

# 2020 Annual report

# 太興集團控股有限公司

TAI HING GROUP HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

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## **CORPORATE INFORMATION**

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Ms. Chan Shuk Fong

### **Non-Executive Director**

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Mr. Mak Ping Leung

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Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter

Dr. Sat Chui Wan

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

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Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter

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### CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT

### Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), I am pleased to present the annual results of Tai Hing Group Holdings Limited, together with its subsidiaries ("Tai Hing Group" or the "Group"), for the year ended 31 December 2020 (the "Review Year" or the "FY2020").

# FLEXIBLE BUSINESS STRATEGIES IN RESPONSE TO THE "NEW NORM DURING THE PANDEMIC"

The novel coronavirus disease ("COVID-19"), which broke out in late 2019 and became a global pandemic in March 2020, ravaged the world's economy on an unprecedented scale. The catering industry, which targets mass market consumers, has been affected directly and severely. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hong Kong SAR government has implemented a series of anti-epidemic measures, including bans on dining services during prescribed hours, and restrictions on public gatherings. At the early stage of the outbreak in Mainland China, most restaurants in the country were temporarily closed in response to the epidemic prevention and control measures, severely hitting the Group's operations in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan during the year. Fortunately, as one of the first countries in the world which contained the epidemic's spread, the domestic economy in Mainland China has gradually stabilized since the second quarter of last year, and it has progressively recovered to historical levels in the second half of the year.

In spite of the great challenges that it faced over the past year, Tai Hing Group always adhered to its business development approach, marked by stringent cost controls under the framework of sound management, while it actively explored new opportunities for business expansion in a prudent manner during the pandemic through its multi-brand development strategy, with a goal to further expand the Group's market share in both Mainland China and Hong Kong. Looking ahead, the Group will further explore potential business opportunities in the region and tap into the Southeast Asian market.

At the early stages of the pandemic, the Group swiftly established a "Committee on Emergency Management" and an "Epidemic Prevention Team" to closely monitor market conditions and adjust response strategies in a timely manner, so as to muster the greatest efforts to minimize the impact of the pandemic on our operation. On the other hand, due to restrictions posed by social distancing measures, demand for takeaway and food delivery services has significantly increased. Thus, the Group actively adjusted its business strategies to cater to the changes in customers' needs, and it proactively expanded the takeaway and food delivery business, which in turn resulted in a surge in revenue from the takeaway business during the year while its contribution to the Group's total revenue also soared to approximately 33% during FY2020.

### **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**

# CAPTURE MARKET SHARE THROUGH MULTI-BRAND STRATEGY DURING THE PANDEMIC

The multi-brand strategy for casual dining has always been the development approach that the Group takes great pride in. The Group has been operating in the catering industry for over 30 years. Among the casual catering brands, the flagship "Tai Hing" brand has developed into a household name, which is well regarded and received in Hong Kong, Mainland China and Taiwan. We have always been good at endowing brands with vitality, and another remarkable successful brand in recent years is known as "Men Wah Bing Teng (敏華冰廳)". Since our acquisition of "Men Wah Bing Teng" in 2017 and its rebranded image, it has been warmly welcomed by consumers. We introduced "Men Wah Bing Teng" to the Mainland China market in mid-2019, and it produced exceptionally impressive results, with the brand winning multiple food critic awards and positive reviews in Mainland China. We are fully confident in the potential of this brand in Mainland China and Hong Kong. During the pandemic, we have captured opportunities to actively expand the branch network of "Men Wah Bing Teng". During the year, the Group opened 7 and 11 new restaurants in Hong Kong and Mainland China, respectively, driving up the brand's revenue with a substantial growth of 65% during the year. In the future, we will continue expanding the network of "Men Wah Bing Teng" in the Greater Bay Area and other potential markets to give full play to its enormous potential.

Over the years, the Group has developed into a sought-after restaurant operator by virtue of its multi-brand business model, which has been received well by numerous shopping malls and landlords, prompting invitations by various landlords who offered competitive concessionary rents to entice the opening of branches for different brands during the pandemic to help the Group deepen the market penetration of its brands, thereby further increasing its market share. The Group is expected to differentiate itself amid the industry consolidation and gear up to embrace opportunities upon the pullback of the future market economy.

# SEIZE OPPORTUNITIES AMID INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATION AND CONSOLIDATE ITS LEADING POSITION AS A TOP CASUAL DINING RESTAURANT ENTERPRISE IN THE REGION

Although Hong Kong's economic environment has gradually began to demonstrate signs of recovery in the third quarter, economic prospects were once again clouded by the outbreak of the fourth wave of the pandemic late in November last year. However, summing up all experience in dealing with the epidemic over the past year, the Hong Kong public have gradually adapted to the "new norm during the pandemic", and the pace of stabilization of consumer sentiment has accelerated after each wave of the pandemic. Coupled with the progressive implementation of vaccination programmes around the world, including Hong Kong, the overall economic environment is expected to gradually recover within the year.

Tai Hing Group has been rooted in the catering industry for over three decades. It has gone through numerous challenges in different economic cycles and it remains a market leader today. In the future, we will continue upholding its multi-brand strategy, make optimum use of the close cooperation relationships that it has established with business partners and developers over decades, and actively explore potential business opportunities in the region to expand the restaurant network and market share of the Group. We will also take advantage of the Group's extensive experience and excellent track record in building new brands, and continue to introduce new brands in both Mainland China and Hong Kong. It is worth mentioning that the Southeast Asian cuisine brand "Asam Chicken Rice (亞參雞飯)" that the Group launched late in 2019 has received enthusiastic support from the market within a short period of time. During the Review Year, we opened six additional restaurants in Hong Kong under the "Asam Chicken Rice" brand.

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New brands also joined the Group during the year in Hong Kong, including nostalgic traditional Taiwanese cuisine "Dao Cheng", and "Dimpot", which features the first Bincho-tan (also called white charcoal) baked clay pot rice, that offers a variety of delicacies for customers' selection. Going forward, the Group will continue launching new brands in Mainland China and Hong Kong in response to market trends and customer needs, while actively exploring new markets with tremendous growth potential in Southeast Asia to expand its business. Leveraging on over 30 years of experience in the catering industry, together with continuous optimization of our multi-brand strategy, we are confident in launching more unique brands that cater to the tastes of local customers and regional dining preferences in a timely manner that will bolster the Group's market stature and position.

In order to embrace the upward trend in the "home meals" model, the Group will continue exerting greater efforts in the promotion of takeaway and food delivery services. Aside from providing privilege discounts in takeaways, the Group also provided a more diverse dining selection to busy working-class customers and young families by optimising its "Fanfanslife" meal ordering platform, and in the process, fostering closer cooperation with third-party food ordering platforms and actively developing own-brand packaged food products, with the aim of coping with customers' changing consumption patterns and ultimately boosting overall revenue of its takeaway business. Meanwhile, the Group will also actively explore new product lines in response to changes in customer needs after the pandemic and seize market opportunities that could bring additional income sources to the Group.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

Despite the hardships that have ensued, the Group still abides by its dividend policy commitments. The Board has recommended payment of a final dividend of HK6.42 cents per ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2020. Together with an interim dividend of HK1.30 cents paid during the year, total dividend will amount to HK7.72 cents, representing approximately 65% of its profit attributable to the owners of the Company for the financial year.

### **APPRECIATION**

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to the Board, management team and my colleagues for their contributions and hard work in advancing the development of the Group. Amid the current headwinds, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the entire workforce for continuing to display their professionalism and devotion as we worked together to cope with and overcome challenges. Despite the hardships throughout the year, I would like to thank the entire workforce for maintaining their team spirit of perseverance and dedication, which enabled the Group to overcome all the difficulties and challenges with courage and determination. I would also like to extend my heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to our customers for their support and trust over the years, and thank all our investors, business partners and suppliers for their long-term trust in the Group.

**Chan Wing On** 

Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 March 2021

# **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

	2020	2019	Change
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Revenue (Note 1) (HK\$'000)	2,797,923	3,252,250	(14.0%)
Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan	2,269,710	2,581,312	(12.1%)
Mainland China	528,213	670,938	(21.3%)
Gross profit margin (%)	70.6%	71.3%	(0.7) percentage point
Profit attributable to owners of the Company (Note 2) (HK\$'000)	118,959	76,864	54.8%
Basic earnings per share (HK cents)	11.89	8.65	37.5%
Final dividend per share (Note 3) (HK cents)	6.42	1.80	256.7%
Number of restaurants			
Hong Kong	148	139	9
Mainland China	62	63	(1)
Macau	1	1	_
Taiwan	2	2	_
Total	213	205	8

#### Notes:

- (1) The Group's business and operations during the year were adversely affected by the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. Revenue decreased by approximately 14.0% to HK\$2,797.9 million in 2020 (2019: HK\$3,252.3 million).
- (2) The Group received subsidies of HK\$158.1 million under the Employment Support Scheme ("ESS") of the Hong Kong Government. All ESS subsidies, which accounted for approximately 19.8% of the Group's staff costs in Hong Kong (before ESS) during the year, were used for paying salaries and wages of employees.
- (3) Final dividend of HK6.42 cents per share (2019: HK1.8 cents per share) was proposed, representing a total dividend per share for the year of HK7.72 cents and a payout ratio of 65%.

### **OVERALL PERFORMANCE**

The Board of Directors ("Board") of Tai Hing Group Holdings Limited, together with its subsidiaries ("Tai Hing Group" or the "Group"), are pleased to announce the annual results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020 (the "Review Year" or "FY2020").

FY2020 began against a backdrop of uncertainty resulting from the novel coronavirus disease outbreak 2019 (COVID-19). The pandemic inevitably resulted in impacts across the Group's business operations in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan. Given the challenging business environment, the Group has implemented measures to save costs and explore new income sources while managing to maintain stable income growth by leveraging its well-established multi-brand strategy. In Hong Kong, faced with reduced dine-in traffic due to strict social distancing measures implemented by the government, the Group shifted its focus to takeaway and delivery services, which partly offset the decline in dine-in traffic. As for Mainland China, due to stringent and proactive social distancing measures implemented across the country, the Group temporarily suspended the operation of its restaurants in February. However, as the measures were considered sufficient at containing the COVID-19 outbreak, the government gradually relaxed restrictions. Consequently, the Group could reopen its restaurants starting in March to capitalise on a return in dine-out traffic, which enabled sales revenue from the Mainland China market to rebound significantly in the second half of FY2020.

During the Review Year, the Group recorded revenue of HK\$2,797.9 million (FY2019: HK\$3,252.3 million), representing a year-on-year decline of 14.0%. Gross profit and gross profit margin were HK\$1,976.3 million (FY2019: HK\$2,319.7 million) and 70.6% (FY2019: 71.3%), respectively. Profit attributable to owners of the Company was HK\$119.0 million (FY2019: HK\$76.9 million). Basic earnings per share were HK11.89 cents (FY2019: HK8.65 cents). Despite the challenging business environment, the Group's financial status remains healthy with sufficient cash and stable operating cash inflow to allow it to weather the current headwinds and facilitate its future development. As at 31 December 2020, the Group had cash and cash equivalents of HK\$562.1 million (As at 31 December 2019: HK\$711.1 million).

To share the Group's achievements with its shareholders, the Board has resolved to propose a final dividend of HK6.42 cents per ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2020. Together with an interim dividend of HK1.3 cents paid during FY2020, the total dividend will amount to HK7.72 cents.

#### **Measures Taken to Tackle COVID-19**

Since the outbreak of COVID-19, the Group has taken swift action to mitigate its impact on operations. Such action has included establishing a "Committee on Emergency Management" to closely monitor market conditions and adjust its response strategies in a timely manner. The Group has also implemented measures, including taking voluntary 20% salary cuts among executive directors and members of senior management for one financial quarter; offering flexible working hours; encouraging back-office colleagues to take accumulated annual leave during off-seasons; negotiating with landlords for rental reductions; seeking the most favourable terms with suppliers; and bolstering food delivery and takeaway services.

In addition, efforts at keeping all restaurants clean have been strengthened including regular cleaning of carpets, door handles, dining tables, chairs and cashier counters with appropriate disinfectants.

### **OPFRATING COST**

### **Cost of Materials Consumed**

The cost of materials consumed amounted to HK\$821.6 million (FY2019: HK\$932.5 million). As a percentage of revenue, the cost has remained stable 29.4% (FY2019: 28.7%). Since the outbreak of COVID-19, the Group has maintained close contact with its suppliers and has negotiated for higher discounts or more extended credit periods during this challenging juncture. By also making timely adjustments to its menus, the Group has been able to mitigate cost fluctuations of various ingredients. Another measure employed involves bulk purchasing, which allows for larger discounts. In addition, the operation of the Mainland China Food Factory and the Hong Kong Food Factory, have steadily contributed the greater economies of scale to the production output. Consequently, the Group has been able to control food costs effectively.

### **Staff Costs**

The Group's staff costs for the Review Year reached approximately HK\$825.9 million, representing a decrease of approximately 24.7% as compared with HK\$1,096.4 million in FY2019. Staff costs to revenue ratio declined to 29.5% (FY2019: 33.7%). The Group has received pandemic relief and subsidies from the Hong Kong Government, including HK\$158.1 million from the Employment Support Scheme ("ESS") during the Review Year. The subsidies, which accounted for approximately 19.8% of the Group's staff cost in Hong Kong during the Review Year, were directly used to pay the salaries and wages of employees, hence helping alleviate such cost pressure on the Group. In addition, the Group has implemented a 20% voluntary reduction in salary among all executive directors and senior management for three months to further control staff costs.

### Amortisation of Right-of-use Assets, rental and related expenses

During the Review Year, the Group's amortisation of right-of-use assets, rental and related expenses amounted to HK\$437.9 million (FY2019: HK\$487.0 million). Since the COVID-19 outbreak, the Group has negotiated with landlords for rent reductions and transitional concessions totalling HK\$56.2 million. At the same time, the Group has favourable offers from certain landlords to open new branches of its brands at some better locations yet at a discounted rent. As a consequence, the Group has been able to keep rental and related expenses at a lower level.

### **Government subsidies from Hong Kong and Mainland China government**

Social distancing, seating restrictions, reduced dining hours and temporary closure of certain restaurants all combined to create tough business environment. Pandemic relief and subsidies received from both the Hong Kong and Mainland China governments did help mitigate the impact of such situations on revenue partly. During the Review Year, the Group received government subsidies totalling HK\$206.2 million, which included HK\$158.1 million from the ESS and HK\$42.0 million under the Anti-epidemic Fund of the Hong Kong Government.

### INDUSTRY REVIEW

In Hong Kong, the COVID-19 pandemic and associated social distancing measures have seriously impacted different sectors of the economy, with food and beverage being among the industries especially hard hit. According to figures released by the Census and Statistics Department of Hong Kong, the aggregate revenue generated by restaurants in the territory for the whole year of 2020 was estimated at HK\$79.4 billion, decreased by 29.4% in value and 30.0% in volume compared with the previous year. Moreover, total purchases during the same period were estimated at HK\$25.8 billion, representing a year-on-year decline of 28.4%<sup>1</sup>.

In Mainland China, the government was able to gain the upper hand on the COVID-19 situation, hence gradually eased restrictions, which enabled the local economy to achieve a gradual rebound in the second quarter of 2020. According to the National Bureau of Statistic of China, GDP bounced back to record an expansion of 3.2% in the second quarter and 6.5% in the fourth quarter, which is a sharp increase from the first quarter when the GDP contracted by 6.8%<sup>2</sup>. As for the local catering industry, revenue amounted to RMB3,952.7 billion in 2020, down by 16.6% from the corresponding period last year.

