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# **OUR PRESENCE**

## Germany

## PROPERTY HOLDING

## **HOTELS**

Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden *Dresden* 

Le Méridien Frankfurt Frankfurt

## **PROPERTY FINANCING**

## **EUROPE**

## The Netherlands

## PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Dreeftoren Redevelopment Amsterdam Southeast

Meerparc *Amsterdam* 

## Italy

## **PROPERTY HOLDING**

#### HOTEL

Bare shell hotel formerly known as Grand Hotel Puccini *Milan* 

## **PROPERTY HOLDING**

## **INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**

Arena Towers (Holiday Inn Amsterdam and Holiday Inn Express Amsterdam hotels) Amsterdam Southeast

Berg & Bosch Bilthoven

Herengracht 21 The Hague Mondriaan Tower

Amsterdam

Munthof *Amsterdam* 

Oliphant Amsterdam Southeast

Zuiderhof I Amsterdam

# • PROPERTY FINANCING

## **HOTELS**

Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station & Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station *Utrecht* 

Hilton Rotterdam *Rotterdam* 

Bilderberg Château Holtmühle *Tegelen* 

Bilderberg Europa Hotel Scheveningen *The Hague* 

Bilderberg Garden Hotel Amsterdam *Amsterdam* 

Bilderberg Grand Hotel Wientjes Zwolle

Bilderberg Hotel De Bovenste Molen *Venlo* 

Bilderberg Hotel De Keizerskroon Apeldoorn

Bilderberg Hotel 't Speulderbos *Garderen* 

Bilderberg Kasteel Vaalsbroek Vaals

Bilderberg Parkhotel Rotterdam *Rotterdam* 

Bilderberg Résidence Groot Heideborgh *Garderen* 

Hotel de Bilderberg *Oosterbeek* 



# **OUR THREE KEY OPERATING SEGMENTS**

## PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Property development in the PRC, the Netherlands and Australia.

## PROPERTY HOLDING

Hotel ownership and operations as well as investment properties held for rental income, primarily in the PRC, the Netherlands, Germany and Italy.

We plan to build our portfolio to generate a stable stream of recurrent income and future capital gain.

## PROPERTY FINANCING

Loan arrangements primarily in the PRC (including via entrusted loans), the Netherlands, Germany and Australia.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR	2015	2016	2017	
	(S\$'million)	(S\$'million)	(S\$'million)	
(A) Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss				
Property development	165.4	162.1	308.1	
Property holding (1)	14.1	18.9	28.5	
Property financing	36.3	18.1	47.8	
Revenue	215.8	199.1	384.4	
Property development	46.3	20.8	98.6	
Property holding (1)	10.9	15.2	11.4	
Property financing	36.2	15.8	43.0	
Gross profit	93.4	51.8	153.0	
Profit before tax	91.0	118.4	121.2	
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	67.4	113.1	88.3	
Distributions of perpetual convertible capital securities	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	
(B) Consolidated Statement of Financial Position				
Cash and cash equivalents	112.0	280.6	319.3	
Other investments (current) (2)	-	-	38.9	
Net debt (3)	368.8	81.3	261.7	
Total assets	1,800.8	1,796.1	2,106.5	
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	974.7	1,024.6	1,080.2	
Perpetual convertible capital securities	_	, -	, -	
Total equity	978.1	1,029.7	1,086.9	
(C) Ratio Analysis				
Net gearing ratio (4)	0.38	0.08	0.24	
Return on equity (5)	7.2%	11.3%	8.4%	
	7,270		0,170	
(D) Per Ordinary Share				
Net asset value (cents) (6)	165.26	173.71	183.13	
Adjusted net asset value (cents) (7)	165.26	173.71	183.13	
Basic earnings (cents) (8)	10.38 (9)	17.43 (9	) 13.61 <sup>(9)</sup>	
Diluted earnings (cents)	10.38 (9)	17.43 (9	) 13.61 <sup>(9)</sup>	
Dividends (tax-exempt (one-tier))				
- first interim ordinary dividend (cents)	0.70	1.00	1.00	
- second interim ordinary dividend (cents)	-	-	-	
- final ordinary dividend (cents)	1.00	1.00	1.20	
- total dividends (cents)	1.70	2.00	2.20	

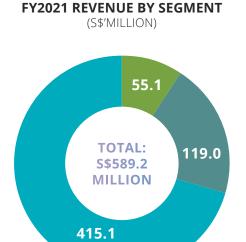
## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

8 2019	2020 2021
) (S\$'million) (S\$'m	illion) (S\$'million)
4 160.0	57.0 <b>415.1</b>
7 71.8	<b>41.7 55.1</b>
87.4	105.2 <b>119.0</b>
4 319.2	203.9 <b>589.2</b>
7 78.8	<b>119.2</b>
30.5	9.1 <b>16.1</b>
8 79.7	97.9 <b>106.0</b>
5 189.0	171.9 241.3
5 194.2	125.6 <b>202.6</b>
	103.2 121.5
5 3.5	3.0 -
	<b>343.9</b>
3 -	-
	<b>756.2</b>
	<b>424.6 4,303.5</b>
	571.1 1,863.1
3 146.5 5 1 508.6 1 1	- 747 2 4 0 <b>7</b> 9 0
5 1,598.6 1,	747.3 1,978.9
0.20	<b>0.16 0.38</b>
6 11.6%	6.4% <b>6.9%</b>
	31170
1 197.27 1	<b>202.39</b>
1 165.16 1	<b>176.60</b>
2 21.64	11.97 <b>13.26</b>
2 17.12	<b>9.16</b>
0 1.10	1.10 <b>1.10</b>
	2.00 <b>2.35</b>
1.60	1.60 -
2.70	3.10 <b>3.45</b>

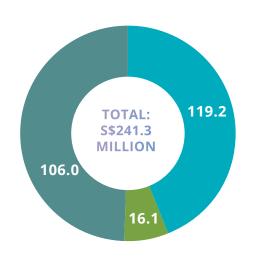
#### Notes:

- (1) Property holding represents property investment and hotel operations.
- (2) Other investments (current) relate to principal-guaranteed structured deposits placed with financial institutions.
- (3) Net debt = gross borrowings less cash and cash equivalents less other investments (current) as defined in (2) above.
- (4) Net gearing ratio is net debt divided by total equity including non-controlling interests and perpetual convertible capital securities ("PCCS") where applicable.
- (5) Computed based on the net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company divided by the simple average equity attributable to owners of the Company (including PCCS where applicable, but excluding non-controlling interests).
- (6) Computed based on the equity attributable to owners of the Company (including PCCS where applicable, but excluding non-controlling interests) and the number of ordinary shares in issue (excluding treasury shares) as at the end of each respective financial year.
- (7) Computed based on net asset value per share adjusted for the full conversion of PCCS and exercise of all warrants to ordinary shares where applicable.
- (8) Computed based on the net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company and the weighted average number of ordinary shares for the respective financial year. The weighted average number of ordinary shares excluded 307,682 shares in the Company held by a subsidiary since August 2018 which are accounted for as treasury shares in the consolidated financial statements of the Group in accordance with IAS32 Financial Instruments: Presentation.
- (9) For comparative purposes, the number of ordinary shares for the prior years have been adjusted to include the effect of the issue of one bonus share for every ten (10) existing ordinary shares in April 2018.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



# FY2021 GROSS PROFIT BY SEGMENT (S\$'MILLION)



# SEGMENT PROFIT BEFORE TAX (1)

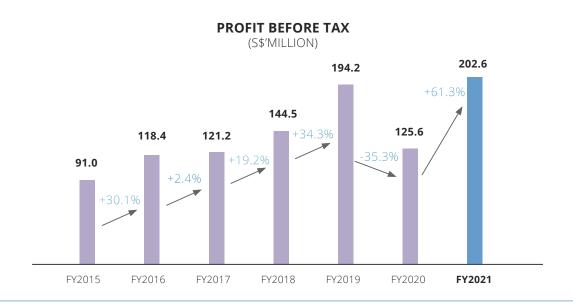
## REVENUE BY SEGMENT



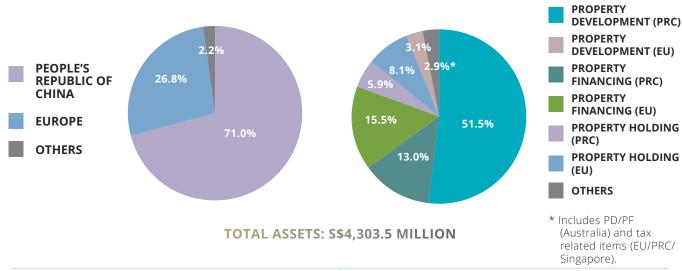
<sup>(1)</sup> This is excluding unallocated expenses of S\$11.6 million (FY2020: S\$10.4 million; FY2019: S\$11.7 million; FY2018: S\$14.7 million; FY2017: S\$11.9 million; FY2016: S\$15.8 million and FY2015: S\$8.1 million).

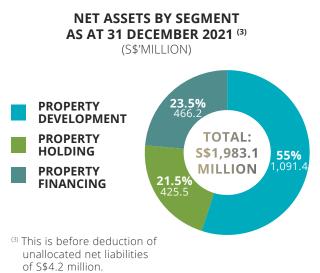
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> This is net of impairment charge, depreciation charge, hotel pre-opening expenses and base stocks written off, and property, plant and equipment written off, where applicable, amounting to S\$27.5 million for FY2021 in aggregate (FY2020: S\$16.2 million; FY2019: S\$56.8 million; FY2018: S\$19.9 million; FY2017: S\$17.6 million; FY2016: S\$16.4 million and FY2015: S\$1.2 million).

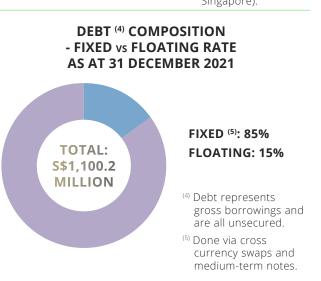












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Despite the challenges caused by Covid-19, First Sponsor recorded a record annual pre-tax profit of S\$202.6 million, underpinned by higher profit contributions from all three core business segments. In conjunction with the good set of results and healthy financials, the Group declared a record total dividends for FY2021 of 3.45 Singapore cents.

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## Dear Shareholders,

While the Covid-19 pandemic continued to disrupt economic activities throughout 2021, the Group managed to navigate through these unprecedented times with a good set of results for the financial year ended 31 December 2021. I am happy to report that the Group recorded a record annual pre-tax profit of S\$202.6 million. The corresponding net profit attributable to shareholders was S\$121.5 million, a 17.7% growth from 2020, underpinned by higher profit contributions from all three core business segments.

In conjunction with the good set of results and healthy financials, the Board announced a second interim tax-exempt (one-tier) cash dividend of 2.35 Singapore cents per ordinary share in lieu of a final dividend for FY2021, resulting in a record total dividends declared for FY2021 of 3.45 Singapore cents per ordinary share, 11.3% higher than the FY2020 full year dividends. The Board will continue to work towards a stable dividend payout with a steady growth when appropriate, subject to the successful implementation of the Group's business strategy and prevailing market conditions amidst the current economic uncertainties arising from the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Group's property development projects in the Greater Bay Area ("GBA") achieved good overall sales performance in 2021. The Group had further expanded its business presence in the GBA through the acquisition of four more property development projects, one in Fenggang, Dongguan (18% equity interest), two in Humen, Dongguan (48.2% and 36% equity interest) and the fourth in Panyu, Guangzhou (95% equity interest) in FY2021. Although sales rate had slowed down fairly substantially since the Evergrande crisis, the Group remains confident in the medium term prospects

of the GBA region. The Group has 5 property development projects in the People's Republic of China ("PRC") which are expected to launch for pre-sales in 2022.

The Group's European operating hotels showed some signs of recovery in 2021, mainly underpinned by leisure demand. While demand was adversely affected following the resurgence of Covid-19 cases and the consequential implementation of restrictions in late 2021, the Group's European hospitality business, including those owned by associated companies and joint ventures, achieved earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ("EBITDA") of €1.1 million compared to a loss before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ("LBITDA") of €1.1 million in FY2020 after taking into account €10.1 million of government subsidies (FY2020: €8.4 million). Similarly, in the PRC, the Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang and Holiday Inn Express Chengdu Wenjiang Hotspring hotels ("Wenjiang Hotels") recorded an overall EBITDA of RMB12.5 million for FY2021 which represented a growth of 58% from the EBITDA of RMB7.9 million recorded in FY2020.

The Group's property financing segment performed well in FY2021 with its highest full year average PRC loan book to-date of RMB2.7 billion. The challenge for the Group would be to maintain a similar average loan balance for FY2022 as the credit liquidity situation in the PRC continues to improve.

## **Group Performance**

The Group recorded a strong 188.9% increase in revenue from S\$203.9 million in FY2020 to S\$589.2 million in FY2021, and an overall 17.7% increase in net profit attributable to shareholders from S\$103.2 million in FY2020 to S\$121.5 million in FY2021. The Group achieved a record profit before tax of S\$202.6 million in FY2021, which was a 61.3% increase from the profit before tax of S\$125.6 million in FY2020. The bulk of the revenue growth for FY2021 stemmed mostly from the property development sector due mainly to the handover of SOHO loft units at Plot F of the Chengdu Millennium Waterfront in 1H2021 and the six fully sold residential apartment blocks of The Pinnacle, Dongguan in December 2021. The Group's property holding and property financing segments saw moderate growth in FY2021 due mainly to the modest recovery of the European and PRC hospitality sectors from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, the effect of the consolidation of the East Sun property portfolio and a larger average PRC loan portfolio.

As at 31 December 2021, the Group's total equity, consolidated gross borrowings and consolidated net gearing ratio based on book value amounted to approximately \$\$2.0 billion, \$\$1.1 billion and 0.38 respectively.

The Group continues to adopt a foreign exchange hedging strategy fairly similar to prior years. Its European and Australian investments are substantially hedged via a combination of local currency-denominated borrowings and financial derivatives such as cross-currency swaps and foreign currency forward swaps. Given the increase in the Group's RMB-denominated assets, the Group has also been conscientiously increasing its hedge against RMB exposure. Nevertheless, relative to the Group's net exposure to its European and Australian investments, RMB exposure remains a key business risk to the Group. This is mainly because of the substantially higher cost to hedge RMB as compared to other currencies. As at 31 December 2021, the Group recorded a cumulative translation gain of S\$91.7 million (Dec 2020: gain of S\$19.3 million) arising from the Group's exposure to RMB.

## **Property Development**

Revenue and gross profit from property development surged by 628.4% to \$\$415.1 million (FY2020: \$\$57.0 million) and 84.0% to \$\$119.2 million (FY2020: \$\$64.9 million) respectively. Property development performance for FY2021 was mainly driven by the handover of SOHO loft units at Plot F of the Chengdu Millennium Waterfront in 1H2021 and the six fully sold residential apartment blocks of The Pinnacle, Dongguan in December 2021.

The Group has 5 PRC property development projects which are expected to launch for pre-sales in FY2022, namely, (i) the 17.3%-owned Time Zone, (ii) the 48.2%-owned Bolong Bay Garden and (iii) the 36%-owned Boyong project, all of which are situated in Humen, Dongguan, as well as (iv) the 95%-owned Primus Bay in Panyu, Guangzhou and (v) Plot E1 of the Millennium Waterfront in Wenjiang, Chengdu.

## The Pinnacle, Dongguan, PRC

In December 2021, the 60%-owned The Pinnacle in Dongguan commenced its first handover of six of the eight fully sold residential apartment blocks. The remaining two fully sold residential apartment blocks and 202 SOHO units are expected to be handed over during the course of 2022. As at 11 March 2022, 27% of the 202 SOHO units were sold.



The Pinnacle, Dongguan, PRC



Skyline Garden, Dongguan, PRC

## Skyline Garden, Dongguan, PRC

The last of the five residential apartment blocks of the 27%-owned Skyline Garden project in Dongguan, comprising 364 units were launched for pre-sales in July 2021 and substantially sold. The project is expected to commence its first handover of the four fully sold residential apartment blocks in late 2022.

## Time Zone, Dongguan, PRC

The first two residential apartment blocks (452 units) of the 17.3%-owned Time Zone were substantially sold on the first day of its pre-sale launch in August 2021 at the maximum permitted selling price. Two other residential apartment blocks (515 units) that were launched for pre-sales in October and December 2021 were 33% and 14% sold respectively at similar price level. Two SOHO loft blocks (648 units) were launched for pre-sales on 13 November 2021 and were, on average, 85% sold.

Pre-sales for the remaining two residential apartment blocks (308 units) of Phase 1.1, as well as two residential apartment blocks (292 units) and two SOHO loft blocks (648 units) of the neighbouring Phase 1.2 are expected to be launched in 2022.

The first handover of the residential apartment blocks is expected to commence in 2023.



Time Zone, Dongguan, PRC

## Fenggang Project, Dongguan, PRC

In January 2021, the Group signed a cooperation agreement in relation to, among other things, the acquisition by the Group of an 18% equity stake in a real estate developer which has the rights to redevelop a plot of land in Fenggang, Dongguan with a site area of about 33,800 sqm ("Fenggang Project"). The resettlement exercise for the existing inhabitants is on-going and the majority of the existing inhabitants have agreed and signed the resettlement compensation agreements. A large number of the remaining inhabitants have agreed on the principal terms and will be progressing to the documentation phase. The land is expected to be successfully re-zoned by the second half of 2022.



Artist's impression of Bolong Bay Garden, Dongguan, PRC

## Bolong Bay Garden, Dongguan, PRC

In April 2021, the Group entered into a joint venture with a wholly-owned subsidiary of a HKSE-listed property development company ("HK ListCo") pursuant to which the Group acquired a 48.2% equity interest in a piece of development land in Humen, Dongguan. The project company commenced construction works in June 2021 to develop the 30,000 sqm land parcel into a predominantly residential project with a total saleable gross floor area ("GFA") of approximately 78,400 sqm.

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had subscribed for approximately \$\$97 million and \$\$89 million of junior and senior convertible bonds with an annual coupon rate of 15% and 12% respectively ("Convertible Bonds") issued by the JV holding company ("JV HoldCo") of the Bolong Bay Garden project. The subscription monies were used to finance the acquisition, conversion from industrial to residential use of the land parcel and the development of Bolong Bay Garden. The Convertible Bonds are secured on, among other things, a share pledge over the shares of JV HoldCo and are guaranteed by the HK ListCo.

Construction work has been progressing well with pre-sales expected to commence in 1H2022.

## Primus Bay, Guangzhou, PRC

The Group completed the acquisition of the 95% equity interest in the project in May 2021. The project comprises 20 residential apartment blocks of 1,527 units in Panyu, Guangzhou ("Primus Bay").

Construction work of the Primus Bay has been progressing well. The Group expects to launch its first pre-sales of three residential apartment blocks under Phase 1 in 1H2022. Presales for the remaining residential apartment blocks are expected to be launched progressively from 2H2022.



Artist's impression of Primus Bay, Guangzhou, PRC

## **Humen Boyong Project, Dongguan, PRC**

In July 2021, the Group entered into a joint venture pursuant to which it subscribed for a 36% equity stake in a project company that owns and will redevelop two adjacent plots of mixed-use development land in Humen, Dongguan.

The site is situated at a prime location, between the Time Zone and Bolong Bay Garden, accessible via two metro lines (under planning), and is approximately 800 metres away from the Humen East high-speed train station which connects to Shenzhen and Guangzhou. It is also approximately 1.7 kilometres away from the Humen municipal office, and well supported by amenities such as hospitals, schools, commercial retail and malls.

The project will have a saleable GFA of approximately 110,000 sqm which comprises approximately 82,000 sqm (75%) of residential GFA and 28,000 sqm (25%) of commercial GFA.

Construction of the Human Boyong Project has commenced and pre-sale is expected to be launched in 2H2022.



Artist's impression of Humen Boyong Project, Dongguan, PRC



Artist's impression of Plot E Phase 1, Millennium Waterfront Project, Chengdu, PRC

## Millennium Waterfront Project, Chengdu, PRC

Following the successful development of Plot F, Plot E, the last development plot of the Millennium Waterfront comprising approximately 2,800 SOHO units, 37,500 sqm of lettable commercial space and a medical facility with a GFA of 74,200 sqm, will be developed in two phases (Phase 1 and Phase 2).

Construction under Phase 1, which comprises approximately 2,124 SOHO units (149,700 sqm) and 28,400 sqm of retail podium, has begun with SOHO presales expected to commence in late 2Q2022.



Artist's impression of City Tattersalls Club, Sydney, Australia

## City Tattersalls Club ("CTC") Project, Sydney, Australia

Following the Stage 2 development approval application for the CTC Project in Sydney in March 2021, the Group is pleased that the Stage 2 development approval has been obtained in November 2021, paving the way for the construction and pre-sale launch of the 241 residential units (net saleable area: 18,600 sqm) to commence in 3Q2022.

In addition, October 2021 saw the 39.9%-owned developer trust and CTC entering into a legally binding heads of agreement in relation to the sale by CTC of the 101-room hotel component of the project to the developer trust or its nominee. The parties are in the midst of finalising the detailed documentation in relation to the sale. The Group is expected to take a 70% stake in the hotel component.

The Group will also be providing construction financing to the developer trust as part of its property financing business.

# Dreeftoren Redevelopment, Amsterdam Southeast, the Netherlands

The Group commenced construction of the Dreeftoren Amsterdam Southeast redevelopment in February 2022. The redevelopment project comprises a new 130-metre high residential tower with a lettable floor area of approximately 20,300 sqm (312 apartment units) and an adjacent newly refurbished and enlarged 18-storey office tower with lettable floor areas of 15,600 sqm (office component) and 1,600 sqm (commercial component). The entire redevelopment is expected to be completed in 2025.



Artist's impression of Dreeftoren Redevelopment, Amsterdam Southeast, the Netherlands

# Redevelopment of Meerparc, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

The five-storey Meerparc located in Amsterdam South-Axis, the central business district of Amsterdam, was acquired in December 2017. The multi-tenanted property with a GFA of 19,130 sqm is situated along the Nieuwe Meer Lake and next to Zuiderhof I, an office property which is 33%-owned by the Group. Meerparc is well connected by a nearby metro and a train station, as well as the A10 highway exit which connects to the Netherlands' main A1, A2, A4 and A9 highways. The main drivers for acquiring Meerparc were its prime location, freehold tenure and the good redevelopment potential of the property.

The Group has commenced discussions with the relevant authorities in relation to the redevelopment opportunity of Meerparc into a mixed residential/office property with a substantial increase in GFA.



Meerparc, Amsterdam, the Netherlands

## **Property Holding**

The property holding business segment recorded a 31.9% and 76.9% increase in revenue and gross profit to S\$55.1 million (FY2020: S\$41.7 million) and S\$16.1 million (FY2020: S\$9.1 million) respectively in FY2021. The increase was due mainly to the modest recovery of the European and PRC hospitality sectors from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and the effect of the consolidation of the East Sun property portfolio.

The Group's Dutch office portfolio displayed strong resilience despite the negative global economic conditions, recording a 5.7% growth to an income of S\$31.7 million (FY2020: S\$30.0 million) in FY2021. The Group's European hospitality business also improved with an EBITDA of €1.1 million as compared to an LBITDA of €1.1 million in FY2020 after taking into account €10.1 million of government subsidies (FY2020: €8.4 million). Similarly in the PRC, the Wenjiang Hotels recorded a 58% growth in EBITDA to RMB12.5 million for FY2021.

#### The Netherlands



Hotel de Bilderberg, the Netherlands

The Dutch Bilderberg hotel portfolio, comprising 11 owned hotels, continued to operate in a challenging environment with changes in the easing and tightening policies due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Notwithstanding this, the hotel portfolio managed to recover and achieve modest growth with the occupancy for the portfolio increasing to 37.3% in FY2021 (FY2020: 35.5%). EBITDA increased to €2.1 million in FY2021 (FY2020: €0.7 million) after considering government subsidies of €6.1 million (FY2020: €6.0 million).

Despite the uncertainty caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, the Group remains optimistic about the eventual recovery of the European hospitality business in the medium to long term. As such, the Group is discussing with its business partners in the Dutch QBN hotel portfolio to increase its current 31.4% equity interest.



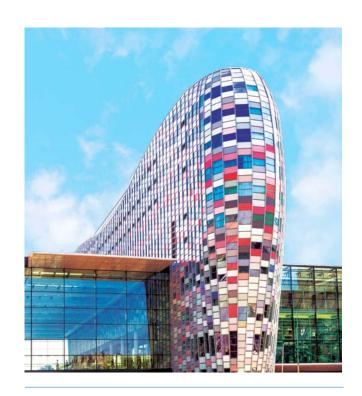
Hilton Rotterdam Hotel, Rotterdam, the Netherlands

Following the easing of the Covid-19 restrictions, the Rotterdam hotel market saw signs of recovery until another lockdown in December 2021. The 33%-owned Hilton Rotterdam recorded an improved occupancy of 29.9% in FY2021 (FY2020: 26.4%) and managed to minimize its LBITDA to €0.6 million (FY2020: €0.9 million) after considering government subsidies of €1.3 million (FY2020: €1.2 million). Through a lease arrangement with the hotel owning company, the Group has a 100% economic interest in the hotel operations.

In Utrecht, the Hampton by Hilton was thriving after the Covid-19 measures were lifted over the summer period until the lockdown in December 2021. Occupancy for 2H2021 more than doubled to 67.8% (2H2020: 32.9%) with FY2021 occupancy increasing to 42.7% from 17.7% in FY2020 during which the Covid-19 restrictions were more severe.

The Crowne Plaza hotel, which suspended its room operations since mid-September 2020, restarted its room operations on 17 January 2022.

For FY2021, the 2 Utrecht hotels jointly recorded an EBITDA of €0.1 million recovering from an FY2020 LBITDA of €0.6 million after including €0.8 million of government subsidies (FY2020: €0.4 million).



Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station and Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station, Utrecht, the Netherlands



Arena Towers, Amsterdam Southeast, the Netherlands

In May 2021, TVHG Budget Amsterdam II B.V. ("TVHG"), the tenant of the two hotels at the Arena Towers in Amsterdam Southeast, commenced preliminary relief proceedings against the Group's wholly-owned subsidiary, FS NL Property 2 B.V. ("FSNLP2"), to, inter alia, suspend TVHG's obligation to pay 45% (amended to 43.4% on 1 June 2021) of the rent for a period commencing retrospectively from April 2020 up to March 2021 and thereafter, such percentage of the rent equal to 50% of the percentage turnover decrease until such time that the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted or the hotels' turnover returns to pre-Covid-19 levels. On 9 June 2021, the Amsterdam preliminary relief judge issued a favourable ruling, rejecting all of TVHG's claims.

In August 2021, TVHG commenced further legal action against FSNLP2 claiming, among other things, that it is entitled to a refund of over-paid rent from April 2020 onwards as the rent should be reduced with effect from April 2020 by 45%. FSNLP2 filed its statement of defence in October 2021, rejecting all of TVHG's claims. In November 2021, the court issued an interim judgment stipulating, among other things, that an oral hearing will be held to allow the parties to provide information and examine the possibility of a settlement. The oral hearing is scheduled to be held on 22 March 2022.

As at 31 December 2021, TVHG was current on its monthly rent payments.

#### Germany

The 94.9%-owned Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden recorded strong occupancy levels during the summer break in 2021. Unfortunately, the increased Covid-19 infection rate resulted in leisure demand decreasing in late November and December 2021. The hotel recorded an occupancy of 36.0% for FY2021 (FY2020: 31.2%). The hotel reported an EBITDA of €1.0 million for FY2021, recovering from an LBITDA of €0.3 million in FY2020. These results included the FY2021 German wage subsidy of €0.8 million (FY2020: €0.9 million).



Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden, Dresden, Germany



Le Méridien Frankfurt Hotel, Frankfurt, Germany

Business recovery remains modest in Frankfurt, with the 50%-owned hotel recording an improved occupancy of 27.7% in FY2021 (FY2020: 22.5%). The Le Méridien Frankfurt hotel recorded an LBITDA of €1.5 million including €1.1 million of German wage subsidy. Prior to 31 January 2021, the hotel was leased by a third party. After that date, the hotel was leased to an operating company which is effectively 16.5% held by the Group.

## The PRC

The Wenjiang Hotels continued their recovery trajectory in FY2021. Revenue for the hotels increased twofold in 1H2021 but a resurgence of Covid-19 cases in 2H2021 which resulted in the swift implementation of restrictions adversely impacted trading and also resulted in the temporary closure of the Holiday Inn Express hotel from 5 November to 25 November 2021. Due to the good performance in 1H2021, the hotels recorded an EBITDA of RMB12.5 million for FY2021, representing a growth of approximately 58% from the RMB7.9 million recorded in FY2020.

The Group completed the divestment of a 51% controlling equity interest in Dongguan Wan Li Group Limited ("Wan Li") on 30 June 2021. The deal valued the properties held by Wan Li at RMB320 million which represents a premium of approximately 100% over its allocated cost. By way of background, in March 2017, the Group acquired a 90% equity interest in Dongguan East Sun Limited ("East Sun") which in turn acquired the entire equity interest in Wan Li in January 2018. East Sun and Wan Li own a number

of outdated commercial and industrial properties in Dongguan. During 1H2021, the Group entered into two other agreements to divest a 40.5% and 72% effective equity interest in two properties owned by East Sun, namely, the Wentang Recycling Factory and Liaobu Factory, at a substantial premium of 219% and 128% over the allocated cost of RMB40.3 million and RMB61.4 million respectively. The divestment of the 40.5% effective equity interest in the Wentang Recycling Factory was completed in December 2021 and the divestment of the 72% effective equity interest in the Liaobu Factory is expected to be completed in 202022.



Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang Hotel, Chengdu, PRC

## **Property Financing**

Arising mainly from a larger average PRC loan portfolio in FY2021 which stood at RMB2.7 billion compared to RMB2.4 billion in FY2020, the Group's property financing segment performed well in FY2021, registering a revenue and gross profit of S\$119.0 million and S\$106.0 million respectively for FY2021, a 13.1% and 8.3% increase respectively over FY2020. That said, as the credit liquidity situation in the PRC continues to improve, the challenge for the Group would be to maintain a similar average loan balance for FY2022.

In relation to the debt recovery process of the defaulted loans with an aggregate loan principal of RMB330 million, the court-commissioned valuations for the purpose of determining the opening bid prices for the foreclosure auctions of certain mortgaged assets, namely, a villa and a retail mall in Pudong, Shanghai, were received in early December 2021. With the court-commissioned valuations, the Group submitted an application to the Shanghai court on 27 January 2022 to start the process for the online foreclosure auctions of the above-mentioned mortgaged assets. The foreclosure auctions are expected to take place in 2Q2022. The Group is optimistic about the full recovery of the RMB330 million loan principal and accrued interest thereon.

#### **Corporate Social Responsibility**

Despite the ongoing challenges, the Group is happy to have been able to give back through its Corporate Social Responsibility ("CSR") activities. This year, the CSR activities were undertaken by the Singapore office, the Wenjiang Hotels, the Hilton Rotterdam and the Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden.

In 2021, the Singapore office donated S\$100,000 to the POSB PAssion Run for Kids, an annual charity run which raises funds for the POSB PAssion Kids Fund, and was recognised as the top donor for the event. This charity, which aims to help children from low income families, children with disabilities and youths at risk, has benefitted more than 700,000 children.

The Wenjiang Hotels organised a charity event for staff participation whereby staff members donated items such as books, clothes, toys and food to a local school. The Wenjiang Hotels also participated in a charity event organised by the IHG cluster of eight hotels in Chengdu, and helped to raise approximately RMB41,000 through the sale of charity tickets, which will be donated to a school and a named charity foundation.



Donations received in a charity event held by the Wenjiang Hotels in Chengdu, PRC

In 2021, the team at the Hilton Rotterdam participated in the Hilton Effect Week. The team (i) donated unused soap bottles (left by guests in their rooms) to Nico Adriaans Stichting, a charity which provides shelter and guidance to the needy, (ii) raised donations for two charities that provide young underprivileged children with birthday parties and Christmas gifts, (iii) collected clothing for donation to the salvation army and (iv) collected plastic bottles which were exchanged at a local supermarket for cash, which will be donated in 2022 to the Homerun event for the Ronald McDonald charity. In line with the Group's CSR towards the environment, in 2021, the Hilton Rotterdam team (i) participated in Earth Hour, (ii) partnered with the South Pole Group, a leading carbon offset provider, to find a solution for zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions meetings by calculating the CO<sub>2</sub> emission at every meeting with more than 10 attendees and purchasing the requisite carbon credits from the South Pole Group to offset the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and (iii) donated soap bars left by guests to the Clean the World Charity which will re-use them in its cause.

The Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden is the new participant of the Group's CSR activities. In 2021, the hotel team organised an orientation course at the hotel for young people, along with their parents, to help them in their decision making on an apprenticeship in hospitality, and, in cooperation with the DRH Children's Aid Foundation, the hotel inaugurated a Donating-Stars Christmas Tree, decorated with elaborately handcrafted stars made by children from schools around the state of Saxony, Germany. After the event, the donors to the campaign were allowed to take a star back with them. The funds raised from the event will be used to support numerous projects in the state of Saxony to provide facilities for socially disadvantaged children and youths.

The Group will continue to support programs that bring communities together, have a socially and environmentally positive impact, or build and foster business-to-community relationships.

## **Future Prospects**

As the Covid-19 situation transitions from "pandemic" to "endemic" status, the Group's operational priorities are in the fostering of a strong health and safety culture for our customers and staff at all our properties.

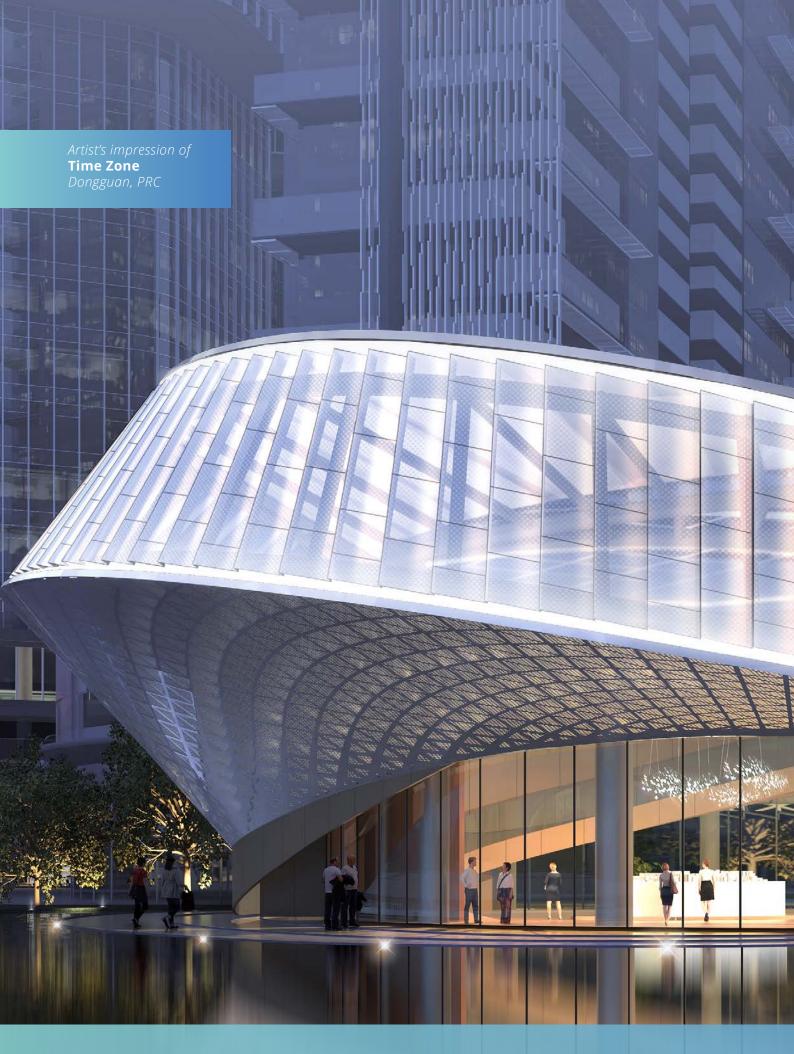
The Group is backed by a strong balance sheet, substantial unutilised committed credit facilities and potential equity infusion from the exercise of outstanding warrants. The above, together with substantial cashflow expected to be generated from the upcoming new pre-sale launches of several PRC property development projects and the PRC property financing loan repayments in 2022, will further financially strengthen the Group so that it will be ready to capitalise on any new business opportunities when they arise.

## **Appreciation**

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express our utmost appreciation to our shareholders, customers, business associates, bankers and partners for their steadfast support throughout what was undoubtedly one of the most difficult years any of us has experienced. I would also like to thank my fellow Directors for their shared vision, wisdom, experience and counsel in navigating this tumultuous period. I would also like to make a special mention to the management team and staff for their hard work and dedication amidst the operational challenges due to Covid-19, for always diligently safeguarding the Group's interest and for their continued contributions to the Group's growth. As one, we look towards a brighter 2022 as we stand together to overcome these challenging times.

## Ho Han Leong Calvin

Chairman 11 March 2022





# **RECENT MILESTONES**

## January 2021

Acquired an 18% equity stake in a project company which has the rights to redevelop a plot of land in Fenggang, Dongguan, PRC.

## May 2021



Completed the acquisition of a 95% equity interest in a residential property development site in Panyu, Guangzhou, PRC (Primus Bay).

Entered into an agreement to divest a 40.5% effective equity interest in Dongguan East Sun No. 1 Property Management Co., Ltd. ("Wentang Divestment"), valuing the Wentang Recycling Factory in Dongguan owned by it at RMB128.5 million, which represents a premium of approximately 219% over its allocated cost.

## June 2021

Completed the disposal by Dongguan East Sun Limited of its 51% equity interest in Dongguan Wan Li Group Limited, valuing its property portfolio at RMB320 million, which represents a premium of approximately 100% over its allocated cost.

Entered into an agreement to divest a 72% effective equity interest in Dongguan East Sun No. 3 Property Management Co., Ltd., valuing the Liaobu Factory in Dongguan owned by it at RMB140.0 million, which represents a premium of approximately 128% over its allocated cost.

## April 2021



Entered into a joint venture in which the Group has a 48.2% equity interest, to develop a residential property development site in Humen, Dongguan, PRC (Bolong Bay Garden). The remaining 51.8% equity interest is owned by a wholly-owned subsidiary of a HKSE-listed property development company.

# July 2021



Handover of the Terraced
Tower project in Rotterdam,
the Group's first residential
development project in the
Netherlands which transformed
an aged office building into
a new landmark residential
building with 344 apartments
supported by commercial and
retail amenities.

Entered into a joint venture in which the Group has a 36% equity interest, to redevelop two adjacent plots of mixed-use development land in Humen, Dongguan, PRC (Humen Boyong project).



# **RECENT MILESTONES**

# August 2021



Launched the pre-sale of the first two residential blocks of the Time Zone project, a transit-oriented development with a GFA in excess of 1 million sqm encompassing a major transport hub in Humen, Dongguan, PRC.

## October 2021

Entered into a legally binding heads of agreement with City Tattersalls Club for the proposed acquisition of the hotel component of the project located at 194–204 Pitt Street in Sydney, Australia which comprises the revitalised City Tattersalls Club, a 101-room hotel and 241 residential units ("CTC Project").

## November 2021



Received Stage 2 development approval for the redevelopment of the CTC Project.

## December 2021



Achieved a record full year pre-tax profit of S\$202.6 million.

The PRC property financing business segment achieved a record full year average loan book of RMB2.7 billion.

Completed the Wentang Divestment.

First time handover of 6 residential blocks of The Pinnacle, Dongguan, PRC.







# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin

Age 70

Non-Executive Chairman

Mr Ho was appointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of the Company on 2 April 2015. Prior to this, Mr Ho served as the Non-Executive Vice-Chairman of the Company since 1 October 2007.

Mr Ho has accumulated extensive experience during his tenure as Chief Executive Officer of Singapore-incorporated Tai Tak Estates Sendirian Berhad ("Tai Tak"), having been involved in its businesses, including in plantations, listed and private equities, and property holding and development. He has also been instrumental in assisting the Group's senior management in the conceptualisation and setting of the strategic direction and corporate values of the Group.

Mr Ho holds a Higher National Diploma in Business Studies from Polytechnic of The South Bank, United Kingdom.

#### Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin

Age 60

Alternate Director to Non-Executive Chairman

Mr Ho was appointed as an Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin on 19 May 2014. He is currently holding the position of Executive Vice-President of Tai Tak, where he is responsible for overseeing Tai Tak group's overall business and financial strategy, investments and operations.

Mr Ho holds a Bachelor of Social Sciences Degree with Honours from the National University of Singapore.

## Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih

Age 40

Non-Executive Director

Mr Kwek was appointed as a Non-Executive Director of the Company on 5 March 2019.

Mr Kwek is a stock and crypto trader. Previously, he worked for Hong Leong Management Services Pte Ltd from 2010 to 2012, and currently sits on the board of various entities within the Hong Leong Group Singapore.

Mr Kwek holds a Masters of Arts Degree from Columbia University, a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance from the Wharton School, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

## **Mr Neo Teck Pheng**

Age 51

Group Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

Mr Neo was appointed as the Group Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of the Company on 1 October 2007. He has overall responsibility for management, operations and growth of the Group's businesses.

Mr Neo began his career with KPMG in 1994. In 1996, he joined Hong Leong Group Singapore and held various roles within Hong Leong Group Singapore. He was also previously the board member of various entities within Hong Leong Group Singapore.

Mr Neo holds a Bachelor of Accountancy Degree (First Class Honours) from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria

Age 66
Independent Director

Ms Ting was appointed as an Independent Director of the Company on 19 May 2014. She is currently an Independent Director of Grand Union Holdings and Investments Incorporated.

Ms Ting had spent her entire career from 1977 to 2013 at DBS Bank.

Prior to opting for early retirement in June 2013, she held the position of Managing Director, Head Corporate Credit Group with responsibility for the development, organisation and oversight of the credit approval and credit risk management functions of portfolios under Investment Banking, Financial Institutions including banks and Private Banking.

During her career with DBS Bank she had management responsibility and worked in various departments including Corporate Finance, Corporate Banking including Trade Services and Funds Transfer Operations, Global Operations Centre (responsible for the operations of all the overseas branches of DBS Bank including China, India, Taiwan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Seoul, Tokyo, London and USA), Chairman's Office and Group Credit.

Ms Ting graduated with a Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours) from the University of Singapore. She had previously served as a committee member of the Financial Industry Competency Standards Committee (and Chairman of the FICS Corporate banking Sub-Committee), the Association of Banks in Singapore/Corporate Banking Committee, Singapore Shipping Association and the Singapore Business Federation/Services Industries Executive Committee. She also held past directorships in Ecobulk Shipping Sdn Bhd, Singapore Petroleum Company, CWT Ltd, Singapore Biotech Ltd and Grandland Shipping Limited.

## Mr Yee Chia Hsing

Age 50
Lead Independent Director

Mr Yee was appointed as the Lead Independent Director of the Company on 19 May 2014. He has more than 20 years of experience in the banking and finance industry.

He is currently the General Manager of Entity Health, a nutraceutical brand under SGX listed iX Biopharma Ltd, where he also holds the position of Director of Corporate Affairs.

Mr Yee holds a Bachelor of Accountancy Degree (First Class Honours) from the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. He currently serves on the Audit Committee of Ren Ci Hospital (a Singapore charity).

Mr Yee was previously an elected Member of Parliament for Chua Chu Kang Group Representation Constituency in Singapore.

#### Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond

Age 51
Independent Director

Mr Wee was appointed as an Independent Director of the Company on 6 February 2017. He is a partner and head of the Corporate Commercial and Employment & Benefits Practice Groups of Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP specialising in mergers and acquisitions, general commercial law and employment law. Mr Wee also has a particular focus in foreign direct investments into the emerging Asian economies. Mr Wee also has prior experience as a litigator as well as being the group regional legal counsel of a Hong Kong public listed company.

Mr Wee is currently the Non-Executive Chairman, Independent Director and Audit Committee member of Popular Holdings Limited. He is also a Non-Executive Director of Spartans Rugby Singapore Limited.

Mr Wee graduated with a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the University of Nottingham in 1994 and is admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore and as a Barrister-at-law, Middle Temple in the United Kingdom.

# SENIOR MANAGEMENT

#### Ms Lee Sau Hun

Group Chief Financial Officer

Ms Lee was appointed as the Group Chief Financial Officer of the Company in May 2011.

Ms Lee began her career at PricewaterhouseCoopers where her last held position was senior manager. Ms Lee then joined Hong Leong Management Services Pte. Ltd. as Vice-President (Investment) between January 2006 and April 2011, where she engaged in corporate advisory services within Hong Leong Group Singapore. She was also a director of various subsidiaries of Hong Leong Group Singapore prior to the listing of the Company.

Ms Lee holds a Bachelor of Accountancy Degree (Second Class Honours) from Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

## Mr Wang Gongyi

Chief Executive Officer (Chengdu Operations)

Mr Wang was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (Chengdu Operations) of the Group in October 2011. He oversees the management and operations of the Group's business in Chengdu, PRC.

Prior to that, from June 1998 to May 2011, Mr Wang held the position of general manager of the former candy business operations of the Group, in charge of its general management and operations.

Mr Wang holds a Bachelor Degree in Machinery Design and Manufacturing from Sichuan Chengdu University, Chengdu, PRC. Mr Wang also achieved several awards, including the Sichuan Provincial Fourth Session of Excellent Entrepreneur award and the Model Worker award granted by the Sichuan Provincial Government.

#### Mr Shu Zhen

**Chief Executive Officer (Guangdong Operations)** 

Mr Shu was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (Guangdong Operations) of the Group in August 2012. Mr Shu is currently responsible for overseeing the Group's business operations in the Guangdong province, PRC.

Mr Shu first joined the Group in December 2007 as a Director and Vice-President of the Group's subsidiary, First Sponsor (Guangdong) Group Limited.

Mr Shu holds a Graduation Certificate in China Finance and Futures Higher Level Study from Beijing University, School of Economics, PRC.

## Ms Zhang Jing

Chief Executive Officer (Shanghai Operations)

Ms Zhang was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (Shanghai Operations) of the Group in November 2011. From her Shanghai office, Ms Zhang is responsible for the management and expansion of the Group's property financing business in the PRC.

Ms Zhang has extensive experience in the PRC financing and leasing operations from her role as general manager in various financing companies prior to joining the Group.

Ms Zhang holds a Bachelor Degree in Economics from the School of Economics, Aoyama Gakuin University, Japan.

## Mr Alexander Barentsen

Chief Executive Officer (European Operations)

Mr Barentsen was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (European Operations) of the Group in July 2019. He is based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and is currently responsible for the management and operations of the Group's business in Europe.

Mr Barentsen joined the Group from Queens Bilderberg (Nederland) B.V. ("QBN") which holds the Bilderberg hotel portfolio in the Netherlands, which was acquired by the Group in 2017. Shortly after the acquisition, he was promoted to Managing Director of QBN, after having held the positions of Finance Director and Director of Property & Development in 2012 and 2005 respectively. Prior to this, from 2001, he was in internal audit and carried out several finance and projects roles at Queens Moat Houses plc, the previous owner of QBN.

Mr Barentsen holds an Executive Master of Real Estate (MRE) from TiasNimbas, the business school of Tilburg University (the Netherlands) in association with Eindhoven University of Technology (the Netherlands), a Master of Business Administration in International Hospitality Management from IMHI (France), jointly administered by Cornell University School of Hotel Administration (USA) and The ESSEC Business School (France), and a Bachelor of Business Administration from the School of Hotel Management Maastricht (the Netherlands).





**First Sponsor Group Limited** was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 24 September 2007 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Cayman Companies Law. The Company is a public company listed on the Main Board of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited on 22 July 2014.

## **KEY CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS**

The Group is supported by both its established key controlling shareholders, the **Hong Leong group of companies** ("Hong Leong Group Singapore"), through its shareholding interests in City Developments Limited, and **Tai Tak Estates Sendirian Berhad** ("Tai Tak").



Hong Leong Group Singapore is a globally diversified conglomerate. Its core businesses include investment holding, property holding and development, hotel ownership and management, hospitality real estate management, financial services, manufacturing, trading and distribution.

# TAI TAK

**Tai Tak** is a private company with a long operating history which was incorporated in Singapore in 1954. It currently invests in a wide range of businesses including plantations, listed and private equities and property holding and development.



## FIRST SPONSOR GROUP LIMITED

(Cayman Islands) (including a branch in Singapore)

## **SINGAPORE**

18 Subsidiary Companies (include a Private Trust)

1 Associated Company

3 Joint Ventures

## PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

21 Subsidiary Companies

10 Associated Companies

4 Joint Ventures

## **EUROPE**

## THE NETHERLANDS

12 Subsidiary Companies

44 Associated Companies

1 Joint Venture Partnership

## **GERMANY**

3 Subsidiary Companies

1 Associated Company

1 Joint Venture

1 Joint Venture Limited Partnership

## **ITALY**

1 Subsidiary Company

## **OTHERS**

# BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

6 Subsidiary Companies

2 Associated Companies

## HONG KONG

3 Subsidiary Companies

1 Associated Company

## **AUSTRALIA**

2 Associated Companies (include a Private Trust)

Note: The above shareholdings include direct and indirect shareholdings.

