## **CIRULAR DATED 16 JULY 2024**

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## KING WAN CORPORATION LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration Number: 200001034R)

# CIRCULAR TO THE NOTICE OF AGM IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF THE SHARE PURCHASE MANDATE

## **Important Dates and Times**

Last date and time for lodgement of Proxy Form :  $\,$  28 July 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

Date and time of Annual General Meeting : 31 July 2024 at 10.00 a.m.

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#### **DEFINITIONS**

In this Circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms or expressions shall have the following meanings:

"AGM" : Annual general meeting of the Company. Unless the context otherwise requires,

"AGM" shall refer to the annual general meeting to be held on 31 July 2024

"Annual Report 2024" : The Company's annual report for the financial year ended 31 March 2024

"Average Closing Price" : Has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 2.3.4 of this Circular

"Circular" : The circular dated 16 July 2024 issued by the Company to the Shareholders

"Board" : The board of Directors of the Company as at the date of this Circular

"CDP" or "Depository" : The Central Depository (Pte) Limited

"Companies Act" or the "Act" : The Companies Act 1967 of Singapore, as may be amended, varied or supplemented

from time to time

"Company" : King Wan Corporation Limited, a company incorporated in the Republic of Singapore

"Constitution" : The constitution of the Company, as amended, modified or supplemented from

time to time

"Controlling Shareholders" : A shareholder who:

(a) holds directly or indirectly 15% or more of the total number of issued Shares

(excluding Treasury Shares) in the Company; or

(b) in fact exercises control over the Company, as defined under the Listing

Manual

"Director" : A director of the Company as at the date of this Circular

"Group" : The Company and its Subsidiaries, collectively

"Group Company" : A company within the Group

"Latest Practicable Date" : 20 June 2024, being the latest practicable date prior to the uploading of this Circular

on SGXNet and the Company's corporate website

"Listing Manual" : The listing manual of the SGX-ST, as amended, modified and/or supplemented

from time to time

"Listing Rules" : The listing rules under the Listing Manual

"Maximum Purchase Price : Has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 2.3.4 of this Circular

"Notice" : The notice of AGM dated 16 July 2024

"NTA" : Net tangible assets

"Securities Account" : A securities account maintained by a Depositor with CDP but does not include a

securities sub-account maintained with a Depository Agent

"SGXNet" : A system network used by listed companies to send information and announcements

to the SGX-ST or any other system network(s) as may be prescribed by SGX-ST

"SGX-ST" : Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited

"Shareholders" : Registered holders of Shares, except that where the registered holder is CDP,

the term "Shareholder" shall, where context admits, mean the persons named as Depositors in the Depository Register maintained by the CDP and to whose

Securities Accounts such Shares are credited

"Shares" : Ordinary shares in the capital of the Company

"Share Purchase" : The purchase or acquisition of Shares by the Company pursuant to the terms of the

Share Purchase Mandate

"Share Purchase Mandate" : A general mandate given by Shareholders to authorise the Directors to purchase or

acquire, on behalf of the Company, Shares in accordance with the terms set out in this Circular as well as the rules and regulations set out in the Companies Act and

the Listing Manual

"SIC" : Securities Industry Council of Singapore

"Subsidiary Holdings" Shares referred to in Sections 21(4), 21(4B), 21(6A) and 21(6C) of the Companies Act

"Substantial Shareholder" : In relation to the Company, a person who has an interest in one (1) or more voting

shares included in one (1) of the classes of shares in the Company and the total votes attached to such share(s) is not less than 5% of the total votes attached to all

the voting shares included in the class

"Take-over Code" : The Singapore Code on Take-overs and Mergers, as amended, modified or

supplemented from time to time

"Trading Day" : A day on which the Shares are traded on the SGX-ST

**Currency, Units and Others** 

"S\$" and "Cents" : Singapore dollars and cents respectively, the lawful currency of Singapore

"%" or "per cent." : Percentage or per centum

The expression "**subsidiary**" or "**subsidiaries**" has the meaning ascribed to it in Section 5 of the Companies Act.

The terms "associate" and "associated company" shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the SGX-ST's Listing Manual.

Words importing the singular shall, where applicable, include the plural and *vice versa* and words importing one gender shall, where applicable, include the other gender and *vice versa*. References to persons shall, where applicable, include corporations.

Any reference in this Circular to any statute or enactment is a reference to that statute or enactment as for the time being amended or re-enacted. Any term defined under the Companies Act, the Listing Manual, the Take-over Code or any modification thereof and used in this Circular shall have the meaning assigned to it under the Companies Act, the Listing Manual, the Take-over Code or any modification thereof, as the case may be, unless otherwise provided.

Any discrepancy in figures included in this Circular between the amounts listed and the totals thereof is due to rounding. Accordingly, figures shown as totals in this Circular may not be an arithmetic aggregation of the figures that precede them.

Any reference to a time of day or date in this Circular shall be a reference to a time of day or date, as the case may be, in Singapore, unless otherwise stated.

Any reference to a website or any website directly or indirectly linked to such websites in this Circular is not incorporated by reference into this Circular and should not be relied upon.

### LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS

## KING WAN CORPORATION LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore) (Company Registration No. 200001034R)

#### **Directors:**

Teo Ho Pin (Independent and Non-Executive Chairman)
Chua Hai Kuey (Executive Director)
Chua Eng Eng (Managing Director)
Tang Siew Foo David (Independent and Non-Executive Director)
Siraarpa Siriviriyakul (Independent and Non-Executive Director)
Chua Kim Hua (Non-Independent and Non-Executive Director)

**Registered Office:** 

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16 July 2024

To: Shareholders of King Wan Corporation Limited

Dear Sir/Madam,

#### THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF THE SHARE PURCHASE MANDATE

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Reference is made to the Notice of Annual General Meeting of King Wan Corporation Ltd (the "Company") dated 16 July 2024, accompanying the Annual Report 2024, convening the AGM which is scheduled to be held on 31 July 2024 and the Ordinary Resolution 7 in relation to the renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate respectively, under the heading "Special Business" set out in the Notice.
- **1.2** The purpose of this Circular is to provide the Shareholders with details in respect of the proposed renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate (the "Renewal").
- **1.3** The SGX-ST takes no responsibility for the accuracy of any statements or opinions made or reports contained in this Circular.
- **1.4** At the last Annual General Meeting ("**AGM**") on 31 July 2023, Shareholders had renewed the grant of a mandate (the "Share Purchase Mandate") to enable the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire Shares in the capital of the Company.
- 1.5 The Share Purchase Mandate was expressed to take effect on the date of the passing of Ordinary Resolution at the last AGM and will expire on the date of the forthcoming AGM to be held on 31 July 2024. Accordingly, the Directors propose that the Share Purchase Mandate be renewed at the forthcoming AGM, to take effect until the next AGM of the Company. The terms of the Share Purchase Mandate which are sought to be renewed remain unchanged.
- **1.6** The purpose of this Circular is to provide Shareholders with relevant information pertaining to the proposal to be tabled at the AGM and to seek Shareholders' approval for the resolution relating to the Share Purchase Mandate at AGM to be held on 31 July 2024.

#### 2. THE PROPOSED RENEWAL OF SHARE PURCHASE MANDATE OF THE COMPANY

## 2.1 Background and Shareholders' Approval

The Directors propose to renew the Share Purchase Mandate. The Share Purchase Mandate is conditional upon the approval of Shareholders at the AGM. As such, approval is being sought from Shareholders at the AGM for the adoption of a general and unconditional Share Purchase Mandate for the purchase or acquisition by the Company of its issued Shares. If approved, the Share Purchase Mandate will take effect from the date of the AGM and continue in force until the date of the next AGM or such date as the next AGM is required by law to be held, unless prior thereto, share buybacks are carried out to the full extent mandated or the Share Purchase Mandate is revoked or varied by the Company in general meeting. The Share Purchase Mandate may be put to Shareholders for renewal at each subsequent AGM.

## 2.2 Rationale

The Share Purchase Mandate will give the Directors the flexibility to purchase or acquire Shares if and when circumstances permit. Share purchases or acquisitions provide the Company and its Directors with an easy mechanism to facilitate the return of surplus cash over and above its ordinary capital requirements in an expedient and cost-efficient manner. The purchase or acquisition of Shares may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements, lead to an enhancement of the earnings per Share and/or net tangible asset per Share.

Share purchases or acquisitions also allow the Directors to exercise control over the Company's share capital structure with a view to enhance the earnings per Share and/or net asset value per Share. The Share Purchase Mandate will further give the Company the opportunity to purchase or acquire Shares when such Shares are undervalued and help to buffer short-term share price volatility and offset the effects of share price speculation, thereby boosting Shareholders' confidence and employees' morale.

If and when circumstances permit, the Directors will decide whether to effect the Share purchases or acquisitions via Market Purchases or Off-Market Purchases (as defined below), after taking into account the amount of surplus cash available, the then prevailing market conditions and the most cost effective and efficient approach.

The Directors will only make purchases or acquisitions of shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate when they consider it to be in the best interests of the Company and in circumstances which they believe will not result in any material adverse effect on the financial position of the Company or the Group, or result in the Company being delisted from the SGX-ST.

## 2.3 Authority and limits on the Share Purchase Mandate

The authority and limit placed on purchases or acquisitions of Shares by the Company under the Share Purchase Mandate are summarised below:-

#### 2.3.1 Maximum Number of Shares

Only Shares which are issued and fully paid-up may be purchased or acquired by the Company. The total number of Shares that may be purchased or acquired under the Share Purchase Mandate is limit to that number of Shares representing not more than ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the date of the forthcoming AGM at which the proposed renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate is being approved (the "**Approval Date**"). Any Shares which are held as treasury shares or subsidiary holdings will be disregarded for purposes of computing the ten per cent. (10%) limit.

**For illustration purposes only**, on the basis of 698,353,740 Shares in issue (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the Latest Practicable Date, not more than 69,835,374 Shares (representing ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the Latest Practicable Date) may be purchased by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate during the period referred to in Section 2.3.2 below. As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Company is not holding any shares as treasury shares and it does not have any subsidiary holdings.

#### 2.3.2 Duration of Authority

Purchases or acquisitions of Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate may be made, at any time and from time to time, on and from the Approval Date, up to:

- (i) the date on which the next AGM of the Company is held or required by law to be held, whichever is earlier;
- (ii) the date on which the purchases or acquisitions of Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate has been carried out to the full extent mandated; or
- (iii) the date on which the authority conferred by the Share Purchase Mandate is revoked or varied by Shareholders in a general meeting,

whichever is the earliest.

The authority conferred on the Directors by the Share Purchase Mandate may be renewed at the next AGM. When seeking the approval of the Shareholders for the Share Purchase Mandate, the Company is required to disclose details pertaining to purchases or acquisitions of Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate made during the previous twelve (12) months, including the total number of Shares purchased, the purchase price per Share or the highest and lowest prices paid for such purchases of Shares, where relevant, and the total consideration paid for such purchases.