### **GEOGRAPHICAL ANALYSIS**

In Hong Kong, pandemic-related restrictions on public gatherings and bans on dining services after 6:00 p.m. inevitably affected the Group's business performance. Nonetheless, by the Group's swift response to the "new normal", it was able to enhance the performance of other business interests, namely takeaway and delivery services. Consequently, revenue from the operations mentioned above increased appreciably, accounting for approximately 33% of total revenue, thus helping offset the loss in dine-in revenue.

Concerning the Mainland China market, the Group's restaurants gradually resumed operation in March as measures at preventing COVID-19 transmission proved useful. High-growth brands that cater to the mass market performed particularly encouragingly, including "Men Wah Bing Teng (敏華冰廳)". Since entering the market in the second half of 2019, the restaurant chain has received an overwhelmingly favourable response from local customers. Hence the Group achieved a significant rebound in revenue in the second half of the Review Year, which in turn helped narrow the overall decline in revenue.

- Census and Statistics Department https://www.statistics.gov.hk/pub/B10800022020QQ04B0100.pdf
- The National Bureau of Statistics of China http://www.stats.gov.cn/english/PressRelease/202101/t20210120\_1812680.html

### BUSINESS SEGMENT ANALYSIS

Tai Hing is a multi-brand casual dining restaurant group rooted in Hong Kong, with a market presence stretching over 30 years. Apart from its flagship "Tai Hing (太興)" brand, the Group has continued to expand its brand portfolio, which consists of self-developed brands and acquired and licensed brands. Presently, this portfolio includes a total of 15 brands, including "Tai Hing (太興)", "TeaWood (茶木)", "Trusty Congee King (靠得住)", "Men Wah Bing Teng (敏華冰廳)", "Phở Lê (錦麗)", "Tokyo Tsukiji (東京築地食堂)", "Fisher & Farmer (漁牧)", "Rice Rule (飯規)", "Hot Pot Couple (夫妻沸片)", "King Fong Bing Teng (瓊芳冰廳)", "Asam Chicken Rice (亞參雞飯)", "Dao Cheng (稻埕)", "Winter Joy (冬悦)", "White Little (小白條)" and "Dimpot (點煲)", in which the latter four were introduced in FY2020, thus bringing even more choices to customers. As at the Review Year, the Group had a network of 213 restaurants (as at 31 December 2019: 205 restaurants) in Hong Kong, Mainland China, Macau and Taiwan respectively.

The high-growth "Men Wah Bing Teng" brand has continued to outperform the market. During the Review Year, it achieved significant revenue growth, climbing by 64.7% to HK\$493.2 million (FY2019: HK\$299.5 million). Thus, the business thus became the second largest revenue contributor of the Group in FY2020, accounting for 17.6% of the Group's total revenue. "Men Wah Bing Teng" has demonstrated tremendous resilience against the economic downturn and weak consumption sentiment due to COVID-19 and has been warmly welcomed by the market, which especially true in Mainland China, where revenue increased by 545.2% in FY2020. Adding to its accomplishments has been several awards, including "The Most Popular Cuisine Ranking" in Hangzhou by Dianping.com (大眾點評).

Recognising the tremendous potential of "Men Wah Bing Teng", the Group opened more stores in Hong Kong and Mainland China during the Review Year. Net addition of seven stores in the former and 11 stores in the latter that represented the highest number of store openings among the Group's brands in FY2020, and will go towards raising the stature of "Men Wah Bing Teng" even further.

### **BUSINESS SEGMENT ANALYSIS** (Continued)

"Tai Hing" as the signature brand of the Group, with a history of operating in Hong Kong stretching three decades, as well as over 15 years in Mainland China, continued to contribute the largest share of revenue to the Group, generating HK\$1,472.1 million (FY2019: HK\$1,931.8 million) in revenue, and accounting for 52.6% of the Group's total revenue. In Hong Kong, revenue generated from the "Tai Hing" brand amounted to HK\$1,104.9 million and the brand maintained a stable restaurant network of 54 stores, hence again demonstrating its resilience – performing steadily despite the mandatory social distancing measures implemented by the government to contain COVID-19. To keep pace with the catering trends in Mainland China, the Group is presently reviewing its positioning and consolidating its local store network in the Greater Bay Area. Enhancement efforts will continue in the near term to reach its full potential in the Mainland China market.

Other important revenue streams of the Group include "TeaWood", which has been its third largest contributor, generating HK\$398.2 million in revenue, and accounting for 14.2% of the Group's total revenue in FY2020. Still another brand among the recent launches that the Group is pleased with is "Asam Chicken Rice". During the Review Year, the Group opened six more "Asam Chicken Rice" restaurants in various Hong Kong districts to build on the positive momentum. It is worth noting that since some "Asam Chicken Rice" restaurants were only opened in the latter half of FY2020, their contributions were not fully reflected during the Review Year. The brand nonetheless possesses the potential for becoming another "rising star" of the Group.

With the upward trend in "home meals", the Group has rolled out initiatives to capture the resultant business opportunities. Tremendous effort has been placed on enhancing the takeaway and delivery operations. Correspondingly, the Group has introduced "Fanfanslife", a self-developed online ordering platform to boost the performance of the takeaway food business while at the same time ensure added convenience for customers. Also, the Group has continued to co-operate with leading third-party food ordering platforms, both in Hong Kong and Mainland China, to increase its stake in the food delivery business. More efforts were also placed in food delivery promotions and discounts on takeaway services to bolster the food delivery and takeaway business further. Consequently, revenue from such services as a percentage of total revenue increased appreciably to over 33% compared with the previous year.

### **PROSPECTS**

The Group believes that its multi-brand strategy will continue to be paramount to its success, further consolidating and expanding its restaurant network, while remaining fully mindful of the present economic and market conditions. The Group will enhance market penetration by opening restaurants from its various brands to satisfy different customers' needs in line with such objectives. Besides, with an outstanding track record in developing new brands, including "Men Wah Bing Teng" and "Asam Chicken Rice", the Group will leverage its experience to introduce more "star brands" in Hong Kong and Mainland China to tap market trends and address the preferences of its customers. Outside of its traditional markets, the Group will continue to explore both independent and collaborative opportunities for expanding to the Southeast Asia market.

In line with its commitment to promptly responding to customers' interests, the Group will continue to seize opportunities arising from takeaway and food delivery. The Group will further enhance the strategy on takeaway business and upgrade its self-developed ordering platform "Fanfanslife" to encourage more takeaway orders. The Group will also continue cooperating with leading third-party food ordering platforms further to increase its stake in the food delivery business.

Concerning automation, the Group will step up efforts in introducing the next generation of food processing equipment to its restaurants and thus uphold its tradition of innovation and industry leadership. Furthermore, it persistently streamlines its production processes to derive greater efficiencies and cost savings. At the same time, more resources will be directed to the deployment of various advanced technology systems, upgrading the IT systems, and boosting big data applications, to support the expansion of the Group's restaurant network and facilitate sustainable development in the long run.

Despite the conclusion of a challenging Review Year, the management remains confident in the Group's ability to persevere and move towards a more favourable trajectory once market conditions improve.

### USE OF NET PROCEEDS FROM LISTING

The Company successfully listed its shares on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 13 June 2019 ("Listing") and issued a total of 250,000,000 ordinary shares of the Company by way of share offer at the offer price of HK\$3.00 on Listing. The net proceeds from the share offer in association with the Listing amounted to HK\$694.5 million.

The use of the net proceeds from 13 June 2019 (the "Listing Date") to 31 December 2020 was as follows:

Use of net proceeds	Percentage of net proceeds	Net proceeds (in HK\$ million)	Amount utilised (in HK\$ million)	Amount remaining (in HK\$ million)	Expected timeline for utilization of the unused net proceeds
Opening new restaurants in Hong Kong and Mainland China	44.0%	305.6	164.6	141.0	On or before 31 December 2022
Enhancement and expansion of food factories in Hong Kong and Mainland China	35.0%	243.0	40.8	202.2	On or before 31 December 2023
Renovation of existing restaurants in Hong Kong and Mainland China	11.0%	76.4	26.3	50.1	On or before 31 December 2022
Additional working capital and other general corporate purposes	10.0%	69.5	69.5	_	
Total	100.0%	694.5	301.2	393.3	

By gradually implementing its business strategy of continuously developing of the brand portfolio, the Group has been expanding its restaurant network and renovating the existing restaurants in Hong Kong and Mainland China, while the net proceeds from the Listing allocated for such purpose has been utilised accordingly. In light of the persistently uncertain business environment and the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic, barring any unforeseen situations beyond the Group's control, it is expected that the unused net proceeds of approximately HK\$141.0 million for the opening of new restaurants and approximately HK\$50.1 million for the renovation of existing restaurants in Hong Kong and Mainland China as at 31 December 2020 to be fully utilised on or before 31 December 2022.

As of the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any material change to the planned use of the proceeds as disclosed in the section under "Future Plans and Use of Proceeds" in the Prospectus and the supplemented announcement dated 19 August 2020.

# FINANCIAL RESOURCES, BORROWINGS, CAPITAL STRUCTURE, EXPOSURES TO FLUCTUATIONS IN EXCHANGE RATES AND OTHERS

### **Liquidity and Financial Resources**

The principal sources of funds for the Group are through a combination of internally generated cash flows, bank borrowings and proceeds received from Listing. As at 31 December 2020, the Group's cash and cash equivalents were approximately HK\$562.1 million (2019: approximately HK\$711.1 million), representing a decrease of approximately 21.0%. Majority of the bank deposits and cash were denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. The additional funds raised from Listing would be used for implementing the future expansion plan.

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's total current assets and current liabilities were approximately HK\$813.9 million (2019: approximately HK\$925.5 million) and approximately HK\$1,009.3 million (2019: approximately HK\$1,137.0 million), respectively, while the current ratio of the Group (calculated by dividing total current assets by total current liabilities at the end of respective periods) was approximately 0.8 times (2019: approximately 0.8 times).

The Group had interest-bearing bank borrowings of approximately HK\$78.8 million as at 31 December 2020 (2019: approximately HK\$307.5 million). The interest-bearing bank borrowings were secured, denominated in Hong Kong dollars and subject to floating rate basis. During the year ended 31 December 2020, there were no financial instruments used for hedging purposes.

As at 31 December 2020, the gearing ratio of the Group (calculated by dividing the interest-bearing bank borrowings by equity attributable to owners of the Company) was approximately 7.3% (2019: approximately 31.8%).

### **Foreign Currency Risk**

The Group's revenue and costs are mostly denominated in Hong Kong dollars and Renminbi. The change in value of the Renminbi against the Hong Kong dollars may fluctuate and is affected by changes in China's political and economic conditions. The appreciation or devaluation of the Renminbi against Hong Kong dollars may affect the Group's results. The Group does not have any currency hedging policy and has not entered into any hedging or other instrument to reduce currency risks. The Group will continue to closely monitor the foreign currency exposure and take appropriate measures to minimize the risk when necessary.

### **Contingent Liabilities**

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had contingent liabilities of approximately HK\$40.1 million (2019: approximately HK\$23.6 million) in respect of bank guarantees given in favour of the landlords in lieu of rental deposits.

### CHARGE ON GROUP ASSETS

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had certain property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets with an aggregate net carrying value of approximately HK\$253.0 million (31 December 2019: HK\$262.6 million) were pledged to secure the bank borrowings granted to the Group.

### MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSAL

Save as disclosed herein, throughout the period from Listing to 31 December 2020, the Group did not make any material acquisitions and disposal of subsidiaries, significant investments nor capital commitment.

### **EMPLOYEES**

The Group had approximately 6,900 employees as at 31 December 2020 (31 December 2019: approximately 7,000). The Group ensures that its employees are remunerated in line with market conditions and individual performance and the remuneration policies are reviewed on a regular basis.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

The pre-IPO share option scheme and post-IPO share option scheme of the Company (the "Share Option Schemes") were approved and conditionally adopted pursuant to the resolutions passed by the shareholders of the Company on 22 May 2019 (the "Adoption Date") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants for their contributions to the Group.

The principal terms of the Share Option Schemes are set out in "Appendix V (Statutory and General Information – D. Share Option Schemes)" to the Prospectus. During the year ended 31 December 2020, 1,873,000 share options were exercised under the pre-IPO share option scheme. There were 4,502,000 outstanding share options of the Company under the pre-IPO share option scheme as at 31 December 2020.

### SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Directors are not aware of any significant event requiring disclosure that has taken place subsequent to 31 December 2020 and up to the date of this report.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

**Mr. Chan Wing On**, JP, aged 62, was appointed as our executive Director in 2017 and has acted as the Chairman of our Group since 1989. Mr. Chan is one of the founders of our Group and is primarily responsible for the overall strategic planning and major decision making of our Group. Mr. Chan is the chairman of our Nomination Committee and a member of our Remuneration Committee.

Mr. Chan has over 30 years of experience in the food and beverage industry. He founded our Group and opened our first restaurant in 1989 in Sai Wan Ho, Hong Kong. Mr. Chan is instrumental in our business expansion and has successfully implemented a multi-brand strategy to develop our Group from a siu mei style restaurant under the "Tai Hing" brand to a multi-brand restaurant group with presence in Hong Kong, Mainland China, Macau and Taiwan offering Hong Kong style, Chinese, Taiwanese, Japanese and Southeast Asian cuisines. Mr. Chan strongly believes in maintaining high food quality while ensuring our food and services offer good value for money, as well as providing a pleasant and hygienic environment for customers. Under Mr. Chan's leadership, our Group is constantly creating new and innovative dishes, often incorporating different ingredients and cooking methods, striving to offer an enjoyable dining experience to diners at our restaurants.

Mr. Chan obtained a Bachelor of Business Administration Management degree at the Macau Institute of Management and was admitted as an honorary fellow at the Professional Validation Centre of Hong Kong Business Sector. He has been a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Marketing.

Mr. Chan honoured with the 2020 JP appointment by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and actively serves both the community and the catering service industry including, among others, currently serving as president of the Hong Kong Federation of Restaurants and Related Trades, vice chairman of the Council of the Occupational Safety and Health Council in Hong Kong, chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Occupational Safety and Health Council of Hong Kong, and chairman of the Catering Safety and Health Steering Committee of the Occupational Safety and Health Council in Hong Kong. In addition, Mr. Chan was the chairman of the Governing Council of the Quality Tourism Services Association of Hong Kong and has been re-designated as adviser since 2019.

Mr. Chan is a cousin of Ms. Chan Shuk Fong (our executive Director) and the father of Mr. Chan Ka Keung (a member of our senior management).

Mr. Chan is currently a director of our various subsidiaries.

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

Mr. Yuen Chi Ming, aged 67, one of the founders of our Group, was appointed as our executive Director in 2018. Mr. Yuen has over 30 years of experience in the food and beverage industry, during which he gained substantial experience on the aspects of 5-S, food and occupational safety. He is mainly responsible for overall strategic planning.

During his services, Mr. Yuen has worked in various functional departments including operation of our restaurants and food factories. Under his leadership, our Group has adopted the 5-S (Structurise, Systematise, Sanitise, Standardise and Self-discipline) workplace management philosophy to enhance environmental hygiene, food quality and operational efficiency. Our Group has won many external safety-related recognitions with Mr. Yuen's guidance, including the 5-S Grand Prize Winner (Catering Group) awarded by the HK 5-S Association in 2017, the Food Safety Excellence Award by the International Food Safety Association in 2017 and the 2018/2019 Catering Industry Safety Award Scheme Group Safety Performance Gold Award in the Cha Chaan Teng Category by the Labour Department in 2018.

Mr. Yuen obtained the 5-S Assessor Gold Belt and Black Belt Certificate by the HK 5-S Association.

