531	2,569,733
Issuable units:				
Manager's fee payable				
in units <sup>2,3</sup>	8,702	8,279	8,702	8,279
Total issued and issuable units as at				
end of period	2,595,233	2,578,012	2,595,233	2,578,012

<sup>1.</sup> This relates to interest rate swap and cross currency interest rate swap arrangements.

#### 1(d)(ii) Details of Changes in Issued and Issuable Units (Cont'd)

#### Notes:

In accordance with the amendments to the Trust Deed and new requirement by the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the performance fee for FY2017 and thereafter will be paid on an annual basis, after Board's approval of the audited annual accounts.

 For 3Q 2019 and 3Q 2018, the issued units relate to base management fee for Q2 2019 and Q2 2018 respectively.

For YTD 3Q 2019, the issued units relate to performance management fees for FY2018, base management fee for Q4 2018 and base management fee for 1H 2019.

For YTD 3Q 2018, the issued units relate to performance management fees for FY2017, partial satisfaction of base management fee for Q4 2017 and base management fee for 1H 2018.

- The units issuable to the REIT Manager were in full satisfaction of management fee for respective quarters.
- 3. The number of units is calculated based on volume weighted average traded price for the last 10 business days for the respective quarters, as provided in the Trust Deed.

## 1(d)(iii) To show the total number of issued units excluding treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period and as at the end of the immediately preceding year.

As at 31 May 2019, SPH REIT had 2,586,531,833 units (31 August 2018: 2,571,845,315 units).

## 1(d)(iv) A statement showing all sales, transfers, disposal, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares as at the end of the current financial period reported on.

Not applicable.

## 2. Whether the figures have been audited or reviewed, and in accordance with which auditing standard or practice.

The financial information for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019 as set out in this announcement has been extracted from the interim financial information for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019, which has been reviewed by our auditors, KPMG LLP, in accordance with the Singapore Standard on Review Engagement 2410 Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity.

## 3. Where the figures have been audited or reviewed, the auditors' report (including any qualifications or emphasis of matter).

Please refer to the attached auditor's review report.

## 4. Whether the same accounting policies and methods of computation as in the issuer's most recently audited annual financial statements have been applied.

Except as disclosed in paragraph 5 below, the Group has applied the same accounting policies and methods of computation in the preparation of the financial statements for the current reporting period compared with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2018.

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 If there are any changes in the accounting policies and methods of computation, including any required by an accounting standard, what has changed, as well as the reasons for, and the effect of, the change.

The Group has adopted new Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ("FRSs") and interpretations effective for the financial period beginning 1 September 2018 as follows:

#### (i) FRS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

FRS 115 establishes a comprehensive framework for determining whether, how much and when revenue is recognised. It also introduces new cost guidance which requires certain costs of obtaining and fulfilling contracts to be recognised as separate assets when specified criteria are met.

There is no significant impact to the financial statements of the Group for the current and comparative financial period arising from the adoption of FRS 115.

### (ii) FRS 109 Financial Instruments

FRS 109 introduces new requirements for classification and measurement of financial assets, impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting.

There is no change in measurement basis arising from the adoption of the new classification and measurement model. In assessing for impairment losses on financial assets, the Group has adopted the simplified approach by applying lifetime expected credit losses on its loans and receivables (if applicable). There is no significant impact to the financial statements of the Trust for the current and comparative financial period arising from the adoption of FRS 109.

The Group's existing hedges that are designated in effective hedging relationships continue to qualify for hedge accounting under FRS 109.

#### 6. Earnings per unit ("EPU") and Distribution per unit ("DPU")

	Group					
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018		
Earnings per unit Weighted average number of units <sup>1</sup> ('000)	2,586,531	2,573,909	2,586,531	2,569,782		
Total return for the period after tax attributable to unitholders (S\$'000)	32,446	30,165	96,387	93,875		
EPU (basic and diluted) (cents), excluding fair value change	1.25	1.17	3.73	3.65		

#### 6. Earnings per unit ("EPU") and Distribution per unit ("DPU") (Cont'd)

	<u>Group</u>				
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018	
Distribution per unit					
Total number of units in issue at end of period ('000)	2,586,531	2,569,733	2,586,531	2,569,733	
Distribution to Unitholders <sup>2</sup> (S\$'000)	35,953	35,205	106,995	105,532	
DPU <sup>3</sup> (cents)	1.39	1.37	4.14	4.11	

#### Notes:

- 1. The weighted average number of units was based on the number of units in issue and issuable units to the Manager.
- 2. As shown in 1(a)(ii) Distribution Statement.
- 3. The DPU was computed based on the number of units entitled to distribution.