# CORPORATE DIRECTORY

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin Non-Executive Chairman

Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin

Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin

Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih Non-Executive Director

Mr Neo Teck Pheng Group Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director

Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria Independent Director

Mr Yee Chia Hsing Lead Independent Director

Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond Independent Director

## **AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE**

Mr Yee Chia Hsing – Chairman
Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin
(Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin – Alternate Director to
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin)

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria – *Chairperson*Mr Yee Chia Hsing
Mr Neo Teck Pheng

### **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond – *Chairman*Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin
(Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin – *Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin*)

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Ms Goh Siew Geok

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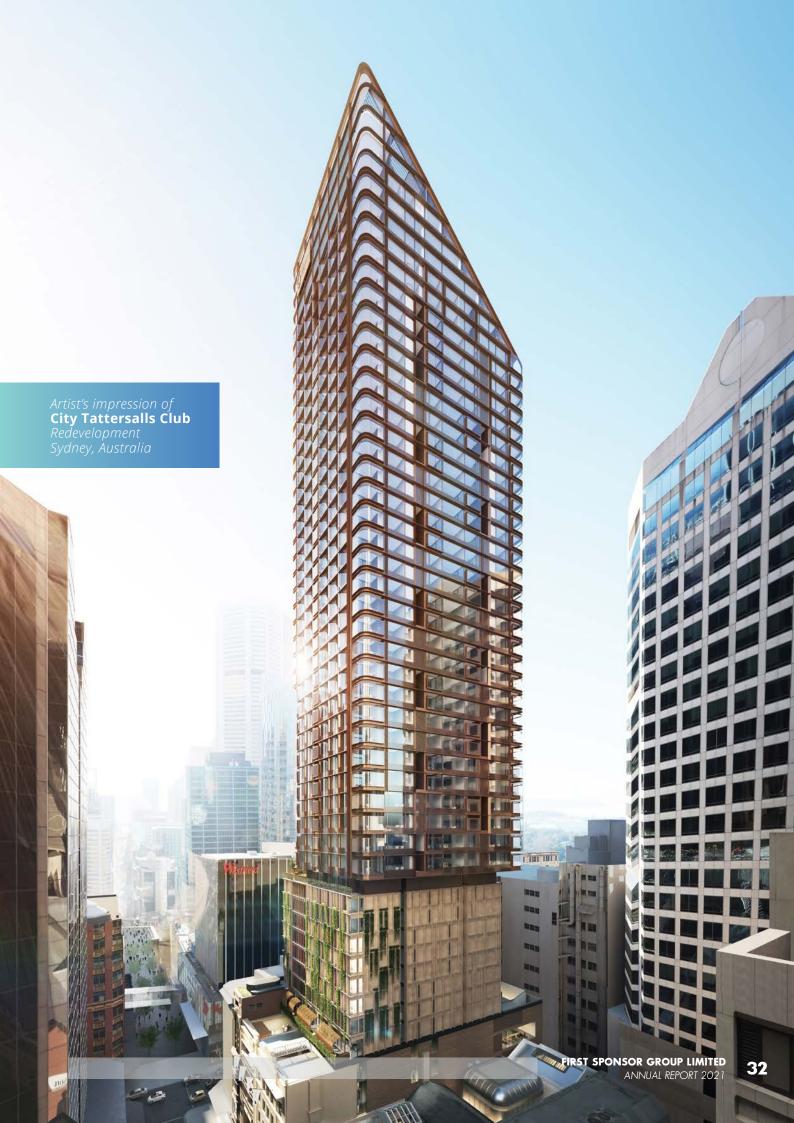
#### **AUDITORS**

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Singapore 048583

(Partner-in-charge: Mr Max Loh Khum Whai, appointment commenced from the audit of the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020)

## **PRINCIPAL BANKERS**

Bank of China
Bank of Dongguan Co., Ltd.
China Construction Bank
DBS Bank Ltd.
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China
ING Bank N.V.
Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited
The Bank of East Asia, Limited, Singapore Branch
The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation Limited
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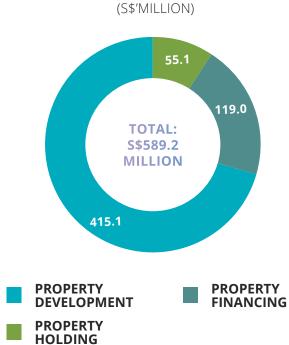
#### PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Revenue from sale of properties increased by \$\$358.1 million or 628.4%, from \$\$57.0 million in FY2020 to \$\$415.1 million in FY2021. This was due mainly to revenue recognised in respect of the first handover of six residential apartment blocks of The Pinnacle (437 units) as well as the handover of the SOHO loft units in Plot F of the Millennium Waterfront project since March 2021. The revenue recorded in FY2020 mainly arose from the sale of 3,997 car park lots and four commercial units of the Millennium Waterfront project.

#### **PROPERTY HOLDING**

Revenue from the property holding segment increased by \$\$13.2 million or 31.9%, from \$\$41.7 million in FY2020 to \$\$55.1 million in FY2021. This was due mainly to the pick-up in performance of the hotels both in the PRC as well as in Europe arising from the easing of the various Covid-19 related travel and lockdown restrictions compared to the prior year, which had contributed a revenue growth of \$\$4.7 million and \$\$4.4 million respectively, and the nine months' contribution from the East Sun Entities which were consolidated by the Group with effect from 31 March 2021.

# FY2021 REVENUE BY SEGMENT



#### **PROPERTY FINANCING**

Revenue from property financing increased by \$\$13.8 million or 13.1%, from \$\$105.2 million in FY2020 to \$\$119.0 million in FY2021. This is the result of a higher average PRC property financing loan portfolio for the current year compared to the prior year. The growth was partially offset by the absence of the \$\$15.8 million European loan restructuring income recorded in FY2020 and an establishment fee of \$\$3.5m million earned in FY2020 in respect of the provision of a construction loan facility to fund the City Tattersalls Club project in Sydney.

## **PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

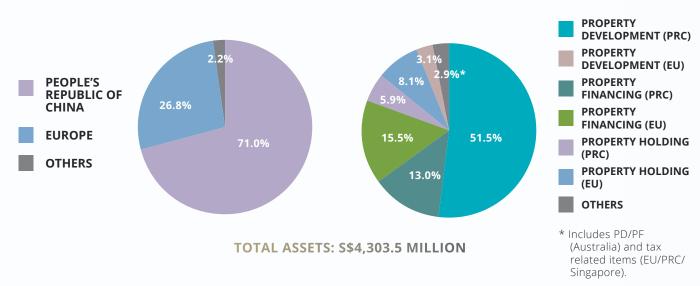
The Group reported profit before tax of S\$202.6 million in FY2021, an increase of S\$77.0 million or 61.3% compared to S\$125.6 million in FY2020.

In addition to the increase in gross profit from the various business segments, the Group recognised an aggregate dilution gain of S\$19.5 million in FY2021 arising from the divestment of an effective 40.5% equity interest in the Wentang Recycling Factory in Dongguan, and the divestment of an effective 45.9% equity interest in several outdated commercial and industrial properties in Dongguan, held through Dongguan Wan Li Group Limited and Dongguan Wan Li No. 1 Property Management Co., Ltd.

Improved results from the Group's associates and joint ventures in FY2021 also contributed to a S\$23.4 million year-on-year increase in the Group's profit before tax. Specifically, the Group recorded a share of profit from associates and joint ventures of S\$11.1 million in FY2021 compared to a share of loss of S\$12.4 million in FY2020. In particular, the share of losses from the European associates and joint ventures narrowed from S\$26.1 million in FY2020 to S\$2.2 million in FY2021, whilst the contribution from the PRC associates and joint ventures increased from a profit of S\$13.1 million in FY2020 to a profit of S\$13.3 million in FY2021. The European entities' current year performance was boosted by the valuation uplift in its office portfolio as well as the absence of loan restructuring expenses and impairment charge on certain Dutch Bilderberg hotels and Hilton Rotterdam in the current financial year. This was however partly offset by a higher share of loss from a 50%-held joint venture due to further impairment of the Le Méridien Frankfurt hotel held by the joint venture in the current year. In the PRC, profit contribution from the 30%-held Star of East River and 20.4%-held Emerald of the Orient projects improved by \$\\$3.2 million in aggregate to \$\\$17.7 million in FY2021. The increase is partially offset by a higher share of losses amounting to \$\\$2.4 million contributed by the Time Zone project compared to the prior year as the project ramped up in the current year.

The above-mentioned profit growth was partially offset by (i) property, plant and equipment written off in respect of the Wentang Recycling Factory amounting to S\$5.6 million, (ii) impairment charge on the two hotels in Utrecht amounting to S\$9.5 million, (iii) write-down of development properties of S\$10.9 million in aggregate relating to the SOHO units of The Pinnacle under construction and Plot F car park lots of the Millennium Waterfront project, and (iv) impairment charge of S\$6.7 million on the loan receivable from the 50%-held joint venture that owns the Le Méridien Frankfurt hotel.

# TOTAL ASSETS – BY GEOGRAPHICAL AND BUSINESS SEGMENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021



#### TOTAL ASSET COMPOSITION

The Group's consolidated assets increased by S\$878.9 million or 25.7% from S\$3,424.6 million as at 31 December 2020 to S\$4,303.5 million as at 31 December 2021.

During the current financial year, the Group continued to expand its presence in the Greater Bay Area and invested in several new projects there. These comprised the (i) 95%-owned Primus Bay Project (ii) 48.2%-owned Bolong Bay Garden (iii) 36%-owned Boyong Project and (iv) 18%-owned Fenggang Project. In addition, the Group achieved encouraging pre-sale performance for its existing projects in the Greater Bay Area namely The Pinnacle (60%-owned), Time Zone (17.3%-owned) and

Skyline Garden (27%-owned). The Group's gross asset composition in the PRC increased from 64.8% as at 31 December 2020 to 71.0% as at 31 December 2021.

In addition, the Group injected further equity amounting to A\$10.7 million to the 39.9%-owned project trust in FY2021 to fund its redevelopment of the 125-year old City Tattersalls Club in Sydney into a hotel and residential apartments. The contribution by the property development segment also grew from 49.1% as at 31 December 2020 to 54.6% as at 31 December 2021, of which 51.5% was derived from the PRC.





#### As at 31 December 2021

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Approximate Lettable Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(a)</sup>
INVESTMENT PROPERTIES			
PRC			
1) Banqiao Plywood Market  Dongcheng District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC  Comprising plywood wholesale market and warehousing space	90	Leasehold interest to year 2053	17,281
2) Liaobu Fuzhushan Factory Liaobu District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC Comprising a factory and warehousing facilities	90 (1)	Leasehold interest to year 2053	10,412
3) Dongri Building Guancheng District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC Comprising a 10-storey office building	90	Leasehold interest to year 2053	10,254
<b>4) Wentang Logistics Warehouse</b> Dongcheng District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC Comprising a 4-storey industrial building	90	Leasehold interest to year 2048	10,061
5) Dalingshan Taigongling High-tech Factory  Dalingshan Town, Dongguan,  Guangdong Province, PRC  Comprising a main 6-storey building, several one to three storey buildings with mixed-use such as offices, dormitories, warehousing and workshops	44	Leasehold interest to year 2048	25,316
Total for PRC			73,324

<sup>(1)</sup> As at 31 December 2021, an effective 72% equity interest in this property has been contracted to be divested and is expected to be completed in 2Q2022.

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Approximate Lettable Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(a)</sup>
THE NETHERLANDS			
1) Arena Towers  Hoogoorddreef 66 and 68,  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Comprising the Holiday Inn Amsterdam and the Holiday Inn Express Amsterdam hotels with 443 hotel rooms in aggregate, and 509 car park lots	100	Perpetual leasehold interest with ground rent paid until year 2053	17,396
2) Berg & Bosch Professor Bronkhorstlaan 4, 4A, 6, 8, 10A–10M, 12–20 (even numbers) and 26, Bilthoven, the Netherlands Comprising several buildings, some of which have heritage status amidst a rich green landscape and 628 car park lots	33	Freehold	34,997
<b>3) Mondriaan Tower</b> Amstelplein 6 and 8,  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Comprising a 31-storey office building with 249 car park lots	33	Freehold	24,901
<b>4) Oliphant</b> Haaksbergweg 4-98 (even numbers),  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Comprising a 16-storey office building with  216 car park lots	33	Perpetual leasehold interest with indexed ground rent payable on an annual basis until year 2048	21,161
5) Zuiderhof I  Jachthavenweg 121,  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Comprising a 8-storey office building with 111  car park lots	33	Perpetual leasehold interest with ground rent paid until year 2050	12,538

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Approximate Lettable Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(a)</sup>
<b>6) Munthof</b> Reguliersdwarsstraat 50 - 64,  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Comprising a 6-storey office building with 57 car park lots	33	Freehold	3,515
7) Herengracht 21  Herengracht 21,  The Hague, the Netherlands  Comprising 6 residential apartments	33	Freehold	409
Total for the Netherlands			114,917
Grand Total – Investment Properties			188,241

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>
HOTELS			
PRC			
1) Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang Hotel & Holiday Inn Express Chengdu Wenjiang Hotspring Hotel  No. 619A/B North Phoenix Street, Wenjiang District, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, PRC  Comprising 2 hotels with 608 rooms and a hotspring facility	100	Leasehold interest to year 2051	81,041
Total for PRC			81,041
THE NETHERLANDS			
1) Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station & Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station 3rd floor up to and including the 9th floor of the Poortgebouw Hoog Catharijne, Boven Catharijnepoort 4, 3511 WN, and Catharijne Esplanade 13, 3511 WK, Utrecht, the Netherlands Comprising 193-room Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station and 144-room Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station	100	Leasehold interest to year 2069	13,822
<b>2) Hilton Rotterdam</b> Weena 4-20 (even numbers), 3012 CM, Rotterdam, the Netherlands Comprising a 254-room hotel	33	Freehold	20,800
<b>3) Bilderberg Garden Hotel Amsterdam</b> Dijsselhofplantsoen 7, 1077 BJ, Amsterdam, the Netherlands Comprising a 124-room hotel	31	Perpetual leasehold interest with indexed ground rent payable on semi-annual basis	6,920

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>	
<b>4) Bilderberg Parkhotel Rotterdam</b> Westersingel 70, 3015 LB, Rotterdam, the Netherlands Comprising a 194-room hotel	31	Freehold	12,875	
5) Bilderberg Europa Hotel Scheveningen Zwolsestraat 2, 2587 VJ, Scheveningen, The Hague, the Netherlands Comprising a 174-room hotel	31	Temporary leasehold interest with ground rent paid until year 2026	9,950	
6) Bilderberg Kasteel Vaalsbroek  Vaalsbroek 1 and 5, 6291 NH,  Vaals, the Netherlands  Comprising a 130-room heritage status hotel	31	Freehold	16,270	
7) Hotel de Bilderberg Utrechtseweg 261, 6862 AK, Oosterbeek, the Netherlands Comprising a 146-room hotel	31	Freehold	12,685	
8) Bilderberg Hotel De Keizerskroon Koningstraat 7, 7315 HR, Apeldoorn, the Netherlands Comprising a 93-room hotel	31	Freehold	7,588	
9) Bilderberg Hotel 't Speulderbos Speulderbosweg 54, 3886 AP, Garderen, the Netherlands Comprising a 102-room hotel	31	Freehold	10,150	
<b>10) Bilderberg Résidence Groot Heideborgh</b> Hogesteeg 50, 3886 MA,  Garderen, the Netherlands  Comprising a 84-room hotel	31	Freehold	7,530	
11) Bilderberg Grand Hotel Wientjes Stationsweg 7, 8011 CZ, Zwolle, the Netherlands Comprising a 57-room hotel	31	Freehold	4,087	
<b>12) Bilderberg Hotel De Bovenste Molen</b> Bovenste Molenweg 12, 5912 TV, Venlo, the Netherlands Comprising a 82-room hotel	31	Freehold	6,575	

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>
13) Bilderberg Château Holtmühle  Kasteellaan 10, 5932 AG,  Tegelen, the Netherlands  Comprising a 66-room heritage status hotel	31	Freehold	5,600
Total for The Netherlands			134,852
GERMANY			
1) Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden Große Meißner Straße 15, 01097, Dresden, Germany Comprising a 340-room heritage status hotel	95	Freehold	40,678
2) Le Méridien Frankfurt Wiesenhüttenplatz 28, 30, 32 and Wiesenhüttenstraße 36-38, Frankfurt am Main, 60329, Germany Comprising a 300-room hotel with a heritage status hotel wing	50	Freehold	15,602
Total for Germany			56,280
ITALY			
1) Bare shell hotel formerly known as Grand Hotel Puccini Corso Buenos Aires No. 33, Milan, Italy Comprising a bare shell hotel	100	Freehold	2,980
Total for Italy			2,980
Grand Total - Hotels			275,153

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Project Construction Commencement Date	Expected Project Handover/ Completion Date	Site Area (sq m)	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>
DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES	UNDER DE\	/ELOPMENT				
PRC						
<b>1) Millennium Waterfront</b> Wenjiang District, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, PRC	100	Leasehold interest to year 2051				
Plot E Expected to comprise three blocks of approximately 2,800 SOHO units and an elder care centre of total 304,300 sq m (including a healthcare building of 74,200 sq m), 91,800 sq m of commercial/retail space and approximately 2,500 underground car park lots			August 2021	Expected handover of Plot E SOHO units in phases from late 2023/ early 2024	38,858	397,229
Plot F Comprising mainly 5 floors of saleable retail and commercial space including a cinema, a supermarket and F&B space, and 806 underground car park lots			February 2018	Completed in March 2021	9,379	28,148
2) Primus Bay Panyu District, Guangzhou, Guangdong Province, PRC Expected to comprise 20 blocks of approximately 1,527 residential units, 3,034 sq m of retail space and 2,403 underground car park lots	95	Leasehold interest to years 2062 and 2067	July 2021	Expected initial handover in phases from late 2023	92,130	168,994

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Project Construction Commencement Date	Expected Project Handover/ Completion Date	Site Area (sq m)	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>
3) The Pinnacle Chang'an Town, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC (partially completed and handed over) Comprising two blocks of 168 residential units, a cluster of 202 SOHO units, 2,700 sq m of retail space and 344 underground car park lots	60	Leasehold interest to year 2058 (commercial component); and year 2088 (residential component)	September 2019	Expected handover in 2022	36,404	26,776
4) Bolong Bay Garden  Humen District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC  Expected to comprise seven blocks of approximately 738 residential units, 245 sq m of retail space and 704 underground car park lots	48	Leasehold interest to year 2061 (commercial component); and year 2091 (residential component)	November 2021	Expected handover in phases from 2023	30,030	82,882
5) Humen Boyong Project  Humen District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC  Expected to comprise seven blocks of approximately 540 residential units, three blocks of SOHO units (27,515 sq m), 2,200 sq m of retail space and 1,043 underground car park lots	36	Leasehold interest to year 2061 (commercial component); and year 2091 (residential component)	January 2022	_ (c)	39,038	117,111
6) Star of East River Wanjiang District and Nancheng District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC Comprising mainly a retail mall	30	Leasehold interest to years 2054 to 2056 (commercial component)	April 2017	Completed in September 2019 and December 2020	13,800	30,100

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Project Construction Commencement Date	Expected Project Handover/ Completion Date	Site Area (sq m)	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>
7) Skyline Garden Wanjiang District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC Expected to comprise five blocks of 1,194 residential units, seven blocks of 804 SOHO units, 4,400 sq m of retail space and 1,813 underground car park lots  All SOHO units and commercial space are to be kept for a minimum holding period of 2 years as per land tender conditions	27	Leasehold interest to year 2059 (commercial component); and year 2089 (residential component)	November 2019	Expected initial handover in phases from late 2022	42,343	202,847
8) Fenggang Project Fenggang District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC	18	To be re-zoned	Under planning	_ (c)	33,800	_ (c)
9) Time Zone <sup>(2)</sup> Humen District, Dongguan, Guangdong Province, PRC Expected to comprise 13 blocks of 2,420 residential units, eight blocks of 7,670 SOHO units, a 40,000 sq m hotel, three office towers with 188,800 sq m of office space, a 100,000 sq m shopping mall, 21,000 sq m of commercial/retail space, 4,160 underground car park lots, and other general amenities to be built for the municipal as per the land tender conditions	17	Leasehold interest to year 2060 (commercial component); and year 2090 (residential component)	January 2021	Expected initial handover in phases from 2023	199,000	1,052,000
Total for PRC					534,782	2,106,087

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> Previously known as Humen Transit-Oriented Development

Location/Name of Property and Brief Description	Effective Group Interest (%)	Title/Year of Expiry of Land Use Rights	Project Construction Commencement Date	Expected Project Handover/ Completion Date	Site Area (sq m)	Approximate Gross Floor Area (sq m) <sup>(b)</sup>
THE NETHERLANDS						
1) Meerparc  Amstelveenseweg 638-710,  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Comprising approximately 13,357 sq m of office space, 5,786 sq m industrial space and 218 car park lots (current status)	100	Freehold	Under planning	_ (c)	9,744	_ (c)
2) Dreeftoren  Haaksbergweg 3-73 (odd numbers),  Amsterdam, the Netherlands  Expected to comprise a  15,600 sq m office building,  1,600 sq m of retail/  commercial space, 312  residential units and 136  car park lots	100	Perpetual leasehold interest with ground rent paid until year 2039	Under planning	Expected to be completed in 2025	5,740	48,214
Total for the Netherlands					15,484	48,214
AUSTRALIA						
1) City Tattersalls Club Project 194-204 Pitt Street, Sydney, NSW 2000, Australia Expected to comprise the revitalised City Tattersalls Club, a 101-room hotel and 241 residential units	40	Freehold	3Q2022	Expected to be completed in 2026	2,337	34,097
Total for Australia					2,337	34,097
Grand Total – Development I	Proportios	Under Develo	nment		552,603	2,188,398

#### Notes:

Lettable floor area excludes car park space.

Gross floor area ("GFA") excludes underground GFA and/or car park area.

Yet to be ascertained as the development plan relating to this project is currently at the preliminary stage.





#### **Board Statement**

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of First Sponsor Group Limited ("First Sponsor") is pleased to present the Group's sustainability report for the year ended 31 December 2021 ("FY2021"). Following First Sponsor's fourth sustainability report which was published as part of its Annual Report on 1 April 2021, First Sponsor's fifth sustainability report demonstrates its continued commitment to sustainability and encapsulates its approach to Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") performance and targets for FY2021.

Over the years, First Sponsor has built up a diverse property portfolio across the PRC and Europe and has successfully grown its shareholders' funds. As First Sponsor continues to grow its businesses across geographical borders and face increasing complexity and volatility challenges, the Group recognises the value of integrating sustainability considerations in its businesses and operations. The Board oversees the direction of sustainability efforts and takes into account sustainability issues in formulating the Group's long term strategies.

The Board also oversees the management of ESG risks and opportunities, supported by the Group's Sustainability Steering Committee ("SSC"). Formed by senior management, the Group's SSC reviews and re-validates the Group's material ESG factors every year. In FY2021, the Board and SSC determined that the Group's six material ESG factors, selected in FY2017, remain relevant to the Group's sustainability priorities. These material factors fall into four priority areas of sustainability, namely Economic Performance, Environmental Responsibility, Social Impact and Corporate Governance. The Board will consider external stakeholder engagement as part of the materiality review process in the future, to the extent relevant.

The Board has approved the disclosure of sustainability performance and targets in this report. Going forward, the Board will continue to integrate sustainability into the Group's overall business strategy and goals by focusing on the areas where the Group can make the most impact. First Sponsor will publish the sustainability report annually to update you with its progress and achievements in sustainability.

#### **About This Report**

This sustainability report summarises First Sponsor's sustainability practices and performance from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021.

This report, published annually, has been prepared in accordance with the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Standards: Core option, as well as with the requirements of SGX-ST Listing Rules Practice Note 7.6: "Sustainability Reporting Guide". First Sponsor has chosen the GRI Standards as it is the most widely used sustainability reporting framework globally.

The report covers the listed entity, First Sponsor¹, and five hotels from the Group's property holding business, namely, Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang Hotel and Holiday Inn Express Chengdu Wenjiang Hotspring Hotel in the PRC (hereafter referred together as "Wenjiang Hotels"), Hilton Rotterdam Hotel ("Hilton Rotterdam"), Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station ("HbH Utrecht"), both in the Netherlands, and Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden ("Bilderberg Dresden")² in Germany. Unless otherwise specified, the practices, performance, and targets disclosed in this report apply to the same aforementioned reporting scope. All environmental and occupational health and safety data focuses on the five above-mentioned hotels only and excludes tenant consumption.

The reporting scope for this report includes properties for which the Group has more than 50% effective interest, and excludes properties that were not operational for more than six months in the financial year, or for which the Group has no operational control over. Development properties are also excluded from the reporting scope as the Group is in the process of evaluating the accuracy and reliability of data obtained from third party contractors, and will consider their inclusion in future reporting scopes, subject to data accuracy and reliability. In FY2021, the Group added two hotels to its reporting scope namely the 100%-owned HbH Utrecht and 94.9%-owned Bilderberg Dresden.

No external assurance has been sought for this report. Please forward any enquiries or feedback to ir@1st-sponsor.com.sg.

<sup>(1)</sup> Refers to the Singapore branch office of First Sponsor, which is also the corporate headquarters of the Group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(2)</sup> The Wenjiang Hotels are jointly managed by InterContinental Hotel Group ("IHG"), Hilton Rotterdam is managed by Hilton Worldwide Holding Inc. ("Hilton"), and Bilderberg Dresden is managed by Event Hotels Group ("EHG"). HbH Utrecht is managed by the Group and is under a franchise agreement with Hilton.

#### Sustainability at First Sponsor

First Sponsor believes that sustainability considerations can contribute to its overall aim to provide quality products and services and become the preferred choice for its customers and investors. First Sponsor has identified four priority areas of sustainability, which support the Group's business strategy and represent key risks and opportunities. These priority areas are underpinned by the six material ESG factors as shown in the chart below.



First Sponsor's six material factors were reviewed by the SSC in FY2019 with the help of an independent consultant, guided by GRI's principles for defining report content. In FY2021, the SSC and Board concluded that the six material factors continue to be relevant to First Sponsor's business and stakeholders today and hence First Sponsor's material factors remain unchanged. The Board and SSC will consider external stakeholder engagement in the materiality review process in the future, to the extent relevant.

By holistically managing its material factors through its four high-impact areas, First Sponsor can bring about positive environmental and social value for its employees, customers and investors alike.



**Economic Performance:** First Sponsor aspires to create stable, long-term and healthy economic returns for its investors and shareholders. The Group strives to stay relevant and competitive, capitalising on new growth opportunities.



**Environmental Responsibility:** First Sponsor is committed to consuming responsibly and minimising its environmental footprint. The Group applies the Precautionary Principle<sup>3</sup> in the management of energy and water consumption, and carbon emissions and has adopted various resource-efficient practices.



**Social Impact:** As a responsible corporate citizen, First Sponsor strives to create a positive social impact. For its employees, First Sponsor seeks to create a rewarding, collaborative and inclusive working environment. The Group tailors training programmes to align with industry needs and to retain and develop the right talent for growth. First Sponsor is also committed to cultivating a strong safety culture to safeguard the health and safety of its employees and customers.



**Corporate Governance:** First Sponsor believes transparency and high ethical standards are essential for building stakeholder trust. First Sponsor exercises strong corporate governance to prevent corruption and monitors regulatory compliance. Robust corporate governance also lays the foundation for efficient management of ESG issues and upholds the Group's core values.

First Sponsor's consideration for ESG issues also extends to its business partners and suppliers across its value chain. When a third party service provider, such as a main contractor for project development or a hotel manager, is involved in delivering products and services, First Sponsor works closely with it to create synergy in its sustainability approach. For example, in its property holding business, First Sponsor partners with trusted hotel managers, such as InterContinental Hotel Group ("IHG"), Hilton Worldwide Holding Inc. ("Hilton") and Event Hotels Group ("EHG") to drive sustainability practices across its properties. These groups have their own high standards and committed approach to sustainability.

<sup>(3)</sup> The Precautionary Principle was adopted by the United Nations Rio Declaration on Environment and Development in 1992. It states: 'In order to protect the environment, the precautionary approach shall be widely applied by States according to their capabilities. Where there are threats of serious or irreversible damage, lack of full scientific certainty shall not be used as a reason for postponing cost-effective measures to prevent environmental degradation.' Applying the Precautionary Principle in risk management or product development helps an organisation to reduce or to avoid negative impacts on the environment.

#### Material Factors and Targets4

Mate	rial Factors	FY2021 Targets	Performance for FY2021	FY2022 Targets							
Econo	Economic Performance										
\$000	Economic Performance Details of the financial performance and targets can be found in the Financial Review and the Financial Statements section of this Annual Report.										
Envir	onmental Respons	ibility									
	Energy, Emissions and Water	<ul> <li>Maintain or reduce current levels of energy and water intensity from FY2019 levels<sup>5</sup></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Energy intensity decreased from 132 kWh to 112 kWh per occupied room from FY2019 to FY2021 (see page 56)</li> <li>Water intensity decreased from 1.04 m³ in FY2019 to 0.75 m³ per occupied room in FY2021 (see page 57)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain or reduce current levels of energy and water intensity from FY2019 levels<sup>6</sup></li> </ul>							
Socia	l Impact										
	Talent Retention and Training	Provide performance review to all eligible employees	<ul> <li>All eligible<sup>7</sup> permanent employees received regular performance reviews (see page 60)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide performance reviews to all eligible employees</li> </ul>							
	Occupational Health and Safety	<ul> <li>Pass safety audits with no serious breaches reported</li> <li>Maintain a safe workplace with zero work-related fatalities</li> <li>Improve safety rates (Workplace Injury Rate) from current levels</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Passed safety audits with no serious breaches reported (see page 61)</li> <li>Zero workplace fatalities (see page 61)</li> <li>Workplace Injury Rate increased from 790 per 100,000 workers in FY2020 to 1,620 per 100,000 workers in FY2021, due to an increase in the number of recordable injuries from 3 in FY2020 to 7 in FY2021</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pass safety audits with no serious breaches reported</li> <li>Maintain a safe workplace with zero work-related fatalities</li> <li>Improve safety rates (Workplace Injury Rate) from current levels</li> </ul>							
S. S	Customer Health and Safety	<ul> <li>Maintain zero cases of non-compliance concerning customer health and safety</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Zero cases of non-compliance concerning customer health and safety (see page 63)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain zero cases of non-compliance concerning customer health and safety</li> </ul>							
Corpo	orate Governance										



Regulatory Compliance

- Maintain zero incidents of confirmed corruption
- Maintain zero noncompliance with environmental and social economic laws and regulations
- Zero incidents of confirmed corruption (see page 64)
- Zero incidents of non-compliance with environmental and socioeconomic laws and regulations (see page 64)
- Maintain zero incidents of confirmed corruption
- Maintain zero noncompliance with environmental and social economic laws and regulations

<sup>(4)</sup> For information on the scope of the performance highlights and targets, please refer to the "About This Report" section on page 49.

<sup>(5)</sup> FY2019 is used as the base year for this target, as FY2020 performance was impacted due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

<sup>(6)</sup> FY2019 continues to be used as the base year for this target as FY2021 performance remained impacted due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

<sup>(7)</sup> Exclude permanent employees who were under traineeship programs or probation.

#### Stakeholder Engagement

The role of stakeholder engagement is to build relationships and trust necessary to develop and implement sustainability practices and strategies together. First Sponsor regularly engages its key stakeholders, who are identified as stakeholder groups on which the Group's business operations has a significant impact or is significantly impacted by. The following table summarises how First Sponsor has interacted with its key stakeholders.

Key Stakeholders	Main Objective	Engagement Methods	Frequency	Key Topic and Concerns Raised
Shareholders and investors	To disseminate accurate and timely information on the Group's performance and strategic direction	<ul> <li>Release of financial results, announcements, voluntary updates, annual reports, press releases, and other relevant disclosures through SGXNET and First Sponsor's website</li> <li>Updates through one-on-one/group meetings and investor roadshows</li> <li>Annual General Meeting</li> <li>Extraordinary General Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Throughout the year</li> <li>Throughout the year</li> <li>Once a year</li> <li>When necessary</li> </ul>	Timely and clear communication of corporate results and business strategies
Tenants and hotel guests	To understand expectations and improve satisfaction	<ul> <li>Tenant engagement activities (where applicable)</li> <li>Informal gatherings and networking sessions among hotel employees</li> <li>Management circulars and notices</li> </ul>	Throughout the year	Improvement in service provided to tenants and hotel guests and hotel operations

Key Stakeholders	Main Objective	Engagement Methods	Frequency	Key Topic and Concerns Raised
Employees	To create a safe, inclusive and rewarding working environment to sustain employee morale	<ul> <li>Employee surveys</li> <li>Training and development programmes</li> <li>Formal feedback channels (e.g. town halls, department meetings)</li> <li>Informal feedback channels (e.g. lunch meetings)</li> <li>Recreational and team building activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Twice a year and annually as the case may be</li> <li>Throughout the year</li> <li>Quarterly and monthly as the case may be</li> <li>Throughout the year</li> <li>Throughout the year</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communication of hotels' strategic direction</li> <li>Clear communication with colleagues, tenants and hotel guests</li> </ul>
Analysts and the media	To make announcements and gain feedback	<ul> <li>Analysts' briefings for semi-annual and full-year results, conducted by senior management</li> <li>Updates through one-on- one/group meetings</li> </ul>	• Semi- annually	No major concerns raised
Government and	To comply with relevant laws and regulations	<ul><li>Industry networking (where applicable)</li><li>Annual regulatory audits (where applicable)</li></ul>	Throughout the year	No major concerns raised

regulators

#### Energy, Emissions and Water

As a hotel owner and operator, First Sponsor is cognisant of the impact its businesses have on the environment. Buildings, especially hotels, consume significant energy and water resources. Considering that its hotel operations contribute to the bulk of its environmental footprint, First Sponsor takes an active stance in monitoring and managing its usage of these resources. First Sponsor strives to do its part in the global fight against climate change by reducing its energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions. First Sponsor also aims to consume and discharge water responsibly, in accordance with all applicable local regulations.

Guided by global standards set by IHG and Hilton, the hotels have established respective resource management frameworks to better manage and monitor resource consumption. These frameworks set out the structure of an Energy Committee to govern and champion the conservation of water and energy, as well as other environmental causes such as supply chain management and waste reduction. The Energy Committee closely tracks and monitors energy and water consumption. To encourage the best environmental practices, the environmental performance of the hotels is compared with other IHG or Hilton peers. Good performance is recognised by the various energy saving reward mechanisms.

First Sponsor's hotels remain committed to environmental responsibility amidst the pandemic. Hilton Rotterdam continued to implement initiatives on energy, water and waste management, such as:



#### Energ

 Replaced existing lightings with LED bulbs in guest rooms and toilets on the ground floor



#### Water

- Water-saving equipment is installed in hotel room showerheads, taps and toilets to ensure efficient use of water resources, saving up to 12 litres of water per minute
- Water used in guest rooms, for cleaning activities and plant watering is discharged by sewer pipes directly into street sewers
- Water from the kitchens is passed through a grease separator before being discharged into the street sewers



#### Waste

- Plastic covers on linen trolleys have been replaced with reusable covers
- Washed or ironed clothing are returned to guests without plastic cover to avoid plastic waste
- Reduced plastic food packaging without compromising safety and quality of food products based on procurement guidelines
- Waste is segregated by the hotel employees into glass, plastic and paper to facilitate recycling
- Used plastic bottles are returned to the supermarkets
- Used soaps in guest rooms are donated to Clean the World for recycling
- Batteries and fluorescent tubes are separated from general waste for proper end-of-life treatment

At HbH Utrecht, the Too Good to Go initiative allows guests to order a food package from leftover breakfast items, promoting reduction of food wastage. The new Hampton by Hilton brand standards will result in the phasing out of all individually packaged breakfast food items to bulk items instead. HbH Utrecht's energy-saving initiatives include use of LED lighting, annual participation in Earth Hour, and removal of minibars in guestrooms to reduce energy consumption by electrical appliances. Water-saving equipment is installed in showers, taps and toilets, and waste is separated for recycling. HbH Utrecht's responsible procurement practices focus on replacing plastic and singleuse amenities with recyclable, reusable and bulk amenities, as well as increasing vegetarian and vegan food options to reduce the carbon footprint from diets.

Hilton Rotterdam and HbH Utrecht's sustainability performance is monitored on Hilton's environmental and social impact performance management platform LightStay, which allows the hotels to track progress against goals and identifies areas for improvement. Through the use of LightStay, Hilton Rotterdam and HbH Utrecht are certified to 14001 Environmental Management standard and ISO 50001 Energy Management standard. In FY2021, Hilton also launched a carbon offset programme in the Netherlands to offer businesses the opportunity to offset the carbon footprint of their meetings and events at no extra cost. At Hilton Rotterdam, all meetings with 10 or more delegates will have their carbon footprint offset with carbon credits generated through projects ranging from forest regenerated and wildlife protection to clean energy, in line with Hilton Travel with Purpose 2030 goals.

Bilderberg Dresden maintained its status as a Certified Green Hotel in FY2021 after testing and verification by the business travel association VDR. The hotel also won the Certified Star Award for being customers' most-liked Certified Green Hotel. It is progressively converting all lighting to LED lighting, and continues to expand the use of drip irrigation in its gardens to reduce water consumption. The hotel houses five bee colonies on its roof, which produces about 180 kilograms of honey annually that guests are able to enjoy at the breakfast buffet. In FY2021, the hotel reactivated the "make a green choice" programme where guests have the choice not to get the room cleaned during the duration of their stay. Trash cans in guest rooms allow for waste segregation at source. Looking ahead, Bilderberg Dresden has launched Project Solar System, an initiative to explore the feasibility of installing solar cells on its roof. The hotel is also planning to expand its current electric vehicle charging infrastructure, in tandem with increasing demand from guests.

The Wenjiang Hotels have in place various facility installations, operational standards and initiatives to improve resource efficiency and ensure responsible environmental management:



#### Energy

- Equipping parking lots with electric vehicle charging points
- Installing an energy meter system for realtime recording and accurate analysis of energy consumption
- Installing an intelligent lighting control system for hotel common areas
- Installation of glass panels in the lobby and other areas for admission of natural light
- Equipping the heating, ventilation and airconditioning system with temperature control and valve control
- Implementation of a temperature control scheme according to the hotels' winter and summer operating conditions
- Sealing restaurant windows with 3M foil to increase insulation



#### Water

- Installing water-saving faucets and shower nozzles in hotel rooms
- Equipping the steam system with a condensate water collector for recycling



#### Waste

- Recovering hotel garbage and waste to be treated by relevant qualified and state-approved recycling companies
- Sewage from the kitchens is drained by a grease separator and waste oil is separated for recovery and processing by a qualified company
- Sewage from guest rooms is treated by a septic tank and discharged into the municipal sewage system



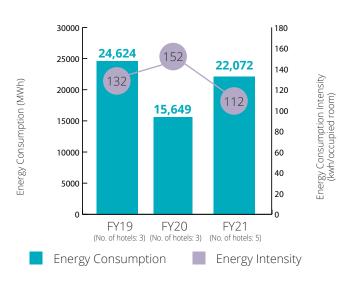
#### Procurement

 Use of suppliers who meet the requirements of IHG, such as using recyclable and bio-degradable paper straws as plastic straws are strictly prohibited Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang Hotel received a RMB500,000 reward in FY2021 from the local government for maintaining its status as a 'Green Hotel'.

To inspire a sense of ownership of environmental sustainability among employees, the hotels incorporated environmental education as part of the formal training for employees and organised various activities to raise awareness on environmental issues. In particular, IHG has made efforts to reach out to employees at all levels, by including Green Aware training as part of the new hire induction programme at the Wenjiang Hotels, and introducing carbon emission indicators in the performance evaluations of hotel general managers. The Green Meeting project aims to encourage participants to use non disposables and reduce consumption of bottled water and paper cups.

#### Energy consumption, greenhouse gas emissions and water consumption performance data

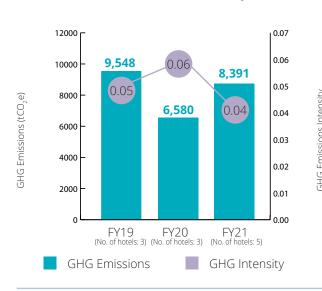
#### **Energy Consumption and Intensity**



The Group's total energy consumption consists of electricity, heating, cooling and gas consumption, which are monitored from metering tables. For FY2021, the Group's total electricity consumption was 8,918 megawatt hours ("MWh"), heating and cooling consumption was 5,859 MWh, and gas consumption was 7,295 MWh.

While the Group's total energy consumption amounted to 22,072 MWh<sup>8</sup>, which represents a 41% increase from FY2020 due to the addition of two hotels into the scope, energy consumption per occupied room fell by 26%, due to a significant increase in room occupancy. Compared to FY2019, the Group observed a 10% reduction in total energy consumption and 15% reduction in energy consumption per occupied room. Energy consumption per gross floor area (GFA) was 123 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> in FY2021, a 37% reduction from FY2019.

#### **GHG Emissions and Intensity**



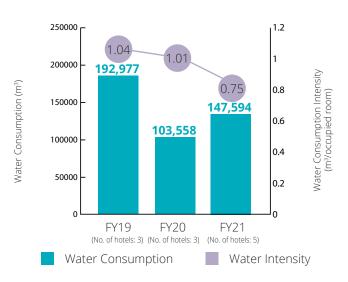
The Group's total greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions were 8,391 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent ( $tCO_2e$ )9 in FY2021, a 28% increase from FY2020 due to the addition of two hotels into the data scope. However, compared to FY2019, total GHG emissions and GHG emissions per occupied room in FY2021 fell by 12% and 20% respectively.

The largest source of emissions was from Scope 2 (electricity, heating and cooling) emissions at 7,118 tCO $_2$ e, while Scope 1 (gas) emissions amounted to 1,273 tCO $_2$ e. The Group's GHG emissions produced per occupied room were 0.04 tCO $_2$ e in FY2021, a 33% decrease from FY2020 due to a significant increase in room occupancy. GHG emissions produced per GFA were 0.05 tCO $_2$ e/m2 in FY2021, a 39% reduction from FY2019.

<sup>(8)</sup> Conversion factors were referenced from IPCC 2006.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>(9)</sup> The emission factors were referenced from Regional Grid Emission Factor Report 2015 by National Development and Reform Commissions of China (NDRC), The Emission Factors by Covenant of Mayors (EU-27), Emission Factors from Stationary Combustion Tools by Greenhouse Gas Protocol (2015) and 2018 List of CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Factors of the Netherlands jointly developed by Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management (the Netherlands) and partners.

#### **Water Consumption and Intensity**



First Sponsor monitors its water consumption via its water metering tables. The Group's municipal water consumption increased by 43% from FY2020 to 147,694m³ in FY2021. Water intensity decreased by 26% from FY2020 to 0.75m³ per occupied room in FY2021. This decrease can be attributed to a larger increase in the number of occupied rooms in FY2021 relative to the increase in water consumption. Compared to FY2019, water consumption and intensity in FY2021 decreased by 23% and 28% respectively.

Moving forward, First Sponsor will step up its efforts to improve environmental efficiency. In FY2022, First Sponsor aims to maintain or reduce current levels of energy and water intensity from FY2019 levels<sup>10</sup>.

<sup>(10)</sup> FY2019 is used as base year for this target, as FY2020 and FY2021 performance were impacted due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

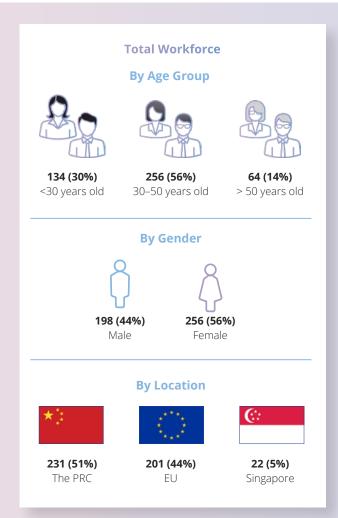
#### **Talent Retention and Training**

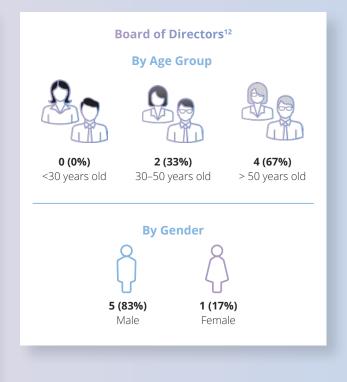
First Sponsor takes pride in its workforce. The Group recognises that retaining and investing in the development of its human capital is the key to high-quality products and services. First Sponsor's human resource policies are grounded in equal opportunities and fair employment practices. Effective recruitment and selection are the key steps towards strengthening the Group's human capital. Bilderberg Dresden takes a proactive approach to recruiting talent for apprenticeship, via a Trainee Dinner.

First Sponsor seeks to maintain a diverse workforce as diversity will encourage different perspectives and creativity, thus helping First Sponsor to improve its quality of service. All qualified candidates are considered for employment without discrimination of gender, age, ethnicity, religion and

national origin. Compensation is objectively determined based on position, competency and performance, and in the case of the Netherlands, the Collective Labour Agreement too, where applicable. All key personnel of Hilton Rotterdam are required to attend training on "Diversity and Inclusion" to integrate these values into the daily operations of the hotel.

In FY2021, the corporate headquarters office and the five hotels have a total of 454 employees on average, as compiled by the respective Human Resource departments<sup>11</sup>. First Sponsor does not have a significant portion of business activities that are performed by workers who are not employees. The charts below provide a quantitative measure of employee diversity.





<sup>(11)</sup> All employee figures are calculated based on the average employee headcount at the end of each quarter. Temporary employees are excluded from these figures.

<sup>(12)</sup> Excludes alternate Director.

First Sponsor promotes regular open and two-way communication between employees and management. Throughout the pandemic, the hotels made sure to keep employees regularly updated on the operational situation and maintain employee morale via virtual communication and frequent check-ins. Bilderberg Dresden held a Kick-off Day for all employees to reflect and align on the rebranding of the hotel and its key pillars, as well as understand market trends.

In FY2021, there were a total of 68 new hires, with an average monthly new hire rate of 1.2%. Meanwhile, 82 employees left the organisation, with an average monthly turnover rate of 1.5%.

Table 1: New employee hire and employee turnover rates by age, gender and region

FY2021	Monthly new hire rate	Monthly turnover rate	
By age group	By age group		
<30 years old	2.4%	2.6%	
30-50 years old	0.9%	1.1%	
>50 years old	0.3%	0.9%	
By gender			
Male	1.3%	1.8%	
Female	1.2%	1.3%	
By region			
The PRC	0.8%	0.8%	
EU	1.9%	2.5%	
Singapore	0.8%	0.0%	
Overall	1.2%	1.5%	

The Group also believes in investing in its people through training and development. In a dynamic business environment, First Sponsor recognises the need to continually upgrade its employees with the skills necessary for growth.

First Sponsor provides training and development programmes to cater to the learning needs of its employees. The learning programmes cover a wide range of topics, both professional and personal, such as new employee orientation, personal grooming, time management, job-specific skills and leadership skills. Employees are also encouraged to conduct cross trainings with other departments to improve interpersonal skills and encourage inter-departmental cooperation.

During periods of low occupancy in FY2021, Hilton Rotterdam took the opportunity to invest in on-the-job, virtual, as well as cross-departmental training, which had a positive impact on internal moves and talent retention. The hotel was able to promote some of its talents and retrain all supervisors and heads of department. Over the pandemic, the hotel also re-evaluated and revised its department roadmaps, creating training plans for new joiners. For existing staff, career development plans and specific learning opportunities featured strongly in performance reviews to increase employee engagement and motivation. While in-person events could not take place, Hilton Rotterdam conducted virtual appreciation events and gave employees take-home gift bags to thank them for their service.

In FY2021, Bilderberg Dresden conducted a number of training sessions to upgrade employees' hard and soft skills. The Executive Team received training on restarting amidst the pandemic, employees received training on handling complaints, and all employees were trained on hotel property management software system SIHOT, to aid in the implementation and development of the system across hotel operations.

To support long-term career development, First Sponsor offers regular performance reviews to communicate employees' performance and career goals. The review provides feedback on areas of improvement and communicates decisions such as bonus, promotion and internal transfers. It also helps to evaluate employees' progress towards their career goals and identify needs for skill upgrades. In FY2021, First Sponsor provided all eligible<sup>13</sup> permanent employees with at least one performance review, in the five hotels and First Sponsor corporate office.

First Sponsor also recognises that work-life balance is essential to maintain employees' satisfaction, morale and productivity. First Sponsor promotes flexible working hours and telecommuting for staff that are able to do so, which proved especially important during the pandemic. Each department is given the freedom to create its own schedule that best suits the needs of the department. In addition to full-time contracts, First Sponsor also offers employees the option of taking morning or evening shifts, working different contracted hours, and fixed days off.

Going forward, First Sponsor will stay committed to maintaining a positive and engaging working environment for its staff. In FY2022, First Sponsor targets to continue to conduct performance reviews for all eligible permanent employees.

#### Health and Safety

First Sponsor's employees, who are its greatest assets, have the right to a safe and secure working environment and to return home safely at the end of the working day. First Sponsor recognises its responsibility to provide a safe and healthy environment for its employees, tenants, customers and all other building users. The Group continuously identifies potential safety hazards and implements precautions to minimise the risks.

#### Occupational Health and Safety (OHS)

First Sponsor believes that inculcating a strong safety culture in the workplace will protect the company's most valuable asset – its people. First Sponsor is committed to ensuring that safety risks are properly identified and mitigated, wherever possible. First Sponsor respects the right of its employees to refuse unsafe work without fear of reprisal. As part of the OHS management system, the hotels have Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) policies in place. The policy sets out a chain of command and accountability regarding health and safety issues and covers all employees and activities at their workplace, as well as contractors at Hilton Rotterdam, in accordance with the ARBO law (Dutch Working Condition Act).

<sup>(13)</sup> Exclude permanent employees who were under traineeship programmes or probation.

