





Defining <sup>and</sup> Transforming The Future



The name **Pacific Century Premium Developments** signifies the company's sharp focus on the high-end segment of property markets in the region.

In Chinese, the name takes on a more aspirational meaning that invites reflection on the company's origins and progress to the present day, as well as its ambitions for the future.

The structure of the name contains a reference to rivers and streams leading to the sea. According to ancient literature, all such waterways share that destiny and tend to be individually active and dynamic in making their way to the coast, where they finally achieve success together.

The Chinese version of PCPD's name also symbolises vigorous growth into prosperity and can be likened to acorns developing into oak trees, which are well known for their towering size, solid stature and longevity. Interestingly, this analogy is very similar to the popular English saying: 'From tiny acorns do mighty oak trees grow'.

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# CORPORATE PROFILE



Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono Residence and Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono in Japan



Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited ("PCPD" or the "Group", SEHK: 00432) is principally engaged in the development and management of premium-grade property and infrastructure projects as well as premium-grade property investments. PCCW Limited ("PCCW", SEHK: 00008) is the single largest shareholder of the Group.

# **PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT**

PCPD completed the last phase of its signature project Residence Bel-Air at the end of 2008. This has become one of the city's most prestigious residential developments. The Group also developed ONE Pacific Heights, a prime residential project situated in the western part of Hong Kong Island.

The Group continues to explore investment opportunities around the world. In line with this strategy, the Group has drawn up long-term development plans for worldclass all-season luxury resorts in Hokkaido, Japan and Phang Nga, Thailand. In Hokkaido, Japan, Park Hyatt Niseko, Hanazono has been in operation since early 2020 and the Group has started to plan for the next phase of development. As for the project in Phang Nga, Thailand, the Group commenced sales of the first batch of villas in 2019, and the golf course and golf club have been in operation since mid-2021.

The Group acquired a site located in Sudirman CBD, Jakarta, Indonesia in 2013 and developed it into a premium Grade A office building. It has become one of the busiest multinational corporation hubs in that area.

In 2018, the Group acquired a prime site at 3–6 Glenealy in Central, Hong Kong. The Group intends to redevelop the site into a luxury residential development.

# **PROPERTY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT**

Leveraging on its extensive experience and expertise, the Group provides property and asset management services for various kinds of premises.

# Sparkle in the Night and the second 001206





Glamorous fireworks presented by Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono and Niseko Hanazono Resort

# STATEMENT FROM THE INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN



We are cautiously optimistic about the property sectors in Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand and Indonesia in the long run. We will formulate our cost and revenue strategies in preparation for unforeseen situations and also to enhance our business performance.

The year 2023 was challenging for economies across the world. Rising interest rates, inflation and uncertainties associated with geopolitical tensions combined to cast a shadow over the global economy, especially in developed countries. In China, although activity had rebounded from the COVID pandemic, domestic demand remained tepid. The ongoing conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East have added further uncertainty to the mix.

Despite all the challenges, the world economy performed better than expected in 2023. In the third quarter, the US managed to avoid a recession and grew at a pace stronger than previously estimated. After hitting a four-decade high in 2022, inflation both core and headline — gradually came back under control and moderated in various developed nations in 2023.

Meanwhile, the global travel and tourism sector continued to recover throughout the year. In the Asia-Pacific region, international tourist arrivals reached 62 percent of pre-pandemic levels in the first three quarters. In particular, Japan and Thailand, where PCPD has operations, experienced a significant resurgence. This contributed to the Group's performance in 2023.

As an enterprise reputed for crafting premium-grade property projects, PCPD is in a solid position to thrive in good times and show its mettle in uncertain times. The past few years of pandemic saw us successfully navigate unprecedented challenges, and we have been able to leverage our strengths to capture new opportunities and put our performance back on a growth trajectory.

We are confident of the Asia-Pacific economy in the long run, and yet we are aware of the multiple challenges and potential risks ahead. Amid continuing uncertainties, we will closely monitor the changing of the business environment and sensibly weigh opportunities and risks. We will meticulously refine and implement our business strategy to capitalise on growth opportunities, identify and develop projects with real potential, and strive to generate greater returns for our stakeholders.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank our shareholders and stakeholders for their constant support for the Group. Finally, I would like to extend my gratitude to all of our staff members and management team in Hong Kong and overseas offices for their dedication and hard work over the past year.

Richard Wong Independent Non-Executive Chairman

February 21, 2024

# STATEMENT FROM THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN AND GROUP MANAGING DIRECTOR

*The Group recorded a consolidated revenue of approximately HK\$822 million for the financial year ended December 31, 2023, representing a year-on-year increase of approximately 46% from HK\$561 million for the previous financial year.* 

The Group logged a consolidated operating loss of approximately HK\$89 million for 2023, compared to the consolidated operating loss of HK\$215 million for 2022.

The consolidated net loss attributable to equity holders of the company totalled approximately HK\$466 million for 2023, compared to the consolidated net loss of approximately HK\$598 million for 2022. Basic loss per share was approximately 22.89 Hong Kong cents, compared to 29.34 Hong Kong cents in basic loss per share for 2022.

The Board of Directors has not recommended a final dividend for the year ended December 31, 2023.

In 2023, we achieved a solid set of results which reflect a period of persistent recovery for the Group. Following several years of global travel restrictions, the international travel and tourism sector has experienced a gradual return to pre-pandemic travel patterns in the past year. This development continued to stand PCPD in good stead. In Japan, the rebound was particularly remarkable, with a more-than-five-fold year-on-year surge in the number of overseas visitors in the last quarter of 2023. Park Hyatt Niseko, Hanazono, our hospitality business in Hokkaido, reported a marked surge in both occupancy and revenue in winter. Recreational facilities at Niseko Hanazono Resort, including "42°N Art Hanazono — Mountain Lights", "Hanazono Zipflight", gondolas and ski lifts, also recorded a significant increase in the number of visitors and users compared to those of the previous year.

Pacific Century Place, Jakarta ("PCP Jakarta"), our premium commercial building in Jakarta, Indonesia, logged an office space occupancy of 83% in 2023. During the past year, we launched a range of sales and marketing initiatives to nurture relationships in order to bring more potential tenants to PCP Jakarta. Meanwhile, Executive Centre @ PCP, a new flexible workplace solution in PCP Jakarta, delivered a stable and consistent performance.

# STATEMENT FROM THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN AND GROUP MANAGING DIRECTOR



In Thailand, tourism remained the key engine driving economic recovery. Foreign tourist arrivals continued to increase despite a change in the nationality mix. All these helped drive up revenue for the Group's golf clubhouse and 18-hole golf course in Phang Nga. Riding on the growth, we implemented an array of marketing activities to lure prospective buyers to the on-site show villa of our property development project in Phang Nga.

Development of our luxury property at 3–6 Glenealy, Central, Hong Kong, has been progressing well since the piling work began. Hong Kong's property market is currently experiencing a slowdown, and we remain cautiously optimistic about it in the long run. Globally, 2024 will present different challenges, although there will also be opportunities in the Asia-Pacific region. We will monitor closely changes in the market while remaining agile in the way we deploy our resources, with a view to optimising our performance and delivering returns.

**Benjamin Lam** *Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director* 

February 21, 2024

# **KEY BUSINESS STRATEGIES**

The Group is principally engaged in the development and management of premium-grade property and infrastructure projects as well as premium-grade property investments. PCPD aims to create and enhance value for its shareholders through development projects, acquisitions and joint ventures.

For this purpose, we embrace two key business strategies:

# 1. Maintain long-term growth and profitability by developing and investing in premium-grade properties

We will focus on the development of our existing land bank in Hanazono, Niseko in Japan and Phang Nga, Thailand as well as our Glenealy site in Hong Kong. In addition, we are proactively seeking suitable premium development projects to generate favourable returns and sustain long-term growth for the Group.

# 2. Enhance our opportunities in real estate markets worldwide by leveraging on our experience, expertise, and brand established in developing and managing luxury residential, resort and hotel properties, and premium-grade buildings

We intend to replicate our success and maximise the strengths of our brand through new projects. We would explore opportunities to participate in projects with the benefit of economies of scale and deploy our strength, and to acquire and upgrade properties for investment or sale, whether through establishing joint ventures or by setting up real estate funds.



Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono, Japan

Our all-season recreational business in Niseko, Hokkaido, Japan, and golf operation in Thailand



Explore Hidden Gem Excitement

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Management's discussion and analysis of the audited consolidated financial results and operations relating to the business of Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited ("Company") and its subsidiaries (together with the Company, "Group") for the year ended December 31, 2023 is set out below.

# **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

# Property investment and development



### Property investment in Indonesia

In Jakarta, Indonesia, the occupancy of our premium commercial building, Pacific Century Place, Jakarta ("PCP Jakarta"), remained stable throughout the year. At the end of December 31, 2023, the office space occupancy was 83%, compared to 81% the previous year. The gross rental income amounted to HK\$239 million for 2023, compared to HK\$239 million in 2022.

In the second quarter of 2023, Executive Centre @ PCP, a flexible workplace solution in PCP Jakarta, was launched under the partnership between our premium commercial property and Asia's leading premium flexible workspace provider, The Executive Centre ("TEC"). The strategic partnership was formed at a time when the way in which people work has changed significantly. As a result of the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, office workspaces of higher quality.

### Property development in Japan

The Group has no revenue from its property development in Japan for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.





Property development in Hong Kong

Piling work for our property development project at 3–6 Glenealy, Central has been progressing well.

### Property development and golf operation in Thailand

In Phang Nga, Thailand, 33 percent of phase 1A villas has been sold or reserved. The handover of completed villas and inspection with owners were progressing well during the year. The Group's revenue from its property development in Thailand totalled HK\$30 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, compared to HK\$24 million in 2022.

Visitors to the golf clubhouse and the 18-hole golf course recorded an uptick and the number of golf rounds increased by 52% year-on-year. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Group's revenue from its golf operations in Thailand amounted to HK\$9 million, compared to HK\$5 million in the previous year.



# Hotel operations, recreation and leisure operations in Japan

### Hotel operations in Japan

Park Hyatt Niseko, Hanazono, our hotel operations in Hokkaido, delivered an excellent performance in 2023, as Japan saw a sharp rise in inbound tourists during the year, which was Park Hyatt Niseko's first full year of operation since the country lifted COVID-related travel restrictions on foreign tourists. The average occupancy of 2023 increased by 7 percentage point.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Group's revenue from its hotel operations in Japan amounted to HK\$276 million, compared to HK\$150 million in 2022.

### Recreation and leisure operations in Japan

The Group's all-season recreational operation is located in Niseko, Hokkaido, Japan, which is one of the premium ski destinations in the world. There are various facilities and recreational activities operated by the Group, including "Hanazono EDGE" (a restaurant and entertainment centre), ski lifts, ski equipment rental, a ski school and snowmobile tours in winter, "42°N Art Hanazono — Mountain Lights", "Hanazono Zipflight", which features the longest zipline in East Asia, rafting tours and golfing in summer.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

In the second half of 2022, Japan opened its borders and lifted travel restrictions on foreign visitors. In spring 2023, the remaining COVID-related requirements for tourists submission of vaccination certificates or pre-departure negative COVID test certificates — were dropped. All these had a significant positive impact on our all-season recreational business in Niseko. At the same time, we scaled up our efforts in promotional activities with a view to luring visitors. Revenue from this segment rose to HK\$156 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, from HK\$74 million for the year ended December 31, 2022.

## Property and facilities management



## Hong Kong

The Group provides property management and facilities management services in Hong Kong, and generated a revenue of HK\$31 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, compared to HK\$31 million in 2022.

## Japan

The Group provides property management in Japan, and generated a revenue of HK\$68 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, compared to HK\$27 million in 2022.

# Other businesses

Other businesses of the Group mainly include property investment in Hong Kong. The revenue from these other businesses amounted to HK\$13 million for the year ended December 31, 2023 compared to HK\$11 million in 2022.

# Unwind among the glowing Bloom

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

# **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

# **Review of results**

The consolidated revenue of the Group was HK\$822 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, representing an increase of 46 per cent from HK\$561 million in 2022. The increase was mainly due to the increase in operating revenue from hotel operations and all-season recreational operations in Niseko, Hokkaido, Japan.

The consolidated gross profit of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2023 was HK\$547 million, representing an increase of 64 per cent from HK\$333 million in 2022. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the gross profit margin was 67 per cent compared to 59 per cent in 2022.

The general and administrative expenses were HK\$665 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, representing an increase of 0.4 per cent from HK\$662 million in 2022. The increase was mainly due to increase in operating costs.

The consolidated operating loss for the year ended December 31, 2023 decreased to HK\$89 million as compared to HK\$215 million in 2022. Such decrease was mainly due to the improved performance in hotel operations and all-season recreational operations in Niseko, Hokkaido, Japan.

The Group recorded lower finance costs of HK\$332 million for the year ended December 31, 2023 compared to HK\$343 million for 2022. The decrease was mainly due to decrease in finance costs for guaranteed notes. The consolidated net loss after taxation was HK\$466 million for the year ended December 31, 2023, as compared to HK\$598 million in 2022. Basic loss per share during the year under review was 22.89 Hong Kong cents compared to basic loss per share of 29.34 Hong Kong cents in 2022.

# Current assets and liabilities

As at December 31, 2023, the Group held current assets of HK\$4,461 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$1,811 million), mainly comprising properties under development/held for sale, cash and cash equivalent, short-term deposits, sales proceeds held in stakeholders' accounts, restricted cash, and prepayments, deposits and other current assets. The increase in current assets is mainly attributable to transfer of Property under development to current portion. Sales proceeds held

in stakeholders' accounts amounted to HK\$9 million as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: HK\$506 million). The level of restricted cash decreased to HK\$43 million as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: HK\$153 million).

As at December 31, 2023, the Group's total current liabilities amounted to HK\$1,172 million, as compared to HK\$1,495 million as at December 31, 2022. The decrease was mainly due to the amount payable to the HKSAR Government under the Cyberport Project Agreement was settled in 2023. As at December 31, 2023, the current ratio was 3.81 (December 31, 2022: 1.21).

# Capital structure, liquidity and financial resources

As at December 31, 2023, the Group's borrowings amounted to HK\$9,441 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$8,974 million). The balance as at December 31, 2023 represented the amortised cost of financial liabilities in respect of the 5.125% guaranteed notes of US\$800 million issued (equivalent to HK\$6,220 million), the total outstanding principal amount of Japanese Yen ("JPY") 10,990 million (equivalent to HK\$604 million) under all JPY loan facilities, together with the principal amount of HK\$2,632 million under the Hong Kong dollar loan facilities.

On June 18, 2021, PCPD Capital issued in aggregate principal amount of US\$800 million 5.125% new guaranteed notes due 2026 ("New Notes"), which are listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited. The estimated fair value of the option of the early redemption and repurchase rights are recognised as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. The New Notes are irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company. The New Notes rank pari passu among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of PCPD Capital and the Company.

On June 9, 2017, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement which the lender had agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of JPY1,500 million ("JPY Facility 2026"). The maturity date of the JPY Facility 2026 is December 2026. Such facility is secured by the land and buildings and a bank account of the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary and the indirect whollyowned subsidiary is subject to certain financial covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As at December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached. The carrying value of the borrowing as at December 31, 2023 represents the outstanding principal amount of JPY450 million (equivalent to HK\$25 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY600 million) offset by the deferred arrangement costs of JPY8 million (equivalent to HK\$1 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY14 million).

In April, 2021, a project development loan facility was entered by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company which the lenders agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$1,382 million ("HK\$ Loan 2026"). The maturity date for the HK\$ Loan 2026 is the earlier of April 13, 2026 or twelve months after occupation permit of the development project in Hong Kong being issued by the building authority. The HK\$ Loan 2026 is secured by certain land and property, bank accounts, shares and other assets of the indirect non-wholly owned subsidiaries and the Company and the indirect non-wholly owned subsidiary are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As of December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the HK\$ Loan 2026 represents the loan drawdown of HK\$954 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$880 million) offset by the deferred loan arrangement costs of HK\$2 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$10 million).

On March 29, 2018, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Borrower") entered into a term loan facility agreement under which the lender agreed to make available term loan facilities up to an aggregate amount of JPY20,000 million. The facility comprises (1) a JPY10,000 million facility for the construction of a branded residence ("JPY Facility 2021") which matures on February 14, 2020 with an option to extend to March 31, 2021 and (2) a JPY10,000 million facility for the construction of a branded hotel ("JPY Facility 2023") with a maturity date of March 31, 2023. In February 2020, the Borrower has fully repaid the JPY Facility 2021. The JPY Facility 2023 is secured by certain land and property, ordinary and/or preferred shares of the Borrower and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Hotel Operator"). The Borrower and the Hotel Operator are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As of December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the JPY Facility 2023 represents the outstanding principal amount of JPY10,000 million (equivalent to HK\$550 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY10,000 million) offset by the deferred loan arrangement costs of JPY14 million (equivalent to HK\$1 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY14 million).

On June 11, 2019, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement under which the lender agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$1,170 million. On June 27, 2022, an amendment of the term loan facility agreement was entered, and the available term loan facility was upsized to HK\$1,340 million. The maturity date of the term loan facility is in June 2024 ("HK\$ Loan 2024"). On December 29, 2023, the HK\$ Loan 2024 was renewed with maturity date in December 2026 at latest drawdown amount HK\$1,208 million. Such facility is secured by the land and buildings, bank accounts, shares and other assets of certain indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company. The Company and the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As at December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the borrowing represents the loan drawdown of HK\$1,208 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$1,258 million) offset by the deferred loan arrangement fees of HK\$11 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$5 million).

On August 1, 2023, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement under which the lender agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$780 million. The maturity date of the term loan facility is in July 2024 ("HK\$ Loan 2023"). Such facility is secured by corporate guarantee of the company, certain indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company and PCCW Limited ("PCCW") up to its percentage of interest of the issued share capital of the Company. The Company and the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As at December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the borrowing represents the loan drawdown of HK\$470 million (December 31, 2022: Nil).

As at December 31, 2023, the net debt-to-equity ratio was 1,257 per cent (as at December 31, 2022: 687.7 per cent). The net debt is calculated from the aggregated principal amounts of borrowings of HK\$9,441 million less the aggregate of cash and cash equivalents and short term deposits of HK\$865 million.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Group's borrowings were denominated in US dollars, Hong Kong dollars and Japanese Yen while the cash and bank deposits were held mainly in US dollars and Hong Kong dollars. The Group has foreign operations, and certain of its net assets are exposed to the risk of foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. As at December 31, 2023, the assets of the Group in Indonesia, Thailand and Japan represented 35 per cent, 8 per cent and 28 per cent of the Group's total assets respectively. The Group's currency exposure with respect to these operations is subject to fluctuations in the exchange rates of Indonesian Rupiah, Thai Baht and Japanese Yen.

Cash generated from operating activities for the year ended December 31, 2023 was HK\$248 million compared to cash used in operating activities of HK\$101 million in 2022. The change in operating cash flow was mainly due to the sales proceed held in stakeholders' accounts were released from the Cyberport Project Agreement with HKSAR Government.

## Income tax

The Group's income tax for the year ended December 31, 2023 was HK\$66 million, as compared to HK\$54 million in 2022. The increase was mainly due to the increase of withholding tax charged on the intercompany loan interest.

# Security on assets

As at December 31, 2023, certain assets of the Group with an aggregated carrying value of HK\$7,759 million were mortgaged and pledged to the bank as security for the loan facility (December 31, 2022: HK\$7,713 million).

# Contingent liabilities

There was no contingent liabilities during the year ended December 31, 2023.

# EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

As at December 31, 2023, the Group employed a total number of 1,353 staff in Hong Kong and overseas (inclusive of property management staff borne by owners' account and seasonal staff employed overseas) (2022: 1,188 staff). The remuneration policies of the Group are in line with prevailing industry practices. Bonuses are paid on a discretionary basis taking into account factors such as performance of individual employees and the Group's performance as a whole. The Group provides comprehensive employee benefits, including medical insurance, a choice of provident fund or mandatory provident fund and training programmes. The Group is also a participating member of the PCCW employee share incentive award schemes.

The Company operates a share option scheme which was adopted by its shareholders at the Company's annual general meeting held on May 6, 2015, and became effective on May 7, 2015 following its approval by PCCW's shareholders ("2015 Scheme"). The 2015 Scheme is valid and effective for the period of 10 years commencing on May 7, 2015. Under the 2015 Scheme, the Board shall be entitled to offer to grant a share option to any eligible participant whom the Board may, at its absolute discretion, select.

# **DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTION**

The Board did not recommend the payment of a final dividend to shareholders nor a final distribution to bonus convertible noteholders for the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).

The Board did not declare an interim dividend to shareholders nor an interim distribution to bonus convertible noteholders for the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).

# CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS AND CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF NOTEHOLDERS

The register of members and the register of noteholders of bonus convertible notes of the Company will be closed from May 24, 2024 to May 29, 2024, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares and bonus convertible notes of the Company will be effected.

- (a) In the case of shares of the Company, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, should be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for registration no later than 4:30 p.m. on May 23, 2024; and
- (b) In the case of bonus convertible notes of the Company, in order to be entitled to attend and vote at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company, the notice of conversion accompanied by the relevant note certificate and payment of the necessary amount should be surrendered to and deposited with the Company's registrar in respect of the bonus convertible notes, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, at Shops 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, for conversion into shares of the Company no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 5, 2024.

# **OUTLOOK**

The world economy has experienced enormous volatility in the past few years. Entering 2024, it may remain on a precarious footing amid uncertainties. We remain cautiously optimistic while proactively looking for new opportunities. Global economic growth in the coming year is likely to slow, whereas inflation should ease further and rate cuts may come into focus in the year, setting the stage for a gradual recovery of the world economy. It remains to be seen whether the US economy can achieve a soft landing.

As a forward-looking property developer, we are attentive to the dynamic market conditions, consumption behaviour and economic landscape. A series of carefully crafted sales and marketing initiatives tailored for the post-pandemic era will be rolled out in all markets where we have operations, with a view to nurturing relationships and attracting potential international tenants, travellers and high-net-worth buyers worldwide.

International tourism looks well on track to return to prepandemic levels in the year to come. Notwithstanding growth in 2024 is expected to be slower than the year before, we have laid a solid foundation to capitalise on the upward trend, especially in the Asia-Pacific region.

We are cautiously optimistic about the property sectors in Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand and Indonesia in the long run. We will formulate our cost and revenue strategies in preparation for unforeseen situations and also to enhance our business performance.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

LI Tzar Kai, Richard

Mr Li, aged 57, is an Executive Director of Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited ("PCPD"), the Chairman of PCPD's Executive Committee of the board of directors ("Board"), a member of PCPD's Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee of the Board. He became a director of PCPD in May 2004. He was also the Chairman of PCPD from June 2004 to May 2019. He also holds positions in the following companies:

- Chairman and Executive Director of PCCW Limited ("PCCW");
- (2) Chairman of PCCW's Executive Committee;
- a member of PCCW's Nomination Committee of the PCCW board;
- Executive Chairman and Executive Director of HKT Limited ("HKT") and HKT Management Limited, the trustee-manager of the HKT Trust;
- (5) Chairman of HKT's Executive Committee;
- a member of HKT's Nomination Committee of the HKT board;
- (7) Chairman and Chief Executive of the Pacific Century Group;
- (8) Chairman and Executive Director of Singapore-based Pacific Century Regional Developments Limited ("PCRD"), and the Chairman of PCRD's Executive Committee; and
- (9) a Director of certain FWD group companies.

Mr Li is a member of the Center for Strategic and International Studies' International Councillors' Group in Washington, D.C.. He was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Cable & Satellite Broadcasting Association of Asia in November 2011.

# Benjamin LAM Yu Yee

Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director

Mr Lam, aged 62, is an Executive Director, Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director of PCPD, a member of PCPD's Executive Committee of the Board and a director of certain PCPD subsidiaries. He became a director of PCPD in May 2019. He served PCPD as Chief Operating Officer in September 2004 and was Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Executive Director from September 2007 to November 2014.

Prior to joining PCPD in September 2004, Mr Lam was the Chief Financial Officer of Asia Pacific Resources International Limited in Singapore in 2003 and was appointed as the President of China Operations in April 2004. Between 1999 to 2003, Mr Lam was an Executive Director and Group Chief Financial Officer of Sino Land Company Limited ("Sino Land"). Prior to joining Sino Land, he had worked in various financial institutions for over 13 years and had substantial experience in corporate finance and investment banking.

Mr Lam holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering from The University of Hong Kong and a Master of Business Administration degree from the Manchester Business School.

# **NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

### Dr Allan ZEMAN, GBM, GBS, JP

# INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Prof WONG Yue Chim, Richard, SBS, JP

Independent Non-Executive Chairman

Dr Zeman, aged 75, is a Non-Executive Director of PCPD, a member of PCPD's Nomination Committee of the Board and a director of certain PCPD subsidiaries. He became a director of PCPD in June 2004.

Dr Zeman is the Chairman of Lan Kwai Fong Group, a major property owner and developer in Hong Kong's Lan Kwai Fong, one of Hong Kong's popular tourist attractions and entertainment districts. Dr Zeman is also an Independent Non-Executive Director of Sino Land, Tsim Sha Tsui Properties Limited, Television Broadcasts Limited, Fosun Tourism Group and a board member of The "Star" Ferry Company, Limited. Besides all the board appointments in Hong Kong, Dr Zeman is also the Non-Executive Chairman and Independent Non-Executive Director of Wynn Macau, Limited, a prominent gaming company in Macau. Dr Zeman was an Independent Non-Executive Director of Global Brands Group Holding Limited from June 2014 to June 2021.

Having lived in Hong Kong for over 53 years, Dr Zeman has been very involved in Government services as well as community activities. Dr Zeman is a member of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKSAR") Chief Executive Council of Advisors, a member of the HKSAR Human Resources Planning Commission, a member of the HKSAR Task Force on Promoting and Branding Hong Kong and a member of the HKSAR Culture Commission. He is a member of the Board of Governors of The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. Dr Zeman is also a board member of The Hong Kong Entrepreneurs Fund of Alibaba Group which was launched in November 2015. Dr Zeman was the board member of the Airport Authority Hong Kong from June 2015 to June 2022. He was also the Chairman of Hong Kong Ocean Park from July 2003 to June 2014 and the honorary advisor to the Ocean Park from July 2014 to June 2022.

Dr Zeman holds the Honorary Doctorate of Laws Degree conferred by The University of Western Ontario, Canada and the Honorary Doctorates of Business Administration conferred by City University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology as well as The Open University of Hong Kong, now known as the Hong Kong Metropolitan University. Prof Wong, aged 71, is an Independent Non-Executive Director and the Independent Non-Executive Chairman of PCPD, the Chairman of PCPD's Audit Committee of the Board and a member of PCPD's Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee of the Board. He became a director of PCPD in July 2004.

Prof Wong is Professor of Economics at The University of Hong Kong. He was awarded the Silver Bauhinia Star in 1999 by the Government of the HKSAR for his contributions in education, housing, industry and technology development. In addition, Prof Wong was appointed a Justice of the Peace in July 2000. He studied Economics at the University of Chicago and graduated with a Doctorate in Philosophy.

Prof Wong is currently an Independent Non-Executive Director of the following listed companies in Hong Kong:

- (1) Great Eagle Holdings Limited; and
- (2) Sun Hung Kai Properties Limited.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **CHIANG Yun**

# **Dr Vince FENG**

Ms Chiang, aged 56, is an Independent Non-Executive Director of PCPD, the Chairlady of PCPD's Remuneration Committee of the Board and a member of PCPD's Audit Committee and Nomination Committee of the Board. She became a director of PCPD in May 2015.