#### 7. Net Asset Value ("NAV") per unit and Net Tangible Asset ("NTA") per unit

	Group		<u>Trust</u>	
	As at 31 May 19	As at 31 Aug 18	As at 31 May 19	As at 31 Aug 18
NAV / NTA per unit <sup>1</sup> (S\$)	0.94	0.95	0.94	0.95

#### Note:

 The NAV per unit and NTA per unit were computed based on the number of units in issue as at balance sheet date.

#### 8. Review of Performance

Review of Results for the Third Quarter ended 31 May 2019 ("3Q 2019") compared with the Third Quarter ended 31 May 2018 ("3Q 2018")

Gross revenue for 3Q 2019 grew by \$\$6.6 million (12.7%) to \$\$58.3 million. The increase was mainly due to contributions from The Rail Mail and Figtree Grove Shopping Centre which were acquired on 28 June 2018 and 21 December 2018 respectively.

Property operating expenses increased S\$0.8 million (7.1%) to S\$12.0 million for 3Q 2019 largely contributed by both acquisitions.

#### 8. Review of Performance (Cont'd)

Review of Results for the Third Quarter ended 31 May 2019 ("3Q 2019") compared with the Third Quarter ended 31 May 2018 ("3Q 2018") (Cont'd)

Net property income ("NPI") of S\$46.3 million for 3Q 2019 was S\$5.8 million (14.2%) higher than 3Q 2018.

Income available for distribution for the quarter was S\$36.8 million, which was S\$1.7 million (4.8%) higher as compared to 3Q 2018.

Review of Results for the Year-to-date ended 31 May 2019 ("YTD 3Q 2019") compared with the Year-to-date ended 31 May 2018 ("YTD 2Q 2018")

Gross revenue for YTD 3Q 2019 was S\$170.3 million, an increase of S\$11.4 million (7.2%) from YTD 3Q 2018. The increase was mainly due to contributions from acquisitions of The Rail Mail and Figtree Grove Shopping Centre which were completed on 28 June 2018 and 21 December 2018 respectively.

Property operating expenses were S\$36.3 million, an increase of S\$2.5 million (7.3%) from YTD 3Q 2018 mainly due to property operating expenses from the acquisitions.

NPI of S\$134.0 million for YTD 3Q 2019, was higher by S\$9.0 million (7.2%) against the corresponding period last year.

Finance cost increased by \$\$4.2 million (23.0%) to \$\$22.2 million for YTD 3Q 2019. This was mainly due to additional interest expense from the new loans to finance the acquisition of Figtree Grove Shopping Centre. The average cost of debt was 2.89% p.a. for YTD 3Q 2019.

Fair value loss of S\$14.9 million relates to the acquisition costs from Figtree Grove Shopping Centre and has no impact on the income available for distribution. The total return for YTD 3Q 2019 was S\$82.0 million.

Income available for distribution for YTD 3Q 2019 was S\$109.7 million, an increase of S\$1.9 million (1.8%) compared to YTD 3Q 2018.

#### 9. <u>Variance from Prospect Statement</u>

No forecast was made previously.

# 10. A commentary at the date of announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months

According to the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI), the Singapore economy grew by 1.2% on a year-on-year basis ("y-o-y") in first quarter of 2019, as compared to 1.3% growth in previous quarter. On a quarter-on-quarter seasonally-adjusted annualised basis, the economy expanded by 3.8%, a reversal from the 0.8% contraction in the preceding quarter.

The global growth outlook remains clouded by uncertainties and downside risks. Taking into account the performance of the Singapore economy in the first quarter as well as the weaker external demand outlook for Singapore, the Gross Domestic Product Growth ("GDP") growth forecast for 2019 is narrowed downwards to "1.5% to 2.5%", from "1.5% to 3.5%".

10. A commentary at the date of announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the group in the next reporting period and the next 12 months (Cont'd)

Based on figures released by the Singapore Department of Statistics (DOS), the Retail Sales Index (excluding motor vehicles) declined by 1.5% y-o-y in Q1 2019, as compared to a decline of 0.4% in Q4 2018.

Singapore Tourism Board (STB) reported that international visitor arrivals grew by 1.6% young the first four months of 2019. Tourism receipts reached S\$26.9 billion in 2018, a marginal growth of 0.5% compared to the same period last year.

SPH REIT has a portfolio of four quality and well-positioned retail properties in Singapore and Australia. In Singapore, supported by the increase in international visitor arrivals and improvement in consumer sentiments, tenant sales from Paragon and The Clementi Mall continued to register growth. The Rail Mall is a unique cluster of shop units, with opportunity for SPH REIT to further strengthen its current F&B mix and create a differentiated positioning for the asset.