## 2.3.3 Manner of Purchases or Acquisitions of Shares

(i) The Company may purchase or acquire its Shares by way of:

- (a) an on-market purchase ("**Market Purchase**") effected on the SGX-ST, which may be transacted through one (1) or more duly licensed dealers appointed by the Company for this purpose; and/or
- (b) an off-market purchase ("**Off-Market Purchase**") effected otherwise than on the SGX-ST, in accordance with an equal access scheme in accordance with Section 76C of the Companies Act.
- (ii) The Directors may impose such terms and conditions which are not inconsistent with the Share Purchase Mandate, the Listing Manual, the Companies Act and the Constitution as they consider fit in the interests of the Company in connection with or in relation to any equal access scheme(s). An Off-Market Purchase must, however, satisfy all the following conditions:
  - (a) offers for the purchase or acquisition of Shares shall be made to every person who holds Shares to purchase or acquire the same percentage of their Shares;
  - (b) all of the abovementioned persons shall be given a reasonable opportunity to accept the offers made to them; and
  - (c) the terms of all the offers must be the same, except that there shall be disregarded: (1) differences in consideration attributable to the fact that the offers may relate to Shares with different accrued dividend entitlements; and (2) differences in the offers introduced solely to ensure that each person is left with a whole number of Shares.
- (iii) In addition, Rule 885 of the Listing Manual provides that, in making an Off-Market Purchase in accordance with an equal access scheme, the Company will issue an offer document to all Shareholders containing at least the following information:
  - (a) the terms and conditions of the offer;
  - (b) the period and procedures for acceptances;
  - (c) the reasons for the proposed purchase and acquisition of Shares;
  - (d) the consequences, if any, of the purchases or acquisitions of Shares by the Company that will arise under the Take-over Code or other applicable take-over rules;
  - (e) whether the purchases or acquisitions of Shares, if made, would have any effect on the listing of Shares on the SGX-ST;
  - (f) details of any purchases or acquisitions of Shares made by the Company in the previous twelve (12) months (whether Market Purchases or Off-Market Purchases), giving the total number of Shares purchased or acquired, the purchase price per Share or the highest and lowest prices paid for the purchases of Shares, where relevant, and the total consideration paid for the purchases; and
  - (g) whether the shares purchased by the Company will be cancelled or kept as treasury shares.

### 2.3.4 Maximum Purchase Price

The purchase price per Share (excluding brokerage, stamp duties, commission, applicable goods and services tax and other related expenses) to be paid for a Share will be determined by the Directors or a committee of Directors that may be constituted for the purposes of effecting a Share Purchase by the Company. However, the purchase price to be paid for the Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate must not exceed:

- (i) in the case of a Market Purchase, one hundred and five per cent. (105%) of the Average Closing Price (as defined below) of the Shares; and
- (ii) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase pursuant to an equal access scheme, one hundred and twenty per cent. (120%) of the Average Closing Price,

(the "Maximum Purchase Price") in either case, excluding any related expenses of the purchase.

For the above purposes:

"Average Closing Price" means the average of the closing market prices of the Shares over the last five (5) market days, on which transactions in the Shares were recorded, immediately before the day on which the purchase or acquisition of Shares is made or, as the case may be, the date of the making of the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Purchase pursuant to the equal access scheme, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs after the five (5)-day period; and

"date of the making of the offer" means the date on which the Company announces its intention to make an offer for the purchase or acquisition of the Shares on an equal access scheme, stating the purchase price (which shall not be more than the Maximum Purchase Price calculated on the foregoing basis) for each Share and the relevant terms of the equal access scheme for effecting the Off-Market Purchase.

#### 2.3.5 Status of Purchased Shares

Under Section 76B(5) of the Act, Shares purchased or acquired by the Company are deemed cancelled immediately on purchase or acquisition (and all rights and privileges attached to those Shares will expire on such cancellation), unless such Shares are held by the Company as treasury shares. The total number of issued Shares will be diminished by the number of Shares purchased or acquired by the Company that are cancelled and not held as treasury shares.

## 2.3.6 <u>Treasury Shares</u>

Under the Act, Shares purchased or acquired by the Company may be held or dealt with as treasury shares. Some of the provisions on treasury shares under the Act are summarised below.

## (i) Maximum Holdings

The number of Shares that may be held as treasury shares cannot at any time exceed ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued Shares.

## (ii) Voting and Other Rights

The Company cannot exercise any right in respect of the treasury shares. In particular, the Company cannot exercise any right to attend or vote at meetings and for the purpose of the Act, the Company shall be treated as having no right to vote in respect of the treasury shares and the treasury shares will be treated as having no voting rights.

In addition, no dividend may be paid, and no other distribution of the Company's assets may be made, to the Company in respect of treasury shares. However, the allotment of shares as fully paid bonus shares in respect of treasury shares is allowed. Also, a subdivision or consolidation of any treasury share into treasury shares of a greater or smaller amount, as the case may be, is allowed so long as the total value of the treasury shares after the subdivision or consolidation is the same as before the subdivision or consolidation, as the case may be.

#### (iii) Disposal and Cancellation

Where Shares purchased or acquired by the Company are held as treasury shares, the Company may at any time but subject always to the Take-over Code:

- (a) sell the treasury share (or any of them) for cash;
- (b) transfer the treasury shares (or any of them) for the purposes of or pursuant to any share scheme, whether for the Company's employees, directors or other persons;
- (c) transfer the treasury shares (or any of them) as consideration for the acquisition of shares in or assets of another company or assets of a person;
- (d) cancel the treasury shares (or any of them); or
- (e) sell, transfer or otherwise use the treasury shares (or any of them) for such other purposes as may be prescribed by the Minister of Finance.