Ms Chiang has over 30 years of private equity investment experience and is now the founding managing partner of Prospere Capital Limited. She was previously a founding managing partner of Pacific Alliance Equity Partners, the private equity division of Pacific Alliance Group ("PAG"). Prior to joining PAG, she was a vice president in AIG Investment Corporation. She is currently an Independent Non-Executive Director of Sands China Ltd. ("Sands") and Goodbaby International Holdings Limited ("Goodbaby"), both of which are listed in Hong Kong. She is also the Chairlady of Environmental, Social and Governance Committee, a member of Audit Committee and Nomination Committee of Sands as well as the Chairlady of Audit Committee, Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee of Goodbaby, Ms Chiang is also a Non-Executive Director of Yantai Changyu Pioneer Wine Company Limited, which is listed in Shenzhen.

Ms Chiang obtained a Bachelor of Science degree, cum laude, from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in 1992 and an Executive Master of Business Administration degree from The Kellogg Graduate School of Management of North-western University and The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology in 1999. Dr Feng, aged 51, is an Independent Non-Executive Director of PCPD, the Chairman of PCPD's Nomination Committee of the Board and a member of PCPD's Audit Committee of the Board. He became a director of PCPD in March 2018.

Dr Feng co-founded Ocean Arete Limited, an investment manager based in Hong Kong that manages the global macro hedge fund Arete Macro Fund. Dr Feng is also a Non-Executive Independent Director of TIH Limited (formerly known as Transpac Industrial Holdings Limited), a listed company in Singapore, where he also serves as a member of the Risk Governance Committee and Board Investment Committee. Dr Feng also serves as a director of various funds and asset management firms.

Dr Feng has been working in the financial services industry since 1994. Prior to co-founding Arete Macro Fund in 2012, Dr Feng was a Cofounder and Managing Director of Ocean Capital Management Limited from 2009 to 2010. Dr Feng had also previously served as a Managing Director of General Atlantic LLC, a global private equity firm focused on growth sectors, overseeing their North Asian operations and serving on the boards of numerous technology companies in Greater China, such as Lenovo, Digital China, Ren Ren, Data Systems, and Vimicro. Prior to that, Dr Feng was also a financial analyst with Goldman Sachs (Asia) LLC in Hong Kong, working in the Direct Private Investing (formerly PIA) and Mergers and Acquisitions areas.

Dr Feng received his Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Economic Sociology and Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree (Honors) in Social Studies, both from Harvard University, and his Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree from Stanford University.

# CORPORATE CULTURE

Leveraging its premium-grade property investments and expertise in premium property development and management, the Company strives to improve the quality of life of different communities, deliver quintessential experiences and promote sustainability. We embrace a culture of integrity, respect, collaboration, inclusion and care. Our teams are committed to innovation and always make a point of adding a sense of sophistication to every design, as part of our pursuit of excellence for the good of the Company and society at large.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited ("PCPD" or "Company") and its subsidiaries ("Group") have made continued efforts to incorporate the key elements of sound corporate governance into its management structure and internal procedures. The Group is committed to high standards of ethics and integrity in all aspects of business and to ensuring that its affairs are conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and for the benefits and in the interests of shareholders of the Company.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE**

The Company is committed to maintaining a high standard of corporate governance, the principles of which serve to uphold a high standard of ethics, transparency, responsibility and integrity in all aspects of business and to ensure that its affairs are conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Company has applied the principles and complied with all applicable code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code ("CG Code") as set out in Appendix C1 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules") during the year ended December 31, 2023.

# MODEL CODE SET OUT IN APPENDIX C3 TO THE LISTING RULES

The Company has adopted its own code of conduct regarding securities transactions, namely the PCPD Code of Conduct for Securities Transactions ("PCPD Code"), which applies to all directors and employees of the Company on terms no less exacting than the required standard indicated by the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules.

The Company has made specific enquiries with all the directors of the Company and they confirmed that they had complied with the requirements under the PCPD Code for the year ended December 31, 2023.

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As at the date of this report, the board of directors of the Company ("Board") comprises two executive directors, one non-executive director and three independent non-executive directors. The biographies of all the directors as of the date of this report are set out on pages 20 to 22 of this annual report.

The Board is responsible for the management of the Company. Its key responsibilities include formulation of overall strategies of the Group, setting targets for management and supervision of management performance. The Board confines itself to making broad policy decisions and exercising its reserved powers, as set out below:

- 1. those functions and matters as set out in the terms of reference of various committees of the Board (as amended from time to time) for which approval of the Board must be sought from time to time;
- 2. those functions and matters for which approval of the Board must be sought in accordance with the Group's internal policies (as amended from time to time);
- 3. consideration and approval of financial statements in interim reports and annual reports, announcements and press releases of interim and annual results;

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS — CONTINUED**

- 4. consideration of dividend amounts in accordance with the dividend policy as adopted by the Board; and
- 5. monitoring of the corporate governance practices and procedures; and maintenance of appropriate and effective risk management and internal control systems of the Group to ensure compliance with the applicable rules and regulations.

The executive committee of the Board ("Executive Committee") is responsible for considering in detail the policy decisions of the Board and implementing such decisions.

Mr Lee Chi Hong, Robert retired as the Non-executive Chairman and Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard was appointed as the Independent Non-executive Chairman with effect from May 8, 2023. Mr Benjamin Lam Yu Yee is the Group Managing Director of the Company. The role of the Independent Non-executive Chairman is separated from that of the Group Managing Director. The Independent Non-executive Chairman is responsible for ensuring that the Board functions effectively, for providing leadership for the Board in setting goals and objectives for the Company and for ensuring that good corporate governance practices and procedures are established and enforced. The Group Managing Director is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Group's businesses and operations and for ensuring effective implementation of the Group's strategies. Mr Benjamin Lam Yu Yee is also the Deputy Chairman of the Board.

All of the directors have full access to all the relevant information and have been furnished with relevant information in a timely manner, including monthly updates from the management, reports from each committee of the Board and briefings on significant legal, regulatory or accounting issues affecting the Group. Directors are also entitled to seek independent professional advice with costs to be borne by the Company.

All directors have confirmed that they have given sufficient time and attention to the Company's affairs. The Company has requested that each director shall disclose to the Company at the time of his/her appointment the number and nature of offices held in public companies or organisations and other significant commitments and with an indication of the time involved and disclose in a timely manner any changes thereto.

The Board has a structured process to evaluate its own performance and directors' contribution on an annual basis including a self-evaluation questionnaire which has been completed by each director. The objectives of the evaluation are to assess whether the Board and the committees, as well as the directors have adequately and effectively performed its/their roles and fulfilled its/their responsibilities; and has/have devoted sufficient time commitment to the Company's affairs and make contributions to the Board; and to recommend areas for improvement. The evaluation process has confirmed that the Board and committees continue to operate effectively and that the performance of the directors and time commitment in discharging their duties as directors of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2023 were generally satisfactory.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS — CONTINUED**

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for preparing the financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and the Group and of the financial performance and cash flows of the Group for the year in accordance with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and the Listing Rules. In preparing the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, the directors and the Chief Financial Officer have selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently, made judgements and estimates that were prudent and reasonable, stated the reasons for any significant departure from applicable accounting standards in Hong Kong and prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis. The directors and the Chief Financial Officer are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which would reflect with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position, results of operations, cash flows and changes in equity of the Group. The statement of the external auditor of the Company relating to their reporting responsibilities on the financial statements of the Company is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report on pages 68 to 75.

At least one-third of the members of the Board are independent non-executive directors and hence the requirement under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules is complied with. In addition, the qualification and experience of Ms Chiang Yun, one of the independent non-executive directors of the Company, fulfil the requirement under Rule 3.10[2] of the Listing Rules; therefore, the requirement under Rule 3.10 of the Listing Rules is complied with. The Company has received from each of its independent non-executive directors a written confirmation confirming his/her independence to the Company and the Company considers that they are independent in accordance with Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

In accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company, any director appointed by the Board either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board shall hold office only until the first annual general meeting of the Company after his appointment and shall be eligible for re-election at that meeting. In addition, all the directors of the Company are subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the annual general meeting in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company and in compliance with the CG Code. At each annual general meeting of the Company not less than one-third of the directors for the time being who have been longest in office shall retire from office by rotation. All directors are subject to re-election by shareholders at general meetings at least once every three years. The Company has issued formal letters of appointment to its directors setting out the key terms of their appointments as required under the Listing Rules.

The Independent Non-executive Chairman of the Board holds meeting with the independent non-executive directors without the presence of other directors at least annually to ensure independent views and input are available to the Board, such mechanism is reviewed annually by the Board to ensure its implementation and effectiveness.

Independent non-executive directors are identified in all of the corporate communications in which the names of the directors are disclosed. An updated list of the Company's directors identifying the independent non-executive directors and the roles and functions of the directors is maintained on the websites of the Company and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited ("HKEX").

In the year ended December 31, 2023, four Board meetings were held. The attendance record of individual directors at the board meetings is set out in the table on page 39.

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Executive Committee operates as a general management committee with the overall delegated authority from the Board. This ensures that decisions can be taken quickly to enable the Group to seize opportunities in the fast-moving business environment. The Executive Committee is responsible for determining Group strategies, reviewing trading performance, ensuring adequate funding, examining major investment opportunities and monitoring management performance. The authority and duties of the Executive Committee are set out in writing in its terms of reference.

Current members of the Executive Committee are:

- 1. Li Tzar Kai, Richard (Chairman)
- 2. Benjamin Lam Yu Yee

# **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

The remuneration committee of the Board ("Remuneration Committee") is responsible for ensuring that formal and transparent procedures are in place for developing the remuneration policy of the Company, for overseeing the remuneration packages of individual executive directors and senior management, and for providing effective oversight and administration of the share option scheme of the Company. The authority and duties of the Remuneration Committee are set out in writing in its terms of reference which specify, among other things, that it must comprise at least three members, the majority of whom shall be independent non-executive directors and the Chairman of the Remuneration Committee must be an independent non-executive director of the Company. The terms of reference are posted on the websites of the Company and HKEX.

The Company has adopted the model by which determination of the remuneration packages of individual executive directors and senior management is delegated to the Remuneration Committee. The Remuneration Committee is provided with sufficient resources to perform its duties and can seek advice from remuneration consultants or other independent external professional advisors if necessary.

The Remuneration Committee is chaired by an independent non-executive director. Current members of the Remuneration Committee are:

- 1. Chiang Yun (Chairlady)
- 2. Li Tzar Kai, Richard
- 3. Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard

The majority of the members of the Remuneration Committee are independent non-executive directors.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

# **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE - CONTINUED**

The objective of the Company's remuneration policy is to help establish fair and competitive remuneration packages based on our business requirements and industry practice. In order to determine the level of remuneration and fees paid to members of the Board, market rates and factors such as each director's workload, responsibility and job complexity are taken into account. The following factors are considered when determining the remuneration packages of directors and senior management of the Company:

- business requirements;
- individual performance and contribution to results;
- company performance and profitability;
- retention considerations and the potential of individuals;
- corporate goals and objectives;
- changes in relevant markets, including supply and demand fluctuations and changes in competitive conditions; and
- general economic situation.

During the review process, no individual director is involved in decisions relating to his/her own remuneration.

In the year ended December 31, 2023, one Remuneration Committee meeting was held. The attendance record of individual directors at the committee meeting is set out in the table on page 39.

The following is a summary of the work performed by the Remuneration Committee in 2023:

- A. reviewed and approved the remuneration of certain executive directors for 2023 and their 2022 incentive bonus and performance incentives in 2022;
- B. reviewed the fees and remuneration of the non-executive directors for 2023 and made recommendations to the Board for approval; and
- C. reviewed the terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee and concluded that no revision was required.

Details of the remuneration of each director are set out in the consolidated financial statements on pages 107 to 109.

# NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The nomination committee of the Board ("Nomination Committee") is responsible for ensuring that a set of fair and transparent procedures is in place for the appointment and re-appointment of directors to the Board. The authority and duties of the Nomination Committee are set out in writing in its terms of reference which specify, among other things, that it must comprise at least three members, the majority of whom shall be independent non-executive directors and the Chairman of the Nomination Committee can be either the Chairman of the Board or an independent non-executive director of the Company. The terms of reference are posted on the websites of the Company and HKEX.

The Company has formal procedures for the appointment of a new director to the Board, and the appointment process is fair and transparent. The Nomination Committee reviews the structure, size, composition and the balance of skills, knowledge, experience and diversity of perspectives of the Board, identifies suitably qualified candidates to become Board members and makes recommendations to the Board on the selection of candidates nominated for directorships and on succession planning for directors. During the process, the Nomination Committee makes the selection of candidate based on merits and with due regard to the benefits of diversity he/she can bring to the Board.

The Board adopted a board diversity policy ("Board Diversity Policy") on February 25, 2013 with the primary objective of enhancing the effectiveness of the Board and the corporate governance standard of the Group. The Company recognises the importance of having a diverse team of Board members, which is an essential element in maintaining an effective Board. The Nomination Committee has been delegated the authority to review and assess the diversity of the Board by way of considering all aspects of diversity including but not limited to, age, cultural and educational background, gender and ethnicity, and professional experience, skills and knowledge with an objective of maintaining an appropriate mix and balance of skills, knowledge, experience and diversity of perspectives on the Board. A target of 30% female representation on the Board was set as a long term objective by the Board when the Board Diversity Policy was adopted. As at the date of this annual report, the female representation on the Board is 17%. The Nomination Committee is committee to improving gender diversity as and when suitable candidates are identified.

The Group worked relentlessly in the past year towards our corporate objectives in diversity and inclusion. In 2023, our total workforce gender diversity is at 1:1.39 female to male ratio. The gender diversity ratio for senior staff is at 1:1.25. We consider that at present there is a reasonably high gender diversity in the Group's workforce, and will continue to monitor the need to maintain or, if desired or necessary, increase diversity to meet our corporate objectives.

The Nomination Committee will review and access the Board Diversity Policy at least annually and make recommendations to the Board regarding appointment and re-appointment of directors. The Nomination Committee will give consideration to the Board Diversity Policy when identifying and selecting suitably qualified candidates. Selection of candidates will be based on a range of diversity perspectives, as well as professional experience, skills and knowledge, and how the candidate would contribute to the diversity of the Board. The diverse culture helps promote critical thinking and foster constructive debate, thereby enabling the Board in attaining its strategic objectives and achieving sustainable and balanced development for the Group.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

# NOMINATION COMMITTEE - CONTINUED

The Board adopted a nomination policy on November 13, 2018 which sets out the procedures and criteria to be used by the Nomination Committee for the selection, appointment and re-appointment of directors to the Board. In assessing the suitability of proposed candidate, the Nomination Committee has considered key factors which include but not limited to accomplishment, expertise, experience and diversity that the candidate can bring to the Board in all its aspects and the candidate's commitment in respect of available time and relevant interest. The Nomination Committee shall make recommendations for the Board's consideration and approval in respect of candidates to stand for election at a general meeting or for filling a casual vacancy. The Board has the ultimate responsibility for selection and appointment of directors as permitted in the Company's Bye-laws and shall have the final decision on all matters relating to its recommendation of candidates to stand for election at any general meeting.

The Nomination Committee is chaired by an independent non-executive director. Current members of the Nomination Committee are:

- 1. Dr Vince Feng (Chairman)
- 2. Li Tzar Kai, Richard
- 3. Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard
- 4. Dr Allan Zeman
- 5. Chiang Yun

The majority of the members of the Nomination Committee are independent non-executive directors.

The Nomination Committee is provided with sufficient resources to perform its duties and can seek advice from independent external professional advisors if necessary. In the year ended December 31, 2023, one Nomination Committee meeting was held. The attendance record of individual directors at the committee meeting is set out in the table on page 39.

The following is a summary of the work performed by the Nomination Committee in 2023:

- A. reviewed and assessed the independence of all independent non-executive directors and advised the Board as to which of the directors were due to retire pursuant to the applicable laws of Bermuda, the Bye-laws of the Company and the CG Code and recommended the list of retiring directors for re-election at the 2023 annual general meeting;
- B. recommended to the Board for approval of the appointment of Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard as the independent non-executive chairman of the Company after consideration of a range of factors in accordance with the Board Diversity Policy and the Nomination Policy;
- C. annual review of the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge and experience) of the Board based on the Board Diversity Policy; and with a recommendation to the Board for approval;
- D. reviewed the Board Diversity Policy and concluded that no revision was required; and

# NOMINATION COMMITTEE - CONTINUED

E. reviewed the terms of reference of the Nomination Committee and concluded that no revision was required.

At its meeting on February 21, 2024, the Nomination Committee reviewed the structure, size and composition (including skills, knowledge and experience) of the Board and formed the view that the Board has maintained a balance of skills, knowledge, experience and diversity of perspectives which was appropriate for the business of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2023, and had made recommendation to the Board for approval of the same. In performing its duties, the Nomination Committee can seek advice from outside legal counsels or other independent professionals at the Company's expenses if necessary.

# AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Board ("Audit Committee") is responsible for ensuring (i) the objectivity and credibility of the Group's financial reporting; (ii) that the directors have exercised due care, diligence and skills prescribed by law when presenting the Group's results to the shareholders; (iii) that effective systems of risk management and internal controls are in place; (iv) that good corporate governance standards and practices are maintained by the Group; and (v) the Company's general compliance with regulatory obligations. The authority and duties of the Audit Committee are set out in writing in its terms of reference which are posted on the websites of the Company and HKEX.

The major duties of the Audit Committee include (i) making recommendations to the Board on the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the external auditor, compensation and supervision of the external auditor and to ensure the independence of the external auditor by reviewing the fees for audit and non-audit services provided to the Group by the external auditor in accordance with its adopted procedures; and (ii) maintaining of good corporate governance standards and practices and the whistleblower policy of the Group.

In addition, the Audit Committee will (i) evaluate the adequacy and review the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and processes for financial reporting; (ii) review the design, implementation and monitoring of the Group's risk management and internal control systems on an ongoing basis; (iii) consider the changes in the nature and extent of significant risks, and the Company's ability to respond to changes in its business and the external environment; (iv) consider the scope and quality of management's ongoing monitoring of risks and of the internal control systems; and (v) consider significant control failings or weaknesses that have been identified during the period.

The Audit Committee also reviews the Group's financial statements and internal financial reports.

Current members of the Audit Committee are:

- 1. Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard (Chairman)
- 2. Chiang Yun
- 3. Dr Vince Feng

All members of the Audit Committee are independent non-executive directors.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

# AUDIT COMMITTEE - CONTINUED

The Audit Committee is provided with sufficient resources to discharge its duties and meets regularly with management, internal auditor and external auditor and reviews their reports. In the year ended December 31, 2023, two Audit Committee meetings were held. The attendance record of individual directors at the committee meetings is set out in the table on page 39.

The following is a summary of the work performed by the Audit Committee in 2023:

- A. reviewed the financial statements of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the related annual results announcement and made recommendations to the Board that the same be approved;
- B. reviewed the report of the external auditor and made recommendations to the Board for their re-appointment at the 2023 annual general meeting;
- C. reviewed the financial statements of the Company for the six months ended June 30, 2023 and the related interim results announcement and made recommendations to the Board that the same be approved;
- D. reviewed external auditor's reports to the Audit Committee for the year ended December 31, 2022 and the six months ended June 30, 2023 and their terms of engagement, communications plan and audit plan for the Group for the financial year ended December 31, 2023;
- E. reviewed various internal audit reports;
- F. reviewed risk management report and effectiveness of risk management and internal control systems;
- G. reviewed the results of the directors' self-evaluation and the Board's self-assessment questionnaire to evaluate the performance of the Board;
- H. reviewed the terms of reference of the Audit Committee and concluded that no revision was required;
- I. reviewed the corporate governance report of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2022;
- J. reviewed the fees for audit and non-audit services provided by the external auditor;
- K. reviewed the Group's continuing connected transactions and external auditor's report thereon; and
- L. met with the external auditor in the absence of management.

Subsequent to the year end, the Audit Committee reviewed the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 and the related annual results announcement and auditor's report and the corporate governance report, and made recommendations to the Board that the same be approved.

# SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

The Sustainability Committee reports to the senior officers of the Company, including the Group Managing Director, the Project Director and the Chief Financial Officer, and the Board. It comprises all department heads or representatives of the Company.

The Sustainability Committee ensures that the Company operates in a manner that enhances its positive contribution to society and the environment. It is also responsible for reviewing the Company's sustainability strategy, principles and policies; setting guidance, direction and overseeing practices and procedures; and monitoring progress on the Company's sustainability and related activities.

# **EXTERNAL AUDITOR**

The external auditor of the Group is PricewaterhouseCoopers. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the total fees in respect of audit and non-audit services provided by PricewaterhouseCoopers (which for this purpose included any entity that is under the common control, ownership or management of the audit firm or any entity that a reasonable and informed third party having knowledge of all relevant information would reasonably conclude as being part of the firm, either nationally or internationally) amounted to approximately HK\$4.7 million.

The significant non-audit services covered by these fees included the following:

	Fees paid
Nature of service	(HK\$ million)
Non-statutory review services	0.4

# **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS**

The Board acknowledges its responsibility for overseeing the risk management and internal control systems (including environmental, social and governance ("ESG") related risks) of the Group and reviewing their effectiveness at least annually through the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its corporate governance roles in overseeing the Group's financial, operational, compliance, risk management and internal controls, along with ESG performance and reporting, as well as the resourcing of both finance and internal audit functions.

The Group has established an organizational structure with defined levels of responsibility, reporting and escalation procedures. Group Risk Management and Compliance ("GRM&C") and Group Internal Audit ("GIA") assist the Board and/or the Audit Committee in reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems on an ongoing basis. The Board through the Audit Committee is kept regularly apprised of the significant risks that may impact the Group's performance.

Appropriate policies and controls have been designed and established by the Group to ensure that assets are safeguarded against improper use or disposal, while relevant rules and regulations are being adhered to and complied with, including reliable financial and accounting records are maintained in accordance with relevant accounting standards and regulatory reporting requirements, as well as key risks that may impact the Group's reputation and performance are appropriately identified and managed. The systems and internal controls can only provide reasonable, though not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss, as they are designed to mitigate rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives.

# **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

# **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS — CONTINUED**

The Group's enterprise risk management framework is guided by the "Three Lines of Defence" model as shown below:



The First Line of Defence is responsible for identifying and managing risk as part of their accountability for achieving business and operational objectives where it also designs and executes the internal control measures on a daily basis. Being the risk owners, the First Line of Defence has the responsibility to monitor and update the risk profiles on an ongoing basis which are measured against a pre-defined set of likelihood and impact criteria.

The Second Line of Defence provides the policies, frameworks, tools, techniques and advisory support to enable risk and compliance oversight of the First Line of Defence while ascertaining the relevant embedded controls are effective, as well as ensuring the consistency of categorization and measurement of risk attributes. The risk management process integrates both top-down and bottom-up approach to enable the identification, evaluation and management of risks holistically. Mitigation controls will be implemented where opportunities for the enhancement of the existing control environment arise. This process is reviewed regularly by the Audit Committee and GRM&C such that any material findings will be reported to the Board.

The Third Line of Defence provides the Board, executive and senior management of the Group with assurance in an independent and objective manner. Such assurance work covers the effectiveness of governance, risk management, and internal controls, including the manner which the First and Second Lines of Defence operate in achieving firm-wide risk management and control objectives.

GRM&C is responsible for the supervision of enterprise risk management activities while reviewing significant aspects of risk exposures to the Group through reporting to the Audit Committee at each regularly scheduled meeting, including key risks of the Group and the appropriate mitigation and/or transfer of identified risks. The operating units of the Group, as risk owners identify, evaluate, mitigate and monitor their own risks, and report such risk management activities to GRM&C on a half-yearly basis.

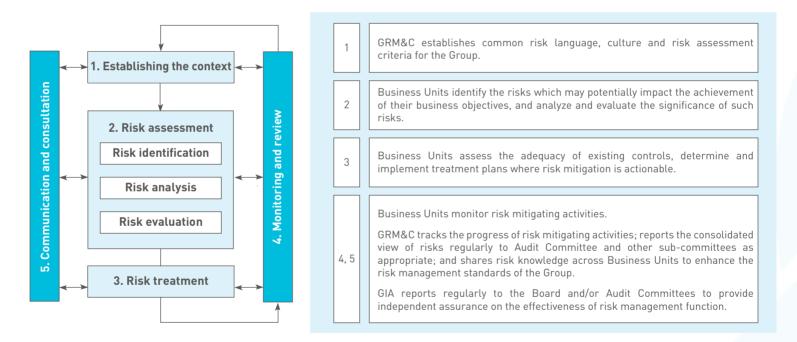
GIA adopts a risk-based audit approach. The annual work plan of GIA covers all major activities and processes of the Group's operations, businesses and service units. Special reviews are also performed at the request of senior management. The results of these audit activities are communicated to key members of executive and senior management of the Group upon completion, and to the Audit Committee at each regularly scheduled meeting throughout the year. Audit issues are closely tracked and followed up for proper implementation such that progress will be reported to the Audit Committee, executive and senior management of the Group (as the case may be) periodically.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS — CONTINUED**

GIA maintains primary accountability to the Board and independence from the responsibilities of management. The Head of GIA reports functionally to the Chairman of the Audit Committee, and administratively to the Group Managing Director and the Chief Financial Officer.

The senior management of the Group, supported by the GRM&C and GIA, is responsible for the design, implementation and monitoring of the enterprise risk management and internal control systems, and for providing regular reports to the Board and/or the Audit Committee on the effectiveness of these systems.

The Group incorporates the principles of ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management — Guidelines as its overarching approach to manage its business and operational risks. The following diagram illustrates the key processes used to identify, evaluate and manage the Group's significant risks:



The Group has adopted policies and procedures for assessing and, where prudent, improving the effectiveness of its enterprise risk management and internal control systems, including the requirement for executive management of the Group to regularly assess, and at least annually to certify that such aforementioned matters are deemed appropriate and functioning effectively with the view that they will further enhance the corporate governance of the Group and its business practices.

The Group has embedded its risk management systems in the daily operating practices. On a continuous basis, the respective operating units of the Group review and assess the status of potential risks which may impact their business objectives and/or those of the Group. This review process includes assessment as to whether the existing system of internal controls continues to remain relevant and effective, adequately addresses potential risks, and/or should be supplemented.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS — CONTINUED**

The Audit Committee has established and overseen a whistleblower policy, including a set of comprehensive procedures whereby employees, customers, suppliers and other concerned parties can report any actual or suspected occurrence of improper conduct involving a member of the Group, and for such matters to be investigated and dealt with efficiently in an appropriate, transparent and independent manner while the confidentiality of the whistleblower will be properly protected. The Chairman of the Audit Committee has designated the Head of GIA to receive on his/her behalf any such reports, to oversee the conduct of subsequent investigations, and to provide information, including recommendations arising from any investigations for consideration by the Audit Committee.

The Group regulates the handling and dissemination of inside information as set out in the Corporate Responsibility Policy and various supplementary procedures are in place to ensure inside information remains confidential until the disclosure of such information is appropriately approved, and the dissemination of such information is efficiently and consistently made.

The Group has implemented processes to undertake extensive testing of its internal controls, and annual certification is in place to support the assessment of the effectiveness of its enterprise risk management and internal control systems.