According to the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA), the Australian GDP increased by 2.80% in 2018. The RBA expects GDP growth to be around 2.00% in 2019 and 2.75% in 2020.

Based on figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), the seasonally adjusted retail turnover rose by 0.3% in March 2019. This follows a rise of 0.9% in February 2019 and a rise of 0.1% in January 2019. In trend terms, the turnover of Australia retail trade rose 3.0% in March 2019 compared with March 2018.

SPH REIT holds a 85.0% stake in Figtree Grove Shopping Centre. The Manager will continue to proactively manage the properties to deliver sustainable returns while seeking new opportunities to create value for unitholders.

#### 11. <u>Distribution</u>

#### (a) Current Financial Period

Any distribution recommended for the current financial period reported on? Yes.

Name of distribution:

Distribution for the period from 1 March 2019 to 31

May 2019

Distribution Type:

Taxable Income

Distribution rate per unit

1.39 cents per unit

(cents):

Par value of units:

Not applicable.

Tax rate:

Taxable Income Distribution:

Qualifying investors and individuals (other than those who hold their units through a partnership) will generally receive pre-tax distribution. These distributions are exempt from tax in the hands of individuals unless such distributions are derived through a Singapore partnership or from the carrying on of a trade, business or profession. Such individual unitholders, i.e. to whom the exemption will not apply, must declare the distribution received as income in their tax returns.

Qualifying foreign non-individual investors will receive their distributions after deduction of tax at the rate of 10%. This is based on the existing income tax concession for listed REITs on distributions made to non-resident non-individual investors during the period from 18 February 2005 to 31 December 2025.

All other investors will receive their distributions after deduction of tax at the rate of 17%.

#### 11. <u>Distribution (cont'd)</u>

#### (b) Corresponding Period of the Immediately Preceding Financial Year

Any distribution declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year? Yes

Name of distribution: Distribution for the period from 1 March 2018 to 31

May 2018

Distribution Type: Taxable Income

Distribution rate per unit 1.37 cents per unit

(cents):

Par value of units: Not applicable.

Tax rate: Taxable Income Distribution:

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All other investors will receive their distributions after deduction of tax at the rate of 17%.

#### (c) Date payable

The date the distribution is payable: 22 August 2019.

#### (d) Record date

The Transfer Books and Register of Unitholders of SPH REIT will be closed at 5.00pm on 18 July 2019 for purposes of determining each Unitholder's entitlement to SPH REIT distribution.

## 12. <u>If no distribution has been declared (recommended), a statement to that effect</u>

Not applicable.

#### 13. Segment Results

	Group					
	3Q 2019	3Q 2018	Change	YTD 3Q 2019	YTD 3Q 2018	Change
	S\$'000	S\$'000	%	S\$'000	S\$'000	%
Gross Revenue						
Singapore Paragon The Clementi	42,430	41,367	2.6	127,844	127,764	0.1
Mail	10,436	10,402	0.3	31,318	31,076	8.0
The Rail Mall	1,233	-	NM	3,715		NM
Australia	54,099	51,769	4.5	162,877	158,840	2.5
Figtree Grove Shopping						
Centre	4,234		NM	7,384		NM
Total	58,333	51,769	12.7	170,261	158,840	7.2
Net Property Income						
Singapore Paragon The Clementi	34,165	33,008	3.5	101,809	101,926	(0.1)
Mall	8,011	7,551	6.1	23,632	23,091	2.3
The Rail Mall	988	_	NM	2,955	=	NM
-	43,164	40,559	6.4	128,396	125,017	2.7
Australia Figtree Grove Shopping						
Centre	3,164		NM	5,573		NM
Total	46,328	40,559	14.2	133,969	125,017	7.2

NM Not Meaningful

# 14. If the group has obtained a general mandate from shareholders for Interested Person Transactions, the aggregate value of such transactions as required under Rule 920(1)(a)(ii). If no IPT mandate has been obtained, a statement to that effect.

SPH REIT has not obtained a general mandate from unitholders for Interested Person Transactions.

#### 15. Confirmation By the Manager Pursuant to Rule 720(1) of the SGX Listing Manual.

The Manager confirms that it has procured undertakings from all its Directors and Executive Officers (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) pursuant to Rule 720(1) of the SGX Listing Manual.

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#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Lim Wai Pun Khor Siew Kim

**Company Secretaries** 

Singapore, 11 July 2019



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# CONFIRMATION BY THE BOARD Pursuant to Rule 705(5) of the Listing Manual

To the best of our knowledge, nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the Manager which may render the financial results of the Group and the Trust (comprising the statement of financial position, statement of total return and distribution statement, statement of changes in Unitholders' funds and cashflow statement, together with their accompanying notes) as at 31 May 2019, to be false or misleading in any material respect.