Mr. Yuen is currently a director of our various subsidiaries.

Mr. Lau Hon Kee, aged 63, joined our Group in 1990 and was appointed as our executive Director in 2018. He is mainly responsible for overall strategic planning and overseeing the project management of our Group.

Mr. Lau worked in different departments including audit, operations and engineering. He has contributed to the upgrade of work facilities, improvement of work safety and various energy-saving projects in our Group. Under Mr. Lau's leadership, our Group has received numerous industry recognitions, including the Eco Challenger and 5 Year+ Eco Pioneer Award by the Bank of China and Federation of Hong Kong Industries and the Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence Certificate of Merit and the Hong Kong Green Organisation Certification awarded by the Environmental Campaign Committee.

Mr. Lau obtained the 5-S Lead Auditor Certificate awarded by the HK 5-S Association.

Mr. Lau is currently a director of our various subsidiaries.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Ms. Chan Shuk Fong**, aged 56, joined our Group in 2012 and was appointed as our executive Director in 2018. She is mainly responsible for overall strategic planning, including capital financing, investor relations, compliance management, corporate affairs and marketing, talent management and administration as well as sustainability. Ms. Chan is a member of our Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee.

Ms. Chan served as director and general manager in Hong Kong Wing On Travel Service Limited prior to joining our Group. She obtained a master's degree in Business Administration from Asia International Open University (Macau), a postgraduate diploma in Training from the faculty of Social Science from the University of Leicester in United Kingdom and was awarded an honorary doctorate of law from Lincoln University and fellow and title of MBA, chartered manager from the Canadian Chartered Institution of Business Administration.

Ms. Chan was awarded Professional Marketer of the Year by Hong Kong Institute of Marketing in 2020, Asian Outstanding Leaders Awards for Women by the Asian College of Knowledge Management and 矚目非凡領袖大獎 2017 (Outstanding Leader Award 2017\*) by Weekend Weekly and Economic Digest magazines in 2018 as well as the Leaders of Excellence Award by Capital Magazine in 2014.

Ms. Chan is currently a member of the board of directors of the Hong Kong Federation of Restaurants and Related Trades, a member of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal Panel in Hong Kong, a member of General Committee of The Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies and a member of the Advisory Board of Continuing and Professional Studies of The Chinese University of Hong Kong. She was previously a committee member of the Industry Advisory Committee on Long Term Business of the Insurance Authority, a member of the Consumer Council, a member of the Griffith Business School's Bachelor of Business (Hong Kong) Industry Advisory Committee and a member of the Advisory Committee on Cruise Industry in Hong Kong.

Ms. Chan is a cousin of our Chairman and an aunt of Mr. Chan Ka Keung (a member of our senior management).

Ms. Chan is currently a director of 台灣太興餐飲股份有限公司 (Tai Hing Catering Management (Taiwan) Limited)\*.

\* For identification purpose only

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

### NON-FXFCUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. Ho Ping Kee, aged 63, was appointed as our non-executive Director in 2018.

Mr. Ho has accumulated years of experience in the retail pharmacy industry, during which he gained substantial understanding of the market of retail business in Hong Kong and knowledge in site selection. Since 1992, Mr. Ho has been the director of Target Spot Limited, which operates six pharmacies in Hong Kong.

Mr. Ho is currently supervisory chairman of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Pharmacy Limited, president of the Southern District Recreation and Sports Association, executive committee chairman of the Ap Lei Chau North District Women's Joint Association, vice president of the council of The Association of Industries and Commerce of N.E. New Territories Limited and life president of The Hong Kong Southern District Community Association Limited. He was also previously the president of the Southern District Arts and Culture Association Limited in 2016.

### INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung), aged 71, was appointed as our independent non-executive Director in 2019. Mr. Mak is the chairman of our Remuneration Committee and a member of our Audit Committee and Nomination Committee.

Mr. Mak is one of the founders of Hong Kong Economic Times Holdings Limited ("HKET"), and was publisher of the Hong Kong Economic Times and Sky Post and a company listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 423), and was the managing director and an executive director of HKET from 2005 to 2020. He is responsible for formulating business strategies and oversees publishing, recruitment advertising and printing production at HKET. He was the Bureau Chief of the European Bureau of Wen Wei Po in London, before being promoted to Deputy General Manager and Standing Committee Member of the Management Committee of the newspaper from 1985 to 1987.

In 1988, Mr. Mak was elected as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Persons of Hong Kong. Mr. Mak won the Outstanding Entrepreneurship Award at the Asia Pacific Entrepreneurship Awards 2012 organised by Enterprise Asia and was an honorary advisor of Hong Kong Institute of Marketing.

Mr. Mak has been an independent non-executive director of Clifford Modern Living Holdings Limited (stock code: 3686) since 2016 and Zhong Ji Longevity Science Group Limited (formerly known as "Asia Pacific Silk Road Investment Company Limited") (stock code: 0767) since 2020 respectively, both listed companies on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange. He is also currently the vice-chairman of Relife Capital Limited.

Mr. Mak obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hong Kong.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter**, aged 80, was appointed as our independent non-executive Director in 2019. Mr. Wong is a member of our Audit Committee, Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee.

Mr. Wong possesses over 40 years of experience in the financial services industry. He was an executive director, managing director, deputy chairman and chief executive officer of Haitong International Securities Group Limited (stock code: 0665) from 1996 to 2011. He has been a consultant of Halcyon Capital Limited since 2013.

He is currently the honorary council member and was the past chairman of the Hong Kong Institute of Directors from 2006 to 2009, and a former member of each of the Standing Committee of Company Law Reform from 2000 to 2006 and the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange from 1998 to 2006.

Mr. Wong has served as an independent non-executive director of the following companies listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange in the past three years:

Company Name	Stock Code	Period
Target Insurance (Holdings) Limited	6161	Since 2014
Agile Group Holdings Limited	3383	Since 2014
Tianjin Development Holdings Limited	882	Since 2012
High Fashion International Limited	608	Since 2004

Mr. Wong obtained a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of East Asia (now known as the University of Macau) in 1986.

**Dr. Sat Chui Wan**, aged 52, was appointed as our independent non-executive Director in 2019. Dr. Sat is the chairman of our Audit Committee and a member of our Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee.

Dr. Sat has been an executive director of Human Health Holdings Limited, a listed company on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 1419) ("HHH"), since 2015. She has also served as the chief financial officer of HHH since 2013 and is responsible for overseeing the financial, compliance, risk and human resources management of HHH. She has extensive working experience in accounting, finance, management and strategic planning in different industries prior to joining HHH.

Dr. Sat has been a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants since 1996. She was admitted as an associate of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants in 1996 and has been a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants since 2001.

Dr. Sat obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree of Accountancy from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 1992 and a Master's degree of Business Administration from the University of Lancaster in the United Kingdom in 2000. She completed the International Study Program (ISP) at the University of St. Gallen in 2000, and the City University of Hong Kong Advanced Management Programme at the University of California, Berkeley in 2010. In 2018, Dr. Sat obtained a Doctor of Business Administration degree from the City University of Hong Kong.

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

### SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. Ho Siu Fung, aged 58, joined our Group in 1999 and was appointed as our general manager and director of Chinese Gourmet in 2018. He is mainly responsible for operations and overall development of our Group's Chinese cuisine catering, among which, the management of various brands, including brand management of "Tai Hing", "Trusty Congee King", "Men Wah Bing Teng", "King Fong Bing Teng", "Asam Chicken Rice", "Dimpot" and "Rice Rule", as well as the Group's food safety and occupational safety standards.

In recent years, Mr. Ho has been constantly enhancing operation management and strategies of our Group. He spearheaded the extensive implementation of various automation systems for food production, in the respective production departments of our restaurants. Mr. Ho's valuable knowledge also contributed to his successful customisation of our automated wok which was subsequently patented by us. These efforts are instrumental as the systems provide a sustainable platform for the long-term expansion of our business with standardised food quality and production efficiency, as well as reduced repetitive motion in prevention of occupational diseases. Mr. Ho also strived to modernise our frontline teams with new operation standards, set up our internal qualification framework to promote our employees' upward mobility and introduced talent pipelines with comprehensive training programmes.

Prior to joining our Group, Mr. Ho served in several catering groups holding operational and management roles. He has over 30 years' experience in catering management.

Mr. Ho graduated from the Hong Kong Polytechnic (now known as The Hong Kong Polytechnic University) with a diploma in Business Management in 1993. He obtained a Level 4 Award in Managing Food Safety in Catering at the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health in 2008 and obtained a 5-S Lead Auditor Certificate from the HK 5-S Association in 2003. Mr. Ho is active in sharing his industry knowledge with the community, and was a part-time instructor at the School of Continuing and Professional Education of the City University of Hong Kong.

Mr. Yiu Man, aged 62, joined our Group in 2002 and was appointed as our general manager and director of central production and product development in 2018. He is mainly responsible for the overall management and development of the food factories, product development, centralized procurement, food safety and logistics management. Since joining our Group, Mr. Yiu headed the entire design, construction and equipment planning of our Hong Kong food factory and Mainland China food factory to support the rapid expansion of our operations and the wide variety of new products for different cuisines. He set up our production quality control system and enforces more stringent control on food quality, including food safety monitoring and refinement through systematic taste trials. Further, Mr. Yiu also invented the smokeless cooking design which was contributed to our patented smokeless oven and such patented smokeless oven has subsequently been widely applied in our restaurants.

Mr. Yiu has over 40 years' experience in production and catering management in the catering industry.

# BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

**Mr. Chan Ka Keung**, aged 40, joined our Group in 2009 and is currently our general manager (mainland china and brand development). He is mainly responsible for operations in Mainland China, developing the branding of the Group and leading our engineering and maintenance and information technology teams towards digitalizing our operations for the enhancement of customer experience concerning food ordering and payment systems. He also focuses on the building, consolidation and product promotion of our respective brands across Mainland China, as well as developing the sales channels and peripheral product markets through online and offline platforms.

In recent years, Mr. Chan spearheaded the development of new brands for casual dining in our Group, targeting younger customers by offering them a pleasant dining experience. Our "TeaWood" brand has won numerous industry awards and the prestigious Bronze A'Design Award for Interior Space and Exhibition Design, awarded in 2018 under his leadership.

Mr. Chan was awarded 全球華人傑出青年 (Global Outstanding Chinese Youth\*) by the Global Outstanding Chinese Association in 2016, Young Industrialist Awards of Hong Kong by the Federation of Hong Kong Industries in 2019 and Second Generation Legacy Award by Legacy Academy in 2020. He is currently the vice chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Restaurants and Related Trades, founding chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Restaurants and Related Trades Youth Committee, the vice-convenor of the Industry Consultative Networks (Catering) under the Employees Retraining Board, a member of the Environmental Campaign Committee, a member of the Food Business and Related Services Task Force under the Business Facilitation Advisory Committee and the Immediate Past Chairman of Hong Kong O2O E-Commerce Federation.

Mr. Chan obtained a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from De Montfort University in Leicester in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Chan is the son of our Chairman and a nephew of Ms. Chan Shuk Fong (our executive Director).

\* For identification purpose only

**Mr. Ho Man Shing**, aged 45, joined our Group in 2019 and is currently our general manager (casual dining). He is primarily responsible for the operations and overall development of the casual dining business of the Group, among which, the management of various brands, including "TeaWood", "Phở Lê", "Tokyo Tsukiji", "Fisher & Farmer", "Hot Pot Couple" and "Dao Cheng".

Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Ho had 16 years' experience in QSR management and operation, and was the CEO of a chain catering group in Hong Kong. Mr. Ho was awarded the Leaders of Excellence Award by Capital Magazine in 2014.

Mr. Ho obtained a bachelor's degree in Science (Actuarial Science) from the University of Hong Kong and completed the Advanced Management Program organized by Harvard Business School in the United States.

# **BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT**

Mr. Wong Kin Pong Edmond, aged 45, joined our Group as finance director in 2014 and is currently our senior director of the group finance department and company secretary. His responsibilities include overseeing the company secretarial matters, assisting on the financial management issues among Hong Kong and Mainland China and developing the SAP system.

Mr. Wong has over 20 years of experience in financial management. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration (major in professional accountancy) from the Chinese University of Hong Kong and obtained a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Wales in the United Kingdom.

Mr. Wong is currently a fellow at the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a chartered financial analyst at the CFA Institute.

Ms. Zhou Yuewu, aged 46, joined our Group in 2004 and is currently our general manager (back office and leasing). Her responsibilities include overseeing and managing human resources, administration, leasing and trademark registration and ordinance matters in Mainland China.

Ms. Zhou has over 20 years of experience in human resources, administration, finance and leasing management in Mainland China. She graduated from the Changsha University of Science and Technology (formerly known as the Changsha Communications University) with a diploma in Finance and Accounting System Management\* (財會計算機 管理) in 1997 and was qualified as an intermediate accountant conferred by Ministry of Finance of China in 2005.

\* For identification purpose only

The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") presents its annual report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2020.

### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company acts as an investment holding company. The principal activities and other particulars of the principal subsidiaries are set out in note 1 to the financial statements.

### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Further discussion and review on the business activities of the Group as required by Schedule 5 to the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) of Hong Kong, including a description of the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group, material events that have occurred since the year-end date and an indication of likely future development in the Group's business are set out in the "Chairman's Statement", "Financial Highlights", "Management Discussion and Analysis", "Corporate Governance Report" and "Five-Year Financial Summary" and in the accompanying notes to the financial statements. The relevant discussions in these sections form part of this report.

In light of the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide as set out in Appendix 27 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"), a separate Environmental, Social and Governance Report will be published in due course.

### COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Board was not aware of any non-compliance with the applicable laws and regulations, which included Articles of Association of the Company (the "Articles of Association"), the laws of Cayman Islands, the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange ("Listing Rules"), other laws and regulations, have a significant impact on the Company.

### **RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss on page 55.

### **DIVIDENDS**

The Board has proposed the payment of a final dividend of HK6.42 cents per share for the year ended 31 December 2020 payable to the shareholders of the Company ("Shareholders") whose names appear on the register of members of the Company on Friday, 4 June 2021. The proposed dividend warrants are expected to be despatched to the Shareholders on or before Friday, 18 June 2021, subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company (the "Annual General Meeting").

An interim dividend of HK1.30 cents per share was paid on 5 November 2020.

### CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

(1) For determining the eligibility of the Shareholders to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting or any adjournment of such meeting:

The Annual General Meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, 28 May 2021. For determining the eligibility to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 25 May 2021 to Friday, 28 May 2021, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares of the Company will be registered. In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting, all transfer forms duly accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, 24 May 2021.

(2) For determining the entitlement of the Shareholders to the proposed final dividend:

For determining the entitlement to the proposed final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2020, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 3 June 2021 to Friday, 4 June 2021, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares of the Company will be registered. In order to qualify for the proposed final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2020, all transfer forms duly accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong, for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 2 June 2021.

### SHARE CAPITAL

Details of movements in the share capital of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2020 are set out in note 26 to the financial statements. Information about the share option of the Company and details of movements in the share options of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020 are set out in the "Share Option Schemes" in this section and note 27 to the financial statements.

### **DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES**

At 31 December 2020, the Company's reserves available for cash distribution and/or distribution in specie amounted to approximately HK\$797,001,000, of which approximately HK\$64,320,000 has been proposed as a final dividend for the year.

### PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements in property, plant and equipment of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020 are set out in note 14 to the financial statements.