During 2023, GRM&C worked closely with the operating units, senior management, and the directors to further enhance the enterprise risk management systems including such activities, among other matters, increasing the number of training sessions and risk workshops; further standardizing risk reporting narrative, classification, and quantification; closer aligning assessment of internal controls with their inherent risks; and increasing the depth and frequency of interactions with the designated directors with respect to the design, operation and findings of the enterprise risk management system. GRM&C presented reports to the Audit Committee where they were reviewed and distributed to the Board. The same reports highlighted the development progress while assisted the directors in the review of the effectiveness of the enterprise risk management and internal control systems of the Group throughout the year.

Over the same period, GIA conducted reviews on the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems over financial, operational and compliance controls with emphasis on information technology and security, data privacy and protection, business continuity management and regulatory compliance. Additionally, the Group was required to evaluate its internal controls through the process of updating its risk register. These results were assessed by GRM&C and reported to the Audit Committee, which was then reviewed and reported the same to the Board. GIA has provided with the authority in reviewing these risk registers as part of its annual internal audit planning process.

The Audit Committee and the Board were not aware of any areas of concern that would have a material impact on the financial position or results of operations of the Group and considered the enterprise risk management and internal control systems to be generally effective and adequate including the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and the budget of accounting, financial reporting, GRM&C and GIA functions as well as other corporate functions pertaining to the Group's ESG performance and reporting. Both the Board and the Audit Committee remained satisfied that the internal risk control framework implemented by the Group continues to provide the necessary elements of enabling business flexibility without compromising the integrity of risk management and internal control systems.

In addition to the review of enterprise risk management and internal controls undertaken within the Group, the external auditor also assessed the adequacy and effectiveness of risk management and internal controls as part of their statutory audits. Where appropriate, the external auditor's recommendations are adopted and enhancements to the risk management and internal controls would be made.

Further information on risk management and internal controls adopted and implemented by the Group is available under the "Corporate Governance" section on the Company's website.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS — CONTINUED**

#### Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The ability of the Group to manage risks, including ESG related risks in accordance with the latest requirements of the Listing Rules, has been continuously evolving through focusing on risk management capabilities, ensuring that they remain robust where risks are timely identified, assessed and mitigated effectively.

The principal risks and uncertainties encountered by the Group as well as its corresponding key mitigating strategies are set out below. These risks may adversely and/or materially affect the overall business performance, financial conditions, operations and growth prospects of the Group if they are not managed properly. These principal risks listed below are by no means exhaustive or comprehensive, and there may be other risks, which are not known to the Group or may not be material at this juncture but could turn out to become material in the future. Due to the pace and nature at which risks are evolving, the Group remains vigilant in addressing areas of concern while developing appropriate control measures.

#### **Project Risk**

Through the activities of undertaking property development interests, the Group may be exposed to the effects of adverse changes in foreign government policies and regulations pertaining to land use, ownership and zoning. The time and costs involved in completing construction can be adversely affected by many factors, including shortages of materials, equipment and labor, adverse weather conditions, natural disasters, labor disputes with contractors and subcontractors, accidents, changes in government priorities and unforeseen problems or circumstances. The occurrence of any of these factors could give rise to delays in the completion of a project and result in cost overruns. This may also result in the profit on development for a particular property not being recognized in the year in which it was originally anticipated to be recognized. As a result, the Group carries out extensive research and market analysis before the development phase is initiated, and implements effective project management measures to ensure project related risks are maintained at acceptable levels. The Group also employs external party to conduct review on the perspective of environmental sustainability of our business annually.

For details of the Group's financial management policies and strategies in managing its exposure to adverse fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates, please refer to note 35 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Construction Risk**

The time and costs involved in completing construction can be adversely affected by many factors, including shortage of materials, equipment and labour, ineffective process design, adverse weather conditions, natural disasters, labour disputes with contractors and subcontractors, accidents, changes in government priorities, and other unforeseen problems or circumstances. The occurrence of any of these factors could give rise to delays in the completion of a project, which may result in cost overruns and potential disputes and claims from service recipients. This may also result in the profit on development for a particular property not being recognised in the year in which it was originally anticipated to be recognised.

#### Market Risk

The Group's revenue is derived from operations in Indonesia, Japan, Thailand and Hong Kong. As a result, the general state of the monetary policies including taxation in Indonesia, Japan, Thailand and Hong Kong, and the changes in: (1) the economy, legislative, regulatory and government policies and regional political conditions in these areas; (2) the office rental market in Jakarta, Indonesia; and (3) the tourism industry and climate change for the skiing activities in Hokkaido, Japan, could significantly impact the Group's operating results and financial conditions.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS — CONTINUED**

#### Principal Risks and Uncertainties — Continued

#### Cyber Security Threats

Cyber Security Threats including unauthorised access could be resulted from attempted cyberattacks which may lead to data breaches. A major cyber security breach is likely to have significant impacts on the Company's business and infrastructure with the cost of dealing with the operational disruption, remedial steps to mitigate data leakage, brand and reputational damage and steps to meet regulatory compliance. As part of further mitigation efforts, the Company has deployed both technical and administrative measures such as implementation of advanced threat protection tools, reinforcement of cyber security governance structure and awareness, and enhancement of cyber security procedures and guidelines. Dedicated security teams, as well as Security Operations Centre, have also been assigned to monitor suspicious traffics and activities to combat cyberattacks on the Company's connection to the corporate network.

#### **Business Interruption**

The risk of business interruption remains highly probable due to unexpected events such as pandemic and its variants, cybersecurity threats and the climate change impact around the world. A formalised Corporate Incident Response Plan and updated Business Continuity Management Policy have also been disseminated to ensure any such incidents reported/escalated are handled promptly with care and in a cautious manner to protect the staff and business operations.

#### Regulatory and Operational Compliance Risk

The Group operates in markets and industries which require compliance with numerous licenses, local laws and regulations. These cover various aspects including intellectual property, competition, anti-trust, personal data security, property management, construction and the environment etc. In addition, the Group also operates in countries where the Group is required to adhere to various requirements imposed by the local authorities and central banks' regulations.

#### People Risk

The Group's success and ability to grow depends largely on its ability to attract, train, retain and motivate highly skilled and qualified managerial, sales, marketing, administrative, operating and technical personnel. The loss of key personnel, or the inability to find qualified personnel for replacement, could materially and adversely affect the Group's prospects and results of operations. Health and safety of our people continues to be our foremost care and concern as it will not only impact our people's own well-being but also affect our service delivery and the Group's overall performance.

### ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

All directors actively participate in the Company's business. The attendance records of all directors for the Board meetings, meetings of the Board committees and annual general meeting during the year ended December 31, 2023 are set out below:

	Meetings attended/eligible to attend in 2023				
		Audit	Nomination	Remuneration	Annual
	Board	Committee	Committee	Committee	General
Name	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Meeting
Executive directors					
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	4/4	N/A	1/1	1/1	1/1
Benjamin Lam Yu Yee (Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director)	4/4	N/A	N/A	N/A	1/1
Non-executive directors					
Lee Chi Hong, Robert <i>(Note 1)</i>	1/1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Dr Allan Zeman	3/4	N/A	1/1	N/A	1/1
Independent non-executive directors					
Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard (Independent Non-executive Chairman) (Note 2)	4/4	1/2	1/1	1/1	1/1
Chiang Yun	4/4	2/2	1/1	1/1	1/1
Dr Vince Feng	4/4	2/2	1/1	N/A	1/1

Notes:

1. Retired from his positions as Non-executive Chairman and a Non-Executive Director with effect from May 8, 2023.

2. Appointed as Independent Non-executive Chairman with effect from May 8, 2023.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

#### TRAINING AND SUPPORT FOR DIRECTORS

Every newly appointed director of the Company will meet with fellow directors and senior management to ensure he/she has an understanding of the Company's operations and business, and will receive a tailored induction handbook containing the Company's governance structure, key policies and an overview of director's responsibilities, as well as a briefing by qualified professional on the general and specific duties of director under legal and regulatory requirements.

Directors' training is an ongoing process. During the year, all directors received regular updates and presentations on the developments of the Group's business and important amendments to the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements. These updates aim at enhancing directors' knowledge and skills; and assisting them to comply with good corporate governance practices. During the year ended December 31, 2023, all the current directors have participated in various training and continuous professional development activities and the summary of which is as follows:

	Types of training
Executive directors	
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	А, В
Benjamin Lam Yu Yee (Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director)	А, В
Non-executive director	
Dr Allan Zeman	А, В
Independent non-executive directors	
Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard (Independent Non-executive Chairman)	А, В
Chiang Yun	А, В
Dr Vince Feng	А, В

A: attending relevant seminars and/or conferences and/or forums; or delivering speeches at relevant seminars and/or conferences and/or forums

B: reading or writing relevant newspapers, journals and articles relating to general economy, general business, corporate governance or directors' duties

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

During the year ended December 31, 2023, Mr Cheung Kwok Kuen Alan, the company secretary of the Company, has received no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training to refresh his skills and knowledge.

All directors have access to the advice and services of the company secretary, who is responsible for ensuring that the board procedures are followed, for advising the Board on all corporate governance matters, and for arranging induction programs including briefings on the general and specific duties of directors under legal and regulatory requirements for newly appointed directors. The company secretary facilitates the induction and professional development of directors.

#### INVESTOR RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

The Company is committed to promoting and maintaining effective communication with the shareholders and other stakeholders. A Shareholders Communication Policy has been adopted for ensuring the Company provides the shareholders and the investment community with appropriate and timely information about the Company in order to enable the shareholders to exercise their rights in an informed manner, and to allow the investment community to engage actively with the Company. During 2023, the Company conducted a review of the implementation and effectiveness of the Shareholders Communication Policy. Having considered the channels of communication and engagement in place, it is satisfied that the Shareholders Communication Policy has been properly implemented and is effective. The Shareholders Communication Policy is available on the Company's website (www.pcpd.com).

The Board approved and adopted a dividend policy in November 2018 which sets out its overall objective to deliver steady and sustainable returns to its shareholders. In proposing any dividend payment, the Board will take into account a number of factors which include the Group's financial position and results of operation, the distributions received from its subsidiaries and other investments, the funding needs for the operation and expansion of the Group's businesses, the prevailing economic and market conditions, and other factors the Board may consider relevant and appropriate. The policy states the current intention of the Board which is subject to change.

The Company encourages two-way communication with both institutional and private investors. Information on the activities of the Company is provided in the interim reports and annual reports as well as on the websites of the Company and HKEX. There are regular dialogues between institutional investors and the Company. Enquiries from individuals on matters relating to their shareholdings and the business of the Company are welcomed and they are dealt with in an informative and timely manner. Relevant contact information is provided on page 156 of this annual report.

#### **CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS**

During the year ended December 31, 2023, there were no changes to the constitutional documents of the Company. An up to date set of Bye-laws of the Company is available on the websites of the Company and HKEX.

## **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

#### SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

#### 1. Procedures by which shareholders can convene a special general meeting

Pursuant to the Bye-laws of the Company, the Board shall, on the requisition in writing of the shareholders holding at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company carrying the right of voting at general meetings of the Company (on a one vote per share basis in the share capital of the Company), proceed to call a special general meeting for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition ("Requisition"). The Requisition must state the purposes of the general meeting, be signed by the shareholder(s) concerned and may consist of several documents in like form, each signed by one or more of those shareholders. A special general meeting must be held within two months after deposit of the Requisition.

If within twenty-one days of such deposit the Board fails to proceed to convene such special general meeting, the requisitionists, or any of them representing more than one half of the total voting rights of all of them, may themselves do so in accordance with the provisions of Section 74(3) of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda ("Act").

#### 2. Procedures by which enquiries may be put to the Board

Shareholders may, at any time, direct enquiries to the Board. Such enquiries can be addressed to the company secretary in writing by mail to the Company's principal place of business in Hong Kong at 8th Floor, Cyberport 2, 100 Cyberport Road, Hong Kong ("Hong Kong Principal Office").

#### 3. Procedures for putting forward proposals at general meetings

To put forward a proposal at a shareholders' meeting, shareholders are requested to follow the requirements and procedures as set out in the Bye-laws of the Company and the Act.

Pursuant to the Act, (i) shareholder(s) of the Company holding not less than one-twentieth of the total voting rights of all the shareholders having at the date of the requisition a right to vote at the general meeting to which the requisition relates; or (ii) not less than 100 shareholders, can submit a written request stating the resolution intended to be moved at the annual general meeting; or a statement of not more than 1,000 words with respect to the matter referred to in any proposed resolution or the business to be dealt with at a particular general meeting.

The written request/statements must be signed by the shareholder(s) concerned and deposited at the Company's registered office in Bermuda at Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda ("Registered Office") and its Hong Kong Principal Office, for the attention of the company secretary, not less than six weeks before the annual general meeting in the case of a requisition requiring notice of a resolution and not less than one week before the general meeting in the case of any other requisition.

If the written request is in order, the company secretary will take necessary actions pursuant to the Act.

#### SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS — CONTINUED

#### 4. Procedures for shareholders to propose a person for election as a director

Pursuant to the Bye-laws of the Company, if a shareholder, who is duly qualified to attend and vote at the general meeting convened to deal with appointment or election of director(s), wishes to propose a person (other than a retiring director and the shareholder himself/herself) for election as a director at that general meeting, such shareholder can deposit a notice in writing of the intention to propose that person for election as a director and a notice in writing by that person of his/her willingness to be elected at the Company's Registered Office or the Hong Kong Principal Office at least seven days before the date of the general meeting. The period for lodging such notice will commence no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the meeting appointed for such election and no later than seven days prior to the date of such meeting.

If a shareholder wishes to nominate a person to stand for election as a director, the following documents must be validly served on the company secretary, namely (i) notice of intention to propose a resolution to elect a person as a director ("Nominated Candidate") at the general meeting; (ii) notice in writing executed by the Nominated Candidate of his/her willingness to be elected; and (iii) the information as required to be disclosed under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules and such other information as required by the Listing Rules and the Bye-laws of the Company from time to time.

By order of the Board

**CHEUNG Kwok Kuen Alan** *General Counsel and Company Secretary* 

Hong Kong, February 21, 2024

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The board of directors of Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited ("PCPD" or the "Company") (the "Board") presented its annual report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the year ended December 31, 2023.

#### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The Group is principally engaged in the development and management of premium-grade property and infrastructure projects as well as premium-grade property investments.

Details of segment information are set out in note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

A fair review of the businesses of the Group during the year, particulars of important events affecting the Group that have occurred since the end of financial year 2023, a discussion on the Group's future business development and an analysis of the Group's performance during the year using financial key performance indicators are provided in the Statement from the Independent Non-Executive Chairman on page 6, the Statement from the Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director on pages 7 to 8 and the Management's Discussion and Analysis on pages 12 to 19 of this annual report and notes 35 and 36 to the consolidated financial statements. The above discussions form part of this report. In addition, this review has also identified a list of principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Group. For more details on the description of these principal risks and uncertainties, please refer to the Corporate Governance Report on pages 24 and 43.

In addition, discussions on the Group's environmental policies and performance, relationships with its key stakeholders and compliance with relevant laws and regulations which would have a significant impact on the Group are provided in the paragraphs below.

#### Environmental Policies and Performance

The Group has established its Sustainability Committee and adopted its own Sustainability Policy which includes its environmental policy:

- Strive to achieve green building certification for all our new developments;
- Identify significant environmental impacts associated with our activities, adopt measures to manage and minimise the environmental impacts during design, construction and operation of all our properties;
- Reduce energy consumption, and enhance energy efficiency in our properties;
- Minimise waste generated by our operations, and ensure that waste is reused or recycled as much as possible, with the disposal
  of any remaining waste occurring in a responsible manner;
- Ensure that we operate in a way that exceeds the standard imposed by legal requirements, and integrate industry environmental best practices; and
- Monitor and measure our progress and set targets to continually improve our environmental performance.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW — CONTINUED**

#### Environmental Policies and Performance — Continued

For its property development projects, the Group aims to develop green buildings by meeting internationally-recognised standards in environmental protection and sustainable development through the adoption of energy-efficient building designs, efficient use of materials in construction and environmental management plan during site operation. Further to the recognition of special contribution in sustainable development by winning the award in Indonesia Property Awards 2016, PCP Jakarta, the Group's major office building project in Jakarta has been finally certified by U.S. Green Building Council ("USGBC") with LEED Platinum rating in 2018, following by Greenship Platinum level certified by Green Building Council Indonesia in 2019 and BCA Green Mark Award (Gold, BCA Green Mark International for Non-Residential Buildings Version NRB/4.1) by Building and Construction Authority (BCA) of Singapore in 2020. It is the first ever office building in Indonesia with such highest rating certified by the USGBC.

Demonstrating ongoing dedication to sustainability, PCP Jakarta successfully renewed its Greenship Platinum level certification in 2023, reaffirming its position as a flagship for green building practices in the region. As part of these continued sustainability initiatives, PCP Jakarta is currently in the process of implementing upgrades on the equipment related to electricity supply aiming at optimizing energy consumption, with a target of achieving a 10.14% improvement by the third quarter of 2024.

#### **Our Environment**

The Group's property management division, Island South Property Management Limited ("ISPML"), in Hong Kong has been accredited the ISO 14001 since 2005. In line with ISO continual improvement process guided by Integrated Management System, ISPML's Energy Conservation Taskforce keeps on implementing energy-saving solutions at Bel-Air which has saved over 315,000 kWh in electricity consumption in 2023. In order to heighten the precautionary measures in combating the seasonal flu or other infectious diseases, ISPML has kept the operations of air purifiers installed in all tower lobbies, gym, and restaurants intact to keep on improving the air quality and air change for the wellness of our residents.

ISPML — Bel-Air has engaged in delivering food waste to 0 · PARK1 since mid of 2021. The continuous accreditations of: Water Supplies Department's Quality Water Supply Scheme For Buildings — Fresh Water (Management System) (Gold) and Flushing Water (Gold), and Environmental Protection Department's Indoor Air Quality Certificate (Excellent Class) in addition to being a recipient of Wastewi\$e Certificate, Energywi\$e Certificate and IAQwi\$e Certificate of the Hong Kong Green Organisation Certification by Environmental Campaign Committee proved its determination to upkeep the effectiveness of the facilities.

Apart from the recognitions for its efforts in promoting sustainable community, throughout the past years it has put in place many green initiatives in areas of waste recycling, and reduction in emission and waste by signing of environmental protection charters such as Energy Saving Charter on "No ILB" by Electrical and Mechanical Services Department and Environment and Ecology Bureau, Food Wise Charter by Food Wise Hong Kong, and "Food Wise Eateries" and "Bye Bye Microbeads" charter by Environmental Protection Department.

Following the relaxation of the anti-COVID-19 measures, PCP Jakarta, through its fitness centre, organised sport competitions to its tenants to promote healthy lifestyle. In addition, through digital display and other media, energy and water saving is encouraged. The building also provides free charging for electric vehicles and ample free bicycle parking.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW — CONTINUED**

#### Environmental Policies and Performance — Continued

#### Our Environment - Continued

Reinforcing its commitment to eco-friendly practices, PCP Jakarta has taken a proactive stance on waste management by implementing and encouraging all tenants to segregate waste, fostering a waste reuse and recycle policy. In the dedication to social responsibility, both PCP Jakarta and its tenants actively engage in charitable initiatives, supporting local orphanages through annual book and toy drives, and collaborating with non-profit organizations for fundraising efforts. Furthermore, PCP Jakarta has organized a number of blood donation events as part of its community outreach.

Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono has been accredited the ISO 22000, which sets out the requirements for a food safety management system and maps out what an organization needs to do to demonstrate its ability to control food safety hazards in order to ensure that food is safe. Furthermore, the hotel has continued to drive several initiatives to become more sustainable, such as eliminating single use plastic, glass and aluminum bottled complimentary water and converting guest key cards to recycled wood. It also engaged Lumitics which offers the world's most seamless smart food waste tracker, that tracks all food waste in the hotel's kitchens, and this allows dynamic management of food production to minimize food waste.

As part of our efforts to reduce water consumption and ensure efficient irrigation, Aquella has installed a weather station which is linked to our irrigation system. Such irrigation system can use the weather data, including rainfall and humidity levels, to measure and respond to irrigation needs. The quantity of water used on the golf course can therefore decrease during wetter months.

#### Relationships with Key Stakeholders

The Group is committed to operating in a sustainable manner while balancing the interest of various stakeholders including our employees, customers, suppliers, business partners and the community.

#### **Relationships with Employees**

The Group considers its employees the key to sustainable business growth and is committed to providing all employees with a safe and harassment-free work environment with equal opportunities in relation to employment, reward management, training and career development. Workplace safety is a priority of the Group. The Group is keen in ensuring health and safety measures are followed while in the performance of duties by our employees in order to reduce total time lost to work injuries. The Group has in place a fair and effective performance appraisal system and incentive bonus schemes designed to motivate and reward employees at all levels to deliver their best performance and achieve business performance targets. For continuous development, the Group provides sponsorship/subsidies to employees who are committed to job related personal development and learning.

#### **Relationships with Customers**

Save as disclosed under the section headed "Management's Discussion and Analysis", one of the major sources of revenue for the Group is ownership and operation of a ski and golf resort, property management and holiday letting business in Niseko, Hokkaido of Japan. The Group offers a comprehensive all-season holiday solution for discerning guests, offering a complete suite of class-leading resort services including ski-lifting, snow-sports and guiding school, specialty retail, equipment rental, restaurant operations, golf, white-water rafting, ziplining and tree-trekking activities. Renowned for its consistent deep powder snow, Niseko has become a magnet for ski tourists from across the globe. Park Hyatt Niseko, aspires to be the best luxury all-season resort in Asia and one of the world's top winter luxury resorts, maintaining key customer relationships through the World of Hyatt loyalty program, as well as direct contact and personalized services provided by the guest experience management team based on property. The hotel and Hyatt globally have dedicated resources to foster close connections with the key luxury agents and luxury consortia partners.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW — CONTINUED**

#### Relationships with Key Stakeholders — Continued

#### Relationships with Customers — Continued

In common with all businesses reliant on international visitors, the Group's business activities in Japan and the Niseko area were severely curtailed during the period when COVID-19 restrictions were imposed on travel and the Japanese international border was closed. Since the reopening of the Japanese international border on October 11, 2022, the rebound in international tourist numbers and the Group's business activities in Japan and the Niseko area have been stronger than expected, running well ahead of pre-pandemic levels. The positive reactions of customers towards many of the Group's recent improvements and initiatives are encouraging and validates the Group's target positioning as accurate.

Embracing the mix of different cultures and languages, the business division works closely and collaboratively with government agencies at all levels and continues to maintain important strategic working relationships with all local companies. The Group aims to offer a safe, diverse, interesting and culturally sensitive experience for all levels of customers, whether families, children, elders or sports enthusiasts. The Group is committed to providing Niseko's finest holiday experience, delivering quality services that set a raft of new benchmarks in Japan.

The market trend is for companies to look for sustainably designed buildings and high-quality amenities with more options for office premises. To show great resilience with high-quality space, apart from the existing fitness centre and food pavilion in PCP Jakarta, the Group partnered with a prestige flexible space operator so as to provide a high-quality tailor-made premise to meet the demand for new set-up to established multi-national companies in this largest economy in South-East Asia.

For the property management and facilities management services in Hong Kong, ISPML, the property management division has established various communication channels to create curated experience for customers such as Bel-Air hotline, mobile apps, electronic mail and website (www.bel-air-hk.com) to enhance two-way communication with residents and their involvement in the community. Publications including quarterly Newsletters, FAQ booklet have been compiled to facilitate residents seeking estate information, direct mail is used to ensure residents acquire the latest news and promotions. In addition, to commit in our continual improvement of an effective and efficient complaints-handling process, a comprehensive platform is established based on requirements of ISO 10002 & Property Management Services Authority (PMSA) related regulations, to cover all channels of residents' opinions for swift and close follow up. The overall customer satisfaction rate in 2022 on estate management is 98.1%. In Indonesia, the building management team works with the tenants on the preventive maintenance within the tenants' premise to enhance the safety standard of the building.

To pursue continuous improvement on service quality, ISPML conducts internal review on complaint cases so as to better understand residents' views on its services and to ensure that it could meet the residents' expectations. Regular meetings with Owners' Committee and sub-committee members are held to discuss the estate issues and the ways that the property management division can further improve its service standard. Residents' opinions and suggestions are considered as valuable assets. As such, the property management division would study the feasibility of each suggestion made by the aforesaid committees. All residents' feedbacks would be responded in a timely manner.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW — CONTINUED**

#### Relationships with Key Stakeholders — Continued

#### Relationships with Customers — Continued

The Group owns and operates PCP Jakarta, a premium Grade A office building located in the heart of the financial hub of Sudirman Central Business District (SCBD) Jakarta. The building is tenanted by worldwide multinational companies. PCP Jakarta, is the first office building in Indonesia to achieve LEED Platinum Grade certification awarded by the USGBC. The building provides a comfortable, smoke free, energy efficient working environment to all tenants. The building has a clear headroom height of 3.05 meters, floor loading capacity of 5 kPa, and is built with steel and reinforced concrete to achieve seismic standard 25% over the existing government requirement. This enables PCP Jakarta to be one of the most sought after office buildings in Jakarta. PCP Jakarta is built with a vision to provide tenants with work-health balance in mind. The building is the first to have a state-of-the-art gym with an outdoor swimming pool and trainers are internationally certified. A food pavilion and fully equipped function rooms are some of the facilities for tenants to enjoy. In addition to the tracking of the feedbacks by the public from social media, PCP Jakarta also conducted survey on the overall satisfaction of the building environment in 9 different areas by the tenants.

The building's tenant relations officers provide services such as greeting of tenants and making courtesy calls to tenants on regular basis to review service standards. Feedback forms are placed at the concierge desk in the main lobby to encourage tenants to provide feedback for improvement on services. All feedbacks are addressed promptly and attended to within the day. The tenant relations officers also regularly conduct checks of public forum on reviews of PCP Jakarta and to thank the contributors for their feedback, comments and suggestions. The tenant relations officers aim to provide excellent service by anticipating tenants' needs and enquiries.

Aquella has engaged 59club, a leading golf & leisure customer service analyst and training provider, to share data from golf clubs around the world in order to allow Aquella to benchmark our guest experience. 59club conducted 6 annual audits (mystery shopper) and provided detailed feedback on all aspects of the operation. 59club also provided training sessions for our associates, focusing on the feedback received during audit allow our team to provide the best possible member and guest experience.

#### **Relationships with Suppliers and Contractors**

The Group is committed to delivering prestigious high quality sustainable development projects. It is imperative that suppliers and contractors share the same vision and mission. The Group adopts a partnership approach to solicit the commitments of the stakeholders to create the all-win situation. A procedure has also been established to ensure that procurement process is fair and transparent. Procedures are also put in place to monitor and review the deliverables from suppliers and contractors and there are adequate channels to provide feedback to them.

In day-to-day routine procurement and property maintenance processes, PCP Jakarta places environmental sustainability and the provision of "green" standard materials as key considerations during its selection process. On the other hand, Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono ensures all food and beverage suppliers adhere to the standards set by ISO 22000.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW — CONTINUED**

#### Relationships with Key Stakeholders — Continued

#### **Relationships with Community**

In the year under review, we continued to allocate resources in contributing to environmental organisation, while continue to focus on supporting to those in need in the post-pandemic era. We joined 30th Green Power Hike 2023 organized by Green Power with a view to promoting green living and wellness. Three corporate teams were formed with 12 players from PCPD and ISPML.