In addition, under the Listing Manual, an immediate announcement must be made of any sale, transfer, cancellation and/or use of treasury shares. Such announcement must include details such as the date of the sale, transfer, cancellation and/or use of such treasury shares, the purpose of such sale, transfer, cancellation and/or use of such treasury shares, the number of treasury shares which have been sold, transferred, cancelled and/or used, the number of treasury shares before and after such sale, transfer, cancellation and/or use, the percentage of the number of treasury shares against the total number of issued Shares (of the same class as the treasury shares) which are listed on the SGX-ST before and after such sale, transfer, cancellation and/or use and the value of the treasury shares if they are used for a sale or transfer, or cancelled.

## 2.3.7 Reporting Requirements

(i) Within thirty (30) days of the passing of a Shareholders' resolution to approve or renew the Share Purchase Mandate, the Company shall lodge a copy of such resolution with the Registrar of Companies appointed under the Act (the "**Registrar**").

- (ii) The Directors shall lodge with the Registrar a notice of a Purchase of Shares in the prescribed form within thirty (30) days of any Purchase of Shares. Such notification shall include the date of the purchases or acquisitions, the number of Shares purchased or acquired by the Company, the number of Shares cancelled, the number of purchased Shares held as treasury shares, the Company's issued share capital before and after the purchase of Shares, the amount of consideration paid by the Company for the Share Purchase, whether the Shares were purchased or acquired out of the profits or the capital of the Company, and such other particulars as may be required in the prescribed form.
- (iii) Within thirty (30) days of the cancellation or disposal of treasury shares in accordance with the Act, the Directors shall lodge with the Registrar a prescribed notice of the cancellation or disposal of treasury shares with such particulars as may be required in the prescribed form, together with payment of the prescribed fee.
- (iv) The Listing Manual specifies that a listed company shall report all purchases or acquisitions of its Shares to the SGX-ST not later than 9.00 a.m.:
  - (a) in the case of a Market Purchase, on the market day following the day on which the Market Purchase was made; and
  - (b) in the case of an Off-Market Purchase under an equal access scheme, on the second market day after the close of acceptances of the offer for the Off-Market Purchase.

The notification to the SGX-ST (which must be in the form prescribed by Appendix 8.3.1 to the Listing Manual) of such Share Purchases shall include, *inter alia*, details of the date of the purchase of the Shares, the total number of Shares purchased, the number of Shares cancelled, the number of Shares held as treasury shares, the purchase price per Share or the highest and lowest prices paid for such Shares, as applicable, the total consideration (including stamp duties and clearing charges, etc.) paid or payable for the Shares, the number of Shares purchased as at the date of announcement (on a cumulative basis), the number of issued Shares excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings and the number of treasury shares and the number of subsidiary holdings held after the purchase of the Shares.

(v) For an Off-Market Purchase, the Listing Manual requires that the listed company issues an offer document to all Shareholders containing the information as set out in paragraph 2.3.3(iii) above.

#### 2.3.8 No Purchases During Price Sensitive Developments

While the Listing Manual does not expressly prohibit any purchase of shares by a listed company during any particular time or times, because the listed company would be regarded as an "insider" in relation to any proposed purchase or acquisition of its issued shares, the Company will not undertake any purchase of Shares at any time after a price sensitive development has occurred or has been the subject of a consideration and/or decision of the Directors until the price sensitive information has been publicly announced. In particular, the Company will not purchase or acquire any Shares during the period commencing one (1) month before the announcement of the Company's half year and full year financial statements, and ending on the date of announcement of the relevant results.

## 2.3.9 Sources of Funds

The Company may only apply funds for the Share Purchases as provided in the Constitution and in accordance with the applicable laws in Singapore. The Company may not purchase its Shares for a consideration other than cash or, in the case of a Market Purchase, for settlement otherwise than in accordance with the trading rules of the SGX-ST.

The Companies Act, subject to the Constitution, permits the Company to purchase its own Shares out of capital, as well as from its distributable profits, provided that at the date of payment with respect to the purchase of its own Shares:

- (i) there is no ground on which the Company could be found to be unable to pay its debts;
- (ii) if (i) it is intended to commence winding up of the Company within the period of twelve (12) months immediately after the date of the payment, the Company will be able to pay its debts in full within the period of twelve (12) months after the date of commencement of the winding up; or (ii) if it is not intended so to commence winding up, the Company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due during the period of twelve (12) months immediately after the date of payment; and
- (iii) the value of the Company's assets is not less than the value of its liabilities (including contingent liabilities) and will not after the purchase of its own Shares become less than the value of its liabilities (including contingent liabilities).

The Company intends to use its internal sources of funds or external borrowings or a combination of both to finance its Share Purchases. The Directors will only make a Share Purchase in circumstances which they believe will not result in any material adverse effect to the financial position of the Company or the Group.

#### 2.4 Financial Effects

The financial effects on the Group and the Company arising from purchases or acquisitions of Shares which may be made pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate will depend on, *inter alia*, the aggregate number of Shares purchased or acquired, the source of funds out of which the Company may use to pay the purchase price, the purchase price paid for such Shares and the amount (if any) borrowed by the Company to fund the Share Purchases and whether the Shares purchased or acquired are cancelled or held as treasury shares.

The Company's total number of issued Shares will be diminished by the aggregate number of Shares purchased by the Company and which are cancelled. The NTA of the Group will be reduced by the aggregate purchase price paid by the Company for the purchased Shares.

Under the Act, purchases or acquisitions of Shares by the Company may be made out of the Company's capital and/or profits so long as the Company is solvent. Where the consideration paid by the Company for the purchase or acquisition of Shares is made out of profits, such consideration will correspondingly reduce the amount of profits available for the distribution of dividends by the Company. Where the consideration paid by the Company for the purchase or acquisition of Shares is made out of capital, the amount of profits available for the distribution of dividends by the Company will not be reduced. Where the purchase or acquisition of Shares is paid out of the Company's profits or capital, the total amount of consideration paid by the Company shall include any expenses (including brokerage, commission, goods and services tax and other related expenses) incurred directly in such purchase or acquisition of Shares.