### DIRECTORS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS

The directors of the Company (the "Directors") for the year ended 31 December 2020 and up to the date of this report are:

### **Executive Directors:**

Mr. Chan Wing On (Chairman)

Mr. Yuen Chi Ming

Mr. Lau Hon Kee

Ms. Chan Shuk Fong

### **Non-Executive Director:**

Mr. Ho Ping Kee

### **Independent Non-Executive Directors:**

Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung)

Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter

Dr. Sat Chui Wan

In accordance with Article 84 of the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles of Association"), Mr. Chan Wing On, Mr. Ho Ping Kee and Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung), shall retire from office by rotation and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

None of the Directors has a service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not determinable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

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

No transactions, arrangements or contracts of significance to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party and in which a Director or an entity connected with a Director had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted for the year ended 31 December 2020 or at any time for the year ended 31 December 2020.

### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Save for employment contracts, no other contracts, relating to the management and/or administration of the whole or any substantial part of any business of the Company were entered into or subsisted for the year ended 31 December 2020.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

The Company's pre-IPO share option scheme (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") and the Company's post-IPO share option scheme (the "Post-IPO Share Option Scheme") (collectively the "Share Option Schemes") were approved and conditionally adopted pursuant to the resolutions passed by the Shareholders on 22 May 2019 (the "Adoption Date"). The details of the Share Option Schemes are as follows:

### (a) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

The purpose of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

To motivate the grantees of the pre-IPO share options (the "Pre-IPO Share Options") to optimise their future contributions to our Group and/or to reward them for their past contributions, to attract and retain or otherwise maintain on-going relationships with the grantees who are significant to and/or whose contributions are or will be beneficial to the performance, growth or success of the Group.

2. The participants of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

Senior management of our Group and employees of our Group

The total number of securities available for issue under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme together with the percentage of the issued shares that it represents as at the date of the annual report 4,449,500 ordinary shares, representing approximately 0.4441% of the issued share capital of the Company. No further options will be granted on or after the Listing Date.

The maximum entitlement of each participant under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

No options were granted to any eligible participant after the Listing Date such that the total number of shares to be issued upon exercise of options granted to the eligible participant exceeds 1% of the Company's issued share capital from time to time.

5. The option period No Pre-IPO Share Options granted shall become vested or exercisable before the first anniversary of the Listing Date.

On the first anniversary of the Listing Date, 13 June 2020 (the "First Exercisable Date"), 30% of the Pre-IPO Share Options (the "First Batch Options") granted to an individual grantee shall become vested in and exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised First Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the First Exercisable Date.

### **SHARE OPTION SCHEMES** (Continued)

### (a) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)

On the second anniversary of the Listing Date, 13 June 2021 (the "Second Exercisable Date"), a further 30% of the Pre-IPO Share Options (the "Second Batch Options") granted to an individual grantee shall become vested in and exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised Second Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the Second Exercisable Date.

On the third anniversary of the Listing Date, 13 June 2022 (the "Third Exercisable Date"), the remaining 40% of the Pre-IPO Share Options (the "Third Batch Options") granted to an individual grantee shall become exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised Third Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the Third Exercisable Date.

The amount payable on application A consideration of HK\$1.00 is paid by each grantee. 6. or acceptance of the option

7. The exercise price The exercise price of the Pre-IPO Share Options will be HK\$0.45.

8. The remaining life of the Pre-IPO The Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme remains in force until 21 May 2029. Share Option Scheme

As at 31 December 2020, there were 4,502,000 outstanding share options of the Company under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme.

### **SHARE OPTION SCHEMES** (Continued)

### (a) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2020, the movements of share options granted by the Company under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme are as follows:

Date of grant	Exercise price per share (HK\$)	Outstanding as at 1 January 2020	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Lapsed during the year	Cancelled during the year	Outstanding as at 31 December 2020	Exercise period
ent								
22 May 2019	0.45	600,000	_	(180,000)	-	_	420,000	Note
22 May 2019	0.45	600,000	-	(180,000)	-	-	420,000	Note
22 May 2019	0.45	5,175,000	-	(1,513,000)	-	-	3,662,000	Note
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### Notes:

- on the First Exercisable Date, the First Batch Options granted to an individual grantee was vested and became exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised First Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the First Exercisable Date.
- on the Second Exercisable Date, the Second Batch Options granted to an individual grantee shall become vested in and exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised Second Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the Second Exercisable Date.
- on the Third Exercisable Date, the Third Batch Options granted to an individual grantee shall become exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised Third Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the Third Exercisable Date.

### **SHARE OPTION SCHEMES** (Continued)

### (b) Post-IPO Share Option Scheme

- 1. The purpose of the Post-IPO Share (a) Option Scheme
- a) The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme is a share incentive scheme and is established to recognise and acknowledge the contributions that Eligible Participants (as defined below) had made or may make to our Group.
  - (b) The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme will provide the Eligible Participants with an opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in our Company with the view to achieving the following principal objectives:
    - (i) motivate the Eligible Participants to optimise their performance and efficiency for the benefit of our Group; and
    - (ii) attract and retain or otherwise maintain ongoing business relationship with the Eligible Participants whose contributions are, will or expected to be beneficial to our Group.
- 2. The participants of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme

The Board may at its discretion grant options to the following Eligible Participants:

- any Director, employee, consultant, professional, customer, supplier, agent, partner or adviser of or contractor to our Group or a company in which our Group holds an interest or a subsidiary of such company ("Affiliate"); or
- (ii) the trustee of any trust the beneficiary of which or any discretionary trust the discretionary objects of which include any Director, employee, consultant, professional, customer, supplier, agent, partner or adviser of or contractor to our Group or an Affiliate; or
- (iii) a company beneficially owned by any Director, employee, consultant, professional, customer, supplier, agent, partner, adviser of or contractor to our Group or an Affiliate.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

### **(b) Post-IPO Share Option Scheme** (Continued)

The total number of securities available for issue under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme together with the percentage of the issued shares that it represents as at the date of the annual report The maximum number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and any other schemes must not, in aggregate, exceed 10% of the issued share capital of our Company from time to time. No options may be granted under any schemes of our Company if this will result in the said 10% limit being exceeded.

The maximum number of shares which may be issued upon the exercise of all options to be granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme and Post-IPO Share Option Schemes shall not, in aggregate, exceed 100,187,300 shares, representing 10% of the issued shares as at the date of this report.

The maximum entitlement of each participant under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme

No option may be granted to any Eligible Participant which, if exercised in full, would result in the total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options already granted or to be granted to such Eligible Participant under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding share options) in the twelve-month period up to and including the date of such new grant exceeding 1% in aggregate of the issued share capital of our Company as at the date of such grant. Any grant of further share options above this limit shall be subject to certain requirements provided under the Listing Rules.

The period within which the securities must be taken up under an option

An option may be exercised in accordance with the terms of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and the terms of grant thereof at any time during the applicable option period, which is not more than ten years from the date of grant of option.

The minimum period for which an option must be held before it can be exercised

There is no general requirement on the minimum period for which an option must be held or the performance targets which must be achieved before an option can be exercised under the terms of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme. However, at the time of granting any option, our Board may, on a case by case basis, make such grant subject to such conditions, restrictions or limitations including (without limitation) those in relation to the minimum period of the options to be held and/or the performance targets to be achieved as our Board may determine in its absolute discretion.

### SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

### (b) Post-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)

or acceptance of the option

The amount payable on application An offer shall be accepted when the Company receive the duly signed offer letter together with a non-refundable payment of HK\$1.00 by the grantee (or such other sum in any currency as our Board may determine).

8. The basis of determination of the exercise price

The exercise price for any share under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme shall be a price determined by our Board and notified to each grantee and shall be not less than the highest of:

- (i) the closing price of a share as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the date of grant of the relevant option, which must be a business day;
- (ii) an amount equivalent to the average closing price of a share as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant of the relevant option; and
- the nominal value of a share on the date of grant.

The exercise price shall also be subject to any adjustments made in a situation contemplated under the event of any alteration in our capital structure while an option remains exercisable, and such event arises from, including a capitalisation of our Company profits or reserves, rights issue, consolidation, reclassification, subdivision or reduction of the share capital of our Company, such corresponding alterations (if any) shall be made to the number or nominal amount of shares subject to the options so far as unexercised; and/or the exercise price; and/or the method of exercise of the options; and/or the maximum number of shares subject to the Post-IPO Share Option Schemes.

The remaining life of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme

The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme remains in force until 21 May 2029.

No share options of the Company were granted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme during the year ended 31 December 2020.

### INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS AND CHIFF EXECUTIVES

As at 31 December 2020, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executives of the Company and their associates in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance, Hong Kong (the "SFO")) as recorded in the register maintained by the Company 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") as set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules were as follows:

### Long Position in the shares of the Company

Name of Director	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares held	Approximate percentage of issued ordinary shares (Note (i))
Mr. Chan Wing On	Interest of controlled corporation	538,449,500 (Note (ii))	53.74%
	Interest of spouse Beneficial owner	1,165,000 <i>(Note (ii))</i> 118,000 <i>(Note (ii))</i>	0.12% 0.01%
Ms. Chan Shuk Fong ("Ms. Chan")	Beneficial owner	11,450,000 (Note (iii))	1.14%

#### Notes:

- The percentage of shareholding is calculated on the basis of the Company's total number of issued shares of 1,001,873,000 shares as at 31 December 2020.
- Chun Fat Company Limited ("Chun Fat" (俊發有限公司)), is directly owned as to approximately 70.67% by Mr. Chan Wing On. As at 31 December 2020, Chun Fat held 538,449,500 ordinary shares of the Company. Accordingly, Mr. Chan Wing On is deemed to be interested in 538,449,500 ordinary shares of the Company in which Chun Fat is interested. In addition, Ms. Leung Yi Ling ("Ms. Leung"), being the spouse of Mr. Chan Wing On, is beneficially interested in 1,165,000 ordinary shares of the Company. Therefore, Mr. Chan Wing On is deemed to be interested in 1,165,000 ordinary shares of the Company in which Ms. Leung is interested.
- Ms. Chan is beneficially interested in 11,450,000 ordinary shares of the Company.
- (iv) No pledging of shares by the controlling shareholders under Rule 13.21 of the Listing Rules.

### **INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES (Continued)**

### Interests in the shares of associated corporation of the Company

				Approximate percentage	
Name of associated corporation	Name of Director	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares held	of issued ordinary shares (Note)	
Chun Fat	Mr. Chan Wing On	Beneficial owner	141,342	70.67%	
Chun Fat	Mr. Lau Hon Kee	Beneficial owner	25,116	12.56%	
Chun Fat	Mr. Ho Ping Kee	Beneficial owner	19,866	9.93%	
Chun Fat	Mr. Yuen Chi Ming	Beneficial owner	13,676	6.84%	
Note:					

Note:

The percentage of shareholding is calculated on the basis of the total number of 200,000 issued shares of Chun Fat as at 31 December 2020.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2020, none of the Directors and chief executives of the Company nor their associates had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

### **EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENTS**

Save as disclosed in the section headed "Share Option Schemes" above, no equity-linked agreements were entered into by the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020 or subsisted during the year.

### DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Other than the Share Option Schemes as disclosed above, at no time for the year ended 31 December 2020 was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, underlying shares, the Company or any other body corporate.

### INTERESTS OF SUBSTANTIAL SHARFHOLDERS AND OTHER PERSON'S INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2020, the following parties (other than the director of the Company) had interests or short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO:

### Long Position in the shares of the Company

Name of Shareholder	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares held		Approximate percentage of issued ordinary shares (Note (i))
Chun Fat	Beneficial owner	538,449,500		53.74%
Ms. Leung Yi Ling ("Ms. Leung")	Beneficial owner Interest of spouse Interest of spouse	1,165,000 538,449,500 118,000	( ( ))	0.12% 53.74% 0.01%

### Notes:

- The percentage of shareholding is calculated on the basis of the Company's total number of issued shares of 1,001,873,000 shares as at 31 December 2020.
- Ms. Leung, being the spouse of Mr. Chan Wing On, is deemed to be interested in 538,449,500 ordinary shares of the Company in which Mr. Chan Wing On is interested through Chun Fat and 118,000 ordinary shares of the Company directly held by Mr. Chan Wing On.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2020, there were no other parties (other than the director of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company as recorded in the register maintained by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

### PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

The Articles of Association provides that every Director or other officers of the Company shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against all losses or liabilities which he/she may sustain or incur in or about the execution of the duties of his/her office or otherwise in relation thereto. The Company has maintained appropriate Directors' and officers' liability insurance in respect of relevant legal actions against the Directors and officers.

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESS**

None of the Directors is interest in any business apart from the Company's business that competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the Company's business.

#### MAJOR CUSTOMER AND SUPPLIERS

During the year, 20.9% of the Group's purchases were attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers with the largest supplier accounted for 6.0% of the Group's purchases. The Group's revenue from sales of goods or rendering of services attributable to the Group's five largest customers was less than 5%.

None of the Directors, their close associates or any Shareholders, which to the knowledge of the Directors owned more than 5% of the Company's total number of issued shares, had a beneficial interest in any of the Group's five largest suppliers and customers.

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE COMPANY'S LISTED SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities for the year ended 31 December 2020.

#### INDEPENDENCE OF INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

The Company has received from each of the Independent Non-Executive Director, an annual written confirmation of his/her independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of Listing Rules. The Company considers all of the Independent Non-Executive Directors are independent.

#### **EMOLUMENT POLICY**

Details of the Directors' and senior management's emoluments and of the five highest paid individuals in the Group are set out in notes 9 and 10 to the financial statements respectively.

The emolument policy of the employees of the Group is set up by the senior management of the Group on the basis of their merit, qualifications and competence.

The emoluments of the Directors and senior management of the Company are decided by the Remuneration Committee, having regard to the Company's operating results, individual performance and prevailing market conditions.

#### PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Articles of Association, or the laws of Cayman Islands, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to the existing Shareholders.

# **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### CHANGES IN DIRECTORS' INFORMATION

The changes in Directors' information as required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B of the Listing Rules are set out below:

 Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mr. Mak Wah Cheung) has been appointed as an independent non-executive director of Zhong Ji Longevity Science Group Limited (formerly known as "Asia Pacific Silk Road Investment Company Limited"), a company listed on the Stock Exchange (Stock Code: 767), with effect from 31 December 2020.

Save as disclosed above, there is no other information required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B of the Listing Rules.

#### SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors as at the date of this report, the Company has maintained the prescribed public float under the Listing Rules.

#### **DONATIONS**

During the year, the Group made charitable and other donations amounting to approximately HK\$114,000.

#### **AUDITOR**

A resolution will be submitted to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting to re-appoint Messrs. Ernst & Young as the auditor of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

#### **Chan Wing On**

Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 March 2021

The board of directors (the "Directors") of the Company (the "Board") is committed to maintaining high standard of corporate governance practices and procedures and complying with the statutory and regulatory requirements with an aim to maximising the value and interests of the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders"), as well as enhancing the transparency and accountability to the stakeholders.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has applied the principles and complied with the code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code and Corporate Governance Report (the "CG Code") contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

To the best knowledge of the Board, throughout the year ended 31 December 2020 (the "Reporting Period"), the Company has complied with all the code provisions as set out in the CG Code and applied the principles contained therein.