We collaborated with the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups for two consecutive years and organized a sharing session at our headquarters in Hong Kong in conjunction with a guided tour to encourage youngsters in pursuit of their dreams in April 2023. With this sharing session, the youngsters were better equipped for future challenges, enabling their dreams come true. Three representatives of PCPD and ISPML from the fields of surveying, marketing and property management shared their insights and life experiences with the teenagers.

To show our care and spread love to the community, PCPD has joined hands with Caritas Labour Development Project, Caritas HK and The Community Chest in August 2023 to organize a flea market in Shum Shui Po for the underprivileged and the kaifongs living in the subdivided flats in the community. Our efforts were recognized by setting up and manning the booths for body check and goods exchange.

Apart from the aforesaid initiatives, we have also formed a corporate team to join The Community Chest Sports for Millions ("Sports for Millions" or the "event") at Disciplined Services Sports and Recreation Club in March 2023. Featuring an array of sports competitions and team building games, the event aims to raise funds for the Chest "Youth Services". The proceeds raised through Sports for Millions will be allocated in full to support the Chest 18 social welfare member agencies to provide "Youth Services", including caring services, support services and various developmental and training projects to help youths to build a healthy life with positive attitudes, overcome difficulties in their lives and develop their sense of self-responsibility.

The Company has received the Caring Company Logo for 5 consecutive years. The Caring Company Scheme has been launched by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service since 2002 with an aim to cultivate good corporate citizenship and promotion of partnership between the business and social welfare sectors.

For details of the above programmes, please refer to the "Community Engagement" section of the Sustainability Report 2023.

PCPD has voluntarily disclosed its carbon footprint data for inclusion into the Environment and Ecology Bureau's Carbon Footprint Repository since 2017.

ISPML, the property management division has been awarded the Caring Company Logo for 16 consecutive years in recognition of its efforts to promote building a cohesive society through strategic partnership with non-profitable organisations and social enterprises. ISPML continued the "tough times collaboration" with our community partner, New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association ("New Life") by sponsoring and conducting Christmas volunteer visit at New Life's Shek Pai Wan Integrated Work Centre.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW — CONTINUED**

#### Compliance with Laws and Regulations

Among the principal activities of the Group is property management in Hong Kong. Compliance procedures are in place to ensure adherence to applicable laws, rules and regulations, in particular, those that have significant impact on the property management industry. Any changes in the laws, rules and regulations affecting property management are brought to the attention of relevant employees and operation teams from time to time. The Group is also committed to safeguarding the security of personal data. When collecting and processing such data, the Group complies with the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance and the guidelines issued by the Office of the Privacy Commissioner for Personal Data.

In Japan, the Group operates all-season recreational activities for customers and manages the related facility and assets, including operating and maintaining ski lifts, and also engages in property management and property development businesses. The operating vehicles in Japan hold the required licences for the business activities they carry out. The local management team checks to ensure that the subsidiaries in Japan have complied with the applicable local laws and regulations for their principal business activities, such as the Railway Business Act, National Parks Law, Food Hygiene Law, Real Estate Law, Building Standards Law and Hotel & Ryokan Management Law in Japan.

As for the Group's property investment in Indonesia, the Group complies with the applicable laws and regulations governing property operation, including occupation permit, business license and other applicable permits that are required by the relevant government bodies.

As for the Group's property development in Thailand, the Group complies with all applicable laws and regulations governing property development, including planning, construction, environmental protection, lease and/or sales, and property management, implemented by the relevant government bodies.

#### Other Corporate and Administrative Requirements

The Group is also subject to various corporate and administrative requirements under other laws and regulations such as the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622 of the Laws of Hong Kong), the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") ("Listing Rules") and the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57 of the Laws of Hong Kong). Through various internal controls and approval procedures that are in place, the Company seeks to ensure the compliance with these requirements.

#### SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

A separate sustainability report for 2023 will be published on the websites of the Company and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited in due course in compliance with the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide as set out in Appendix C2 to the Listing Rules.

#### **RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

The results of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2023 are set out in the accompanying consolidated statement of comprehensive income on page 76.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Board did not declare any interim dividend to shareholders nor any interim distribution to bonus convertible noteholders (2022: Nil). The Board did not recommend the payment of a final dividend to shareholders nor a final distribution to bonus convertible noteholders for the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).

#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the consolidated results and the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years is set out on page 153.

#### **SUBSIDIARIES**

Particulars of the principal subsidiaries of the Company are set out in note 20 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### PRINCIPAL PROPERTIES

Details of the principal properties under development/held for development and held for investment purposes are set out on pages 154 to 155.

#### BORROWINGS

Particulars of the borrowings of the Group are set out in note 22 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### SHARES ISSUED

There were no new shares of the Company (the "Shares") issued during the year ended December 31, 2023.

Details of movements in the share capital of the Company during the year are set out in note 25 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

As at December 31, 2023, the Company's reserves available for distribution, calculated under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended), amounted to HK\$4,523 million (2022: HK\$4,530 million).

#### MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the aggregate amount of revenue from sales of goods or rendering of services attributable to the Group's five largest customers represented less than 30% of the Group's total revenue.

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the aggregate amount of purchases attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers represented approximately 30.33% of the Group's total purchases, while the purchases attributable to the largest supplier for the Group accounted for approximately 9.78% of the Group's total purchases.

As at December 31, 2023, none of the directors of the Company, their close associates nor any shareholder which to the knowledge of the directors own more than 5% of the issued shares of the Company had any beneficial interest in the Group's major suppliers.

#### DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company who have held office during the year and up to the date of this report are:

#### **Executive Directors**

Li Tzar Kai, Richard Benjamin Lam Yu Yee (Deputy Chairman and Group Managing Director)

#### Non-Executive Directors

Lee Chi Hong, Robert *(Note 1)* Dr Allan Zeman, GBM, GBS, JP

#### Independent Non-Executive Directors

Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard, SBS, JP *(Independent Non-Executive Chairman) (Note 2)* Chiang Yun Dr Vince Feng

Notes:

- 1. Retired from his positions as Non-executive Chairman and a Non-Executive Director with effect from May 8, 2023.
- 2. Appointed as Independent Non-executive Chairman with effect from May 8, 2023.

In accordance with bye-law 87 of the Bye-laws of the Company, Prof Wong Yue Chim, Richard and Ms Chiang Yun shall retire by rotation at the forthcoming annual general meeting and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS**

Brief biographical details of the directors of the Company are set out in the section headed "Board of Directors" on pages 20 to 22.

#### **INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The Company has received from each of its independent non-executive directors an annual confirmation of his/her independence and the Company considers that they are independent based on the independence guidelines as set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

#### DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

None of the directors who are proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has with the Group an unexpired service contract which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation (other than statutory compensation).

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at December 31, 2023, the directors and chief executives of the Company and their respective close associates had the following interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules:

#### 1. Interests in the Company

The table below sets out the aggregate long positions in the Shares held by the directors and chief executives of the Company:

		Numbe	er of ordinary Sh	ares held		Approximate percentage of the
Name of director/ chief executive	Personal interests	Family interests	Corporate interests	Other interests	Total	total number of Shares in issue
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	_	_	207,267,814 <i>(Note (a))</i>	402,164,972 <i>(Note (b))</i>	609,432,786	29.90%

Notes:

- (a) Of these Shares, Pacific Century Diversified Limited ("PCD"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Chiltonlink Limited ("Chiltonlink"), held 181,520,587 Shares, and Eisner Investments Limited ("Eisner") held 25,747,227 Shares. Li Tzar Kai, Richard owned 100% of the issued share capital of Chiltonlink and Eisner.
- (b) These interests represented:
  - a deemed interest in 118,093,122 Shares held by Pacific Century Group Holdings Limited ("PCGH"). Li Tzar Kai, Richard was the founder of certain trusts which held 100% interests in PCGH. Accordingly, Li Tzar Kai, Richard was deemed, under the SFO, to have an interest in the 118,093,122 Shares held by PCGH; and
  - (ii) a deemed interest in 284,071,850 Shares held by Pacific Century Regional Developments Limited ("PCRD"), a company in which PCGH had, through itself and certain wholly-owned subsidiaries being Anglang Investments Limited, Pacific Century Group (Cayman Islands) Limited, Pacific Century International Limited and Borsington Limited, an aggregate of 88.67% interest. Li Tzar Kai, Richard was the founder of certain trusts which held 100% interests in PCGH. Accordingly, Li Tzar Kai, Richard was deemed, under the SFO, to have an interest in the 284,071,850 Shares held by PCRD. Li Tzar Kai, Richard was also deemed to be interested in 1.06% of the issued share capital of PCRD through Hopestar Holdings Limited, a company wholly-owned by Li Tzar Kai, Richard.

# DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY AND ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS — CONTINUED

#### 2. Interests in the Associated Corporations of the Company

#### A. PCPD Capital Limited ("PCPD Capital")

The table below sets out the aggregate long positions in the 5.125% bonds due 2026 (the "2026 Bonds") issued by PCPD Capital, an associated corporation of the Company, held by the director of the Company:

		Principal amo	ount of the 2026 E	Bonds held (US\$)	
	Personal	Family	Corporate	Other	
Name of director	interests	interests	interests	interests	Total
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	_	_	21,717,000	_	21,717,000
			(Note)		

Note:

These 2026 Bonds were held by Hertford Ventures Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Ace Holdings Management Limited ("Ace Holdings"). Li Tzar Kai, Richard owned 100% of the issued share capital of Ace Holdings.

#### B. Easy Treasure Limited ("Easy Treasure")

The table below sets out the aggregate long positions in the shares issued by Easy Treasure, an associated corporation of the Company, held by the director of the Company:

						ercentage of the total number of
		Numbe	r of ordinary sh	nares held		shares of
	Personal	Family	Corporate	Other		Easy Treasure
Name of director	interests	interests	interests	interests	Total	in issue
Allan Zeman	_	_	999	_	999	9.99%
			(Note)			

Note:

These shares were held by Paradise Pinetree Development Limited ("Paradise"). Allan Zeman owned 100% of the issued share capital of Paradise.

Save as disclosed in the foregoing, as at December 31, 2023, none of the directors or chief executives of the Company or their respective close associates had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code of the Listing Rules.

#### SHARE OPTIONS AND DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

The Company operates a share option scheme which was adopted by its shareholders at the Company's annual general meeting held on May 6, 2015, and became effective on May 7, 2015 following its approval by PCCW's shareholders (the "2015 Scheme"). The 2015 Scheme is valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on May 7, 2015. Under the 2015 Scheme, the Board shall be entitled to offer to grant a share option to any eligible participant whom the Board may select at its absolute discretion. The major terms of the 2015 Scheme are set out below:

- (1) The purpose of the 2015 Scheme is to provide eligible participants with the opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in the Company and to encourage eligible participants to work towards enhancing the value of the Company and its Shares for the benefit of the Company and its shareholders as a whole.
- (2) Eligible participants include any director, executive director, non-executive director, independent non-executive director, officer and/or employee of the Group or any member of it, whether in full time or part time employment of the Group or any member of it, and any consultant, adviser, supplier, customer, or sub-contractor of the Group or any member of it, and any other person whomsoever is determined by the Board as having contributed to the development, growth or benefit of the Group or any member of it or as having spent any material time in or about the promotion of the Group or its business; and provided always, that an eligible participant can be an individual or any other person permitted under the 2015 Scheme.
- (3) The maximum number of Shares in respect of which options may be granted under the 2015 Scheme shall not in aggregate exceed 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of adoption of the 2015 Scheme. Subject to the Listing Rules requirements, the 10% limit may be renewed with prior shareholders' approval. The overall limit on the number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the 2015 Scheme and other share option schemes of the Company must not exceed 30% of the Shares in issue from time to time. As at the date of this annual report, the total number of Shares available for issue in respect of which options may be granted under the 2015 Scheme is 40,266,831, representing approximately 1.98% of the Shares in issue as at that date.
- (4) The total number of Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of options granted and to be granted to any single eligible participant (other than a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or any of their respective associates) under the 2015 Scheme in any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the Shares in issue at the relevant time. For options granted or to be granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or any of their respective associates, the said limit is reduced to 0.1% of the Shares in issue and HK\$5 million in aggregate value based on the closing price of the Shares on the date of each grant. Any further grant of share options in excess of such limits is subject to shareholders' approval at general meeting.
- (5) The options granted under the 2015 Scheme will be vested according to the terms and conditions determined by the Board, provided that such terms and conditions shall not be inconsistent with the 2015 Scheme and no option may be exercised 10 years after the date of grant.

#### SHARE OPTIONS AND DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES — CONTINUED

- (6) The 2015 Scheme does not specify any consideration which is payable on the acceptance of an option. An option shall be deemed to have been granted and accepted by the grantee and to have taken effect upon the date of grant of such option unless the grantee rejects the grant in writing within 14 days after the date of grant.
- (7) The exercise price in relation to each option shall not be less than the higher of (i) the closing price of the Shares as stated in the daily quotation sheet of the Stock Exchange on the date of grant; and (ii) the average closing price of the Shares as stated in the daily quotation sheet of the Stock Exchange for the 5 days last preceding the date of grant on which days it has been possible to trade the Shares on the Stock Exchange.
- (8) Subject to the early termination by an ordinary resolution in general meeting of shareholders or resolutions of the Board, the 2015 Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on the date of adoption on May 7, 2015 and expiring on the tenth anniversary thereof, after which period no further options shall be granted but the provisions of the 2015 Scheme shall remain in full force and effect in all other respects.

No share options have been granted under the 2015 Scheme since its adoption and up to and including December 31, 2023.

As at each of January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023, the number of Share options available for grant under the 2015 Scheme mandate was 40,266,831.

Save as disclosed above, at no time during the year under review was the Company or any of its subsidiaries, holding companies or fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangement that may 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 and none of the directors or chief executives of the Company or their spouses or children under 18 years of age had any right to subscribe for equity or debt securities of the Company or any of its associated corporations or had exercised any such right during the year under review.

#### EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS

#### Share Option Scheme

Details of the share option scheme of the Company are set out in the section headed "Share Options and Directors' Rights to Acquire Shares or Debentures" above and note 27 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **Bonus Convertible Notes**

As a result of the issue of bonus convertible notes in the aggregate amount of HK\$592,572,154.40 convertible into a total of 1,185,144,308 Shares at a conversion price of HK\$0.50 per share (after adjustment made as a consequence of a share consolidation of the Company which became effective on June 25, 2012) in 2012, up to December 31, 2023, bonus convertible notes in the aggregate amount of HK\$592,552,133.20 (December 31, 2022: HK\$592,552,133.20) were converted into 1,185,104,266 Shares (December 31, 2022: 1,185,104,266 shares) at the conversion price of HK\$0.50 per share. As at December 31, 2023, the Company's outstanding bonus convertible notes were in the aggregate amount of HK\$20,021.20 convertible into a total of 40,042 Shares at the conversion price of HK\$0.50 per share. The bonus convertible notes can be converted into Shares at any time provided that the Company's minimum public float requirements under the Listing Rules could be complied with.

#### EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS — CONTINUED

#### Supporting Agreement and Investor Agreements

On May 23, 2013, the Group entered into a supporting agreement (the "Supporting Agreement") with ACE Equity Holdings Limited (the "Supporter"), whereby the Group will settle part of the services received in the value of US\$23 million by means of, among other things, issuing non-voting, non-contributory but dividend participating class B shares (the "Melati Class B Shares") representing not more than 6.388% of the share capital of the Company's indirect wholly-owned subsidiary, Melati Holding Limited ("Melati"), to the Supporter. The Group also granted a put option to the Supporter to require the Group to purchase all the Melati Class B Shares after the expiry of 5 years from the date of issue of the shares based on then consolidated net asset value of Melati and its subsidiaries.

On May 23, 2013, the Group also entered into a subscription agreement and a loan purchase agreement (the "Investor Agreements") with an independent third party (the "Investor") pursuant to which the Group will allot to the Investor 9.99% shares (the "Rafflesia Shares") of Rafflesia Investment Limited ("Rafflesia") which is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company held by Melati and assign 9.99% of the shareholder's loan to Rafflesia (the "Rafflesia Loan") at a consideration to be determined at the time of the allotment based on the total investment costs incurred by the Group on the Indonesian development project plus finance charge. The Group also granted a put option to the Investor to require the Group, at any time on or after May 23, 2023, to purchase all the Rafflesia Shares and the Rafflesia Loan based on then consolidated net asset value of Rafflesia and its subsidiaries.

Details of the Supporting Agreement and the Investor Agreements are set out in the joint announcement issued by the Company and PCCW dated May 23, 2013, the circular issued by the Company dated June 25, 2013 and notes 27(c)(i) and 27(c)(ii) to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Sale and Purchase Agreement

As disclosed in the joint announcement of the Company and PCCW dated January 15, 2018 (the "Joint Announcement"), Silvery Sky Holdings Limited ("Silvery Sky", a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company), as purchaser entered into a sale and purchase agreement (the "SPA") with CSI Properties Limited ("CSI") as vendor's guarantor and Radiant Talent Holdings Limited ("Radiant Talent", a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSI), as vendor whereby Silvery Sky would acquire from Radiant Talent the entire issued share capital of Fast Million Limited ("Fast Million") and the entire shareholder's loan owing to Radiant Talent by Fast Million, for the purpose of joint redevelopment of certain properties owned by Fast Million (through its wholly-owned subsidiaries) for a consideration comprising an initial cash payment of HK\$2,018 million (subject to adjustments) and the allotment and issue of one non-voting participating share of Silvery Sky credited as fully paid up at an issue price of US\$1.00 (the "NPS") to Radiant Talent upon completion of the SPA. Upon completion on March 23, 2018, Fast Million became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Silvery Sky which in turn through its wholly-owned subsidiaries owned entire interest of certain properties.

The NPS would, among others, entitle Radiant Talent to the right to be paid or distributed 50% of the dividends declared or distributions made by Silvery Sky. Subject to certain contingent event having occurred which would give rise to the right to Conversion (as defined below) of NPS and subject to, amongst others, payment to Concept Plus Holdings Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, by Radiant Talent in accordance with the shareholders' memorandum entered into at completion of the SPA, the NPS held by Radiant Talent would be converted to one new fully paid up ordinary share of Silvery Sky (the "Conversion"), representing 50% of the entire issued share capital of Silvery Sky immediately following the Conversion. As at December 31, 2023, the Conversion has not occurred.

Details of the SPA are set out in the Joint Announcement issued by the Company and PCCW dated January 15, 2018.

# INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES OF SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

As at December 31, 2023, the following persons (other than directors or chief executives of the Company) were substantial shareholders of the Company and had interests or short positions in the Shares and underlying Shares as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO:

Name of shareholder	Note(s)	Number of Shares/ underlying Shares held	Approximate percentage of the total number of Shares in issue
Long Positions			
PCCW	/	612,854,407	30.07%
PCGH	11	402,164,972	19.73%
Star Ocean Ultimate Limited	III and IV	402,164,972	19.73%
The Ocean Trust	///	402,164,972	19.73%
The Starlite Trust	///	402,164,972	19.73%
OS Holdings Limited	111	402,164,972	19.73%
Ocean Star Management Limited	///	402,164,972	19.73%
The Ocean Unit Trust	111	402,164,972	19.73%
The Starlite Unit Trust	111	402,164,972	19.73%
Star Ocean Ultimate Holdings Limited	IV	402,164,972	19.73%
Fung Jenny Wai Ling	V	402,164,972	19.73%
Huang Lester Garson	V	402,164,972	19.73%
PCRD		284,071,850	13.94%
PCD		181,520,587	8.91%

Notes:

- I. PCCW indirectly held these interests through Asian Motion Limited, a company wholly-owned by PCCW.
- II. These interests represented (i) PCGH's beneficial interests in 118,093,122 Shares; and (ii) PCGH's interests (through itself and its controlled corporations, being its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Borsington Limited, Pacific Century International Limited, Pacific Century Group (Cayman Islands) Limited and Anglang Investments Limited, which together controlled 88.67% of the issued share capital of PCRD) in 284,071,850 Shares held by PCRD.
- III. On April 18, 2004, Li Tzar Kai, Richard transferred the entire issued share capital of PCGH to Ocean Star Management Limited as trustee of The Ocean Unit Trust and The Starlite Unit Trust. The entire issued share capital of Ocean Star Management Limited was held by OS Holdings Limited. The Ocean Trust and The Starlite Trust held all units of The Ocean Unit Trust and The Starlite Unit Trust respectively. Star Ocean Ultimate Limited was the discretionary trustee of The Ocean Trust and The Starlite Trust.
- IV. On November 4, 2013, Star Ocean Ultimate Limited became a controlled corporation of Star Ocean Ultimate Holdings Limited.
- V. Fung Jenny Wai Ling and Huang Lester Garson were deemed to be interested in such Shares under the SFO as each of them controlled the exercise of one-third or more of the voting power at general meetings of each of Ocean Star Investment Management Limited, OS Holdings Limited and Star Ocean Ultimate Holdings Limited.

# INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF OTHER PERSONS REQUIRED TO BE DISCLOSED UNDER THE SFO

As at December 31, 2023, the following person (other than directors or chief executives or substantial shareholders (as disclosed in the previous section headed "Interests and Short Positions in Shares and Underlying Shares of Substantial Shareholders") of the Company) had interests or short positions in the Shares and underlying Shares as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO:

	Number of Shares/	Approximate percentage of the total number of
Name	underlying Shares held	Shares in issue
Long Positions		
Ocean Star Investment Management Limited (Note)	402,164,972	19.73%

Note:

Ocean Star Investment Management Limited was deemed interested under the SFO in the Shares by virtue of it being the investment manager of The Ocean Unit Trust and The Starlite Unit Trust which together held 100% of PCGH (see the notes to the previous section headed "Interests and Short Positions in Shares and Underlying Shares of Substantial Shareholders").

Save as disclosed above in this section and the previous section headed "Interests and Short Positions in Shares and Underlying Shares of Substantial Shareholders", the Company has not been notified of any other persons (other than directors or chief executives of the Company) who had an interest or a short position in the Shares or underlying Shares as recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO as at December 31, 2023.

# DIRECTORS' MATERIAL INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS AND CONTRACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE

Save as disclosed in the sections headed "Continuing Connected Transactions" and "Related Party Transactions" of this report, no other transactions, arrangements or contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, fellow subsidiaries or parent company was a party, and in which a director of the Company or his/her connected entity had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

### DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESS

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the director of the Company had the following interests in businesses which competed or were likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the Group's businesses:

Name of director	Name of company	Nature of business	Nature of interests
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	CK Hutchison Holdings Limited ("CK Hutchison") and its subsidiaries	Ports and related services, retail, infrastructure and telecommunications	(Note)
	CK Asset Holdings Limited ("CK Asset") and its subsidiaries	Property development and investment, hotel and serviced suite operation, property and project management, pub operation and investment in infrastructure and utility asset operation	(Note)

Note:

Li Tzar Kai, Richard has a personal interest in 75,240 shares in each of CK Hutchison and CK Asset, and is one of the discretionary beneficiaries of certain discretionary trusts which hold units in unit trusts ("Family Trusts"). The Family Trusts are interested in certain shares of CK Hutchison and CK Asset. Certain businesses of CK Hutchison and CK Asset may compete with certain aspects of the businesses of the Group during the year.

In addition, Li Tzar Kai, Richard is a director of certain private companies (the "Private Companies"), which are engaged in property development and investment.

Further, Li Tzar Kai, Richard is a director and chairman of PCRD. PCRD is an investment holding company with interests in telecommunications and media (through PCCW), logistics, property and infrastructure investment and development in the Asia Pacific region.

The business interests of the Private Companies in Hong Kong are not significant when compared with the business of the Group and it is unlikely that such business interests will compete with the business of the Group. The business interests in Japan and the Asia Pacific region are also unlikely to compete with the existing business of the Group.

Li Tzar Kai, Richard has a controlling interest in some of the Private Companies. Further, he is or may be regarded as interested in PCRD and PCGH due to the interests as disclosed under the section headed "Directors' and Chief Executives' Interests and Short Positions in Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures of the Company and its Associated Corporations" of this report.

As PCRD and the Private Companies are involved in the development and/or investment of properties of different types and/or in different locations, the Group has been operating independently of, and at arm's length from, the businesses of those companies.

Save as disclosed above, none of the directors of the Company is interested in any business, apart from the Group's businesses, which competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the Group's businesses.

#### PERMITTED INDEMNITY

Pursuant to bye-law 166(1) of the Bye-laws of the Company, every director and other officers of the Company shall be indemnified and secured harmless out of the assets and profits of the Company from and against all actions, costs, charges, losses, damages and expenses which he/she may sustain or incur in or about the execution of the duties of his/her office or otherwise in relation thereto, provided that the indemnity shall not extend to any matter in respect of any fraud or dishonesty which may attach to any of said persons. The Company has arranged directors' and officers' liability insurance coverage for the directors and officers of the Company during the year.

#### **DONATIONS**

During the year, the Group made charitable and other donations in the aggregate amount of approximately HK\$548,015 (2022 (restated): HK\$546,238).

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

During the year ended December 31, 2023, there was no purchase, sale or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of the listed securities of the Company.

#### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Save for the directors' service contracts or employment contracts, no other contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of any business of the Company were entered into or subsisted during the year.

#### **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Bye-laws, or the laws of Bermuda, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to existing shareholders.

#### CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

During the year ended December 31, 2023 and up to the date of this report, the Group has entered the following transactions which constituted continuing connected transactions (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company and details of which are set out below in accordance with the Listing Rules.

As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated December 10, 2021 (the "Announcement"), the Group and various 1 associates of Dr Allan Zeman ("Dr Zeman"), a director of the Company, had on that day entered into the following service agreements (the "2021 Service Agreements"): (i) Pinetree Residence Co., Ltd. ("PRCL", a non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) and Andaman Property Development Co., Ltd. (now known as Andaman Proper Development Co., Ltd. "Andaman Proper", an associate of Dr Zeman), as development manager, had entered into a renewal agreement (the "Renewal Phase 1A Development Management Agreement") in relation to the services, including design, construction management and quantity surveying provided to PRCL for a term of three years from April 30, 2021 to April 29, 2024 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Renewal Phase 1A Development Management Agreement; (ii) PRCL and LKF Xcite Limited ("LKF Xcite", an associate of Dr Zeman), as agent, had entered into a marketing agency agreement (the "Marketing Agency Agreement") in relation to brand services, marketing communication services, creative services, account servicing and project management with respect to the sale of properties of the project in Phang Nga provided to PRCL for a term of three years from March 1, 2021 to February 29, 2024 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Marketing Agency Agreement; (iii) PRCL and Paradise Luxury Homes Co., Ltd. ("Paradise Luxury", an associate of Dr Zeman), as agent, had entered into a sales agency agreement (the "Sales Agency Agreement") in relation to agency services provided to PRCL for sales and marketing of the certain residential properties being marketed and sold by PRCL under the project in Phang Nga for a term of three years from December 10, 2021 to December 9, 2024 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Sales Agency Agreement; and (iv) Aguella Property Management Co., Ltd. ("Aquella Property Management", a non-wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) and Andara Resort and Villas Co., Ltd. ("Andara Resort", an associate of Dr Zeman), as manager, had entered into a property management agreement (the "Property Management Agreement") in relation to property management services provided to Aquella Property Management for a term of 32 months from May 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 and which should be automatically renewed for another one year upon December 31, 2022, at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Property Management Agreement. The maximum aggregate amounts payable by the Group under the 2021 Service Agreements are subject to the annual caps as disclosed in the Announcement.