The Directors do not propose to exercise the Share Purchase Mandate to such an extent that it would have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Group. Purchase or acquisition of Shares will only be effected after considering relevant factors such as working capital requirement, availability of financial resources, expansion and investment plans of the Group and prevailing market conditions. The Share Purchase Mandate will be exercised with a view to enhancing the EPS and/or the NTA value per Share.

The amount of funding required for the Company to purchase or acquire its Shares and the financial impact on the Company and the Group arising from purchases of Shares which may be made pursuant to the Proposed Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate will depend on, *inter alia*, the aggregate number of Shares purchased or acquired and the consideration paid at the relevant time.

The impact of purchases or acquisitions under the Share Purchase Mandate on net asset value, earnings per Share and gearing of the Company and the Group will depend, *inter alia*, on the aggregate number of Shares purchased or acquired, the price at which they are purchased or acquired and the manner in which the purchase or acquisition is funded. It is therefore not possible to realistically calculate or quantify the impact at this point of time.

**For illustrative purposes only**, the financial effects of the Share Purchase Mandate on the Company and the Group, based on the audited financial statements of the Company and the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2024, are based on the assumptions set out below.

## 2.4.1 Number of Shares Purchased or Acquired

Based on 698,353,740 Shares in issue (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the Latest Practicable Date and assuming no further Shares are issued or purchased by the Company on or prior to the AGM, not more than 69,835,374 Shares (representing ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the Latest Practicable Date) may be purchased by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate.

## 2.4.2 Maximum Purchase Price Paid for Shares Purchased or Acquired

In the case of Market Purchases by the Company and assuming that the Company purchases or acquires 69,835,374 Shares at the Maximum Purchase Price of S\$0.036 for each Share (being the price equivalent to 105% of the Average Closing Price of the Shares for the five (5) consecutive Market Days on which the Shares were traded on the SGX-ST immediately preceding the Latest Practicable Date), the maximum amount of funds required for the purchase or acquisition of 69,835,374 Shares (excluding related expenses) is approximately \$\$2.49 million.

In the case of Off-Market Purchases by the Company and assuming that the Company purchases or acquires 69,835,374 Shares at the Maximum Purchase Price of \$\$0.041 for each Share (being the price equivalent to 120% of the Average Closing Price of the Shares for the five (5) consecutive Market Days on which the Shares were traded on the SGX-ST immediately preceding the Latest Practicable Date), the maximum amount of funds required for the purchase or acquisition of 69,835,374 Shares (excluding related expenses) is approximately \$\$2.85 million.

## 2.4.3 Illustrative Financial Effects

**For illustrative purposes only**, and based on the assumptions set out above and assuming that the purchase or acquisition of Shares is financed by internal sources of funds, and the Company had purchased or acquired 69,835,374 Shares (representing ten per cent. (10%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as at the Latest Practicable Date), the financial effects on the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2024 would have been as follows:

Scenario 1 - Share Purchases of up to 10% and cancelled

	•	— Group —		•	– Company -	
	Before Share Purchase S\$'000	After Market Purchase S\$'000	After Off- Market Purchase S\$'000	Before Share Purchase S\$'000	After Market Purchase S\$'000	After Off- Market Purchase S\$'000
	34 000	34 000	34 000	34 000	34 000	39 000
As at 31 March 2024						
Profit/(Loss) attributable to owners of the Company after income tax	12,402	12,402	12,402	(6,382)	(6,382)	(6,382)
Total equity	70,041	67,548	67,192	33,646	31,153	30,797
NTA	70,041	67,548	67,192	33,646	31,153	30,797
Current assets	36,637	34,144	33,788	5,346	2,853	2,497
Current liabilities	50,884	50,884	50,884	20,633	20,633	20,633
Total borrowings	25,104	25,104	25,104	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	9,058	6,565	6,209	92	(2,401)	(2,757)
Number of Shares ('000)	698,354	628,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519	698,354	698,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519
Weighted Average Number of Shares ('000)	698,354	628,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519	698,354	628,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519
Financial Ratios						
Earnings/(Losses) per Share (cents) (2)	1.78	1.97	1.97	(0.91)	(1.02)	(1.02)
NTA per Share (cents) <sup>(3)</sup>	10.03	10.75	10.69	4.82	4.96	4.90
Gearing (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	35.8	37.2	37.4	-	-	-
Current ratio (times) <sup>(5)</sup>	0.72	0.67	0.66	0.26	0.14	0.12

#### **Notes:**

<sup>(1) 628,519,000</sup> Shares are computed based on additional 69,835,000 Shares purchased and cancelled.

Earnings/(Losses) per Share represents net profit attributable to the owners of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2024 respectively divided by the weighted average number of Shares for the financial year ended 31 March 2024.

<sup>(3) &</sup>quot;NTA per Share" represents NTA divided by the weighted average number of Shares as at 31 March 2024.

<sup>(4) &</sup>quot;Gearing" refers to the ratio of total borrowings to total equity.

<sup>(5) &</sup>quot;Current ratio" represents current assets divided by current liabilities.