#### **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix 10 of the Rules Governing the listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules") as its own code of conduct for Directors in their dealing in the securities of the Company. In response to specific enquiries made by the Company, all the Directors confirmed that they have complied with the required standards set out in the Model Code throughout the Reporting Period.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board currently comprises eight Directors, in total, with four Executive Directors, one Non-Executive Director and three Independent Non-Executive Directors. The composition of the Board during the Reporting Period and up to the date of this report is set out as follows:

#### **Executive Directors**

Mr. Chan Wing On (Chairman)

Mr. Yuen Chi Ming

Mr. Lau Hon Kee

Ms. Chan Shuk Fong

#### **Non-Executive Director**

Mr. Ho Ping Kee

#### **Independent Non-Executive Directors**

Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung)

Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter

Dr. Sat Chui Wan

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** (Continued)

Mr. Chan Wing On, the Chairman and Executive Director of the Company, is a cousin of Ms. Chan Shuk Fong (an Executive Director of the Company) and the father of Mr. Chan Ka Keung (a member of the senior management of the Company). Ms. Chan Shuk Fong is an aunt of Mr. Chan Ka Keung.

Save as disclosed above, there is no financial, business, family or other material/relevant relationships among the members of the Board.

During the Reporting Period, the Board has at least one-third in number of its members comprising Independent Non-Executive Directors under Rule 3.10A of the Listing Rules and at least one of the Independent Non-Executive Directors possesses appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise under Rule 3.10 of the Listing Rules. The Board has received from each Independent Non-Executive Director an annual confirmation of his/her independence and considers that all the Independent Non-Executive Directors are independent in accordance with Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules.

The biographical details of Directors are set out in the section headed "Biographical Details of Directors and Senior Management" on pages 16 to 23 of this report.

During the Reporting Period, 4 Board meetings were held and the attendance of each Director at the Board meetings is set out as follows:

Name of Directors	Number of Board meetings attended/held	Attendance rate
Executive Directors		
Mr. Chan Wing On <i>(Chairman)</i>	4/4	100%
Mr. Yuen Chi Ming	4/4	100%
Mr. Lau Hon Kee	4/4	100%
Ms. Chan Shuk Fong	4/4	100%
Non-Executive Director		
Mr. Ho Ping Kee	4/4	100%
Independent Non-Executive Directors		
Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung)	4/4	100%
Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter	3/4	75%
Dr. Sat Chui Wan	4/4	100%

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** (Continued)

The schedule of regular board meetings for a year is planned in the preceding year. Regular Board meetings are held at least four times a year with at least 14 days' prior notice being given to all Directors. Additional Board meeting will be arranged and held as and when required. The Directors may attend the Board meetings either in person or through electronic means of communication. The Directors are provided with all relevant information in advance to enable them to make informed decisions, and appropriate arrangements are in place to ensure that they are given an opportunity to include matters in the agendas for the regular Board meetings. The company secretary of the Company (the "Company Secretary") assists the Chairman in preparing the agenda for meetings and each Director may request the inclusion of items in the agenda, all applicable rules and regulations are observed and complied with. The agenda and the accompanying Board papers are normally sent to all Directors at least 3 days before the intended date of a regular Board meeting so that the Directors have time to review the documents.

Every Director is entitled to have access to Board papers and related materials and has unrestricted access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary and seeks independent legal and professional advice in appropriate circumstances for discharging their duties to the Company if so required. The Board and each Director also have separate and independent access to the Company's senior management. Directors will be continuously updated on the latest development of the Listing Rules and other applicable regulatory requirements to ensure compliance and upkeep of good corporate governance practices.

The Company is headed by an effective Board which oversees the Group's businesses, strategic decisions and performance and takes decisions objectively in the best interests of the Company. The Board reserves for its decision all major matters relating to policy matters, strategies and budgets, internal control and risk management, material transactions (in particular those that may involve conflict of interests), financial information, appointment of directors and other significant operational matters of the Company. Responsibilities relating to implementing decisions of the Board, directing and co-ordinating the daily operation and management of the Company are delegated to the management. The Board has reviewed the contribution required from all Directors to perform their responsibilities to the Company, and considered that each of the Directors has been spending sufficient time and attention to the Company's affairs.

Apart from regular Board meetings, the Chairman also held a meeting with Independent Non-Executive Directors without the presence of other Directors during the Reporting Period under the code provision A.2.7 of the CG Code.

#### **Directors' Continuous Training and Development**

In order to uphold good corporate governance, every newly appointed Director has received a formal and comprehensive induction on the first occasion of his/her appointment to ensure appropriate understanding of the business and operations of the Company and full awareness of Director's responsibilities and obligations under the Listing Rules and relevant statutory requirements.

During the Reporting Period, the Company has arranged training for Directors to provide regular updates relating to the roles, functions and duties, corporate governance and change in regulatory requirements so as to enable the Directors to properly discharge their duties under the code provision A.6.5 of the CG Code.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** (Continued)

#### **Directors' Continuous Training and Development** (Continued)

The training records of the Directors for the year ended 31 December 2020 are summarized as follows:

facilitated Briefings or Training, Seminars, Reading Materials
<b>✓</b>
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<b>✓</b>
<b>✓</b>

#### **Directors' and Officers' Liabilities Insurance**

The Company has arranged appropriate insurance cover for Directors' and officers' liabilities in respect of legal actions against the Directors and officers of the Company and its subsidiaries arising out of corporate activities of the Group under the code provision A.1.8 of the CG Code.

#### **Role of Chairman and Chief Executive**

The code provision A.2.1 of the CG Code stipulates that the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Mr. Chan Wing On, the Chairman of the Board, is primarily responsible for the leadership of the Board, ensuring that (i) all significant policy issues are discussed by the Board in a timely and constructive manner; (ii) all Directors are properly briefed on issues arising at Board meetings; and (iii) the Directors receive accurate, timely and clear information. The functions of the chief executive are performed by Mr. Yuen Chi Ming, Mr. Lau Hon Kee and Ms. Chan Shuk Fong, the Executive Directors of the Company, who are responsible for the day-to-day management of the Group's business. The functions and responsibilities between the Chairman and the chief executive are clearly segregated. This segregation of roles ensures reinforcement of their independent, responsibility and accountability.

The list of Directors and their roles and function are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** (Continued)

#### **Appointment and Re-election of Directors**

Each of the Executive Directors has entered into a service contract with the Company and each of the Non-Executive Director and Independent Non-Executive Directors has entered into a letter of appointment with the Company and appointed for a specific term, subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at least once every three years at the annual general meeting of the Company (the "AGM") in accordance with the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles of Association"). Any new Director appointed by the Board to fill a casual vacancy shall be subject to re-election by Shareholders at the next AGM after appointment.

#### **Board Diversity Policy**

The Company has adopted a board diversity policy (the "Board Diversity Policy") on 22 May 2019 which sets out the approach to achieve a sustainable and balance development of the Company and also to enhance the quality of performance of the Company pursuant to Rule 13.92 of the Listing Rules.

Under the Board Diversity Policy, the selection of candidates for appointment to the Board will be based on a range of diversity criteria including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnicity, professional and industrial experience, business perspectives, skills, and any other factors. The ultimate decision will be based on merit and the contribution that the selected candidates may bring to the Board.

The Board shall from time to time, through the Nomination Committee, monitor and review the Board Diversity Policy to ensure it remains relevant to the Company's needs and reflects current regulatory requirements and good corporate governance practices.

#### **Corporate Governance Functions**

The Board is responsible for performing corporate governance duties set out in the code provision D.3.1 of the CG Code, including but not limited, (i) to develop and review the Company's corporate governance policies and practices; (ii) to review and monitor the training and continuous professional development of Directors and senior management of the Group; (iii) to review and monitor the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; (iv) to develop, review and monitor the compliance of the Model Code and employees written guidelines; and (v) to review the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in this report.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES**

The Board has established three committees, namely the Nomination Committee, Remuneration Committee and Audit Committee for overseeing particular aspects of the Group's affairs, each of which has its specific written terms of reference setting out its authority and duties. The committees report regularly to the Board and, where appropriate, make recommendations on matters discussed.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES** (Continued)

#### **Nomination Committee**

The Nomination Committee comprises five members, including two Executive Directors, namely Mr. Chan Wing On and Ms. Chan Shuk Fong, and three Independent Non-Executive Directors, namely Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung), Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter and Dr. Sat Chui Wan. The Chairman of the Nomination Committee is Mr. Chan Wing On.

The meeting of the Nomination Committee shall be held at least once a year. During the Reporting Period, one meeting was held and the attendance of each member at the meeting is set out as follows:

Name of members	Number of meetings attended/held	Attendance rate
Mr. Chan Wing On <i>(Chairman)</i>	1/1	100%
Ms. Chan Shuk Fong	1/1	100%
Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung)	1/1	100%
Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter	1/1	100%
Dr. Sat Chui Wan	1/1	100%

The major roles and functions of the Nomination Committee are as follows:

- i) to review and monitor the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge, experience and diversity of perspectives) of the Board at least annually and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategy;
- ii) to identify and nominate individuals suitably qualified to become Board members and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships;
- to assess the independence of Independent Non-Executive Directors; iii)
- to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of Directors and succession iv) planning for Directors, in particular the Chairman and chief executive of the Company;
- to review and monitor policy concerning diversity of Board members and make recommendations on any V) proposed changes to the Board; and
- vi) to ensure that no Director or any of his/her associates is involved in approving his/her or any of his/her associates'

The Company has adopted a director nomination policy (the "Director Nomination Policy") on 22 May 2019 which sets out the procedures and criteria in relation to the selection, appointment and reappointment of Directors of the Company and aims at ensuring that the Board has a balance of skills, experience and diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Company's business. The Board will regularly review the Director Nomination Policy.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES** (Continued)

#### **Nomination Committee** (Continued)

The Nomination Committee shall consider factors including but not limited to the individual's educational background and qualification, skills and experience, character and reputation for integrity when nominating potential candidates for the appointment and reappointment of Directors.

Further details of the selection criteria and the procedure are set out in the terms of reference of the Nomination Committee which are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

#### **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee comprises five members, including two Executive Directors, namely Mr. Chan Wing On and Ms. Chan Shuk Fong, and three Independent Non-Executive Directors, namely Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung), Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter and Dr. Sat Chui Wan. The Chairman of the Remuneration Committee is Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung). The composition of the Remuneration Committee has complied with the requirements as set out in Rule 3.25 of the Listing Rules that a majority of the members of the Remuneration Committee should be Independent Non-Executive Directors and chaired by an Independent Non-Executive Director.

The meeting of the Remuneration Committee shall be held at least once a year. During the Reporting Period, three meetings were held and the attendance of each member at the meeting is set out as follows:

Name of members	Number of meetings attended/held	Attendance rate
Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung) (Chairman)	3/3	100%
Mr. Chan Wing On	3/3	100%
Ms. Chan Shuk Fong	3/3	100%
Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter	2/3	67%
Dr. Sat Chui Wan	3/3	100%

The major roles and functions of the Remuneration Committee are as follows:

- i) to review annually and recommend to the Board the overall remuneration policy and structure for the Directors and senior management;
- ii) to evaluate annually the performance of the Executive Directors and senior management and recommend to the Board specific adjustments in remuneration and/or reward payments;
- to review and recommend the compensation payable to Executive Directors and senior management relating to any loss or termination of their office or appointment;
- iv) to review and recommend compensation arrangements relating to dismissal or removal of Directors for misconduct;

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES** (Continued)

#### **Remuneration Committee** (Continued)

- v) to be responsible for establishing formal and transparent procedures for developing remuneration policy; and
- vi) to ensure that no Director or any of his/her associates is involved in deciding his/her own remuneration.

The duties and authorities of the Remuneration Committee are set out in its terms of reference which are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee comprises three Independent Non-Executive Directors, namely Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung), Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter and Dr. Sat Chui Wan. The Chairman of the Audit Committee is Dr. Sat Chui Wan. The composition of the Audit Committee has complied with the requirements as set out in Rule 3.21 of the Listing Rules that majority of the members of the Audit Committee should be Independent Non-Executive Director.

The meeting of the Audit Committee shall be held at least twice a year. During the Reporting Period, three meetings were held and the attendance of each member at the meeting is set out as follows:

Name of members	Number of meetings attended/held	Attendance rate
Dr. Sat Chui Wan <i>(Chairman)</i>	3/3	100%
Mr. Mak Ping Leung (alias: Mak Wah Cheung)	3/3	100%
Mr. Wong Shiu Hoi Peter	2/3	67%

During the Reporting Period and up to date of this report, the work performed by the Audit Committee includes the following:

- i) reviewed the financial reports for the six months ended 30 June 2020 and for the year ended 31 December 2020;
- ii) reviewed the effectiveness of the risk management and the internal control systems;
- iii) reviewed the external auditor's statutory audit plan and engagement letters;
- iv) reviewed the management letter from the external auditor in relation to the audit of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2020; and
- v) reviewed and recommended for approval by the Board the audit scope and fees for the year ended 31 December 2020.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES** (Continued)

#### **Audit Committee** (Continued)

The major roles and functions of the Audit Committee are as follows:

- i) to consider the appointment, re-appointment and removal of the external auditor, the audit fees, and any questions of resignation or dismissal of the external auditor of the Group;
- ii) to discuss the nature and scope of the audit with the external auditor;
- iii) to review the interim and annual financial statements before submission to the Board;
- iv) to discuss problems and reservations arising from the interim review and final audit, and any matters the external auditor may wish to discuss;
- v) to review the external auditor's management letter and management's response; and to ensure that the Board will provide a timely response to the issues raised in the external auditor's management letter;
- vi) to review the Group's financial controls, internal controls and risk management systems to ensure that they are appropriate and functioning properly; and
- vii) to consider any findings of major investigations of internal control and risk management matters and management's responses.

#### **EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION**

The remuneration paid or payable to the Company's external auditor, Messrs. Ernst & Young, for the year ended 31 December 2020 is set out as follows:

Services rendered	Fee paid or payable HK\$'000
Audit Services	2,950
Non-audit services	
– Interim review	450
– Tax services	672
	4,072

#### RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

The Board has the responsibility to review annually the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems covering all material controls, including financial, operational and compliance control. The Board, through the Audit Committee, had reviewed the adequacy of resources, qualifications and experience of staff of the Company's accounting, internal audit and financial reporting functions, and their training programmes and budget.

The Group's risk management and internal control systems are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss; to manage rather than completely eliminate the risk of system failure; and to assist in the achievement of the Group's agreed objectives and goals. Systems and procedures are put in place to identify, manage and control the risks of different businesses and activities.

The Company's risk management and internal control systems have been developed with the following principles, features and processes:

- i) The internal control system of the Company comprises a well-established organizational structure and comprehensive polices and standards. The Board has clearly defined the authorities and key responsibilities of each business and operational unit to ensure adequate checks and balances.
- ii) The management, in coordination with department heads, assessed the likelihood of risk occurrence, provides treatment plans, and monitor the risk management progress, and reported to the Audit Committee and the Board on all findings and the effectiveness of the systems.
- iii) The internal audit department is responsible for performing independent review of the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems. The internal audit department examined key issues in relation to the accounting practices and all material controls and provided its findings and recommendations for improvement to the Audit Committee.
- iv) The Board, as supported by the Audit Committee as well as the management report and the internal audit findings, reviewed the risk management and internal control systems, including the financial, operational and compliance control, for the year ended 31 December 2020, and considered that such systems are effective and adequate. The annual review also covered the financial reporting and internal audit function and staff qualifications, experiences and relevant resources.
- v) Whistleblowing procedures are in place to facilitate employees of the Company to raise, in confidence, concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control or other matters of the Company.
- vi) The Company has developed its Internal Guidelines on Inside Information which provides a general guide to the Company's Directors, senior management and relevant employees in handling inside information and monitoring information disclosure. Control procedures have been implemented to ensure that the use of inside information are strictly prohibited.

During the Reporting Period, no significant irregularity or deficiency in risk management and internal control systems was required to draw the attention of the Board and the members of the Audit Committee.

#### ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020. The Board is not aware of any material uncertainties relating to any events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. The statement of the external auditor of the Company regarding its reporting responsibilities on the financial statements of the Group is set out in the Independent Auditor's Report on pages 51 to 54.