On behalf of the Directors

LEONG HORN KEE

Chairman

GINNEY LIM MAY LING

Director

Singapore, 11 July 2019



The Board of Directors
SPH REIT Management Pte. Ltd.
(in its capacity as Manager of SPH REIT)

#### Review of the Interim Financial Information For the Third Quarter and Year-To-Date Ended 31 May 2019

We have reviewed the accompanying Interim Financial Information of SPH REIT (the "Trust") and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019. The Interim Financial Information consists of the following:

- Statements of financial position of the Group and the Trust as at 31 May 2019;
- Portfolio statements of the Group and Trust as at 31 May 2019;
- Statement of total return of the Group for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019;
- Distribution statement of the Group for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019;
- Statement of movements in unitholders' funds of the Group and the Trust for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019;
- Statement of cash flows of the Group for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019;
- Certain explanatory notes to the above financial information.

The Manager of the Trust is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this Interim Financial Information in accordance with the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice ("RAP") 7 Reporting Framework for Unit Trusts issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these Interim Financial Statements based on our review.

#### Scope of review

We conducted our review in accordance with Singapore Standard on Review Engagements 2410 Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

#### Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying Interim Financial Information is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the provisions of RAP 7 issued by the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.



#### Restriction on use

Our report is provided in accordance with the terms of our engagement. Our work was undertaken so that we might report to you on the Interim Financial Information for the purpose of assisting the Trust to meet the requirements of the Singapore Exchange Limited Listing Manual and for no other purpose. Our report is included in the Trust's announcement of its interim financial information for the information of its unitholders. We do not assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trust for our work, for our report, or for the conclusions we have reached in our report.

**KPMG LLP** 

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants

Singapore 11 July 2019



### SPH REIT 3Q FY19 Distribution Income 4.8% Higher Year-on-Year

- 3Q FY19 DPU was 1.39 cents, an increase of 1.5% year-on-year
- Maintained high occupancy of 99.0%

**SINGAPORE, July 11, 2019** – SPH REIT Management Pte. Ltd. ("SPH RM" or the "Manager"), the Manager of SPH REIT, reported that net property income ("NPI") for the third quarter ended 31 May 2019 ("3Q FY19) was S\$46.3 million, an increase of S\$5.8 million (14.2%) compared to the same quarter last year, mainly due to contributions from acquisitions of The Rail Mall in Singapore and Figtree Grove Shopping Centre in New South Wales, Australia.

Income available for distribution to unitholders of S\$36.8 million for 3Q FY19 was higher by S\$1.7 million (4.8%) compared to 3Q FY18. Distribution per unit ("DPU") for 3Q 2019 was 1.39 cents, an increase of 1.5% against 3Q FY18. The 3Q FY19 distribution will be paid to unitholders on 22 August 2019.

#### **Operational performance**

SPH REIT's properties maintained high occupancy at 99.0% as at 3Q FY19.

Paragon continued to record positive rental reversion of 8.6% for new and renewed leases for YTD 3Q FY19. This represented 21.4% of Paragon's net lettable area.

The Clementi Mall and The Rail Mall recorded positive rental reversion of 5.8% and 9.1% respectively for YTD 3Q FY19. The overall portfolio registered a positive rental reversion of 8.4%.

#### **Capital Management**

SPH REIT proactively manages its financing risk by ensuring that the debt maturity profile is well spread out without major concentration of debts maturing in a single year. Based on the proportionate share of borrowings for Figtree Grove Shopping Centre, portfolio gearing was 30.1% and weighted average term to maturity was 1.8 years as at 31 May 2019. The annualized average cost of debt was 2.89% p.a. for YTD 3Q FY19.

Ms Susan Leng, CEO of SPH REIT Management Pte. Ltd. said: "SPH REIT continues to maintain high occupancy and delivers stable distribution. We are pleased to report the overall portfolio registered a positive rental reversion of 8.4% for YTD 3Q FY19, supported by growth in overall tenant sales. For this quarter we also benefited from the contributions from The Rail Mall and Figtree Grove Shopping Centre, which we acquired in 2018.

The tourist arrivals and spend for 2018 ended on a positive note and we believe Paragon would stand to benefit with this trend. The Clementi Mall is well poised in the suburban to continue to serve its immediate catchment. The Rail Mall is a unique cluster of shop units, with opportunity for us to further strengthen its current F&B mix and create a differentiated positioning for the asset. Our focus remains to drive long-term value of our properties and deliver sustainable returns for our unitholders."