Safety personnel assess the physical, environmental and safety practices to identify areas of high risks. Corresponding preventive action plans are developed to address identified risks. At Hilton Rotterdam, this is done in the form of an annual Risk Assessment and Evaluation inspection, in accordance with Dutch Law. At the Crowne Plaza Chengdu Wenjiang Hotel, employees working in identified high-risk conditions, such as chefs or those operating boilers, undergo annual occupational health check-ups to identify and eliminate occupational health conditions. In FY2021, Bilderberg Dresden conducted work and fire safety training for new apprentices, as well as technical site inspections with all managers on duty.

Work-related accidents are investigated based on the standard operating procedures ("SOPs"). At the Wenjiang Hotels, injury reports describing the cause and details of the injury are required by the Human Resource Department for investigation and reporting to the local social security bureau. Employees who are hospitalised due to work-related injuries are provided with paid sick leave. Their medical expenses are covered by work injury insurance and employers' liability insurance. Every work-related injury is reviewed and analysed by the Human Resource Department and management team at the Wenjiang Hotels so as to determine the causes of such work-related injuries. Subsequently, the most appropriate and effective procedures are discussed and implemented to eliminate all future and potential safety risks. Safety briefings and operation trainings are also conducted to improve employees' safety awareness and prevent similar accidents from occurring.

Over at Hilton Rotterdam, all incidents must be reported to the supervisor or Head of Department who will file an incident report on the same day with the employee(s) involved. The report is sent to all related employees and discussed with the management team. Hotel management regularly engages with employees that require medical leave and ensures that occupational health and safety services are provided in the employees' subsequent re-integration at work. All incidents and their outcomes are reported to the regional safety and security officer at quarterly Safety and Security meetings.

At HbH Utrecht, SOPs when preparing for and responding to emergencies are guided by Hilton's Crisis Response Manuals.

To improve transparency and accountability, First Sponsor also provides communication channels across all levels to gather feedback on safety and health-related issues. On an annual basis, internal and/or external safety audits are conducted in all five hotels. For example, Hilton Rotterdam conducts an annual third-party Risk Inventory Assessment, while the Wenjiang Hotels conduct annual on-site fire audits. In FY2021, there were no significant OHS risks identified and no serious breaches reported at all five hotels.

The Group aims to inculcate a culture of safety among its employees through training and education. Employees are required to undergo compulsory safety training prior to the commencement of their work, during which they are trained to exercise safety precautions and administer necessary personal protective equipment. At Hilton Rotterdam, all employees receive annual training on the security manual, and each department receives annual training on the safety guide as well. These resources enable more effective implementation of the Group's workplace safety programmes.

In FY2021, across the five hotels, First Sponsor recorded zero workplace fatalities, zero high-consequence work-related injuries<sup>14</sup>, and seven recordable work-related injuries over 898,560 man-hours worked. Following the incidents, safety hazards were identified and employees' safety training and workplace safety measures were implemented to prevent similar injuries in the future. The Workplace Injury Rate<sup>15</sup> for permanent employees was 1,620 per 100,000 workers<sup>16</sup>. The year on year comparison of safety data is shown in Table 2 in the next page.

<sup>(14)</sup> According to the GRI Standards, a high consequence work-related injury is a work-related injury that results in a fatality or in an injury from which the worker cannot, does not, or is not expected to recover fully to pre-injury health status within 6 months.

<sup>(15)</sup> Workplace Injury Rate = (Number of fatal and non-fatal injuries)/(Average number of workers) ×100,000. In FY2020, the Group started reporting its safety data according to the Workplace Injury Rate formula provided by Singapore's Ministry of Manpower (MOM). This is because the Accident Frequency Rate and Accident Severity Rate that we reported in previous years were no longer included for benchmarking by MOM since 2019.

<sup>(16)</sup> Workplace Injury Rate only includes employees from the five hotels and not the Singapore corporate office.

With the global pandemic showing no signs of abating in FY2021, First Sponsor continued to remain alert in managing the threat of Covid-19 as part of creating a safe workplace for all its employees. Enhanced safety and hygiene protocols remain in place in all of First Sponsor's hotels. Bilderberg Dresden also conducted a briefing for employees on the importance of vaccination according to the German Federal Infection Protection Act, to encourage employees to protect themselves against the virus. For the Group's Singapore corporate office, all employees largely worked from home in FY2021.

Beyond occupational health and safety, Hilton Rotterdam also promotes the holistic well-being of employees by organising fitness lessons in the hotel. Employees can also utilise fitness facilities in the hotel and are entitled to a corporate discount on health insurance with the hotel's insurance provider.

#### Customer Health and Safety

First Sponsor strongly believes in the provision of a safe, clean and enjoyable experience for its hotel guests and other building users. Hence, First Sponsor is committed to upholding the highest standards in health and safety for its valued customers. The hotels have established SOPs and contingency plans to prevent and minimise safety hazards. Proper alert systems have been put in place in the hotels. The systems enable any crisis to be escalated and followed-up promptly with the appropriate personnel on the situation. To enhance emergency preparedness, the hotels conduct regular fire drills, so that employees are properly trained to facilitate a safe evacuation for all. Firefighting equipment is inspected and maintained regularly in line with local laws and regulation. Necessary first aid training is also provided to the team so that employees can provide necessary assistance to guests in need.

In the Wenjiang Hotels, the Food Safety Management System ("FSMS") is updated regularly to follow the latest IHG Group requirements. The FSMS manager is directly accountable to the Executive Office. Every six months, the FSMS manager leads a drill on foodborne illness response, to reinforce the SOPs in handling food safety emergencies.

For Hilton Rotterdam and HbH Utrecht, all employees involved in the food service line have been trained on HACCP (Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points) food hygiene procedures and are retrained regularly. Hilton Rotterdam is subject to unannounced independent audits by its appointed food safety testing agency, Bureau de Wit. HbH Utrecht is audited bi-monthly by the same agency and received a food safety certificate for consistent high scores in FY2021, resulting in exemptions from government audits for the next two years.

Bilderberg Dresden has also attained HACCP certification. To ensure food safety and quality, the hotel conducts regular checks on cooling time and temperature, food temperature, storage, and cleaning. The hotel undergoes regular Legionella testing by third-party company and reinforced Legionella prevention measures during periods of lockdown.

Enhancing the security of its hotel guests and its property is another key focus area for First Sponsor. The entrance and exit of personnel are tightly controlled by the security team. The hotel premises are also under camera surveillance. In the Hilton Rotterdam, burglary alarms are placed across key locations in the hotel, with a direct connection to the local police station.

Table 2: Health and safety statistics

	FY2020	FY2021
Number of Workplace Fatalities Number of workplace deaths	-	-
Workplace Injury Rate Number of fatal and non-fatal injuries per 100,000 workers	790	1,620
Number of non-compliance cases concerning the health and safety of customers	-	-

The Covid-19 pandemic has heightened global awareness of the importance of health and hygiene at workplaces and public spaces. Since 2020, First Sponsor's hotels have taken additional measures to protect the Group's stakeholders during this pandemic, in accordance with government regulations, as well as their respective safety standards – the IHG Clean Promise standards and Hilton's Clean Stay programme. With its rigorous cleaning procedures and leading cleaning technologies, First Sponsor is committed to ensuring a safe and clean environment for its hotel guests.

At Bilderberg Dresden, First Sponsor has implemented hygiene and safety measures according to guidelines and directives from the authorities. In FY2021, the hotel also attained the hygiene certification "Certified Hygiene Check". This certification is a voluntary program for hygiene and cleaning controls in hotels carried out by an independent testing institute. First Sponsor is committed to the well-being of its guests and will continue to refine these measures regularly to create a safe environment for all.

Going forward, First Sponsor remains committed to promoting occupational and customer health and safety, targeting to pass safety audits with no serious breaches reported. In FY2022, First Sponsor aims to maintain a safe workplace with zero work-related fatalities and to maintain zero cases of non-compliance concerning customer health and safety.

#### **Regulatory Compliance**

With operations and employees across several countries, the Group recognises that good governance, transparency and integrity are first and foremost necessary to its license to operate, and also key in maintaining its reputation and the trust of its shareholders and stakeholders. First Sponsor also recognises the importance of anti-corruption in effective corporate management. First Sponsor is fully committed to upholding a high level of business ethics and adhering to relevant laws and regulations, for the prevention of corruption, bribery and extortion.

First Sponsor does not condone any form of corruption. The Group's Anti-Corruption Policy applies to all its directors, officers and employees as the Group believes that proper actions and conduct of all directors, officers and employees are essential to maintaining these standards. The Anti-Corruption Policy also provides guidance to employees on how to recognise, address, resolve, avoid and prevent instances of corruption, bribery and extortion which may arise in the course of their work. The Employee Code of Conduct emphasises expected behavior on issues like the prohibition of bribery, acceptance of lavish gifts and

entertainment, as well as independence issues. All new hires are required to go through a mandatory induction programme on anti-corruption related policies and procedures.

As part of monitoring and assurance procedures, First Sponsor has established a group-wide Whistleblowing Policy, updated by the Group's Audit and Risk Committee ("ARC") in FY2021, for all employees<sup>17</sup> to report any suspected violation without the fear of reprisals. To ensure timely and appropriate escalation of the report, employees can submit their feedback to the Group's ARC via e-mail or mail. All reports submitted will be assessed independently and in the event that the report involves any of the Group's ARC, employees can submit the report to the Group CEO via the provided e-mail address. Feedback can relate to internal controls, serious breaches of Group policy, unsafe work practices or any other matters involving fraud, corruption and employee misconduct. All concerns raised will effect an investigation or internal audit. All information disclosed during the course of an investigation will remain confidential, except when necessary to conduct the investigation or take remedial action in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

At Hilton Rotterdam, staff members have access to Hilton's worldwide whistleblower hotline, as well as a Trust Person from external service provider Arbodienst, as required by Netherland's Health and Safety Act.

Investigations at the Wenjiang Hotels follow a set of standard operating procedures. These include obtaining a written report from the person who was involved in the incident, requiring a Security Officer of the same gender to deal with incidents of a sexual nature, and obtaining approval from hotel management for decisions on investigation outcomes.

At Bilderberg Dresden, every whistleblowing report is written and signed by the General Manager. These reports are presented during weekly Executive Meetings for management to reflect, learn and improve processes to prevent such incidents from reoccurring.

First Sponsor actively identifies and manages regulatory risks. The Group adheres to relevant environmental and other laws concerning issues like effluents and waste, environmental reporting requirements, labour practices, health and safety and customer privacy. First Sponsor conforms to all the required audits to demonstrate compliance. In FY2021, First Sponsor fulfilled its target of achieving zero incidents of non-compliance with environmental and socio-economic laws and regulations which resulted in significant fines or sanctions.

<sup>(17)</sup> Includes all employees from the five hotels (Wenjiang Hotels, Hilton Rotterdam, HbH Utrecht and Bilderberg Dresden).

The management team monitors changes to the applicable laws and regulations. First Sponsor's internal risk management policies and employee communications are updated accordingly to keep abreast of regulatory changes. On an annual basis, all key personnel are required to complete mandatory training on relevant policies and laws where applicable, such as the ones listed below:

- Anti-Corruption Policy
- Employee Code of Conduct
- Legal Compliance Policy
- Trade Secrets, Anti-trust and Competition Policy
- Information Privacy and Security Policy
- Trade Sanctions in EMEA (Europe, the Middle East and Africa) and APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation) (applicable to Hilton Rotterdam only)
- European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (applicable to Hilton Rotterdam only)

As per IHG's requirements, Wenjiang Hotel employees receive additional mandatory training that is conducted through the InterContinental Online Training System. Training topics include information security, guest privacy security, fair competition and anti-corruption. The Wenjiang Hotels have successfully passed the FY2021 annual brand standard audit.

In FY2021, there were no confirmed incidences of corruption across the Group's operations. In the coming year, First Sponsor aims to maintain zero incidents of corruption and zero non-compliance with environmental and social economic laws and regulations, and to stay updated for any substantial new areas of law.

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102-3	Location of headquarters	Sustainability Report: About This Report, page 49
102-4	Location of operations	Corporate Structure, page 30
102-5	Ownership and legal form	About Us, page 29
102-6	Markets served	Our Presence, pages 1-2
102-7	Scale of the organization	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58-60 Corporate Structure, page 30 Financial Contents: Statements of financial position, page 120
102-8	Information on employees and other workers	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58-60 As we operate in the hospitality industry, our hotels experience seasonal variation in employee figures across the year. We are in the process of gathering employee data broken down by employment contract and employment type.
102-9	Supply chain	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50
102-10	Significant changes to the organization and its supply chain	There were no significant changes to the Group's size, structure, ownership, or supply chain in the reporting period.
102-11	Precautionary Principle or approach	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50
102-12	External initiatives	None
102-13	Membership of associations	None
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102-16	Values, principles, standards, and norms of behavior	Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64 Corporate Governance: Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Anti- Corruption Policy & Guidelines and Fraud Policy & Guidelines, pages 105-106
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102-18	Governance structure	Corporate Directory, page 31 Sustainability Report: Board Statement, page 49
Stakeholder	Engagement	
102-40	List of stakeholder groups	Sustainability Report: Stakeholder Engagement, pages 52-53
102-41	Collective bargaining agreements	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, page 58 Some of our employees in the Netherlands are covered by collective bargaining agreements.

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102-42	Identifying and selecting stakeholders	Sustainability Report: Stakeholder Engagement, pages 52-53
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102-47	List of material topics	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50
102-48	Restatements of information	No restatements of information
102-49	Changes in reporting	No significant changes in material topics or topic boundaries
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103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50 Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64
103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64
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302-1	Energy consumption within the organization	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, page 56
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Water and Ef	fluents 2018	
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103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, pages 54-57
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303-1	Interactions with water as a shared resource	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, pages 54-57
303-2	Management of water discharge-related impacts	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, page 54
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103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, pages 54-57
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, pages 54-57
305-1	Direct (Scope 1) GHG emissions	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, page 56 Sustainability Report: About This Report, page 49

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305-2	Energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG emissions	Sustainability Report: Energy, Emissions and Water, page 56 Sustainability Report: About This Report, page 49
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401-1	New employee hires and employee turnover	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, page 59
Occupationa	l Health and Safety 2018	
103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50 Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-63
103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-63
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-63
403-1	Occupational health and safety management system	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, page 60
403-2	Hazard identification, risk assessment, and incident investigation	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-61
403-3	Occupational health services	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-61
403-4	Worker participation, consultation, and communication on occupational health and safety	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-62
403-5	Worker training on occupational health and safety	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-63
403-6	Promotion of worker health	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-61

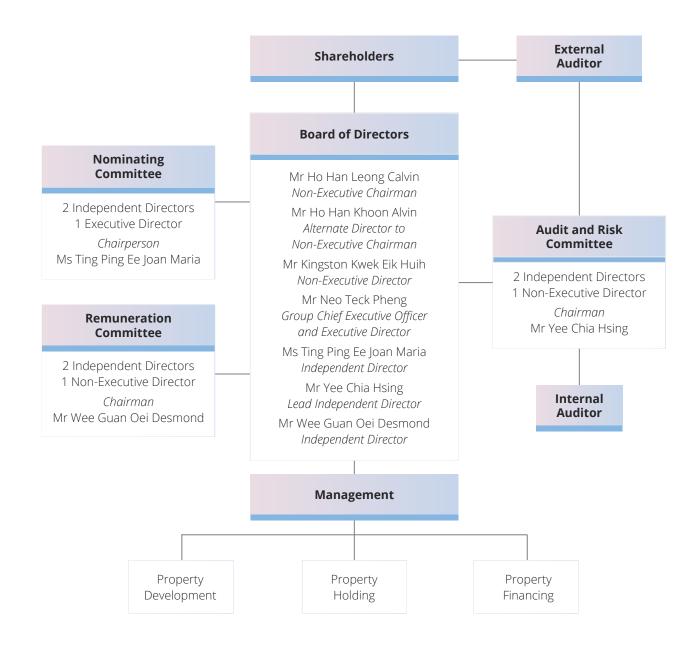
Disclosure No.	Disclosure Title	Chapter, Page Number and Reasons for Omissions, if applicable
403-7	Prevention and mitigation of occupational health and safety impacts directly linked by business relationships	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-61
403-9	Work-related injuries	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 60-63 The rate of recordable work-related injuries in 2021 was 7.79 per 1,000,000 hours worked.
Training and	Education 2016	
103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50 Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58, 60
103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58, 60
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, page 60
404-3	Percentage of employees receiving regular performance and career development reviews	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, page 60
Diversity and	l Equal Opportunity 2016	
103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50 Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58-60
103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58-60
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, pages 58-60
405-1	Diversity of governance bodies and employees	Sustainability Report: Talent Retention and Training, page 58
Customer He	alth and Safety 2016	
103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50 Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 62-63
103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 62-63
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, pages 62-63
416-2	Incidents of non-compliance concerning the health and safety impacts of products and services	Sustainability Report: Health and Safety, page 63
Socioeconom	nic Compliance 2016	
103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Sustainability Report: Sustainability at First Sponsor, page 50 Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64
103-2	The management approach and its components	Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64
103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64
419-1	Non-compliance with laws and regulations in the social and economic area	Sustainability Report: Regulatory Compliance, pages 63-64



First Sponsor Group Limited ("Company", and together with its subsidiaries, "Group") is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance to protect and enhance shareholder value. In compliance with Rule 710 of the listing manual ("Listing Manual") of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX"), the corporate governance report ("Report") sets out the Company's key corporate governance practices for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 ("FY2021") with reference to the Code of Corporate Governance 2018 ("Code"). The Company has complied, in all material respects, with the principles and provisions of the Code. In so far as any provision has not been complied with, the reason has been provided.

A summary of the Company's compliance with the express disclosure requirements of the Code is provided on pages 108 and 109.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK



#### **BOARD MATTERS**

#### The Board's Conduct of Affairs

Principle 1: The company is headed by an effective Board which is collectively responsible and works with Management for the long-term success of the company.

### **Board's Duties and Responsibilities**

The Company is headed by an effective Board which oversees the strategic direction, performance and affairs of the Group and provides overall guidance to Management.

The duties and responsibilities of the Board include:

- (a) approving the strategic direction of the Group and monitoring its progress;
- (b) approving the financial plan (including annual budgets) and monitoring the financial performance of the Group;
- (c) reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal controls framework in relation to financial, operational, compliance and information technology ("IT") controls, and safeguarding shareholders' interests and the Group's assets;
- (d) deliberating on and accepting recommendations by the Audit and Risk Committee ("**ARC**"), the Remuneration Committee ("**RC**") and the Nominating Committee ("**NC**"); and
- (e) considering sustainability issues such as environmental and social factors as part of the Group's strategic formulation.

Matters requiring the Board's decision and approval include:

- (a) interim financial results announcements and annual audited financial statements;
- (b) appointment of directors and key management personnel, including review of their performance and remuneration packages;
- (c) corporate or financial restructuring, major acquisitions and divestments;
- (d) share issuances and funding proposals;
- (e) interested person transactions ("IPTs"); and
- (f) declarations of interim dividends, proposals of final dividends and other returns to shareholders.

The Board also sets the tone for the Group in respect of ethics, values and desired organisational culture, and ensures proper accountability within the Group. The Company has in place an internal code of business conduct and ethics ("Code of Business Conduct and Ethics") to provide guidance to all officers and employees of the Group in resolving ethical questions that may arise in the course of their work for the Group. Please refer to the section titled "Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Anti-Corruption Policy & Guidelines and Fraud Policy & Guidelines" on pages 105 and 106 for further information.

#### **Board Meetings**

The Board holds at least four scheduled meetings each year and may also hold ad hoc meetings as and when warranted by circumstances. The quarterly meetings will typically be scheduled before the start of the financial year to enable the Directors to plan ahead to attend them and to coincide with the half year and year-end financial results reporting as well as the voluntary business updates for the first and third quarters in order to facilitate a review of the financial statements and announcement of the unaudited semi-annual financial results/voluntary business updates.

During every quarterly meeting:

- (a) the chairperson of each Board committee provides an update on significant matters discussed at the Board committee meetings which are typically scheduled before the quarterly Board meeting;
- (b) the Group Chief Financial Officer ("**Group CFO**") presents the financial performance for that quarter and significant financial highlights; and
- (c) the Group Chief Executive Officer ("**Group CEO**") gives an update on the Group's business and operations and/or a macro perspective on the relevant markets and developments.

In addition, senior executives may give presentations in relation to specific business areas. External professionals or inhouse subject matter experts may also be invited to present key topics to the Board as well as updates on corporate governance, risk management, tax, accounting and other regulations, which may have an impact on the Group's affairs. This allows the Board to develop a better understanding of the progress of the Group's business as well as the issues and challenges facing the Group and promotes active engagement with Management.

Where exigencies prevent a Director from attending a Board meeting in person, the Company's Articles of Association permit the Director to participate via teleconferencing or video conferencing. The Board and Board committees may also make decisions by way of resolutions in writing. Except where a Director is required to abstain from participating in the deliberation on a transaction or proposed transaction due to a potential conflict of interest situation, in each meeting where matters requiring the Board's approval are to be considered, all members of the Board participate in the discussions and deliberations, and resolutions in writing are circulated to all Directors for their consideration and approval. This principle of collective decisions adopted by the Board ensures that no individual influences or dominates the decision-making process.

Management may communicate with the Directors through email or telephone to brief or update the Directors on prospective transactions and potential developments. Management may also seek in-principle approval for such transactions from the Directors through email or telephone. Such approvals given by the Directors through email or telephone will, as appropriate, be noted and recorded in the minutes of meeting held subsequently by the Board.

There were four Board meetings held in FY2021. The attendance of the Directors at meetings of the Board and Board committees, and the frequency of such meetings, are set out below:

#### Attendance Record of Meetings of Shareholders, Board and Board Committees in FY2021

	Board	ARC	RC	NC	AGM
Number of Meetings Held	4	4	1	1	1
Board Members					
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin	4	-	-	-	1
Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin)	4	4	1	-	1
Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih	4	-	-	-	1
Mr Neo Teck Pheng	4	4 1	1 2	1	1
Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria	4	4	1	1	1
Mr Yee Chia Hsing	4	4	-	1	1
Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond	4	-	1	-	1

#### Notes:

- 1. Mr Neo Teck Pheng is not a member of the ARC but was present at the ARC meetings in his capacity as Group CEO.
- 2. Mr Neo Teck Pheng is not a member of the RC but was invited by the RC to attend the RC meeting to give his views on the performance of certain key management personnel. For the avoidance of doubt, he was neither involved in any deliberation nor decision on his own remuneration.

Directors who are unable to attend a Board meeting are provided with the briefing materials and can discuss issues relating to the matters to be discussed at the Board meeting with the Group CEO and/or the Group CFO.

### **Off-Site Visits**

The Company organises overseas trips by the Directors to countries where the real estate projects of the Group, its associated companies and joint venture companies are located. On such occasions, the Board will meet with the Group's key management personnel in those countries and conduct site visits. This will allow the Board to have a good understanding of the Group's businesses and progress of the projects as well as promote active engagement with key management personnel in those countries. The Directors made trips to the People's Republic of China ("PRC") in FY2017, FY2018 and FY2019 and to the Netherlands in FY2017. A trip by the Directors to the Netherlands and Germany which was planned to take place in FY2020 was cancelled due to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("Covid-19") pandemic. In view of the Covid-19 situation and the travel restrictions, no trips were arranged in FY2021.

#### **Director Development**

All newly appointed Directors are provided with information about the Group's history and core values, principal businesses and strategic direction as well as industry specific knowledge. Meetings are also arranged with Management to allow the new Directors to be acquainted with Management and to facilitate their independent access to Management in the future. In line with best practices in corporate governance, new Directors are required to sign a letter of appointment from the Company stating clearly the roles of the Board and Non-Executive Directors, the time commitment that the Director would be expected to allocate and other relevant matters. The terms of reference of all Board committees are also provided to each newly appointed Director.

Unless the NC assesses that training is not required for a newly appointed Director because he or she has other relevant experience (which basis of assessment will be disclosed in accordance with the Listing Manual), newly appointed Directors with no prior experience as a director of a listed company are required to attend the Listed Entity Director ("LED") Programme conducted by the Singapore Institute of Directors in order to acquire relevant knowledge of what is expected of a listed company director, and the additional module(s) relevant to their appointment to any of the Board committees. Completion of the LED Programme, which focuses on comprehensive training of company directors on compliance, regulatory and corporate governance matters, should provide first time Directors with a broad understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a director of a listed company under the requirements of the Listing Manual and the Code. Further, newly appointed Directors with no expertise in sustainability matters are required to attend the training on "Environmental, Social and Governance Essentials" conducted by the Singapore Institute of Directors.

In compliance with Rule 720(7) of the Listing Manual which came into effect on 1 January 2022, the Company will arrange for all existing Directors to undergo training on sustainability matters as prescribed by SGX in FY2022.

All Directors are provided with relevant information on the Company's policies, procedures and practices relating to governance issues, including disclosure of interests in securities, restrictions on disclosure of price-sensitive and tradesensitive information and disclosure of interests relating to the Group's businesses. They are also informed about matters such as the code of dealings in the Company's securities as they are privy to price-sensitive and trade-sensitive information.

The Directors are given updates and/or briefings relating to any matters that fall within the responsibility of the Board or key developments in the Group's industry or operations including changes in regulatory requirements, corporate governance and accounting standards. Such updates are given at Board meetings and where necessary via presentations by the Company's external professionals, auditors and Management. The Directors are encouraged to undergo continual professional development (including attending external presentations and seminars conducted by regulatory bodies) during the term of their appointment. The Company funds the training of its Directors as appropriate.

#### **Access to Information**

The Company recognises the importance of providing the Board with relevant, complete, adequate and timely information prior to Board meetings and on an ongoing basis, to enable the Directors to make informed decisions to discharge their duties and responsibilities. The Board is provided with reports on the Group's operational and financial performance as well as budget variances, on a regular basis. Board papers are distributed in advance of Board meetings (as a general rule, at least one week in advance) so that the Directors have sufficient time to understand the matters to be discussed at the Board meetings. The Directors are entitled to request from Management and be provided with additional information as needed to make informed decisions. Management and senior executives attend Board meetings to answer any query from the Directors.

Where appropriate, ad hoc meetings are also held for Management to brief the Directors on prospective transactions and potential developments in the early stages before formal Board approval is sought. As stated in the section titled "Board Meetings", Management may communicate with the Directors through email or telephone to brief or keep the Directors updated on such deals and developments. The Directors may, at any time, request for further explanations, briefings, informal discussions or updates on any aspect of the Group's operations or business issues from Management through email, telephone or face-to-face meetings.

The Directors have separate and independent access to Management and the company secretary at all times. The Directors also have direct access to the Company's professional advisors and have the discretion to engage their own professional advisers at the Company's expense.

#### **Role of the Company Secretary**

Under the direction of the Chairman, the company secretary ensures good information flow within the Board and Board committees and between Management and Non-Executive Directors. She advises the Board on all governance matters as well as facilitates the orientation of newly appointed Directors and assists with the professional development of all Directors. The company secretary plays a role in ensuring that Board procedures as well as relevant rules and regulations are complied with. In FY2021, the company secretary attended all Board and Board committee meetings.

The appointment and the removal of the company secretary are subject to the approval of the Board.

## **Delegation of Authority**

To optimise operational efficiency, the Board has established financial authorisation and approval limits for capital expenditure, the procurement of goods and services, acquisitions and disposals, bank borrowings as well as debt and equity fund raising. The Board approves transactions exceeding certain threshold limits, while delegating authority for transactions below those limits to the Board committees and Management.

The Non-Executive Directors are always available to provide guidance to Management on any business issues and in areas in which they specialise.

In FY2021, the Board conducted a review of the approval limits for the Group's grant of loans pursuant to its PRC property financing ("PRC PF") business. After the review, to achieve an appropriate balance between risks and business performance, the Board established, and delegated its authority to, a credit committee comprising the Chairman of the Board, the Group CEO and the Group CFO, to approve all PRC PF loans provided that the aggregate loan exposure to a single counterparty and its related parties shall not exceed RMB500 million, the loan tenure shall not exceed three years, the loan-to-value ratio is capped at 60%, and the Group does not have an equity interest in the relevant property or property development. Any PRC PF loans approved by the credit committee will be submitted to the Board for review on a quarterly basis. The Board will review the above parameters on an annual basis.

# **Board Committees**

To assist the Board in their duties and to ensure that specific issues are subject to in-depth and timely review, certain functions have been delegated to various Board committees, which would submit their recommendations or decisions to the Board. The Board has established three Board committees, namely:

- (a) the ARC;
- (b) the RC; and
- (c) the NC.

Each Board committee operates under delegated authority from the Board with the Board retaining overall oversight and has its own written terms of reference. The Board regularly undertakes a review of its Board committees including their membership and terms of reference. All Board committees are chaired by an Independent Director.

A record of each Director's attendance at Board committee meetings during FY2021 is set out in the section titled "Attendance Record of Meetings of Shareholders, Board and Board Committees in FY2021" on page 74.

#### **AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE**

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- Mr Yee Chia Hsing, ARC Chairman and Lead Independent Director
- Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria, ARC Member and Independent Director
- Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin, ARC Member and Non-Executive Chairman of the Board Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin)

### **KEY OBJECTIVE**

 Assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities relating to financial and accounting matters, compliance, business and financial risk management and internal controls

The ARC comprises three Non-Executive Directors, two of whom, including the ARC Chairman, are Independent Directors. The ARC Chairman and at least one other member of the ARC, being the majority of the ARC, possess the relevant accounting or related financial management expertise or experience, while the remaining member of the ARC possesses business and financial background. With the current composition, the NC believes that the ARC has the relevant accounting and related financial management expertise and experience to discharge its functions within its written terms of reference.

None of the members of the ARC are former partners or directors of the Company's existing external or internal audit firms (a) within a period of two years commencing on the date of their ceasing to be a partner of the external or internal audit firm and in any case, (b) for so long as they have any financial interest in the external or internal audit firm.

The ARC has the authority to investigate any matter within its terms of reference. The ARC has full access to, and the cooperation of, Management and full discretion to invite any Director or executive officer to attend its meetings, and reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its functions properly. The ARC also has full access to the external and internal auditors, and to facilitate a more effective check on Management, the ARC meets (a) with the external auditors and (b) with the internal auditors, in each case without the presence of Management at least annually (except for the FY2019 meeting between the ARC and the internal auditors which was re-scheduled to February 2020 due to the availability of the partner-in-charge). Similarly, both the external and internal auditors are given full access to the ARC.

Under its terms of reference, the ARC's scope of duties and responsibilities is as follows:

- (a) reviewing the audit plan of the Company's external auditors, their evaluation of the system of internal accounting controls, their letter to Management, if any, and Management's response, and results of the Company's audit conducted by the internal and external auditors;
- (b) reviewing the reports of the Company's external auditors including key audit matters ("**KAMs**"), as well as the adequacy, effectiveness, independence, objectivity, scope and results of the external audit;
- (c) reporting to the Board on the ARC's assessment of the independence and objectivity of the external auditors and the quality of the work carried out by the external auditors;
- (d) reviewing the co-operation given by the Company's officers to the external auditors;
- (e) reviewing and discussing with the external auditors, where applicable, any suspected fraud or irregularity, or suspected infringement of any relevant laws, rules and regulations, which has or is likely to have a material adverse impact on the Group's operating results or financial position, and Management's response;

- (f) making recommendations to the Board on proposals to shareholders, on the appointment, re-appointment and removal of external auditors, and approving the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditors;
- (g) ensuring co-ordination between the external auditors and Management, reviewing the assistance given by Management to the auditors, and discussing problems and concerns, if any, arising from audits, and any matters which the auditors may wish to discuss (in the absence of Management, where necessary);
- (h) approving the Company's internal audit plans;
- (i) monitoring the implementation of internal controls over outstanding internal control weaknesses highlighted by the auditors;
- (j) deciding on the appointment, termination and remuneration of the internal auditors;
- (k) reviewing the adequacy, effectiveness, independence, scope and results of the Company's internal audit function, reporting to the Board on the ARC's assessment of the adequacy, effectiveness and independence of the internal audit function and commenting on whether the internal audit function is independent, effective and adequately resourced:
- (l) reviewing the interim and annual financial statements, focusing in particular on changes in accounting policies and practices, major risk areas, significant adjustments resulting from the audit, compliance with accounting standards and compliance with the Listing Manual and any other relevant statutory or regulatory requirements;
- (m) reviewing significant financial reporting issues so as to ensure integrity of the financial statements of the Company and any announcements relating to the Company's financial performance and reporting to the Board on such issues (including how these issues were addressed);
- (n) reviewing the material internal control procedures addressing financial, operational, compliance and IT risks;
- (o) commissioning an independent audit on internal controls and risk management systems if it deems necessary for its assurance, or where it is not satisfied with the systems of internal controls and risk management;
- (p) reviewing IPTs falling within the scope of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual above certain thresholds;
- (q) reviewing the grant of any entrusted loans to interested persons prior to such loans being entered into, to ensure that (i) the terms and (ii) the grant of the entrusted loans (taking into account various factors that may include, but are not limited to, the rationale for the grant, the creditworthiness of the borrower and the interest rate payable to the Group) are not prejudicial to the Group and shareholders;
- (r) reviewing potential conflicts of interest, if any;
- (s) reviewing and considering transactions in which there may be potential conflicts of interests between the Company and interested persons and recommending whether those who are in a position of conflict should abstain from participating in any discussions or deliberations of the Board or from voting on resolutions of the Board or shareholders in relation to such transactions as well as ensuring that proper measures to mitigate such potential conflicts of interest have been put in place;
- (t) monitoring investments in the Group's customers, suppliers and competitors made by the Directors, controlling shareholders and their respective associates who are involved in the management of the Company or have shareholding interests in similar or related business of the Company and making assessments on whether there are any potential conflicts of interests and ensuring that proper measures to mitigate such conflicts of interests have been put in place;

- (u) reviewing and assessing from time to time the prevailing processes put in place to manage any material conflicts of interest in relation to the controlling shareholders as described in the section titled "Interested Person Transactions and Conflicts of Interest Conflicts of Interests in relation to First Sponsor Capital Limited and First Sponsor Management Limited" in the prospectus registered by the Monetary Authority of Singapore on 10 July 2014 in relation to the Company's initial public offering and listing of its shares on the Main Board of SGX on 22 July 2014 and considering, where appropriate, additional measures for the management of such conflicts:
- (v) reviewing the Group's key financial risk areas with a view to providing an independent oversight of the Group's financial reporting;
- (w) reviewing and recommending hedging policies and instruments, if any, to be implemented by the Company to the Directors;
- (x) reviewing the suitability of the Group CFO;
- (y) undertaking such other reviews and projects as may be requested by the Board, and reporting to the Board its findings from time to time on matters arising and requiring the attention of the ARC;
- (z) reviewing the policy and arrangements for concern about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other matters to be safely raised, independently investigated and appropriately followed up and reporting to the Board any significant issues raised through such channels;
- (aa) generally undertaking such other functions and duties as may be required by statute or the Listing Manual or by such amendments as may be made thereto from time to time; and
- (bb) apart from the abovementioned duties, commissioning and reviewing the findings of internal investigations in the event of any suspected fraud, irregularity, failure of internal controls or infringement of any applicable law, rule or regulation which has or is likely to have a material adverse impact on the Group's operating results and/or financial position.

In line with the changes to the Practice Guidance on Audit Committees and Engagement with Shareholders which came into effect on 7 February 2020, the ARC will bring to the Board's attention immediately, any significant issues (such as significant adjustments) raised by the external auditors in their review or audit of the Company's year-end financial statements which have a material impact on the interim financial statements or financial updates previously announced by the Company. The Board will then consider whether an immediate announcement is required under the Listing Manual. The ARC will also advise the Board if changes are needed to improve the quality of future interim financial statements or financial updates. Such changes, if any, will be disclosed in the Annual Report.

The ARC held four ARC meetings in FY2021. Management, including the Group CEO and Group CFO, was present at the meetings. In addition, the ARC met with the external auditors and the internal auditors, without the presence of Management in FY2021.

In FY2021, the ARC reviewed the quarterly financial statements, the financial results announcements for the half year and full year as well as the accompanying press releases and presentation packs highlighting key developments of the Group, and the voluntary business updates for the first and third quarters prior to approving or recommending to the Board their release, the auditors' evaluation of the system of internal accounting controls, the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal controls, the annual audit plans of the external and internal auditors and the results of the audits performed by them, as well as IPTs. It also reviewed the scope, results and effectiveness of the internal audit and external audit functions, the independence and objectivity of the external auditors and the non-audit services rendered by the external auditors.

The ARC considered the report from the external auditors, including their findings on the significant risks and audit focus areas. The following KAMs were discussed with Management and the external auditors:

KAMs	How the ARC reviewed these matters and what decisions were made
Valuation of investment properties	The ARC reviewed the outcome of the annual valuation process and discussed the details of the valuation, including the valuers' assessment of the appropriateness of valuation methodologies, the underlying key assumptions applied in the valuation of the investment properties and the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, with Management and the external auditors.
	The ARC considered the findings of the external auditors, including their assessment of the appropriateness and reasonableness of the valuation methodologies and the underlying key assumptions applied in the valuation of investment properties.
	The ARC is satisfied with the valuation methodologies and key assumptions applied in assessing the fair values of the Group's investment properties.
Impairment assessment of property, plant and equipment	The ARC reviewed the approach adopted by Management in identifying those property, plant and equipment with impairment indicators, specifically hotel assets that had suffered from the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic in FY2021, and the determination of the impairment losses and the remaining carrying amounts of the relevant assets.
	The ARC considered the findings of the external auditors including their assessment as to whether the impairment tests were conducted in line with the requirements of International Accounting Standard 36 <i>Impairment of Assets</i> and the appropriateness and reasonableness of the valuation methodologies and key assumptions used in determining whether the impairment losses recorded are reasonable and the remaining carrying amounts of the Group's property, plant and equipment are appropriately stated.
	The ARC is satisfied with the approach and the valuation methodologies undertaken in arriving at the impairment losses and the remaining carrying amounts as adopted and disclosed in the financial statements.

The ARC concluded that the Group's accounting treatment and estimates in the KAMs were appropriate. All the KAMs that were raised by the external auditors for FY2021 have been addressed by the ARC and covered in the above commentary. Details on the KAMs can be found in the auditors' report for FY2021 on pages 116 and 117 of this Annual Report.

In FY2021, the ARC also reviewed the adequacy of the whistle-blower arrangements instituted by the Group through which employees and external parties can, in confidence, raise concerns about possible improprieties in matters of financial reporting or other matters. Please refer to the section titled "Whistle-Blowing Policy" on pages 106 and 107 for further information.

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- · Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond, RC Chairman and Independent Director
- Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria, RC Member and Independent Director
- Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin, RC Member and Non-Executive Chairman of the Board Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin)

### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

- Oversee the remuneration of the Board and Management
- · Set appropriate remuneration framework and policies to deliver annual and long-term performance of the Group

The RC comprises three Non-Executive Directors, two of whom, including the RC Chairman, are Independent Directors.

Under its terms of reference, the RC's scope of duties and responsibilities is as follows:

- (a) recommending to the Board a framework of remuneration for the Directors and key management personnel of the Group, including the Group CEO, Group CFO and CEOs of the respective regions;
- (b) determining specific remuneration packages for Executive Directors, including the Group CEO;
- (c) reviewing all aspects of remuneration of employees (including, among others, employees who are related to the Directors and relatives of the Directors and controlling shareholders, if any), including directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses and other benefits-in-kind;
- (d) reviewing and ensuring that the remuneration of Non-Executive Directors is appropriate to the level of contribution by them, taking into account factors such as effort and time spent, and responsibilities of the Directors;
- (e) recommending employee share option schemes or any long-term incentive scheme which may be set up from time to time and doing all acts necessary in connection therewith; and
- (f) reviewing the Company's obligations arising in the event of termination of any Executive Director's and key executive's contract of services to ensure that such contracts of services contain fair and reasonable clauses which are not overly generous.

In FY2021, the RC met once and discussed various remuneration matters such as Directors' fees as well as the remuneration package of the Group CEO and key management personnel. No member of the RC was involved in the fixing of his or her own remuneration.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria, NC Chairperson and Independent Director
- Mr Yee Chia Hsing, NC Member and Lead Independent Director
- Mr Neo Teck Pheng, NC Member, Group CEO and Executive Director

#### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

- Establish and review the profile of Board members
- Make recommendations to the Board on the appointment and re-nomination of Directors
- Review the independence of Directors
- · Assist the Board in evaluating the performance of the Board, Board committees and Directors

The NC comprises three members. Two members are Independent Directors, one of whom is the Lead Independent Director.

Under its terms of reference, the NC's scope of duties and responsibilities is as follows:

- (a) reviewing and assessing the appointment of any proposed new Directors (including alternate Directors if applicable) before recommending the proposed new Directors for approval by the Board;
- (b) reviewing and recommending to the Board the re-election and re-appointment of any Directors (including alternate Directors if applicable) who are retiring by rotation or appointed during the year at the next AGM;
- (c) reviewing the effectiveness of the Board annually;
- (d) reviewing annually whether the size and composition of the Board are appropriate to ensure that the Board has an appropriate balance of expertise, skills, attributes and abilities;
- (e) reviewing and determining annually, and as and when circumstances require, if a Director is independent;
- (f) reviewing and determining whether a Director is able to and has been adequately carrying out his or her duties as Director where a Director has multiple board representations or other principal commitments;
- (g) reviewing succession plans for the Directors and Management and recommending to the Board for approval;
- (h) reviewing and recommending to the Board the employment of related persons and their proposed terms of employment;
- (i) assessing whether any individual member of the Board dominates the Board's decision-making process; and
- (i) reviewing training and professional development programs for the Board.

The NC oversees leadership and succession planning for key management personnel. This includes overseeing the process that supports the Board in making a decision regarding the appointment of key management personnel. While the Group CEO takes charge of succession planning for key management personnel, the NC reviews the plans that the Group CEO has made and presents its recommendations to the Board. The NC also reviews the mechanism for identifying strong candidates and developing them to take on senior positions in the future, as well as how key talent is managed within the Group. Potential candidates for leadership succession are reviewed for their readiness in the immediate, medium and long term.

The NC met once in FY2021 to discuss various matters, including the re-election of Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria and Mr Yee Chia Hsing as Directors at the 2021 AGM.

#### **Board Composition and Guidance**

Principle 2: The Board has an appropriate level of independence and diversity of thought and background in its composition to enable it to make decisions in the best interests of the company.

The Board consists of six Directors of whom five are Non-Executive Directors. The Non-Executive Directors comprise three Independent Directors and two non-Independent Directors. The Executive Director is the Group CEO. As the Chairman is not independent, the Board appointed a Lead Independent Director. A summary of the role of the Lead Independent Director is set out in the section titled "Role of the Lead Independent Director" on page 86.

The Board, through the NC, reviews from time to time the size and composition of the Board, with a view to ensuring that the size of the Board is appropriate in facilitating effective decision-making taking into account the scope and nature of the Group's operations, and that the Board has a strong independent element.

The Board and the NC are satisfied that the Board's size and composition are appropriate for the Company's needs, taking into account the scope and nature of the operations of the Group and the requirements of the business.

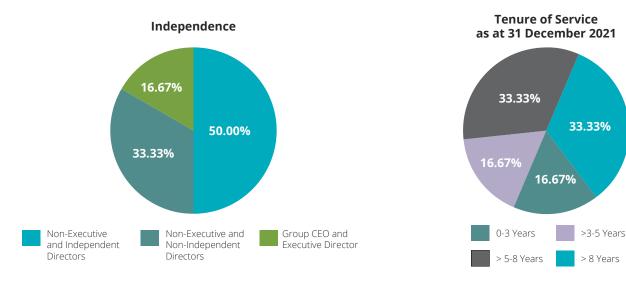
# **Board Diversity**

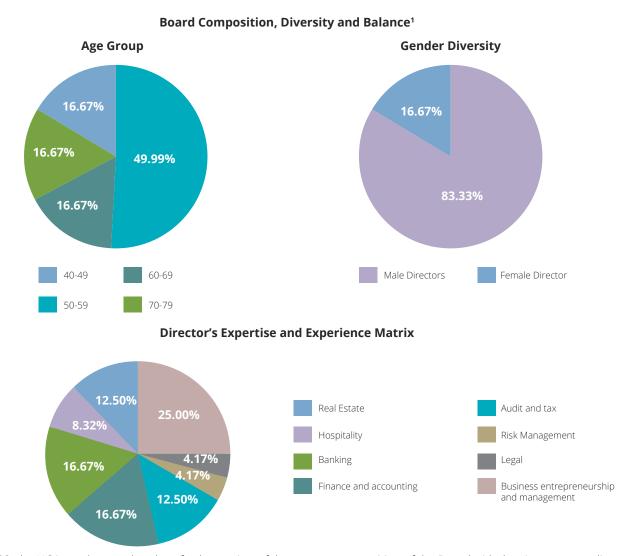
The Company recognises that a diverse Board is an important element which will better support the Company's achievement of its strategic objectives for sustainable development by enhancing the decision-making process of the Board through the perspectives derived from the various skills, business experience, industry discipline, gender, age, tenure of service and other distinguishing qualities of the Directors. The Board has adopted a formal Board Diversity Policy, setting out its policy for promoting diversity on the Board. The Board Diversity Policy provides that, in reviewing the Board composition, the NC will consider all aspects of diversity in order to arrive at an optimum balanced composition of the Board. The selection of Directors will be based on merit against an objective criteria that complements and expands the skills and experience of the Board as a whole, and after having given due regard to the overall balance and effectiveness of a diverse Board. The Board Diversity Policy is available on the Company's corporate website at www.1st-sponsor.com.sg.

In line with the Board Diversity Policy, the Board currently comprises business leaders and professionals with real estate, hospitality, banking, financial (including audit and accounting), legal, risk management and business management backgrounds. The Board currently includes one female member who is also the NC Chairperson, a member of the ARC and a member of the RC, and Directors with ages ranging from 40 to 70 who have served on the Board for different tenures. The Board and the NC are of the view that the current composition of the Board encompasses an appropriate balance and diversity of skills, experience, knowledge and competencies.

Profiles and qualifications of the Directors are set out in the section titled "Board of Directors" on pages 25 and 26 and directorships held by the Directors as at the date of this Annual Report and over the preceding three years are set out in the section titled "Directors' Time Commitment" on pages 88 to 90.

### Board Composition, Diversity and Balance<sup>1</sup>





In FY2022, the NC intends to undertake a further review of the current composition of the Board with the view to expanding the skills, experience and diversity of the Board as a whole. The NC may consider candidates from disciplines such as mergers and acquisitions, real estate investment, construction and quantity surveying, in order to provide more diverse viewpoints and introduce additional skills set to the Board. The NC also notes the recommendation of the Council for Board Diversity for listed companies to have 25% female representation on their boards by 2025 and 30% by 2030, and will, in its review, consider the target to be set for greater female representation.

After the review, the Company will describe in its Annual Report for FY2022, among other things, the Company's targets to achieve enhanced diversity on its Board, accompanying plans and timelines for achieving the targets and how the combination of skills talents, experience and diversity of its Directors serves the needs and plans of the Group in accordance with Rule 710A of the Listing Manual which came into effect on 1 January 2022.

# Independence

The Independent Directors constitute half of the Board. Other than the Group CEO, none of the Directors is a former or current employee of the Company or its subsidiaries. The Board is aware of Provision 2.2 of the Code which recommends that Independent Directors make up a majority of the Board where the Chairman is not independent. The NC and the Board will review the current composition of Independent Directors, the Board's diversity of skills, experience, knowledge and competencies as well as the size of the Board and the Company's operations to determine whether to align the Board with the recommendation. The NC will include as part of its review in FY2022 mentioned under the section titled "Board Diversity" above, the proportion of Independent Directors on the Board, and any plans for the increase in the number of Independent Directors and timelines will accordingly be disclosed in the Company's Annual Report for FY2022.

<sup>(1)</sup> Percentages are based on 6 Board members (excluding alternate Director).

Currently, matters requiring the Board's approval are discussed and deliberated with the participation of each Director (save for any Director who has a conflict of interest), and decisions are made collectively without any individual influencing or dominating the decision-making process. The NC and the Board are therefore of the view that the current composition of the Board is sufficient for the Board to exercise objective and balanced judgement. As the Chairman is not independent, the Company appointed a Lead Independent Director.

The Board, taking into account the views of the NC, assesses the independence of each Director annually in accordance with the guidance in the Code. In accordance with the Code, a Director is considered independent if he or she is independent in conduct, character and judgement, and has no relationship with the Company, its related corporations, its substantial shareholders or its officers that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of his or her independent business judgement in the best interests of the Company. The Board also takes into account the existence of relationships or circumstances, including those identified by the Listing Manual and related Practice Guidance that are relevant in its determination as to whether a Director is independent. Such relationships or circumstances include the employment of a Director by the Company or any of its related corporations for the current or any of the past three financial years, a Director providing to or receiving from the Company or any of its subsidiaries significant payments or material services during the current or previous financial year, other than compensation for Board service, and a Director being related to any organisation to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries made, or from which the Company or any of its subsidiaries received, significant payments or material services during the current or previous financial year.

The NC and the Board assessed the independence of each Director in FY2021. A summary of the outcome of that assessment is set out below.

Based on the declarations of independence provided by the Directors and taking into account the guidance in the Code, the Board has determined that Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria, Mr Yee Chia Hsing and Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond are independent.

The remaining Directors are considered non-independent for the following reasons:

- (a) Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin and his alternate, Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin, are controlling shareholders of the Company;
- (b) Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih is the son of Mr Kwek Leng Beng, the Executive Chairman of City Developments Limited ("CDL") which is a controlling shareholder of the Company; and
- (c) Mr Neo Teck Pheng is the Group CEO, the Executive Director and a controlling shareholder of the Company.

Each member of the NC and the Board recused himself or herself from the NC's and the Board's deliberations respectively on his or her own independence.

As at the date of this Report, none of the Independent Directors has served on the Board for more than nine years.