The approximate aggregate value and the annual cap for each 2021 Service Agreements are set out below:

	Approximate aggregate values for the financial year ended December 31, 2023	Annual caps for the financial year ended December 31, 2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Renewal Phase 1A Development Management Agreement	2,234	2,850
Marketing Agency Agreement	1,284	1,500
Sales Agency Agreement	0	750
Property Management Agreement	530	900

#### CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS — CONTINUED

#### 1. — Continued

In the announcement of the Company dated December 27, 2023, the Company announced that the Sales Agency Agreement and Marketing Agency Agreement should be terminated on December 31, 2023, and the Group and various associates of Dr Zeman had on that day entered into the following service agreements (the "2023 Service Agreements"): (i) PRCL and Andaman Proper had entered into a renewal agreement (the "Renewal Phase 1A Development Management Agreement No. 2") in relation to the services, including design, construction management and guantity surveying provided to PRCL for a term of three years from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2026 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Renewal Phase 1A Development Management Agreement No. 2; (ii) PRCL and Paradise Luxury had entered into a renewed sales agency agreement (the "Renewed Sales Agency Agreement") in relation to agency services provided to PRCL for sales and marketing of the certain residential properties being marketed and sold by PRCL under the project in Phang Nga for a term of three years from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2026 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Renewed Sales Agency Agreement; (iii) Aquella Property Management and Andara Resort had entered into a common area management agreement (the "Common Area Management Agreement for Phase 1A Development and Estate Road") in relation to property management services provided to Aquella Property Management for a term of three years from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2026 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Common Area Management Agreement for Phase 1A Development and Estate Road; and (iv) PRCL and Andara Resort had entered into a service agreement (the "Cleaning Service Agreement") in relation to the cleaning services provided to PRCL for the show villa and sales gallery of Phase 1A within the project in Phang Nga for a term of three years from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2026 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Cleaning Service Agreement. The Marketing Agency Agreement was not renewed.

	Annual Caps <i>(HK\$'000)</i> Financial year ending December 31,		
	2024	2025	2026
Renewal Phase 1A Development Management Agreement No. 2	1,500	2,500	2,000
Renewed Sales Agency Agreement	3,600	2,400	600
Common Area Management Agreement for Phase 1A Development			
and Estate Road	1,500	1,500	1,600
Cleaning Service Agreement	650	650	650
Aggregated Annual Cap	7,250	7,050	4,850

The annual caps for each 2023 Service Agreement for three financial years ending December 31, 2026 are as follows:

#### **CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS — CONTINUED**

- 2. As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated December 31, 2021, PCPD Services Limited ("PCPD Services", a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) had on that day entered into an insurance services and products agreement (the "FWD Insurance Services and Products Agreement") with FWD Life Insurance Company (Bermuda) Limited ("FWD Life", a subsidiary of FWD Group Holdings Limited) which had agreed to provide or procure other members of FWD Group (being FWD Group Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries), associates of Li Tzar Kai, Richard, a director of the Company, to provide insurance and related services and products to the Group for a term of three years from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the FWD Insurance Services and Products Agreement, subject to annual caps of HK\$8 million for the year ended December 31, 2022, HK\$9.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2024. The aggregate amount charged by FWD Life under the FWD Insurance Services and Products Agreement for the year ended December 31, 2023 was approximately HK\$5.2 million for insurance and related services and products.
- 3. As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated June 30, 2022, PT. Prima Bangun Investama ("PT PBI", a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company), as landlord, and PT FWD Life Indonesia ("PT FWD", an associate of Li Tzar Kai, Richard, a director of the Company), as tenant, had entered into a lease agreement (the "2022 Lease Agreement") on that day in relation to the key terms of the lease of the whole of 20th Floor and the signage right over the building named Pacific Century Place ("PCP") situated at Jl. Jenderal Sudirman Kavling. 52–53, SCBD Lot 10, Jakarta 12190, Indonesia for a term from July 2, 2022 to July 1, 2025 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the 2022 Lease Agreement, subject to annual caps of IDR13,233 million (approximately HK\$7 million) for the year ended December 31, 2022, IDR26,465 million (approximately HK\$14 million) for the year ending December 31, 2023. The aggregate amount charged by PT PBI under the 2022 Lease Agreement for the year ended December 31, 2023 was approximately IDR18,397.2 million (approximately HK\$9.3 million) for rentals, service charges, parking charges and signage charges.
- 4. As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated December 28, 2022, PCPD Facilities Management Limited ("PCPD FM", a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) had entered into a facilities management services agreement and a lease & tenant management services agreement (the "Agreements") with Reach Networks Hong Kong Limited ("Reach Networks", a wholly-owned subsidiary of Reach Ltd., which is an associate of PCCW) on that day in relation to the provision of the facilities management services and lease & tenant management services by PCPD FM to Reach Networks and its subsidiaries from January 1, 2023 onwards for a term of two years until December 31, 2024 at the fees calculated in accordance with the terms of the Agreements, subject to the annual cap of HK\$9 million for 2023 and 2024. The aggregate fees charged by PCPD FM under the Agreements for the year ended December 31, 2023 was approximately HK\$8.4 million for facilities management services and lease & tenant management services.

#### **CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS — CONTINUED**

5. As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated December 28, 2022 (the "Announcement"), PCPD Operations Limited ("PCPDOL", a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company) had on that day entered into a master agreement for supply and procurement of goods and services with each of the following parties: (i) PCCW Solutions Limited ("PCCW Solutions"), an indirect subsidiary of PCCW (PCCW together with its subsidiaries, excluding the HKT Group (as defined below), "PCCW Group") (the agreement with PCCW Solutions shall be referred to as the "PCCW Group 2022 Master Agreement"); and (ii) Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited ("HKTL"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of HKT Limited (HKT Limited together with its subsidiaries, "HKT Group") (the agreement with HKTL shall be referred to as the "HKT Group 2022 Master Agreement"). Such agreements set out the frameworks for the provision of certain goods and services by the PCCW Group and the HKT Group respectively to the Group for a term of three years from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025 at prices to be determined in accordance with the terms stipulated therein and subject to the annual caps as disclosed in the Announcement. The category(ies) of goods and services as provided under (i) the PCCW Group 2022 Master Agreement are (a) telecommunications, information technology solutions and related equipment and services and (b) corporate services and other services.

The approximate aggregate value and the annual cap under the PCCW Group 2022 Master Agreement are set out below:

	Approximate	Annual cap
	aggregate values for	for the
	the financial year ended	financial year ended
Category of goods and services	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Corporate services and other services	358	4,170

The approximate aggregate value and the annual cap of each category under the HKT Group 2022 Master Agreement are set out below:

Categories of goods and services	Approximate aggregate values for the financial year ended December 31, 2023	Annual caps for the financial year ended December 31, 2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Telecommunications, information technology solutions and related equipment and services (not including those fully exempt as consumer goods and services)	959	4,200
Corporate services and other services	5,962	11,170

As at December 31, 2023, PCCW, a substantial shareholder of the Company, held approximately 30.07% and approximately 52.51% equity interest in the Company and HKT respectively.

#### **CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS — CONTINUED**

The Board, including the independent non-executive directors of the Company, had reviewed and confirmed that the continuing connected transactions for the financial year ended December 31, 2023 have been entered into:

- 1. in the ordinary and usual course of the business of the Group;
- 2. on normal commercial terms or better; and
- 3. according to the relevant agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

The external auditor of the Company was engaged to report on the continuing connected transactions entered into by the Group for the year ended December 31, 2023 in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised) "Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information" and with reference to Practice Note 740 (Revised) "Auditor's Letter on Continuing Connected Transactions under the Hong Kong Listing Rules" issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The external auditor has issued their unqualified letter containing their findings and conclusions in respect of the continuing connected transactions in accordance with Rule 14A.56 of the Listing Rules.

#### **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Details of the material related party transactions undertaken by the Group in the normal course of business are set out in note 34 to the consolidated financial statements. Those related party transactions which constituted connected transactions or continuing connected transactions under the Listing Rules had complied with the applicable requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

#### **PUBLIC FLOAT**

As at the date of this report, the Company maintained the prescribed public float as required under the Listing Rules, based on information that was publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the directors of the Company.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company's corporate governance principles and practices are set out in the "Corporate Governance Report" on pages 24 to 43 of this annual report.

#### **AUDITOR**

The consolidated financial statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2023 were audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers who will retire at the conclusion of the forthcoming annual general meeting. A resolution for the re-appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers as auditor of the Company will be proposed at that meeting.

By order of the Board

**CHEUNG Kwok Kuen Alan** *General Counsel and Company Secretary* 

Hong Kong, February 21, 2024

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**



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**To the Shareholders of Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited** (incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

#### Opinion

#### What we have audited

The consolidated financial statements of Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group"), which are set out on pages 76 to 152, comprise:

- the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023;
- the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the consolidated financial statements, which comprising material accounting policy information and other explanatory information.

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at December 31, 2023, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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#### Independence

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants ("the Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

#### Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. Key audit matters identified in our audit are summarised as follows:

- Impairment of hotel properties in Japan
- Valuation of investment property in Indonesia
- Carrying values of properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development

#### **Key Audit Matter**

#### Impairment of hotel properties in Japan

Refer to note 15 to the consolidated financial statements.

The Group holds 2 hotel properties in Hokkaido, Japan. The carrying values of the hotel properties included in property, plant and equipment were HK\$1,399 million as at December 31, 2023.

Although the Group's hotel operations were significantly improved since the relaxation of travel restrictions, they were still incurred losses for the year ended December 31, 2023. This factor, together with the uncertainties over the pace of business recovery, are considered as indicators of impairment. Management has therefore performed impairment assessments to determine the recoverable amounts of the hotel properties of the Group, with each hotel considered as a separate cash generating unit ("CGU"). The recoverable amount is determined as the higher of the CGU's value-in-use and fair value less costs of disposal. How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Our procedures in relation to management's assessment of the carrying values of property, plant and equipment of the hotels included:

- Understanding management's controls and processes for identifying indicators for impairment, determining the recoverable amounts of hotel properties and assessing the inherent risk of material misstatement by considering the degree of estimation uncertainty and the judgement involved in determining assumptions to be applied;
- Evaluating management's future cash flow forecasts and the processes by which they were drawn up, including testing the underlying calculations and comparing them to the latest Board approved budgets and the actual results of the prior period;
- Assessing the appropriateness of methodologies and key assumptions used by management in the calculations of the recoverable amounts for the hotel properties;

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

#### Key Audit Matter

#### How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

#### Impairment of hotel properties in Japan - Continued

Management determined the value-in-use of the hotel properties held by the Group as the recoverable amounts as at December 31, 2023, which involves estimation of future business performance and key assumptions including discount rates, occupancy rates, average daily room rates, etc..

Based on the impairment assessments carried out by management, no provision for impairment of hotel properties was considered necessary as at December 31, 2023.

- Assessing the occupancy rates and average daily room rates assumptions applied in the forecasts by comparing them to historic results and economic and industry forecasts;
- Assessing the region-specific discount rate and capitalisation rate with reference to market data or our in-house valuation experts; and
- Carrying out sensitivity test by making adjustments to the key assumptions in management's impairment assessments and considered whether any reasonably possible adjustments, in isolation or as a combination, would result in material change in recoverable amounts.

Based on our work and the evidence obtained, we found the significant judgements and estimates adopted by management in the value-in-use calculation were supportable.

#### **Key Audit Matter**

#### How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

#### Valuation of investment property in Indonesia

Refer to note 14 to the consolidated financial statements.

The Group's investment properties were carried at HK\$3,435 million out of which HK\$3,379 million as at December 31, 2023 related to the completed investment property in Indonesia.

Management has engaged an independent professional valuer to determine the fair value of the investment property. The fair value was derived using the income approach.

The valuation was inherently subjective due to the significant estimates used which included the expected market rent and capitalisation rate. Significant changes in these estimates could result in material changes to the valuation of the property. Our procedures in relation to management's valuation of the investment property included:

- Assessing the inherent risk of material misstatement by considering the degree of estimation uncertainty and the judgement involved in determining assumptions to be applied;
- Assessing the competence, capability and objectivity of the independent professional valuer;
- Discussing the valuation methodology and key assumptions with the valuer;
- Involving our internal valuation specialists to compare the estimated market rent in the valuation to our independently formed market expectations, and to compare the capitalisation rate to a range of expected yields determined with reference to published market yields; and
- Checking, on a sample basis, the accuracy and reasonableness of information, such as the rental income and lease period, used by the valuer, to the underlying lease agreements.

We found the valuation of the investment property to be supported by the available evidence.

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Key Audit Matter

How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Carrying values of properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development Refer to note 17 to the consolidated financial statements.

The carrying values of properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development were HK\$3,380 million, HK\$83 million and HK\$427 million respectively as at December 31, 2023.

For the properties under development/properties held for sale in Japan with the carrying value of HK\$611 million and properties under development in Hong Kong with the carrying value of HK\$2,673 million, management determined the net realisable values of the properties using the cash flow forecast, wherever appropriate, which involved significant estimates and assumptions such as selling prices and construction costs.

For the properties under development and properties held for development in Thailand with the carrying value of HK\$179 million and HK\$427 million respectively, management determined the net realisable value of the properties by the direct comparison approach, which involved the use of estimates and assumptions including recent sales price of similar properties with adjustments for any difference in nature, locality and condition of the properties.

Based on their determination of these net realisable values, management concluded that the carrying values of the properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development were appropriate. Our procedures in relation to management's assessment of the carrying value of properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development included:

- Understanding management's controls and processes for determining the net realisable values of the properties under development and properties held for sale and properties held for development and assessing the inherent risk of material misstatement by considering the degree of estimation uncertainty and the judgement involved in determining assumptions to be applied.
- Assessing the appropriateness of the methodologies used by management for the assessments of the net realisable value of properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development;
- For the properties under development/held for sale in Japan with the carrying value of HK\$611 million and the properties under development in Hong Kong with the carrying value of HK\$2,673 million, comparing the estimated selling prices and construction costs used in the assessments to our independently formed market expectations and countryspecific market and industry data. We also performed sensitivity analysis on the key assumptions used in the assessments; and
- For the properties under development and properties held for development with the carrying value of HK\$179 million and HK\$427 million respectively, comparing management's estimates of selling prices for similar properties to market data. We also considered whether the adjusting factors used in management's assessment fell within a reasonable range with reference to our property industry knowledge in the country which the properties are located. We also performed sensitivity analysis on the key assumptions used in the assessment.

We found the carrying values of the properties under development, properties held for sale and properties held for development to be supported by the available evidence.

#### **Other Information**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all of the information included in the annual report other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated 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 Directors and the Audit Committee for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors are 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 the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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. We report our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with Section 90 of the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs 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 consolidated financial statements.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated 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 the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' 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 consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated 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 Audit Committee 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 Audit Committee 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, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with the Audit Committee, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated 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 Lo Pui Shan.

**PricewaterhouseCoopers** *Certified Public Accountants* 

Hong Kong, February 21, 2024

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

HK\$ million	Note(s)	2023	2022
Revenue	4, 5	822	561
Cost of sales		(275)	(228)
Gross profit		547	333
General and administrative expenses		(665)	(662)
Other income	6	29	114
Operating loss		(89)	(215)
Interest income		21	14
Finance costs	7	(332)	(343)
Loss before taxation	8	(400)	(544)
Income tax	11	(66)	(54)
Loss attributable to equity holders of the Company		(466)	(598)
Other comprehensive loss:			
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Currency translation differences:			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(65)	(733)
Total comprehensive loss		(531)	(1,331)
Loss per share (expressed in Hong Kong cents per share)			
Basic and diluted	13	(22.89) cents	(29.34) cents

The notes on pages 81 to 152 form part of these consolidated financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

					2023			
						Attribu	table to	
HK\$ million	lssued equity	Capital reserve	Currency translation reserve	Other reserves	(Accumulated losses)/ Retained earnings	Equity holders of the Company	non- controlling interests	Total equity
Balance at January 1, 2023	3,802	(565)	(1,593)	10	(574)	(1,080)	133	1,213
Total comprehensive loss for the year	_	_	(65)	_	(466)	(531)	_	(531)
Balance at December 31, 2023	3,802	(565)	(1,658)	10	(1,040)	549	133	682

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HK\$ million	lssued equity	Capital reserve	Currency translation reserve	Other reserves	(Accumulated losses)/ Retained earnings	Equity holders of the Company	non- controlling interests	Total equity
Balance at January 1, 2022	3,802	(565)	(860)	10	24	2,411	133	2,544
Total comprehensive loss for the year	_	_	(733)	_	(598)	(1,331)	_	(1,331)
Balance at December 31, 2022	3,802	(565)	(1,593)	10	(574)	1,080	133	1,213

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The notes on pages 81 to 152 form part of these consolidated financial statements.

# **CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2023

HK\$ million	Notes	2023	2022
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Non-current assets			
Investment properties	14	3,435	3,374
Property, plant and equipment	15	2,344	2,531
Right-of-use assets	16	30	32
Properties under development	17(a)	142	2,921
Properties held for development	17(b)	427	422
Goodwill	18	4	4
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	19	1	1
repayments and other receivables		181	194
		6,564	9,479
Current assets			
Properties under development/held for sale	17(a)	3,321	250
Inventories		20	19
Sales proceeds held in stakeholders' accounts	21(a)	9	506
Restricted cash	21(b)	43	153
Trade receivables, net	21(c)	96	59
Prepayments, deposits and other current assets		102	134
Amounts due from related companies	34(c)	5	4
Short-term deposits		_	90
Cash and cash equivalents		865	596
		4,461	1,811

HK\$ million	Notes	2023	2022
Current liabilities			
Borrowings	22	531	624
Trade payables	21(d)	51	20
Accruals and other payables	21(e)	321	342
Deferred income and contract liabilities	23	230	144
Lease liabilities		25	22
Amount payable to the HKSAR Government			
under the Cyberport Project Agreement	24	_	335
Current income tax liabilities		14	8
		1,172	1,495
Net current assets		3,289	316
Total assets less current liabilities		9,853	9,795
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	22	8,910	8,350
Other payables		185	185
Deferred income and contract liabilities	23	30	_
Lease liabilities		13	17
Deferred income tax liabilities	29	33	30
		9,171	8,582
Net assets		682	1,213
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Issued equity	25	3,802	3,802
Reserves		(3,253)	(2,722)
Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company		549	1,080
Non-controlling interests	20	133	133
		682	1,213

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

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HK\$ million	Notes	2023	2022
NET CASH GENERATED FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	30(a)	245	101
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchases of property, plant and equipment		(74)	(56)
Decrease/(Increase) in short-term deposits		90	(1,852)
NET CASH GENERATED FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		16	1,796
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from bank borrowings, net		534	233
Repayment of bank borrowings		(58)	(91)
Payment for borrowing costs		(451)	(441)
Payment for lease liabilities (including interest)		(26)	(21)
Decrease/(increase) in restricted cash		10	(35)
Payment for redemption of 4.75% guaranteed notes		—	(2,403)
NET CASH GENERATED FROM/(USED IN) FINANCING ACTIVITIES		9	(2,758)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		270	(861)
Exchange difference		(1)	(59)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Balance at January 1,		596	1,516
Balance at December 31,		865	596

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## **1. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together the "Group") are principally engaged in the development and management of premium-grade property and infrastructure projects as well as premium-grade property investments.

The Company is a limited liability company incorporated in Bermuda and its securities are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). The address of its registered office is Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda.

These consolidated financial statements set out on pages 76 to 152 were approved by the board of directors (the "Board") on February 21, 2024.

## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a. Statement of compliance

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, which is a collective term for all individual Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622).

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### b. Basis of preparation of the consolidated financial statements

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries.

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements is the historical cost convention, except that the following assets are stated at fair value as explained in the accounting policies set out below:

- investment properties (see note 2(g)); and
- financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (see note 2(o)).

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Group incurred a loss attributable to equity holders of the Company of HK\$466 million (2022: HK\$598 million). The directors of the Company have considered the above circumstances and have been regularly monitoring the liquidity position of the Group including the maturity and refinancing of loan facilities, and prepared a cash flow projection, given due and careful consideration to the refinancing needs and financial performance of the Group to assess its liquidity.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### b. Basis of preparation of the consolidated financial statements — Continued

Having taken into account the Group's history in obtaining and extending the external financing, as well as future working capital requirements and cash resources, the directors consider the Group has sufficient financial resources to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due in the next twelve months period ending December 31, 2024. Accordingly, these consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with HKFRSs requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements, are disclosed in note 3.

The HKICPA has issued certain new and revised HKFRSs that are adopted for the current accounting period of the Group. The following sets out the changes in accounting policies for the current accounting period reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

#### i. Adoption of new/revised accounting standards

Standard and amendments effective for the annual period beginning on January 1, 2023 adopted by the Group but have no significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statement:

HKAS 1 (Revised) (Amendments)Presentation of Financial StatementsHKAS 8 (Amendments)Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and ErrorsHKAS 12 (Amendments)Income TaxesHKFRS 17Insurance Contracts

The Group has not early adopted any new or amended HKFRS and HKASs that not yet effective for the current accounting period.

#### b. Basis of preparation of the consolidated financial statements — Continued

#### ii. Amendments to standards and interpretation which are not yet effective

The following amendments and interpretation have been issued but are not yet effective for the year ended December 31, 2023 and which the Group has not early adopted:

HKAS 1 (Amendments)	Presentation of Financial Statements <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 7 (Amendments)	Cashflow Statement <sup>1</sup>
HKAS 21 (Amendments)	The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates <sup>2</sup>
HKAS 28 (2011) (Amendments)	Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures <sup>3</sup>
HKFRS 7 (Amendments)	Financial Instruments <sup>1</sup>
HKFRS 10 (Amendments)	Consolidated Financial Statements <sup>3</sup>
HKFRS 16 (Amendments)	Leases <sup>1</sup>
HK Interpretation 5 (2020)	Presentation of Financial Statements — Classification by the Borrower
	of a Term Loan that Contains a Repayment on Demand Clauses <sup>1</sup>

#### Notes:

- 1 Effective for annual period beginning on or after January 1, 2024
- 2 Effective for annual period beginning on or after January 1, 2025
- 3 Effective date to be determined

The Group does not expect the adoption of the above amendments and interpretation that are not yet effective will have a material impact on the Group's future reporting periods and foreseeable future transactions.

#### c. Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when it is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. An investment in a subsidiary is consolidated into the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### c. Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests — Continued

The Group uses the acquisition method to account for business combinations. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. On an acquisition-by-acquisition basis, the Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's net assets. All other components of non-controlling interests are measured at their acquisition date fair value, unless another measurement basis is required by Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards.

The excess of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill (see note 2(j)). If this is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired in the case of a bargain purchase, the difference is recognised directly in the consolidated income statement. Where businesses are acquired and fair values of the net assets of the acquired business are finalised within 12 months of the acquisition date, all fair value adjustments are recorded with effect from the date of acquisition and consequently may result in the restatement of previously reported financial results.

When the Group ceases to have control, any retained interest in the entity is re-measured to its fair value with the change in carrying amount recognised in profit or loss. The fair value is the initial carrying amount for the purpose of subsequently accounting for the retained interest as an associate, joint arrangement or financial asset. In addition, any amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are accounted for as if the Group had disposed of the related assets or liabilities. This may mean that amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss.

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any unrealised profits arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in full in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

In the Company's statement of financial position, investment in a subsidiary is stated at cost less any impairment losses (note 2(h)). The results of subsidiaries are recognised by the Company to the extent of dividends received and receivable at the end of the reporting period.

#### d. Revenue recognition

Provided it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and that the revenue and costs, if applicable, can be measured reliably, revenue is recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as follows:

#### (i) Sales of properties

Revenue is recognised at a point in time when the customer obtains control of the completed property, which is typically when the property is legally or physically transferred to the customer. The revenue is measured at the transaction price agreed under the contract. In most cases, the consideration is due when legal title has been transferred.

#### (ii) Rental income from operating leases

Rental income receivable under operating leases is recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in equal instalments over the accounting periods covered by the lease term, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased asset. Lease incentives granted are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as an integral part of the aggregate net lease payments receivable. Contingent rentals are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are earned.

Receipts of rental income in advance are deferred and recorded as "Deferred income and contract liabilities" in the consolidated statement of financial position. The amounts are then recognised as revenue based on the actual utilisation of the rental usage of the investment properties.

#### (iii) Service income

Service income is recognised when the related services are rendered to customers.

For the property and facilities management services provided for fixed period, service income is recognised on a straight-line basis over the respective period.

#### (iv) Interest income

Interest income from bank deposits is accrued on a time-apportioned basis using the effective interest method by reference to the principal outstanding and the rates applicable.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### d. Revenue recognition — Continued

#### (v) Hotel revenue

Hotel revenue from room rental is recognised over time during the period of stay for the hotel guests. Revenue from food and beverage sales and other ancillary services is generally recognised at the point in time when the services are rendered.

#### e. Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Land and buildings are stated at cost less impairment losses (note 2(h)) less subsequent depreciation for buildings. Land has an indefinite useful life and is not subject to depreciation.

Property, plant and equipment held for own use are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (note 2(h)). The cost of an asset comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use, including qualifying borrowing costs (note 2(t)). Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset and is depreciated over the original remaining useful life of the asset when it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Group and the costs can be measured reliably. All other subsequent expenditure, such as repairs and maintenance and overhaul costs, is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

Gains or losses arising from the retirement or disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the estimated net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income on the date of retirement or disposal.

Land and construction in progress are not depreciated. Depreciation on other property, plant and equipment is calculated to write off the cost on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives as follows:

Buildings and structures	5 to 51 years
Other plant and equipment	2 to 20 years

The useful lives of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

#### f. Leased assets

An arrangement, comprising a transaction or a series of transactions, is or contains a lease if the Group determines that the arrangement conveys a right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Such determination is made on an evaluation of the substance of the arrangement, regardless of whether the arrangements take the legal form of a lease.

#### (i) Assets leased to the Group

Leases are initially recognised as a right-of-use asset/interest in leasehold land and corresponding liability, where applicable, at the date of which the leased asset is available for use by the Group. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

The right-of-use asset is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term. Interest in leasehold land is amortised on a straight-line basis over the lease term, except where the property is classified as an investment property (see note 2(g)) or property under development/held for sale/held for development (see note 2(i)).

The Group has elected the practical expedient not to separate lease and non-lease components of certain class of underlying assets and account for whole as a single lease component in the measurement of lease liabilities and right-of-use assets.

Assets leased by the Group and the corresponding liabilities are initially measured on a present value basis. Lease liabilities include the net present value of the following lease payments:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable;
- variable lease payments that are based on an index or a rate; and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Group, as a lessee, exercising an option to terminate the lease.

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### f. Leased assets — Continued

#### (i) Assets leased to the Group - Continued

The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be determined, or the incremental borrowing rate of the respective entities. Right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising the following:

- the amount of the initial measurement of lease liabilities;
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentive received;
- any initial direct costs; and
- restoration costs.

Payments associated with short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less. Low-value assets comprise equipment and small items of office furniture.

#### (ii) Assets leased out by the Group

A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset. A lease is classified as an operating lease if it does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset.

Where the Group leases out assets under operating leases, the assets are included in the consolidated statement of financial position according to their nature and, where applicable, are depreciated in accordance with the Group's depreciation policies. Impairment losses are accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy as set out in the note 2(h). Revenue arising from operating leases is recognised in accordance with the Group's revenue recognition policies as set out in the note 2(d)(ii).