### **Summary Results of SPH REIT**

	3Q FY19 S\$'000	3Q FY18 S\$'000	Change %
Gross revenue	58,333	51,769	12.7
Net property income	46,328	40,559	14.2
Income available for distribution	36,794	35,095	4.8
Distribution to Unitholders	35,953	35,205	2.1
Distribution per unit (cents)	1.39	1.37	1.5

	YTD 3Q FY19 S\$'000	YTD 3Q FY18 S\$'000	Change %
Gross revenue	170,261	158,840	7.2
Net property income	133,969	125,017	7.2
Income available for distribution	109,668	107,734	1.8
Distribution to Unitholders <sup>1</sup>	106,995	105,532	1.4
Distribution per unit (cents)	4.14	4.11	0.7
Annualised distribution yield (%)	5.32 <sup>2</sup>	5.55 <sup>3</sup>	(4.1)

#### Notes:

- 1. For YTD 3Q FY19, the distribution to unitholders was 97.6% of income available for distribution.
- 2. Based on S\$1.040 per unit closing price on 31 May 2019.
- 3. Based on S\$0.990 per unit closing price on 31 May 2018.

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#### **ABOUT SPH REIT**

SPH REIT is a Singapore-based real estate investment trust established principally to invest, directly or indirectly, in a portfolio of income-producing real estate which is used primarily for retail purposes in Asia-Pacific, as well as real estate-related assets.

SPH REIT has a portfolio of four assets in Singapore and Australia.

Its portfolio of properties in Singapore comprises a 99-year leasehold interest in Paragon commencing on 24 July 2013, a 99-year leasehold interest in The Clementi Mall commencing on 31 August 2010 and a 99-year leasehold interest in The Rail Mall commencing on 18 March 1947. Valued at \$\$3.368 billion as at August 2018 with an aggregate net lettable area of approximately 960,000 sq. ft.

In Australia, SPH REIT owns a 85% stake in Figtree Grove Shopping Centre, a freehold sub-regional shopping centre in Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia. Valued at A\$206.0 million as at October 2018 with an aggregate gross lettable area of approximately 236,000 sq. ft.

Visit SPH REIT's website at www.sphreit.com.sg for more details.

#### ABOUT THE REIT MANAGER: SPH REIT MANAGEMENT PTE. LTD.

SPH REIT is managed by SPH REIT Management Pte. Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Singapore Press Holdings Limited. The Manager's key objective for SPH REIT is to provide Unitholders with regular and stable distributions, and sustainable long-term growth in DPU and NAV per Unit, while maintaining an appropriate capital structure.

#### ABOUT THE SPONSOR: SINGAPORE PRESS HOLDINGS

Incorporated in 1984, main board-listed Singapore Press Holdings Ltd (SPH) is Asia's leading media organisation, engaging minds and enriching lives across multiple languages and platforms.

SPH's core business is publishing of newspapers, magazines and books in both print and digital editions. It also owns other digital products, online classifieds, radio stations and outdoor media.

On the property front, SPH owns 70% in a real estate investment trust called SPH REIT which comprises Paragon, a premier upscale retail mall and medical suite/office property in Orchard Road, The Clementi Mall, a mid-market suburban mall and The Rail Mall, a stretch of shopping and dining outlets along Upper Bukit Timah Road. SPH REIT also holds 85% equity stake in Figtree Grove, a freehold sub-regional shopping centre in Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia. SPH owns and operates The Seletar Mall. It is developing a new commercial cum residential site at Woodleigh. It also has acquired a portfolio of Purpose-Built Student Accommodation (PBSA) in the United Kingdom.

It is in the aged care sector and owns Orange Valley, Singapore's largest private nursing home operator.

SPH runs a regional events arm and a chain of Buzz retail outlets. It also invested in the education business.

For more information, please visit www.sph.com.sq.

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# 3Q FY19 Financial Results

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This presentation shall be read in conjunction with SPH REIT's financial results for the third quarter and year-to-date ended 31 May 2019 in the SGXNET announcement.



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# **Key Highlights**

## **3Q FY19 Financial performance:**

- Net property income increased 14.2% y-o-y
- **5.32%** Annualised Distribution Yield, based on closing price of \$1.040 on 31 May 2019
- Q3 FY19 DPU was **1.39cents**, an increase of 1.5% year-on-year
- Gearing at 30.1% and average cost of debt of 2.89%

## **Operational performance:**

- 99.0% Committed Occupancy by NLA as at 31 May 19
- 8.4% Rental Reversion for year-to-date ended 31 May 19



# 3Q FY19 financial performance

	3Q FY19 <sup>(a)</sup> S\$'000	3Q FY18 S\$'000	Change %
Gross revenue	58,333	51,769	12.7
Property expenses	(12,005)	(11,210)	(7.1)
Net property income (NPI)	46,328	40,559	14.2
Income available for distribution	36,794	35,095	4.8
Distribution to Unitholders(b)	35,953	35,205	2.1
Distribution per unit (DPU) (cents)	1.39	1.37	1.5

#### Note:

<sup>(</sup>a) Included the contributions from The Rail Mall (acquired on 28 June 2018) and Figtree Grove Shopping Centre (acquired on 21 December 2018).