The Non-Executive Directors participate actively in the meetings of the Board. They provide strategic guidance to the Company based on their professional knowledge, in particular, assisting to constructively develop proposals on strategy. They also review and monitor Management's performance. To facilitate this, they are kept informed of the Company's businesses and performances through regular reporting from Management, and have full access to Management. The Non-Executive Directors would also confer among themselves without the presence of Management as and when the need should arise. The chairman of such meetings provides feedback to the Board and/or the Chairman as appropriate.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

Directors as fiduciaries are collectively and individually obliged to act honestly and with due diligence, and in the best interests of the Company. Directors, who are in any way, directly or indirectly, interested in a transaction or proposed transaction, will declare the nature of their interests, and also abstain from participating in the deliberation of the Board and/or the Board committees on such transactions, with abstention duly recorded within the minutes and/or the resolutions of the Board and/or the committees.

#### **Chairman and Chief Executive Officer**

Principle 3: There is a clear division of responsibilities between the leadership of the Board and Management, and no one individual has unfettered powers of decision-making.

### The Chairman and the Group CEO

The roles and responsibilities of the Chairman and the Group CEO are held by separate individuals, in keeping with the principle that there be a clear division of responsibilities between the leadership of the Board and Management and that no one individual has unfettered powers of decisions-making. The Chairman leads the Board and is responsible for ensuring the effectiveness of the Board while the Group CEO is responsible for implementing the Group's strategies and policies, and for management, operations and growth of the Group's businesses.

The separation of the roles of the Chairman and the Group CEO and the resulting clarity of roles provide a healthy professional relationship between the Board and Management, and facilitate robust deliberations on the Group's business activities and the exchange of ideas and views to help shape the strategic process.

The Non-Executive Chairman is Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin and the Group CEO is Mr Neo Teck Pheng. They do not share any family ties.

#### **Role of Chairman**

The Chairman provides leadership to the Board and facilitates the conditions for overall effectiveness of the Board, Board committees and individual Directors. He leads all the Board meetings and ensures that meetings are held on a timely basis to deliberate or approve matters which require the Board's attention. He is also responsible for promoting and maintaining high standards of corporate governance, ensures effective communication with shareholders and facilitates effective contribution from the Non-Executive Directors.

The Chairman provides clear oversight, advice and guidance to the Group CEO and Management on strategy and the growth of the Group's businesses. The Chairman also provides support and advice to, and acts as a sounding board for, the Group CEO, while respecting executive responsibility.

### Role of the Lead Independent Director

As the Chairman is not an Independent Director, the Board appointed Mr Yee Chia Hsing as the Lead Independent Director. The Lead Independent Director is appointed by the Board to serve in a lead capacity to coordinate the activities of the Non-Executive Directors in circumstances where it would be inappropriate for the Chairman to serve in such capacity. He also assists the Chairman and the Board to ensure effective corporate governance in managing the affairs of the Board and the Company.

The Lead Independent Director serves as the ARC Chairman. The role of the Lead Independent Director includes meeting with the Independent Directors at least annually. He provides feedback on the meeting(s) to the Board and/or the Chairman as appropriate. He will also be available to shareholders if they have concerns relating to matters that contact through the normal channels of communication with the Chairman, Group CEO or Group CFO are inappropriate or inadequate. No query or request on any matter which requires the Lead Independent Director's attention was received from shareholders in FY2021.

### **Board Membership**

Principle 4: The Board has a formal and transparent process for the appointment and re-appointment of directors, taking into account the need for progressive renewal of the Board.

The NC establishes and reviews the profile required of Board members and makes recommendations to the Board on the appointment and re-nomination of Directors. Details on the composition and scope of duties and responsibilities of the NC are set out in the section titled "Nominating Committee" on page 82.

The evaluation of the appointment and re-nomination of a Director takes into consideration, among others, the composition and progressive renewal of the Board, the factors described in the Board Diversity Policy and each Director's independent status, competencies, commitment, contribution and performance.

#### **Selection of New Directors**

The Company has in place a process for selecting and appointing new Directors. This process includes, among others, an evaluation of the candidate's capabilities by taking into consideration diversity of skills, experience, background, gender, age and other relevant factors and how the candidate fits into the overall desired competency matrix of the Board.

The NC identifies the Company's needs and prepares a shortlist of candidates with the appropriate profile for nomination. The NC may have recourse to both internal sources (for example, recommendations by Directors and Management) as well as external sources (for example, search consultants) to draw up the shortlist. Short-listed candidates will be required to furnish their curriculum vitae stating in detail their qualification, working experience and employment history to enable the NC to assess the candidate's independence status and compliance with the Company's established internal guidelines. The NC will take an active role in screening and interviewing short-listed candidates before assessing the candidate's suitability and recommending him or her for nomination to the Board. To satisfy itself of the candidate's suitability to be appointed as a Director, the NC will perform a stringent due diligence on the candidate which extends to whether he or she has fully discharged his or her duties and obligations during his or her previous directorship of any listed company, has previously served on the board of any company with an adverse track record or a history of irregularities, has been under investigation by any professional association or regulatory authority, or has resigned from the board of any such company for any reason that may cast doubt on his or her ability to act as a Director.

### **Re-nomination of Directors**

The Articles of Association of the Company requires each Director to retire at least once every three years and subject himself or herself to re-election by shareholders. In addition, any Director appointed by the Board shall retire at the next AGM and shall then be eligible for re-election at that meeting.

The Group CEO, as an Executive Director, is subject to the same retirement by rotation, resignation and removal provisions as the other Directors, and such provisions will not be subject to any contractual terms that may have been entered into with the Company. His role as Group CEO is separate from his position as a Board member, and does not affect the ability of shareholders to exercise their right to select all Board members.

With regard to the re-election of existing Directors each year, the NC advises the Board of those Directors who are retiring or due for consideration to retire in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, and makes recommendations to the Board as to whether the Board should support the re-election of a Director who is retiring. In making its recommendations, the NC will undertake a review of the retiring Director's performance and contribution during the period in which he was a member of the Board. The NC takes factors such as attendance, preparedness, participation and candour into consideration when evaluating the past performance and contribution of a Director when making its recommendations to the Board. Each member of the NC will abstain from deliberations on his or her own re-election.

Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih will be retiring by rotation pursuant to the Company's Articles of Association at the 2022 AGM, and has given his consent to stand for re-election at the 2022 AGM. Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih is a Non-Independent Non-Executive Director. During the NC meeting held in February 2022, the NC considered his performance and contribution and how he would provide fresh perspectives and diversity of thought to the Board by virtue of his age, tenure of service and experience, and recommended to the Board his re-election at the 2022 AGM. The Board has concurred with the NC to recommend the re-election of Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih as a Director by shareholders at the 2022 AGM. Additional information on Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih as prescribed in Appendix 7.4.1 of the Listing Manual may be found on pages 219 to 222 of this Annual Report. Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih recused himself from the Board's deliberations on his own re-election.

#### **Directors' Time Commitment**

In view of the responsibilities of a Director, the Board is cognisant of the need for Directors to be able to devote sufficient time and attention to adequately perform their roles. However, the Board has not imposed any limit on the number of listed company directorships that an individual may hold as it is of the view that this should be considered on a case-by-case basis as a person's available time and attention may be affected by different factors, such as whether he or she is in full-time employment and the nature of his or her other responsibilities. The Company also does not wish to omit from consideration outstanding individuals who, despite the demands on their time, have the capacity to participate and contribute as new members of the Board. While having a limit on the number of listed company directorships may be considered by some other companies to be suitable for their circumstances, at present, the Company considers that the effectiveness of each of the Directors is best assessed by a qualitative assessment of the Director's contribution and devotion of appropriate time and attention to the Company.

A Director with multiple directorships is expected to ensure that he or she can devote sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Company. The Directors are also required to consult the Chairman and the NC Chairperson before accepting new appointments as directors or full time executives. The Directors must also immediately report any changes in their external appointments, including any corporate developments relating to their external appointments, which may affect their independence.

The NC conducts a review of the commitments of each Director on an annual basis and as and when there is a change of circumstances involving a Director. All Directors are required to confirm on an annual basis, and for FY2021, have confirmed that they were able to devote sufficient time and attention to their duties as Directors. For FY2021, having regard to each Director's attendance record for Board meetings and, where applicable, Board committee meetings, and his or her ability to contribute effectively thereat, the NC is of the view that each Director has devoted sufficient time and attention to the affairs of the Company and has been able to discharge his or her duties as a Director effectively. Although some Board members have multiple board representations, the Board experienced minimal competing time commitments among its members as Board meetings are planned and scheduled well in advance of the meeting dates. The NC is satisfied that in FY2021, where a Director had other listed company board representations and/or other principal commitments, the Director adequately carried out his or her duties as Director. In FY2021, other than Mr Yee Chia Hsing, none of the Directors had other listed company board representations. As at the date of this Report, none of the Directors has other listed company board representations.

The table below shows the directorships and principal commitments of each Director (including past directorships and principal commitments over the preceding three years):

Name of Director	Date of First Appointment	Date of Last Re-election	Past Directorships in other listed companies and principal commitments over the preceding three years	Present Directorships in other listed companies and principal commitments
<ul><li>Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin</li><li>Non-Executive Chairman</li><li>ARC Member</li><li>RC Member</li></ul>	1 October 2007	20 May 2020	-	<ul> <li>Director of Tai Tak Estates Sendirian Berhad ("Tai Tak")</li> </ul>
Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin) <sup>1</sup>	19 May 2014	-	-	• Director of Tai Tak
Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih <sup>2</sup> • Non-Executive Director	5 March 2019	24 April 2019	-	<ul> <li>Director of Beijing Fortune Hotel Co., Ltd.</li> <li>Governor of Hong Leong Foundation</li> <li>Alternate Director of Welland Investments Limited</li> </ul>
Mr Neo Teck Pheng  • Group CEO and Executive Director  • NC Member	1 October 2007	20 May 2020	-	-
Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria  Independent Director  NC Chairperson  ARC Member  RC Member	19 May 2014	23 April 2021	-	Independent     Director of Grand     Union Holdings     and Investments     Incorporated

Name of Director	Date of First Appointment	Date of Last Re-election	Past Directorships in other listed companies and principal commitments over the preceding three years	Present Directorships in other listed companies and principal commitments
Mr Yee Chia Hsing  • Lead Independent Director  • ARC Chairman  • NC Member	19 May 2014	23 April 2021	<ul> <li>Head of Catalist, CIMB Bank Berhad, Singapore Branch</li> <li>Elected Member of the Parliament of Singapore</li> <li>Independent Director of Ezion Holdings Limited</li> </ul>	General Manager of Entity Health, a nutraceutical brand under iX Biopharma Ltd, listed on SGX  Director of Corporate Affairs of iX Biopharma Ltd  Audit Committee Member of Ren Ci Hospital
Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond  Independent Director  RC Chairman	6 February 2017	20 May 2020	-	<ul> <li>Partner and Head, Corporate Commercial and Employment &amp; Benefits Practice Groups of Rajah &amp; Tann Singapore LLP</li> <li>Non-Executive Chairman, Independent Director and Audit Committee Member of Popular Holdings Limited</li> <li>Non-Executive Director of Spartans Rugby Singapore Limited</li> </ul>

### Notes:

- 1. An alternate Director bears all the duties and responsibilities of a Director.
- 2. Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih is the son of Mr Kwek Leng Beng, the Executive Chairman of CDL. Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih will retire and stand for re-election at the 2022 AGM. The NC considered his performance and contribution and how he would provide fresh perspectives and diversity of thought to the Board, and recommended to the Board his re-election at the 2022 AGM.

## **Succession Planning**

The Board believes in carrying out succession planning for itself to ensure continuity of leadership. Board renewal is a continuing process and in this regard, the NC reviews annually the composition of the Board and Board committees and recommends to the Board the selection and appointment of new Directors, whether in addition to the existing Board members or as replacement of retiring Board members, with a view to maintaining an optimal Board composition bearing in mind the Group's strategic priorities and the factors affecting the long-term success of the Group, and by considering the trends affecting the Group, reviewing the skills needed and identifying any gaps (which includes considering whether there is an appropriate level of diversity of thought). The NC would use these considerations in setting the appointment criteria for successors. The Board would be able to function smoothly notwithstanding any resignation or retirement of any Director given the present number of members and mix of competencies on the Board.

#### **Board Performance**

# Principle 5 : The Board undertakes a formal annual assessment of its effectiveness as a whole, and that of each of its board committees and individual directors.

While Board performance is ultimately reflected in the long-term performance of the Group, the Board believes that engaging in a regular process of assessment and evaluation of Board performance in order to identify key strengths and areas for improvement is essential to effective stewardship and to attaining success for the Company.

#### **Board and Board Committee Evaluation Process**

Each year, the NC undertakes a formal annual process to assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and the Board committees.

The NC uses objective and appropriate criteria to assess the performance of the Board and effectiveness of Board committees. Assessment parameters include evaluation of Board structure, conduct of meetings, corporate strategy, corporate planning, risk management, internal controls, measuring and monitoring performance, compensation, financial reporting and communication with shareholders.

As part of the process, each Director is required to complete an appraisal form with the above assessment parameters. The completed appraisal forms are collated by the company secretary who then presents the results to the NC Chairperson who in turn presents a report to the NC and the Board. The feedback, comments and recommendations by the Directors are reviewed and discussed constructively by the NC and the Board to identify areas for improvements and follow up action to be taken by the Board and Management.

The NC is satisfied that for FY2021, the Board and the Board committees were effective in the conduct of their respective duties. The results of the NC's assessment were communicated to and accepted by the Board. No external facilitator was used in FY2021.

#### **Individual Director Evaluation Process**

The Company has in place a formal process to evaluate the performance of individual Directors.

As part of the process, each Director (including the Chairman) is requested to complete a self-evaluation form. Performance criteria include factors such as the Director's attendance, preparedness, candour, participation and contribution at Board meetings, industry and business knowledge, commitment and dedication. The completed self-evaluation forms are collated by the company secretary who then presents the results to the NC, which assesses the performance of the individual Directors, and will discuss with each individual Director if necessary. Each member of the NC will recuse himself or herself from the NC's deliberations on his or her own performance.

The performance of individual Directors is taken into account in their re-appointment or re-election. Specific needs which arise from time to time are taken into account in any appointment of new Directors.

The NC is satisfied that for FY2021, each Director contributed to the effectiveness of the Board and, if applicable, Board committee(s). The results of the NC's assessment were communicated to and accepted by the Board. No external facilitator was used in FY2021.

#### REMUNERATION MATTERS

### **Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies**

The Board has a formal and transparent procedure for developing policies on director and Principle 6: executive remuneration, and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors and key management personnel. No director is involved in deciding his or her own remuneration.

#### Level and Mix of Remuneration

Principle 7: The level and structure of remuneration of the Board and key management personnel are appropriate and proportionate to the sustained performance and value creation of the company, taking into account the strategic objectives of the company.

#### Disclosure on Remuneration

Principle 8: The company is transparent on its remuneration policies, level and mix of remuneration, the procedure for setting remuneration, and the relationships between remuneration, performance and value creation.

The Board established the RC to oversee the remuneration of the Board and Management. In carrying out this role, the RC also aims to set the appropriate remuneration framework and policies to deliver annual and long-term performance of the Group. Details on the composition and scope of duties and responsibilities of the RC are set out in the section titled "Remuneration Committee" on page 81.

The broad principles that guide the RC in its administration of fees, benefits, remuneration and incentives for the Board and Management are set out below.

#### Remuneration of Non-Executive Directors

The Group CEO is an Executive Director and is therefore remunerated as part of Management. He does not receive Directors' fees.

The RC recommends the Non-Executive Directors' fees for the Board's endorsement and approval by shareholders. The Company seeks shareholders' approval at the AGM so that Directors' fees can be paid on a quarterly basis in arrears. No Director decides his or her own fees.

The remuneration packages of Non-Executive Directors comprise base Directors' fees and additional fees for services rendered on the various Board committees. In reviewing the structure and level of such fees, the RC takes into consideration factors such as the roles and responsibilities of, effort and time spent by, the Directors, changes in the business, corporate governance practices and regulatory rules, and the interval since the last fee review. The RC also compares the Company's fee framework against industry practices.

The Company established the First Sponsor Employee Share Option Scheme on 19 May 2014. However, no options were granted under the scheme as at the date of this Report. Details of the First Sponsor Employee Share Option Scheme can be found in the Directors' Statement on page 114 of this Annual Report. The First Sponsor Employee Share Option Scheme allows for participation by Non-Executive Directors. The Company believes that the scheme will help the Company to attract experienced and qualified persons from different professional backgrounds to join the Company as Non-Executive Directors and will better align the interests of such Non-Executive Directors with the interests of shareholders.

#### FY2021

A review of the framework for the Non-Executive Directors' fees for FY2021 was conducted. In light of the uncertainty of the Covid-19 situation in FY2021, the RC recommended no change to the framework for the Non-Executive Directors' fees from that of the previous financial year. The Board concurred with the RC and the Directors' fees of \$\$348,000 for FY2021 was recommended to, and approved by, shareholders as a lump sum at the 2021 AGM. No remuneration consultant was appointed in FY2021.

Details of the Directors' fees paid to Non-Executive Directors for FY2021 are set out in the table below:

Name of Director	Directors' Fees (S\$)
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin <sup>1</sup>	-
Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin)	-
Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih	50,000
Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria <sup>2</sup>	113,000
Mr Yee Chia Hsing <sup>3</sup>	117,000
Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond <sup>4</sup>	68,000
Total	348,000

#### Notes:

- 1. Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin and Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin elected not to receive Directors' fees.
- 2. In addition to the base Directors' fee, Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria received additional fees as the NC Chairperson and a member of the ARC and the RC.
- 3. In addition to the base Directors' fee, Mr Yee Chia Hsing received additional fees as the ARC Chairman and a member of the NC.
- 4. In addition to the base Directors' fee, Mr Wee Guan Oei, Desmond received an additional fee as the RC Chairman.

The Directors' fees in FY2021 were \$\$30,000 less than the Directors' fees of \$\$378,000 in FY2020 due to the payment of an additional one-off fee of \$\$30,000 to Mr Yee Chia Hsing in FY2020 for his additional time commitment as ARC Chairman in FY2019.

#### FY2022

At the 2022 AGM, approval of shareholders will be sought for the payment of Directors' fees of \$\$371,000 for FY2022. If approved, the scale of fees under the framework for the Non-Executive Directors' fees will be revised as set out below for FY2022 onwards. The scale of fees has not been changed since FY2017.

Base Directors' Fee	FY2021 scale of Directors' fees	FY2022 scale of Directors' fees
Board Chairman	S\$50,000 per annum <sup>1</sup>	S\$52,500 per annum <sup>1</sup>
Director	S\$50,000 per annum	S\$52,500 per annum
Fee for appointment to ARC		
Committee Chairman	S\$55,000 per annum	S\$60,500 per annum
Committee Member	S\$33,000 per annum	S\$36,500 per annum
Fee for appointment to RC		
Committee Chairman	S\$18,000 per annum	S\$19,000 per annum
Committee Member	S\$12,000 per annum	S\$13,000 per annum
Fee for appointment to NC		
Committee Chairman	S\$18,000 per annum	S\$19,000 per annum
Committee Member	S\$12,000 per annum	S\$13,000 per annum

#### Note:

No separate attendance fees for Board meetings or travel allowance are paid or payable to Non-Executive Directors.

After considering factors such as the scope and extent of a Director's responsibilities and obligations, the level of contribution, the effort and the time spent by the Non-Executive Directors, and comparing against SGX-listed companies of similar industry and a range of sizes, and given that the Non-Executive Directors' scale of fees has remained unchanged since FY2017, the NC recommended the adoption of the revision in the scale of fees. The Board concurs with the RC and recommends for shareholders' approval at the 2022 AGM, the Directors' fees of S\$371,000 for FY2022.

No remuneration consultant was appointed in FY2022.

<sup>1.</sup> Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin and Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin elected not to receive Directors' fees.

Details of the proposed Directors' fees to be paid to Non-Executive Directors for FY2022 are set out in the table below:

Name of Director	Directors' Fees (S\$)
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin <sup>1</sup>	-
Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin)	-
Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih	52,500
Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria <sup>2</sup>	121,000
Mr Yee Chia Hsing <sup>3</sup>	126,000
Mr Wee Guan Oei Desmond <sup>4</sup>	71,500
Total	371,000

#### Notes:

- 1. Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin and Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin elected not to receive Directors' fees.
- 2. In addition to the base Directors' fee, Ms Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria will receive additional fees as the NC Chairperson and a member of the ARC and the RC.
- 3. In addition to the base Directors' fee, Mr Yee Chia Hsing will receive additional fees as the ARC Chairman and a member of the NC.
- 4. In addition to the base Directors' fee, Mr Wee Guan Oei, Desmond will receive an additional fee as the RC Chairman.

The proposed Directors' fees of S\$371,000 are subject to shareholders' approval as a lump sum at the 2022 AGM.

#### **Remuneration of Management**

In reviewing the remuneration packages of the Group CEO and key management personnel, the RC considers the level of remuneration based on the Company's remuneration policy which comprises the following distinct objectives:

- (a) to ensure that the remuneration packages are competitive in attracting and retaining employees capable of meeting the Company's needs;
- (b) to reward employees for achieving corporate performance targets in a fair and equitable way; and
- (c) to ensure that the remuneration reflects the employees' duties and responsibilities.

# **Link to Corporate and Individual Performance**

Remuneration for the Group CEO and key management personnel comprises fixed and variable components. The level and mix of the variable component are structured to ensure that the total remuneration for the Group CEO and key management personnel is strongly aligned to the financial performance and returns delivered to shareholders.

Fixed components comprise base salary and, where applicable, fixed allowances and other benefits-in-kind determined by the Company's human resource policies. The base salary is determined based on the responsibilities, experience and competencies that the individual brings to the role, individual performance and market competitiveness. This is approved by the Board based on the RC's recommendation and reviewed annually. Fixed allowances and other benefits-in-kind provided are in line with local market practices and legislative requirements, and are not directly linked to performance.

The variable component comprises the annual variable bonus. The annual variable bonus is intended to recognise the performance and contribution of the individual, while driving the achievement of key business results for the Company and enhancement of shareholder value.

For FY2021, the RC reviewed and is satisfied that adjustments made to the salaries as well as the variable bonuses granted to the Group CEO and key management personnel were reflective of their performance and the contribution made by them.

The RC recognises that long-term incentives reinforce the delivery of long-term growth and shareholder value to drive an ownership culture and retain key talent. The RC will consider granting long-term incentives as a performance-related component to the Group CEO and key management personnel at the appropriate time. This may include the grant of employee share options under the First Sponsor Employee Share Option Scheme and awards under any proposed performance share plans that may be approved by shareholders in the future. The RC will also consider the implementation of contractual provisions to reclaim long-term incentives from the Group CEO and key management personnel in the event of exceptional circumstances of misstatement of financial results or of misconduct resulting in financial or other losses to the Company, only after the introduction of long-term incentives.

### **Remuneration of Group CEO**

Details of the remuneration of the Group CEO and Executive Director for FY2021 are set out below:

Group CEO and	Salary ¹	Variable Bonus <sup>2</sup>	Benefits <sup>3</sup>	Total
Executive Director	(S\$)	(S\$)	(S\$)	(S\$)
Mr Neo Teck Pheng	792,375	3,760,000	16,099	4,568,474

#### Notes:

- 1. Salary refers to base salary, allowances and employer's central provident fund contributions.
- 2. Variable bonus includes employer's central provident fund contributions.
- 3. Benefits refer to car benefits.

### **Remuneration of Other Key Management Personnel**

The top five key management personnel (excluding the Group CEO) in FY2021 are:

- 1. Ms Lee Sau Hun, Group CFO;
- Mr Shu Zhen, CEO (Guangdong Operations);
- 3. Mr Wang Gongyi, CEO (Chengdu Operations);
- 4. Ms Zhang Jing, CEO (Shanghai Operations); and
- 5. Mr Alex Barentsen, CEO (European Operations).

The aggregate remuneration paid/payable in respect of FY2021 to the abovementioned top five key management personnel was \$\$3.6 million.

As set out above, the Company has taken the further step to identify its key management personnel and provided disclosure of the aggregate remuneration paid to the abovementioned top five key management personnel for FY2021. The Company however maintains its view that it is not in its interest to disclose the remuneration of each of its key management personnel in bands of \$\$250,000. Having considered the highly competitive human resource environment for personnel with the requisite knowledge, expertise and experience in the Group's business activities, such disclosure of specific remuneration information may give rise to recruitment and talent retention issues. There would be negative impact to the Group if members of the experienced and qualified senior management team are poached, which may affect the ability to both nurture a sustainable talent pool and ensure the smooth continuity in leadership needed for the achievement of the strategic objectives of the Group. The Company believes that shareholders' interest will not be prejudiced as a result of such non-disclosure of the remuneration for each of the Group's key management personnel, and with the Company's disclosure on the aggregate remuneration of the identified top five key management personnel.

For FY2021, there were no termination, retirement or post-employment benefits granted to the Directors, the Group CEO and key management personnel.

Other than the Group CEO who is a controlling shareholder of the Company, there was no employee of the Group who is a substantial shareholder of the Company, or an immediate family member of a Director, the Group CEO or a substantial shareholder of the Company, and whose remuneration exceeded \$\$100,000 during FY2021.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT**

### **Risk Management and Internal Controls**

Principle 9: The Board is responsible for the governance of risk and ensures that Management maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls, to safeguard the interests of the company and its shareholders.

The Board has overall responsibility for the governance of risk, including the determination of the nature and extent of the significant risks which the Company is willing to take in achieving its strategic objectives and value creation. The ARC assists the Board in carrying out the Board's responsibility of overseeing the Group's risk management and internal controls. Having considered the Group's business and operations, as well as its existing risk management and internal controls systems, the Board is of the view that, currently, a separate Risk Committee is not required.

The Group has in place a risk management framework which identifies the key risks within the Group's business, along with mitigating measures. The categories of risks identified in the risk management framework include strategic, operational, financial and treasury, IT and compliance risks. The risk management framework is reviewed on an ongoing basis.

The identification and day-to-day management of risks rest with Management. Management is responsible for the effective implementation of risk management strategy, policies and processes to facilitate the achievement of business objectives within the risk tolerance established by the Board. Key business risks are proactively identified, addressed and reviewed on an ongoing basis. The systems of risk management and internal controls are reviewed by Management regularly in order to ensure that sufficient checks and balances exist within the system to safeguard the Company's assets, ensure maintenance of proper accounting records and compliance with relevant legislation and best practices. The Board reviews and approves the processes for managing risks recommended by Management.

The risk management and internal controls systems are reviewed at least annually by Management, the ARC and the Board. The Group's external auditors highlight any material internal control weaknesses that come to their attention in the course of their audit. The Group's internal auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP ("PwC"), reviews the Group's internal controls and reports directly to the ARC Chairman. Please refer to the section titled "Internal Audit" on page 100 for further information on the internal audit function carried out by PwC. All audit findings and recommendations made by the external auditors and PwC are reported to and discussed with the ARC during its meetings. This gives the ARC the opportunity to comment on the effectiveness and adequacy of internal controls and to submit its findings to the Board so as to reassure the Board that sufficient checks have been put in place and enable the Board to comment on the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal controls.

## **Covid-19 Risk and Safety Management**

Like in FY2020, in FY2021, the Board was provided with timely and regular updates on the measures undertaken by the Group to minimise the adverse impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the Group's business performance and to protect employees. In FY2021, the Group continued to carefully manage its expenditure in the difficult environment and accessed government support where appropriate. To alleviate the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the Group's business performance, the Group undertook, among other things, the following in FY2021:

- (a) With the relaxation of the Covid-19 restrictions by the Dutch and German governments, the Group's European operating hotels which temporarily suspended their operations in March/April 2020, resumed operations in May/ June 2020, except for Bilderberg Garden Hotel Amsterdam which resumed operations in August 2020. After considering the trading levels of Hampton by Hilton and Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station in the Netherlands, which are adjacent to each other, the Group again suspended the rooms operations of Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station from September 2020 to January 2022 to reduce cost overheads. The rest of the Group's European operating hotels remained open in FY2021, with hotel trading levels showing strong signs of recovery in the second half of FY2021;
- (b) The Group continued to apply for and to receive subsidies from Dutch and German authorities under the relevant wage subsidy programs;
- (c) The Group continued to put on hold the proposed new residential and office redevelopment of Dreeftoren Amsterdam in the Netherlands and the proposed conversion of its bare shell hotel in Milan into a high density youth hostel in Italy, while it assessed the situation including the prevailing market conditions and the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic. The redevelopment of Dreeftoren Amsterdam will commence in FY2022; and
- (d) The Group continued to engage with the tenants of its European investment properties which experienced payment difficulties.

In addition, in FY2021, to equip the Group financially to weather the Covid-19 crisis and to capitalise on any opportunities that the Covid-19 pandemic may bring, the Group continued its efforts to strengthen its liquidity position through, among other things, refinancing its existing credit facilities and upsizing its committed credit facilities. The Group will continue to monitor its liquidity position and maintain access to undrawn credit facilities and the capital markets.

To safeguard the health and safety of its employees, the Group continued with, among other things, telecommuting, team segregation and staggered working hours to reduce social interactions and for safe distancing.

## **Assurance from Key Management Personnel**

The Board received assurance from the Group CEO and the Group CFO that:

- (a) the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements for FY2021 give a true and fair view of the Company's operations and finances; and
- (b) the systems of risk management and internal controls within the Group are adequate and effective to address the risks (including financial, operational, compliance and IT risks) in the context of the current scope of the Group's business operations as at 31 December 2021.

Based on its assessment of the work performed by PwC and the external auditors as well as the assurance from the Group CEO and Group CFO, the Board, with the concurrence of ARC, is of the opinion that the systems of risk management and internal controls within the Group are adequate and effective to address the risks (including financial, operational, compliance and IT risks) which the Group considers to be relevant and material in the context of the current scope of the Group's business operations as at 31 December 2021. During FY2021, no material weakness was identified in the Group's risk management or internal controls systems.

While the Board notes that the systems of risk management and internal controls established by Management provide reasonable assurance that the Group, as it strives to achieve its business objective, will not be significantly affected by any event that can be reasonably foreseen or anticipated, the Board acknowledges that no system of risk management and internal controls can provide absolute assurance in this regard, or absolute assurance against the occurrence of human and system errors, poor judgement in decision-making, losses, fraud or other irregularities. The Board, together with the ARC and Management, will continue to enhance and improve the existing risk management and internal controls frameworks to identify and mitigate these risks.

In FY2021, Management provided assurance to the Board on the integrity of the half year unaudited financial results and the Board in turn provided a negative assurance confirmation in respect of such results to shareholders as required by Rule 705(5) of the Listing Manual.

### **Audit Committee**

# Principle 10: The Board has an audit committee which discharges its duties objectively.

Details on the composition and scope of duties and responsibilities of the ARC are set out in the section titled "Audit and Risk Committee" on pages 77 to 80.

### **External Auditors**

The Board is responsible for the initial appointment of the external auditors. Shareholders then approve the appointment at the Company's AGM. The external auditors hold office until their removal or resignation. The ARC assesses the external auditors based on factors such as the performance and quality of their audit and the independence and objectivity of the external auditors, and recommends their appointment to the Board. Pursuant to the requirements of SGX, an audit partner may only be in charge of a maximum of five consecutive annual audits and may then return after two years. The Company has complied with Rules 712 and 715 of the Listing Manual in relation to the appointment of its external auditors.

The ARC reviewed the non-audit services provided by the external auditors, Ernst & Young LLP ("**EY**") (including other member firms of EY International), during FY2021 and the fees paid for such services. The ARC is satisfied that the independence and objectivity of EY were not affected by the provision of those services. EY also provided confirmation of its independence to the ARC. The total fees paid/payable to EY (including other member firms of EY International) for FY2021 are disclosed in the table below:

External Auditor Fees for FY2021	Total Audit Fees	Total Non-Audit Fees	Total Fees Paid/Payable
S\$'000	477	3	480
% of total audit fees		0.6%	

At the recommendation of the ARC and as approved by the Board, the re-appointment of EY as the external auditors is subject to shareholders' approval at the 2022 AGM.

#### **Internal Audit**

The ARC's responsibilities over the Group's risk management and internal controls are complemented by the work of the internal audit.

The Company has in past years outsourced its internal audit function to PwC. At the recommendation of the ARC, the Board approved the re-engagement of PwC as the internal auditors of the Group for FY2022. In FY2021 and as in past years, the ARC assessed the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal audit function by reviewing the audit plan submitted by PwC at the start of the year and the quality of its reports during the year. PwC has unfettered access to the ARC, the Board and Management as well as the Group's documents, records, properties and personnel, and has appropriate standing within the Company. PwC's primary line of reporting is to the ARC Chairman. The ARC has unfettered access to PwC and meets with PwC without the presence of Management at least annually (except for the FY2019 meeting between the ARC and PwC which was re-scheduled to February 2020 due to the availability of the partner-in-charge at PWC).

The Company's internal audit function is independent of the external audit. PwC is a corporate member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Singapore, and is staffed by professionals with relevant qualifications and experience. The Group's engagement with PwC stipulates that its work shall comply with the PricewaterhouseCoopers Global Internal Audit Services Methodology, which is aligned to the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors.

At the beginning of each year, an annual internal audit plan entailing the review of selected functions or business units of the Group is developed and agreed to by the ARC. The audit plan is devised in such a way that all major functions or business units will be audited within an internal-audit cycle. The ARC directs PwC, as and when deemed necessary and important, to focus on certain aspects of an audit to be conducted, as well as to audit any operational or business aspects.

In FY2021, PwC conducted an internal audit review of the property financing loans review and management processes of First Sponsor (Guangdong) Group Limited, a PRC-incorporated wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, which oversees property development and management activities carried out in Dongguan in the PRC. PwC's internal audit review included the assessment of the effectiveness and adequacy of controls over sub-processes such as the policies and procedures applicable to the grant of property financing loans, the delegation of authority matrix, the monitoring of compliance with loan covenants and collectability, and the accounting and recording of property financing loans. Having reviewed the audit plan and the concluding report of PwC, the ARC is satisfied that the Company's internal audit function was adequately resourced to perform the work for the Group.

For FY2021, the ARC reviewed the adequacy of the internal audit function to ensure that the internal audits were conducted effectively and that Management provided the necessary cooperation to enable PwC to perform its internal audit function. After reviewing the PwC reports and remedial actions implemented by Management, the ARC is satisfied that the internal audit function was independent, effective and adequately resourced.

#### SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AND ENGAGEMENT

### **Shareholder Rights and Conduct of General Meetings**

Principle 11: The company treats all shareholders fairly and equitably in order to enable them to exercise shareholders' rights and have the opportunity to communicate their views on matters affecting the company. The company gives shareholders a balanced and understandable assessment of its performance, position and prospects.

### **Engagement with Shareholders**

Principle 12: The company communicates regularly with its shareholders and facilitates the participation of shareholders during general meetings and other dialogues to allow shareholders to communicate their views on various matters affecting the company.

#### MANAGING STAKEHOLDERS RELATIONSHIPS

### **Engagement with Stakeholders**

Principle 13: The Board adopts an inclusive approach by considering and balancing the needs and interests of material stakeholders, as part of its overall responsibility to ensure that the best interests of the company are served.

#### **Shareholder Rights**

The Company is fully committed to treating all shareholders fairly and equitably. All shareholders enjoy specific rights under the Company's Articles of Association and the relevant laws and regulations. The Company ensures that all material information is disclosed on a comprehensive, accurate and timely basis via SGXNET, and where appropriate, also posted on the Company's corporate website at www.1st-sponsor.com.sg.

The Company recognises that the release of timely, regular and relevant information regarding the Group's performance, progress and prospects aids shareholders in their investment decisions.

Shareholders are entitled to attend general meetings and are accorded the opportunity to participate effectively in and vote at general meetings (including through the appointment of up to two proxies, if they are unable to attend in person or in the case of a corporate shareholder, through its appointed representative). A shareholder who is a relevant intermediary (as defined in the Companies Act, Chapter 50) may appoint more than two proxies each. This enables indirect investors to be appointed as proxies to participate at general meetings. Shareholders are also informed of the rules, including the voting procedures that govern the general meetings.

#### **Conduct of General Meetings**

Shareholders are informed of general meetings through notices sent to all shareholders. All shareholders of the Company will typically receive the notice of AGM, proxy form and request form to request for hard copies of the Annual Report, at least 21 days in advance. Shareholders may download the Annual Report and notice of AGM from the Company's corporate website. The notice of AGM is also advertised in either The Straits Times or The Business Times for the benefit of shareholders.

The general meeting procedures provide shareholders the opportunity to raise questions relating to each resolution tabled for approval. Opportunities are given to shareholders to participate, engage and openly communicate their views on matters relating to the Company to the Directors.

Shareholders or their appointed proxies are given the opportunity to vote at general meetings. The Company has been conducting electronic poll voting for all resolutions passed at general meetings for greater transparency in the voting process. An independent scrutineer is also appointed for the electronic poll voting process. Prior to the commencement of the general meeting, the independent scrutineer would review the proxies and the proxy process. A proxy verification process agreed upon with the scrutineer is also in place. Votes cast for or against and the respective percentages on each resolution are tallied and displayed 'live' on-screen to shareholders immediately at the general meetings. The outcome of the general meeting (including total numbers of votes cast for or against the resolutions and the respective percentages) is also promptly announced on SGXNET after the general meetings. Each share is entitled to one vote. Provision has been made under Article 60 of the Company's Articles of Association allowing for shareholders to vote in absentia. Examples of absentia voting are voting via telephone or electronic means at general meetings. The Company has not previously implemented voting in absentia by telephone or electronic means due to concerns relating to the authentication of shareholder identity and other related security and integrity issues.

All Directors (including the chairpersons of the respective Board committees) and Management are in attendance at general meetings to address any queries that shareholders may have. The external auditors attend the AGMs to assist the Directors in answering any queries relating to the conduct of the audit and the preparation and content of the auditors' report. The Directors and Management also interact with shareholders after general meetings.

To safeguard shareholders' interests and rights, a separate resolution is proposed for each substantially separate issue at general meetings. "Bundling" of resolutions will be avoided unless the resolutions are interdependent and linked so as to form one significant proposal. Where resolutions are "bundled", the Company will explain the reasons and material implications in the notice of meeting. Detailed information on each resolution in the notice of AGM is in the explanatory notes to the notice of AGM in the Annual Report.

The company secretary prepares minutes of the general meetings, which capture the essence of the comments or queries from meeting attendees and responses from the Board and Management. These minutes are available on the Company's corporate website.

#### 2021 AGM

In light of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Company convened and held its 2021 AGM by electronic means pursuant to the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Alternative Arrangements for Meetings for Companies, Variable Capital Companies, Business Trusts, Unit Trusts and Debenture Holders) Order 2020 ("Ministerial Order"). Shareholders were invited to participate in the virtual 2021 AGM by (a) observing and/or listening to the AGM proceedings via live audio-visual webcast or live audio-only stream, (b) submitting questions in advance of the 2021 AGM and (c) appointing the Chairman as proxy to attend, speak and vote on their behalf at the 2021 AGM. All Directors (including the Group CEO who is also a Director) attended the 2021 AGM. A record of the Directors' attendance at the 2021 AGM can be found in the section titled "Attendance Record of Meetings of Shareholders, Board and Board Committees in FY2021" on page 74.

Although the Ministerial Order provides for a member or a member to appoint a proxy (other than the Chairman) to vote at a general meeting held on or after 1 October 2020 by electronic means through an electronic voting system, such voting through an electronic voting system may only be used if certain requirements set out in the Ministerial Order are satisfied. These requirements include accuracy in the counting of votes, the electronic voting system being capable of providing records from which the operation of the electronic voting system may be audited and verification by the company that each vote cast was cast by the member or the member's proxy entitled to vote. The Company will not be adopting voting through an electronic voting system due to concerns relating to the authentication of shareholder identity and other related security and integrity issues.

#### 2022 AGM

Like last year, the 2022 AGM will be held by way of electronic means pursuant to the Ministerial Order. The same alternative arrangements for the AGM will be put in place except that this year, shareholders will be able to submit questions to the Chairman "live", via text at the AGM. Details of the steps for pre-registration, submission of questions and voting at the 2022 AGM by shareholders are set out in a separate announcement released on SGXNET on 5 April 2022.

In view of the constantly evolving Covid-19 situation in Singapore, we may be required to change our arrangements for the 2022 AGM at short notice and shareholders should check SGXNET for the latest updates on the status of the 2022 AGM.

## **Disclosure of Information on a Timely Basis**

To facilitate the exercise of shareholders' rights, the Company ensures that all material information relating to the Company and its financial performance is disclosed in an accurate and timely manner via SGXNET.

Following the amendments to Rule 705 of the Listing Manual which came into effect on 7 February 2020, the Company adopted half-yearly announcements of its financial results with effect from 1 April 2020. In accordance with the Listing Manual, the Company reports its financial results for the first half of the financial year, within the prescribed forty-five days from the end of the half year, and its financial results for the full financial year, within the prescribed sixty days from the end of the financial year. The financial results and all other information (including a presentation pack highlighting key developments of the Group) are published through SGXNET, via media releases and on the Company's corporate website, to ensure fair dissemination to shareholders. With respect to the financial performance of the Group for the first and third quarters of each financial year and in line with the recommendation by the Corporate Governance Advisory Committee, the Company provides voluntary business updates to keep shareholders informed on various matters considered useful and relevant to enable shareholders to have a better understanding of the Company's performance in the context of the current business environment. The voluntary business updates include a discussion of the significant factors that affected the Company's interim performance, relevant market trends including the risks and opportunities that may have a material impact on the Company's prospects.

Briefings for analysts and other interested investors will be held immediately after the release of its half year financial results and full year financial results. In FY2021, the Company held briefings for analysts and other interested investors immediately after the release of its FY2020 results and half year financial results. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, the briefings were conducted by way of conference call. The Company does not practise selective disclosure. Price-sensitive or trade-sensitive information is first publicly released through SGXNET, either before the Company meets with any analysts or investors or simultaneously with such meetings.

### **Dividend Policy**

The Company does not have a fixed dividend policy. The form, frequency and amount of dividends will depend on the Company's earnings, financial position, results of operations, capital needs, plans for expansion and other factors which the Board may deem appropriate. The Board will work towards a stable payout with a steady growth when appropriate, subject to the successful implementation of the Group's business strategy and prevailing market conditions. Any payout is clearly communicated to shareholders via an announcement on SGXNET when the Company discloses its financial results.

The Company has been declaring dividends at half-year and final year-end. In FY2021, the Board declared a second interim tax exempt (one-tier) dividend of 2.35 Singapore cents per ordinary share in lieu of a final dividend for FY2021, which was paid in April 2022. The total dividend for FY2021 is therefore 3.45 Singapore cents per ordinary share. This is 11.3% higher than the 3.1 Singapore cents per ordinary share paid for FY2020. The Company will continue to aim for a stable payout with a steady growth that takes into account, among other things, cash flow generation and balance sheet strength, together with the Group's business strategy, amidst the uncertainties of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the Group's operations and business.

### **Corporate Website**

The Company adopts transparent, accountable and effective communication practices as a key means to enhance standards of corporate governance. The Company aims to provide clear and continuous disclosure of its corporate governance practices through efficient use of technology. The following information is made available on the Company's corporate website at www.1st-sponsor.com.sg:

- (a) Board and Management profiles;
- (b) Notices of general meetings, results of general meetings and minutes of general meetings;
- (c) Annual Reports;
- (d) Letters/Circulars to shareholders;
- (e) Company announcements;
- (f) Press releases;
- (g) Financial results;
- (h) Company policies; and
- (i) Milestone events.

The latest Annual Report, financial results (including the presentation pack highlighting key developments of the Group) and company announcements are posted on the Company's corporate website following their release to the market, to ensure fair dissemination to shareholders.

### **Managing Stakeholders Relationships**

An investor relations contact is provided on the Company's corporate website, which shareholders can use to voice their concerns or feedback. The Company has in place a formal Investor Relations ("**IR**") Policy which allows for an ongoing exchange of views so as to actively engage and promote regular, effective and fair communication with shareholders. The IR Policy sets out the mechanism through which shareholders may contact the Company with questions and through which the Company may respond to such questions. The IR Policy is available on the Company's corporate website.

The Group's approach to stakeholder engagement can be found in the Sustainability Report for FY2021 on pages 52 and 53 of this Annual Report.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### **Dealings in Securities**

The Group has adopted an internal compliance code which provides guidance to its Directors and officers with regard to dealings in the Company's securities.

Under the internal compliance code, the Directors and officers of the Group are required to refrain from dealing in the Company's securities (a) while in possession of material unpublished price-sensitive or trade-sensitive information, (b) during the two weeks immediately preceding and up to the time of the announcement of the Company's voluntary business updates for the first and third quarters and (c) during the one month immediately preceding and up to the time of the announcement of the Company's financial statements for the half year and full financial year. Prior to the commencement of each relevant period, an email would be sent to all Directors and officers of the Group to inform them of the duration of the period. They are also advised not to deal in the Company's securities on short-term or speculative considerations. Further, the Directors and officers of the Group are prohibited from using any information with respect to other companies or entities obtained in the course of their employment in connection with securities transactions of such companies or entities. There has not been any incidence of non-compliance.

Any dealings by the Directors in securities of the Company are disclosed, in accordance with the requirements of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289.

### Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Anti-Corruption Policy & Guidelines and Fraud Policy & Guidelines

The Board and Management are committed to conducting business with integrity and consistent with high standards of business ethics and in compliance with all applicable laws and regulatory requirements. The Company has in place the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics crystallising the Company's business principles and practices with respect to matters which may have ethical implications. The code, which provides a communicable and understandable framework for officers and employees to observe the Company's principles such as honesty, integrity, responsibility and accountability at all levels of the organisation and in the conduct of the Company's business in their relationships with customers, suppliers and amongst employees, have been disseminated to officers and employees of the Group.

The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics provides guidance on issues such as:

- (a) conflicts of interest and the appropriate disclosures to be made;
- (b) the Company's stance against corruption and bribery;
- (c) compliance with applicable laws and regulations including those relating to the protection of the environment and the conservation of energy and natural resources;
- (d) compliance with the Company's policies and procedures, including those on internal controls and accounting;
- (e) safeguarding and proper use of the Company's assets, confidential information and intellectual property rights, including the respect of the intellectual property rights of third parties; and
- (f) competition and fair dealing in the conduct of the Company's business, in its relationships with customers, suppliers, competitors and towards its employees.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

In line with the Board's commitment to maintain high ethical standards which are integral to the Group's corporate identity and business, the Company has also put in place the following two corporate policies:

- (i) Anti-Corruption Policy & Guidelines which set out the responsibilities of the Group companies and of each employee in observing and upholding the Company's "zero-tolerance" position against all forms of corruption, bribery and extortion and provide information and guidance to employees on how to recognise, address, resolve, avoid and prevent instances of corruption, bribery and extortion which may arise in the course of their work; and
- (ii) Fraud Policy & Guidelines which provide guidance on actions which may constitute fraudulent conduct and highlight the importance of the implementation, maintenance and compliance with the internal controls framework of the Group and its policies and procedures.

These policies are available on the Company's corporate website and have also been disseminated to officers and employees of the Group. These policies have been translated into Mandarin for dissemination to employees of the Group in the PRC.

# **Whistle-Blowing Policy**

The Company has put in place a whistle-blowing policy which sets out the procedures for a whistle-blower to make a report to the Company on any misconduct or wrongdoing relating to the Group, its officers and employees, in confidence, whether anonymously or otherwise, without fear of reprisals in any form. Anonymous complaints may be considered, taking into account the severity and credibility of the issues raised and the likelihood of confirmation of the allegation from attributable sources and information provided. The misconduct or wrongdoing that is reportable under the policy includes (a) criminal offences, (b) breaches of laws and regulations, for example fraud, theft, bribery, corruption, insider trading or money laundering, (c) irregularities in financial reporting, accounting or other financial matters, (d) conduct that is in violation of the Company's policies, procedures or guidelines, (e) unauthorised disclosure of confidential information whether within or outside the Group, (f) undeclared conflicts of interest in business dealings, (g) endangerment of the health and safety of an individual and (h) concealment of any of the above. The ARC is responsible for overseeing and monitoring the whistle-blowing.

## **Reporting Mechanism**

A mechanism for the submission of issues and concerns has been established where whistle-blowers will have direct access to the ARC and may report any issue or concern by mail or email to the ARC. Any report involving any member(s) of the ARC may be submitted by email to the Group CEO, who shall refer the report to the remaining member(s) of the ARC.

# **Investigations**

The ARC has the authority to conduct independent investigations into any complaints and to determine the manner in which the complaint should be investigated. To ensure the independence and effectiveness of the investigations of a report, any investigation will be conducted in a timely manner and will be fair and independent from the whistle-blower as well as the persons involved in the complaint. In determining the appropriate approach to each investigation, the ARC may consider, among other things:

- (a) whether an internal or external investigator should lead the investigation;
- (b) whether the matter should be referred to the external auditors;
- (c) whether the matter should be referred to law enforcement agencies or regulatory authorities; and
- (d) the nature of any technical, financial or legal advice that may be required to support an investigation.

The ARC will consider the investigation report to determine what, if any, actions are to be taken.

### **Confidentiality and No Reprisal**

The policy is aimed at encouraging the reporting of misconduct or wrongdoing and the Company is committed to ensuring that whistle-blowers will be treated fairly, and protected from reprisals or any other detrimental or unfair treatment. The Company will treat all information received confidentially and protect the identity of all whistle-blowers. The policy sets out:

- (a) the steps that the Company will take to protect confidentiality and to protect the whistle-blower against reprisals or any other detrimental or unfair treatment;
- (b) the recourse that is available to the whistle-blower if he or she suffers any reprisals or other detrimental or unfair treatment; and
- (c) the disciplinary action that may be taken against anyone shown to have subjected a whistle-blower to detrimental or unfair treatment.