#### SHAREHOLDERS' COMMUNICATION

A Shareholders' communication policy was established on 22 May 2019. The Board recognizes the importance of good communication with the Shareholders and to ensure that Shareholders' views and concerns are appropriately addressed. Information in relation to the Group is disseminated to the Shareholders in a timely manner through the publication of interim and annual reports, announcements and circulars. All such published documents together with the latest corporate information and news are also available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

The Board considers that effective communication with the Shareholders is essential for enhancing investor relations and investors, understanding of the Group's business performance and strategies. The Board strives to maintain an ongoing dialogue with the Shareholders and, in particular, through the AGM or other general meetings as a useful forum for the Shareholders to exchange views with the Board. The Chairmen of the Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee or in their absence, another member of the respective committees or failing that their respective duly appointed delegate, are also available to answer the Shareholders' questions at the AGM.

Separate resolutions are proposed at the general meetings of the Company for each substantially separate issue, including the election and re-election (as the case may be) of individual Directors.

The forthcoming AGM will be held on Friday, 28 May 2021, the notice of which will be sent to the Shareholders at least 20 clear business days before the meeting. An explanation of the detailed procedures of conducting a poll will be provided to Shareholders at the commencement of the AGM. The poll results will be published on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company in accordance with the requirements of the Listing Rules. All Shareholders are encouraged to attend the general meetings or to appoint proxies to attend and vote at the meetings on their behalf if they are unable to attend the meetings in person.

#### SHARFHOI DERS' RIGHTS

#### **Proposing a Person for Election as a Director**

Pursuant to Article 85 of the Articles of Association, if a Shareholder wishes to propose a person other than a retiring director for election as a Director at a general meeting, he/she can deposit a written notice at the head office and principal place of business in Hong Kong at 13/F., Chinachem Exchange Square, 1 Hoi Wan Street, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong for the attention of the Company Secretary or at the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong. The period for lodgment of such notice will commence no earlier than the day after the despatch of the notice of the general meeting and end no later than seven (7) days prior to the date of such general meeting. The procedures for a Shareholder to propose a person for election as a Director at general meeting are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

An up to date version of the Articles of Association is available on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

#### **Convening an Extraordinary General Meeting**

Pursuant to Article 58 of the Articles of Association, an extraordinary general meeting can be convened on the requisition of any one or more Shareholders holding at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company having the right of voting at general meetings of the Company. Such requisition shall be made in writing to the Company Secretary for the purpose of requiring an extraordinary general meeting to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition; and such meeting shall be held within two (2) months after the deposit of such requisition.

If within twenty-one (21) days of such deposit the Board fails to proceed to convene such meeting, the requisitionist(s) himself (themselves) may do so in the same manner, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of the Board shall be reimbursed to the requisitionist(s) by the Company.

The requisition must be signed by the requisitionist(s) and deposited at the registered office of the Company at Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands or the head office and principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at 13/F., Chinachem Exchange Square, 1 Hoi Wan Street, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong for the attention of the Company Secretary.

Shareholders may refer to the Articles of Association for further details of the rights of Shareholders.

#### **Putting Forward Proposals at General Meetings**

Shareholders who wish to move a resolution may request the Company to convene a general meeting in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph. Shareholders can also send enquiries and proposals putting forward for Shareholders' consideration at Shareholders' meetings to the Board in writing to the head office and principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at 13/F., Chinachem Exchange Square, 1 Hoi Wan Street, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong or directly by raising questions at the general meeting of the Company.

#### SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS (Continued)

#### **Enquiries to the Board**

Shareholders should direct their enquiries about their shareholding to the Company's branch share registrar and transfer office in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong. Other Shareholders' enquiries can be directed to the head office and principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong as set out in the Corporate Information Section of this report for the attention of the Company Secretary.

#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

The Company has adopted a dividend policy (the "Dividend Policy") on 22 May 2019 which aims at providing stable and sustainable returns to its Shareholders. In deciding whether to propose a dividend and in determining the dividend amount, the Board will take into account, inter alia, the Group's operation results, gearing, general financial condition of the Group, liquidity position, the Group's expected working capital requirements and future expansion plans and any other factors that the Board may deem appropriate. The recommendation of the payment of any dividend is subject to the absolute discretion of the Board, and any declaration of final dividend will be subject to the approval of the Shareholders. The Board will regularly review the Dividend Policy and will amend and/or modify the dividend policy if necessary.

Any declaration or proposed payment of dividend or distribution by the Company is also subject to any requirements and restrictions under the Companies Laws of the Cayman Islands, the Articles of Association and any other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr. Wong Kin Pong Edmond has been appointed as the Company Secretary since 2019. All Directors have access to the advice and services of the Company Secretary. The Company Secretary reports to the Chairman on board governance matters, and is responsible for ensuring that Board procedures are followed and for facilitating communications among Directors as well as with Shareholders and management.

During the Reporting Period, Mr. Wong undertook over 15 hours of relevant professional training pursuant to Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

On behalf of the Board

**Chan Wing On** 

Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 March 2021



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To the shareholders of

**Tai Hing Group Holdings Limited** 

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

#### **OPINION**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Tai Hing Group Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") set out on pages 55 to 147, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2020, 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 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. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **KEY AUDIT MATTERS**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the 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. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

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

#### **KEY AUDIT MATTERS** (Continued)

#### Key audit matter

#### How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Impairment testing of property, plant and equipment ("PPE") and right-of-use assets ("ROU assets")

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had property, plant and equipment of HK\$556,921,000 and right-of-use assets of HK\$1,638,391,000. The Group's management performed impairment assessment of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets for identified restaurants that continued to underperform by estimating the recoverable amount of their property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets based on value in use calculation. Impairment losses of approximately HK\$13,336,000 and HK\$34,482,000 have been recognised in profit or loss during the year to reduce the carrying amounts of certain property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets, respectively, to their estimated recoverable amounts. Significant judgement was involved in the assessment of the recoverable amounts of the property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets of those restaurants, including assumptions on the budgeted forecasts of the respective restaurants and discount rate.

Our audit procedures included, among others, evaluating the Group's policies and procedures in identifying impairment indicators and assessing management's significant assumptions adopted, in particular those relating to the cash flow forecasts, by reviewing the impairment methodology, discount rate and time factors. Our procedures also included a comparison of the cash flow forecasts with historical data of the Group.

Relevant disclosures are set out in notes 3 and 14 to the financial statements.

#### OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises 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 THE DIRECTORS 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 of the Company 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 of the Company either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors of the Company are assisted by the Audit Committee in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

# 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. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, 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 judgement 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.

# AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

- 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 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 Chau Suet Fung, Dilys.

**Ernst & Young** *Certified Public Accountants*Hong Kong

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS Year ended 31 December 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
REVENUE	5	2,797,923	3,252,250
Cost of materials consumed	_	(821,648)	(932,544)
		(02.1/0.10)	(332/31.)
Gross profit		1,976,275	2,319,706
Gloss profit		1,970,275	2,319,700
Other income and gains, net	5	70,614	25,395
Staff costs	3	(825,896)	(1,096,440)
Depreciation and amortisation		(155,288)	(155,762)
Amortisation of right-of-use assets, rental and related expenses		(437,904)	(486,953)
Other operating expenses, net	7	(412,012)	(386,837)
Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment and	,	(412,012)	(300,037)
right-of-use assets		(47,818)	(29,563)
Finance costs	8	(46,670)	(54,768)
	0	(40,070)	
Listing expenses		_	(18,016)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	6	121,301	116,762
	4.4	(2.520)	(20 505)
Income tax expense	11	(3,539)	(39,595)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		117,762	77,167
Profit for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		118,959	76,864
Non-controlling interests		(1,197)	303
		117,762	77,167
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO			
OWNERS OF THE COMPANY			
– Basic	13	HK11.89 cents	HK8.65 cents
	-		
– Diluted	13	HK11.84 cents	HK8.62 cents
Direct	15	THE THOT CETES	111(0.02 (C1113

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME Year ended 31 December 2020

No	ote	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		117,762	77,167
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)			
Other comprehensive income/(loss) that may be reclassified to			
profit or loss in subsequent periods:  Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations  Reclassification adjustment for foreign operations deregistered		14,992	(11,696)
during the year		(1,106)	(1,093)
		13,886	(12,789)
Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Gain on asset revaluation 1!	5	-	4,631
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		13,886	(8,158)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX		131,648	69,009
Attributable to: Owners of the Company		132,592	68,766
Non-controlling interests		(944)	243
		131,648	69,009

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 31 December 2020

		2020	2019
	Notes	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets	14	2,195,312	2,283,539
Investment properties	15	36,867	29,945
Intangible assets	16	1,012	1,167
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	19	141,244	143,425
Deferred tax assets	25	26,311	21,174
Total non-current assets		2,400,746	2,479,250
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	17	78,800	77,097
Trade receivables	18	24,331	24,503
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	19	130,716	112,076
Tax recoverable		17,953	744
Cash and cash equivalents	20	562,081	711,079
Total current assets		813,881	925,499
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade payables	21	91,935	120,611
Other payables and accruals	22	248,796	216,424
Contract liabilities	23	77,847	83,897
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	24	24,230	137,613
Lease liabilities	14(b)(ii)	555,028	550,065
Tax payable		11,500	28,343
Total current liabilities		1,009,336	1,136,953
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(405.455)	(211 454)
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(195,455)	(211,454)
TOTAL ACCETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2 205 204	2 267 706
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,205,291	2,267,796

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 HK\$′000	2019 HK\$'000
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Lease liabilities	14(b)(ii)	1,029,264	1,081,188
Other payables and accruals	22	33,589	37,325
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	24	54,545	169,849
Deferred tax liabilities	25	4,881	8,580
Total non-current liabilities		1,122,279	1,296,942
Net assets		1,083,012	970,854
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Issued capital	26	10,019	10,000
Reserves	28	1,067,441	956,721
		1,077,460	966,721
Non-controlling interests		5,552	4,133
Total equity		1,083,012	970,854

**Chan Wing On** Director

**Chan Shuk Fong** Director

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY Year ended 31 December 2020

	Attributable to owners of the Company										
	Issued capital HK\$'000 (note 26)	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000 (note 28(a))	Asset revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000 (note 28(b))	Statutory reserve HK\$'000 (note 28(c))	Share option reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
At 1 January 2020	10,000	713,488	118,643	5,207	(28,518)	7,246	2,180	138,475	966,721	4,133	970,854
Profit for the year	- i		_	_	-	· -	- i	118,959	118,959	(1,197)	117,762
Other comprehensive income/(loss)											
for the year:											
Exchange differences on											
translation of foreign											
operations	-	-	-	-	14,739	-	-	-	14,739	253	14,992
Release of exchange reserve											
upon liquidation of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	(1,106)	-	-	-	(1,106)	-	(1,106)
Total comprehensive income											
for the year	-	-	-	-	13,633	-	-	118,959	132,592	(944)	131,648
Appropriation to statutory reserve	-	_	-	-	-	853	_	(853)	_	-	_
Issue of shares (note 26)	19	5,167	-	-	-	-	(4,343)	-	843	-	843
Equity-settled share option											
arrangement (note 27(b))	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,323	-	8,323	-	8,323
Contribution from a non-											
controlling shareholder of										2.052	2.052
a subsidiary Final 2019 dividend declared	_	_	_	_	_	-	-	_	-	2,652	2,652
(note 12)								(18,000)	(18,000)		(18,000)
Interim 2020 dividend (note 12)	_	_	_	_	_	Ī	_	(13,019)	(13,019)	_	(13,019)
Dividends paid to a non-								(13,013)	(13,013)		(13,013)
controlling shareholder	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	(289)	(289)
239 39 3										(===)	(=00)
At 31 December 2020	10,019	718,655*	118,643*	5,207*	(14,885)	* 8,099*	6,160*	225,562*	1,077,460	5,552	1,083,012

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY Year ended 31 December 2020

				Attributable	to owners of t	he Company					
	Issued capital HK\$'000 (note 26)	Share premium HK\$'000	Capital reserve HK\$'000 (note 28(a))	Asset revaluation reserve HK\$'000	Exchange fluctuation reserve HK\$'000 (note 28(b))	Statutory reserve HK\$'000 (note 28(c))	Share option reserve HK\$'000	Retained profits HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
At 1 January 2019 Profit for the year Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year: Exchange differences on	1 -	-	118,643	576 -	(15,789)	6,455 -	-	134,802 76,864	244,688 76,864	- 303	244,688 77,167
translation of foreign operations Release of exchange reserve upon liquidation of a	-	-	-	-	(11,636)	-	-	-	(11,636)	(60)	(11,696)
subsidiary	-	-	-	-	(1,093)	-	-	-	(1,093)	-	(1,093)
Gain on asset revaluation (note 15)	-	-	-	4,631	-	-	_	-	4,631	-	4,631
Total comprehensive income for											
the year	-	-	-	4,631	(12,729)	-	-	76,864	68,766	243	69,009
Appropriation to statutory reserve Issue of new shares pursuant to	-	-	-	-	-	791	-	(791)	-	-	-
the capitalisation (note 26(b))  New shares issued pursuant to the	7,499	(7,499)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
share offer (note 26(c))	2,500	747,500	_	_	_	_	_	_	750,000	_	750,000
Share issuance cost (note 26(c)) Equity-settled share option	_	(26,513)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(26,513)	-	(26,513)
arrangement (note 27(b))  Contribution from a non- controlling shareholder of	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,180	-	2,180	-	2,180
a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,890	3,890
Dividends (note 12)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(72,400)	(72,400)	-	(72,400)
At 31 December 2019	10,000	713,488*	118,643*	5,207*	(28,518)*	7,246*	2,180*	138,475*	966,721	4,133	970,854

These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of HK\$1,067,441,000 (2019: HK\$956,721,000) in the consolidated statement of financial position.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM ORFRATING ACTIVITIES			
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Profit before tax		121,301	116,762
Adjustments for:		121,301	110,702
Finance costs	8	46,670	54,768
Bank interest income	5	(7,524)	(7,505)
Loss on disposal of items of property, plant, and equipment	6	30,735	8,466
Gain on termination of leases		(3,996)	_
Covid-19-related rent concessions from lessors	14(b)(ii)	(56,246)	_
Depreciation of items of property, plant and equipment	6	155,133	155,608
Amortisation of intangible assets	6	155	154
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	6	409,145	355,190
Impairment of items of property, plant and equipment	6	13,336	3,334
Impairment of right-of-use assets	6	34,482	26,229
Fair value gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or			
loss	6	_	(104)
Fair value loss/(gain) on investment properties	6	1,957	(102)
Gain on deregistration of subsidiaries	5	(1,106)	(1,093)
Cash coupon forfeited	5	(1,364)	(1,676)
Equity-settled share option expenses	6	8,323	2,180
		754 004	742 244
		751,001	712,211
Decrease/(increase) in inventories		34	(21,019)
Decrease/(increase) in trade receivables		576	(5,920)
Increase in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		(11,451)	(30,582)
Movement in balances with related companies		_	302
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables		(30,732)	10,869
Increase in other payables and accruals	29(a)(i)	19,762	18,178
Increase/(decrease) in contract liabilities		(4,686)	10,512
Cash generated from operations		724,504	694,551
Hong Kong profits tax paid		(46,870)	(7,527)
Overseas tax refunded/(paid)		570	(3,150)
Net cash flows from operating activities		678,204	683,874

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS Year ended 31 December 2020

	Notes	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment	5 14(a), 29(a)(i)	7,524 (152,804)	7,505 (230,119)
Purchase of intangible assets	16	-	(921)
Purchase of right-of-use assets Purchase of investment properties	15	(7,145) (7,106)	_
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	10	4,084	2,512
Proceeds from disposal of financial assets at fair value through			٥
profit or loss Increase in non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of		_	955
more than three months when acquired		(11,876)	_
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(167,323)	(220,068)
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES  Proceeds from issue of shares upon listing	26	_	723,487
Proceeds from issue of shares upon exercise of share options	26	843	· –
New bank borrowings	29(b)	20,000	130,000
Repayment of bank borrowings Principal portion of lease payments	29(b) 14(b)(ii)	(248,687) (409,404)	(359,697) (399,639)
Interest paid on bank borrowings	1 1(2)(11)	(7,853)	(14,370)
Dividends paid		(31,019)	(72,400)
Dividends paid to a non-controlling shareholder of a subsidiary Contribution from a non-controlling shareholder of a subsidiary		(289) 2,652	3,890
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities		(673,757)	11,271
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NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS  Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	S	(162,876) 711,079	475,077 242,162
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		2,002	(6,160)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR		550,205	711,079
CASITAND CASITEQUIVALENTS AT END OF TEAM		330,203	711,073
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	20	170.015	207 457
Cash and bank balances  Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of	20	179,015	307,457
less than three months when acquired	20	371,190	403,622
Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of more than three months when acquired	20	11,876	_
and managemen	20	, 0 / 3	
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement		E62.004	711 070
of financial position  Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of		562,081	711,079
more than three months when acquired	20	(11,876)	-
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the			
consolidated statement of cash flows		550,205	711,079

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#### CORPORATE INFORMATION

The Company is a limited liability company incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 11 December 2017. The registered address of the Company is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The principal place of business of the Company is located at 13/F, Chinachem Exchange Square, 1 Hoi Wan Street, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong.