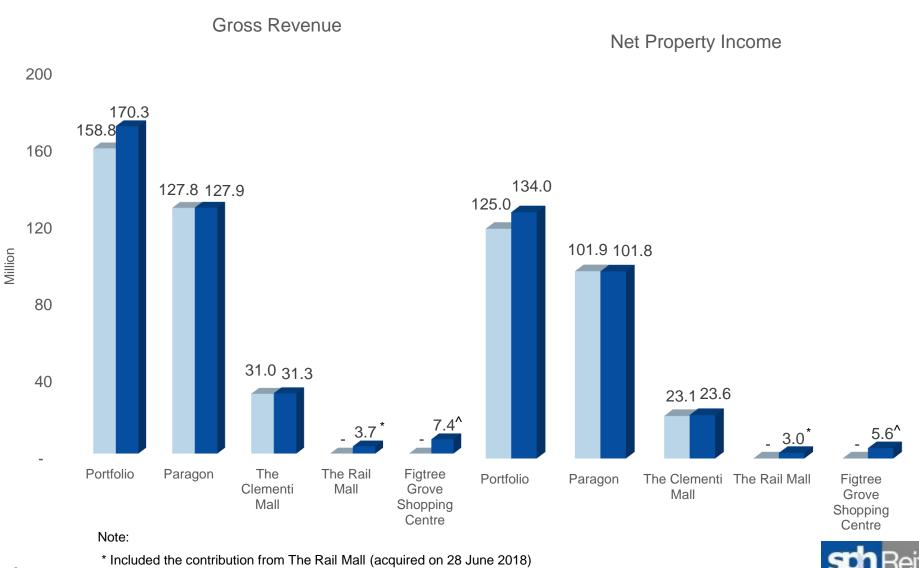
# YTD 3Q FY19 financial performance

	YTD 3Q <sup>(a)</sup> FY19 S\$'000	YTD 3Q FY18 S\$'000	Change %
Gross revenue	170,261	158,840	7.2
Property expenses	(36,292)	(33,823)	(7.3)
Net property income (NPI)	133,969	125,017	7.2
Income available for distribution	109,668	107,734	1.8
Distribution to Unitholders(b)	106,995	105,532	1.4
Distribution per unit (DPU) (cents)	4.14	4.11	0.7

Note:

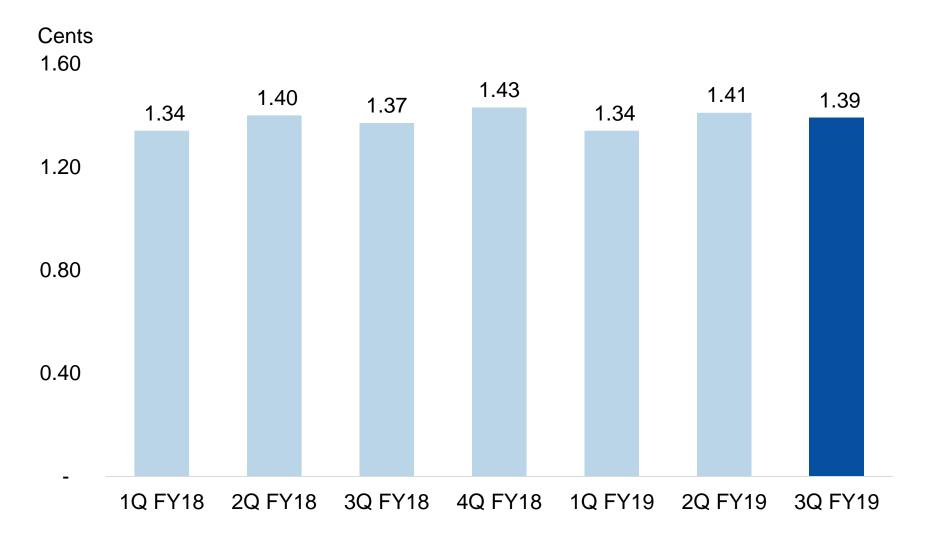
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# **Property performance**



<sup>^</sup> Included the contribution from Figtree Grove Shopping Centre (acquired on 21 December 2018)