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The policy and procedures are reviewed, updated and approved by the ARC from time to time to ensure that they remain current. The most recent review by the ARC was undertaken in FY2021 to take into account the enhancements to the whistle-blowing framework which came into effect on 1 January 2022.

The policy is available on the Company's corporate website and has also been disseminated to officers and employees of the Group. This policy has been translated into Mandarin for dissemination to employees of the Group in the PRC.

### **IPTs**

The Company has adopted an internal policy in respect of IPTs. The Directors are required to disclose their interest and any conflict of interest in such transactions, and will accordingly abstain from the deliberation and voting on resolutions relating to these transactions. For each material IPT, key information pertaining to the IPT together with the identification of the relationship of each party is provided to the ARC for review and evaluation. The ARC will review the IPT to ensure that the IPT is on normal commercial terms and is not prejudicial to the interests of the Company and its minority shareholders. In the event that the relevant threshold as stipulated in the Listing Manual is met, the IPT including the interested person(s) and its or their relationship with the Company, will be announced via SGXNET or put to vote by disinterested shareholders at the Company's general meeting as the case may be.

The ARC reviewed IPTs entered into by the Group during FY2021. During FY2021, there were no IPTs with an aggregate value of S\$100,000 or more, except for the following:

	Aggregate value of all IPTs entered into during FY2021 (excluding transactions less than \$\$100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate³ pursuant to Rule 920 of the Listing Manual) (\$\$'000)	Aggregate value of all IPTs conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 of the Listing Manual (excluding transactions less than S\$100,000) (S\$'000)
Transaction with Third Quay Pte Ltd ("Third Quay")  Lease by the Company from Third Quay of 19 Lorong Telok, Singapore 049031 to be used as office premises for a term of 3 years from 1 June 2022 to 31 May 2025	435 <sup>2</sup>	-

#### Notes:

- 1. Third Quay is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tai Tak, a controlling shareholder of the Company.
- 2. The amount of rental payable by the Company for the entire tenure of the lease.
- 3. The Company does not have a shareholders' mandate for IPTs.

The above IPT was carried out on normal commercial terms and was not prejudicial to the interests of the Company and its minority shareholders.

#### **Material Contracts**

Since the end of the previous financial year ended 31 December 2020, no material contracts involving the interest of the Group CEO, any Director or controlling shareholder has been entered into by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, and no such contract subsisted as at 31 December 2021, save as may be disclosed on SGXNET or herein.

# **SUMMARY OF DISCLOSURES OF CODE**

Rule 710 of the Listing Manual requires Singapore listed companies to describe their corporate governance practices with specific reference to the Code in their annual reports. This summary of disclosures describes the Company's corporate governance practices with specific reference to the express disclosure requirements in the principles and provisions of the Code.

Principles and provisions of the Code	Page reference in this Annual Report
<b>Provision 1.2</b> The induction, training and development provided to new and existing Directors	Pages 74 and 75
<b>Provision 1.3</b> Matters that require Board approval	Page 72
<b>Provision 1.4</b> Names of the members of the Board committees, the terms of reference of the Board committees, any delegation of the Board's authority to make decisions, and a summary of each Board committee's activities	Pages 76 to 82, 97 to 100
<b>Provision 1.5</b> The number of meetings of the Board and Board committees held in the year, as well as the attendance of every Board member at these meetings	Page 74
<b>Provision 2.4</b> The Board diversity policy and progress made towards implementing the Board diversity policy, including objectives	Pages 83 and 84
<b>Provision 4.3</b> Process for the selection, appointment and re-appointment of Directors to the Board, including the criteria used to identify and evaluate potential new Directors and channels used in searching for appropriate candidates	Pages 83 and 84, 87 to 91
<b>Provision 4.4</b> Where the Board considers a Director to be independent notwithstanding the existence of a relationship which may affect his or her independence, the nature of the Director's relationship and the reasons for considering him or her as independent	Pages 84 and 85
<b>Provision 4.5</b> The listed company directorships and principal commitments of each Director, and where a Director holds a significant number of such directorships and commitments, the NC's and Board's reasoned assessment of the ability of the Director to diligently discharge his or her duties	Pages 88 to 90
<b>Provision 5.2</b> How the assessments of the Board, the Board Committees and each Director have been conducted, including the identity of any external facilitator and its connection, if any, with the Company or any of its Directors	Page 91
<b>Provision 6.4</b> The engagement of any remuneration consultants and their independence	Pages 93 and 94
<b>Principle 8</b> Clear disclosure of remuneration policies, level and mix of remuneration, and procedure for setting remuneration, and the relationship between remuneration, performance and value creation	Pages 92 to 96

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Principles and provisions of the Code	Page reference in this Annual Report
Provision 8.1  The policy and criteria for setting remuneration, as well as names, amounts and breakdown of remuneration of:	For Non-Executive Directors, pages 92 to 95
(a) each individual Director and the CEO; and (b) at least the top five key management personnel (who are not Directors or the CEO) in bands no wider than S\$250,000 and in aggregate the total remuneration paid to these key management personnel	For Group CEO and key management personnel, pages 95 and 96
Provision 8.2  Names and remuneration of employees who are substantial shareholders of the Company, or are immediate family members of a Director, the CEO or a substantial shareholder of the Company, and whose remuneration exceeds \$\$100,000 during the year, in bands no wider than \$\$100,000, stating clearly the employee's relationship with the relevant Director or the CEO or substantial shareholder	Page 96
Provision 8.3 All forms of remuneration and other payments and benefits, paid by the Company and its subsidiaries to Directors and Iran management agreement of the Company	For Non-Executive Directors, pages 92 to 95
and its subsidiaries to Directors and key management personnel of the Company, and details of employee share schemes	For Group CEO and key management personnel, pages 95 and 96
	For employee share option scheme, page 92
Provision 9.2  Whether the Board has received assurance from:  (a) the CEO and the CFO that the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Company's operations and finances; and  (b) the CEO and the other key management personnel who are responsible, regarding the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's risk management and internal control systems	Page 99
Provision 10.1(f) The existence of a whistle-blowing policy and procedures for raising such concerns	Pages 106 and 107
<b>Provision 11.3</b> Directors' attendance at general meetings of shareholders held during the financial year	Pages 74 and 102
Provision 11.6 The Company's dividend policy	Page 103
<b>Provision 12.1</b> The steps taken to solicit and understand the views of shareholders	Pages 101 to 103
<b>Provision 13.2</b> The strategy and key areas of focus in relation to the management of stakeholder relationships during the reporting period	Page 104

# USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE EXERCISE OF WARRANTS

# The Company issued:

- (a) 192,797,846 warrants which are exercisable into new ordinary shares in the capital of the Company (**"Shares"**) during the period from 31 May 2019 to 30 May 2024 at an exercise price of S\$1.30 for each new Share, pursuant to a rights issue and bonus issue undertaken in 2019 (**"Warrants (2019)"**); and
- (b) 227,618,864 warrants which are exercisable into new Shares during the period from 24 March 2021 to 21 March 2029 at an exercise price of S\$1.08 for each new Share, pursuant to a bonus issue undertaken in 2020 ("Warrants (2020)").

### As at 11 March 2022:

- (a) an aggregate of 7,844,150 Warrants (2019) were exercised, raising gross proceeds of approximately S\$10.2 million; and
- (b) an aggregate of 10,562,071 Warrants (2020) were exercised, raising gross proceeds of approximately S\$11.4 million.

The Company has utilised the above-mentioned gross proceeds as follows:

Warra	nts (201	9)	Amount
(a)	The fol	owing general working capital purposes:	
	(i)	Payment of part of the Company's final cash dividend for FY2019; and	Approximately S\$7.5 million
	(ii)	Payment of payroll expenses of the Group	Approximately S\$2.4 million
(b)	of shar	repayment of borrowings incurred by the Group to fund the acquisition es in Double Wealthy Company Limited and Guangzhou Kaixiang ty Management Co., Ltd. (" <b>Acquisitions</b> ")	Approximately S\$0.3 million
Warra	nts (202	0)	
(a)	Partial	repayment of borrowings incurred by the Group to fund the Acquisitions	Approximately S\$7.8 million
(b)	The foll	owing general working capital purpose:	
	(i)	Payment of transaction costs and interest expense related to bank borrowings	Approximately S\$3.6 million

The above utilisation of proceeds is in accordance with the intended use of proceeds from the exercise of Warrants (2019) and Warrants (2020) as stated in the offer information statement dated 7 May 2019 lodged with the Monetary Authority of Singapore and the announcement dated 23 July 2020 issued by the Company respectively.

As at 11 March 2022, there were 184,953,696 outstanding Warrants (2019) and 217,056,793 outstanding Warrants (2020).

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Artist's impression of
Plot E Phase 1
Millennium Waterfront Project
Chengdu, PRC



The directors are pleased to present their statement to the members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of First Sponsor Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") and the statements of financial position of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

# Opinion of the directors

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statements of financial position of the Company are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2021 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the year then ended; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

#### **Directors**

The directors of the Company in office at the date of this statement are:

Ho Han Leong Calvin
Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Ho Han Leong Calvin)
Kingston Kwek Eik Huih
Neo Teck Pheng
Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria
Yee Chia Hsing
Wee Guan Oei Desmond

# Arrangements to enable directors to acquire shares and debentures

Except as described below, neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate.

#### **Directors' interests**

According to the register of directors' shareholdings kept by the Company, particulars of interests of directors who held office at the end of the financial year (including those held by their spouses and children) in shares, debentures, warrants and share options in the Company and in related corporations are as follows:

		e name of the r nominee	are deem	hich directors ed to have terest
	At beginning of the year	At end of the year	At beginning of the year	At end of the year
The Company Ordinary shares				
Ho Han Leong Calvin	5,100,000	7,200,000	415,584,613	421,305,431
Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to	2,,	.,,,		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Ho Han Leong Calvin)	2,700,000	3,700,000	286,764,270	286,764,270
Neo Teck Pheng	8,910,926	11,176,907	303,041,190	304,013,657
Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria	187,070	233,837	_	_
Yee Chia Hsing	550,000	687,500	-	-
Warrants (2019)				
Ho Han Leong Calvin	_	_	87,330,829	87,330,829
Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Ho Han Leong Calvin)	_	-	28,676,427	28,676,427
Neo Teck Pheng	_	_	28,676,427	28,676,427
Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria	_	_	_	_
Yee Chia Hsing	3,428	3,428	-	_
Warrants (2020)				
Ho Han Leong Calvin	1,275,000	_	103,896,152	103,896,152
Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to				
Ho Han Leong Calvin)	675,000	_	71,691,067	71,691,067
Neo Teck Pheng	2,227,731	5,750	75,760,296	74,787,829
Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria	46,767	_	-	-
Yee Chia Hsing	137,500	_	_	_
\$100.0 million 3.29% Fixed Rate Notes due 2025 (\$)				
Ho Han Leong Calvin	-	-	13,000,000	13,000,000

Except as disclosed in this statement, no director who held office at the end of the financial year had interests in shares, debentures, warrants or share options of the Company, or of related corporations, either at the beginning of the financial year or at the end of the financial year.

There were no changes in any of the above-mentioned interests in the Company between the end of the financial year and 21 January 2022.

Except as disclosed under the "Share options" section of this statement, neither at the end of, nor at any time during the financial year, was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate.

### **Share options**

### **Employee share option scheme**

On 19 May 2014, the shareholders of the Company adopted a share option scheme known as the First Sponsor Employee Share Option Scheme (the "Share Option Scheme").

The Share Option Scheme provides eligible participants (which include the Non-Executive Directors) with an opportunity to participate in the equity of the Company and to motivate them towards better performance through increased dedication and loyalty.

The Share Option Scheme is administered by the Administration Committee, comprising members of the Remuneration Committee and the Nominating Committee. The exercise price of the options that are granted under the Share Option Scheme shall be determined at the discretion of the Administration Committee and may be:

- (a) set at a discount to a price (the "Market Price") equal to the average of the last dealt prices for the shares on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") for the five consecutive market days immediately preceding the relevant date of grant of the relevant option (subject to a maximum discount of 20.0%), in which event, such options may be exercised after the second anniversary from the date of grant of the options; or
- (b) fixed at the Market Price in which event, such options may be exercised after the first anniversary of the date of grant of the options.

The aggregate number of shares which may be offered by way of grant of options to all controlling shareholders of the Company and their respective associates under the Share Option Scheme shall not exceed 25.0% of the total number of shares available under the Share Option Scheme, with the number of shares which may be offered by way of granting options to each controlling shareholder of the Company and his respective associate not exceeding 10.0% of the total number of shares available under the Share Option Scheme.

During the financial year, no options have been granted under the Share Option Scheme.

During the financial year, there were:

- (i) no options granted by the Company to any person to take up unissued shares in the Company; and
- (ii) no shares issued by virtue of any exercise of option to take up unissued shares of the Company.

As at the end of the financial year, there were no unissued shares of the Company under options.

### **Audit and Risk Committee**

The members of the Audit and Risk Committee during the financial year and at the date of this statement are:

Yee Chia Hsing (Chairman)
Ting Ping Ee Joan Maria (Member)
Ho Han Leong Calvin (Member)

Ho Han Khoon Alvin (Alternate Director to Ho Han Leong Calvin)

The Audit and Risk Committee performs the functions specified in the SGX-ST Listing Manual and the Code of Corporate Governance.

### Audit and Risk Committee (cont'd)

The Audit and Risk Committee has held 4 meetings since the last directors' statement. In performing its functions, the Audit and Risk Committee met with the Company's external and internal auditors to discuss the scope of their work, the results of their examination and evaluation of the Company's internal accounting control system.

The Audit and Risk Committee also reviewed the following:

- assistance provided by the Company's officers to the external and internal auditors;
- quarterly financial information and annual financial statements of the Group and the Company prior to their submission to the directors of the Company for adoption; and
- interested person transactions (as defined in Chapter 9 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual).

The Audit and Risk Committee has full access to management and is given the resources required for it to discharge its functions. It has full authority and the discretion to invite any director or executive officer to attend its meetings. The Audit and Risk Committee also recommends the appointment of the external auditors and reviews the level of audit and non-audit fees.

The Audit & Risk Committee is satisfied with the independence and objectivity of the external auditors and has recommended to the board of directors of the Company that the auditors, Ernst & Young LLP, be nominated for re-appointment as auditors at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company.

In appointing our auditors for the Company and its subsidiaries, we have complied with Rules 712 and 715 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

### **Auditor**

Ernst & Young LLP has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment as auditor.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

Ho Han Leong Calvin Director

Neo Teck Pheng Director

Singapore 8 March 2022

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of First Sponsor Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group"), which comprise the statements of financial position of the Group and the Company as at 31 December 2021, the statements of changes in equity, the consolidated statement of profit or loss, consolidated statement of comprehensive income and consolidated cash flow statement of the Group for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statements of financial position of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") so as to give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group and the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2021 and of the consolidated financial performance, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the Group for the year ended on that date.

# **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA") *Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities* ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled our responsibilities described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying financial statements.

# Valuation of investment properties

The Group owns a portfolio of investment properties comprising hotels and commercial properties in China and The Netherlands. As at 31 December 2021, the fair value of the investment properties amounted to \$125.2 million, which is approximately 2.9% of the Group's total assets. The largest asset in the Group's portfolio of investment properties is Arena Towers, which was carried at a fair value of \$94.0 million as at 31 December 2021.

The investment properties are stated at their fair values based on independent external valuations.

The valuation process was significant to our audit due to significant judgement involved in determining the appropriate valuation methodology to be used, and in estimating the underlying assumptions to be applied. The valuations are also highly sensitive to key assumptions applied such as market growth and discount rates. Further, there was increased level of judgement and estimation uncertainty involved in determining the appropriate valuation methodology to be used and in estimating the underlying assumptions to be applied arising from the changes in market and economic conditions brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic. Accordingly, we have identified this as a key audit matter.

## **Key Audit Matters (cont'd)**

### Valuation of investment properties (cont'd)

As part of our audit, we:

- evaluated the independence, objectivity and competence of the external valuers;
- involved our internal real estate and valuation specialists to assist us in assessing the appropriateness of the valuation models and the reasonableness of the significant assumptions, such as market growth and discount rates, by reference to historical rates and market data; and
- discussed with the external valuers and obtained explanations to support the selection of valuation techniques and basis for the significant assumptions used, including key valuation adjustments made in response to the changes in market and economic conditions brought on by the Covid-19 pandemic.

We also assessed the adequacy of the disclosures related to investment properties in Note 5 to the financial statements.

### Impairment assessment of property, plant and equipment

As at 31 December 2021, the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment amounted to \$356.1 million, which is approximately 8.3% of the Group's total assets. Property, plant and equipment includes the Group's hotels in China and Europe, whose operations have been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Group's policy is to carry property, plant and equipment at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Management has identified impairment indicators in certain hotels of the Group. Accordingly, management has estimated the recoverable amounts of these assets based on value-in-use calculations. As a result of the assessment, an impairment loss of \$9.5 million was recognised for Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station and Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station.

The impairment assessment was significant to our audit due to significant judgement involved in determining the appropriate valuation methodology to be used, and in estimating the underlying assumptions to be applied. Further, there was increased judgement involved in making various assumptions for the underlying calculations due to the implications from the Covid-19 pandemic. Accordingly, we have determined this as a key audit matter.

As part of our audit, we:

- carried out procedures to understand management's process for identifying impairment triggers;
- validated the key cash flow assumptions used in the value-in-use calculations by management and corroborated these key assumptions, such as the occupancy rate, average daily rate and revenue growth rate, by comparing them to internal forecasts, current market data and historical trend analyses;
- involved our internal valuation specialists to review the appropriateness of the valuation methods and assumptions used in the valuations carried out by management, including the review of the reasonableness of the discount and terminal growth rates adopted;
- involved our internal valuation specialists to review and perform comparative computations to test the reasonableness of the significant assumptions in the impairment test; and
- evaluated how management had considered the implications of the Covid-19 pandemic in their assessment of the assumptions and inputs used in the forecasts.

We also assessed the adequacy of the disclosures relating to property, plant and equipment in Note 4 to the financial statements

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## **Responsibilities of Management and Directors for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (cont'd)

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business
  activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for
  the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Max Loh Khum Whai.

Ernst & Young LLP Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants Singapore

8 March 2022

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2021

		Gre	oup	Com	pany
	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	4	356,058	371,382	343	592
Investment properties	5	125,204	97,942	-	_
Subsidiaries	6	123,204	J7,J∓Z -	1,162,661	466,347
Interests in associates and joint ventures	7	1,027,535	549,943	9,680	9,680
Derivative assets	8	46,209	7,207	46,209	7,207
Other investments	9	201,992	57,586	40,209	7,207
				_	_
Deferred tax assets	10	37,419	30,220	405 722	101 220
Trade and other receivables	11	491,775 2,286,192	767,027 1,881,307	105,733 1,324,626	101,238 585,064
Current accets			.,00.,00.	1,02 1,020	303,00 .
<b>Current assets</b> Development properties	12	704,679	530,542	_	_
Inventories		376	394	_	_
Trade and other receivables	11	946,133	482,401	1,360,670	1,550,386
Assets held-for-sale	13	15,869	12,818	1,300,070	1,550,500
Derivative assets	8	6,334	1,315	6 224	1,315
	9	0,334		6,334	1,513
Other investments		242.022	39,500	427.046	1 44 0 45
Cash and cash equivalents	14	343,932	476,304	137,946	141,945
		2,017,323	1,543,274	1,504,950	1,693,646
Total assets		4,303,515	3,424,581	2,829,576	2,278,710
Equity					
Share capital	15	118,357	117,329	118,357	117,329
Reserves	16	1,744,725	1,553,818	1,294,875	1,281,256
Equity attributable to owners					
of the Company		1,863,082	1,671,147	1,413,232	1,398,585
Non-controlling interests		115,772	76,172	_	_
Total equity		1,978,854	1,747,319	1,413,232	1,398,585
Non-current liabilities					
Loans and borrowings	18	937,749	615,012	959,749	637,012
Derivative liabilities	8	24,584	37,224	24,584	37,224
Other payables	19	9,719	45,417	· -	_
Lease liabilities	20	68,513	74,087	_	106
Deferred tax liabilities	10	13,632	10,691	_	-
Deterried tax habilities	10	1,054,197	782,431	984,333	674,342
Current liabilities					
Loans and borrowings	18	151,158	124,560	151,158	124,560
Current tax payable	10	90,151	43,533	1,959	2,355
Trade and other payables	19	840,864	348,603	273,412	76,676
Contract liabilities	21	173,904	372,236	213,412	70,070
	22		1,321	_	_
Receipts in advance		3,420		400	210
Lease liabilities	20	2,368	2,596	106	210
Derivative liabilities	8	5,376	1,982	5,376	1,982
Liabilities held-for-sale	13	3,223	_	_	
		1,270,464	894,831	432,011	205,783
Total liabilities		2,324,661	1,677,262	1,416,344	880,125
Total equity and liabilities		4,303,515	3,424,581	2,829,576	2,278,710

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

Year ended 31 December 2021

		Gro	oup
	Note	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000
Revenue	23	589,170	203,936
Cost of sales		(347,854)	(32,030)
Gross profit		241,316	171,906
Administrative expenses		(36,138)	(28,726)
Selling expenses		(10,164)	(5,836)
Other (expenses)/income (net)		(10,294)	1,322
Other gains (net)	24	16,604	2,907
Results from operating activities		201,324	141,573
Finance income		20,544	23,120
Finance costs		(30,348)	(26,708)
Net finance costs	25	(9,804)	(3,588)
Share of after-tax profit/(loss) of associates and joint ventures		11,075	(12,373)
Profit before tax	26	202,595	125,612
Tax expense	27	(72,350)	(24,501)
Profit for the year		130,245	101,111
Attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		121,469	103,174
Non-controlling interests		8,776	(2,063)
Profit for the year		130,245	101,111
Earnings per share			
- Basic (cents)	28	13.26	11.97
- Diluted (cents)	28	9.16	8.87

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2021

		Gro	oup
	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Profit for the year		130,245	101,111
Other comprehensive income Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange gains realised on disposal of a subsidiary		3	
Translation gains on financial statements arising from liquidation of a foreign subsidiary reclassified to profit or loss, net of tax		_	51
Share of translation gains on financial statements of foreign associates and joint ventures, net of tax	7	47,526	7,558
Translation gains on financial statements of foreign subsidiaries, net of tax		29,200	24,360
Translation gains on monetary items forming part of net investment in foreign subsidiaries, net of tax		_	3,143
Total other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		76,729	35,112
Total comprehensive income for the year		206,974	136,223
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		193,794	141,146
Non-controlling interests		13,180	(4,923)
Total comprehensive income for the year		206,974	136,223

Year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Share Statutory premium reserve \$'000 \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Distributable reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Total attributable to equity Retained holders of the earnings Company \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Group										
At 1 January 2021	117,329	286,411	53,678	245	622,029	19,346	539,109	1,671,147	76,172	1,747,319
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b> Profit for the year	1	1		1	1	1	121,469	121,469	8,776	130,245
Other comprehensive income		I	ı	ı	ı	n	ı	'n	ı	n
Share of translation gains on financial statements of foreign associates and ioint ventures, net of tax			ı			47,526		47,526		47,526
Translation gains on financial statements of foreign subsidiaries, net of tax		1	ı	1	ı	24,796	ı	24,796	4,404	29,200
Total other comprehensive income	ı	ı	1	ı	1	72,325		72,325	4,404	76,729
Total comprehensive income for the year	1	1	1	1	1	72,325	121,469	193,794	13,180	206,974

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital \$'000	Share Statutory premium reserve \$'000 \$'000	Statutory reserve \$'000	Capital reserve \$′000	Distributable reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Total attributable to equity holders of the Company \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Transaction with owners, recognised directly in equity Contributions by and distributions to owners										
Dividends paid to the owners of the Company	1	1	1			1	(10,121)	(10,121)		(10,121)
Issuance of new shares pursuant to exercise of warrants	1,028	7,234	1	ı	ı	ı	1	8,262	•	8,262
Transfer to statutory reserve	'	1	3,598	ı	•	•	(3,598)	ı	•	1
Total contributions by and distributions to owners	1,028	7,234	3,598		1	ı	(13,719)	(1,859)	1	(1,859)
Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries										
Acquisition of subsidiaries with non-controlling interests	'	1	1	ı	ı	ı	1	ı	19,783	19,783
Capital contribution by non-controlling interests	•	1	•	ı	ı	•	1	1	7,715	7,715
Dilution of interests in subsidiaries	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	(1,078)	(1,078)
Total changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries	1	1	1	ı	1	1	ı	1	26,420	26,420
Total transactions with owners of the Company	1,028	7,234	3,598	1	ı	•	(13,719)	(1,859)	26,420	24,561
At 31 December 2021	118,357	293,645	57,276	245	622,029	91,671	646,859	1,863,082	115,772	1,978,854

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Year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Statutory reserve \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Distributable reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	Total attributable to equity holders of the Company \$'000	Perpetual convertible capital securities \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Group											
At 1 January 2020  Total comprehensive income for the year	101,251	150,313	39,959	245	655,029	(18,626)	493,750	1,421,921	146,548	30,120	1,598,589
Profit for the year	1	1	1	1	1	1	103,174	103,174	1	(2,063)	101,111
Other comprehensive income Translation gains on financial statements arising from liquidation of a foreign subsidiary reclassified to profit or loss, net of tax		1	1	1	ı	72	ı	75	ı	ı	
Share of translation gains on financial statements of foreign associates and joint ventures, net of tax	I	I	I	I	I	7,558	ı	7,558	I	1	7,558
Translation gains on financial statements of foreign subsidiaries, net of tax	I	ı	ı	I	1	27,220	1	27,220	I	(2,860)	24,360
Translation gains on monetary items forming part of net investment in foreign subsidiaries, net of tax	I	I	I	I	I	3,143	I	3,143	I	I	3,143
Total other comprehensive income	ı	ı	1	1	1	37,972	ı	37,972	ı	(2,860)	35,112
Total comprehensive income for the year	1	1	1	1	1	37,972	103,174	141,146	1	(4,923)	136,223

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

Year ended 31 December 2021

	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Statutory reserve \$'000	Capital reserve \$'000	Distributable reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Retained earnings \$'000	attributable to equity holders of the Company \$'000	Perpetual convertible capital securities \$'000	Non- controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Transaction with owners, recognised directly in equity Contributions by and distributions to owners											
Dividends declared/paid to the owners of the Company	I	1	1	1	ı	ı	(41,121)	(41,121)	ı	ı	(41,121)
Issuance of new shares pursuant to											
<ul> <li>conversion of perpetual convertible capital securities ("PCCS")</li> </ul>	15,032	127,373	I	I	ı	ı	I	142,405	(142,405)	ı	I
- exercise of warrants	1,046	8,725	ı	ı	ı	ı	ı	9,771	ı	ı	9,771
Distributions of PCCS	ı	I	I	I	ı	I	(2,975)	(2,975)	ı	ı	(2,975)
Redemption of PCCS	1	ı	ı	ı	ı	1	ı	I	(4,143)	ı	(4,143)
Liquidation of a subsidiary	ı	I	(109)	I	ı	ı	109	I	I	I	ı
Transfer to statutory reserve	ı	I	13,828	ı	1	1	(13,828)	1	1	1	1
Total contributions by and distributions to owners	16,078	136,098	13,719	1	1	1	(57,815)	108,080	(146,548)	1	(38,468)
Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries											
Acquisition of subsidiaries with non-controlling interests	1	I	I	I	ı	I	I	ı	ı	5,146	5,146
Capital contribution by non-controlling interests	I	I	ı	I	ı	I	I	1	ı	45,859	45,859
Disposal of a subsidiary with non-controlling interests	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	ı	(30)	(30)
Total changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries	1	I	1	ı	ı	ı	1	ı	1	50,975	50,975
Total transactions with owners of the Company	16,078	136,098	13,719	I	I	1	(57,815)	108,080	(146,548)	50,975	12,507
At 31 December 2020	117,329	286,411	53,678	245	622,029	19,346	539,109	1,671,147		76,172	1,747,319

The accompanying accounting policies and explanatory notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2021

		Gro	oup
	Note	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit for the year		130,245	101,111
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	4, 26	13,441	12,160
Fair value (gain)/loss on:			
derivative assets/liabilities (net)	26	(53,268)	69,291
investment properties	5	(4,439)	4,311
other investments	26	(3,755)	(7,371)
Finance income	25	(20,544)	(23,120)
Finance costs	25	30,348	26,708
Gain)/loss on disposal of:			
a joint venture and an associate	24	(1,493)	(2)
assets and liabilities held-for-sale	24	(20,593)	(2,758)
other investments	24	(115)	(250)
property, plant and equipment (net)	24	(9)	28
subsidiaries	24	(4)	(86)
mpairment loss on:			
financial assets – loan receivable from a joint venture company		6,677	_
financial assets – third parties		109	_
property, plant and equipment	4, 26	9,766	4,247
Nrite-down of development properties	12, 26	10,890	_
oss on liquidation of subsidiaries	24	_*	157
Property, plant and equipment written off	24	5,610	4
Share of after-tax (profit)/loss of associates and joint ventures		(11,075)	12,373
ax expense	27	72,350	24,501
		164,141	221,304
Changes in:			
Contract liabilities		(187,150)	318,042
Development properties		73,310	(114,296)
nventories		2	188
oans and borrowings		285,191	(15,653)
rade and other receivables		(488,644)	(118,722)
rade and other payables		39,893	(88,071)
Cash (used in)/generated from operations		(113,257)	202,792
nterest received		6,887	5,862
nterest paid		(12,433)	(11,481)
Гах paid		(34,108)	(27,328)
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities		(152,911)	169,845

<sup>\*</sup> Amount less than \$1,000

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2021

		Gr	Group	
	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000	
Cash flows from investing activities				
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	29	(241,867)	(5,037)	
Advances to associates (net)		(4,155)	(216,620)	
Repayment from joint ventures (net)		8	_	
Return of capital from an associate		479	_	
Deposit paid for potential acquisition of subsidiaries		_	(27,700)	
Dividend received from an associate	7	_	11,942	
Dividend received from a joint venture		_	634	
nterest received		19,019	22,297	
Payment for acquisition of other investments		-	(16,097)	
Advances to)/repayment from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries (net)		(43,572)	6,990	
Payment for additions to property, plant and equipment		(7,867)	(16,496)	
Payment for investments in associates and joint ventures		(13,353)	(18,027)	
Proceeds from disposal of:		(10,000)	(:-,-=:,	
a joint venture		5,740	_	
assets and liabilities held-for-sale		94,066	9,753	
other investments (non-current)		2,111	2,898	
property, plant and equipment		19	298	
subsidiaries	30(a)	1	5,064	
Net cash used in investing activities	(- /	(189,371)	(240,101)	
Cash flows from financing activities				
Advances from associates (net)		120,807	73,329	
Advances from joint ventures		93,606	9,491	
Repayment to)/advances from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries		(646)	19,787	
Capital contribution by non-controlling interests		7,715	45,859	
Distribution to perpetual convertible capital securities ("PCCS") holders	28	_	(2,975)	
Dividends paid to the owners of the Company		(28,386)	(22,855)	
nterest paid		(27,114)	(21,523)	
ssuance of ordinary shares		8,262	9,771	
Loan from non-controlling interests		_	200	
Payment of lease liabilities	33	(5,916)	(5,904)	
Payment of transaction costs related to borrowings		(8,234)	(4,619)	
Proceeds from issuance of medium-term notes ("notes")	18	_	100,000	
Repayment to an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary	-	(4,532)	(6,990)	
Repurchase of notes	18	-	(22,000)	
Proceeds from bank borrowings	-	1,007,381	1,274,264	
Repayment of bank borrowings		(941,492)	(1,222,658)	
Redemption of PCCS		-	(4,145)	
Net cash from financing activities		221,451	219,032	

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2021

		Gro	oup
	Note	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(120,831)	148,776
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		476,304	313,389
Effect of exchange rate changes on balances held in foreign currencies		(11,506)	14,139
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		343,967	476,304
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year comprise:			
Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position of the Group	14	343,932	476,304
Cash and cash equivalents included in assets held-for-sale	13	35	_
		343,967	476,304

# Significant non-cash transaction

During the financial year ended 31 December 2021, an amount of \$240,125,000 (2020: \$124,486,000) due from an associate was capitalised as additional investment in the associate.

### 1. Corporate and Group information

First Sponsor Group Limited ("FSGL" or the "Company") is incorporated in the Cayman Islands and has its registered office at P.O. Box 31119, Grand Pavilion, Hibiscus Way, 802 West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, KY1-1205, Cayman Islands.

The principal activities of the Company are those relating to investment holding. The principal activities of the subsidiaries are those relating to investment holding, property development and sales, property investment, hotel ownership and operations and provision of property financing services.

The financial statements of the Group as at and for the year ended 31 December 2021 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group" and individually as "Group entities"), and the Group's interests in equity-accounted investees.

## 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

### 2.1 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB").

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for investment properties, financial assets and derivative assets/liabilities which have been measured at fair value. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollars ("\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (\$'000), except when otherwise indicated.

### 2.2 Changes in accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except that in the current financial year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised standards which are effective for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021. The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

## 2.3 Standards issued but not yet effective

The Group has not adopted the following standards which have been issued but not yet effective:

Description	periods beginning on or after
Amendments to IFRS 16: Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021	1 Apr 2021
Amendments to IFRS 3: Reference to the Conceptual Framework	1 Jan 2022
Amendments to IAS 16: Property, Plant and Equipment -Proceeds before Intended Use	1 Jan 2022
Amendments to IAS 37: Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract	1 Jan 2022
Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2018-2020	1 Jan 2022
IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts	1 Jan 2023
Amendments to IFRS 17: Insurance Contracts	1 Jan 2023
Amendments to IAS 1: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current	1 Jan 2023
Amendments to IAS 1: Disclosure of Accounting Policies	1 Jan 2023
Amendments to IAS 8: Definition of Accounting Estimates	1 Jan 2023
Amendments to IAS 12: Deferred tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from Single	
Transaction	1 Jan 2023
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sales or Contribution of Assets between	Date to be
an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	determined

The directors expect that the adoption of the above standards will have no material impact on the financial statements in the year of initial application.

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### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

#### 2.4 Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Specifically, the Group controls an investee if, and only if, the Group has:

- Power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee)
- Exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee
- The ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns

Generally, there is a presumption that a majority of voting rights results in control. To support this presumption and when the Group has less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- The contractual arrangement(s) with the other vote holders of the investee
- Rights arising from other contractual arrangements
- The Group's voting rights and potential voting rights

The Group re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control. Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date the Group gains control until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the equity holders of the parent of the Group and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies in line with the Group's accounting policies. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises the related assets (including goodwill), liabilities, non-controlling interest and other components of equity, while any resultant gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss. Any investment retained is recognised at fair value.

### 2.5 Business combinations and goodwill

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the aggregate of the consideration transferred, which is measured at acquisition date fair value, and the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree. For each business combination, the Group elects whether to measure the non-controlling interests in the acquiree at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred and included in administrative expenses.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.5 Business combinations and goodwill (cont'd)

The Group determines that it has acquired a business when the acquired set of activities and assets include an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs. The acquired process is considered substantive if it is critical to the ability to continue producing outputs, and the inputs acquired include an organised workforce with the necessary skills, knowledge, or experience to perform that process or it significantly contributes to the ability to continue producing outputs and is considered unique or scarce or cannot be replaced without significant cost, effort, or delay in the ability to continue producing outputs.

When the Group acquires a business, it assesses the financial assets and liabilities assumed for appropriate classification and designation in accordance with the contractual terms, economic circumstances and pertinent conditions as at the acquisition date. This includes the separation of embedded derivatives in host contracts by the acquiree.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer will be recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Contingent consideration classified as equity is not remeasured and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity. Contingent consideration classified as an asset or liability that is a financial instrument and within the scope of IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*, is measured at fair value with the changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9. Other contingent consideration that is not within the scope of IFRS 9 is measured at fair value at each reporting date with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost (being the excess of the aggregate of the consideration transferred and the amount recognised for non-controlling interests and any previous interest held over the net identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed). If the fair value of the net assets acquired is in excess of the aggregate consideration transferred, the Group re-assesses whether it has correctly identified all of the assets acquired and all of the liabilities assumed and reviews the procedures used to measure the amounts to be recognised at the acquisition date. If the reassessment still results in an excess of the fair value of net assets acquired over the aggregate consideration transferred, then the gain is recognised in profit or loss.

After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units ("CGU") that are expected to benefit from the combination irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those units.

Where goodwill has been allocated to a CGU and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the disposed operation is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal. Goodwill disposed in these circumstances is measured based on the relative values of the disposed operation and the portion of the CGU retained.

# 2.6 Transactions with non-controlling interests

Non-controlling interest represents the equity in subsidiaries not attributable, directly or indirectly, to the equity holders of the Company.

Changes in the Company's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions. In such circumstances, the carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interest is adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to equity holders of the Company.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.7 Foreign currency

The Group's financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollars, which is the Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

# Transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded by the Group's entities at their respective functional currency spot rates at the date the transaction first qualifies for recognition.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency spot rates of exchange at the reporting date.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured. The gain or loss arising on translation of a non-monetary item measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation difference on the item whose fair value gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss, respectively).

### Group companies

The functional currencies of certain subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures are currencies other than the Singapore Dollar. As at the end of the reporting period, the assets and liabilities of these entities are translated into Singapore Dollars at the exchange rates prevailing at the end of the reporting period and their statements of profit or loss are translated into Singapore Dollars at the weighted average exchange rates for the year.

The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve. On disposal of a foreign operation, the component of other comprehensive income relating to that particular foreign operation is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

Any goodwill arising on the acquisition of a foreign operation and any fair value adjustments to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities arising on acquisition are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operation and translated at the closing exchange rate.

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, the cash flows of subsidiaries with functional currencies other than the Singapore Dollar, are translated into Singapore Dollars at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Frequently recurring cash flows of such subsidiaries which arise throughout the year are translated into Singapore Dollars at the average exchange rates for the year.

## 2.8 Subsidiaries

A subsidiary is an investee that is controlled by the Group. The Group controls an investee when it is exposed, or has the rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee.

In the Company's statements of financial position, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less any impairment losses.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.9 Associates and joint ventures

An associate is an entity over which the Group has the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but does not have control or joint control of these policies.

A joint venture is a type of joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint venture. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

The Group's investment in its associates and joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method.

Under the equity method, the investment in an associate or a joint venture is initially recognised at cost. The carrying amount of the investment is adjusted to recognise changes in the Group's share of net assets of the associate or joint venture since the acquisition date. Goodwill relating to the associate or joint venture is included in the carrying amount of the investment and is not tested for impairment separately.

The statement of profit or loss reflects the Group's share of the results of operations of the associate or joint venture. Any change in other comprehensive income of those investees is presented as part of the Group's other comprehensive income. In addition, when there has been a change recognised directly in the equity of the associate or joint venture, the Group recognises its share of any changes, when applicable, in the statement of changes in equity. Unrealised gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and the associate or joint venture are eliminated to the extent of the interest in the associate or joint venture.

The aggregate of the Group's share of profit or loss of an associate and a joint venture is shown on the face of the statement of profit or loss outside operating profit and represents profit or loss after tax and non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the associate or joint venture.

The financial statements of the associates or joint ventures are prepared for the same reporting period as the Group. When necessary, adjustments are made to bring the accounting policies in line with those of the Group.

After application of the equity method, the Group determines whether it is necessary to recognise an impairment loss on its investment in its associates or joint ventures. At each reporting date, the Group determines whether there is objective evidence that the investment in an associate or a joint venture is impaired. If there is such evidence, the Group calculates the amount of impairment as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate or joint venture and its carrying value, and then recognises the loss within 'Share of profit of associates and joint ventures in the statement of profit or loss.

Upon loss of power over an associate or joint control over a joint venture, the Group measures and recognises any retained investment at its fair value. Any difference between the carrying amount of the associate or joint venture upon loss of power or joint control and the fair value of the retained investment and proceeds from disposal is recognised in profit or loss.

## 2.10 Fair value measurement

The Group measures its derivative financial instruments, equity investments and non-financial assets such as investment properties at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Group. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

### 2.10 Fair value measurement (cont'd)

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data is available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is observable, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Group has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy, as explained above.

Fair value related disclosures for financial instruments and non-financial assets that are measured at fair value or where fair values are disclosed, are summarised in the following notes:

Disclosures for valuation methods, significant estimates and assumptions
 Note 3

• Investment properties Note 5

Financial instruments (including those carried at amortised cost)
 Note 32

# 2.11 Impairment of non-financial assets

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If such an indication exists, the Group makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value-in-use. In assessing value-in-use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pretax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. Where an asset does not generate cash inflows largely independent of those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows independently (i.e., a CGU).

An impairment loss is recognised in the statement of profit or loss whenever the carrying amount of an asset, or the CGU to which it belongs, exceeds its recoverable amount. The impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. A reversal of the impairment loss is limited to the asset's carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. The reversal of the impairment loss is credited to the statement of profit or loss in the year in which it arises.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.12 Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

All items of property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost. Subsequent to recognition, property, plant and equipment other than construction in progress, are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to the profit or loss in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where the recognition criteria are satisfied, the expenditure for a major inspection is capitalised in the carrying amount of the asset as a replacement. Where significant parts of property, plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Group recognises such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciates them accordingly.

Depreciation is based on the cost of an asset less its residual value.

Depreciation is recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each component of an item of property, plant and equipment, unless it is included in the carrying amount of another asset. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives unless it is reasonably certain that the Group will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term. No depreciation is recognised on construction-in-progress.

Depreciation is recognised from the date that property, plant and equipment are installed and are ready for use, or in respect of internally constructed assets, from the date that the asset is completed and ready for use.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative years are as follows:

Interest in leasehold land and leased assets	2 to 29 years
Buildings	
Core component of hotel and hotspring buildings	35 years
Other buildings	30 to 50 years
Surface, finishes and services of hotel and hotspring buildings	30 to 35 years
Plant and machinery	5 to 15 years
Equipment and furniture	1 to 10 years
Motor vehicles	5 to 10 years
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Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least at each financial year end.

Residual values ascribed to the core component of hotel and hotspring buildings depend on the nature, location and tenure of the hotels and hotspring properties. No residual values are ascribed to building surface, finishes and services of hotel and hotspring buildings.

An item of property, plant and equipment including any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement recognised in the statement of profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

Construction-in-progress represents a building under construction, which is stated at cost less any impairment losses, and is not depreciated. Cost comprises the direct costs of construction. Construction-in-progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

### 2.13 Investment properties

Investment properties are properties (including interests in leasehold land under operating leases) held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both, but not for sale in the ordinary course of business, use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the investment property. The cost of self-constructed investment property includes the cost of materials and direct labour, any other costs directly attributable to bringing the investment property to a working condition for their intended use and capitalised borrowing costs.

Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are stated at fair value, which reflects market conditions at the reporting date. Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise, including the corresponding tax effect. Fair values are determined based on an annual valuation performed by an accredited external independent valuer applying a valuation model recommended by the International Valuation Standards Committee.

Investment properties are derecognised either when they have been disposed of (i.e., at the date the recipient obtains control) or when they are permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit is expected from their disposal. The difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset is recognised in profit or loss in the period of derecognition. In determining the amount of consideration from the derecognition of investment property, the Group considers the effects of variable consideration, existence of a significant financing component, non-cash consideration, and consideration payable to the buyer (if any).

Transfers are made to (or from) investment property only when there is a change in use. For a transfer from investment property to owner-occupied property, the deemed cost for subsequent accounting is the fair value at the date of change in use. If owner-occupied property becomes an investment property, the Group accounts for such property in accordance with the policy stated under property, plant and equipment up to the date of change in use.

When the use of property changes such that a property occupied by the Group as an owner-occupied property becomes an investment property, its fair value at the date of transfer becomes its cost for subsequent accounting.

### 2.14 Development properties

# (a) Properties under development for sale

Properties under development are those properties which are held with the intention of development and sale in the ordinary course of business. They are stated at the lower of cost and estimated net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

The cost of properties under development for sale comprises specifically identified costs, including prepaid land lease payments, acquisition costs, development expenditure, capitalised borrowing costs and other related expenditure. Borrowing costs payable on loans funding a development property are capitalised, on a specific identification basis, as part of the cost of the properties under development for sale until the completion of development or date of repayment of the borrowings if earlier. When completed, the properties under development are classified as completed properties for sale.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.14 Development properties (cont'd)

### (b) Completed properties for sale

Completed properties for sale are measured at the lower of cost or net realisable value. Cost is determined by apportionment of the total land costs, development costs and capitalised borrowing costs if any, based on floor area of the unsold properties. Net realisable value is determined by reference to sale proceeds of properties sold in the ordinary course of business less all estimated selling expenses; or is estimated by management in the absence of comparable transactions after taking into consideration prevailing market conditions.

The aggregated costs are presented as development properties while progress billings are presented separately as contract liabilities in the statements of financial position.

#### 2.15 Leases

The Group assesses at contract inception whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. That is, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

#### (a) As lessee

The Group applies a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The Group recognises lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

### Right-of-use assets

The Group recognises right-of-use assets at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

If ownership of the leased asset transfers to the Group at the end of the lease term or the cost reflects the exercise of a purchase option, depreciation is calculated using the estimated useful life of the asset.

The right-of-use assets are also subject to impairment. Refer to the accounting policies in Note 2.11 *Impairment of non-financial assets*.

## Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease, the Group recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable. The lease payments also include penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date because the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in the lease payments (e.g., changes to future payments resulting from a change in an index or rate used to determine such lease payments) or a change in the assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

#### 2.15 Leases (cont'd)

#### (a) As lessee (cont'd)

#### Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption (i.e., those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option). It also applies the lease of low-value assets recognition exemption. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### (b) As lessor

Leases in which the Group does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset are classified as operating leases. Rental income arising is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease terms and is included in revenue in the statement of profit or loss due to its operating nature. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised over the lease term on the same basis as rental income. Contingent rents are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are earned.

#### 2.16 Financial assets

# Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, and subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI"), and fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL").

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group's business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Group has applied the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Group initially measures a financial asset at its fair value, plus in the case of a financial asset not at FVPL, transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Group has applied the practical expedient are measured at the transaction price determined under IFRS 15 in accordance with the policies set out in Note 2.25 to the financial statements below.

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or FVOCI, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI") on the principal amount outstanding. This assessment is referred to as the SPPI test and is performed at an instrument level. Financial assets with cash flows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at FVPL, irrespective of the business model.

The Group's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Financial assets classified and measured at amortised cost are held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows while financial assets classified and measured at FVOCI are held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within a time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

#### 2.16 Financial assets (cont'd)

#### Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

#### <u>Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)</u>

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest ("EIR") method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

## Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at FVPL include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at FVPL, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Financial assets with cash flows that are not solely payments of principal and interest are classified and measured at FVPL, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortised cost or at FVOCI, as described above, debt instruments may be designated at FVPL on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at FVPL are carried in the statements of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

This category includes derivative instruments and equity and debt investments which the Group had not irrevocably elected to classify at FVOCI. Dividends on equity investments classified as financial assets at FVPL are also recognised as other income in the statement of profit or loss when the right of payment has been established.

A derivative embedded in a hybrid contract, with a financial liability or non-financial host, is separated from the host and accounted for as a separate derivative if the economic characteristics and risks are not closely related to the host; a separate instrument with the same terms as the embedded derivative would meet the definition of a derivative; and the hybrid contract is not measured at FVPL. Embedded derivatives are measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss. Reassessment only occurs if there is either a change in the terms of the contract that significantly modifies the cash flows that would otherwise be required or a reclassification of a financial asset out of the FVPL category.

A derivative embedded within a hybrid contract containing a financial asset host is not accounted for separately. The financial asset host together with the embedded derivative is required to be classified in its entirety as a financial asset at FVPL.

### Financial assets designated at fair value through other comprehensive income (equity investments)

Upon initial recognition, the Group can elect to classify irrevocably its equity investments as equity investments designated at FVOCI when they meet the definition of equity under IAS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation* and are not held for trading. The classification is determined on an instrument-by-instrument basis.

Gains and losses on these financial assets are never recycled to the statement of profit or loss. Dividends are recognised as other income in the statement of profit or loss when the right of payment has been established, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the dividend will flow to the Group and the amount of the dividend can be measured reliably, except when the Group benefits from such proceeds as a recovery of part of the cost of the financial asset, in which case, such gains are recorded in other comprehensive income. Equity investments designated at FVOCI are not subject to impairment assessment.

### 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

#### 2.16 Financial assets (cont'd)

# **De-recognition**

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the Group's statements of financial position) when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; and either (a) the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if, and to what extent, it has retained the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the Group continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the Group also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Group has retained.

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

### 2.17 Impairment of financial assets

The Group recognises an allowance for expected credit losses ("ECLs") for all debt instruments not held at FVPL. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

### General approach

ECLs are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12 months (a "12-month ECL"). For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of the timing of the default (a "lifetime ECL").

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition. When making the assessment, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition and considers reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort, including historical and forward-looking information.

The Group considers a financial asset to be in default when the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held).

The Group considers a financial guarantee contract to be in default when the debtor of the loan is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the creditor and the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held).

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.17 Impairment of financial assets (cont'd)

# General approach (cont'd)

The Group determined that its financial assets are credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- Significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- A breach of contract such as a default;
- It is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- The disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

Debt investments at FVOCI and financial assets at amortised cost are subject to impairment under the general approach and they are classified within the following stages for measurement of ECLs except for trade receivables and lease receivables which apply the simplified approach as detailed below.

- Stage 1 Financial instruments for which credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs.
- Stage 2 Financial instruments for which credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition but that are not credit-impaired financial assets and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.
- Stage 3 Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date (but that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired) and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

# Simplified approach

For trade receivables, the Group applies the simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Therefore, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

# 2.18 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired, less bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

For the purpose of the statements of financial position, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, and assets similar in nature to cash.