#### g. Investment properties

Investment properties are land and/or buildings which are owned or held under a leasehold interest (see note 2(f)) to earn rental income and/or for capital appreciation, and which are not occupied by the Group. It also includes properties that are being constructed or developed for future use as investment properties.

Land held under operating leases are classified and accounted for as an investment property when the rest of the definition of investment property is met.

#### g. Investment properties — Continued

Investment properties are initially measured at their cost, including directly attributable construction costs, borrowing costs and other related transaction costs. After initial recognition, investment properties are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at fair value. Fair value is based on active market prices, adjusted, if necessary, for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset. If this information is not available, the Group uses alternative valuation methods such as recent prices on less active markets or discounted cash flow projections. These valuations are performed in accordance with the guidance issued by the International Valuation Standards Committee and are prepared or reviewed periodically by independent external valuers. The fair values of investment properties reflect, among other things, rental income from current leases and assumptions about rental income from future leases in the light of current market conditions. The fair values also reflect, on a similar basis, any cash outflows that could be expected in respect of the properties. Changes in fair value arising on the revaluation of investment properties are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance costs are expensed to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they are incurred.

#### h. Impairment of investment in a subsidiary and non-financial assets

Internal and external sources of information are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, or whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable, to identify indications that the following assets may be impaired or, except in the case of goodwill, an impairment loss previously recognised no longer exists or may have decreased:

- property, plant and equipment;
- right-of-use assets;
- goodwill; and
- properties under development/held for sale/held for development.

If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised in the profit or loss whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purpose of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest level for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows (a cash-generating unit).

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### h. Impairment of investment in a subsidiary and non-financial assets — Continued

#### (i) Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. Fair value less costs to sell is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable, willing parties, less the costs of disposal. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

#### (ii) Recognition of impairment losses

An impairment loss is recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income whenever the carrying amount of an asset, or the cash-generating unit to which it belongs, exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the cash-generating unit and then, to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the cash-generating unit on a pro rata basis, except that the carrying amount of an asset will not be reduced below its individual fair value less costs of disposal, or value in use, if determinable.

#### (iii) Reversals of impairment losses

An impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not allowed to be reversed.

A reversal of an impairment loss is limited to the asset's carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. Reversals of impairment losses are credited to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the year in which the reversals are recognised.

#### *i.* Properties under development/held for sale/held for development

Properties held for development represent interests in land held for future development which are stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses (note 2(h)).

Properties under development or held for sale are carried at the lower of cost and the estimated net realisable value. Cost includes original land acquisition costs, costs of land use rights, construction expenditures incurred and other direct development costs attributable to such properties, including interest incurred on loans directly attributable to the development prior to the completion of construction. The net realisable value is determined by reference to estimated sale proceeds of properties sold in the ordinary course of business less all estimated selling expenses.

#### *i.* Properties under development/held for sale/held for development — Continued

Properties under development with the development expected to be completed within one year from the end of the reporting period, which have either been pre-sold or are intended for sale, are classified under current assets.

Properties held for sale represent completed properties available for sale which are classified under current assets.

#### j. Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration transferred and the fair value of non-controlling interest over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the acquiree's net identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill is stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost less accumulated impairment losses (note 2(h)). Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units and is tested at least annually for impairment or whenever there is impairment indicator. Impairment losses on goodwill are not reversed. On disposal of an entity or business unit, any attributable amount of purchased goodwill is included in the calculation of the profit or loss on disposal.

#### k. Contract assets and liabilities

Customers pay according to a pre-agreed payment schedule. If the performance obligations fulfilled by the Group exceed the total non-refundable payments received and unconditional rights to contract consideration to date, a contract asset is recognised. If the total non-refundable payments received and unconditional rights to contract consideration to date exceed the performance obligation fulfilled, a contract liability is recognised. The contract assets are transferred to receivables when the Group's rights to the contract consideration become unconditional.

#### *l.* Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at the amount of consideration that is unconditional unless they contain significant financing component, when they are recognised at fair value. The Group holds trade and other receivables with the objective to collect the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less loss allowance for expected credit losses.

For trade receivables, the Group applies the simplified approach to providing for expected credit losses, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all trade receivables. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. When measuring expected credit losses, the Group considers the risk or probability that a credit loss occurs by reflecting the possibility that a credit loss occurs and possibility that no credit loss occurs.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### *l.* Trade and other receivables — Continued

For other receivables, the Group considers the probability of default upon initial recognition of asset and whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on an ongoing basis throughout each reporting period. To assess whether there is a significant increase in credit risk, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the asset as at the reporting date with the risk of default as at the date of initial recognition by considering available reasonable and supportive forward-looking information. Considerations may include:

- actual or expected significant adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant change to the borrower's ability to meet its obligations;
- actual or expected significant changes in the operating results of the borrower; and
- significant changes in the expected performance and behavior of the borrower, including changes in the payment status of borrowers in the Group and changes in the operating results of the borrower.

Trade and other receivables are included in current assets, except for maturities greater than twelve months after the end of the reporting period. These are classified as non-current assets. Trade and other receivables are included in the consolidated statement of financial position under "Trade receivables, net" and "Prepayments, deposits and other current assets" under current assets and "Prepayments and other receivables" under non-current assets.

#### m. Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less applicable variable selling expense.

#### n. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and other short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, having been within three months of maturity at acquisition, less bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management.

#### o. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

The Group classifies its investments in equity securities, other than investment in a subsidiary, as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. This category comprises financial assets held for trading and those designated as fair value through profit or loss at inception.

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade-date, the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownerships.

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. At the end of each reporting period, the fair value is re-measured, changes in the fair value of financial assets are recognised in "Other gain/(loss), net" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

#### p. Financial guarantee contracts

The fair value of financial guarantees is determined as the present value of the difference in net cash flows between the contractual payments under the debt instrument and the payments that would be required without the guarantee, or the estimated amount that would be payable to a third party for assuming the obligations.

Where guarantees in relation to loans or other payables of associates are provided for no compensation, the fair values are accounted for as contributions and recognised as part of the cost of the investment.

#### q. Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. They are included in current liabilities, except for maturities greater than twelve months after the end of the reporting period. These are classified as non-current liabilities.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### r. Provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised for liabilities of uncertain timing or amount when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made. Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation. Where the time value of money is material, provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditures expected to settle the obligation.

Where it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

#### s. Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, borrowings are stated at amortised cost with any difference between the amount initially recognised, being the proceeds net of transaction costs, and the redemption value being recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income over the period of the borrowings, using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of reporting period.

#### t. Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are expensed in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they are incurred, except to the extent that they are capitalised as being directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset which necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale.

The capitalisation of borrowing costs as part of the cost of a qualifying asset commences when expenditure for the asset is being incurred, borrowing costs are being incurred and activities that are necessary to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress. Capitalisation of borrowing costs is suspended or ceases when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are interrupted or completed.

Ancillary costs incurred in connection with arranging borrowings, to the extent that they are regarded as adjustments to interest costs, are recognised as expenses over the period of the borrowing using the effective interest method.

#### u. Income tax

Income tax for the year comprises current income tax and movements in deferred income tax assets and liabilities. Income tax is recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

- (i) Current income tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.
- (ii) Deferred income tax assets and liabilities arise from deductible and taxable temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the tax bases respectively. Deferred income tax assets also arise from unused tax losses and unused tax credits.

All deferred income tax liabilities are recognised while deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised.

Where investment properties are carried at their fair value in accordance with the accounting policy set out in note 2(g), the amount of deferred income tax recognised is measured using the tax rates that would be applied on sale of those assets at their carrying value in the statement of financial position 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 income tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of the assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period. Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, except for deferred income tax liability where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### u. Income tax — Continued

- (iii) Current tax balances and deferred tax balances, and movements therein, are presented separately from each other and are not offset. Current tax assets are offset against current tax liabilities, and deferred tax assets against deferred tax liabilities, if the Group has the legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the following additional conditions are met:
  - in the case of current tax assets and liabilities, the Group intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously; or
  - in the case of deferred tax assets and liabilities, if they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either:
    - the same taxable entity; or
    - different taxable entities, which, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered, intend to realise the current tax assets and settle the current tax liabilities on a net basis or realise and settle simultaneously.

#### v. Employee benefits

- (i) Salaries, annual bonuses, annual leave entitlements, leave passage and the cost to the Group of non-monetary benefits are accrued in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees of the Group. Where payment or settlement is deferred and the effect would be material, provisions are made for the estimated liability as a result of services rendered by employees up to the end of the reporting period.
- (ii) Defined contribution retirement schemes (including the Mandatory Provident Fund) are offered to employees of the Group. The schemes are operated by PCCW and the assets of such schemes are generally held in separate trustee-administered funds. The schemes are generally funded by payments from the relevant companies of the PCCW Group including the Group and, in some cases, employees themselves, taking into account of the recommendations of independent qualified actuaries.

The Group's contributions to the defined contribution retirement schemes are recognised as expenses in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income in the period to which the contributions relate. Under the defined contribution retirement schemes, the employer is required to make contributions to the scheme at rates specified under the rules of the scheme. Where employees leave the scheme prior to the full vesting of the employer's contributions, the amount of forfeited contributions is used to reduce the contributions payable by the Group.

#### v. Employee benefits — Continued

- (iii) The Group and PCCW operate share option schemes where employees (including directors) are granted options to acquire shares of the Company or PCCW at specified exercise prices. The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of the options is recognised as staff costs in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income with a corresponding increase in an employee share-based compensation reserve under equity. The fair value of the options granted is measured at grant date using the trinomial option pricing model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted, and spread over the respective vesting period during which the employees become unconditionally entitled to the options. At the end of each reporting period, the Group revises its estimates of the number of share options that is expected to become vested. The impact of the revision of original estimates, if any, is recognised in the profit or loss with a corresponding adjustment to the employee share-based compensation reserve over the remaining vesting period. On vesting date, the amount recognised as staff costs is adjusted to reflect the actual number of share options that vest (with a corresponding adjustment to the employee share-based compensation reserve). The equity amount is recognised in the employee share-based compensation reserve until either the share options are exercised (when it is transferred to the share premium account) or the share options expire (when it is released directly to retained earnings). When the share options are exercised, the proceeds received, net of any directly attributable transaction cost, are credited to share capital (nominal value) and share premium.
- (iv) The Board of directors of PCCW may also grants shares of PCCW or share stapled units of HKT Limited ("HKT"), a related company of the Group, to the employees of the Group at nil consideration under its share award scheme; which the awarded shares or share stapled units are either newly issued at par value (the "Subscription Scheme") or are purchased from the open market (the "Purchase Scheme").

Awards under the Purchase Scheme and the Subscription Scheme, are accounted for as cash-settle share-based payments. The fair value of the awarded PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units represents the quoted market price of PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units purchased from the open market under the Purchase Scheme and the issue price of PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units under the Subscription Scheme are recognised as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, and subsequently measured at fair value. The fair value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units are recognised as staff costs in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income over the respective vesting period with a corresponding obligation being recognised. On vesting date, the amount recognised as staff costs is adjusted to reflect the actual number of awarded PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units recognised in the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is offset with the obligation) and the carrying amount of awarded PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units recognised in the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is offset with the obligation.

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## 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

#### w. Share-based payment transactions with cash alternatives

Share-based payment transactions are those arrangements which the terms provide either the Group or the counterparty with a choice of whether the Group settles the transaction in cash (or other assets) or by issuing equity instruments. Upon the vesting conditions, if any, are met, the Group shall account for that transaction, or the components of that transaction, as a cash-settled share-based payment transaction if, and to the extent that, the Group has incurred a liability to settle in cash (or other assets). Otherwise, the share-based payment transaction is accounted for as an equity-settled share-based payment transaction if, and to the extent that, no such liability has been incurred.

#### x. Foreign currency translation

The Group maintains their books and records in the primary currencies of their operations (the "functional currencies"). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

Foreign currencies transactions during the year are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the end of the reporting period. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

The results of foreign operations are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the exchange rates approximating the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates of transactions. Items included in the consolidated statement of financial position of foreign operations, including goodwill arising on consolidation of foreign operations acquired, are translated into Hong Kong dollars at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the end of the reporting period. The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated separately in the currency translation reserve under equity.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign operations are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated separately currency translation reserve under equity. On disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative amount of the exchange differences recognised in the currency translation reserve under equity which relate to that foreign operation is included in the calculation of the gain or loss on disposal.

#### y. Segment reporting

Operating segments, and the amounts of each segment item reported in the consolidated financial statements, are identified from the financial information provided regularly to the Group's senior executive management for the purposes of allocating resources to, and assessing the performance of, the Group's various lines of business and geographical locations.

Individually material operating segments are not aggregated for financial reporting purposes unless the segments have similar economic characteristics and are similar in respect of the nature of products and services, the nature of production processes, the type or class of customers, the methods used to distribute the products or provide the services, and the nature of the regulatory environment. Operating segments which are not individually material may be aggregated if they share a majority of these criteria.

#### z. Dividend distribution

Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders or bonus convertible noteholders is recognised as a liability in the consolidated financial statements and the Company's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Company's shareholders.

### 3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom be equal to the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below:

#### (i) Estimated valuation of investment properties

The best evidence of fair value is the current prices in an active market for similar properties. In the absence of such information, the Group determines the amount within a range of reasonable fair value estimates. In making its estimates, the Group considers both (i) information from the valuations of investment properties performed by external professional valuers on a market value basis and (ii) other principal assumptions, including the current and expected capitalisation rate, market price and market rent in view of the current usage and condition of the investment properties to determine the fair value of the investment properties. Had the Group used different capitalisation rates, market prices, market rents or other assumptions, the fair value of the investment properties would be different and thus caused impact to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. As at December 31, 2023, the fair value of the investment properties was HK\$3,435 million.

#### (ii) Deferred income tax

While deferred income tax liabilities are provided in full on all taxable temporary differences, deferred income tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. In assessing the amount of deferred income tax assets that need to be recognised, the Group considers future taxable income and ongoing prudent and appropriate tax planning strategies. In the event that the Group's estimates of projected future taxable income and benefits from available tax strategies are changed, or changes in current tax regulations are enacted that would impact the timing or extent of the Group's ability to utilise the tax benefits of net operating loss carry-forwards in the future, adjustments to the recorded amount of net deferred income tax assets and income tax would be made. As at December 31, 2023, no deferred income tax assets were netted off against the deferred income tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position (note 29(a)).

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## 3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS - CONTINUED

#### (iii) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews internal and external sources of information to identify indications that the following assets may be impaired or, except in the case of goodwill, an impairment loss previously recognised no longer exists or may have decreased:

- property, plant and equipment;
- right-of-use assets;
- goodwill; and
- properties under development/held for sale/held for development.

If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised in the profit or loss whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount.

The sources used to identify indications of impairment are often subjective in nature and the Group is required to use judgement in applying such information to its business. The Group's interpretation of this information has a direct impact on whether an impairment assessment is performed as at the end of any given reporting period.

If an indication of impairment is identified, such information is further subject to an exercise that requires the Group to estimate the recoverable value. The recoverable value of property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, goodwill and investment in a subsidiary represents the greater of the asset's fair value less cost to sell or its value in use while the recoverable value of properties under development/held for sale/held for development refers to the net realisable value. Depending on the Group's assessment of the overall materiality of the asset under review and complexity of deriving reasonable estimates of the recoverable value, the Group may perform such assessments utilising internal resources or the Group may engage external advisors to counsel the Group. Regardless of the resources utilised, the Group is required to make many assumptions to make these assessments, including the utilisation of such asset, the cash flows to be generated, appropriate market discount rates and the projected market and regulatory conditions. Changes in any of these assumptions could result in a material change to future estimates of the recoverable value of any asset.

No provision for impairment is recognised for the year ended December 31, 2023. (2022: nil)

## 4. **REVENUE**

Revenue comprises the revenue recognised in respect of the following businesses:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
All-season recreational activities in Japan	156	74
Hotel operations in Japan	276	150
Property management in Japan	68	27
Property investment in Indonesia	239	239
Property development and golf operation in Thailand	39	29
Property and facilities management in Hong Kong	31	31
Other businesses	13	11
	822	561

## a. Unsatisfied long-term contracts

The following table shows the amount of revenue recognised in the current year relates to contract liabilities at the beginning of the year.

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Revenue recognised that was included in contract liabilities at the beginning of the year	22	19

The following table shows unsatisfied performance obligations resulting from fixed-price contracts.

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to long-term contracts that		
are partially or fully unsatisfied as at December 31	-	22

All other unsatisfied performance obligation of the Group's contracts with customer has duration of one year or less or is billed based on time incurred.

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## 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION

An analysis of revenue and information regarding the Group's reportable segments as provided to the Group's senior executive management for the purposes of resources allocation and assessment of segment performance for the year ended December 31 is set out below:

#### a. Business segments

	Revenue (note i)					Results			Other information			
HK\$ million For the year ended December 31,	Reve from ex custor 2023	ternal	Inte segn reve 2023	nent	Repor segn reve 2023	nent	Segm resu befo taxat 2023	lts re	Additio non-cu segm asso 2023	irrent nent	Depreci 2023	iation 2022
All-season recreational activities in Japan	156	74	_	_	156	74	3	(51)	36	18	(40)	(45)
Property development in Japan	_	_	_	_	-	_	(24)	51	135	65	(5)	(5)
Hotel operations in Japan	276	150	_	_	276	150	(94)	(183)	(7)	68	(82)	(107)
Property management in Japan	68	27	_	_	68	27	13	[2]	_	-	_	_
Property investment in Indonesia	239	239	_	_	239	239	146	133	19	1	(6)	[6]
Property development and golf operation in												
Thailand	39	29	—	_	39	29	(34)	(48)	(3)	13	(12)	(11)
Property and facilities management in Hong												
Kong	31	31	—	_	31	31	7	9	-	_	-	—
Property development in Hong Kong	-	—	—	_	-	-	(14)	(5)	98	150	(5)	_
Other businesses (note ii)	13	11	2	2	15	13	2	2	1	1	(20)	(20)
Elimination	-	—	(2)	(2)	(2)	[2]	—	-	—	-	(1)	(1)
Total of reported segments	822	561	-	_	822	561	5	(94)	279	316	(173)	(195)
Unallocated	—	_	-	_	-	-	(405)	(450)	-	-	—	_
Consolidated	822	561	-	_	822	561	(400)	(544)	279	316	(173)	(195)

## 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION — CONTINUED

## a. Business segments — Continued

HK\$ million		Assets		Liabilities	
As at December 31,	2023	2022	2023	2022	
All-season recreational activities in Japan	557	557	64	61	
Property development in Japan	821	745	53	13	
Hotel operations in Japan	1,543	1,656	742	707	
Property management in Japan	157	72	135	60	
Property investment in Indonesia	3,825	3,820	317	283	
Property development and golf operation in Thailand	933	925	36	61	
Property and facilities management in Hong Kong	19	34	2	3	
Property development in Hong Kong	2,739	2,491	970	874	
Other businesses (note ii)	59	59	8	8	
Total of reported segments	10,653	10,359	2,327	2,070	
Unallocated	372	931	8,016	8,007	
Consolidated	11,025	11,290	10,343	10,077	

(i) For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the timing of revenue recognition is as follow:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
External revenue from contracts with customers:		
Timing of revenue recognition		
— At a point in time	174	107
-Over time	477	278
External revenue from other sources:		
— Rental income	171	176
	822	561

(ii) Revenue from segment below the quantitative thresholds under HKFRS 8 "Operating Segments" is mainly attributable to property investment in Hong Kong. This segment has never met any of the quantitative thresholds for determining reportable segments.

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## 5. SEGMENT INFORMATION — CONTINUED

#### b. Geographical information

The following table sets out the information about geographical location of (i) the Group's revenue from external customers and (ii) the Group's investment properties, property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, properties under development, properties held for development, goodwill, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and prepayments and other receivables ("specified non-current assets"). The geographical location of customers is based on the location at which the services were provided or the goods delivered. The geographical location of the specified non-current assets is based on the physical location of the assets, in the case of investment properties, property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, properties under development and properties held for development, and the location of the operation to which they are allocated, in case of goodwill, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and prepayments and other receivables.

	Revenu	Revenue from external customers		Specified non-current assets	
	external c				
HK\$ million	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Japan	511	259	2,105	2,600	
Hong Kong (place of domicile)	33	34	122	2,569	
Thailand	39	29	720	729	
Indonesia	239	239	3,623	3,581	
	822	561	6,570	9,479	

## 6. OTHER INCOME

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Gain on disposal of land (note i)	_	113
Share of forfeited deposit (note ii)	28	_
Other	1	1
	29	114

i. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Group settled certain development costs of the property development projects in Japan by way of disposing a piece of land in Japan included in properties under development. A gain on disposal of land of HK\$113 million is recognised as a result of the non-cash settlement.

ii. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Group recognized forfeited deposit income from the Cyberport Project.

## 7. FINANCE COSTS

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Interest expenses:		
— Bank borrowings	145	77
— Guaranteed notes	331	360
— Lease liabilities	1	1
— Other finance costs	_	3
— Exchange loss on guaranteed notes	9	9
	486	450
Less:		
<ul> <li>Interest capitalised into properties under development/held for development</li> </ul>	(154)	(107)
	332	343

Borrowing costs have been capitalised at the weighted average rate of the Group's borrowings at 5.3 per cent per annum in 2023 (2022: 4.34 per cent).

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## 8. LOSS BEFORE TAXATION

Loss before taxation is stated after charging the following:

		For the year ended December 31,	
HK\$ million	2023	2022	
Cost of properties sold	28	64	
Cost of inventories sold	29	23	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	147	174	
Depreciation of right-of-use assets			
— properties	25	20	
— equipment and others	1	1	
Loss on disposal of properties, plant and equipment	1	4	
Outgoings in respect of investment properties	57	53	
Staff costs, included in:			
— cost of sales	73	62	
<ul> <li>general and administrative expenses</li> </ul>	190	180	
Contributions to defined contribution retirement schemes, included in:			
— cost of sales	1	1	
<ul> <li>general and administrative expenses</li> </ul>	4	4	
Auditor's remuneration			
— audit services	4	4	
Net foreign exchange loss	3	4	
Variable lease payment expenses	31	18	
Short-term lease expenses	5	3	

## 9. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS

Directors' emoluments comprise the aggregate amounts paid/payable by the Group to each of the directors of the Company in connection with their employment as directors of the Company or its subsidiaries undertaking during the year.

				2023			
						Employer's	
					Benefits	contribution	
			Bonuses		in kind	to retirement	
HK\$'000	Directors' fee	Salaries	(note i)	Allowances	(note ii)	scheme	Total
Executive Directors							
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Lam Yu Yee	-	9,184	8,800	4,338	23	1,102	23,447
Non-executive Directors							
Dr. Allan Zeman, <i>GBM, GBS, JP</i>	180	_	_	_	_	_	180
Lee Chi Hong, Robert (iii)	1,392	—	—	_	—	-	1,392
Independent Non-executive							
Directors							
Chiang Yun	240	_	_	_	_	_	240
Prof Wong Yue Chim,							
Richard, <i>SBS, JP</i> (iv)	357	_	_	_	_	_	357
Dr. Vince Feng	240	_	_	—	_	—	240
	2,409	9,184	8,800	4,338	23	1,102	25,856

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## 9. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS - CONTINUED

				2022			
HK\$'000	Directors' fee	Salaries	Bonuses (note i)	Allowances	Benefits in kind (note ii)	Employer's contribution to retirement scheme	Total
Executive Directors							
Li Tzar Kai, Richard	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Lam Yu Yee	_	8,917	8,000	4,224	20	1,070	22,231
Non-executive Directors							
Dr. Allan Zeman, GBM, <i>GBS, JP</i>	180	_	_	_	_	_	180
Lee Chi Hong, Robert	4,000	—	—	_	—	_	4,000
Independent Non-executive							
Directors							
Chiang Yun	240	_	_	_	_	_	240
Prof Wong Yue Chim,							
Richard, SBS, JP	240	_	_	_	_	_	240
Dr. Vince Feng	240	_	_	_	_	_	240
	4,900	8,917	8,000	4,224	20	1,070	27,131

(i) Refers to bonuses in respect of 2022, paid in 2023.

(ii) Benefits in kind mainly includes medical insurance premium.

- (iii) Mr. Robert Lee has retired from his positions as Non-Executive Chairman and a Non-Executive Director of the Company with effect from May 8, 2023.
- (iv) Professor Richard Wong has been appointed as Independent Non-Executive Chairman of the Company with effect from May 8, 2023.
- (v) No director offered to waive the basic salary and housing benefits during the year of 2023 (2022: Nil).
- (vi) No directors' emoluments, retirements benefits, payments or benefits in respect of termination of directors' services have been paid to or are receivable by the directors during the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).
- (vii) No consideration was provided to or receivable by third parties for making available directors' services during the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).

#### 9. DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS - CONTINUED

- (viii) Save as disclosed in the Report of The Directors, there are no loans, quasi-loans and other dealings entered into by the Company or its subsidiary undertaking of the Company, in favour of directors, their controlled bodies corporate and connected entities during the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).
- (ix) Save as disclosed in the Report of The Directors, there are no other significant transactions, arrangements and contracts in relation to the Group's business to which the Company was a party and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: Nil).

#### **10. FIVE TOP-PAID EMPLOYEES**

a. Of the five highest paid individuals in the Group, one (2022: one) is director whose emoluments are set out in note 9. Details of the emoluments of the remaining four highest paid individuals (2022: four) are as follows:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	14	14
Bonuses (note i)	3	4
Retirement scheme contributions	1	1
	18	19

(i) Bonuses were included in the year of payment.

b. The emoluments of the remaining four individuals (2022: four) are within the emolument ranges as set out below:

	Number of i	ndividuals
	2023	2022
	2	1
HK\$3,500,001 — HK\$4,000,000	_	1
HK\$4,500,001 — HK\$5,000,000	1	1
HK\$5,000,001 — HK\$5,500,000	_	_
HK\$6,000,001 — HK\$6,500,000	_	_
HK\$7,000,001 — HK\$7,500,000	1	1
HK\$20,000,001 — HK\$20,500,000	-	_
	4	4

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## **11. INCOME TAX**

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5 per cent (2022: 16.5 per cent) on the estimated assessable profits for the year.

Taxation for subsidiaries outside Hong Kong which mainly in Japan, Indonesia and Thailand has been calculated on the estimated assessable profits for the year at the rates prevailing in the respective jurisdictions.

		For the year ended December 31,		
HK\$ million		2023	2022	
Hong Kong profits tax				
— Provision for current year		1	3	
Income tax outside Hong Kong				
— Provision for current year		62	49	
Deferred income tax		3	2	
		66	54	

Reconciliation between income tax and the Group's accounting loss at applicable tax rates is set out below:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Loss before taxation	(400)	(544)
Notional tax on loss before taxation, calculated at		
applicable tax rate of 16.5 per cent (2022: 16.5 per cent)	(66)	(90)
Effect of different tax rates of subsidiaries operating overseas	(16)	(15)
Tax effect of income not subject to taxation	(4)	(3)
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for taxation purposes	80	91
Tax losses for which no deferred income tax asset was recognised	32	45
Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax losses	(10)	_
Withholding tax	25	22
Others	25	4
Income tax	66	54

### **12. DIVIDEND**

There was no final dividend paid for 2023 and 2022.