# Steady distribution







# Financial position

	As at 31 May 2019 <sup>(a)</sup> S\$'000	As at 31 August 2018 S\$'000
Total assets	3,615,792	3,408,034
Total liabilities	1,174,803	969,087
Net assets attributable to unitholders	2,440,989	2,438,947
Net asset value per unit	S\$0.94	S\$0.95
Gearing (b)	30.1%	26.3%

#### Note:

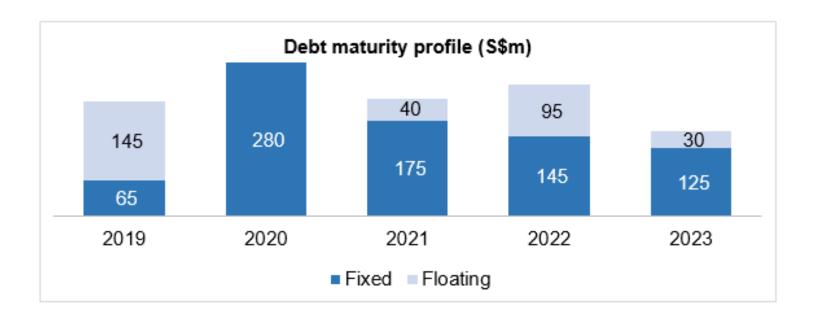
<sup>(</sup>b) Gearing is computed based on total debt/ total assets (Includes SPH REIT's proportionate share of borrowings in accordance to the Property Funds Appendix ).



<sup>(</sup>a) Included the contributions from The Rail Mall (acquired on 28 June 2018) and Figtree Grove Shopping Centre (acquired on 21 December 2018).

## Gearing

- SPH REIT maintained a well staggered debt maturity profile without major concentration of debts maturing in any single year.
- Gearing at 30.1% and average cost of debt of 2.89% p.a. as at 31 May 2019.
- Weighted average term to maturity: 1.8 years









- SPH REIT maintained high occupancy of 99.0%.
- Paragon recorded positive rental reversion of 8.6% for new and renewed leases cumulatively for YTD FY19. This represented 21.4% of Paragon's net lettable area.
- The Clementi Mall and The Rail Mall recorded positive rental reversion of 5.8% and 9.1% respectively for YTD FY19.
- The overall portfolio registered a positive rental reversion of 8.4%.
- Tenant sales have continued to register growth.
- YTD 3Q FY19 visitor traffic was higher by 4.4% compared to YTD 3Q FY18 for Singapore Assets.

### Rental reversion

	Number of renewals / (a)	NLA renewed / new leases (sqft)	As a % of properties' NLA	Change compared to preceding rental rates
Paragon	81	153,129	21.4%	8.6%
The Clementi Mall	17	19,664	10.1%	5.8%
The Rail Mall	9	10,532	21.2%	9.1%
SPH REIT Portfolio	107	183,325	19.1% <sup>(b)(e)</sup>	8.4% <sup>(d)</sup>

#### Notes:

- (a) For expiries in 3Q FY19, excluding newly created and reconfigured units
- (b) As a % of SPH REIT Singapore portfolio's total Net Lettable Area ("NLA") of 962,009 sqft as at 31 May 2019.
- (c) The change is measured between average rents of the renewed & new lease terms and the average rents of the preceding lease terms. Preceding leases were typically committed three years ago.
- (d) Reversion rate is computed based on weighted average of all expiring leases.
- (e) No new leases executed for Figtree Grove Shopping Centre in 3Q FY19.



## Staggered portfolio lease renewal

# Weighted Average Lease Expiry (WALE) as at 31 May 2019

	Singapore Portfolio	Australia Portfolio
By NLA	1.8 years	7.6 years
By Gross Rental Income	1.9 years	5.3 years

### Lease expiry as at 31 May 2019

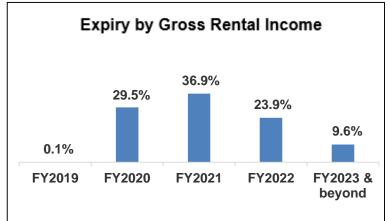
	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023 and beyond
Expiries as a % of total NLA	5.7%	28.8%	30.4%	17.6%	17.5%
Expiries as a % of Gross rental income	11.2%	23.2%	20.7%	17.3%	27.6%