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

#### 2.19 Financial liabilities

# Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at FVPL, loans and borrowings or payables, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

# Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as follows:

#### Loans and borrowings

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

#### Financial guarantee contracts

Financial guarantee contracts issued by the Group are those contracts that require a payment to be made to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because the specified debtor fails to make a payment when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument. A financial guarantee contract is recognised initially as a liability at its fair value, adjusted for transaction costs that are directly attributable to the issuance of the guarantee.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the Group measures the financial guarantee contract at the higher of: (i) the amount of the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period; and (ii) the amount initially recognised less, when appropriate, cumulative amortisation.

# **De-recognition**

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled, or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

#### Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statements of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

# 2.20 Government grants

Government grants are recognised where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with. Where the grant relates to an asset, the fair value is recognised as deferred capital grant in the statement of financial position and is amortised to profit or loss over the expected useful life of the relevant asset by equal annual instalments. Where the grant relates to an expense item, it shall be recognised to profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the entity recognises as expenses the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate.

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

### 2.21 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, i.e., assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. The capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs capitalised. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

#### 2.22 Dividends

Final dividends are recognised as a liability when they are approved by the shareholders in a general meeting.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared, because the Company's memorandum and articles of association grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

# 2.23 Provisions

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the end of the reporting period of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in finance costs in the statement of profit or loss.

# 2.24 Employee benefits

# (a) Short-term employee benefit

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit-sharing plans if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee, and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

#### (b) Defined contribution plans

The Group participates in the national pension schemes as defined by the laws of the countries in which it has operations. A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is performed.

The Singapore companies in the Group make contributions to the Central Provident Fund scheme in Singapore, a defined contribution scheme.

Pursuant to the relevant regulations of the People's Republic of China ("PRC") government, the PRC subsidiaries of the Group ("PRC Subsidiaries") have participated in central pension schemes (the "Schemes") operated by local municipal governments whereby the PRC Subsidiaries are required to contribute a certain percentage of the basic salaries of their employees to the Schemes to fund their retirement benefits. The local municipal governments undertake to assume the retirement benefit obligations of all existing and future retired employees of the PRC Subsidiaries. The only obligation of the PRC Subsidiaries with respect to the Schemes is to pay the ongoing required contributions under the Schemes mentioned above. Contributions under the Schemes are accounted for as contributions to defined contribution plans as described above.

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.24 Employee benefits (cont'd)

# (b) Defined contribution plans (cont'd)

In each of the Netherlands and Germany, the Group participates in a compulsory industry scheme for all eligible employees. The compulsory industry scheme is a defined contribution plan which is administered by an insurance company. This means that the Group is only required to pay the agreed contributions to the insurance company which bears the full actuarial risk. Contributions to the scheme are accounted for as contributions to defined contribution plans as described above. Contributions payable and refunds receivable are included under current liabilities and current assets respectively. Industry fund pension expenditure is based on an annually renewed premium percentage over the pension base as defined in the related scheme.

# (c) Share-based payment transactions

The grant date fair value of share-based payment awards granted to employees is recognised as an employee expense, with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period that the employees unconditionally become entitled to the awards. The amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the number of awards for which the related service and non-market performance conditions are expected to be met, such that the amount ultimately recognised as an expense is based on the number of awards that meet the related service and non-market performance conditions at the vesting date. For share-based payment awards with non-vesting conditions, the grant date fair value of the share-based payment is measured to reflect such conditions and there is no true-up for differences between expected and actual outcomes.

# 2.25 Revenue

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised when control of goods or services is transferred to the customers at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

When the consideration in a contract includes a variable amount, the amount of consideration is estimated to which the Group will be entitled in exchange for transferring the goods or services to the customer. The variable consideration is estimated at contract inception and constrained until it is highly probable that a significant revenue reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the associated uncertainty with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

### (a) Sale of properties

The Group develops and sells residential and commercial properties before completion of construction of the properties. Revenue is recognised when control over the property has been transferred to the customer.

For the contracts to sell residential properties and commercial properties, the Group assessed that revenue is recognised at a point in time when (a) the construction of the relevant property has been completed; (b) the property is ready for handover to the purchasers; and (c) collectability of the proceeds is reasonably assured and the Group has present right to the proceeds.

Where contracts relate to the sale of completed properties, revenue is recognised when collectability of the proceeds is reasonably assured and the Group has present right to the proceeds.

#### Significant financing component

In determining the transaction price, the Group adjusts the promised consideration for the effects of the time value of money for contracts with customers that include a significant financing component. In adjusting for the significant financing component, the Group uses a discount rate that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction between the Group and its customer at contract inception, such that it reflects the credit characteristics of the party receiving financing in the contract.

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.25 Revenue (cont'd)

# (a) Sale of properties (cont'd)

The Group has elected to apply the practical expedient not to adjust the transaction price for the existence of a significant financing component when the period between the transfer of control of goods or service to a customer and the payment date is one year or less.

A contract liability represents the Group's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer.

The contract liabilities will be increased by the amount of interest expense being accrued by the Group to reflect the effect of any significant financing benefit obtained from the customers during the period between the payment date and the date of delivery of property to customers. As this accrual increases the amount of the contract liabilities during the period of development, it therefore increases the amount of revenue recognised when control of the completed property is transferred to the customer.

#### (b) Rental income

Rental income from investment properties is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives granted are recognised as an integral part of the total rental income, over the term of the lease. Contingent rentals are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are earned.

# (c) Hotel income

Hotel revenue from accommodation, sales of food and beverages and other ancillary services is recognised when the Group satisfies a performance obligation by transferring control of a promised good or services to the customer. The amount of revenue recognised is the amount of the transaction price allocated to the satisfied performance obligation.

# (d) Interest income on entrusted loans, vendor financing arrangements and loans to third parties, associates and joint ventures

Interest income on entrusted loans made via entrustment banks and from vendor financing arrangements with selected buyers of the Group's development properties, and on loans to third parties, associates and joint ventures are recognised as it accrues in profit or loss, using the effective interest method.

# 2.26 Taxes

Tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that they relate to a business combination, or items recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. The amount of current tax payable or receivable is the best estimate of the tax amount expected to be paid or received that reflects uncertainty to related income taxes, if any.

Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

Current tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

#### 2.26 Taxes (cont'd)

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. Deferred tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss;
- temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future and no taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised; and
- taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill.

The measurement of deferred taxes reflects the tax consequences that would follow the manner in which the Group expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Where investment properties are carried at their fair values in accordance with the accounting policy set out in Note 2.13, the amount of deferred tax recognised is measured using the tax rates that would apply on the sale of those assets at their carrying value at the reporting date unless the property is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the property over time, rather than through sale. In all other cases, the amount of deferred tax recognised is measured based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of the assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, and they relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity, or on different tax entities, but they intend to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis or their tax assets and liabilities will be realised simultaneously.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses, unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences, to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Future taxable profits are determined based on the reversal of relevant taxable temporary differences. If the amount of taxable temporary differences is insufficient to recognise a deferred tax asset in full, then future taxable profits, adjusted for reversals of existing temporary differences, are considered based on the business plans of individual subsidiaries in the Group. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefits will be realised; such reductions are reversed when the probability of future taxable profits improves.

Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used.

# 2.27 Share capital and share issuance expenses

Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares are recognised as share capital in equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of ordinary shares are deducted against share capital.

# 2.28 Contingencies

A contingent liability is:

(a) a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group; or

# 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont'd)

# 2.28 Contingencies (cont'd)

- (b) a present obligation that arises from past events but is not recognised because:
  - (i) It is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation; or
  - (ii) The amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

A contingent asset is a possible asset that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group.

Contingent liabilities and assets are not recognised on the statements of financial position of the Group, except for contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination that are present obligations and which the fair values can be reliably determined.

# 2.29 Treasury shares

The Group's own equity instruments which are reacquired (treasury shares) are recognised at cost and deducted from equity. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Group's own equity instruments. Any difference between the carrying amount of treasury shares and the consideration received, if reissued, is recognised directly in equity. Voting rights related to treasury shares are nullified for the Group and no dividends are allocated to them respectively.

# 2.30 Non-current assets held-for-sale

The Group classifies non-current assets as held-for-sale if their carrying amounts will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. Non-current assets classified as held-for-sale are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Costs to sell are the incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset, excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

The criteria for held-for-sale classification is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable, and the asset is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Actions required to complete the sale should indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the sale will be made or that the decision to sell will be withdrawn. Management must be committed to the plan to sell the asset and the sale expected to be completed within one year from the date of the classification.

Assets and liabilities classified as held-for-sale are presented separately as current items in the statements of financial position.

#### 3. Key sources of estimation uncertainty

#### **Estimates and assumptions**

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are described below. The Group based its assumptions and estimates on parameters available when the consolidated financial statements were prepared. Existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments, however, may change due to market changes or circumstances arising that are beyond the control of the Group. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur. Given the Covid-19 pandemic has caused and will likely cause significant disruptions to economic activities, the uncertainties associated with accounting estimates and assumptions may also be increased accordingly.

# 3. Key sources of estimation uncertainty (cont'd)

# Estimates and assumptions (cont'd)

# (a) Revaluation of investment properties

The Group engaged independent real estate valuation experts to assess the fair value of the Group's investment properties as at the end of each financial year. Such fair values are determined by the real estate valuation experts using recognised valuation techniques. The key assumptions used to determine the fair value of these investment properties and sensitivity analyses are provided in Note 5. The carrying amount of the investment properties as at 31 December 2021 is \$125,204,000 (2020: \$97,942,000).

# (b) Impairment of non-financial assets

Interests in

As disclosed in Note 4 to the financial statements, the recoverable amounts of property, plant and equipment with indicators of impairment are determined based on value-in-use calculations. The value-in-use calculations are based on a discounted cash flow model. The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the discount rate used for the discounted cash flow model as well as the expected future cash inflows and the growth rate used for extrapolation purposes. The key unobservable inputs applied in the determination of the value-in-use including an inter-relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurement are disclosed and further explained in Note 4 to the financial statements. The carrying amount of the property, plant and equipment as at 31 December 2021 is \$356,058,000 (2020: \$371,382,000).

# 4. Property, plant and equipment

	leasehold land and leased assets (Note 33) \$'000	Buildings \$'000	Plant and machinery \$'000	Equipment and furniture \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Construction- in-progress \$'000	Total \$'000
Group							
Cost							
At 1 January 2020	92,509	257,470	11,656	11,477	2,721	51,792	427,625
Additions	1,732	7,172	281	6,928	1,051	1,245	18,409
Adjustments	(102)	-	-	-	-	-	(102)
Written off during the year	-	(3)	(4)	_	-	_	(7)
Disposals	-	_	-	(45)	(1,144)	_	(1,189)
Disposal of a subsidiary (Note 30)	-	_	-	_	-	(54)	(54)
Reclassification	-	36,175	-	50	-	(36,225)	-
Translation differences on consolidation	6,653	16,897	577	1,096	59	2,969	28,251
At 31 December 2020 and							
1 January 2021	100,792	317,711	12,510	19,506	2,687	19,727	472,933
Additions	734	-	12	439	-	7,906	9,091
Written off during the year	-	(5,647)	(14)	(12)	-	-	(5,673)
Disposals	-	-	(1)	(18)	(87)	-	(106)
Transfer from assets held-for-sale							
(Note 13)	-	5,908	-	-	-	-	5,908
Transfer to assets held-for-sale	-	(1,859)	-	-	-	-	(1,859)
Transfer to development properties (Note 12)	_	(5,908)	_	_	_	-	(5,908)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 29)	_	13,528	_	_	_	_	13,528
Reclassification	-	-	36	_	_	(36)	_
Translation differences on consolidation	(3,157)	(475)	499	(933)	58	(823)	(4,831)
At 31 December 2021	98,369	323,258	13,042	18,982	2,658	26,774	483,083

# Property, plant and equipment (cont'd)

	Interests in leasehold land and leased assets (Note 33) \$'000	Buildings \$'000	Plant and machinery \$'000	Equipment and furniture \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Construction- in-progress \$'000	Total \$'000
Group							
Accumulated depreciation, amortisation and impairment loss							
At 1 January 2020	6,998	67,487	4,159	1,400	1,734	-	81,778
Charge for the year (Note 26)	4,357	4,037	1,776	1,717	273	-	12,160
Impairment loss (Note 26)	-	4,247	-	_	-	-	4,247
Written off during the year	-	-	(3)	-	-	-	(3)
Disposals	-	-	-	(45)	(818)	-	(863)
Translation differences on consolidation	490	3,358	225	120	39	=	4,232
At 31 December 2020 and 1 January 2021	11,845	79,129	6,157	3,192	1,228	_	101,551
Charge for the year (Note 26)	4,314	4,414	1,794	2,651	268	-	13,441
Impairment loss (Note 26)	-	9,766	-	-	-	-	9,766
Written off during the year	-	(45)	(8)	(10)	-	-	(63)
Disposals	-	-	(1)	(16)	(79)	-	(96)
Transfer from assets held-for-sale (Note 13)	-	574	_	_	_	-	574
Transfer to assets held-for-sale	-	(15)	-	-	-	-	(15)
Transfer to development properties (Note 12)	_	(801)	_	_	_	_	(801)
Translation differences on consolidation	(246)	2,989	299	(417)	43	-	2,668
At 31 December 2021	15,913	96,011	8,241	5,400	1,460	_	127,025
Carrying amounts							
At 31 December 2020	88,947	238,582	6,353	16,314	1,459	19,727	371,382
At 31 December 2021	82,456	227,247	4,801	13,582	1,198	26,774	356,058

# 4. Property, plant and equipment (cont'd)

	Interests in leased assets (Note 33) \$'000	Equipment and furniture \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Construction- in-progress \$'000	Total \$′000
Company					
Cost					
At 1 January 2020	829	256	356	50	1,491
Additions	_	100	-	_	100
Adjustments	(102)	_	-	_	(102)
Transfer		50	-	(50)	-
At 31 December 2020 and 1 January 2021	727	406	356	_	1,489
Additions	_	154	-	-	154
At 31 December 2021	727	560	356	_	1,643
Accumulated depreciation					
At 1 January 2020	211	156	174	_	541
Charge for the year	204	102	50	_	356
At 31 December 2020 and 1 January 2021	415	258	224	-	897
Charge for the year	208	145	50	_	403
At 31 December 2021	623	403	274	-	1,300
Carrying amounts					
At 31 December 2020	312	148	132		592
At 31 December 2021	104	157	82	-	343

# (i) Impairment of assets

# Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station & Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station

In 2021, based on management's assessment, an impairment charge amounting to \$9,538,000 included in other expenses, was made in relation to the Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station & Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station hotels, located in the Netherlands, which are deemed to be one CGU. The impairment had resulted from the weaker operating performance of the hotels which has been affected by the outbreak of Covid-19 in Europe. The estimated recoverable amount of the hotels was based on the value-in-use of the hotels determined by management.

The fair value measurement is categorised as Level 3 on the fair value hierarchy.

# 4. Property, plant and equipment (cont'd)

# (i) Impairment of assets (cont'd)

# Hampton by Hilton Utrecht Centraal Station & Crowne Plaza Utrecht Centraal Station (cont'd)

The following table shows the key unobservable inputs used in the valuation model:

Valuation technique	Key unobservable inputs	Inter-relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurement
Hotel		
Discounted cash flow method	<ul> <li>Occupancy rate: 60% to 76% (2020: Not applicable)</li> </ul>	A significant increase in occupancy rate and ADR, and a
	<ul> <li>Average daily rate ("ADR"): EUR91 to EUR106 (2020: Not applicable)</li> </ul>	significant decrease in discount rate would result in a significantly higher fair value measurement
	• Discount rate: 8.8% (2020: Not applicable)	and vice versa.

The carrying amount of the hotels is the same as its recoverable amount after the impairment loss. Therefore, any adverse movement in the key assumptions would lead to a further impairment.

# Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden

In 2020, based on management's assessment, an impairment charge amounting to \$4,247,000 included in other expenses, was made in relation to the Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden, located in Germany. The impairment had resulted from the weaker operating performance of the hotel which has been affected by the outbreak of Covid-19 in Europe. The estimated recoverable amount of the hotel was based on the value-in-use of the hotel determined by management.

In 2021, based on the value-in-use determined by management, the estimated recoverable amount of the Bilderberg Bellevue Hotel Dresden as at 31 December 2021 was higher than its carrying value on that date. As such, no further impairment losses were recognised in the year ended 31 December 2021.

The fair value measurement is categorised as Level 3 on the fair value hierarchy.

The following table shows the key unobservable inputs used in the valuation model:

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# 5. Investment properties

		Group			
	Note	2021	2020		
		\$'000	\$'000		
At 1 January		97,942	94,827		
Gain in control of subsidiaries	29	48,990	-		
Fair value gain/(loss)	26	4,439	(4,311)		
Lease incentives		(87)	(86)		
Transfer to assets held-for-sale		(21,917)	_		
Translation differences on consolidation		(4,163)	7,512		
At 31 December		125,204	97,942		

The investment properties as at 31 December 2020 comprised two hotels in Amsterdam and adjoining car parks that are leased to external tenants. Each of the leases contains annual rent indexed to consumer prices. The leases contain an initial non-cancellable period of ten to twenty-five years. No contingent rents are charged. As at 31 December 2021, the investment properties also comprised commercial and industrial properties in Dongguan, PRC, that are leased to external tenants. These leases contain an initial non-cancellable period of one to twenty years. No contingent rents are charged on them.

During the financial year end 31 December 2021, the Group transferred two investment properties to assets held-for-sale, one of which was disposed before the year end whilst the other is contracted to be disposed in 2022. Refer to Note 13 and Note 30(b)(iii) for more details.

#### Measurement of fair value

# (i) Fair value hierarchy

The fair value measurement for investment properties of \$1,982,000 (2020: \$1,887,000) has been categorised as a Level 2 fair value based on contracted sale prices.

The fair value measurement for the other investment properties of \$123,222,000 (2020: \$96,055,000) has been categorised as a Level 3 fair value based on the inputs to the valuation technique used.

The fair values of the investment properties as at 31 December 2021 were based on valuations undertaken by independent valuers. The fair values at the reporting date were based on market values, being the estimated amount for which a property could be exchanged on the date of the valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion.

The valuation of the investment properties was derived based on the discounted cash flow, income capitalisation and market comparable methods. The discounted cash flow method takes into consideration the estimated net rent (using the current and projected average rental rates and occupancy) and a discount rate applicable to the nature and type of asset in question. The income capitalisation approach takes into consideration the estimated net rent and a yield rate applicable to the nature and type of asset in question. The market comparable method takes into consideration the sales of similar properties that have been transacted in the open market.

# 5. Investment properties (cont'd)

# Measurement of fair value (cont'd)

# (i) Fair value hierarchy (cont'd)

#### Level 3 fair value

The following table shows a reconciliation of the beginning balance to the ending balance of investment properties for which fair value measurements are categorised under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

	Gro	up
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
At 1 January	96,055	93,023
Gain in control of subsidiaries	48,990	_
Fair value gain/(loss) recognised in profit or loss – unrealised (net)	4,439	(4,311)
Lease incentives	(87)	(86)
Transfer to assets held-for-sale	(21,917)	_
Translation differences on consolidation	(4,258)	7,429
At 31 December	123,222	96,055

# (ii) Valuation policies and procedures

Management of the Singapore-based corporate headquarters ("Group management") oversees the Group's financial reporting valuation process and is responsible for setting the Group's valuation policies and procedures. In this regard, Group management reports to the Company's Audit and Risk Committee.

For all significant financial reporting valuations using valuation models and significant unobservable inputs, it is the Group's policy to engage external valuation experts who possess the relevant credentials and knowledge on the subject of valuation, valuation methodologies and IFRS 13 *Fair Value Measurement* guidance to perform the valuation.

For valuations performed by external valuation experts, the appropriateness of the valuation methodologies and assumptions adopted are reviewed along with the appropriateness and reliability of the inputs (including those developed internally by the Group) used in the valuations.

In selecting the appropriate valuation models and inputs to be adopted for each valuation that uses significant non-observable inputs, external valuation experts are requested to calibrate the valuation models and inputs to actual market transactions that are relevant to the valuation if such information are reasonably available.

Significant changes in fair value measurements from period to period are evaluated for reasonableness. Key drivers of the changes are identified and assessed for reasonableness against relevant information from independent sources, or internal sources if necessary and appropriate.

# 5. Investment properties (cont'd)

# Measurement of fair value (cont'd)

# (iii) Valuation technique and key unobservable inputs

The following table shows the key unobservable inputs used in the valuation models:

Valuation technique	Key unobservable inputs	Inter-relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurement
Discounted cash flow method	• Rental yield of 2.56% to 8.79% (2020: 6.5%)	A significant decrease in rental yield and discount rate would
	<ul> <li>Market rent: RMB14 per sq m to RMB37 per sq m (2020: Not applicable)</li> </ul>	result in a significantly higher fair value measurement and vice versa.
	<ul> <li>Unit selling price for land: RMB1,328 per sq m (2020: Not applicable)</li> </ul>	A significant increase in market rent, unit selling price for land,
	<ul> <li>Construction cost: RMB1,465 per sq m (2020: Not applicable)</li> </ul>	and decrease in construction cost would result in a significant higher
	• Discount rate of 6.0% to 8.5% (2020: 8.5%)	fair value measurement and vice versa.
Market comparable method	<ul> <li>Average sales price of RMB910 to RMB25,740 per sq m (2020: RMB18,895 to RMB25,740 per sq m)</li> </ul>	A significant increase in average sales prices would result in a significantly higher fair value measurement and vice versa.

# 6. Subsidiaries

	Comp	Company		
	2021	2020		
	\$'000	\$'000		
Investment in subsidiaries, at cost	1,162,661	543,027		
Less: Impairment loss		(76,680)		
	1,162,661	466,347		

# Impairment of investment in subsidiaries

During the financial year ended 31 December 2021, management performed an impairment review of its investment in subsidiaries with indicators of impairment and the Company recognised an impairment loss of \$Nil (2020: \$76,680,000).

The Company assessed the recoverable amount of its investment in subsidiaries based on fair value less cost of disposal.

# 6. Subsidiaries (cont'd)

Details of significant subsidiaries are as follows:

	Name of subsidiaries	Principal activity	Principal place of business/ Country of incorporation	interest	re equity t held by Group 2020 %
	Held through subsidiaries				
**	Chengdu Gaeronic Real Estate Co., Ltd ("CDRE")	Property development, property investment, and investment holding	PRC	100	100
**	Chengdu Millennium Zhong Ren Real Estate Co., Ltd ("CMZR")	Property development, hotel ownership and operations, and property investment	PRC	100	100
**	Chengdu Yong Chang Real Estate Co., Ltd ("CDYC")	Property development and property investment	PRC	100	100
**	Dongguan East Sun Limited (i)	Property investment and investment holding	PRC	90	-
**	Dongguan East Sun No. 2 Property Management Co., Ltd. <sup>(i)</sup>	Property investment and property management	PRC	90	_
**	Dongguan East Sun No. 3 Property Management Co., Ltd. <sup>(i)</sup>	Property investment and property management	PRC	90	-
**	Dongguan East Sun No. 6 Property Management Co., Ltd. <sup>(i)</sup>	Property investment and property management	PRC	90	-
**	Dongguan Kanghe Property Management Consulting Services Co., Ltd ("DGKH")	Property investment and property development	PRC	60	60
**	Dongguan Shouye Investment Consultancy Co., Ltd.	Property investment and property management	PRC	49.5	49.5
**	First Sponsor (Guangdong) Group Limited ("FSGD")	Investment holding	PRC	100	100
*	FS Euro Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100
^	FS Milan Property 1 S.r.l ("FSMP1")	Hotel ownership and operations	Italy	100	100
^	FS NL Amstel Development 16 B.V.	Hotel ownership	The Netherlands	100	100
$\wedge$	FS NL Property 2 B.V.	Property investment	The Netherlands	100	100
^	FS NL Zuidoost Property 11 B.V.	Property investment and property development	The Netherlands	100	100

# 6. Subsidiaries (cont'd)

	Name of subsidiaries	Principal activity	Principal place of business/ Country of incorporation	interest	e equity held by Group
				2021 %	2020 %
	Held through subsidiaries (cont'd)				
^	FS NL Zuid Property 12 B.V.	Property investment and property development	The Netherlands	100	100
$\wedge$	FSE Propco 2 GmbH ("FSEP2")	Hotel ownership	Germany	94.9	94.9
**	Guangzhou Panyu Chuang's Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. ("GZPY") <sup>(ii)</sup>	Property development	PRC	95	_
**	Guangzhou Kaixiang Property Management Co., Ltd. ("Kaixiang") (iii)	Property management	PRC	95	_
**	Shanghai Sigma Enterprise Co., Ltd <sup>(v)</sup>	Property financing	PRC	100	100

<sup>\*</sup> Audited by Ernst & Young Singapore.

- (ii) The 95% effective equity interest in GZPY was acquired on 14 May 2021. Refer to Note 29(a) for details.
- (iii) The 95% equity interest in Kaixiang was acquired on 21 May 2021. Refer to Note 29(b) for details.
- (iv) Held by CDYC, FS Dongguan No. 3 Pte. Ltd., CDRE and FSGD in the proportion of 9.1%, 36.4%, 9.1% and 45.4% respectively.

# Interest in subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests

The Group has the following subsidiaries that have non-controlling interests that are material to the Group.

Name of subsidiary	Principal place of business	Proportion of ownership interest held by non-controlling interest	Profit/(loss) allocated to non-controlling interest during the reporting period \$'000	Accumulated non-controlling interest at the end of reporting period \$'000
2021				
Concord Focus Development Limited and its subsidiary DGKH ("Concord")	Hong Kong	40%	8,861	40,557
2020				
FS Dongguan No. 6 Investment Consultancy Co., Ltd. ("FSDG6")	PRC	49%	(6)	46,210

<sup>\*\*</sup> Audited by other member firms of Ernst & Young International for group reporting purpose.

<sup>^</sup> Not subject to audit by law of country of incorporation.

<sup>(</sup>i) The 90% equity interest in Dongguan East Sun Limited ("East Sun") and its subsidiaries (collectively, "East Sun Entities") was consolidated from 31 March 2021 due to the gain in control on that date. Refer to Note 29(c) for details.

# 6. Subsidiaries (cont'd)

# Summarised financial information of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests

Summarised financial information before intercompany eliminations of the subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests are as follows:

# **Summarised statement of financial position**

Total comprehensive income

	Concord 2021	FSDG6 2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Current		
Assets	366,536	109,717
Liabilities	(272,109)	(25,425)
Net current assets	94,427	84,292
Non-current		
Assets	6,984	10,013
Liabilities	(18)	_
Net non-current assets	6,966	10,013
Net assets	101,393	94,305
	Concord 2021	FSDG6 2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue	318,875	-
Cost of sales	(222,645)	
Administrative expenses	(1,532)	_
	( / /	(13)
	(1,279)	(13)
Other operating expense	(1,279) (5,806)	(1)
Other operating expense Net finance (expense)/income	(1,279) (5,806) (1,009)	- (1) 2
Other operating expense Net finance (expense)/income Profit/(loss) before income tax	(1,279) (5,806) (1,009) 86,604	(1)
Other operating expense Net finance (expense)/income Profit/(loss) before income tax	(1,279) (5,806) (1,009)	- (1) 2
Selling expenses Other operating expense Net finance (expense)/income Profit/(loss) before income tax Income tax expense Profit/(loss) after tax Other comprehensive income	(1,279) (5,806) (1,009) 86,604	- (1) 2

As at 31 December 2021, based on management's assessment, the non-controlling interest in FSDG6 is not considered to be material to the Group.

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# 6. Subsidiaries (cont'd)

# Summarised statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Concord 2021	FSDG6 2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Operating	99,462	(13)
Investing	(15,593)	(9,879)
Financing	(41,580)	9,895
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	42,289	3

# 7. Interests in and balances with associates and joint ventures

		Gro	up	Comp	any
	Note	2021	2020	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Interests in associates		856,292	528,996	11	11
Interests in joint ventures		171,243	20,947	9,669	9,669
Total interests in associates and joint ventures		1,027,535	549,943	9,680	9,680
Balances with associates and joint ventures					
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss - debt securities	9	186,206	39,500	-	_
Loans to associates (trade)	11	553,738	585,008	-	_
Loans to joint ventures (trade)	11	51,052	60,796	_	
Amounts due from associates (non-trade)	11	19,100	16,992	-	_
Amounts due from a joint venture (non-trade)	11	_	1,516	_	_
Loans to joint ventures (non-trade)	11	255,120	_	-	_
Amounts due to associates (non-trade)	19	(557,015)	(211,833)	-	_
Amounts due to joint ventures (non-trade)	19	(105,525)	(10,036)	(9,803)	(10,036)

The loans to associates by the Group as at 31 December 2021 are unsecured and interest-bearing with interest rates ranging between 4.7% and 8.9% (2020: 4.7% and 8.9%) per annum. \$135,969,000 (2020: \$Nil) of the year-end balance will mature in 2022. The remaining balance of \$417,769,000 (2020: \$585,008,000) will mature between 2023 to 2027 (2020: 2022 to 2027).

The non-trade loans to joint ventures as at 31 December 2021 are interest-free and will mature in 2022. These comprise:

- (a) a loan to a 36%-held joint venture amounting to \$148,820,000 (RMB700,000,000). \$89,292,000 (RMB420,000,000) of the loan is secured by (i) 40% equity interest in the joint venture held by the largest third party 60% equity holder in the joint venture, and (ii) corporate guarantees from this third party joint venture partner and its related companies.
- (b) a loan to an 18%-held joint venture amounting to \$106,300,000 (RMB500,000,000). \$85,040,000 (RMB400,000,000) of the loan is secured by (i) 72% equity interest held by two third party partners in the joint venture, (ii) corporate guarantees from these parties and their related companies, and (iii) personal guarantees from senior management and ultimate beneficial owners of the joint venture partners.

# 7. Interests in and balances with associates and joint ventures (cont'd)

The loans to joint ventures (trade) as at 31 December 2021 are unsecured, interest-bearing with interest rates ranging between 1.4% and 7.5% per annum and will mature between 2024 to 2025. The loans to joint ventures (trade) as at 31 December 2020 were interest-bearing with interest rates ranging between 6.0% and 7.5% per annum. \$40,480,000 of such loans was due from a 10%-held joint venture, maturing in 2021 and secured on (a) a hotel in Dongguan owned by the joint venture, (b) 90% equity interest in the joint venture held by the third party joint venture partner ("JV Partner"), (c) 100% equity interest in JV Partner, (d) corporate guarantees from the JV Partner and its related companies, and (e) personal guarantees from senior management of JV Partner. The remaining loan balance of \$20,316,000 was due in 2024. Refer to Note 11 for the movement in allowance for expected credit losses.

The non-trade amounts due from associates and a joint venture are unsecured, interest-free, and repayable on demand.

The non-trade amounts due to associates and a joint venture are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

Details of significant associates are as follows:

	Name of associates	Principal activity	Principal place of business/ Country of incorporation	interest	e equity held by Group 2020 %
	Held by the Company				
^	FS Dongguan Investment Holdings Limited ("FSDIH")	Investment holding	British Virgin Islands	30	30
	Held through subsidiaries				
*	Dongguan Baozhu Industrial Investment Co., Ltd. ("DGBI")	Property investment and investment holding	PRC	27	27
*	Dongguan China Railway Poly Industrial Development Co., Ltd ("DGGT") <sup>(i)</sup>	Property development, property investment, hotel and property management	PRC	17.3	17.3
*	Dongguan East Sun No. 1 Property Management Co., Ltd. ("East Sun No. 1") <sup>(ii)</sup>	Property investment and property management	PRC	49.5	-
^	FS GBA JV Limited	Investment holding	British Virgin Islands	49.9	_
*	FSMC NL Property Group N.V. ("FSMC")	Property development, property investment, hotel ownership and operations and investment holding	The Netherlands	33	33
^	FSMCR Hilton Rotterdam B.V.	Investment holding	The Netherlands	33	33
^	NL Property 1 B.V. ("NLP1")	Property investment	The Netherlands	33	33
٨	v5 Pitt Street Pty Ltd	Property development	Australia	39.9	39.9

<sup>^</sup> Not subject to audit by law of country of incorporation.

<sup>\*</sup> Audited by other firms of auditors.

<sup>(</sup>i) Proportion of ownership interest held by the Group in DGGT is 35% (2020: 35%) as at 31 December 2021.

<sup>(</sup>ii) Refer to Note 30(b)(iii) for details.

# 7. Interests in and balances with associates and joint ventures (cont'd)

The Group has not recognised losses relating to certain associated companies where its share of losses of these associates exceeds the Group's interest in these associated companies. The Group's cumulative share of unrecognised losses at the end of the financial year was \$296,000 (2020: \$Nil). The Group has no obligation in respect of these losses.

The following summarises the financial information of each of the Group's material associates based on their respective (consolidated) financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS, modified for fair value adjustments on acquisition and differences in the Group's accounting policies. The table also analyses, in aggregate, the carrying amount and share of profit and other comprehensive income of the remaining individually immaterial associates.

			Associate FSDIH	Associate DGGT
			\$'000	\$'000
2021				
Revenue			858,360	_
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations			58,940	(7,697)
Attributable to investee's shareholders			58,940	(7,697)
Other comprehensive income			55,237	60,589
Total comprehensive income			114,177	52,892
Total comprehensive meanic			114,177	32,032
Non-current assets			27,746	2,893
Current assets			849,262	2,915,831
Non-current liabilities			_	(790,787)
Current liabilities			(523,083)	(669,814)
Net assets			353,925	1,458,123
Non-controlling interests			(3,147)	-
Net assets attributable to the owners of the Compa	ny (100%)		350,778	1,458,123
Proportion of the Group's ownership			30%	35%
Group's share of net assets			105,233	510,343
	Associate FSDIH	Associate DGGT	Immaterial associates	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
	\$ 000	\$ 000	<b>3</b> 000	\$ 000
2021				
Group's interest in net assets of investees				
at beginning of the year	70,981	254,708	203,307	528,996
Group's share of:				
- profit/(loss) from continuing operations	17,682	(2,694)	4,952	19,940
- other comprehensive income	16,571	21,206	4,854	42,631
Total comprehensive income	34,253	18,512	9,806	62,571
Group's contribution during the year	-	237,123	10,915	248,038
Capital reduction during the year	-	-	(479)	(479)
Reduction of interests in a subsidiary to become an associate	_	_	17,166	17,166
Carrying amount of interest in investees at			,	,
end of the year	105,234	510,343	240,715	856,292

# 7. Interests in and balances with associates and joint ventures (cont'd)

		A	Associate FSDIH	Associate FSMC*	Associate DGBI*	Associate DGGT
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2020						
Revenue			642,746	134,468	_	_
Profit/(loss) from continuing	g operations		48,158	(64,695)	(3,292)	(939)
Attributable to investee's share			48,158	(64,695)	(3,292)	(939)
Other comprehensive income			(29,735)	3,796	27,527	9,708
Total comprehensive incom	е		18,423	(60,899)	24,235	8,769
Non-current assets			31,131	848,293	1,257	317
Current assets		1	1,881,966	43,285	1,181,208	757,840
Non-current liabilities			(12)	(787,672)	(367,963)	_
Current liabilities		(1	1,675,777)	(85,758)	(190,816)	(30,418)
Net assets			237,308	18,148	623,686	727,739
Non-controlling interests			(707)	(4,664)	_	-
Net assets attributable to the c Company (100%)	owners of the		236,601	13,484	623,686	727,739
Proportion of the Group's own	orshin		30%	33%	27%	35%
Group's share of net assets	ersnip		70,981	4,450	168,395	254,708
Group's share of fict assets			70,301	7,750	100,555	234,700
	Associate FSDIH	Associate FSMC*	e Associate DGBI*	Associate DGGT	Immaterial associates	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2020	·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·		-	-
Group's interest in net assets of investees at						
beginning of the year	77,396	24,547	161,852	_	10,740	274,535
Group's share of:						
<ul> <li>profit/(loss) from continuing operations</li> </ul>	14,447	(21,350)	(889)	(329)	(1,036)	(9,157)
- other comprehensive income	(8,920)	1,253	7,432	3,398	2,731	5,894
Total comprehensive income	5,527	(20,097)	6,543	3,069	1,695	(3,263)
Group's contribution during the year	_	-	-	251,639	18,027	269,666
Dividends received during the year	(11,942)		_	_	_	(11,942)
Carrying amount of interest in investees	70.004	4 450	169 205	25 4 700	20.462	E30,000
at end of the year	70,981	4,450	168,395	254,708	30,462	528,996

<sup>\*</sup> As at 31 December 2021, based on management's assessment, FSMC and DGBI are no longer considered to be material to the Group.

# 7. Interests in and balances with associates and joint ventures (cont'd)

Details of significant joint ventures are as follows:

	Name of joint ventures	Principal activity	Principal place of business/Country of incorporation	interest	e equity held by Group 2020
				%	%
	Held through subsidiaries				
^	FSCT DE Property 1 Real Estate GmbH & Co. KG	Property investment	Germany	50	50
*	Dongguan Huijing Hotel Co., Ltd ("DGHH") <sup>(i)</sup>	Hotel ownership	PRC	-	10
*	Dongguan Tianye Industrial Investment Development Co., Ltd. ("DGTY") <sup>(ii)</sup>	Property investment and property development	PRC	36	-
*	Dongguan Wan Li Group Limited ("Wan Li") <sup>(iii)</sup>	Property investment and investment holding	PRC	44.1	_
*	Dongguan Wan Li No. 1 Property Management Co., Ltd. ("Wan Li No. 1") ( <sup>(v)</sup>	Property investment and investment holding	PRC	44.1	-
*	Shenzhen Heshuntongye Industrial Co., Ltd. ("SZHS") (v)	Refer to (v)	PRC	18	_

<sup>^</sup> Not subject to audit by law of country of incorporation.

- (i) Although the Group held a 10% equity interest in DGHH, pursuant to a shareholder's agreement between the Group and its joint venture partner, joint control was exercised by both parties over the activities of DGHH. Accordingly, DGHH was classified as a joint venture of the Group. On 16 July 2021, the Group disposed of its entire 10% equity interest in DGHH to a third party. The gain on disposal of the joint venture is recognised as other gains in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.
- (ii) On 28 July 2021, the Group acquired a 36% equity interest in DGTY, a joint venture company which owns and is undertaking the development of a piece of land at Human Town of Dongguan in the PRC, namely the Human Boyong project.
- (iii) Refer to Note 30(b)(i) for details.
- (iv) Refer to Note 30(b)(ii) for details.
- (v) On 27 January 2021, the Group acquired an 18% equity interest in SZHS, a joint venture company which will redevelop a plot of land in Fenggang, Dongguan in the PRC upon the successful resettlement of existing inhabitants on the land and the procurement of the re-zoning approval.

The Group has not recognised losses relating to a joint venture where its share of losses of the joint venture exceeds the Group's interest in this joint venture. The Group's cumulative share of unrecognised losses at the end of the reporting year was \$6,784,000 (2020: \$Nil). The Group has no obligation in respect of these losses.

<sup>\*</sup> Audited by other firms of auditors.

#### 7. Interests in and balances with associates and joint ventures (cont'd)

The following summarises, in aggregate, the financial information of the Group's interests in joint ventures, based on the amounts reported in the Group's consolidated financial statements.

	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Carrying amounts of interests in joint ventures	171,243	20,947
Group's share of: - loss from continuing operations	(8,865)	(3,216)
- other comprehensive income Total comprehensive income	4,895 (3,970)	1,664 (1,552)

#### **Derivative assets and liabilities**

	Group and	Company
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Derivative assets		
Cross currency swaps	25,590	6,870
Foreign currency swaps	19,745	1,652
Foreign currency forward contracts	7,208	_
	52,543	8,522
Non-current	46,209	7,207
Current	6,334	1,315
	52,543	8,522
Derivative liabilities		
Cross currency swaps	(25,779)	(32,516)
Foreign currency swaps	(3,435)	(5,213)
Foreign currency forward contracts	(746)	(1,477)
	(29,960)	(39,206)
Non-current	(24,584)	(37,224)
Current	(5,376)	(1,982)
	(29,960)	(39,206)

As part of the Group's strategy to hedge its exposure to fluctuation in Euros ("EUR") and Australian Dollars ("AUD") against \$ arising from its operations in Europe and Australia respectively, the Group has entered into various financial derivatives involving cross currency swap contracts ("CCSs"), foreign currency swaps ("FCSs") and foreign currency forward contracts ("FXFs") with financial institutions whereby the end result is to achieve a corresponding EUR or AUD liability.

The Group has partially hedged its Renminbi ("RMB") exposure to the PRC operations through the execution of offshore Chinese Yuan ("CNH") CCSs, FCSs and/or drawing CNH-denominated borrowings.

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had 19 CCSs, eight FCSs and six FXFs outstanding (2020: 14 CCSs, five FCSs and four FXFs). The total notional amount of such contracts amounted to approximately EUR721,875,000, AUD26,061,000, US\$121,146,000 and CNH2,857,870,000 (2020: EUR654,236,000, AUD26,061,000, US\$25,000,000 and CNH630,570,000) with remaining tenures of between approximately three months to five years (2020: five months to five years). Under these contracts, the Group would pay the fixed notional amounts denominated in EUR, AUD, US\$ and CNH and receive fixed amounts of \$1,574,738,000 and US\$266,993,000 in aggregate (2020: \$846,645,000 and US\$290,985,000) on the maturity dates of the financial derivatives.

#### Other investments

		Gre	oup
	Note	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000
Non-current			
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss			
- equity securities		15,786	57,586
- debt securities	7	186,206	_
		201,992	57,586
Current			
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss – debt			
securities	7		39,500
		201,992	97,086

As at 31 December 2021, the financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss comprised:

- (a) four 3-year Singapore Dollar denominated junior convertible bonds ("JCBs") with aggregate principal value of \$96,818,000 yielding a coupon of 15% per annum due in 2024, which the Group had subscribed from a 49.9%-held associate in the current financial year ended 31 December 2021. The JCBs are secured, among others, by (a) 50.1% equity interest in the associate, (b) corporate guarantees and funding undertakings from various third parties including the ultimate holding company of the associate, which is a Hong Kong listed company and, (c) equity interest in two holding companies which own a majority stake in two Dongguan development projects;
- (b) a 3-year Singapore Dollar denominated senior convertible bond ("SCB") with a principal value of \$89,388,000 yielding a coupon of 12% per annum due in April 2024, which the Group had subscribed from the same 49.9%-held associate in the current financial year. The SCB is secured on the same collaterals as those pledged to the holders of the JCBs mentioned in (a) above; and
- (c) quoted equity investments of \$15,786,000 (2020: \$14,344,000).

As at 31 December 2020, the financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss comprised:

- (d) the Group's 90% unquoted equity interest in the East Sun Entities amounting to \$43,242,000. The Group had not consolidated the East Sun Entities as it had no control over the East Sun Entities since the Group did not have any power over the relevant activities of the East Sun Entities, and was not involved in the East Sun Entities business activities including policy making processes. This was supported by equity holders' agreements entered which only provided the Group with protective rights. The Group has since gained control in the East Sun Entities on 31 March 2021 when the equity holders' agreements entered between the Group and the third party 10% equity holder in East Sun was terminated. The East Sun Entities were consolidated by the Group since that date. Refer to Note 29(c) for more details; and
- (e) a 3-year Singapore Dollar denominated convertible bond with principal value of \$39,500,000 yielding a coupon of 12% per annum due in December 2021, which the Group had subscribed from a 10%-held joint venture in December 2018. The convertible bond was secured by (a) 100% equity in (i) the joint venture and (ii) the joint venture's wholly-owned subsidiary, (b) corporate guarantees from the holding company and a related company of the joint venture and (c) personal guarantee from a director of the joint venture. The convertible bond was fully redeemed on 14 July 2021.

Information about the Group's exposure to credit and market risks, and fair value measurement, is included in Note 32.

# 10. Deferred tax assets/(liabilities)

Movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities of the Group (prior to offsetting of balances) during the year are as follows:

	At 1 January 2020	Recognised in profit or loss (Note 27)	Translation differences on	At 31 December 2020	Recognised in profit or loss (Note 27)	Dilution of interest in a subsidiary	Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 29)	Transfer to liabilities held-for-sale (Note 13)	Transfer	Translation differences on consolidation	At 31 December 2021
	\$,000	\$,000	\$'000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000
Group											
Deferred tax assets											
Development properties	15,062	(12,090)	529	3,501	(1,821)	•			200	146	2,026
Property, plant and equipment	17,464	(1,433)	841	16,872	23	•		•	(200)	703	17,398
Contract liabilities	2,392	756	120	3,268	(2,306)	•		•	•	113	1,075
Receipts in advance	2,040	(99)	93	2,067	(306)	•		•	•	26	1,858
Trade, other receivables and prepaid taxes	5,476	(2,157)	223	3,542	6,567			•	'	327	10,436
Others	407	(141)	~	284	(386)	٠	٠	•	1	∞	9
Tax losses	810	213	40	1,063	(572)	٠	5,187		•	169	5,847
Total	43,651	(14,918)	1,864	30,597	1,299	1	5,187	1	•	1,563	38,646
Deferred tax liabilities											
Investment properties	(5,278)	(426)	(439)	(6,143)	(230)	1,948	(11,818)	3,014	•	(23)	(13,582)
Development properties	ı	(820)	(26)	(876)	(451)	٠		•	1	20	(1,277)
Other investments	(2,105)	(1,822)	(121)	(4,048)	4,158	•	•	•	1	(110)	•
Receipt in advance	1	(1)	1	(1)	1	•	1	•	1	-	•
Total	(7,383)	(3,099)	(286)	(11,068)	3,178	1,948	(11,818)	3,014	1	(113)	(14,859)

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amount used for taxation purposes. The nature of temporary differences as at 31 December 2021 and 2020 included differences in depreciation for tax purposes and financial reporting purposes, revaluations to fair value, impairment of property, plant and equipment, contract liabilities and others.

# 10. Deferred tax assets/(liabilities) (cont'd)

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are offset when there is legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred taxes relate to the same taxation authority. The amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, are included in the statements of financial position as follows:

	Gro	oup
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Deferred tax assets	37,419	30,220
Deferred tax liabilities	(13,632)	(10,691)

# Unrecognised temporary differences relating to investments in subsidiaries

At the end of the year end 31 December 2021 and 2020, no deferred tax liability has been recognised for taxes that would be payable on the undistributed earnings of the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC as the Group has determined that such undistributed earnings of its subsidiaries in the PRC will not be distributed in the foreseeable future.

Such temporary differences for which no deferred tax liability has been recognised aggregate to \$487,866,000 at 31 December 2021 (2020: \$456,800,000). The deferred tax liability thereon is estimated to be \$28,153,000 (2020: \$26,166,000).

# Unrecognised deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the following items:

	Gr	Group		
	2021	2020		
	\$'000	\$'000		
Tax losses	88,227	81,599		
Interest carry forward	32,105	31,653		
Deductible temporary differences	19,476	9,804		
Total	139,808	123,056		

The tax losses, interest carry forward and deductible temporary differences are subject to agreement by the tax authorities and compliance with tax regulations in the respective countries in which certain subsidiaries operate.

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the above items because it is not probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the Group can utilise the benefits therefrom.

According to tax legislation as of 31 December, the expiry dates of the tax losses are as follows:

	Gro	oup
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Expiry date:		
- Between 2 to 5 years	7,178	4,320
- After 5 years	-	30,356
- Indefinite	81,049	46,923
	88,227	81,599

# 10. Deferred tax assets/(liabilities) (cont'd)

# Unrecognised deferred tax assets (cont'd)

Pursuant to new tax legislation in the Netherlands that became effective on 1 January 2022, tax losses of Dutch entities no longer have any expiry period from that date. Accordingly, \$36,515,000 of tax losses as at 31 December 2021 has been classified as tax losses with an indefinite expiry date.

Interest carry forward may be carried forward indefinitely and in unlimited amounts. The deductible temporary differences do not expire under current tax legislation in the respective countries.