#### **13. LOSS PER SHARE**

The calculations of basic and diluted loss per share based on the share capital of the Company are as follows:

	For the year ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	
Loss (HK\$ million)			
Loss for the purpose of calculating the basic and diluted loss per share	(466)	(598)	
Number of shares			
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating the basic and			
diluted loss per share	2,038,276,786	2,038,276,786	

Pursuant to the terms of the applicable deed poll, the bonus convertible notes confer upon the holders the same economic interests attached to the bonus shares.

As at December 31, 2023, bonus convertible notes in an aggregated amount of HK\$592,552,133.20 (2022: HK\$592,552,133.20) have been converted into 1,185,104,266 shares of the Company (2022: 1,185,104,266 shares). The outstanding bonus convertible notes in an aggregated amount of HK\$20,021.20 (2022: HK\$20,021.20) at the conversion price of HK\$0.5 per share convertible into 40,042 (2022: 40,042) have been included in the weighted average number of ordinary shares for calculating the basic loss per share for the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

#### **14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES**

The movements of investment properties during the year are stated as below:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
At January 1,	3,374	3,707
Additions	15	_
Exchange differences	46	(333)
At December 31,	3,435	3,374

As at December 31, 2023, value added tax receivables of HK\$155 million and HK\$11 million (2022: HK\$167 million and HK\$19 million) in relation to the land acquisition and construction of the investment property were included in non-current assets "Prepayments and other receivables" and current assets "Prepayment, deposits and other current assets" in the consolidated statement of financial position respectively.

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## **14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES — CONTINUED**

- a. The following tables analyse the investment properties which are carried at fair value. The different levels are defined as follows:
  - Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets (level 1)
  - Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2)
  - Inputs for asset that are not based on observable market data (level 3)

	Fair value mea	Fair value measurement as at December 31, 2023		
	Quoted prices in		Significant	
	active markets for	Significant other	unobservable	
	identical assets	observable inputs	inputs	
HK\$ million	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
Recurring fair value measurement				
Investment properties				
— Indonesia	-	—	3,379	
— Hong Kong	-	_	56	

	Fair value measurement as at December 31, 2022			
	Quoted prices in	Quoted prices in		
	active markets for	Significant other	unobservable	
	identical assets	observable inputs	inputs	
HK\$ million	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
Recurring fair value measurement				
Investment properties				
— Indonesia	_	_	3,318	
— Hong Kong	_	_	56	

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were no transfers between different levels.

## **14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES — CONTINUED**

Information about level 3 fair value measurements

Investment properties	Valuation technique	As at December 31, 2023 Significant unobservable inputs	Rate
— Indonesia	Income approach	Capitalisation rate	7%
		Monthly gross market rent:	
		for office	Rp 369,000/sq.m. to Rp 477,000/sq.m.
		for retail	Rp 332,000/sq.m. to Rp 605,000/sq.m.
— Hong Kong	Income approach	Capitalisation rate	4.5%
		Monthly gross market rent	HK\$10/sq. ft.
Investment		As at December 31, 2022 Significant unobservable	
Investment properties	Valuation technique		Rate
	Valuation technique	Significant unobservable	<b>Rate</b> 7%
properties		Significant unobservable inputs	
properties		Significant unobservable inputs Capitalisation rate	
properties		Significant unobservable inputs Capitalisation rate Monthly gross market rent:	7%
properties		Significant unobservable inputs Capitalisation rate Monthly gross market rent:	7% Rp 369,000/sq.m.
properties		Significant unobservable inputs Capitalisation rate Monthly gross market rent: for office	7% Rp 369,000/sq.m. to Rp 477,000/sq.m.
properties		Significant unobservable inputs Capitalisation rate Monthly gross market rent: for office	7% Rp 369,000/sq.m. to Rp 477,000/sq.m. Rp 332,000/sq.m.

Rp represents Indonesian rupiah

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## **14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES — CONTINUED**

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, the fair value of investment property in Indonesia were determined by an independent professional valuer using the income approach. These valuations took into account expected market rental and capitalisation rate. A significant change in the expected market rental or capitalisation rate would result in a significant change in the fair value of the investment property.

For the investment property in Hong Kong, the usage of this property is constrained by the Group's undertaking to the lessee. Management has performed valuation of the fair value as at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 using the income approach assuming such constraint and the current tenancy agreement will continue in its existing manner in the foreseeable future. The valuation takes into account expected market rental and capitalisation rate. A significant change in the expected market rental or capitalisation rate would result in a significant change in the fair value of the investment property.

b. The carrying amount of investment properties is analysed as follows:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Held in Indonesia		
On medium-term lease (10–50 years)	3,379	3,318
Held in Hong Kong		
On long lease (over 50 years)	56	56
	3,435	3,374

## **15. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

			Other		
		Buildings	plant and	Construction	
HK\$ million	Land	and structures	equipment	in progress	Total
At January 1, 2022					
At cost	256	2,549	663	155	3,623
Less: Accumulated depreciation and impairment	_	(256)	(300)	—	(556)
Net book value	256	2,293	363	155	3,067
Net book value at January 1, 2022	256	2,293	363	155	3,067
Additions	_	80	11	33	124
Transfer upon completion	—	39	8	(47)	—
Transfer to properties under development	_	—	_	(103)	(103)
Depreciation	—	(102)	(72)	—	(174)
Disposal	_	(5)	_	—	(5)
Exchange differences	(17)	(291)	(45)	(25)	(378)
Net book value at December 31, 2022	239	2,014	265	13	2,531
At December 31, 2022					
At cost	239	2,336	607	13	3,195
Less: Accumulated depreciation and impairment	_	(322)	(342)	—	(664)
Net book value	239	2,014	265	13	2,531
Net book value at January 1, 2023	239	2,014	265	13	2,531
Additions	_	_	11	48	59
Transfer from properties under development	_	18	9	—	27
Depreciation	_	(107)	(40)	—	(147)
Exchange differences	(2)	(103)	(14)	(7)	(126)
Net book value at December 31, 2023	237	1,822	231	54	2,344
At December 31, 2023					
At cost	237	2,230	599	54	3,120
Less: Accumulated depreciation and impairment	_	(408)	(368)	—	(776)
Net book value	237	1,822	231	54	2,344

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## **15. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT — CONTINUED**

The Group has two hotels located in Hokkaido, Japan. The carrying values of the hotel properties included in property, plant and equipment were HK\$1,399 million as at December 31, 2023 (2022: HK\$1,567 million).

The Group's hotel operations incurred losses for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022. Management considers each hotel to be separate cash generating units ("CGU") and where impairment indicators exists, performed impairment assessments to determine the recoverable amounts of the hotel properties. For the year ended December 2023, the Group considered that no further provision or write-back of provision of impairment loss of hotel properties was necessary.

## **16. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS**

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Properties	30	32

The Group leases various properties, equipment and vehicles. Lease contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 1 to 5 years. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants, but leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

There were HK\$25 million additions to the right-of-use assets during the year ended December 31, 2023 (2022: HK\$2 million).

During the year ended December 31, 2023, total cash outflow for leases amounted to HK\$26 million (2022: HK\$21 million).

## **17. PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT/HELD FOR SALE/HELD FOR DEVELOPMENT**

#### a. Properties under development/held for sale

HK\$ million	2023	2022
At January 1,	3,171	2,932
Additions	373	219
Charged to income statement	(28)	(23)
Transfer between properties under development and property, plant and equipment	(27)	103
Exchange differences	(26)	(60)
At December 31,	3,463	3,171
Less: Properties under development classified as non-current assets	(142)	(2,921)
Properties under development/held for sale classified as current assets	3,321	250

- (i) Properties under development classified as non-current assets as at December 31, 2023 consists of the freehold land under development in Japan which is held by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary amounted to HK\$142 million.
- (ii) Properties under development/held for sale classified as current assets as at December 31, 2023 consists of HK\$83 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$83 million) for the branded residences completed, HK\$386 million (December 31, 2022: Nil) for other properties under development in Hokkaido, Japan, HK\$179 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$167 million) for the first phase development project under construction in Thailand and HK\$2,673 million (December 31, 2022: Nil) for a property project in Hong Kong.
- (iii) Management performed assessments of the net realisable value of the development projects in Japan included in properties under development as at December 31, 2023. The assessments were based on the discounted cash flow forecast of the development projects which involved the use of significant estimates and assumptions such as selling prices, construction costs and etc. Changes in the assumptions adopted in the assessments may result in a change in future estimate of the net realisable values of the development project.

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# 17. PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT/HELD FOR SALE/HELD FOR DEVELOPMENT — CONTINUED

#### b. Properties held for development

HK\$ million	2023	2022
At January 1	422	437
Additions	1	2
Exchange differences	4	(17)
At December 31	427	422

Properties held for development as at December 31, 2023 represent the freehold land in Thailand which the Group intends to hold for future development projects.

As at December 31, 2023, the carrying amount of the land in Thailand of HK\$427 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$422 million) was recorded as property held for development in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Management performed an assessment on the net realisable value of the property interest together with the costs of improvements spent on the land in Thailand included in properties held for development as at December 31, 2023. The assessment was based on the direct comparison approach which involved the use of estimates and assumptions including the recent sales prices of similar properties with adjustments for any difference in nature, locality and condition of the properties. Changes in the assumptions adopted in the assessment may result in a change in future estimates of the net realisable value of the development project.

### **18. GOODWILL**

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Costs:		
At January 1,	100	100
Exchange difference	—	_
At December 31,	100	100
Accumulated impairment losses:		
At January 1, and December 31,	(96)	(96)
Carrying amount:		
At December 31,	4	4

Goodwill is allocated to the Group's cash-generating unit identified as follows:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Other business — property management	3	3
Other business — laundry services	1	1
At December 31,	4	4

Management performed assessments on the recoverable amounts of the property management and laundry services based on the cash flow forecast of the businesses. Management considered that there was no impairment of goodwill in relation to these operations as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: Nil).

The impairment losses recognised in prior years related to the property development division and ski operation.

## **19. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS**

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Listed equity securities, Hong Kong	1	1

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## 20. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES AND ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED INTO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

a. The following list contains only the particulars of subsidiaries and entities which principally affected the results, assets and liabilities of the Group for the years ended 2023 and 2022. The class of shares held is ordinary unless otherwise stated.

Company name	Place of incorporation/ operations	Principal activities	Amount of issued capital/ registered capital	Equity interest to the Con	
		-		Directly	Indirectly
City Charm Enterprises Limited 城創企業有限公司	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	US\$1	_	100%
Cyber-Port Limited 資訊港有限公司	Hong Kong	Property development	НК\$2	_	100%
Dong Si (Holdings) Limited 盈科優質創建有限公司	Hong Kong	Provision of leasing and financing	НК\$1	_	100%
Easy Treasure Limited	Cayman Islands	Investment holding	US\$10,000	_	90.01%
Garhing Investment Company, Limited <sup>1</sup> 家卿置業有限公司	Hong Kong	Property development and investment	HK\$500,000	_	50%
Harmony TMK	Japan	Property development	JPY22,595,000,000 (JPY345,000,000 specified capital and JPY22,250,000,000 preferred capital)	_	100%
Interstate Holdings Limited	Hong Kong	Property development management	HK\$3,975,836,001	_	100%
Ipswich Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	US\$2	100%	_
Island South Property Management Limited 南盈物業管理有限公司	Hong Kong	Property management	НК\$2	_	100%

## 20. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES AND ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED INTO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — CONTINUED

	Place of incorporation/		Amount of issued capital/		
Company name	operations	Principal activities	registered capital	to the Cor	
				Directly	Indirectly
Kabushiki Kaisha Niseko Management Service	Japan	Property management and travel agency	JPY10,000,000	_	100%
Madeline Investments Limited 盈科大衍地產發展有限公司	Hong Kong	Trademark registrant	НК\$2	_	100%
Melati Holding Limited	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	US\$93,612	_	100%
Million Base Properties Limited <sup>1</sup> 百寶置業有限公司	Hong Kong	Property development and investment	НК\$2	_	50%
Million Basis Property Limited <sup>1</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	Property development and investment	US\$1	_	50%
Nihon Harmony Resorts KK	Japan	Ski operation	JPY405,000,000	_	100%
PCPD Capital Limited	Cayman Islands	Investment holding and financing	US\$1	_	100%
PCPD Facilities Management Limited	Hong Kong	Provision of property management services	НК\$2	_	100%
PCPD Real Estate Agency Limited	Hong Kong	Property sales agency	HK\$2	_	100%
PCPD Services Limited	Hong Kong	Provision of administrative services	НК\$2	_	100%
PCPD South Village Hotel Co., Ltd.	Japan	Hotel management	JPY199,000,000	_	100%

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## 20. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES AND ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED INTO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — CONTINUED

	Place of				
	incorporation/		Amount of issued capital/	Equity interest	attributable
Company name	operations	Principal activities	registered capital	to the Co	mpany
				Directly	Indirectly
PCPD Wealth Limited	Hong Kong	Provision of financial services	HK\$1	_	100%
Phang Nga Paradise and Leisure Limited <sup>2</sup>	Thailand	Property holding and leasing	THB6,000,000	_	93.23%
PT. Prima Bangun Investama	Indonesia	Property development and management	US\$26,000,000	_	100%
Rafflesia Investment Limited	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	US\$90,010	_	100%
Silvery Sky Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands	Investment holding	US\$2	_	50%
Talent Master Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	Property investment	US\$1	_	100%
Triple8 KK	Japan	Property development and hotel management	JPY199,000,000	_	100%
White Pacific Limited <sup>1</sup>	British Virgin Islands/ Hong Kong	Property development and investment	US\$1	-	50%

#### Note:

1 These companies are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Silvery Sky Holdings Limited (collectively the "Silvery Sky Group").

2 The company is an amalgamated company of Phang-nga Leisure Limited, Phang-nga Paradise Limited and Siam Riviera Ltd.

#### 20. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES AND ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED INTO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — CONTINUED

#### b. Summarised financial information of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests

Set out below is the summarised consolidated financial information for Silvery Sky Group which are subsidiaries that have non-controlling interests that are material to the Group. Silvery Sky Group holds the property located at 3–6 Glenealy, Central, Hong Kong.

Summarised consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	Silvery Sky Group		
HK\$ million	2023	2022	
Non-current assets	43	2,269	
Current assets	2,451	16	
Total assets	2,494	2,285	
Non-current liabilities	(958)	(870)	
Current liabilities	(1,712)	(1,572)	
Total liabilities	(2,670)	(2,442)	
Net liabilities	(176)	(157)	

Summarised consolidated financial information for the year ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 is as follows:

	Silvery Sky Group		
HK\$ million	2023	2022	
Loss before income tax	(8)	[4]	
Income tax	—	_	
Loss for the year	(8)	[4]	

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### 20. PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES AND ENTITIES CONSOLIDATED INTO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS — CONTINUED

b. Summarised financial information of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests — Continued

Summarised consolidated cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 are as follows:

	Silvery Sky Group		
HK\$ million	2023	2022	
Net cash used in operating activities	(136)	(61)	
Net cash generated from financing activities	134	62	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(2)	1	
Cash and cash equivalents at January 1	3	2	
Cash and cash equivalents at December 31	1	3	

The information above represents amounts before inter-company eliminations and Group consolidation adjustments.

## 21. CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

#### a. Sales proceeds held in stakeholders' accounts

The balance represents proceeds from the sales of properties of the Group's property development project that are retained in bank accounts opened and maintained by stakeholders. The amount is related to the residential portion of the Cyberport project and will be transferred to specific bank accounts, which are restricted in use, pursuant to certain conditions and procedures as stated in the agreement dated May 17, 2000 entered into with the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the "HKSAR Government") ("Cyberport Project Agreement"). The sales proceeds held in stakeholders' accounts of HK\$9 million as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: HK\$506 million) are exposed to minimal credit risk.

#### b. Restricted cash

Pursuant to the Cyberport Project Agreement, the Group has no restricted cash as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: HK\$101 million) held in specific bank accounts. The uses of the funds are specified in the Cyberport Project Agreement.

Restricted cash balance included cash of HK\$43 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$52 million) held in specific reserve accounts pledged for bank borrowing purposes (note 22(b), (c), (e) and (f)).

#### 21. CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - CONTINUED

#### c. Trade receivables, net

#### (i) Aging analysis

An aging analysis of trade receivables, based on invoice date and before provision for receivable impairment, is set out below:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
1–30 days	96	59

Trade receivables have a normal credit period which ranges up to 30 days from the date of the invoice unless there is separate mutual agreement on extension of the credit period. Details about the Group's impairment policies are provided in (noted 2(l)).

(ii) The Group applies the HKFRS 9 (2014) simplified approach to measure loss allowance for expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for trade receivables.

As at December 31, 2023, trade receivables of HK\$96 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$59 million) are exposed to credit risk. No trade receivable was impaired (December 31, 2022: Nil) and no provision was made as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: Nil). The amounts in trade receivables balance relate to a wide range of customers for whom there is no recent history of default.

As at December 31, 2023, no trade receivables were past due but not impaired (December 31, 2022: Nil).

(iii) The carrying amounts of the Group's trade receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Hong Kong dollar	2	1
Japanese yen	86	50
Indonesian rupiah	8	8
	96	59

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## 21. CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - CONTINUED

#### d. Trade payables

An aging analysis of trade payables, based on invoice date, is set out below:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
1-30 days	51	20

#### e. Accruals and other payables

Accruals and other payables mainly represents accruals for construction costs and operating costs for property development project, retention payables, interest payable and tenants deposits.

## 22. BORROWINGS

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Borrowings, repayable within a period		
— not exceeding one year	531	624
— over one year, but not exceeding two years	529	1,262
<ul> <li>over two years, but not exceeding five years</li> </ul>	8,381	7,088
	9,441	8,974
Representing:		
Guaranteed notes (note a and b)	6,220	6,201
Bank borrowings (notes c, d, e and f)	3,221	2,773
	9,441	8,974
Secured	3,221	2,773
Unsecured	6,220	6,201

#### 22. BORROWINGS — CONTINUED

- a. On June 18, 2021, PCPD Capital issued in aggregate principal amount of US\$800 million 5.125% new guaranteed notes due 2026 ("New Notes"), which are listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited. The estimated fair value of the option of the early redemption and repurchase rights are recognised as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (note 19). The New Notes are irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed by the Company. The New Notes rank pari passu among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of PCPD Capital and the Company.
- b. On June 9, 2017, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement which the lender had agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of JPY1,500 million ("JPY Facility 2026"). The maturity date of the JPY Facility 2026 is December 2026. Such facility is secured by the land and buildings and a bank account of the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary and the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary is subject to certain financial covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As at December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached. The carrying value of the borrowing as at December 31, 2023 represents the outstanding principal amount of JPY450 million (equivalent to HK\$25 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY600 million) offset by the deferred arrangement costs of JPY8 million (equivalent to HK\$1 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY14 million).
- c. In April, 2021, a project development loan facility was entered by an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company which the lenders agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$1,382 million ("HK\$ Loan 2026"). The maturity date for the HK\$ Loan 2026 is the earlier of April 13, 2026 or twelve months after occupation permit of the development project in Hong Kong being issued by the building authority. The HK\$ Loan 2026 is secured by certain land and property, bank accounts, shares and other assets of the indirect non-wholly owned subsidiaries and the Company and the indirect non-wholly owned subsidiary are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As of December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the HK\$ Loan 2026 represents the loan drawdown of HK\$954 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$880 million) offset by the deferred loan arrangement costs of HK\$2 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$10 million).
- d. On March 29, 2018, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Borrower") entered into a term loan facility agreement under which the lender agreed to make available term loan facilities up to an aggregate amount of JPY20,000 million. The facility comprises (1) a JPY10,000 million facility for the construction of a branded residence ("JPY Facility 2021") which matures on February 14, 2020 with option to extend to March 31, 2021 and (2) a JPY10,000 million facility for the construction of a branded hotel ("JPY Facility 2023") with maturity date of March 31, 2023. In February 2020, the Borrower has fully repaid the JPY Facility 2021. On February 1, 2023, the JPY Facility 2023 was extended with maturity date in February 2025. The JPY Facility 2023 is secured by certain land and property, ordinary and/or preferred shares of the Borrower and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Hotel Operator"). The Borrower and the Hotel Operator are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As of December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the JPY Facility 2023 represents the outstanding principal amount of JPY10,000 million (equivalent to HK\$550 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY10,000 million) offset by the deferred loan arrangement costs of JPY14 million (equivalent to HK\$1 million) (December 31, 2022: JPY14 million).

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## 22. BORROWINGS - CONTINUED

- e. On June 11, 2019, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement under which the lender agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$1,170 million. On June 27, 2022, an amendment of the term loan facility agreement was entered, and the available term loan facility was upsized to HK\$1,340 million. The maturity date of the term loan facility is in June 2024 ("HK\$ Loan 2024"). On December 29, 2023, the HK\$ Loan 2024 was renewed with maturity date in December 2026. Such facility is secured by the land and buildings, bank accounts, shares and other assets of certain indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company. The Company and the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As at December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the borrowing represents the loan drawdown of HK\$1,208 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$1,258 million) offset by the deferred loan arrangement fees of HK\$11 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$5 million).
- f. On August 1, 2023, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement under which the lender agreed to make available a term loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$780 million. The maturity date of the term loan facility is in July 2024 ("HK\$ Loan 2023"). Such facility is secured by corporate guarantee of the Company, certain indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Company and PCCW up to its percentage of interest of the issued share capital of the Group. The Company and the indirect wholly-owned subsidiary are subject to certain financial ratios covenants which are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. As at December 31, 2023, none of the covenants were breached and the carrying value of the borrowing represents the loan drawdown of HK\$470 million (December 31, 2022: Nil).

## 23. DEFERRED INCOME AND CONTRACT LIABILITIES

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Deferred income:		
Rental income from investment properties	30	122
Less: Amount classified as non-current liabilities	(30)	—
	_	122
Contract liabilities:		
Deposits received from sale of properties and other revenue receipt in advance	230	22
Deferred income and contract liabilities classified as current liabilities	230	144

#### 24. AMOUNT PAYABLE TO THE HKSAR GOVERNMENT UNDER THE CYBERPORT PROJECT AGREEMENT

Pursuant to the Cyberport Project Agreement, the HKSAR Government shall be entitled to receive payments of approximately 65 per cent from the surplus cashflow arising from the sales of the residential portion of the Cyberport project, net of certain allowable costs incurred on the project, as stipulated under certain terms and conditions of the Cyberport Project Agreement. The amount payable to the HKSAR Government is based on surplus from sales proceeds of the residential portion after the development costs of the Cyberport project. During the year 2023, the amount attributable to the HKSAR Government share under Cyberport Project Agreement is settled.

#### **25. ISSUED EQUITY**

	The Group	
	Number of shares	Issued equity HK\$ million
	(note a)	(note a)
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.50 each at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023	2,038,236,743	3,802

a. Due to the use of reverse acquisition basis of accounting (as stated in note 2(d) to the 2004 Financial Statements), the amount of issued equity, which includes share capital and share premium in the consolidated statement of financial position, represents the amount of issued equity of the legal subsidiary, Ipswich Holdings Limited, at the date of completion of the reverse acquisition plus equity changes attributable to the Group after the reverse acquisition. The equity structure (i.e. the number and type of shares) reflects the equity structure of the legal parent, Pacific Century Premium Developments Limited, for all accounting periods presented.

b. The following is the movement in the share capital of the Company:

	The Com	The Company		
	Number of shares	Nominal value HK\$ million		
Authorised:				
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.50 each at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023 4,000,000,000		2,000		
Issued and fully paid:				
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.50 each at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023	2,038,236,743	1,019		

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#### 25. ISSUED EQUITY - CONTINUED

c. Pursuant to an ordinary resolution passed at the special general meeting of the Company held on May 2, 2012 and the announcements dated May 16, 2012 and June 21, 2012 in relation to the bonus issue of shares (with a right for shareholders to elect to receive bonus convertible notes in lieu of bonus shares), 405,378,544 bonus shares of HK\$0.10 each were allotted and issued on June 22, 2012 on the basis of four (4) bonus shares for every one (1) issued share held by the qualifying shareholders of the Company whose names appeared on the register of members of the Company on May 30, 2012 (other than those qualifying shareholders who had elected to receive bonus convertible notes in lieu of all of their entitlement to the bonus shares).

Bonus convertible notes of HK\$592,572,154.40 at the conversion price of HK\$0.10 per share were issued by the Company on June 22, 2012. Immediately after the share consolidation which took effect on June 25, 2012, the conversion price of the bonus convertible notes was adjusted from HK\$0.10 per share to HK\$0.50 per share pursuant to the terms of the applicable deed poll. On September 29, 2020, bonus convertible notes in an aggregate amount of HK\$592,533,333.20 at the conversion price of HK\$0.50 per share were converted into 1,185,066,666 shares of the Company.

As at December 31, 2023, the remaining bonus convertible notes in an aggregated amount of HK\$20,021.20 are unlisted and irredeemable but have conversion rights entitling the noteholders to convert into an equivalent number of shares as the number of bonus shares which the noteholders would otherwise be entitled to receive under the bonus issue had the shareholder not elected for the bonus convertible notes. The bonus convertible notes do not carry voting rights at any general meeting of shareholders of the Company. The noteholders can exercise the conversion rights at any time after the issue of bonus convertible notes, subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable deed poll constituting the bonus convertible notes. The bonus convertible notes reserve" in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Upon conversion of the bonus convertible notes, the equivalent amount was converted into issued share capital.

#### **26. EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

#### Defined contribution retirement schemes

Employees of the Group are entitled to join the defined contribution retirement schemes operated by PCCW, including the Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme (the "MPF scheme") under the Hong Kong Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance, for employees employed under the jurisdiction of the Hong Kong Employment Ordinance. The schemes are administered by independent trustees.

Under the defined contribution retirement scheme, the employer is required to make contributions to the scheme at rates specified under the rules of the scheme. Where employees leave the scheme prior to the full vesting of the employer's contributions, the amount of forfeited contributions is used to reduce the contributions payable by the Group.

Under the MPF scheme, the employer and its employees are each required to make contributions to the scheme at specific rates pursuant to the rules of the MPF scheme. Contributions to the scheme vest immediately upon the completion of the service in the relevant service period.

#### 27. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS

#### a. Share option scheme

The Group operates a share option scheme which was adopted by the Company's shareholders at the annual general meeting of the Company held on May 6, 2015, and became effective on May 7, 2015, following its approval by PCCW's shareholders (the "2015 Scheme"). The 2015 Scheme is valid and effective for a period of 10 years commencing on May 7, 2015.

Under the 2015 Scheme, save as disclosed in the Report of the Directors, the board of directors of the Company may, at its discretion, grant share options to any eligible person to subscribe for shares in the Company subject to the terms and conditions stipulated therein. The exercise price of the options under the 2015 Scheme is determined by the board of directors of the Company in its absolute discretion but in any event shall not be less than the higher of (i) the closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the daily quotation sheet of the Stock Exchange on the date of grant; and (ii) the average closing price of the shares of the Company as stated in the daily quotation sheet of the Stock Exchange for the last five days preceding the date of grant on which days it has been possible to trade shares on the Stock Exchange. The overall limit on the number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the 2015 Scheme and any other share option schemes of the Company must not exceed 30 per cent of the shares in issue from time to time. In addition, the maximum number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under the 2015 Scheme shall not (when aggregated with any shares subject to any grants made after May 7, 2015 pursuant to any other share option schemes of the Company) exceed the limit of 10 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company on May 7. 2015 (or some other date if renewal of this limit is approved by shareholders). The maximum entitlement of any eligible person (other than a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or any of their respective associates) under the 2015 Scheme is the total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of all options granted and to be granted in any 12-month period up to and including the date of the latest grant up to a maximum of one (1) per cent of the shares of the Company in issue at the relevant time. Any further grant of share options in excess of this limit is subject to shareholders' approval at a general meeting.