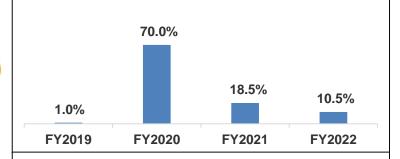


## Lease expiries by Singapore property



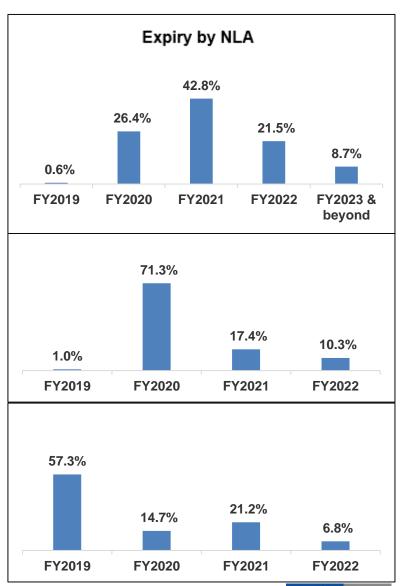
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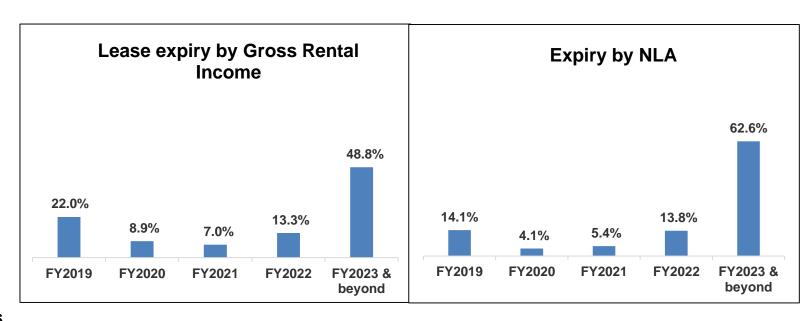




# Figtree Grove Shopping Centre

### Figtree Grove Shopping Centre - Completed Acquisition of 85% stake on 21 December 2018

- Established sub-regional mall located in Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia.
- Purchase consideration at A\$206.0 million (for 100% stake).
- Freehold tenure with approximately 236k sq ft gross lettable area.
- Major anchor tenants include a 24-hour Kmart, Coles and Woolworths supermarkets.
- 99.2% Committed occupancy.







# Multi-pronged strategy to ensure growth

Proactive asset management and asset enhancement strategy

- Ensure that interests of all stakeholders, including tenants, shoppers and Unitholders are protected while keeping its properties at the forefront of evolving retail mall trends and relevant to changing demands of consumers
- Continually optimise tenant mix of its properties
- Deliver high quality service to tenants and become the landlord of choice in the Singapore retail real estate space
- Implement asset enhancement initiatives and implement proactive marketing plans

Investments and acquisition growth strategy

- ROFR on the Sponsor's future income-producing properties used primarily<sup>(1)</sup> for retail purposes in Asia Pacific
  - One applicable ROFR property, The Seletar Mall, which has opened on 28 November 2014, and maintained high occupancy rate since its opening.
- Explore acquisition opportunities that will add value to SPH REIT's portfolio and improve returns to Unitholders

#### Note:

(1) 'primarily' means more than 50.0% of net lettable area or (in the case of a property where the concept of net lettable area is not applicable) gross floor area.



## **Engaging activities at our malls**

Paragon Level 3 Launch Celebrations – A refresh shopping space where shoppers can shop effortlessly through various shops and join us in creative workshops.

















### Singapore market outlook

### Outlook for Singapore economic growth is expected to moderate

- According to the Ministry of Trade and Industry ("MTI"), the Singapore economy grew by 1.2% year-on-year in first quarter of 2019.
- The global economy outlook remains clouded by uncertainties and downside risks. Against the backdrop of slightly weaker external economic outlook, MTI expects the economic growth forecast in 2019 to be narrowed downwards to "1.5% to 2.5%" from "1.5% to 3.5%".

### Growth in international visitor arrivals and tourism receipts

- For the first four months of 2019, international visitor arrivals grew by 1.6% y-o-y.
- Tourism receipts grew 0.5% to S\$26.9 billion in 2018.

#### Decline in retail sales

- The retail sales index (excluding motor vehicles) declined by 1.5% y-o-y in Q1 2019, as compared to a decline of 0.4% y-o-y in Q4 2018.



### **Australia Market outlook**

### Outlook for Australia economic growth

- According to the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA), the Australian economy increased by 2.80% in 2018.
- The RBA expects GDP growth to be around 2.00% in 2019 and 2.75% in 2020.

#### Retail turnover

 Based on figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), the seasonally adjusted retail turnover rose by 0.3% in March 2019, 0.9% in February 2019 and 0.1% in January 2019.



### Distribution details and timetable

Distribution period 3Q FY19

(1 March 2019 –

31 May 2019)

Distribution per unit 1.39 cents per unit

Ex-date 18 July 2019

Record date 19 July 2019

Payment date 22 August 2019





Please visit www.sphreit.com.sg for more information.