Scenario 2 - Share Purchases of up to 10% and held as treasury shares

	•	— Group —		•	– Company -	<b></b>
	Before Share Purchase	After Market Purchase	After Off- Market Purchase	Before Share Purchase	After Market Purchase	After Off- Market Purchase
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
As at 31 March 2024						
Profit/(Loss) attributable to owners of the Company after						
income tax	12,402	12,402	12,402	(6,382)	(6,382)	(6,382)
Total equity	70,041	67,548	67,192	33,646	31,153	30,797
NTA	70,041	67,548	67,192	33,646	31,153	30,797
Current assets	36,637	34,144	33,788	5,346	2,853	2,497
Current liabilities	50,884	50,884	50,884	20,633	20,633	20,633
Total borrowings	25,104	25,104	25,104	-	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	9,058	6,565	6,209	92	(2,401)	(2,757)
Number of Shares ('000)	698,354	628,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519	698,354	698,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519
Weighted Average Number of Shares ('000)	698,354	628,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519	698,354	628,519 <sup>(1)</sup>	628,519
Financial Ratios						
Earnings/(Losses) per Share (cents) (2)	1.78	1.97	1.97	(0.91)	(1.02)	(1.02)
NTA per Share (cents) <sup>(3)</sup>	10.03	10.75	10.69	4.82	4.96	4.90
Gearing (%) <sup>(4)</sup>	35.8	37.2	37.4	-	-	-
Current ratio (times) (5)	0.72	0.67	0.66	0.26	0.14	0.12

#### Notes:

- (1) 628,519,000 Shares are computed based on additional 69,835,000 Shares purchased and cancelled.
- Earnings/(Losses) per Share represents net profit attributable to the owners of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2024 respectively divided by the weighted average number of Shares for the financial year ended 31 March 2024.
- (3) "NTA per Share" represents NTA divided by the weighted average number of Shares as at 31 March 2024.
- (4) "Gearing" refers to the ratio of total borrowings to total equity.
- (5) "Current ratio" represents current assets divided by current liabilities.

Although the Share Purchase Mandate would authorise the Company to purchase or acquire up to ten per cent. (10.0%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings) as determined in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, the Company may not necessarily purchase or be able to purchase the entire ten per cent. (10.0%) of the total number of issued Shares of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares and subsidiary holdings). In addition, the Company may cancel all or part of the Shares purchased or hold all or part of the Shares purchased as treasury shares.

Even if the Share Purchase Mandate is approved, the Directors will not exercise the Share Purchase Mandate if the Group's working capital requirements and ability to services its debts would be adversely affected.

Shareholders should note that the financial effects set out above are solely for illustration purpose and based on the Groups' and the Company's historical numbers for the financial year ended 31 March 2024, and does not necessarily represent the Group's and the Company's future financial performance.

#### 2.5 Taxation

Shareholders who are in doubt as to their respective tax positions or tax implications of Share Purchase Mandate, or who may be subject to tax whether in or outside Singapore, should consult their own professional advisers.

## 2.6 Listing Status

The Company is required under Rule 723 of the Listing Manual to ensure that at least ten per cent. (10%) of its issued Shares (excluding treasury shares, preference shares and convertible equity securities) must be held by the public at all times. The "public" as defined under the Listing Manual, are persons other than (a) the directors, chief executive officer, substantial shareholders, or controlling shareholders of the Company and its subsidiaries, and (b) the associates of such persons.

Based on the Register of Directors' Shareholdings and the Register of Substantial Shareholders maintained by the Company as at the Latest Practicable Date, approximately 336,343,562 Shares, representing 48.2 per cent. (48.2%) of the total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares) are in the hands of the public. Assuming that the Company purchases its Shares through Market Purchases up to the full ten per cent. (10%) limit pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate, the number of Shares in the hands of the public would be reduced to 266,508,188 Shares, representing 42.4 per cent. (42.4%) of the reduced total number of issued Shares (excluding treasury shares).

In undertaking any purchases or acquisition of its Shares through Market Purchases, the Directors will use their best efforts to ensure that, notwithstanding such purchases, a sufficient float in the hands of the public will be maintained so that the purchases or acquisitions of the Shares will not adversely affect the listing status of the Shares on the SGX-ST, cause market illiquidity or adversely affect the orderly trading of the Shares. Any purchases or acquisitions of Shares will not be carried out if it will adversely affect the financial condition of the Company.

## 2.7 Implications under the Take-over Code

Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code contains the Share Buy-Back Guidance Note. The take-over implications arising from purchase or acquisition by the Company of its Shares are set out below:

#### 2.7.1 Obligation to Make a Take-over Offer

If, as a result of any purchase or acquisition by the Company of the Shares, the proportionate interest in the voting capital of the Company of a Shareholder and persons acting in concert with him increases, such increase will be treated as an acquisition for the purposes of Rule 14 of the Take-over Code. Consequently, depending on the number of Shares purchased by the Company and the Company's total number of issued Shares at that time, a Shareholder or a group of Shareholders acting in concert with a Director could obtain or consolidate effective control of the Company and become obliged to make an offer under Rule 14 of the Take-over Code.

#### 2.7.2 Persons Acting in Concert

Under the Take-over Code, "persons acting in concert" or "concert parties" comprise individuals or companies who, pursuant to an agreement or understanding (whether formal or informal) co-operate, through the acquisition by any of them of shares in a company to obtain or consolidate effective control of that company. Unless the contrary is established, the Take-over Code presumes, *inter alia*, the following individuals and companies to be persons acting in concert with each other, namely:

- (a) a company with any of its directors (together with their close relatives, related trusts as well as companies controlled by any of the directors, their close relatives and related trusts); and
- (b) a company, its parent company, subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries, and their associated companies, and companies of which such companies are associated companies, all with one another.

For this purpose, ownership or control of at least twenty per cent. (20%) but not more than fifty per cent. (50%) of the voting rights of a company will be regarded as the test of associated company status.