No share options had been granted or exercised under the 2015 Scheme during the years ended December 31, 2023, December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021. There were no share options outstanding as at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

#### b. Share award scheme

PCCW established two employee share incentive award schemes under which awards of shares may be granted to employees of participating subsidiaries. The Group is a participating member of the PCCW employee share incentive award schemes. Under both schemes, following the making of an award to an employee, the relevant shares are held on trust for the employee and then vest over a period of time provided that he/she remains employee of the Group at the relevant time and satisfies any other conditions specified at the time the award is made.

Details of the accounting policies for the shares granted to the employees of the Group are described in note 2(v)(iv). Since PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units were purchased, the Group recognised it as cash-settled share-based payment transaction.

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## 27. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS - CONTINUED

#### b. Share award scheme — Continued

A summary of movements in PCCW shares and HKT share stapled units held under the share award scheme that is attributable to the Group during the year is as follows:

	Number of PC	Number of PCCW shares		
	2023	2022		
At January 1,	139,161	139,161		
Purchased from market by the trustee at average market price				
of HK\$4.39 per PCCW share in 2021	_	_		
Forfeited/Vested	_	_		
At December 31,	139,161	139,161		

	Number of HKT sha	Number of HKT share stapled units		
	2023	2022		
At January 1,	54,130	54,130		
Forfeited/Vested	-	_		
At December 31,	54,130	54,130		

No PCCW shares and HKT shares stapled units had been awarded or vested during the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022. There were no PCCW shares and HKT shares stapled units unvested as at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022.

#### 27. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS - CONTINUED

#### c. Share-based payment transactions with cash alternatives

(i) On May 23, 2013, the Group entered into the Supporting Agreement with an affiliated company of the seller of a plot of land in Jakarta, Indonesia (the "Supporter") under which the Group will settle part of the supporting services received for the value of US\$23 million (subject to certain downward adjustments) by means of issuing non-voting, non-contributory but dividend participating class B shares that represent not more than 6.388 per cent (subject to certain downward adjustments) of the share capital in an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary ("Melati") (the "Supporter Shares") and by assignment of the shareholder's loan to Melati (the "Supporter Shareholder's Loans").

In addition, the Group granted to the Supporter a right (but not an obligation) to require the Group, after the expiry of 5 years from the date on which the Supporter Shares are issued and the Supporter Shareholder's Loans are assigned, to purchase from the Supporter all (but not part) of the Supporter Shares and to take assignment of all the then outstanding Supporter Shareholder's Loans (the "Supporter Put Option"). The Supporter Put Option was granted at no premium.

When the consolidated net asset value of Melati is positive, the Supporter Shareholder's Loans are to be assigned at the face amount and the Supporter Shares are to be issued at its corresponding portion of the consolidated net asset value of Melati; or when the consolidated net asset value of Melati is negative, the Supporter Shareholder's Loans are to be assigned at the face amount after deduction of the absolute value of the corresponding portion of the consolidated net asset value of Melati, and the Supporter Shares are to be issued at nominal value of US\$1.

A financial liability would be recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position in relation to the Supporter Put Option until the exercise of the Supporter Put Option by the Supporter. Management considered the fair value of the Supporter Shares is positively correlated to the consolidated net asset value of Melati which was minimal as at December 31, 2023, therefore the fair value of the Supporter Shares was nil (December 31, 2022: Nil). No supporter shares were issued as at December 31, 2023.

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## 27. SHARE-BASED PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS — CONTINUED

#### c. Share-based payment transactions with cash alternatives — Continued

(ii) On May 23, 2013, the Group entered into the Investor Subscription Agreement and the Investor Loan Purchase Agreement with an independent third party (the "Investor"), the Group will allot to the Investor 9.99 per cent shares of an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary ("Rafflesia") (the "Investor Shares") and assign to the Investor 9.99 per cent of all the unsecured and non-interest bearing shareholder's loan to Rafflesia (the "Investor Shareholder's Loans") at the time when the occupation permit of the premium Grade A office building in Jakarta, Indonesia is issued. This arrangement will allow the Investor to have 9.99 per cent of the Group's Indonesian development project at a consideration of an amount which represents the same percentage (9.99 per cent) of the total investment cost incurred by the Group in the Indonesian development project plus finance charge from the completion date of the land acquisition to the time the shares are subscribed.

In addition, the Group granted to the Investor a right (but not an obligation) to require the Group, at any time on or after May 23, 2023, to purchase from the Investor all (but not part) of the Investor Shares and to take assignment of all the then outstanding Investor Shareholder's Loans (the "Investor Put Option"). The Investor Put Option enables a structure which allows the Investor to realise its investment and prevents unknown parties from becoming a stakeholder in Rafflesia, so far as practicable. The Investor Put Option was granted at no premium.

When the consolidated net asset value of Rafflesia is positive, Investor Shareholder's Loans are to be assigned at the face amount and the Investor Shares are to be issued at its corresponding portion of the consolidated net asset value of Rafflesia; or when the consolidated net asset value of Rafflesia is negative, the Investor Shareholder's Loans are to be assigned at the face amount after deduction of the absolute value of the corresponding portion of the consolidated net asset value of Rafflesia (in case of any shortfall after the deduction), the Investor is required to settle the shortfall. The Investor Shares are to be issued at nominal value of US\$1.

Management considered the fair value of the Investor Shares is positively correlated to the consolidated net asset value of Rafflesia which was minimal as at December 31, 2023, therefore the fair value of the Investor Shares was nil (December 31, 2022: Nil).

## 28. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES OF THE COMPANY

## a. Statement of Financial Position of the Company

HK\$ million	Notes	2023	2022
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES			
Non-current asset			
Investment in a subsidiary		2,870	2,870
Current assets			
Prepayments		1	_
Amounts due from subsidiaries		7,048	7,017
		7,049	7,017
Current liabilities			
Accruals and other payables		2	2
Amounts due to subsidiaries		4,375	4,336
		4,377	4,338
Net current assets		2,672	2,679
Total assets less current liabilities		5,542	5,549
Net assets		5,542	5,549
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital	25 (b)	1,019	1,019
Reserves	28 (b)	4,523	4,530
		5,542	5,549

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## 28. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES OF THE COMPANY - CONTINUED

#### b. Reserves of the Company

	2023				
		Capital			
HK\$ million	Share premium	redemption reserve	Convertible notes reserve	Retained earnings	Total
Balance at January 1, 2023	2,585	1	_	1,944	4,530
Total comprehensive loss for the year	_	_	_	(7)	(7)
Balance at December 31, 2023	2,585	1	_	1,937	4,523

			2022		
		Capital			
	Share	redemption	Convertible	Retained	
HK\$ million	premium	reserve	notes reserve	earnings	Total
Balance at January 1, 2022	2,585	1	_	1,955	4,541
Total comprehensive loss for the year	_	_	_	(11)	(11)
Balance at December 31, 2022	2,585	1	_	1,944	4,530

#### **29. DEFERRED INCOME TAX**

a. The components of deferred income tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position and the movements during the year are as follows:

HK\$ million	Accelerated tax depreciation	Revaluation of properties	Others	Total
At January 1, 2022	3	6	19	28
Credited to the consolidated statement of				
comprehensive income	—	—	2	2
At December 31, 2022	3	6	21	30
At January 1, 2023	3	6	21	30
Credited to the consolidated statement of				
comprehensive income	_	_	3	3
At December 31, 2023	3	6	24	33

There were no deferred income tax assets netted off against deferred income tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: Nil). As at December 31, 2023, no deferred tax liabilities (December 31, 2022: Nil) was recognised on undistributed profits of subsidiaries.

- b. The deferred income tax liabilities as at December 31, 2023 of HK\$33 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$30 million) are expected to be recovered after more than 12 months.
- c. The Group has unrecognised estimated tax losses of HK\$1,515 million as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: HK\$1,388 million) to be carried forward for deduction against future taxable profits. HK\$1,095 million (December 31, 2022: HK979 million) tax losses relating to subsidiaries operating outside Hong Kong would be expired within one to ten years from December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: one to ten years). The remaining HK\$420 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$409 million) tax losses are mainly related to Hong Kong companies which can be carried forward indefinitely.

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## **30. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

#### a. Reconciliation of loss before taxation to net cash used in operating activities

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Loss before taxation	(400)	(544)
Adjustments for:		
— interest income	(21)	(14)
— finance costs	332	343
— depreciation of property, plant and equipment	147	174
<ul> <li>depreciation of right-of-use assets</li> </ul>	26	21
— loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	—	4
— gain on disposal of land	-	(113)
Operating profit/(loss) before changes in working capital	84	(129)
<ul> <li>properties under development/held for sale</li> </ul>	(191)	(47)
— properties held for development	(1)	_
— inventories	(2)	(3)
— prepayments, deposits and other current assets	43	359
— sales proceeds held in stakeholders' accounts	497	_
— restricted cash	101	_
— trade receivables, net	(37)	(25)
— amounts due from related companies	(1)	_
(Decrease)/increase in operating liabilities:		
— trade payables, accruals and other payables	8	[1]
<ul> <li>deferred income and contract liabilities</li> </ul>	115	(15)
— amount payable to the HKSAR Government under the Cyberport Project Agreement	(335)	1
— other non-current payables	-	1
Cash generated from operations	281	141
Interest received	22	12
Tax paid		
— in Hong Kong	(6)	(5)
— outside Hong Kong	(52)	(47)
Net cash generated from operating activities	245	101

## **30. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS — CONTINUED**

# *b. Movements of assets and liabilities in the consolidated statement of financial position arising from financing activities*

HK\$ million	Restricted cash (note 21(b))	Interest payables (included in accruals and other payables)	2023 Lease liabilities	Bank and other borrowings	Total
At January 1, 2023	(52)	12	39	8,974	8,973
Cash flows in financing activities Proceeds from borrowing, net	_	_	_	534	534
Repayment for bank borrowings	_	_	_	(58)	(58)
Payment for borrowing costs	_	(451)	_	_	(451)
Payment for lease liabilities (including interest)	_	_	(26)	_	(26)
Decrease in restricted cash	10	—	—	—	10
Cash flows in financing activities	10	(451)	(26)	476	9
Non-cash changes	(1)	453	25	(9)	468
At December 31, 2023	(43)	14	38	9,441	9,450

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## **30. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS — CONTINUED**

# *b. Movements of assets and liabilities in the consolidated statement of financial position arising from financing activities — Continued*

HK\$ million	Restricted cash (note 21(b))	Interest payables (included in accruals and other payables)	2022 Lease liabilities	Bank and other borrowings	Total
At January 1, 2022	(18)	47	59	11,307	11,395
Cash flows in financing activities					
Proceeds from borrowing, net	_	_	_	233	233
Payment for redemption of					
4.75% guaranteed notes	_	_	_	(2,403)	(2,403)
Repayment for bank borrowings	_	_	_	(91)	(91)
Payment for borrowing costs	_	(441)	_	_	(441)
Payment for lease liabilities (including interest)	_	_	(21)	_	(21)
Increase in restricted cash	(35)	_	_	_	(35)
Cash flows in financing activities	(35)	(441)	(21)	(2,261)	(2,758)
Non-cash changes	1	406	1	(72)	336
At December 31, 2022	(52)	12	39	8,974	8,973

#### **31. COMMITMENTS**

#### a. Capital

Capital expenditure contracted for at the end of the year but not yet incurred was as follows:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Contracted but not provided for		
Property development projects	213	245
Investment properties	2	11
Property, plant and equipment	13	13
	228	269

#### b. Short-term leases

As at December 31, the total minimum future lease payments under short-term leases were payable as follows:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Land and buildings	1	1

#### c. Lease receivables

As at December 31, the total future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating leases were as follows:

#### Land and buildings (as lessor)

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Within one year	125	167
After one year but within two years	100	94
After two years but within three years	88	68
After three years but within four years	69	63
After four years but within five years	17	57
After five years	4	9
	403	458

The leases typically run for an initial period of one to ten years (2022: one to ten years). Nine (2022: Nine) of the leases includes contingent rentals with reference to the revenue of the lessee operations.

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## **32. GUARANTEES**

Save as disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements,

- a. On March 29, 2018, the Company had executed guarantee in favour of the lender whom agreed to make available term loan facilities up to an aggregate amount of JPY10,000 million (2022: JPY10,000 million) (note 22 (d)).
- b. On April 13, 2021, the Company had executed guarantee in favour of the lender whom agreed to make available a loan facility up to an aggregate amount of HK\$1,382 million (note 22 (c)).
- c. On June 18, 2021, the Company had executed guarantee in favour of the note holders of the New Notes, in principal amount of US\$800 million issued by PCPD Capital (note 22 (a)).
- d. On December 29, 2023, the Company had executed guarantee in favour of the lender whom agreed to make available term loan facilities up to an aggregate amount of HK\$1,208 million (note 22 (e)).
- e. On August 1, 2023, the Company had executed guarantee in favour of the lender whom agreed to make available term loan facilities up to an aggregate amount of HK\$780 million (note 22 (f)).

#### **33. BANKING FACILITY**

The banking facility as at December 31, 2023 was HK\$3,978 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$3,294 million) of which HK\$742 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$505 million) remain undrawn by the Group (note 22).

Security pledged for the banking facilities includes:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Investment properties	3,379	3,318
Property, plant and equipment	1,558	1,738
Properties under development/held for sale	2,714	2,471
Restricted cash	43	52
Cash and cash equivalents	88	134
	7,782	7,713

# 34. MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the transactions and balances disclosed elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements, the following transactions were carried out with related parties:

#### a. During the year, the Group had the following significant transactions with related companies:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Sales of services:		
Office leases rental	12	13
Facilities and project management services	8	8
Purchases of services:		
Corporate services	10	10
Information technology and other logistic services	2	2
Marketing agency services	1	2
Property and development management services	3	3
Interest expenses of guaranteed notes:		
— Substantial shareholder	40	40

The above transactions were carried out after negotiations between the Group and the related parties in the ordinary course of business.

#### b. Details of key management compensation

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	14	13
Bonuses	9	8
Directors' fee	2	5
Retirement scheme contribution	1	1
	26	27

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# 34. MATERIAL RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS - CONTINUED

#### c. Year-end balances arising from sales of services

As at December 31, 2023, the receivables from related companies were HK\$5 million (2022: HK\$4 million).

## **35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Group's investment policy is to prudently invest all surplus funds managed by the Group in a manner which will satisfy liquidity requirements, safeguard financial assets and manage risks while optimising return on investments.

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: foreign exchange risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and fair value interest rate risk. The Group's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's performance.

Financial risk management is carried out by a central treasury department ("Group Treasury") under policies approved by the Board. Group Treasury identifies, evaluates and hedges financial risks in close co-operation with the Group's business units. The Board provides principal policies for overall financial risk management, as well as written policies covering specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, use of derivative financial instruments and non-derivative financial instruments, and investing excess liquidity.

#### a. Foreign exchange risk

At the reporting date, the Group's exposure to foreign currency risk arising from significant recognised financial assets or liabilities is as follows:

	2023	2022
HK\$ million	US dollar	US dollar
Cash and cash equivalents and short-term deposits	10	140
Guaranteed notes (including interest)	(6,260)	(6,250)
	(6,250)	(6,110)

The Group operates in the Asia-Pacific region and is exposed to foreign exchange risk arising from various currency exposures. Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions, recognised assets and liabilities and net investments in foreign operations. The risk management policy is to have the liquid assets mainly denominated in Hong Kong dollars and US dollars. As US dollar is pegged to Hong Kong dollar, the Group does not expect any significant movements in the US dollar/Hong Kong dollar exchange rate. The Group ensures that the net exposure is kept to an acceptable level by buying or selling foreign currencies at spot rates where necessary to address short-term imbalances. In addition, the Group may use derivative financial instruments to hedge the risk exposure when appropriate.

## **35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT — CONTINUED**

#### a. Foreign exchange risk — Continued

The Group has certain investments in foreign operations, where the net assets are exposed to foreign currency translation risk. The Group's currency exposures with respect to these operations are mainly from Thai baht, Japanese yen and Indonesian rupiah.

#### Sensitivity analysis for foreign currency exposure

The table below summaries the impact on profit after tax and equity if Hong Kong dollar had appreciated by, one (1) per cent against US dollar or five (5) per cent against other currencies including Thai baht, Japanese yen and Indonesian rupiah at December 31, 2023. This represents the translation of financial assets and liabilities at the end of the reporting period. It assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant. The analysis is performed on the same basis as 2022.

	2023	3	2022		
		Decrease		Decrease	
		in other		in other	
	Increase/	comprehensive	Increase/	comprehensive	
	(decrease)	income for	(Decrease)	income for	
	in profit	currency	in profit	currency	
HK\$ million	after tax	translation	after tax	translation	
US dollar	63	_	61	_	
Thai baht	_	(45)	_	(42)	
Japanese yen	(1)	(124)	[1]	(107)	
Indonesian rupiah	_	(177)	_	(176)	

#### b. Credit risk

The Group is exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay outstanding amounts in full when due. The Group has policies in place to ensure that the pre-sale of the properties is binding and enforceable. For the property investment and other business segments, the Group obtained rental deposits from the tenants while for other businesses, certain customers are fellow subsidiaries and related parties which the credit risk is relatively low and other individual customers are with good repayment history. Overall expected credit risk of trade and other receivable and receivables due from fellow subsidiaries and related parties is considered minimal.

As at December 31, 2023, the Group has a certain concentration of credit risk as 39 per cent (December 31, 2022: 21 per cent) of the total trade receivables was due from three customers.

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# 35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT - CONTINUED

## b. Credit risk — Continued

The credit quality of cash and cash equivalents, short-term deposits and restricted cash balances can be assessed by reference to Moody's ratings (if available) as follows:

#### Cash and cash equivalents

HK\$ million	2023	2022
 Aa1	195	132
Aa2	_	_
Aa3	25	42
A1	460	323
A2	_	—
A3	_	1
Baa1	19	13
Baa2	2	1
Unrated	164	84
	865	596

#### Short-term bank deposits

HK\$ million	2023	2022
A1	—	90
	_	90

#### Restricted cash

HK\$ million	2023	
Aa1	16	
A1	27	
	43	

# 35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT - CONTINUED

#### c. Liquidity risk

Due to the dynamic nature of the Group's underlying businesses, prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and cash equivalents to meet operational needs and possible investment opportunities.

The table below analyses the Group's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the end of the reporting period to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows (including interest payments computed using contractual rates or if floating, based on most current interest rates at the end of the reporting period).

HK\$ million	Within 1 year or on demand	More than 1 year but within 2 years	More than 2 years but within 5 years	More than 5 years	Total contractual undiscounted cash flow	Carrying Amount
At December 31, 2023		·				
Trade payables	51	_	_	_	51	51
Accruals and other payables	321	_	_	_	321	321
Short-term borrowings						
(including interest)	518	—	—	—	518	497
Current portion of long-term borrowings						
(including interest)	43	—	—	—	43	34
Long-term borrowings						
(including interest)	450	995	8,676	—	10,121	8,910
Lease liabilities	31	10	2	_	43	38
Other non-current payables	_	3	_	179	182	182

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# 35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT - CONTINUED

#### c. Liquidity risk — Continued

HK\$ million	Within 1 year or on demand	More than 1 year but within 2 years	More than 2 years but within 5 years	More than 5 years	Total contractual undiscounted cash flow	Carrying Amount
At December 31, 2022						
Trade payables	20	_	_	_	20	20
Accruals and other payables	341	_	_	_	341	341
Amount payable to the HKSAR Government under the Cyberport Project Agreement	336	_	_	_	336	336
Short-term borrowings						
(including interest)	627	_	_	_	627	615
Current portion of long-term borrowings						
(including interest) Long-term borrowings	9	—	_	—	9	9
(including interest)	423	1,672	7,666	_	9,761	8,350
Lease liabilities	22	17	_	_	39	38
Other non-current payables		3	179		182	182

## d. Interest rate risks

Apart from the cash and cash equivalents and short-term deposits which are for working capital, the Group has no significant interest-bearing assets. The Group's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

The Group's interest rate risk arises primarily from long-term borrowings. Borrowings at variable rates and fixed rates expose the Group to cash flow interest rate risk and fair value interest rate risk respectively.

## **35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT — CONTINUED**

#### d. Interest rate risks — Continued

The following table details the interest rate profile of the Group's borrowings.

	2023		2022	
	Effective	Effective		
	interest rate	HK\$ million	interest rate	HK\$ million
Fixed rate borrowings:				
Guaranteed notes (note 22)	5.25%	6,220	5.25%	6,201
Variable rate borrowings:				
Bank borrowings (note 22)	5.70%	3,221	2.88%	2,773
Total borrowings		9,441		8,974

If interest rate on variable rate borrowings had increased/decreased by 50 basis points as at December 31, 2023 (December 31, 2022: 50 basis points) with all other variables held constant, the Group's finance costs recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended December 31, 2023 would have increased/decreased by approximately HK\$16 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$14 million) and the Group's loss after tax would have increased/decreased by approximately HK\$16 million (December 31, 2022: HK\$14 million), taking into account of the capitalisation of finance cost into properties under development/held for sale, properties held for development and property, plant and equipment.

## **36. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT**

The Group's primary objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can continue to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders, and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to maintain a balance between the higher shareholder returns that might be possible with higher level of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position, and makes adjustments to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions.

The Group monitors capital on the basis of the debt-to-adjusted capital ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by adjusted capital. Net debt is calculated as short-term and long-term borrowings less cash and cash equivalents. Adjusted capital comprises the issued equity, retained earnings and non-controlling interests.

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# **36. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT — CONTINUED**

The debt-to-adjusted capital ratio at both December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

HK\$ million	2023	2022
Short-term borrowings	523	615
Current portion of long-term borrowings	8	9
Long-term borrowings	8,910	8,350
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(865)	(596)
Net debt	8,576	8,378
Issued equity	3,802	3,802
Add: Accumulated losses	(1,040)	(574)
Add: Non-controlling interests	133	133
Adjusted capital	2,895	3,361
Debt-to-adjusted capital ratio	296%	249%

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries are subject to externally imposed capital requirements, except for the financial covenant requirements under the loan facility agreements with external parties (note 22).

# **37. FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION**

#### a. Financial instruments carried at fair value

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels have been defined as follows:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1).
- Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2).
- Inputs for asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (level 3).

# **37. FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION — CONTINUED**

#### a. Financial instruments carried at fair value — Continued

See note 14 for disclosure of the investment properties that are measured at fair value.

	2023		
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
1	—	—	1
	2022		
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
1			4
		Level 1 Level 2 1 — 2022	Level 1 Level 2 Level 3

During the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, there were no transfers of financial instruments between different levels. There were no changes in valuation techniques during the years.

#### b. Fair value of financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

All financial instruments are carried at amounts not materially different from their fair values as at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022 except as follows:

	2023		2022		
	Carrying	Fair	Carrying	Fair	
HK\$ million	amount	value	amount	value	
Guaranteed notes (note 22)	6,220	4,937	6,201	5,043	

The fair values of short-term and long-term borrowings are the net present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the prevailing market rates. The fair values are within level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

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# **37. FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION — CONTINUED**

#### b. Fair value of financial liabilities measured at amortised cost — Continued

#### (a) Financial instruments in level 1

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1. Instruments included in level 1 comprise primarily listed equity investments classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

#### (b) Financial instruments in level 2

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) are determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in level 3.

Specific valuation techniques used to value financial instruments include:

- Quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments;
- Dealer quoted price, taking into account of the spot and forward exchange rates that are quoted in an active market and the
  observable yield curves and the implied volatility; and
- Other techniques, such as discounted cash flow analysis, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments.

# **FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

## Results

HK\$ million	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Revenue by Principal Activities					
Property development	39	29	51	1,364	618
Hotel operation	276	150	74	84	2
Property investment	239	239	248	240	217
All-season recreational activities	156	74	37	88	111
Other businesses	112	69	57	67	67
	822	561	467	1,843	1,015
Operating loss	(89)	(215)	(358)	(462)	(74)
Finance costs, net	(311)	(329)	(425)	(237)	(156)
Loss before taxation	(400)	(544)	(783)	[699]	(230)
Income tax	(66)	(54)	(42)	(50)	(65)
Loss attributable to equity holders of the Company	(466)	(598)	(825)	(749)	(295)

# Assets and Liabilities, as at December 31,

HK\$ million	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Total non-current assets	6,564	9,479	10,192	10,394	10,486
Total current assets	4,461	1,811	4,854	2,599	4,683
Total current liabilities	(1,172)	(1,495)	(3,363)	(2,003)	(3,462)
Net current assets	3,289	316	1,491	596	1,221
Total assets less current liabilities	9,853	9,795	11,683	10,990	11,707
Total non-current liabilities	(9,171)	(8,582)	(9,139)	(7,643)	(7,683)
Net assets	682	1,213	2,544	3,347	4,024

# **SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL PROPERTIES**

# 1 Major completed properties for investment and/or own use

Address	Use	Approximate gross site area (sq.m.)	Approximate gross floor area (sq.m.)	Category of the lease*	Percentage held by the Group
Indonesia					
Pacific Century Place, Jakarta Jenderal Sudirman Kav. No. 52–53 Lot 10 Senayan, Kebayoran Baru South Jakarta, Indonesia	Commercial	9,277	93,316	Medium	100%
Japan					
<b>Midtown Niseko</b> Niseko Hirafu 4-jo-1-3-3, Kutchan-cho, Abuta-gun, Hokkaido Japan	Eco Hotel	11,114	13,605	Freehold	100%
Park Hyatt Niseko Hanazono Residences	Residential	24,118	1,526	Freehold	100%
Park Hyatt Niseko, Hanazono	Hotel	20,448	29,650	Freehold	100%
<b>Hanazono Edge</b> 328–1 Aza Iwaobetsu, Kutchan-cho, Abuta-gun, Hokkaido, Japan	Ski Center	3,002	2,295	Freehold	100%
Thailand					
Golf Course and Golf and Country Club	Golf course and residential and F&B facilities for the golfers, residents and visitors	569,970	6,245	Freehold	93.23%

\* Medium term: Lease less than 50 years but not less than 10 years

# 2 Major properties under development for sale and/or own use

				Approximate gross	Approximate gross	Percentage
Address	Use	Stage of completion	Expected date of completion	site area (sq.m.)	floor area (sq.m.)	held by the Group
Japan						
328–36 Aza Iwaobetsu, Kutchan-cho, Abuta-gun, Hokkaido, Japan	Commercial and residential	Construction in progress	N/A	864,249	442,654	100%
<u>Thailand</u>						
<b>First phase development</b> Moo 3 & 9, Thai Muang Subdistrict, Thai Muang District Phang-nga, 82120 Thailand	Residential	Construction in progress	2022	55,750	7,955	93.23%
Hong Kong						
3–6 Glenealy, Central, Hong Kong	Residential	Construction in progress	2025	1,106	8,985	50%

# *3 Major properties held for development*

Address	Approximate gross site area (sq.m.)	Percentage held by the Group
Thailand		
Moo 3 & 9, Thai Muang Subdistrict, Thai Muang District Phang-nga, 82120 Thailand	1,074,081	93.23%

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