# 11. Trade and other receivables

		Group		Cor	npany
	Note	2021	2020	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Trade receivables	(i)	364,938	355,962	_	_
Interest receivables (trade)		15,319	4,401	_	_
Loans to associates (trade)	7	553,738	585,008	-	_
Loans to joint ventures (trade)	7	57,491	60,796	-	_
Amounts due from associates (non-trade)	7	19,100	16,992	-	_
Amounts due from a joint venture (non-trade)	7	_	1,516	_	_
Loans to joint ventures (non-trade)	7	255,120	_	_	_
Amount due from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary (non-trade)	(ii)	38,268	24,288	_	_
Amounts due from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries (non-trade)	(iii)	62,333	40,064	_	_
Non-trade amounts due from subsidiaries	(i∨)	_	_	1,463,164	1,649,394
Security deposits	(∨)	15,752	55,701	-	_
Advance payment to contractors		37,395	15,504	-	_
Other receivables	(vi)	16,615	56,484	3,178	2,089
		1,436,069	1,216,716	1,466,342	1,651,483
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses		(6,439)			-
		1,429,630	1,216,716	1,466,342	1,651,483
Prepayments	(vii)	8,278	32,712	61	141
		1,437,908	1,249,428	1,466,403	1,651,624

#### 11. Trade and other receivables (cont'd)

	Group Company		pany	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Non-current	491,775	767,027	105,733	101,238
Current	946,133	482,401	1,360,670	1,550,386
	1,437,908	1,249,428	1,466,403	1,651,624

- (i) Trade receivables as at 31 December 2021 included \$214,261,000 property financing loan receivables (2020: \$291,445,000), bearing interest that ranged from 3.0% to 15.4% (2020: 3.0% to 15.0%) per annum and \$148,820,000 (2020: \$60,720,000) which is interest-free. All loan receivables as at 31 December 2021 are secured. All loan receivables as at 31 December 2020 was secured except for \$7,163,000 due from an affiliated corporation which was secured on property collateral once legal title of such collateral is transferred to the affiliated corporation. Refer to Note 32 for more details.
- (ii) The amount due from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary as at 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020 is unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.
- (iii) The year-end balance consists of:
  - a loan to a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary as at 31 December 2021 of \$22,277,000 (2020: \$25,621,000) which is unsecured, interest bearing at 6.5% (2020: 6.5%) per annum and due in 2022;
     and
  - unsecured interest-free advances to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries of \$40,056,000 (2020: \$14,443,000) which are repayable on demand.
- (iv) The non-trade amounts due from subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 are unsecured and comprise the following:
  - \$105,733,000 (2020: \$101,238,000), which bears interest ranging from 1.6% to 4.8% (2020: 1.6% to 4.8%) per annum and which would be due from 2023 to 2024 (2020: 2023 to 2024); and
  - \$1,357,431,000 (2020: \$1,548,156,000) which is interest-free and repayable on demand.
- (v) The balance as at 31 December 2021 included \$15,436,000 (2020: \$27,754,000) deposit paid by the Group in respect of the purchase of office spaces developed by associates of the Group. The balance as at 31 December 2020 also comprised \$27,700,000 deposit paid by the Group in respect of a potential acquisition of a Hong Kong incorporated property development company with a development project in Panyu, Guangzhou. This has since been converted into part of the purchase consideration upon the completion of the acquisition.
- (vi) The balance as at 31 December 2020 included unsecured interest-free advances to an affiliated corporation of \$21,264,000 and unsecured interest-free advances to East Sun of \$30,776,000 which were repayable on demand.
- (vii) Prepayments of the Group as at 31 December 2021 included prepaid taxes of \$6,943,000 (2020: \$29,979,000).

# 11. Trade and other receivables (cont'd)

The movement in allowance for expected credit losses for loans to joint ventures computed based on lifetime ECL was as follows:

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
At 1 January	-	_
Provision for expected credit losses (Note 26)	6,677	_
Translation differences	(238)	-
At 31 December	6,439	_

Please refer to Note 32 for details of the ECL assessment of the Group.

# 12. Development properties

\$'000         \$'0           Properties under development-for-sale         629,744         518,           Completed properties for sale         86,890         17,           716,634         536,	
Properties under development-for-sale 629,744 518, Completed properties for sale 86,890 17, 716,634 536,	20
Completed properties for sale         86,890         17,           716,634         536,	000
<b>716,634</b> 536,	532
	871
Allowance for write-down (11.955) (5.	403
(1),555)	861)
<b>704,679</b> 530,	542

The movement in the allowance for write-down in respect of development properties during the year is as follows:

	Gro	oup
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
At 1 January	5,861	5,861
Allowance made (Note 26)	10,890	_
Transfer from property, plant and equipment (Note 4)	801	-
Utilised	(6,297)	_
Translation difference	700	-
At 31 December	11,955	5,861
Interest expense capitalised in properties under development during the year (Note 25)	16,703	14,774

# 12. Development properties (cont'd)

Interest was capitalised at rates ranging from 4.3% to 4.8% (2020: 4.8% to 6.7%) per annum for development properties during the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

Included in development properties are project-related staff costs capitalised of \$2,366,000 (2020: \$2,064,000) during the financial year ended 31 December 2021. Such staff costs capitalised are net of wage subsidies granted by the various governments of the countries in which the Group operates amounting to \$Nil (2020: \$109,000).

During the financial year ended 31 December 2021, development properties recognised in cost of sales amounted to \$295,226,000 (2020: \$4,275,000).

Management assesses properties under development-for-sale for impairment based on their estimates of selling prices and construction costs or independent professional valuations undertaken, where appropriate. Selling prices are based on recent selling prices and prevailing market conditions. Construction costs are estimated based on contracted amounts and in respect of amounts not contracted for, management's estimates of the amounts to be incurred. Where independent professional valuations are undertaken, the valuations were based on the market comparable method which took into consideration the sales of similar properties transacted in the open market.

Management also assesses if any write-down of completed properties for sale is required based on their estimates of selling prices which are based on recent selling prices and prevailing market conditions. The write-down is included in "other expenses".

#### 13. Assets/liabilities held-for-sale

	The C	Group
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Assets held-for-sale		
Property, plant and equipment	1,885	7,773
Investment properties	13,949	5,045
Cash and cash equivalents	35	-
	15,869	12,818
Liabilities held-for-sale		
Deferred tax liabilities	3,014	_
Trade and other payables	209	-
	3,223	_

Assets and liabilities held-for-sale as at 31 December 2021 relate to assets and liabilities held by Dongguan East Sun No. 3 Property Management Co., Ltd ("East Sun No. 3") on that date. On 15 June 2021, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company had entered into a conditional agreement to dispose of 72% of its 90% equity interest in East Sun No. 3 to a third party, valuing the factory held by East Sun No. 3 in Dongguan in the PRC at \$29.8 million (RMB140.0 million). Accordingly, all assets and liabilities held by East Sun No. 3 were reclassified to assets and liabilities held-for-sale respectively then. The disposal is expected to be completed by June 2022, after which the Group would retain an 18% equity interest in East Sun No. 3.

#### 13. Assets/liabilities held-for-sale (cont'd)

Assets held-for-sale as at 31 December 2020 relate to the following transactions:

- (a) In May 2018, the Group entered into a sale and purchase agreement with a third party (the "Purchaser") in relation to the disposal of certain assets within the Chengdu Cityspring project for a total cash consideration of approximately RMB465.0 million, to be paid over several tranches.
- (b) In June 2020, the Group and the Purchaser have mutually agreed to reduce the consideration of 292 car parks by RMB3.6 million to RMB16.9 million. The Purchaser also agreed to acquire another 268 additional basement car parks for a total consideration of RMB9.5 million. The total purchase consideration (including the purchase consideration of the additional 268 car parks) has hence been revised to approximately \$95.3 million (RMB470.9 million) accordingly.
- (c) On 30 September 2021, the Group and the Purchaser have mutually agreed to settle the outstanding consideration and liquidated damages. The consideration was reduced by approximately RMB36.0 million by the exclusion of certain SOHO units with a net carrying value of \$5,334,000, which have accordingly been reclassified from assets held-for-sale to property, plant and equipment. In addition, liquidated damages of approximately RMB4.3 million was refunded to the Purchaser and waived with effect from 1 September 2021.
- (d) As at 31 December 2021, all assets under the sale and purchase agreement as amended were transferred to the Purchaser. A gain on disposal of \$1,108,000 (2020: \$2,758,000) were recognised in other gains in profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2021, upon the receipt of sale proceeds and transfer of title of the underlying assets to the Purchaser. There was hence nil balance left in assets held-for-sale in respect of this transaction as at 31 December 2021.

The fair value measurement for assets held-for-sale has been categorised as a Level 2 fair value based on contracted sale prices.

# Cumulative income or expense recognised in other comprehensive income

There is no cumulative income or expense included in other comprehensive income relating to the assets/liabilities held-for-sale.

# 14. Cash and cash equivalents

Group Compan		ipany	
2021	2020	2021	2020
\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
147,495	6,250	121,650	4,136
196,437	470,054	16,296	137,809
343,932	476,304	137,946	141,945
	2021 \$'000 147,495 196,437	2021 2020 \$'000 \$'000 147,495 6,250 196,437 470,054	2021     2020     2021       \$'000     \$'000     \$'000       147,495     6,250     121,650       196,437     470,054     16,296

The balance as at 31 December 2021 included \$53,903,000 (2020: \$32,751,000) which were held under PRC development project rules, where the utilisation of the funds is restricted to project related payments.

Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December 2021 included \$181,276,000 (2020: \$309,656,000) which were deposited with financial institutions in the PRC. The remittance of these funds by the Group out of the PRC is subject to currency exchange restrictions.

# 15. Share capital

	Group and Company			
	2021 2020		20	
	Number of shares	US\$'000	Number of shares	US\$'000
Authorised share capital	5.101.05			
At 1 January and 31 December	2,000,000,000	200,000	2,000,000,000	200,000
	2021 2020			20
	Number of		Number of	
	shares	\$'000	shares	\$'000
Ordinary shares issued and fully paid				
At 1 January	912,956,920	117,329	795,076,473	101,251
Conversion of PCCS	-	-	110,364,172	15,032
Exercise of warrants	7,584,284	1,028	7,516,275	1,046
At 31 December <sup>(i)</sup>	920,541,204	118,357	912,956,920	117,329

	Company			
	2021		2020	
	Number of shares	\$'000	Number of shares	\$'000
Ordinary shares issued and fully paid				
At 1 January	913,264,602	117,329	795,384,155	101,251
Conversion of PCCS	_	-	110,364,172	15,032
Exercise of warrants	7,584,284	1,028	7,516,275	1,046
At 31 December	920,848,886	118,357	913,264,602	117,329

<sup>©</sup> Excludes 307,682 shares in the Company held by a subsidiary which are accounted for as treasury shares in the consolidated financial statements of the Group in accordance with IAS 32 Financial Instruments; Presentation.

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time, and are also entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company. All shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets. Each ordinary share has a par value of US\$0.10.

*Issuance of ordinary shares* 

During the year, 7,584,284 (2020: 117,880,447) ordinary shares were issued as a result of the exercise of warrants (see Note 17).

# 15. Share capital (cont'd)

# Capital management

The Group defines "capital" as including all components of equity. The Group's objectives when managing its capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure so as to maximise shareholder value. This will in turn maintain investor and creditor confidence and sustain the future development of the business.

In order to achieve an optimal capital structure, the Group may issue new shares, obtain new borrowings or sell its assets. Excess capital, if any, may also be returned to shareholders.

The Group's capital structure is regularly reviewed and managed with due regard to its capital management objectives and practices. Adjustments are made to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions affecting the Company or the Group, to the extent that these do not conflict with the directors' fiduciary duties towards the Company.

There were no changes in the Group's approach to capital management during the financial year.

The Company is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. However, the subsidiaries incorporated in the PRC are subject to currency exchange restrictions on the remittance of funds out of the PRC.

#### 16. Reserves

	Group		Group Compa	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Share premium	293,645	286,411	293,857	286,623
Statutory reserve	57,276	53,678	-	_
Capital reserve	245	245	(5,988)	(5,988)
Distributable reserve	655,029	655,029	655,029	655,029
Foreign currency translation reserve	91,671	19,346	_	_
Retained earnings	646,859	539,109	351,977	345,592
	1,744,725	1,553,818	1,294,875	1,281,256

# **Share premium**

The share premium account represents the excess of the issue price over the par value of ordinary shares issued by the Company and may be applied only for the purposes specified in the Cayman Islands Companies Law.

# **Statutory reserve**

In accordance with the Foreign Enterprise Law applicable to the subsidiaries in the PRC, wholly-owned subsidiaries are required to make appropriations to a statutory reserve. 10.0% of the statutory after-tax profits as determined in accordance with the applicable PRC accounting standards and regulations must be allocated to the statutory reserve until the cumulative total of the reserve reaches 50.0% of the subsidiaries' registered capital. Subject to approval from the relevant PRC authorities, the statutory reserve may be used to offset any accumulated losses or increase the registered capital of the subsidiaries. The statutory reserve is not available for dividend distribution, other than in the event of liquidation of the PRC subsidiaries.

# 16. Reserves (cont'd)

# **Capital reserve**

The capital reserve of the Group comprises:

- (a) interest waived on intercompany loans;
- (b) the difference between the adjustment to non-controlling interests and the fair value of consideration paid on acquisition of non-controlling interests in a subsidiary; and
- (c) the difference between the fair value and the cost of the treasury shares reissued.

The capital reserve of the Company comprises:

- (a) interest waived on intercompany loans;
- (b) the difference between the fair value and the cost of the treasury shares reissued; and
- (c) accrued dividend income on the redeemable preference shares waived by a subsidiary of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2015.

# Distributable reserve

Distributable reserve arose from the capital reduction carried out by the Company in August 2017, of which \$7,735,000 was utilised for issuance of bonus shares in 2018.

# Foreign currency translation reserve

The foreign currency translation reserve represents exchange difference arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations whose functional currencies are different from that of the Group's presentation currency, provided certain conditions are met.

#### **Dividends**

The following dividends were declared and paid or payable by the Group and Company:

	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Declared and paid:				
Final tax-exempt (one-tier) ordinary dividend paid of Nil (2020: 1.6 cents) per ordinary share in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2020 (2020: 31 December 2019)	_	12,814	-	12,818
Interim tax-exempt (one-tier) ordinary dividend paid of 1.1 cents (2020: 1.1 cents) per ordinary share in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2021 (2020: 31 December 2020)	10,126	10,041	10,129	10,045
Declared and payable:  Second interim tax-exempt (one-tier) ordinary dividend declared of Nil (2020: 2.0 cents) per ordinary share in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2021				
(2020: 31 December 2020)		18,266		18,266
	10,126	41,121	10,129	41,129

#### 16. Reserves (cont'd)

# Dividends (cont'd)

In February 2022, the directors proposed a second interim tax-exempt (one-tier) ordinary dividend of 2.35 cents per qualifying ordinary share which is payable on 1 April 2022. The estimated total second interim dividend of \$21,633,000 and \$21,640,000 for the Group and Company respectively was not provided for as at 31 December 2021.

There was no final tax-exempt (one-tier) ordinary dividend proposed by the directors of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2021.

# 17. Perpetual convertible capital securities

Rights issue of up to \$147.6 million in aggregate principal amount of 3.98% Series 2 PCCS in the denomination of \$1.30 for each PCCS, on the basis of one PCCS for every seven existing ordinary shares, at an issue price of \$1.30 for each PCCS, with up to 113,576,237 free detachable warrants, on the basis of one warrant for every one PCCS subscribed for ("2019 Rights Issue")

Pursuant to the 2019 Rights Issue, the Company issued 113,576,237 PCCS on 31 May 2019. Each PCCS shall entitle the PCCS holder to convert such PCCS into one new ordinary share of the Company at a conversion price of \$1.30, subject to adjustments under certain conditions. The PCCS were issued with 113,576,237 warrants ("2019 warrants").

PCCS confer a right to the holder to receive a distribution of 3.98% per annum but the Company may, at its sole discretion, elect to defer the distribution. Any arrears of PCCS distribution will have to be paid prior to any dividend distribution by the Company to its ordinary shareholders. In the event the conversion rights are exercised, any arrears of PCCS distribution will be extinguished.

During the financial year ended 31 December 2020, 110,364,172 PCCS were converted into ordinary shares of the company (see Note 15).

The Company fully redeemed all the outstanding PCCS on 8 October 2020.

### Bonus issue of warrants

On 31 May 2019, 79,221,609 warrants ("2019 bonus warrants") were allotted and issued on the basis of one warrant for every ten existing ordinary shares, pursuant to a bonus issue. 2019 warrants and 2019 bonus warrants collectively constitute "Warrants (2019)".

Each warrant shall entitle the warrant holder to exercise such warrant into one new ordinary share of the Company at the exercise price of \$1.30, subject to adjustments under certain conditions, from 31 May 2019 to 30 May 2024.

On 22 September 2020, 227,618,864 warrants ("Warrants (2020)") were allotted and issued on the basis of one warrant for every four existing shares, pursuant to a bonus issue.

Each warrant shall entitle the warrant holder to exercise such warrant into one new ordinary share of the Company at the exercise price of \$1.08, subject to adjustments under certain conditions, from 24 March 2021 to 21 March 2029.

During the current financial year, 7,584,284 (2020: 7,516,275) new ordinary shares were issued pursuant to the exercise of 321,475 Warrants (2019) and 7,262,809 Warrants (2020).

As at 31 December 2021, 184,960,096 Warrants (2019) (2020: 185,281,571) and 220,356,055 Warrants (2020) (2020: 227,618,864) remain unexercised.

As at 31 December 2021, a subsidiary of the Company held 30,768 Warrants (2019) (2020: 30,768) and 76,920 Warrants (2020) (2020: 76,920).

# 18. Loans and borrowings

	Gr	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Non-current liabilities					
Unsecured bank loans	859,864	537,163	859,864	537,163	
Unsecured notes	77,885	77,849	99,885	99,849	
	937,749	615,012	959,749	637,012	
Current liabilities					
Unsecured bank loans	151,158	124,560	151,158	124,560	
Total loans and borrowings	1,088,907	739,572	1,110,907	761,572	

# Terms and debt repayment schedule

Terms and conditions of outstanding loans and borrowings are as follows:

	Gro	Group		Company	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Unsecured bank loans					
Repayable:					
- Within 1 year	151,158	124,560	151,158	124,560	
- After 1 year but within 5 years	859,864	537,163	859,864	537,163	
	1,011,022	661,723	1,011,022	661,723	
Unsecured notes Repayable:					
- After 1 year but within 5 years	77,885	77,849	99,885	99,849	
	1,088,907	739,572	1,110,907	761,572	

The unsecured bank loans of the Group and Company bear interest ranging from 1.15% to 1.76% (2020: 1.10% to 4.60%) per annum at the end of the year.

The unsecured notes pertain to the issuance of \$100.0 million in principal amount of 3.29% fixed rate notes due 2025 by the Company in February 2020 ("Notes") which were issued pursuant to a \$1.0 billion Multicurrency Debt Issuance Programme established in 2015. During the financial year ended 31 December 2020, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company repurchased \$22.0 million in aggregate principal amount of the Notes from unrelated third parties by way of a married deal.

### 18. Loans and borrowings (cont'd)

## Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities

				Li	abilities				
	Loans and borrowings \$'000	Loans from non- controlling interests of subsidiaries \$'000	Non-trade amounts due to associates \$'000	Loans from an affiliate of a non- controlling interest of a subsidiary \$'000	Lease liabilities \$'000	Non-trade amount due to a joint venture \$'000	Non-trade amount due to non- controlling interests of subsidiaries \$'000	Interest payable \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at 1 January 2021	739,572	4,232	211,833	40,729	76,683	10,036	20,297	3,476	1,106,858
Changes from financing cash flows			-		· ·	-	-	-	
Advances from associates (net)	-	-	120,807	-	-	-	-	-	120,807
Advances from joint ventures	-	-	-	-	-	93,606	-	-	93,606
Interest paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(27,114)	(27,114)
Repayment to non-controlling interests of subsidiaries	-	-	_	_	-	-	(646)	-	(646)
Repayment to an affiliate of a non- controlling interest of a subsidiary	_	_	-	(4,532)	-	-	_	_	(4,532)
Payment of transaction costs related to borrowings	(8,234)	-	-	_	_	-	-	_	(8,234)
Proceeds from bank borrowings	1,007,381	-	_	-	_	-	-	-	1,007,381
Repayment of bank borrowings	(941,492)	_	_	-	_	_	_	_	(941,492)
Payment of lease liabilities	-	-	_	-	(5,916)	_	_	_	(5,916)
	57,655	-	120,807	(4,532)	(5,916)	93,606	(646)	(27,114)	233,860
The effect of changes in foreign exchange rates	4,553	(240)	18,000	1,949	(4,033)	1,875	38	-	22,142
Other changes									
Liability-related									
Additions	-	-	-	-	734	-	-	42,245	42,979
Amortisation of transaction costs	1,936	-	-	-	3,413	-	-	-	5,349
Advances from associates in operating cash flows	_	_	206,375	-	_	-	_	-	206,375
Advances from joint ventures (net) in investing cash flows	_	_	-	_	_	8	_	_	8
Effect of gain in control of subsidiaries	_	_	-	_	_	-	1,704	-	1,704
Interest paid in operating cash flows	_	-	_	_	_	_	-	(12,433)	(12,433)
Repayment to a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary in operating cash flows	_	_	_	_	_	_	(242)	_	(242)
Net repayment of bank borrowings in operating cash flows	285,191	_	_	_	_	_	(- ·-) -	_	285,191
Total liability-related other	_00,101								=00,101
changes	287,127	-	206,375	-	4,147	8	1,462	29,812	528,931
Balance at 31 December 2021	1,088,907	3,992	557,015	38,146	70,881	105,525	21,151	6,174	1,891,791

### 18. Loans and borrowings (cont'd)

Reconciliation of movements of liabilities to cash flows arising from financing activities (cont'd)

	Liabilities									
	Loans and borrowings \$'000	Loans from non- controlling interests of subsidiaries \$'000	Non-trade amounts due to associates \$'000	Loans from an affiliate of a non- controlling interest of a subsidiary \$'000	Lease liabilities \$'000	to a joint	Non-trade amount due to non- controlling interests of subsidiaries \$'000	Interest payable \$'000	Total \$'000	
Balance at 1 January 2020	621,163	3,721	131,466	71,020	71,747	-	731	2,213	902,061	
Changes from financing cash flows										
Advances from associates (net)	-	=	73,329	-	-	-	=	-	73,329	
Advances from a joint venture	-			-	-	9,491		-	9,491	
Interest paid	-	=	=	-	-	=	=	(21,523)	(21,523	
Loan from a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary	_	200	_	_	_	_	_	_	200	
Advances from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries	_	_	_	_	_	_	19,787	_	19,787	
Repayment to an affiliate of a non- controlling interest	_	_	_	(6,990)	-	_	_	-	(6,990	
Payment of transaction costs related to borrowings	(4,619)	_	-	_	_	_	_	-	(4,619	
Proceeds from bank borrowings	1,274,264	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,274,264	
Proceeds from issuance of notes	100,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100,000	
Repurchase of notes	(22,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(22,000	
Repayment of bank borrowings	(1,222,658)			-	-	-	-	-	(1,222,658	
Payment of lease liabilities	-	-	-	-	(5,904)	-	-	-	(5,904	
	124,987	200	73,329	(6,990)	(5,904)	9,491	19,787	(21,523)	193,377	
The effect of changes in foreign exchange rates	4,783	311	7,038	1,790	5,679	545	318	_	20,464	
Other changes										
Liability-related										
Additions	-	-	-	-	1,732	-	-	34,267	35,999	
Amortisation of transaction costs	4,292	-	-	-	3,531	-	-	-	7,823	
Interest paid in operating cash flows	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(11,481)	(11,481	
Repayment of loans from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary in operating cash flows	_	-	-	(25,091)	-	-	-	-	(25,091	
Repayment to a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary in operating cash flows	-	-	-	-	-	-	(539)	-	(539	
Net repayment of bank borrowings in operating cash flows	(15,653)	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	(15,653	
Adjustments	-	_	_	_	(102)	_	_	_	(102	
Total liability-related other changes	(11,361)	_		(25,091)	5,161		(539)	22,786	(9,044	
Balance at 31 December 2020	739,572	4,232	211,833	40,729	76,683	10,036	20,297	3,476	1,106,858	

#### 19. Trade and other payables

		Gro	oup	Compa		
	Note	2021	2020	2021	2020	
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Trade payables		43,419	35,310	_	_	
Accruals		25,669	24,066	8,491	7,421	
Value added tax, business tax and other taxes payable		8,480	5,517	171	109	
Non-trade amounts due to:						
<ul> <li>former shareholders and affiliates of subsidiaries</li> </ul>		1,665	1,725	_	-	
- subsidiaries		-	_	248,595	37,276	
- associates	7	557,015	211,833	-	-	
- joint ventures	7	105,525	10,036	9,803	10,036	
non-controlling interests of subsidiaries		21,151	20,297	_	_	
Loans from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries		3,992	4,232	_	-	
Loans from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary		38,146	40,729	_	-	
Dividend payables		178	18,262	178	18,266	
Deferred consideration	29(a)	24,682	_	-	-	
Interest payable		6,174	3,476	6,174	3,476	
Other payables		14,487	18,537	-	92	
		850,583	394,020	273,412	76,676	

Trade payables are unsecured and interest-free.

The non-trade amounts due to former shareholders and affiliates of subsidiaries, subsidiaries, associates, joint ventures, and non-controlling interests of subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

The loans from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries as at 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020 are unsecured, interest-bearing at rates ranging from 3.6% to 4.8% per annum and due between 2026 to 2029.

The loans from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary as at 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020 are unsecured, interest-bearing at 6.5% per annum and due in 2022.

Included in non-trade amounts due to joint ventures as at 31 December 2021 is an amount of \$41,679,000 which the Group is due to inject its pro-rata share of equity to the 36%-held DGTY within 7 business days of the receipt by DGTY of the construction permit for the Human Boyong project.

#### 19. Trade and other payables (cont'd)

The other payables of the Group as at 31 December 2021 included \$3,827,000 (RMB18,000,000) deposit received by the Group in respect of its conditional disposal of a 72% equity interest in East Sun No. 3 which is expected to be completed by June 2022.

	Gr	oup	Company		
	2021	2020	2020 2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Non-current	9,719	45,417	-	-	
Current	840,864	348,603	273,412	76,676	
	850,583	394,020	273,412	76,676	

#### 20. Lease liabilities

	Gro	Group		pany
	2021	1 2020 2021		2020
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Non-current	68,513	74,087	-	106
Current	2,368	2,596	106	210
	70,881	76,683	106	316

The incremental borrowing rates applied to the lease liabilities ranged from 1.8% to 6.0% (2020: 1.8% to 6.0%) per annum for the Group and 1.8% (2020: 1.8%) per annum for the Company.

#### 21. Contract liabilities

Contract liabilities primarily relate to the Group's obligation to transfer goods or services to customers for which the Group has received advances from customers for sale of development properties. See Note 2.25 for more details.

Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue as the Group performs under the contract. The significant changes in contract liabilities during the year are as follows:

	Group		
	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Balance at 1 January	372,236	39,288	
Revenue recognised that was included in contract liabilities at the beginning of the year	(408,645)	(61,682)	
Increase due to cash received, excluding amounts recognised as revenue during the year	210,313	394,630	
Balance at 31 December	173,904	372,236	

The aggregate amount of transaction price allocated to the unsatisfied (or partially satisfied) performance obligations as at 31 December 2021 is \$173,904,000 (2020: \$372,236,000).

#### 21. Contract liabilities (cont'd)

The Group expects to recognise \$173,904,000 (2020: \$372,236,000) as revenue relating to the transaction price allocated to the unsatisfied (or partially satisfied) performance obligations as at 31 December 2021 in the next five years.

### 22. Receipts in advance

Receipts in advance comprise advance receipts received from rental income collected in advance.

#### 23. Revenue

	Group		
	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Sale of properties	415,129	56,989	
Rental income from investment properties	13,029	8,858	
Interest income under the effective interest method on:			
- loans to third parties	66,617	47,199	
- loan to an affiliated corporation	209	106	
- loans and debt securities to associates and joint ventures	52,168	57,876	
- vendor financing arrangements	-	28	
	118,994	105,209	
Hotel operations	42,018	32,880	
	589,170	203,936	

The following tables provide information about the nature and timing of the satisfaction of performance obligations in contracts with customers, including significant payment terms, and the related revenue recognition policies:

### **Property development**

Nature of goods or services	The Group constructs residential, commercial and mixed development properties for sale in the PRC and Europe.
When revenue is recognised	Properties under development for which revenue is recognised at a point in time
	For the contracts to sell residential properties and commercial properties in the PRC, the Group assessed that revenue is recognised when (a) the construction of the relevant property has been completed; (b) the property is ready for handover to the purchasers; and (c) collectability of the proceeds is reasonably assured and the Group has present right to the proceeds.  Completed properties for which revenue is recognised at a point
	in time
	Where contracts relate to the sale of completed properties, revenue is recognised when collectability of the proceeds is reasonably assured and the Group has present right to the proceeds.
Significant payment terms	Properties under development and completed properties
	Billings to customers are based on terms set out in the sale and purchase agreement.

#### 23. Revenue (cont'd)

## **Property financing**

Nature of goods or services	The Group generates interest income from property financing and vendor financing.
When revenue is recognised	Interest income is recognised as revenue using the effective interest method.
Significant payment terms	Interest is received according to the terms set out in the loan agreement or convertible bonds.

#### **Hotel operations**

Nature of goods or services	The Group generates hotel income from owning and operating hotels.
When revenue is recognised	Hotel income is recognised at the point at which the accommodation and related services are provided.
Significant payment terms	For hotel room income, payment is received when the accommodation and related services are provided to the customers.
	For hotel banquet sales, contract consideration will be billed in stages with the final payment to be received when the goods and services are provided to the customers (i.e., at the end of the event). For protective reasons, a portion of the contract consideration is received upfront upon signing of the contract, and the remaining consideration will be billed in stages with the final payment to be received from the customers when goods and services are provided to the customers. As such, no financing component has been recognised as the payment terms are for reasons other than financing.  For hotel food and beverages sales, payment is received when the goods are provided to the customers.

### Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

In the following table, revenue from contracts with customers is disaggregated by primary geographical markets and timing of revenue recognition. The table also includes a reconciliation of the disaggregated revenue with the Group's reportable segments.

	Property development		Property financing		Hotel operations		Total*	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Primary geographical markets								
PRC	400,597	51,395	82,770	48,630	18,540	13,803	501,907	113,828
Europe	14,526	5,588	34,753	52,075	23,478	19,077	72,757	76,740
Others	6	6	1,471	4,504	-	_	1,477	4,510
	415,129	56,989	118,994	105,209	42,018	32,880	576,141	195,078
Timing of revenue recognition								
Products transferred at a point in time	415,129	56,989	118,994	105,209	42,018	32,880	576,141	195,078

<sup>\*</sup> This excludes rental income from investment properties.

## 24. Other gains (net)

Other gains (net) comprise:

		Grou		
	Note	2021	2020	
		\$'000	\$'000	
Gain/(loss) on disposal of:				
- assets and liabilities held-for-sale		20,593	2,758	
- subsidiaries	30(a)	4	86	
- a joint venture and an associate		1,493	2	
- other investments		115	250	
- property, plant and equipment (net)		9	(28)	
Loss on liquidation of subsidiaries		_*	(157)	
Property, plant and equipment written off		(5,610)	(4)	
	•	16,604	2,907	

<sup>\*</sup> Amount less than \$1,000

### 25. Net finance costs

		Gro	oup
	Note	2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000
Finance income			
Interest income under the effective interest method on bank deposits		2,367	1,626
Interest income on:			
- structured deposits		2,495	4,988
- financial derivatives		14,157	14,415
- loans to a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary		1,525	2,091
		20,544	23,120
Finance costs			
Amortisation of transaction costs		(1,936)	(4,292)
Interest expense on:			
- bank loans		(10,496)	(13,320)
- financial derivatives		(18,983)	(8,859)
- loans from non-controlling interests		(171)	(119)
- a loan from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary		(2,483)	(2,702)
- accrued interest on significant financing component of contract liabilities		(9,569)	(8,659)
- lease liabilities to an associate		(3,309)	(3,352)
- lease liabilities to third parties		(104)	(179)
		(47,051)	(41,482)
Less: Amount capitalised	12	16,703	14,774
		(30,348)	(26,708)
Net finance costs		(9,804)	(3,588)

#### 26. Profit before tax

Profit before tax is after debiting/(crediting) the following:

		Gro	oup	
	Note	2021	2020	
		\$'000	\$'000	
Audit fees paid/payable to:				
- auditors of the Company		212	177	
- other auditors		544	360	
Non-audit fees paid/payable to:				
- auditors of the Company		3	_	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	4	13,441	12,160	
Direct operating expenses arising from rental of investment properties		2,392	552	
Exchange loss/(gain) (net)		46,354	(74,307)	
Fair value (gain)/loss (net) on:				
- investment properties	5	(4,439)	4,311	
- derivative assets/liabilities		(53,268)	69,291	
- other investments		(3,755)	(7,371)	
Write-down of development properties	12	10,890	_	
Impairment loss on:				
- property, plant and equipment	4	9,766	4,247	
- financial assets – loan receivable from a joint venture company	11	6,677	_	
- financial assets – third parties		109	_	
Hotel base stocks written off		-	709	
Hotel pre-opening expenses		-	443	
Expenses relating to short-term leases	33	151	6	
Staff costs		38,087	25,931	
Government grant – non wage-related	-	4,769	2,220	
Staff costs				
Wages and salaries		37,895	25,375	
Contributions to defined contribution plans		2,558	2,592	
Termination benefits		_	28	
	-	40,453	27,995	
Less: Amounts capitalised in development properties	12	(2,366)	(2,064)	
	-	38,087	25,931	

Government grants relating to the various Covid-19 related wage support schemes available to the Group entities amounting to \$2,647,000 (2020: \$5,484,000) have been deducted from the respective staff costs reported for the year.

### 27. Tax expense

	Group	
	2021	2020
	\$′000	\$'000
Current tax expense		
Current year	39,807	11,864
Under/(over) provision in respect of prior years	17	(17)
	39,824	11,847
and appreciation tax expense/(credit)	36,995	(6,067)
Vithholding tax	8	704
	76,827	6,484
Deferred tax (credit)/expense		
Drigination and reversal of temporary differences	(3,892)	15,354
Over)/under-provision in respect of prior years	(793)	1,853
ffect of changes in tax rates	208	810
	(4,477)	18,017
otal tax expense	72,350	24,501
Reconciliation of effective tax rate		
Profit for the year	130,245	101,111
ax expense	72,350	24,501
Profit before tax	202,595	125,612
ax calculated using tax rate of 25% (2020: 25%)	50,649	31,403
Effect of changes in tax rates	208	810
iffect of different tax rates in other jurisdictions	(2,570)	(1,280)
iffect of deferred tax assets not recognised	4,188	6,815
expenses not deductible for tax purposes	22,819	16,881
ncome not subject to tax	(22,994)	(31,211)
and appreciation tax expense/(credit)	36,995	(6,067)
iffect of tax deduction on land appreciation tax	(9,249)	1,517
Over)/under-provision in respect of prior years	(776)	1,836
Vithholding tax	8	704
iffect of share of results of associates and joint ventures	(2,769)	3,093
Others	(4,159)	_
	72,350	24,501

Others relates to the reversal of deferred tax liabilities of RMB20,004,000 upon the gain in control of East Sun Entities during the financial year. Refer to Note 29(c) for further details.

#### 27. Tax expense (cont'd)

The Company is established under the laws of the Cayman Islands and is not subject to income tax in that jurisdiction. The Company is a Singapore tax resident from the Year of Assessment 2015 onwards.

The Group's operations are mainly in the PRC and the Netherlands. Pursuant to the PRC and Dutch Corporate Income Tax Law, the statutory tax rates applicable to the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC and the Netherlands during the financial year ended 31 December 2021 are 25% (2020: 25%).

Withholding tax arising from the distribution of dividends

Pursuant to the tax law in the Netherlands, a 15% withholding tax is in principle levied on dividends declared to foreign investors from the foreign investment enterprises established in the Netherlands.

A 10% withholding tax is levied on dividends declared to foreign investors by the foreign investment enterprises established in the PRC. The requirement is effective from 1 January 2008 and applies to earnings after 31 December 2007. A lower withholding tax rate may be applied if there is a tax treaty between the PRC and the jurisdiction of the foreign investors. The Group is therefore liable for withholding taxes on dividends distributed by those subsidiaries established in the PRC in respect of earnings generated from 1 January 2008.

The Group's determination as to whether to accrue for withholding taxes arising from the distribution of dividends by certain subsidiaries is subject to judgement on the timing of the payment of the dividends. The Group considered the applicable withholding tax rate to be 5% to 10% (2020: 5% to 10%).

PRC Land Appreciation Tax ("LAT")

LAT is levied on properties developed by the Group for sale in the PRC, at prevailing progressive rates ranging from 30% to 60% on the appreciation of land value, which under the applicable regulations is calculated based on the proceeds of the sales of properties less deductible expenditures including lease charges of land use rights, borrowing costs and relevant development expenditures. However, the implementation and settlement of LAT varies amongst different tax jurisdictions in various cities of the PRC and certain projects of the Group have not finalised their LAT calculations and payments with the local tax authorities. The final outcome could be different from the amounts that were initially recorded, and any differences will impact the LAT expenses and the related provision in the period in which the differences realise.

Accordingly, judgement is required in determining the amount of land appreciation and the related LAT provision.

Effect of changes in tax rates

The deferred tax charge of \$208,000 for the year ended 31 December 2021 related to the effect of an increase in the corporate income tax rate in the Netherlands on opening deferred tax balances on 1 January 2021. Specifically, the headline corporate income tax rate applicable from 1 January 2022 has been increased from 25% to 25.8% and was enacted in December 2021.

The deferred tax charge of \$810,000 for the year ended 31 December 2020 related to the effect of an increase in corporate income tax rate enacted in December 2020, from 21.7% to 25.0%, to be applicable from 1 January 2021.

The change in tax rates had increased the relevant deferred tax balances as at 31 December 2021 and 31 December 2020.

#### 28. **Earnings per share**

### **Basic earnings per share**

The calculation of basic earnings per share was based on the profit attributable to ordinary shareholders as set out below, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding, calculated as follows:

### Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders

	Gro	oup	
	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Profit attributable to the owners of the Company	121,469	103,174	
Distributions of PCCS	-	(2,975)	
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	121,469	100,199	

## Weighted average number of ordinary shares

	Group		
	2021	2020	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (basic) (i)	912,956,920	795,076,473	
Effect of conversion of PCCS	-	36,537,870	
Effect of exercise of warrants	2,923,137	5,464,268	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares during the year	915,880,057	837,078,611	

### Diluted earnings per share

	Group		
	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders (basic)	121,469	100,199	
Distributions of PCCS	-	2,975	
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders (diluted)	121,469	103,174	

### Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)

	Group		
	2021	2020	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (basic) <sup>0</sup>	1,328,780,492	1,143,452,694	
Effect of conversion of PCCS	-	(37,283,841)	
Effect of exercise of warrants	(2,923,137)	57,348,588	
Weighted-average number of ordinary shares (diluted) during the year	1,325,857,355	1,163,517,441	

Adjusted for the effect of 307,682 (2020: 307,682) shares in the Company held by a subsidiary.

#### 29. Acquisition of and gain in control of subsidiaries

#### Acquisitions of subsidiaries in FY2021

- (a) On 14 May 2021, FS Dongguan No. 6 Ltd, an indirect 95%-owned subsidiary of the Company, acquired 100% of the issued shares in Double Wealthy Company Limited ("Double Wealthy"), a limited liability investment holding company incorporated in Hong Kong from a third party seller for a total purchase consideration of \$237.0 million (RMB1,142.9 million) which is inclusive of a deferred consideration of \$24.1 million (RMB116.1 million) and transaction costs of \$0.3 million (RMB1.6 million). On the same day, the third party seller also assigned to FS Dongguan No. 6 Ltd its rights in respect to an unsecured loan owing by Double Wealthy for a consideration of \$85.9 million (RMB414.2 million) which is the par value of the loan. Double Wealthy's wholly-owned subsidiary, GZPY owns amongst others the land use rights to a development site, namely, Chuang's Le Papillon ("Le Papillon") in the Panyu district of Guangzhou, where the development of phases 1 and 2 of Le Papillon, were completed in 2012 and 2015 respectively, and phase 3 is under development. Phase 3 of the project has since been renamed as Primus Bay.
- (b) On 21 May 2021, First Sponsor (Guangdong) Group Limited ("FSGD"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, acquired a 95% equity interest in the registered capital of Kaixiang, a limited liability property management company incorporated in the PRC from a third party seller for a total purchase consideration of \$2.1 million (RMB10.1 million). Kaixiang owns a club house and a car park lot situated at phase 1 of Le Papillon.

#### Gain in control of subsidiaries in FY2021

(c) Prior to 31 March 2021, the Group accounted for its 90% equity stake in the East Sun Entities as unquoted equity investments measured at fair value through profit or loss account. The investment was classified as non-current financial assets in the consolidated statement of financial position and carried at fair value at the reporting date. The Group had not consolidated the East Sun Entities as it had no control over the East Sun Entities since it does not have any power over their relevant activities and was not involved in their business activities including policy making processes. This was supported by equity holders' agreements entered which only provided the Group with protective rights.

On 31 March 2021, the equity holders' agreements ("SHA") entered between FSGD, which holds a 90% equity interest in, and a third party which holds the remaining 10% equity interest in, the East Sun Entities were terminated. Upon the termination of the SHA, FSGD has obtained control over more than half of the voting power of and the board composition of each of the East Sun Entities. Accordingly, the East Sun Entities have become 90%-owned subsidiaries of the Group and were consolidated by the Group pursuant to IFRS 3 *Business Combinations* with effect from that date. No purchase consideration was payable by the Group for the gain in control of the entities.

The acquisition values ascribed to the non-current assets of the East Sun Entities were based on their fair values at the date of the gain of control of these entities. No goodwill or gain on bargain purchase has arisen from the gain in control of the East Sun Entities. There have not been any adjustments made upon the finalisation of the purchase price allocation. However, the Group has reversed deferred tax liabilities amounting to \$4,190,000 (RMB20,004,000) recognised in respect of the unquoted equity investments measured at fair value through profit or loss account prior to the gain in control over the East Sun Entities.

From the date of gain in control to 31 December 2021, the East Sun Entities acquired contributed revenue of \$3,146,000 (RMB15,132,000) and net profit after tax and non-controlling interests of \$18,703,000 (RMB89,960,000) to the Group's results. If the acquisition had occurred on 1 January 2021, management estimates that the consolidated revenue of the East Sun Entities would have been \$4,437,000 (RMB21,344,000) and the consolidated profit after tax and non-controlling interests for the year would have been \$19,053,000 (RMB91,646,000). In determining these amounts, management has assumed that the fair value adjustments that arose on the date of acquisition would have been the same if the acquisition had occurred on 1 January 2021.

#### 29. Acquisition of and gain in control of subsidiaries (cont'd)

#### Acquisitions in FY2020

(d) On 11 May 2020, FSDG6, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, incorporated Dongguan Shou Ye Investment Consultancy Co., Ltd. ("DGSY"), a 49%-owned associated company with a third party. On 28 July 2020, FSDG6 contributed \$10,185,000 (RMB51,000,000) in cash to the registered capital of DGSY. Following the capital contribution, the Group's equity interest in DGSY increased from 49% to 97% and became a subsidiary of the Group.

Except for (c), the acquisitions were accounted for as acquisitions of assets and are out of scope of IFRS 3 *Business Combinations*.

### Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed

The following table summarises the aggregated recognised amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the respective dates of acquisition.

	Note	Asset acquisitions 2021 \$'000	Business combinations 2021 \$'000	Total 2021 \$'000	Total 2020 \$′000
Property, plant and equipment	4	_	13,528	13,528	-
Investment properties	5	_	48,990	48,990	_
Deferred tax assets	10	5,187	-	5,187	-
Assets held-for-sale		-	36,166	36,166	-
Development properties		298,655	-	298,655	-
Trade and other receivables		1,787	12,308	14,095	105,653
Cash and cash equivalents		22,759	760	23,519	1
Trade and other payables		(3,105)	(43,597)	(46,702)	(95,470)
Provision for tax		-	(826)	(826)	_
Deferred tax liabilities	10	-	(11,818)	(11,818)	_
Shareholder's loan		(85,945)	-	(85,945)	_
Liabilities held-for-sale			(6,475)	(6,475)	
Net identifiable assets acquired		239,338	49,036	288,374	10,184
Shareholder's loan acquired		85,945	-	85,945	-
Non-controlling interests (based on share of net assets)		(15,059)	(4,904)	(19,963)	(5,146)
Financial assets de-recognised			(44,132)	(44,132)	
Total consideration		310,224	_	310,224	5,038
Less: Deferred consideration		(24,089)	-	(24,089)	
Total consideration paid Less:		286,135	-	286,135	5,038
- Cash and cash equivalents acquired		(22,759)	(760)	(23,519)	(1)
- Deposit paid in FY2020		(20,749)	_	(20,749)	
Net cash outflow/(inflow)		242,627	(760)	241,867	5,037

#### 29. Acquisition of and gain in control of subsidiaries (cont'd)

#### Measurement of fair values

The valuation techniques used for measuring the fair value of material assets acquired in FY2021 were as follows:

#### **Asset acquired**

#### Valuation technique

Property, plant and equipment, and investment properties

Market comparison and discounted cash flow methodology: The market comparison method considers recent quoted market prices for similar properties. Under the discounted cash flow methodology, future cash flows are estimated based on the present value of expected payment, which is determined by considering the fair value at the time of exit and discounted to their present value.

#### 30. Disposal of subsidiaries

(a) <u>Disposal of subsidiaries</u>

#### FY2021

i. On 21 April 2021, FS GBA Holding Limited ("FSGBA"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, disposed of 50.1% of the issued shares in FS GBA JV Limited ("FSGBAJV") to a third party for a cash consideration of \$501.

Following the disposal, FSGBAJV and its subsidiaries ceased to be subsidiaries of the Group. As FSGBA holds 49.9% of the issued shares in FSGBAJV and FSGBA is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, FSGBAJV has become an associated company of the Group.

#### FY2020

- ii. On 4 June 2020, the Company disposed of the entire issued share capital of Idea Valley No. 3 Company Limited, a direct wholly-owned dormant subsidiary, to a third party for a cash consideration of HKD1.
- iii. On 31 October 2020, Chengdu Zhong Ren No. 1 Management Consultancy Co., Ltd, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, disposed of its entire 70% stake in Chengdu Fuqing Commercial Operation Management Co., Ltd., a 70%-owned dormant subsidiary, to a third party for a cash consideration of \$0.1 million (RMB0.7 million).
- iv. On 7 December 2020, the Company disposed of the entire issued share capital of Chengdu Industries Pte. Ltd., a direct wholly-owned subsidiary, to a third party for a cash consideration of \$5.0 million.

#### 30. Disposal of subsidiaries (cont'd)

#### (a) <u>Disposal of subsidiaries</u> (cont'd)

The net assets and cash flows of the subsidiaries disposed of are provided below:

	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Property, plant and equipment	4	-	54
Other receivables		2	5,017
Cash at bank		-	76
Trade and other payables		(4)	(63)
Non-controlling interest		_	(30)
Identified net (liabilities)/assets disposed	=	(2)	5,054
Total consideration		1	5,140
Less: Cash and cash equivalents disposed		-	(76)
Net cash inflow	_	1	5,064
Total consideration Less:		1	5,140
Net identified liabilities/(assets) on disposal Add:		2	(5,054)
Realisation of foreign currency translation reserve		2	_
Fair value of retained interests in associates		(1)	_
Gain on disposal	_	4	86

The gain on disposal of subsidiaries is recognised in other gains (net) in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

#### (b) Dilution of interest in subsidiaries

i. On 30 June 2021, Dongguan East Sun Limited ("East Sun"), an indirect 90%-owned subsidiary of the Company, diluted its equity interest in its subsidiary, Dongguan Wan Li Group Limited ("Wan Li") from 100% to 49% as a result of capital contributions made by a third party of an aggregate amount of \$39,523,000 (RMB190,107,000). Wan Li has therefore ceased to be a subsidiary of the Group with effect from that date.

As the voting rights in Wan Li are subject to the unanimous consent from East Sun and the 51% third party equity holder, the Group's effective equity interest of 44.1% in Wan Li is accounted for as a joint venture upon the loss of control in the entity.

ii. On 28 June 2021, a supplementary agreement to amend the equity holders' agreement dated 17 January 2020 was entered between East Sun and a third party, pursuant to which East Sun shall control 49% of the voting power as well as control over the board composition of Dongguan Wan Li No. 1 Property Management Co., Ltd. ("Wan Li No. 1"), notwithstanding that East Sun continues to hold 100% of the legal equity interest in Wan Li No. 1 as at 31 December 2021. The consideration paid by the third party amounted to \$34,185,000 (RMB164,427,000). Wan Li No. 1 therefore ceased to be a subsidiary of the Group with effect from that date. As the voting rights in Wan Li No. 1 are subject to the unanimous consent from East Sun and the third party, the Group's effective equity interest of 44.1% in Wan Li No. 1 is accounted for as a joint venture upon the loss of control in the entity.

The fair value of the Group's retained interests in the two joint ventures upon the loss of their control was determined based on an external valuation of the investment properties held by the two entities on the respective dates of loss of control, which is categorised within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### 30. Disposal of subsidiaries (cont'd)

- (b) <u>Dilution of interest in subsidiaries</u> (cont'd)
  - iii. On 10 December 2021, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company reduced its equity interest in a subsidiary, East Sun No. 1 in the PRC, from 90% to 49.5%, as a result of cash contributions made by two unrelated third parties to the registered capital and the capital reserves of East Sun No. 1 amounting to \$21,704,000 (RMB104,397,000) in aggregate. East Sun No. 1 ceased to be a subsidiary of the Group and became an associate of the Group with effect from that date.

The fair value of the retained interest in the associate upon the loss of control was determined based on an external equity valuation of the entity on the date of loss of control, which is categorised within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The aggregate cash flows and net assets of the above-mentioned subsidiaries in which the Group diluted its interest during the financial year ended 31 December 2021 are provided below:

	2021
	\$'000
Property, plant and equipment	911
Investment properties	133,967
Other receivables	37,029
Cash at bank	1,158
Deferred tax liabilities	(7,914)
Trade and other payables	(33,764)
Non-controlling interest	(270)
Identified net assets disposed	131,117
Total consideration Less:	95,412
Cash and cash equivalents disposed	(1,158)
Deposit refunded	(10,395)
Net cash inflow	83,859
Total consideration Less:	95,412
Net identified assets on disposal	(131,117)
Deposit refunded	(10,395)
Add:	, , ,
Fair value of retained interests in an associate and joint ventures	65,585
Gain on dilution of interests in subsidiaries	19,485

The gain on dilution is part of the gain on disposal of assets and liabilities held-for-sale recognised under other gains in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

#### 31. Operating segments

Information reported to the Group CEO and Group CFO (collectively the Group's chief operating decision makers ("CODM")) for the purpose of resource allocation and assessment of performance is specifically focused on the functionality of services provided. The following summary describes the operations in each of the Group's reportable segments:

- Property development development and/or purchase of properties for sale
- Property investment development and/or purchase of investment properties (including hotels) for rental income
- Property financing
   provision of interest-bearing loans to associates, joint ventures and third parties, subscription of debt securities, and vendor financing arrangements
- Hotel operations hotels and hotspring owner

Information regarding the results of each reportable segment is included below. Performance is measured based on segment profit before income tax, as included in the internal management reports that are reviewed by the Group's CODM. Segment profit is used to measure performance as management believes that such information is the most relevant in evaluating the results of certain segments relative to other entities that operate within these industries.