The Company is an investment holding company. During the year, the Group was engaged in the operation and management of restaurants.

In the opinion of the directors of the Company (the "Directors"), Chun Fat Company Limited, a company incorporated in the British Virgin Islands (the "BVI") on 30 November 2017, is the immediate and ultimate holding company of the Company. The controlling shareholders of the Company and its subsidiaries are Mr. Chan Wing On, Mr. Yuen Chi Ming, Mr. Lau Hon Kee and Mr. Ho Ping Kee (the "Controlling Shareholders") immediately before and after the group reorganisation ("Reorganisation"), the details of which are set out in the prospectus dated 30 May 2019 issued by the Company (the "Prospectus").

On 13 June 2019, the shares of the Company were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

#### Information about subsidiaries

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company Direct Indirect		Principal activities
Tai Hing Group Holdings (BVI) Limited	BVI	US\$21	100	-	Investment holding
Auto Success Enterprise Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Best Domain Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	_	100	Investment holding
Bright Rich (China) Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	_	100	Investment holding
Capital Link Development Limited <sup>3</sup>	Hong Kong	HK\$1	-	100	Restaurant operation

# **CORPORATE INFORMATION** (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company Direct Indirect		Principal activities
Cafe 308 Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Restaurant operation
Century Jumbo Limited <sup>3</sup>	Hong Kong	HK\$1	-	100	Restaurant operation
CTC Congee Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1,300,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
Double Reward Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Property holding
Gold Business International Company Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	-	100	Property holding
Great Art Development Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Great Reward Enterprise Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Property holding
Great Time (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1	-	100	Restaurant operation
Huge Profit Star Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Hugh Boom Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	_	100	Investment holding

# 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage attribu to the Co Direct	table	Principal activities
Men Wah Catering Management Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Miyasaki Yakiniku Company Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Restaurant operation
Niceway International Enterprise Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Nice Bloom Investment Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	_	100	Investment holding
Record Sino Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Property holding
Roast.Pot Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Restaurant operation
Tai Hing Catering Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	-	100	Property holding
Tai Hing Catering Management (China) Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$4,006,000	-	100	Investment holding
Tai Hing Catering Management (Macau) Limited	Macau	MOP25,000	-	100	Restaurant operation

# **CORPORATE INFORMATION** (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	lssued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company Direct Indirect		Principal activities
Tai Hing Gourmet Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Tai Hing Worldwide Development Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
TeaWood Taiwanese Dining Bar Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Restaurant operation
Well Champ International Development Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
Tokyo Tsukiji Ramen Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Restaurant operation
VIET Corner Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Restaurant operation
Wealthy Grace Investment Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$100	-	100	Investment holding
World Gain (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong	HK\$1	-	100	Restaurant operation
東莞永富食品有限公司1	The People's Republic of China (The "PRC")	HK\$101,350,000	-	100	Operation of food factory

# **CORPORATE INFORMATION** (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of attribut to the Cor	able	Principal activities
太興飲食管理(中國)有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$88,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
廣州太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,000,000	_	100	Restaurant operation
南寧太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,000,100	-	100	Restaurant operation
上海太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
杭州太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
鄭州太興餐飲管理有限公司1,2	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
北京太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,000,000	_	100	Restaurant operation
天津太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
惠州太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
濟南太興餐飲服務有限公司1,2	The PRC	RMB2,050,000	_	100	Restaurant operation

# **CORPORATE INFORMATION** (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company		Principal activities
			Direct	Indirect	
青島太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
瀋陽太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB1,050,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
鞍山太興餐飲管理有限公司1,2	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
廣州靠得住餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$1,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
深圳靠得住餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
北京靠得住餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	_	100	Restaurant operation
茶木餐飲管理(深圳)有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$14,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
廣州茶木餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
深圳得好勵投資諮詢有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$15,000,000	_	100	Property holding
新世代餐飲管理(深圳)有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$41,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
錦麗餐飲管理(深圳)有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$1,000,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
杭州敏華餐飲管理有限公司 <sup>1</sup> (Previously known as 杭州錦麗飲食管理有限公司)	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation

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### 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION (Continued)

#### **Information about subsidiaries** (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and business	Issued ordinary/ registered share capital	Percentage attribu to the Co Direct	table	Principal activities
敏華餐飲管理(深圳)有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	_	100	Restaurant operation
上海敏華餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
廣州敏華餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
瀋陽敏華餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Restaurant operation
廣州添飯創意策劃有限公司1	The PRC	RMB100,000	-	100	Brand design management
東莞太興餐飲管理有限公司1	The PRC	HK\$8,000,000	_	100	Restaurant operation
台灣太興餐飲股份有限公司	Taiwan	TWD50,000,000	_	51	Restaurant operation

These entities are registered as wholly-foreign-owned enterprises under the laws of the PRC.

The above table lists the subsidiaries of the Company which, in the opinion of the directors, principally affected the results for the year or formed a substantial portion of the net assets of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the directors, result in particulars of excessive length.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The subsidiaries were deregistered during the year.

The subsidiaries were newly incorporated during the year.

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#### 2.1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had net current liabilities of HK\$195,455,000 which included the current portion of lease liabilities of HK\$555,028,000. The Directors believe that the Group has sufficient cash flows from operations to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due. Therefore, the consolidated financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

Should the Group be unable to continue as a going concern, adjustments would have to be made to write down the value of assets to their recoverable amounts and to provide for any further liabilities which might arise and to reclassify non-current assets and non-current liabilities as current assets and current liabilities, respectively. The effect to these adjustments has not been reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

#### 2.2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, 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 disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment properties which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$") and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

#### **Basis of consolidation**

A subsidiary is an entity (including a structured entity), directly or indirectly, controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give the Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

When the Company has, directly or indirectly, less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (a) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- (b) rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- (c) the Group's voting rights and potential voting rights.

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### 2.2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (Continued)

#### **Basis of consolidation** (Continued)

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company, using consistent accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control described above. A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises (i) the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary, (ii) the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest and (iii) the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity; and recognises (i) the fair value of the consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any investment retained and (iii) any resulting surplus or deficit in profit or loss. The Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss or retained profits, as appropriate, on the same basis as would be required if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

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## 2.3 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The Group has adopted the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting 2018* and the following revised HKFRSs for the first time for the current year's financial statements.

Amendments to HKFRS 3

Definition of a Business

Amendments to HKFRS 9,

Interest Rate Benchmark Reform

HKAS 39 and HKFRS 7 Amendment to HKAS 16

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Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions (early adopted)

Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKAS 8

Definition of Material

The nature and the impact of the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting 2018* and the revised HKFRSs are described below:

- (a) Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting 2018 (the "Conceptual Framework") sets out a comprehensive set of concepts for financial reporting and standard setting, and provides guidance for preparers of financial statements in developing consistent accounting policies and assistance to all parties to understand and interpret the standards. The Conceptual Framework includes new chapters on measurement and reporting financial performance, new guidance on the derecognition of assets and liabilities, and updated definitions and recognition criteria for assets and liabilities. It also clarifies the roles of stewardship, prudence and measurement uncertainty in financial reporting. The Conceptual Framework is not a standard, and none of the concepts contained therein override the concepts or requirements in any standard. The Conceptual Framework did not have any significant impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.
- (b) Amendments to HKFRS 3 clarify and provide additional guidance on the definition of a business. The amendments clarify that for an integrated set of activities and assets to be considered a business, it must include, at a minimum, an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create output. A business can exist without including all of the inputs and processes needed to create outputs. The amendments remove the assessment of whether market participants are capable of acquiring the business and continue to produce outputs. Instead, the focus is on whether acquired inputs and acquired substantive processes together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs. The amendments have also narrowed the definition of outputs to focus on goods or services provided to customers, investment income or other income from ordinary activities. Furthermore, the amendments provide guidance to assess whether an acquired process is substantive and introduce an optional fair value concentration test to permit a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business. The Group has applied the amendments prospectively to transactions or other events that occurred on or after 1 January 2020. The amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

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## 2.3 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (Continued)

- (c) Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39 and HKFRS 7 address issues affecting financial reporting in the period before the replacement of an existing interest rate benchmark with an alternative risk-free rate ("RFR"). The amendments provide temporary reliefs which enable hedge accounting to continue during the period of uncertainty before the introduction of the alternative RFR. In addition, the amendments require companies to provide additional information to investors about their hedging relationships which are directly affected by these uncertainties. The amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group as the Group does not have any interest rate hedging relationships.
- (d) Amendment to HKFRS 16 provides a practical expedient for lessees to elect not to apply lease modification accounting for rent concessions arising as a direct consequence of the covid-19 pandemic. The practical expedient applies only to rent concessions occurring as a direct consequence of the pandemic and only if (i) the change in lease payments results in revised consideration for the lease that is substantially the same as, or less than, the consideration for the lease immediately preceding the change; (ii) any reduction in lease payments affects only payments originally due on or before 30 June 2021; and (iii) there is no substantive change to other terms and conditions of the lease. The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020 with earlier application permitted and shall be applied retrospectively.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, certain monthly lease payments for the leases of the Group's buildings have been reduced or waived by the lessors as a result of the pandemic and there are no other changes to the terms of the leases. The Group has early adopted the amendment on 1 January 2020 and elected not to apply lease modification accounting for all rent concessions granted by the lessors as a result of the pandemic during the year ended 31 December 2020. Accordingly, a reduction in the lease payments of HK\$56,246,000 arising from these rent concessions has been accounted for as a variable lease payment by derecognising part of the lease liabilities and crediting to profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2020.

(e) Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKAS 8 provide a new definition of material. The new definition states that information is material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements. The amendments clarify that materiality will depend on the nature or magnitude of information, or both. The amendments did not have any significant impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

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#### 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements.

Amendments to HKFRS 3

Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39,

HKFRS 7, HKFRS 4 and HKFRS 16

Amendments to HKFRS 10 and

HKAS 28 (2011)

HKFRS 17

Amendments to HKFRS 17

Amendments to HKAS 1

Amendments to HKAS 16

Amendments to HKAS 37

Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018-2020

Reference to the Conceptual Framework<sup>2</sup> Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2<sup>1</sup>

Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its

Associate or Joint Venture4

Insurance Contracts<sup>3</sup>

Insurance Contracts<sup>3, 6</sup>

Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current<sup>3, 5</sup>

Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use<sup>2</sup>

Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract<sup>2</sup>

Amendments to HKFRS 1, HKFRS 9, Illustrative Examples

accompanying HKFRS 16, and HKAS 412

- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021
- <sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023
- <sup>4</sup> No mandatory effective date yet determined but available for adoption
- As a consequence of the amendments to HKAS 1, Hong Kong Interpretation 5 *Presentation of Financial Statements* Classification by the Borrower of a Term Loan that Contains a Repayment on Demand Clause was revised in October 2020 to align the corresponding wording with no change in conclusion
- As a consequence of the amendments to HKFRS 17 issued in October 2020, HKFRS 4 was amended to extend the temporary exemption that permits insurers to apply HKAS 39 rather than HKFRS 9 for annual periods beginning before 1 January 2023

Further information about those HKFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Group is described below.

Amendments to HKFRS 3 are intended to replace a reference to the previous *Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements* with a reference to the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting* issued in June 2018 without significantly changing its requirements. The amendments also add to HKFRS 3 an exception to its recognition principle for an entity to refer to the Conceptual Framework to determine what constitutes an asset or a liability. The exception specifies that, for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of HKAS 37 or HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 if they were incurred separately rather than assumed in a business combination, an entity applying HKFRS 3 should refer to HKAS 37 or HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 respectively instead of the Conceptual Framework. Furthermore, the amendments clarify that contingent assets do not qualify for recognition at the acquisition date. The Group expects to adopt the amendments prospectively from 1 January 2022. Since the amendments apply prospectively to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the date of first application, the Group will not be affected by these amendments on the date of transition.

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# 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (Continued)

Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39, HKFRS 7, HKFRS 4 and HKFRS 16 address issues not dealt with in the previous amendments which affect financial reporting when an existing interest rate benchmark is replaced with an alternative RFR. The Phase 2 amendments provide a practical expedient to allow the effective interest rate to be updated without adjusting the carrying amount when accounting for changes in the basis for determining the contractual cash flows of financial assets and liabilities, if the change is a direct consequence of the interest rate benchmark reform and the new basis for determining the contractual cash flows is economically equivalent to the previous basis immediately preceding the change. In addition, the amendments permit changes required by the interest rate benchmark reform to be made to hedge designations and hedge documentation without the hedging relationship being discontinued. Any gains or losses that could arise on transition are dealt with through the normal requirements of HKFRS 9 to measure and recognise hedge ineffectiveness. The amendments also provide a temporary relief to entities from having to meet the separately identifiable requirement when an RFR is designated as a risk component. The relief allows an entity, upon designation of the hedge, to assume that the separately identifiable requirement is met, provided the entity reasonably expects the RFR risk component to become separately identifiable within the next 24 months. Furthermore, the amendments require an entity to disclose additional information to enable users of financial statements to understand the effect of interest rate benchmark reform on an entity's financial instruments and risk management strategy. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021 and shall be applied retrospectively, but entities are not required to restate the comparative information.

The Group had certain interest-bearing bank borrowings denominated in Hong Kong dollars based on the Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate as at 31 December 2020. If the interest rates of these borrowings are replaced by RFRs in a future period, the Group will apply this practical expedient upon the modification of these borrowings when the "economically equivalent" criterion is met and expects that no significant modification gain or loss will arise as a result of applying the amendments to these changes.