The circumstances under which Shareholders, including Directors and persons acting in concert with them respectively, will incur an obligation to make a take-over offer under Rule 14 of the Take-over Code after a Share Purchase are set out in Rule 14 and Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code.

## 2.7.3 Effect of Rule 14 and Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code

In general terms, the effect of Rule 14 and Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code is that, unless exempted, Directors and persons acting in concert with them will incur an obligation to make a take-over offer under Rule 14 of the Take-over Code if, as a result of the Company purchasing or acquiring its Shares, the voting rights of such Directors and their concert parties would increase to thirty per cent. (30%) or more, or in the event that such Directors and their concert parties hold between thirty per cent. (30%) and fifty per cent. (50%) of the Company's voting rights, if the voting rights of such Directors and their concert parties would increase by more than one per cent. (1%) in any period of six (6) months. In calculating the percentages of voting rights of such Directors and their concert parties, treasury shares shall be excluded.

Under Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code, a Shareholder and persons acting in concert with him will incur an obligation to make a take-over offer after a purchase or acquisition of Shares if, *inter alia*, their voting rights increase to thirty per cent. (30%) or more as a result of purchases or acquisition of Shares by the Company and they acquire any ordinary shares between the date of the notice of resolution to authorise the Share Purchase Mandate and the date the next AGM of the Company is held or is required to be held, or, if they already hold between thirty per cent. (30%) and fifty per cent. (50%) of the Company's voting rights and as a result of a Share Purchase by the Company, their voting rights increase by more than 1 per cent. (1%) in any period of 6 months and they acquire ordinary shares between the date of the notice of resolution to authorise the Share Purchase Mandate and the date the next AGM of the Company is held or is required to be held.

Under Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code, a Shareholder not acting in concert with the Directors will not be required to make a take-over offer under Rule 14 of the Take-over Code if, as a result of the Company purchasing or acquiring its Shares, the voting rights of such Shareholder would increase to thirty per cent. (30%) or more, or if such Shareholder holds between thirty per cent. (30%) and fifty per cent. (50%) of the Company's voting rights, the voting rights of such Shareholder would increase by more than one per cent. (1%) in any period of six (6) months. Such Shareholder need not abstain from voting in respect of the resolution authorising the Share Purchase Mandate.

Shareholders are advised to consult the SIC and/or other relevant authorities and/or their professional advisers at the earliest opportunity as to whether an obligation to make a take-over offer under the Take-over Code would arise by reason of any purchase or acquisition of Shares by the Company.

2.7.4 Exemption from the requirement to make an offer under Rule 14 of the Take-over Code

As at the Latest Practicable Date,

- (i) Mr. Chua Kim Hua is the registered owner of 88,226,638 Shares, amounting to 12.63% of the entire paid-up and issued ordinary shareholding of the Company;
- (ii) Ms. Chua Eng Eng is the registered owner of 73,153,812 Shares amounting to 10.48% of the entire paid-up and issued ordinary shareholding of the Company; and
- (iii) Mr. Chua Hai Kuey is the registered owner of 44,495,352 Shares amounting to 6.37% of the entire paidup and issued ordinary shareholding of the Company.

Mr. Chua Kim Hua is the father of Ms. Chua Eng Eng and the brother of Mr. Chua Hai Kuey. Under the Takeover Code, Mr. Chua Kim Hua, Ms. Chua Eng Eng and Mr. Chua Hai Kuey (collectively, the "Concert Parties") are presumed to be acting in concert with one another. The Concert Parties collectively hold 205,875,802 Shares amounting to 29.48% of the entire paid-up and issued ordinary shareholding of the Company.

Other than the Concert Parties, there is only one (1) other substantial shareholder in the Company, being Mui Hia Holding Limited who is the registered owner of 153,750,000 Shares, amounting to 22.02% of the entire paid-up and issued ordinary shareholding of the Company. Both Mui Hia Holding Limited and Ms. Ganoktip Siriviriyakul are not related to any of the Concert Parties.

In the event that the Company should, pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate, purchase or acquire up to 10% of its issued Shares, the Concert Parties' interest in the issued Shares could increase to 30% or more. Under the Takeover Code, the Concert Parties would as a result incur a mandatory take-over obligation for the issued Shares.

Pursuant to Appendix 2 of the Take-over Code, the Concert Parties and their concert parties will be exempted from making a take-over offer for the Company if the Concert Parties' percentage interest in the Company increases to 30% or more solely as a result of the Company purchasing or acquiring its Shares under the Share Purchase Mandate, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) this Circular on the resolution to approve the adoption of the Share Purchase Mandate contains advice to the effect that by voting for the adoption of the Share Purchase Mandate, Shareholders are waiving their rights to a take-over offer at the required price from the Concert Parties and parties acting in concert with them who as a result of a share purchase or acquisition by the Company under the Share Purchase Mandate would increase their voting rights to 30% or more; and the names of the Concert Parties and parties acting in concert with them and their voting rights at the time of the resolution and after the purchase or acquisition by the Company under the Share Purchase Mandate are disclosed in the same Circular;
- (ii) the resolution to approve the adoption of the Share Purchase Mandate is approved by a majority of those Shareholders present and voting at the meeting on a poll who could not become obliged to make take-over offer as a result of the share purchase or acquisition by the Company under the Share Purchase Mandate;
- (iii) the Concert Parties and parties acting in concert with them abstain from voting and/or recommending Shareholders to vote in favour of the resolution to approve the adoption of the Share Purchase Mandate;

- (iv) Within 7 days after the passing of the resolution to authorise a buy-back, each of the director to submit to the SIC a duly signed form as prescribed by the SIC; and
- (v) the Concert Parties and parties acting in concert with them have not acquired and will not acquire any Shares between the date on which they know that the announcement of the share purchase or acquisition by the Company under the Share Purchase Mandate is imminent and the earlier of:
  - (a) the date on which the authority of the Share Purchase Mandate expires; and
  - (b) the date on which the Company announces that it has bought back such number of Shares as authorised by the Share Purchase Mandate or it has decided to cease buying back its Shares, as the case may be, if such acquisitions, taken together with those purchased or acquired by the Company under the Share Purchase Mandate, would cause their aggregate voting rights to increase to 30% or more

## 2.7.5 Advice to Shareholders

Shareholders are advised that by voting in favour of the Ordinary Resolution relating to the adoption of the Share Purchase Mandate, they will be waiving their rights to a take-over offer at the required price from the Concert Parties (and their concert parties) who, as a result of the purchase or acquisition of Shares by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate, would increase their collective interest in the Shares to 30% or more.