#### Information about reportable segments

					Total		
	Property development	Property	Property	Hotel	reportable	Unallocated	Total
	•	investment	•	operations	segments		Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2021							
Segment revenue	415,128	17,676	118,994	42,797	594,595	13,648	608,243
Elimination of inter-segment revenue	_	(7,255)	-	(779)	(8,034)	(11,039)	(19,073)
External revenue	415,128	10,421	118,994	42,018	586,561	2,609	589,170
Profit/(loss) from operating activities	87,243	34,238	106,841	(17,919)	210,403	(9,079)	201,324
Finance income	13,355	168	32	2,880	16,435	4,109	20,544
Finance costs	(16,278)	(654)	(25)	(6,748)	(23,705)	(6,643)	(30,348)
Share of after-tax profit/(loss) of							
associates and joint ventures	14,910	7,021	(171)	(10,682)	11,078	(3)	11,075
Segment profit/(loss) before tax	99,230	40,773	106,677	(32,469)	214,211	(11,616)	202,595
Other material non-cash items (debit)/credit:							
Depreciation	(309)	(592)	(88)	(11,850)	(12,839)	(602)	(13,441)
Fair value gain on:							
- derivatives (net)	(7,459)	4,008	53,436	3,283	53,268	-	53,268
- investment properties	-	4,439	-	-	4,439	-	4,439
- other investments	-	316	-	-	316	3,439	3,755
Impairment loss on:							
- financial assets – loan receivable from a			(6 677)		(6.677)		(6 677)
joint venture company	(222)	-	(6,677)		(6,677)	-	(6,677)
- property, plant and equipment	(228)	-	-	(9,538)	(9,766)	-	(9,766)
Property, plant and equipment written off	(9)	(5,601)	-	-	(5,610)	-	(5,610)
Write-down of development properties	(10,890)	-			(10,890)	-	(10,890)

## 31. Operating segments (cont'd)

## Information about reportable segments (cont'd)

	Property development \$'000	Property investment \$'000	Property financing \$'000	Hotel operations \$'000	Total reportable segments \$'000	Unallocated \$'000	Total \$'000
2021							
Assets							
Segment assets	1,504,755	106,794	1,241,318	354,919	3,207,786	68,194	3,275,980
Interests in associates and joint ventures	876,860	191,448	-	(50,662)	1,017,646	9,889	1,027,535
	2,381,615	298,242	1,241,318	304,257	4,225,432	78,083	4,303,515
Liabilities							
Segment liabilities	1,290,196	57,814	775,149	119,214	2,242,373	82,288	2,324,661
Other segment information:							
Capital expenditure*	8,063	-	_	109	8,172	183	8,355

<sup>\*</sup> Includes property, plant and equipment and investment properties.

	Property development	Property investment	Property financing	Hotel operations	Total reportable segments	Unallocated	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
2020							
Segment revenue	56,989	13,113	105,209	33,332	208,643	10,735	219,378
Elimination of inter-segment revenue	-	(6,204)	-	(452)	(6,656)	(8,786)	(15,442)
External revenue	56,989	6,909	105,209	32,880	201,987	1,949	203,936
Profit/(loss) from operating activities	51,793	13,105	103,892	(21,805)	146,985	(5,412)	141,573
Finance income	13,113	426	1,365	2,877	17,781	5,339	23,120
Finance costs	(10,089)	(634)	(9)	(5,640)	(16,372)	(10,336)	(26,708)
Share of after-tax profit/(loss) of associates and joint ventures	13,483	(4,154)	467	(22,181)	(12,385)	12	(12,373)
Segment profit/(loss) before tax	68,300	8,743	105,715	(46,749)	136,009	(10,397)	125,612
Other material non-cash items (debit)/credit:							
Depreciation	(759)	-	(84)	(10,755)	(11,598)	(562)	(12,160)
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	-	-	-	(4,247)	(4,247)	-	(4,247)
Fair value gain on other investments		7,290			7,290	81	7,371
Fair value loss on investment properties		(4,311)			(4,311)	-	(4,311)
Fair value loss on derivatives (net)	(14,733)	(3,891)	(46,623)	(4,044)	(69,291)	_	(69,291)

## 31. Operating segments (cont'd)

### Information about reportable segments (cont'd)

	Property development \$'000	Property investment \$'000	Property financing \$'000	Hotel operations \$'000	Total reportable segments \$'000	Unallocated \$'000	Total \$'000
2020							
Assets							
Segment assets	1,170,985	173,064	1,062,484	368,693	2,775,226	99,412	2,874,638
Interests in associates and joint ventures	517,025	51,644	14,629	(33,355)	549,943	-	549,943
	1,688,010	224,708	1,077,113	335,338	3,325,169	99,412	3,424,581
Liabilities							
Segment liabilities	1,012,519	14,947	453,845	126,223	1,607,534	69,728	1,677,262
Other segment information:							
Capital expenditure*	726	-	12	16,478	17,216	1,193	18,409

<sup>\*</sup> Includes property, plant and equipment and investment properties.

#### Geographical information

The Group's main businesses are those relating to property development, property investment, property financing and hotel operations.

In presenting information on the basis of geographical segments, segment revenue is based on the geographical location of customers and segment assets are based on the geographical location of the assets.

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue		
PRC	505,445	114,050
Europe	82,248	85,374
Other countries	1,477	4,512
	589,170	203,936
Non-current assets*		
PRC	1,133,969	620,514
Europe	337,316	367,124
Other countries	37,512	31,629
	1,508,797	1,019,267

<sup>\*</sup> Include property, plant and equipment, investment properties and interests in associates and joint ventures.

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies

#### Overview

Risk management is integral to the whole business of the Group. The management continually monitors the Group's risk management process to ensure that an appropriate balance between risk and control is achieved.

#### Risk management framework

The Group and the Company are exposed to financial risks arising from its operations and the use of financial instruments. The key financial risks are credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk, interest rate risk and foreign currency risk.

The board of directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework. The Group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Group's activities.

The Audit and Risk Committee oversees how management monitors compliance with the Group's risk management policies and procedures, and reviews the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the Group.

The following sections provide details regarding the Group's and Company's exposure to the above-mentioned financial risks and the objectives, policies and processes for the management of these risks.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of potential financial loss resulting from the failure of a customer or counterparty to settle its financial and contractual obligations to the Group, as and when they fall due. The Group's and the Company's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables.

It is the Group's policy that receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant.

#### Trade and other receivables - vendor financing

The Group has a credit policy in place which establishes credit limits for customers and monitors their balances on an ongoing basis.

The Group assesses the credit risk in respect of its property development operations to be relatively low as payments are usually received from property buyers in advance.

ECL assessment

The Group uses a provision matrix to measure the lifetime ECL allowance for trade receivables.

In measuring the ECLs, trade receivables are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and days past due.

In calculating the ECL rates, the Group benchmarks to historical data for similar financial assets and adjusts for forward-looking macroeconomic factors.

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Credit risk (cont'd)

#### Trade and other receivables - vendor financing (cont'd)

ECL assessment (cont'd)

The following table provides information about the exposure to credit risk and ECLs for trade receivables as at 31 December 2021:

	Gr	oup
	Gross carrying amount \$'000	Credit impaired
2021		
Not past due	907	No
Past due 1 – 60 days	67	No
Past due 61 – 90 days	23	No
More than 90 days	51	Yes
	1,048	=
2020		
Not past due	2,887	No
Past due 1 – 60 days	46	No
Past due 61 – 90 days	21	No
More than 90 days	31	Yes
	2,985	_

The gross trade receivable balances of \$51,000 (2020: \$31,000) at 31 December 2021 that were more than 90 days past due related to outstanding vendor financing receivables in the PRC, for which the purchasers had defaulted on their instalment payments. The Group still holds the legal title of the underlying units. The Group believes that no ECL allowance in respect of these balances is required at the reporting date.

#### Trade and other receivables - hotel receivables

The Group does not have any significant concentrations of credit risk. Sales are made to customers that meet the Group's credit rating. Goods and services are sold subject to payment deadlines ranging from zero to 90 days. A different payment period may apply to major customers, in which case additional securities are demanded, including guarantees. The ECL allowance in respect of these balances is immaterial at the reporting date.

### Trade and other receivables (excluding vendor financing and hotel receivables)

The Group assesses the credit risk in respect of the property financing operations, including entrusted loans to third parties to be relatively low as such loans are generally secured by a first legal mortgage of land use rights and/or property as well as personal guarantees and/or corporate guarantees. The loan disbursed is capped at a pre-set loan to value ratio of the property collateral. In respect of the credit risk arising from its property investment operations, the Group manages the risk by collecting rental deposits in advance and monitors the outstanding balances on an ongoing basis, therefore, the credit risk is relatively low. In relation to amount due from an affiliate of a non-controlling interest of a subsidiary and amounts due from non-controlling interests of subsidiaries, the Group has a credit policy in place and the exposure to credit risk is monitored on an ongoing basis. Credit evaluations are performed for debtors requiring credit over a certain amount.

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Credit risk (cont'd)

#### Trade and other receivables (excluding vendor financing and hotel receivables) (cont'd)

Included in the gross trade receivable balances at 31 December 2021 were outstanding loan principal of \$70,145,000 (RMB329.9 million) in respect of two cross collaterised PRC property financing loans for which the Group commenced legal enforcement action in the Shanghai court in November 2020 against the borrower group due to the breach of a settlement agreement entered into with the borrower group. The Group holds the first legal mortgage to the properties pledged as loan collateral and had applied to the Shanghai court to commence the foreclosure auction in December 2021, which is expected to commence in late March/early April 2022. Based on the external valuation of the mortgaged properties, no allowance for ECL was deemed necessary for the outstanding loan principal due and interest accrued as at 31 December 2021.

Other than the above mentioned, the Group recognised an allowance for ECL amounting to \$6,677,000 (EUR4,200,000) for the year ended 31 December 2021 in respect of its loan to a joint venture amounting to \$57,491,000 (EUR37,500,000) on that date.

#### Non-trade amounts due from subsidiaries

The Company held non-trade receivables from its subsidiaries amounting to \$1,463,164,000 (2020: \$1,649,394,000) as at 31 December 2021. These balances represent amounts loaned to its subsidiaries to satisfy their long and short-term funding requirements. Impairment on these balances has been measured on the 12-month expected loss basis which reflects the low credit risk of the exposure. No allowance of these balances is required at the reporting date.

#### **Derivatives**

Derivatives are only entered into with banks and financial institutions with sound credit ratings.

#### Financial guarantees

As at 31 December 2021, the Group provided guarantees amounting to \$269,153,000 (2020: \$277,497,000) to banks in connection with mortgage loans granted to purchasers to finance their purchase of the properties developed by the Group in the PRC. Pursuant to the terms of the guarantees, if a purchaser defaults on the payment of his or her mortgage loan during the term of the guarantee, the Group is responsible to repay the outstanding amount under the loan and any accrued interest and penalty thereon owed by the defaulting purchaser to the bank. The guarantees will terminate upon the earlier of (i) the completion of the registration of the relevant property mortgages and the issuance of the relevant property ownership certificates of the properties to the purchasers; and (ii) the satisfaction of the mortgage loans by the purchasers of the properties.

The Group had also executed guarantees amounting to \$144,215,000 as at 31 December 2021 (2020: \$99,350,000) in favour of banks in respect of secured development loan facilities granted to certain associates of the Group. In addition, the Group also provided a counter indemnity amounting to \$21,239,000 as at 31 December 2021 (2020: \$Nil) for a guarantee issued by a bank of an associate to the Dongguan property bureau in lieu of the associate placing pre-sale proceeds in the project escrow account.

The Group computes ECL for financial guarantees using the probability of default approach. In determining ECL for financial guarantees, the Group considers events such as default on instalment payments by purchasers of the properties and determined that a significant increase in credit risk would occur when there are changes in the risk that the specified debtor would default on the contract. As at the reporting date, the Group did not recognise any liabilities in respect of the financial guarantees granted in view of the remote default risk.

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Credit risk (cont'd)

Credit risk concentration profile

At the end of the reporting period, approximately:

- 91% (2020: 76%) of the Group's trade receivables were due from three (2020: three) major customers located in the PRC.
- 61% (2020: 55%) of the Group's trade and other receivables were due from related parties, while almost all the Company's receivables were balances with subsidiaries.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group or the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due. The Group's and the Company's exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities. The Group's and the Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation.

Typically, the Group and the Company ensures that they maintain sufficient reserves of cash on demand and adequate committed lines of funding from major financial institutions and its shareholders to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer term. This excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot be reasonably predicted.

The Group has contractual commitments to incur expenditure on its development properties, investment properties and property, plant and equipment (see Note 34).

Analysis of financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities

The expected undiscounted cash outflows of financial liabilities, including interest payments, if any, and excluding netting agreements are as follows:

				Cash flows	
	Carrying amount \$'000	Contractual cash flows \$'000	Cash flows within 1 year \$'000	after 1 year but within 5 years \$'000	Cash flows after 5 years \$'000
Group					
2021					
Non-derivative financial liabilities					
Loans and borrowings	1,088,907	1,112,131	155,082	955,299	1,750
Lease liabilities	70,881	115,284	5,410	19,373	90,501
Trade and other payables	842,103	844,703	834,272	8,176	2,255
Recognised financial liabilities	2,001,891	2,072,118	994,764	982,848	94,506
Financial guarantees	-	434,607	434,607	_	-
	2,001,891	2,506,725	1,429,371	982,848	94,506
Derivative financial instruments					
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	(52,543)				
- Outflow		(978,610)	(206,027)	(772,583)	-
- Inflow		1,029,761	217,611	812,150	-
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	29,960				
- Outflow		(994,075)	(122,308)	(871,767)	-
- Inflow		944,772	106,920	837,852	

## 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

## Liquidity risk (cont'd)

	Carrying amount \$'000	Contractual cash flows \$'000	Cash flows within 1 year \$'000	Cash flows after 1 year but within 5 years \$'000	Cash flows after 5 years \$'000
Group					
2020					
Non-derivative financial liabilities					
Loans and borrowings	739,572	758,232	127,983	630,249	_
Lease liabilities	76,683	126,592	5,953	20,838	99,801
Trade and other payables	388,503	393,734	346,364	42,833	4,537
Recognised financial liabilities	1,204,758	1,278,558	480,300	693,920	104,338
Financial guarantees	_	376,847	376,847	_	_
0	1,204,758	1,655,405	857,147	693,920	104,338
Darivativa financial instruments			:	-	
<b>Derivative financial instruments</b> CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	(8,522)				
- Outflow	(0,322)	(204 107)	(E2 62 A)	(330,563)	
- Outlow - Inflow		(384,197)	(53,634)		_
	20.206	401,708	60,352	341,356	_
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	39,206	(005 (60)	(42.774)	(0.42.000)	
- Outflow		(885,660)	(42,771)	(842,889)	-
- Inflow		888,841	40,815	848,026	
	Carrying amount \$'000	Contractual cash flows \$'000	Cash flows within 1 year \$'000	Cash flows after 1 year but within 5 years \$'000	Cash flows after 5 years \$'000
Company 2021					
Non-derivative financial liabilities	4 440 007	4 426 070	455.004	070 027	2.240
Loans and borrowings	1,110,907	1,136,878	155,801	978,837	2,240
Lease liabilities	106	106	106	-	-
Trade and other payables Recognised financial liabilities	273,241 1,384,254	273,241 1,410,225	273,241 429,148	978,837	2,240
recognised infancial habilities	1,307,237	1,410,223	723,140	570,037	2,240
Derivative financial instruments					
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	(52,543)				
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled) - Outflow	(52,543)	(978,610)	(206,027)	(772,583)	-
.9	(52,543)	(978,610) 1,029,761	(206,027) 217,611	(772,583) 812,150	-
- Outflow	(52,543) 29,960				- -
- Outflow - Inflow					-

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Liquidity risk (cont'd)

	Carrying amount \$'000	Contractual cash flows \$'000	Cash flows within 1 year \$'000	Cash flows after 1 year but within 5 years \$'000	Cash flows after 5 years \$'000
Company					
2020					
Non-derivative financial liabilities					
Loans and borrowings	761,572	783,224	128,706	654,518	-
Lease liabilities	316	317	211	106	-
Trade and other payables	76,567	76,567	76,567	-	-
Recognised financial liabilities	838,455	860,108	205,484	654,624	
Derivative financial instruments					
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	(8,522)				
- Outflow		(384,197)	(53,634)	(330,563)	-
- Inflow		401,708	60,352	341,356	-
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs (gross settled)	39,206				
- Outflow		(885,660)	(42,771)	(842,889)	-
- Inflow		888,841	40,815	848,026	

The maturity analyses show the contractual undiscounted cash flows of the financial liabilities of the Group and the Company on the basis of their earliest possible contractual maturity.

The interest payments on variable interest rate loans in the table above reflect market forward interest rates at the period end and these amounts may change as market interest rates change. Except for these financial liabilities and the cash flows arising from the financial guarantees issued, it is not expected that the cash flows included in the maturity analyses above could occur significantly earlier, or at significantly different amounts.

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates and foreign exchange rates, will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk relates to the fluctuation risk of the fair value or future cash flow of the Group's financial instruments due to inter alia changes in market interest rates. The Group's exposure to interest rate risk arises primarily from its loans and certain financial derivative contracts. The Group adopts a policy of managing its interest rate exposure by maintaining a debt portfolio with fixed and floating interest rates and contracting fixed rate CCSs.

The Group's financial assets comprise cash balances placed with reputable banks and financial institutions which generate interest income for the Group. The Group manages its interest rate risks on its interest income by placing the cash balances on varying maturities and interest rate terms.

The Group's financial liabilities comprise mainly bank loans which expose the Group to interest rate risk. The Group enters into fixed rate CCSs to achieve a natural hedge on part of its foreign currency and interest rate risk exposure for its variable rate loans and borrowings. As at 31 December 2021, approximately 85% (2020: 63%) of the Group's borrowings were at fixed rates of interest or hedged through fixed rate CCSs.

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Interest rate risk (cont'd)

Sensitivity analysis for interest rate risk

At the end of the reporting period, an increase/decrease of 100 (2020: 100) basis points ("bps") in interest rates, with all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant, would have (decreased)/increased the Group's and Company's profit before tax by \$1,694,000 (2020: \$2,550,000) as a result of increased/decreased interest expense on floating rate bank loans. There is no impact on other components of equity.

#### Foreign currency risk

The Group is exposed to foreign currency risk on sales, purchases and borrowings that are denominated in a currency other than the respective functional currencies of the Group entities. The currencies giving rise to this risk are primarily the EUR, Singapore Dollar, RMB, US Dollar, Malaysian Ringgit and AUD.

Please refer to Note 8 for details of the financial derivatives that the Group has entered into. The Group does not apply hedge accounting.

The exposure of the Group and Company to foreign currencies based on nominal amounts is as follows:

	EUR \$'000	Singapore Dollar \$'000	RMB \$'000	US Dollar \$'000	Malaysian Ringgit \$'000	AUD \$'000
Group						
2021						
Cash and cash equivalents	2,699	295	126,104	2,692	-	510
Trade and other receivables	-	21	15,286	341	-	-
Trade and other payables	(1,015)	(62)	(2,669)	(214)	(1,665)	(9,866)
Intercompany balances	997,976	-	175,287	-	-	44,380
Loans and borrowings	(22,767)		-	(197,611)	_	(20,914)
Net statement of financial position exposure	976,893	254	314,008	(194,792)	(1,665)	14,110
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs	(1,106,707)	_	(607,583)	(164,080)	-	(25,548)
Net exposure	(129,814)	254	(293,575)	(358,872)	(1,665)	(11,438)
	EUR \$'000	Singapore Dollar \$'000	RMB \$'000	US Dollar \$'000	Malaysian Ringgit \$'000	AUD \$'000
Group						
2020						
Cash and cash equivalents	6,082	740	129,569	1,814	-	1,157
Trade and other receivables	_	15	-	390	-	-
Trade and other payables	(913)	(33)	(804)	(376)	(1,683)	(10,158)
Intercompany balances	1,022,149	_	176,003	_	_	29,035
Loans and borrowings	(67,280)	_	(122,047)	(355,148)	_	(5,022)
Net statement of financial position exposure	960,038	722	182,721	(353,320)	(1,683)	15,012
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs	(1,063,330)	_	(127,627)	355,148		(26,176)
Net exposure	(103,292)	722	55,094	1,828	(1,683)	(11,164)

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Foreign currency risk (cont'd)

	EUR \$'000	RMB \$'000	US Dollar \$'000	AUD \$'000
Company				
2021				
Cash and cash equivalents	2,660	125,824	2,372	510
Trade and other receivables	-	-	335	-
Trade and other payables	(1,015)	(2,570)	(209)	(9,866)
Intercompany balances	1,000,270	105,637	11	44,690
Loans and borrowings	(22,767)	-	(197,611)	(20,914)
Net statement of financial position exposure	979,148	228,891	(195,102)	14,420
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs	(1,106,707)	(607,583)	(164,080)	(25,548)
Net exposure	(127,559)	(378,692)	(359,182)	(11,128)
	EUR	RMB	US Dollar	AUD
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Company				
2020				
Cash and cash equivalents	5,238	128,652	1,277	1,157
Trade and other receivables	_	_	386	_
Trade and other payables	(913)	(760)	(376)	(10,158)
Intercompany balances	1,026,490	451,411	(73)	29,157
Loans and borrowings	(67,280)	(122,047)	(355,148)	(5,022)
Net statement of financial position exposure	963,535	457,256	(353,934)	15,134
CCSs, FCSs and FXFs	(1,063,330)	(127,627)	355,148	(26,176)
Net exposure	(99,795)	329,629	1,214	(11,042)

## Sensitivity analysis

A 10% (2020: 10%) strengthening of the following major currencies against the functional currency of each of the Group's entities at the reporting date would impact the profit before tax of the Group and the Company by the amounts shown below. A 10% weakening of the above major currencies against the functional currency of each of the Group's entities at the reporting date would have an equal but opposite effect. There is no impact on other components of equity. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant.

	Increase/(d	oup lecrease) in efore tax	Com <sub>l</sub> Increase/(d profit be	ecrease) in	
	2021	2020	2021	2020	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
EUR	(12,981)	(10,329)	(12,756)	(9,980)	
Singapore Dollar	25	72	-	-	
RMB	(29,358)	5,509	(37,869)	32,963	
US Dollar	(35,887)	183	(35,918)	121	
Malaysian Ringgit	(167)	(168)	-		
AUD	(1,144)	(1,116)	(1,113)	(1,104)	

### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

### Accounting classifications and fair values

Fair values versus carrying amounts

The carrying amounts and fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy are set out below. It does not include fair value information for financial assets and financial liabilities not measured at fair value if the carrying amount is a reasonable approximation of fair value.

			Fair value					
Group	Note	Financial assets at amortised cost \$'000	Financial liabilities at amortised cost \$'000	Designated at fair value through profit or loss \$'000	Total \$'000	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000
<u> </u>		+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ 000	+ •••	+ 000	+ 000
2021 Financial assets not measured at fair value								
Trade and other receivables, excluding	11	1 420 620			1 420 620		4 420 627	
prepayments Cash and cash equivalents	11 14	1,429,630 343,932	_	-	1,429,630 343,932	_	1,429,627	-
Casif and Casif equivalents	-	1,773,562			1,773,562			
Financial assets measured at fair value Derivative assets	8	-	-	52,543	52,543	-	52,543	_
Other investments:								
- Equity securities	9	-	-	15,786	15,786	15,786	-	-
- Debt securities	9 -			186,206 254,535	186,206 254,535	-	-	186,206
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value	=			•	,			
Loans and borrowings	18	-	(1,088,907)	-	(1,088,907)			
Trade and other payables	19	-	(850,583)	-	(850,583)			
Lease liabilities	20	-	(70,881)	-	(70,881)			
			(2,010,371)	-	(2,010,371)			
Financial liabilities measured at fair value								
Derivative liabilities	8	_	-	(29,960)	(29,960)	-	(29,960)	-

## 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

## Accounting classifications and fair values (cont'd)

Fair values versus carrying amounts (cont'd)

			Fair value					
Group	Note	Financial assets at amortised cost \$'000	Financial liabilities at amortised cost \$'000	Designated at fair value through profit or loss \$'000	Total \$′000	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000
2020								
Financial assets not measured at fair value								
Trade and other receivables, excluding	4.4	4.046.746			4 246 746		4 24 6 707	
prepayments	11	1,216,716	_	_	1,216,716	-	1,216,707	_
Cash and cash equivalents	14 .	476,304	-	_	476,304			
	=	1,693,020		_	1,693,020			
Financial assets measured at fair value								
Derivative assets	8	-	_	8,522	8,522	-	8,522	-
Other investments:								
- Equity securities	9	-	_	57,586	57,586	14,344	-	43,242
- Debt securities	9	-	-	39,500	39,500	-	-	39,500
		_	_	105,608	105,608			
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value								
Loans and borrowings	18	-	(739,572)	-	(739,572)			
Trade and other payables	19	-	(394,020)	-	(394,020)			
Lease liabilities	20	-	(76,683)	_	(76,683)			
		-	(1,210,275)	_	(1,210,275)			
Financial liabilities measured at fair value	-							
Derivative liabilities	8		_	(39,206)	(39,206)	-	(39,206)	-

## 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

## Accounting classifications and fair values (cont'd)

Fair values versus carrying amounts (cont'd)

		Carrying amount		Fair value	
Note	Financial assets at amortised cost	Financial liabilities at amortised cost	Designated at fair value through profit or loss	Total	Level 2
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
		-	-		
14		-			
	1,604,288			1,604,288	
8		_	52,543	52,543	52,543
18	_	(1,110,907)	_	(1,110,907)	
20	_	(106)	-	(106)	
19	_	(273,412)	-	(273,412)	
	_	(1,384,425)		(1,384,425)	
8	_		(29,960)	(29,960)	(29,960)
	11 14 8 18 20 19	Note assets at amortised cost \$'000  11 1,466,342 14 137,946 1,604,288  8 - 18 - 20 - 19 - 19 -	Financial assets at amortised cost \$'000 \$'000     11	Financial assets at amortised cost cost s'000   S'000   S'000	Financial assets at amortised cost   Financial liabilities at amortised cost   Financial amortised cost   Financial amortised at fair value through profit or loss   Financial amortised cost   Financial amortised at fair value through profit or loss   Financial amortised cost   Financial amortised at fair value through profit or loss   Financial amortised   Financial aliabilities at amortised cost   Financial liabilities at amortised   Financial at fair value at fair value through profit or loss   Financial amortised at fair value at fair value   Financial amortised at fair value   Financial amortised   Financial at fair value at fair value   Financial at fair value   Financia   Financial at fair value   Finan

## 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

## Accounting classifications and fair values (cont'd)

Fair values versus carrying amounts (cont'd)

		Carrying amount				Fair value
	Note	Financial assets at amortised cost	Financial liabilities at amortised cost	Designated at fair value through profit or loss	Total	Level 2
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Company 2020						
Financial assets not measured at fair value						
Trade and other receivables, excluding prepayments	11	1,651,483			1,651,483	
Cash and cash equivalents	14	141,945	_	_	1,031,403	
Casil allu Casil equivalents	14	1,793,428			1,793,428	
Financial assets measured at fair value						
Derivative assets	8		_	8,522	8,522	8,522
Financial liabilities not measured at fair value						
Loans and borrowings	18	_	(761,572)	_	(761,572)	
Lease liabilities	20		(316)	-	(316)	
Trade and other payables	19	_	(76,676)	-	(76,676)	
			(838,564)	_	(838,564)	
Financial liabilities measured at fair value						
Derivative liabilities	8			(39,206)	(39,206)	(39,206)

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Accounting classifications and fair values (cont'd)

#### Measurement of fair value

Level 2 fair value measurements - derivatives

CCSs, FCSs and FXFs are valued using a valuation technique with market observable inputs. The most frequently applied valuation techniques include forward pricing and swap models, using present value calculations. The models incorporate various inputs including the credit quality of counterparties and foreign exchange spot and forward rates.

Level 3 fair value measurements - information about unobservable inputs used

The following tables show the valuation techniques used in measuring Level 3 fair values, as well as the significant unobservable inputs used.

### Financial instruments measured at fair value

Туре	Valuation technique	Significant unobservable inputs	Inter-relationship between significant unobservable inputs and fair value measurement
Group			
Unquoted equity securities - at fair value through profit or loss	Net asset value of the investee entity adjusted for the fair value of the underlying properties held by the investee	2021: Not applicable 2020: Income capitalisation: 6.0%	An increase in the discount rate would result in a lower fair value measurement and vice versa.
Debt securities - at fair value through profit or loss	Discounted cash flow	Probability of default: 0.0% (2020: 0.0%)	An increase in the probability of default would result in a higher fair value measurement and vice versa.

#### Financial instruments not measured at fair value

Determination of fair value - Trade and other receivables, excluding prepayments

The fair values disclosed are estimated by discounting expected future cash flows at market incremental lending rate for similar types of lending or borrowing arrangements at the end of the reporting period.

#### 32. Financial risk management objectives and policies (cont'd)

#### Accounting classifications and fair values (cont'd)

#### Level 3 fair values

The following table shows a reconciliation of the opening balances to the ending balances for Level 3 fair values:

		Gro	up
	Note	Unquoted equity and debt securities - at fair value through profit or loss	
		2021	2020
		\$'000	\$'000
At 1 January		82,742	73,778
Additions	9(a), (b)	186,206	_
Change in fair value included in profit or loss		-	7,290
Effect of gain in control of subsidiaries	29	(44,132)	_
Redemption of debt securities by issuer	9(e)	(39,500)	_
Effect of movements in exchange rates		890	1,674
At 31 December		186,206	82,742

Sensitivity analysis

For the Group's unquoted equity investment at fair value through profit or loss as at 31 December 2020, had a 10% increase in the discount rate been applied, the Group's profit before tax would have decreased by \$8,274,000. A decrease in the discount rate applied at the reporting date would have an equal but opposite effect.

#### Valuation policies and procedures

Please refer to Note 5(ii) for the valuation policies and procedures of the Group.

#### 33. Leases

#### Leases as lessee (IFRS 16)

The Group leases land, properties and motor vehicles. The leases typically run for a period of 2 to 29 years, with an option to renew the lease after that date. Lease payments are renegotiated before the maturity of the lease to reflect market rentals. Some leases provide for additional rent payments that are based on changes in local price indices. For certain leases, the Group is restricted from entering into any sub-lease arrangements.

The office and hotel leases were entered into many years ago as combined leases of land. Previously, these leases were classified as operating leases under IAS 17.

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases that are short-term (i.e., equal to or less than twelve months) and/or leases of low-value items.

Information about leases for which the Group is a lessee is presented below.

## 33. Leases (cont'd)

## **Right-of-use assets**

### Group

	Note	Leasehold land \$'000	Leased properties \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at 1 January 2020	4	17,012	68,267	232	85,511
Additions		_	1,700	32	1,732
Adjustments		-	(102)	-	(102)
Charge for the year		(549)	(3,726)	(82)	(4,357)
Translation differences on consolidation		778	5,368	17	6,163
Balance at 31 December 2020 and 1 January 2021	4	17,241	71,507	199	88,947
Additions		-	760	(26)	734
Charge for the year		(571)	(3,667)	(76)	(4,314)
Translation differences on consolidation		856	(3,759)	(8)	(2,911)
Balance at 31 December 2021	4	17,526	64,841	89	82,456

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	Note	Leased properties \$'000
Balance at 1 January 2020		618
Adjustments		(102)
Charge for the year		(204)
Balance at 31 December 2020 and 1 January 2021	4	312
Charge for the year		(208)
Balance at 31 December 2021	4	104
Amounts recognised in profit or loss		
Group	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Leases under IFRS 16		
Expenses relating to short-term leases	151	6
Interest expense on lease liabilities (Note 25)	3,413	3,531

#### 33. Leases (cont'd)

#### Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Total cash outflow for leases	(5,916)	(5,904)

#### **Extension options**

Some property leases contain extension options exercisable by the Group up to one year before the end of the non-cancellable contract period. Where practicable, the Group seeks to include extension options in new leases to provide operational flexibility. The extension options held are exercisable only by the Group and not by the lessors. The Group assesses at lease commencement date whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the extension options. The Group reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise the options if there is a significant event or significant changes in circumstances within its control.

#### Committed but not yet commenced

The Group has entered into a lease contract for the lease of office premises from a related company of one of its substantial shareholders, for which the three-year lease term has not yet commenced as at 31 December 2021. The future lease payments payable by the Company and Group under this non-cancellable lease contract amounts to \$85,000 due within one year and \$350,000 due after one year but within five years of 31 December 2021 respectively.

#### Group as a lessor

The Group leases out its investment properties consisting of its owned commercial properties. The Group has classified these leases as operating leases from a lessor perspective, because they do not transfer substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to the ownership of the assets. These leases have terms of between one and 25 years. All leases include a clause to enable upward revision of the rental charge on an annual basis according to prevailing market conditions. Note 5 sets out information about the operating leases of the investment properties.

Rental income from investment properties recognised by the Group amounted to \$10,421,000 (2020: \$6,909,000).

The following table sets out a maturity analysis of lease payments, showing the undiscounted lease payments to be received by the Group after the reporting date.

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Operating leases under IFRS 16		
Within one year	16,566	12,939
After one year but within five years	50,743	47,036
After five years	115,682	110,033
Total	182,991	170,008

#### 34. Commitments

The Group has the following commitments as at the reporting date:

#### **Capital commitments**

	Group	
	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Contracted but not provided for in the financial statements:		
- Expenditure in respect of investment properties and development properties	374,531	88,633
- Commitment in respect of an investment in an associate		5,186

#### 35. Related parties

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, transactions with related parties based on terms agreed between the parties are as follows:

	Group		
	2021 \$′000	2020	
		\$'000	
Associates and joint ventures			
Consultancy fees received and receivable	2,445	901	
Service income received and receivable	2,235	1,894	
Affiliated corporations			
Service income received and receivable	32	31	
Consultancy fees received and receivable	93	517	
Sale of properties		35,290	

An affiliated corporation is defined as a corporation:

- (a) in which a director of the Group has substantial financial interests or who is in a position to exercise significant influence; and/or
- (b) which directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries is under the control of a common shareholder.

#### Transactions with key management personnel

The key management personnel compensation comprises:

Group		
2021 \$′000	2020 \$'000	
		348
8,032	7,299	
105	80	
8,485	7,757	
	2021 \$'000 348 8,032 105	

#### 36. Employee share option scheme

On 19 May 2014, the shareholders of the Company adopted a share option scheme known as the First Sponsor Employee Share Option Scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") that entitles eligible participants (which include the non-executive directors) to purchase shares in the Company. The Share Option Scheme shall continue in operation for a maximum period of 10 years commencing from 19 May 2014, and may continue for any further period thereafter with the approval of the shareholders by ordinary resolution in general meeting and of any relevant authorities which may then be required.

The Share Option Scheme is administered by the Administration Committee, comprising members of the Remuneration Committee and the Nominating Committee.

The aggregate number of shares which may be offered by way of grant of options to all controlling shareholders of the Company and their respective associates under the Share Option Scheme shall not exceed 25% of the total number of shares available under the Share Option Scheme, with the number of shares which may be offered by way of granting options to each controlling shareholder of the Company and his respective associate not exceeding 10% of the total number of shares available under the Share Option Scheme.

The exercise price of the options granted under the Share Option Scheme shall be determined at the discretion of the Administration Committee and may be:

- (a) set at a discount to a price (the "Market Price") equal to the average of the last dealt prices for the shares on the SGX-ST for the five consecutive market days immediately preceding the relevant date of grant of the relevant option (subject to a maximum discount of 20.0%), in which event, such options may be exercised after the second anniversary from the date of grant of the options; or
- (b) fixed at the Market Price, in which event such options may be exercised after the first anniversary of the date of grant of that option.

Options granted under the Share Option Scheme will have a life span of 10 years.

During the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020, no options have been granted under the Share Option Scheme.

#### 37. Contingent liabilities

In May 2021, TVHG Budget Amsterdam II B.V. ("TVHG"), the tenant of the two hotels at the Arena Towers in Amsterdam Southeast, commenced preliminary relief proceedings against the Group's wholly-owned subsidiary, FS NL Property 2 B.V., to, inter alia, suspend TVHG's obligation to pay 45% of the rent for a period commencing retrospectively from April 2020 up to March 2021 and thereafter, such percentage of the rent equal to 50% of the percentage turnover decrease until such time that the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted or the hotels' turnover returns to pre-Covid-19 levels. On 1 June 2021, TVHG amended the claim for suspension of 45% of the rent to 43.4%. The court hearing was held on 2 June 2021. On 9 June 2021, the Amsterdam preliminary relief judge issued a favourable ruling, rejecting all of TVHG's claims.

In August 2021, TVHG commenced proceedings on the merits by serving a writ of summons on the Group. TVHG claimed, among other things, that the rent should be reduced with effect from April 2020, and as such it is entitled to a refund of the over-paid rent from April 2020.

In October 2021, the Group filed its statement of defence to dispute TVHG's claims, including that Covid-19 and its consequences are an unforeseen circumstance in the context of a long-term hotel lease. The court hearing is scheduled to be held on 22 March 2022.

As at 31 December 2021, TVHG has fully settled all rental owing (including rental for the period from April 2020 to 31 December 2021 amounting to \$11.7 million (EUR7.6 million), being the amount on which a % is being claimed as a discount), which has been recognised by the Group as rental income under its property holding segment. The Group has received external legal advice in relation to this matter and will vigorously defend its position.

Based on the assessment above, the Group is of the view that no provision for any liability should be made for the litigation as at 31 December 2021, as no reliable estimate of the obligation can be made, pending the outcome of the court hearing.

### 38. Authorisation of financial statements for issue

The financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2021 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors on 8 March 2022.

# STATISTICS OF ORDINARY SHAREHOLDING

As at 11 March 2022

Number of Issued Shares (1) (excluding treasury shares) : 924,154,548 ordinary shares of US\$0.10 each

Voting Rights : 1 vote per share

Number of Treasury Shares : Nil

Note:

(1) This includes 307,682 shares held by a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

	No. of			
Size of Shareholdings	Shareholders	%	No. of Shares	%
1 - 99	45	2.30	707	0.00
100 - 1,000	746	38.22	381,533	0.04
1,001 - 10,000	887	45.44	2,876,896	0.31
10,001 - 1,000,000	251	12.86	19,058,671	2.06
1,000,001 and above	23	1.18	901,836,741	97.59
Total	1,952	100.00	924,154,548	100.00

#### TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS REGISTERED WITH THE CENTRAL DEPOSITORY (PTE) LIMITED

No.	Name	No. of Shares	%
1	REPUBLIC HOTELS & RESORTS LIMITED	289,844,938	31.36
2	FIRST SPONSOR CAPITAL LIMITED	286,764,270	31.03
3	CITIBANK NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	129,023,510	13.96
4	PHILLIP SECURITIES PTE LTD	40,321,991	4.36
5	M&C HOSPITALITY INTERNATIONAL LIMITED	36,402,658	3.94
6	DBS NOMINEES PTE LTD	31,290,601	3.39
7	DBS VICKERS SECURITIES (S) PTE LTD	22,676,222	2.45
8	ARARAT HOLDINGS LIMITED	10,537,587	1.14
9	MAGNIFICENT OPPORTUNITY LIMITED	9,808,562	1.06
10	NEO TECK PHENG	9,109,907	0.99
11	HO HAN LEONG CALVIN	7,200,000	0.78
12	HOCKSONS PTE LTD	6,304,571	0.68
13	HO HAN KHOON ALVIN	3,700,000	0.40
14	JCL CAPITAL PTE LTD	3,223,000	0.35
15	RAFFLES NOMINEES (PTE) LIMITED	2,560,266	0.28
16	UNITED OVERSEAS BANK NOMINEES (PRIVATE) LIMITED	2,288,085	0.25
17	HO HAN SIONG CHRISTOPHER	2,072,500	0.22
18	LEE SAU HUN	1,800,000	0.19
19	KGI SECURITIES (SINGAPORE) PTE. LTD.	1,699,200	0.18
20	ONG KIAN GIAP DANIEL	1,693,500	0.18
	Total:	898,321,368	97.19

### SHAREHOLDING IN THE HANDS OF THE PUBLIC AS AT 11 MARCH 2022

The percentage of shareholding in the hands of the public was approximately 12.55% of the total number of issued and fully paid-up ordinary shares of the Company. Accordingly, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities has been complied with.

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#### SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

	Shares			
	Direct Interest		Deemed Interest	
	Number of Shares	% of Issued Shares	Number of Shares	% of Issued Shares
Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin (1)	7,200,000	0.78	421,369,331	45.60
Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin (2)	3,700,000	0.40	286,764,270	31.03
Mr Neo Teck Pheng (3)	11,176,907 <sup>(4)</sup>	1.21	307,110,419	33.23
First Sponsor Capital Limited	286,764,270	31.03	-	
Tai Tak Asia Properties Ltd (5)	115,450,549 <sup>(6)</sup>	12.49	305,918,782	33.10
Tai Tak Industries Pte. Ltd. <sup>(7)</sup>	_	_	421,369,331	45.60
Tai Tak Estates Sendirian Berhad (8)	_	_	421,369,331	45.60
SG Investments Pte. Ltd. (9)	_	_	421,369,331	45.60
First Sponsor Management Limited (10)		-	286,764,270	31.03
TT Properties (Asia) Ltd. (11)	_	_	286,764,270	31.03
Republic Hotels & Resorts Limited	289,844,938	31.36	_	_
M&C Hotel Investments Pte. Ltd. (12)	_	_	289,844,938	31.36
M&C Hospitality International Limited (13)	36,402,658	3.94	289,844,938	31.36
M&C Singapore Holdings (UK) Limited (14)	_	_	326,247,596	35.30
Millennium & Copthorne Hotels Limited (15)	_	_	326,247,596	35.30
Agapier Investments Limited (16)	_	_	326,247,596	35.30
Singapura Developments (Private) Limited (17)	-	_	326,247,596	35.30
City Developments Limited (18)	_	_	326,247,596	35.30
Hong Leong Investment Holdings Pte. Ltd. (19)	_	_	326,247,596	35.30

#### Notes:

- (1) Mr Ho Han Leong Calvin, the Company's Non-Executive Chairman, is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in (a) the Shares held directly by First Sponsor Capital Limited ("FSCL"), (b) the Shares held directly by Tai Tak Asia Properties Ltd ("TTAPL") and in which TTAPL is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA and (c) the Shares in which Chengdu Tianfu Properties Ltd. ("CTF") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA, which are 286,764,270 Shares, 421,369,331 Shares and 19,154,512 Shares respectively. These three entities are entities in which he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof. Please refer to note 5 below for the details on the Shares in which TTAPL and CTF are treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA. He is also treated as having an interest in the Shares held indirectly by Tai Tak Industries Pte. Ltd. ("TTI"), Tai Tak Estates Sendirian Berhad ("TTESB"), SG Investments Pte. Ltd. ("SGI"), First Sponsor Management Limited ("FSML") and TT Properties (Asia) Ltd. ("TTPA"), in which he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof.
- (2) Mr Ho Han Khoon Alvin, an alternate director to the Company's Non-Executive Chairman, is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held directly by FSCL and indirectly by FSML and TTPA, in which he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 286,764,270 Shares.
- (3) Mr Neo Teck Pheng, the Group Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director, is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held directly by FSCL, Ararat Holdings Limited and Magnificent Opportunity Limited, which are 286,764,270 Shares, 10,537,587 Shares and 9,808,562 Shares, respectively. These three entities are entities in which he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof. He is also treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by FSML, in which he is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof.
- (4) Includes 2,067,000 Shares held via United Overseas Bank Nominees (Private) Limited.
- (5) TTAPL is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in (a) the Shares held by FSCL directly and (b) the Shares held by CTF via DBS Vickers Securities (S) Pte Ltd, which are 286,764,270 Shares and 19,154,512 Shares, respectively. TTAPL is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares of FSCL and CTF.
- (6) Includes 115,000,000 Shares held via Citibank Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd.

## STATISTICS OF ORDINARY SHAREHOLDING

As at 11 March 2022

- (7) TTI is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held directly and indirectly by TTAPL, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 421,369,331 Shares.
- (8) TTESB is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by TTI, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 421,369,331 Shares.
- (9) SGI is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by TTESB, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 421,369,331 Shares.
- (10) FSML is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held directly by FSCL, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 286,764,270 Shares.
- (11) TTPA is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by FSML, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 286,764,270 Shares.
- (12) M&C Hotel Investments Pte. Ltd. ("MHIPL") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held directly by Republic Hotels & Resorts Limited, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 289,844,938 Shares.
- (13) M&C Hospitality International Limited ("MHIL") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by MHIPL, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 289,844,938 Shares.
- (14) M&C Singapore Holdings (UK) Limited ("MSH") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held directly and indirectly by MHIL, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 326,247,596 Shares.
- (15) Millennium & Copthorne Hotels Limited ("M&C") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by MSH, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 326,247,596 Shares.
- (16) Agapier Investments Limited ("AlL") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by M&C, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 326,247,596 Shares.
- (17) Singapura Developments (Private) Limited ("SDP") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by AlL, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 326,247,596 Shares.
- (18) City Developments Limited ("CDL") is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by SDP, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 326,247,596 Shares.
- (19) Hong Leong Investment Holdings Pte. Ltd. is treated as having an interest under Section 4 of the SFA in the Shares held indirectly by CDL, in which it is entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20 per cent. of the votes attached to the voting shares thereof, which is 326,247,596 Shares.

The information required under Rule 720(6) and Appendix 7.4.1 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual in respect of Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih seeking re-election at the Annual General Meeting on 26 April 2022 is set out below:

	Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih
Date of Appointment	5 March 2019
Date of last re-appointment (if applicable)	24 April 2019
Age	40
Country of principal residence	Singapore
The Board's comments on this appointment (including rationale, selection criteria, board diversity considerations and the search and nomination process)	Mr Kwek has continued to discharge his duties as Non-Executive Director well and to contribute positively to the Company.
	The process of succession planning for the Board, appointment of Directors and the re-nomination and re-election of Directors are set out on pages 87 to 88 of the Annual Report.
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, the area of responsibility	Non-Executive
Job Title (e.g. Lead ID, AC Chairman, AC Member etc.)	Non-Executive Director
Professional qualifications	Master of Arts Degree, Columbia University
	Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance, Wharton School of Business
	Bachelor of Arts Degree, University of Pennsylvania
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10	September 2012 – Present
years	Private investor in disruptive and new technologies, private equity investing and opportunistic investments.
	January 2012 – August 2012
	Business Development Associate, Thomson Medical Center.
	<u>March 2010 – January 2012</u>
	Assistant Vice-President (Investments), Hong Leong Management Services Pte Ltd.
Shareholding interest in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries	Nil
Any relationship (including immediate family relationships) with any existing director, existing executive officer, the issuer and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries	Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih is the son of Mr Kwek Leng Beng, the Executive Chairman of City Developments Limited.
Conflict of interest (including any competing business)	No
Undertaking (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720(1) has been submitted to the listed issuer	Yes

		Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih
Othe	Principal Commitments including directorships	Past (for the last 5 years)
		• Nil
		Present
		Beijing Fortune Hotel Co., Ltd. (Director)
		Hong Leong Foundation (Governor)
		Welland Investments Limited (Alternate Director)
appo chief man	lose the following matters concerning an intment of director, chief executive officer, financial officer, chief operating officer, general ager or other officer of equivalent rank. If the ver to any question is "yes", full details must be n.	
(a)	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any bankruptcy law of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner at the time when he was a partner or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a partner?	No
(b)	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against an entity (not being a partnership) of which he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive, at the time when he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity, for the winding up or dissolution of that entity or, where that entity is the trustee of a business trust, that business trust, on the ground of insolvency?	No
(c)	Whether there is any unsatisfied judgment against him?	No
(d)	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such purpose?	No
(e)	Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such breach?	No

		Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih
(f)	Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgment has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings of which he is aware) involving an allegation of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part?	
(g)	Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any entity or business trust?	No
(h)	Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director or an equivalent person of any entity (including the trustee of a business trust), or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any entity or business trust?	
(i)	Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgment or ruling of any court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity?	
(j)	Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of:-	
	<ul> <li>any corporation which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing corporations in Singapore or elsewhere; or</li> </ul>	
	ii. any entity (not being a corporation) which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing such entities in Singapore or elsewhere; or	
	iii. any business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing business trusts in Singapore or elsewhere; or	
	<ul> <li>iv. any entity or business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere,</li> </ul>	
	in connection with any matter occurring or arising during that period when he was so concerned with the entity or business trust?	

		Mr Kingston Kwek Eik Huih
(k)	Whether he has been the subject of any current or past investigation or disciplinary proceedings, or has been reprimanded or issued any warning, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any other regulatory authority, exchange, professional body or government agency, whether in Singapore or elsewhere?	No
Disc only	losure applicable to the appointment of Director	
1 -	prior experience as a director of an issuer listed on the ange?	Not Applicable
If yes	s, please provide details of prior experience.	
atter	, please state if the director has attended or will be ading training on the roles and responsibilities of a tor of a listed issuer as prescribed by the Exchange.	
nom direc	se provide details of relevant experience and the inating committee's reasons for not requiring the tor to undergo training as prescribed by the Exchange plicable).	