### 2.7.6 Voting Rights of Concert Parties

Assuming that there is no change in the interest of the Concert Parties in Shares between the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the AGM, the aggregate interest, both direct and deemed in Shares of the Concert Parties as at the date of the AGM and after the purchase by the Company of 10% of the issued Shares pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate are as follows:

		are Purchase ate of AGM)	After Share Purchase		
Concert Parties	No. of Shares	% of total issued Shares <sup>(1)</sup>	No. of Shares	% of total issued Shares <sup>(2)</sup>	
Chua Kim Hua	88,226,638	12.63%	88,226,638	14.04%	
Chua Eng Eng	73,153,812	10.48%	73,153,812	11.64%	
Chua Hai Kuey	44,495,352	6.37%	44,495,352	7.08%	

## **Notes:**

- (1) Based on 698,353,740 issued Shares as at the Latest Practicable Date;
- Based on 628,518,366 issued Shares, being the 698,353,740 Shares referred to in note (1) above, after purchase of 69,835,374 Shares.

## 2.8 No Share Purchase in the previous 12 months

No purchases of Shares have been made by the Company in the 12 months preceding the Latest Practicable Date.

## 3. DIRECTORS' AND SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS

## 3.1 Directors' and Substantial Shareholders' Interests

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the interests of Directors and Substantial Shareholders in the Shares as recorded in the Register of Director's Shareholdings and the Register of Substantial Shareholders are as follows:

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<b>Direct Interest</b>	<b>Deemed Interest</b>	<b>Total Interest</b>	% of Issues Shares (1)
88,226,638	-	88,226,638	12.63%
73,153,812	-	73,153,812	10.48%
44,495,352	-	44,495,352	6.37%
153,750,000	-	153,750,000	22.02%
-	153,750,000	153,750,000	22.02%
	88,226,638 73,153,812 44,495,352	88,226,638 - 73,153,812 - 44,495,352 - 153,750,000 -	Direct Interest         Deemed Interest         Total Interest           88,226,638         -         88,226,638           73,153,812         -         73,153,812           44,495,352         -         44,495,352           153,750,000         -         153,750,000

#### Note:

(1) The percentage of issued ordinary shares is calculated based on the number of issued shares as at the Latest Practicable Date, excluding any ordinary shares held in treasury as at that date.

#### 3.2 Interest in Share Purchase Mandate

Saved as disclosed in this Circular, none of the Directors or Substantial Shareholders has any interest in the Share Purchase Mandate.

#### 4. DIRECTORS' RECOMMENDATIONS

Any purchase or acquisition of Shares by the Company would have to be made in accordance with, and in the manner prescribed by the Companies Act, the Constitution and the Listing Manual and such other laws and regulations as may, for the time being, be applicable.

The Directors (other than Mr. Chua Kim Hua, Ms. Chua Eng Eng and Mr. Chua Hai Kuey), having considered the rationale and benefit the Proposed Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate as set out in this Circular, are of the opinion that the Share Purchase Mandate is in the interest of the Company and recommend that Shareholders vote in favour of the Ordinary Resolution relating to the Share Purchase Mandate (Resolution 7).

The Share Buy-Back Guidance Note 3(a)(iii) in the Take-over Code, states that "directors and/or persons acting in concert with them to abstain from voting for and/or recommending shareholders to vote in favour of the resolution to authorise the share buy-back".

Mr. Chua Kim Hua, Ms. Chua Eng Eng and Mr. Chua Hai Kuey have abstained from making any recommendation for Shareholders to vote in favour of the Ordinary Resolution relating to the Share Purchase Mandate (Resolution 7) and will abstain from voting their Shares (if any) on the Ordinary Resolution.

Shareholders are advised to read this Circular in its entirety and for any Shareholder who may require advice in the context of his specific investment, to consult his professional adviser.

## 5. DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

The Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility for the accuracy of the information given in this Circular and confirm after making all reasonable enquiries that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, this Circular constitutes full and true disclosure of all material facts about the proposed renewal of Share Purchase Mandate of the Company and its subsidiaries which are relevant to the Proposals, and the Directors are not aware of any facts the omission of which would make any statement in this Circular misleading.

Where information in this Circular has been extracted from published or otherwise publicly available sources or obtained from a named source, the sole responsibility of the Directors has been to ensure that such information has been accurately and correctly extracted from those sources and/or reproduced in this Circular in its proper form and context.

## 6. DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

The following documents are available for inspection at the registered office of the Company at 8 Sungei Kadut Loop, Singapore 729455 during normal business hours on any weekday from the date of this Circular up to and including the time and date of the AGM:

- (i) the Constitution of the Company;
- (ii) the Circular to Shareholders dated 16 July 2024 relating to the proposed renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate; and
- (iii) the annual report of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2024.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors **King Wan Corporation Limited** 

**Teo Ho Pin** Chairman