Amendments to HKAS 1 clarify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current. The amendments specify that if an entity's right to defer settlement of a liability is subject to the entity complying with specified conditions, the entity has a right to defer settlement of the liability at the end of the reporting period if it complies with those conditions at that date. Classification of a liability is unaffected by the likelihood that the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of the liability. The amendments also clarify the situations that are considered a settlement of a liability. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and shall be applied retrospectively. Earlier application is permitted. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

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# 2.4 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (Continued)

Amendments to HKAS 16 prohibit an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognises the proceeds from selling any such items, and the cost of those items, in profit or loss. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 and shall be applied retrospectively only to items of property, plant and equipment made available for use on or after the beginning of the earliest period presented in the financial statements in which the entity first applies the amendments. Earlier application is permitted. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Amendments to HKAS 37 clarify that for the purpose of assessing whether a contract is onerous under HKAS 37, the cost of fulfilling the contract comprises the costs that relate directly to the contract. Costs that relate directly to a contract include both the incremental costs of fulfilling that contract (e.g., direct labour and materials) and an allocation of other costs that relate directly to fulfilling that contract (e.g., an allocation of the depreciation charge for an item of property, plant and equipment used in fulfilling the contract as well as contract management and supervision costs). General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 and shall be applied to contracts for which an entity has not yet fulfilled all its obligations at the beginning of the annual reporting period in which it first applies the amendments. Earlier application is permitted. Any cumulative effect of initially applying the amendments shall be recognised as an adjustment to the opening equity at the date of initial application without restating the comparative information. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018-2020 sets out amendments to HKFRS 1, HKFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying HKFRS 16, and HKAS 41. Details of the amendments that are expected to be applicable to the Group are as follows:

- HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments: clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other's behalf. An entity applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment. The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022. Earlier application is permitted. The amendment is not expected to have a significant impact on the Group's financial statements.
- HKFRS 16 *Leases*: removes the illustration of payments from the lessor relating to leasehold improvements in Illustrative Example 13 accompanying HKFRS 16. This removes potential confusion regarding the treatment of lease incentives when applying HKFRS 16.

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#### 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Business combinations and goodwill**

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred is measured at the acquisition date fair value which is the sum of the acquisition date fair values of assets transferred by the Group, liabilities assumed by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. For each business combination, the Group elects whether to measure the non-controlling interests in the acquiree that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of net assets in the event of liquidation at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. All other components of non-controlling interests are measured at fair value. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

The Group determines that it has acquired a business when the acquired set of activities and assets includes an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs.

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

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the previously held equity interest is remeasured at its acquisition date fair value and any resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Contingent consideration classified as an asset or liability is measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured and subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost, being the excess of the aggregate of the consideration transferred, the amount recognised for non-controlling interests and any fair value of the Group's previously held equity interests in the acquiree over the identifiable net assets acquired and liabilities assumed. If the sum of this consideration and other items is lower than the fair value of the net assets acquired, the difference is, after reassessment, recognised in profit or loss as a gain on bargain purchase.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## **Business combinations and goodwill** (Continued)

After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. The Group performs its annual impairment test of goodwill as at 31 December. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the Group are assigned to those units or groups of units.

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

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

#### Fair value measurement

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

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

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Fair value measurement (Continued)

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

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

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

#### Impairment of non-financial assets

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, deferred tax assets, financial assets and investment properties), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. 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. An impairment loss is charged to profit or loss in the period in which it arises in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset.

An assessment is made at the end of each reporting period as to whether there is an indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, but not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such an impairment loss is credited to profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Related parties**

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
  - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
  - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
  - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or of a parent of the Group;

or

- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
  - (i) the entity and the Group are members of the same group;
  - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
  - (iii) the entity and the Group are joint ventures of the same third party;
  - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
  - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group;
  - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
  - (vii) a person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity); and
  - (viii) the entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Group or to the parent of the Group.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. When an item of property, plant and equipment is classified as held for sale or when it is part of a disposal group classified as held for sale, it is not depreciated and is accounted for in accordance with HKFRS 5. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

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

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life. The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Buildings

Leasehold improvements

Over the lease terms

Over the shorter of the lease terms and 5 years

Furniture, fixtures and office equipment

Motor vehicles

20%

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least at each financial year end.

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

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Investment properties**

Investment properties are interests in land and buildings (including the leasehold property held as a right-of-use asset which would otherwise meet the definition of an investment property) held to earn rental income and/or for capital appreciation, rather than for use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes; or for sale in the ordinary course of business. Such properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are stated at fair value, which reflects market conditions at the end of the reporting period.

Gains or losses arising from changes in the fair values of investment properties are included in the statement of profit or loss in the year in which they arise.

Any gains or losses on the retirement or disposal of an investment property are recognised in the statement of profit or loss in the year of the retirement or disposal.

## Intangible assets (other than goodwill)

Intangible assets acquired separately are measured on initial recognition at cost. The cost of intangible assets acquired in a business combination is the fair value at the date of acquisition. The useful lives of intangible assets are assessed to be either finite or indefinite. Intangible assets with finite lives are subsequently amortised over the useful economic life and assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. The amortisation period and the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite useful life are reviewed at least at each financial year end.

#### Licences

Purchased licences are stated at cost less any impairment losses and are amortised on the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives of 5 years.

#### Leases

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Leases** (Continued)

### Group as a lessee

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

## (a) Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are recognised at the commencement date of the lease (that is the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease terms and the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Leasehold land Buildings 50 years

Over the lease terms and optional period

#### (b) Lease liabilities

Lease liabilities are recognised at the commencement date of the lease at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including insubstance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for termination of a lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate the lease. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Leases (Continued)

**Group as a lessee** (Continued)

(c) Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to its short-term leases of machinery and equipment (that is those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option). It also applies the recognition exemption for leases of low-value assets to leases of office equipment and laptop computers that are considered to be of low value. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### Group as a lessor

When the Group acts as a lessor, it classifies at lease inception (or when there is a lease modification) each of its leases as either an operating lease or a finance lease.

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

Leases that transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset to the lessee are accounted for as finance leases.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Investments and other financial assets

#### Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income, and fair value through profit or loss.

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

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI") on the principal amount outstanding. Financial assets with cash flows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model.

The Group's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Financial assets classified and measured at amortised cost are held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, while financial assets classified and measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling. Financial assets which are not held within the aforementioned business models are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

#### Subsequent measurement

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Investments and other financial assets** (Continued)

### Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)

The Group measures financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following conditions are met:

- The financial asset is held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

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

## **Derecognition of financial assets**

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

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

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

## **Derecognition of financial assets** (Continued)

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

#### Impairment of financial assets

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

#### General approach

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

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

The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Group may also consider a financial asset to be default when internal or external information indicates that the Group is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Group. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Impairment of financial assets** (Continued)

### General approach (Continued)

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

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

#### Simplified approach

For trade and other receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or when the Group applies the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Group applies the simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Under the simplified approach, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

#### **Financial liabilities**

## Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, loans and borrowings, or payables, as appropriate.

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

The Group's financial liabilities include trade payables, other payables and accruals, interest-bearing bank borrowings and lease liabilities.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Financial liabilities** (Continued)

#### Subsequent measurement

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

#### Financial liabilities at amortised cost (loans and borrowings)

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

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

## **Derecognition of financial liabilities**

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

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

### Offsetting of financial instruments

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the first-in, first-out basis and, in the case of work in progress and finished goods, comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of overheads. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling prices less any estimated costs to be incurred to completion and disposal.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

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

For the purpose of the statement of financial position, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, and assets similar in nature to cash, which are not restricted as to use.

### **Contract liabilities**

A contract liability is the obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received a consideration (or an amount of consideration that is due) from the customer. If a customer pays the consideration before the Group transfers goods or services to the customers, a contract liability is recognised when the payment is made or the payment is due (whichever is earlier). Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Group performs under the contract.

### **Provisions**

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

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Income tax

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period, taking into consideration interpretations and practices prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

• when the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and any unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

• when the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Income tax** (Continued)

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if and only if the Group has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets and current tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities which intend either to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered.

## **Government grants and subsidies**

Government grants and subsidies are recognised at their fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with. When the grant and subsidy relate to an expense item, it is recognised as income on a systematic basis over the periods that the costs, for which it is intended to compensate, are expensed.

Where the grant and subsidy relate to an asset, the fair value is credited to a deferred income account and is released to profit or loss over the expected useful life of the relevant asset by equal annual instalments or deducted from the carrying amount of the asset and released to profit or loss by way of a reduced depreciation charge.

### Revenue recognition

#### Revenue from contracts with customers

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

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

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

**Revenue recognition** (Continued)

### Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

When the contract contains a financing component which provides the customer with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer for more than one year, revenue is measured at the present value of the amount receivable, discounted using the discount rate that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction between the Group and the customer at contract inception. When the contract contains a financing component which provides the Group with a significant financial benefit for more than one year, revenue recognised under the contract includes the interest expense accreted on the contract liability under the effective interest method. For a contract where the period between the payment by the customer and the transfer of the promised goods or services is one year or less, the transaction price is not adjusted for the effects of a significant financing component, using the practical expedient in HKFRS 15.

#### (a) Restaurant operation

Revenue from restaurant operation is recognised at the point in time when catering services have been provided to customers.

### (b) Sales of food products

Revenue from sales of food products is recognised at the point in time when control of the goods has been transferred when the products are accepted by the customers. The customers have full discretion over the products, and there is no unfulfilled obligation that could affect customer's acceptance of the products.

#### Other income

- (a) Royalty income is recognised, on an accrual basis in accordance with the terms and conditions of the franchise agreements, based on a certain percentage of net sales of franchised restaurants for use of the "Tai Hing" trademark;
- (b) Rental income is recognised, on a time proportion basis over the lease terms; and
- (c) Interest income is recognised, on an accrual basis using the effective interest rate method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Employee benefits**

#### Pension scheme

The Group operates a defined contribution Mandatory Provident Fund retirement benefit scheme (the "MPF Scheme") under the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance for all of its employees. Contributions are made based on a percentage of the employees' basic salaries and are charged to profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the MPF Scheme. The assets of the MPF Scheme are held separately from those of the Group in an independently administered fund. The Group's employer contributions vest fully with the employees when contributed into the MPF Scheme.

#### Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised at the earlier of when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits and when the Group recognises restructuring costs involving the payment of termination benefits.

### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

#### **Dividends**

Final dividends are recognised as a liability when they are approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. Proposed final dividends are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared, because the Group's memorandum and bye-laws grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

#### Foreign currencies

These financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Group's functional currency. Foreign currency transactions recorded by the Group are initially recorded using their respective functional currency rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in profit or loss.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### Foreign currencies (Continued)

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

In determining the exchange rate on initial recognition of the related asset, expense or income on the derecognition of a non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability relating to an advance consideration, the date of initial transaction is the date on which the Group initially recognises the non-monetary asset or non-monetary liability arising from the advance consideration. If there are multiple payments or receipts in advance, the Group determines the transaction date for each payment or receipt of the advance consideration.

### **Share-based payments**

The Group operates share option schemes for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Employees of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payments, whereby employees render services as consideration for equity instruments ("equity-settled transactions").

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees for grants after 22 May 2019 is measured by reference to the fair value at the date at which they are granted. The fair value is determined by an external valuer using a binomial model, further details of which are given in note 27 to the financial statements.

The cost of equity-settled transactions is recognised in employee benefit expense, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance and/or service conditions are fulfilled. The cumulative expense recognised for equity-settled transactions at the end of each reporting period until the vesting date reflects the extent to which the vesting period has expired and the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. The charge or credit to the statement of profit or loss for a period represents the movement in the cumulative expense recognised as at the beginning and end of that period.

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## 2.5 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Share-based payments** (Continued)

Service and non-market performance conditions are not taken into account when determining the grant date fair value of awards, but the likelihood of the conditions being met is assessed as part of the Group's best estimate of the number of equity instruments that will ultimately vest. Market performance conditions are reflected within the grant date fair value. Any other conditions attached to an award, but without an associated service requirement, are considered to be non-vesting conditions. Non-vesting conditions are reflected in the fair value of an award and lead to an immediate expensing of an award unless there are also service and/or performance conditions.

For awards that do not ultimately vest because non-market performance and/or service conditions have not been met, no expense is recognised. Where awards include a market or non-vesting condition, the transactions are treated as vesting irrespective of whether the market or non-vesting condition is satisfied, provided that all other performance and/or service conditions are satisfied.

Where the terms of an equity-settled award are modified, as a minimum an expense is recognised as if the terms had not been modified, if the original terms of the award are met. In addition, an expense is recognised for any modification that increases the total fair value of the share-based payments, or is otherwise beneficial to the employee as measured at the date of modification.

Where an equity-settled award is cancelled, it is treated as if it had vested on the date of cancellation, and any expense not yet recognised for the award is recognised immediately. This includes any award where non-vesting conditions within the control of either the Group or the employee are not met. However, if a new award is substituted for the cancelled award, and is designated as a replacement award on the date that it is granted, the cancelled and new awards are treated as if they were a modification of the original award, as described in the previous paragraph.

The dilutive effect of outstanding options is reflected as additional share dilution in the computation of earnings per share.

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#### 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Group's financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and their accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets or liabilities affected in the future.

#### **Judgements**

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following judgements, apart from those involving estimations, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements:

#### Impairment of assets

In determining whether an asset is impaired or the event previously causing the impairment no longer exists, the Group has to exercise judgement in the area of asset impairment, particularly in assessing: (1) whether an event has occurred that may affect the asset value or such event affecting the asset value has not been in existence; (2) whether the carrying value of an asset can be supported by the net present value of future cash flows which are estimated based upon the continued use of the asset or derecognition; and (3) the appropriate key assumptions to be applied in preparing cash flow projections including whether these cash flow projections are discounted using an appropriate rate. Changing the assumptions selected by management to determine the level of impairment, including the discount rates or the growth rate assumptions in the cash flow projections, could materially affect the net present value used in the impairment test.

## Property lease classification – Group as lessor

The Group has entered into commercial property leases on its investment properties portfolio. The Group has determined, based on an evaluation of the terms and conditions of the arrangements, such as the lease term not constituting a major part of the economic life of the commercial properties and the present value of the minimum lease payments not amounting to substantially all the fair value of the commercial properties, that it retains substantially all the significant risks and rewards incidental to ownership of these properties which are leased out and accounts for the contracts as operating leases.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (Continued)

**Judgements** (Continued)

## Significant judgement in determining the lease term of contracts with renewal options

The Group has lease contracts that include extension and termination options. The Group applies judgement in evaluating whether or not to exercise the option to renew or terminate the leases. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise either the renewal or termination. After the commencement date, the Group reassesses the lease terms if there is a significant event or change in circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise or not to exercise the options to renew or to terminate the lease (e.g., construction of significant leasehold improvements or significant customisation to the leased assets).

The Group includes the renewal period as part of the lease term for leases of properties due to the significance of these assets to its operations. These leases have a short non-cancellable period (i.e., three to five years) and there will be a significant negative effect on production if a replacement is not readily available.

## **Estimation uncertainty**

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are described below.

## Depreciation of property, plant and equipment

The Group depreciates the different classes of property, plant and equipment on a straight-line basis at applicable depreciation rates over the estimated useful life. The useful life is estimated with reference to the wear and tear history of property, plant and equipment. The estimated useful life reflects the directors' estimates of the periods that the Group intends to derive future economic benefits from the use of the Group's property, plant and equipment. The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment was HK\$556,921,000 (2019: HK\$586,996,000) as at 31 December 2020 (note 14(a)).

## Impairment testing of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets

The Group determines whether property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are impaired when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An impairment exists when the carrying values of these assets exceed their recoverable amounts, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The calculation of the fair values less costs of disposal is based on available data from binding sales transactions in an arm's length transaction of similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs for disposing of the asset. When value-in-use calculations are undertaken, management must estimate the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit and choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows.

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## 3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (Continued)

**Estimation uncertainty** (Continued)

#### Deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies. The carrying amount of deferred tax assets was HK\$26,311,000 as at 31 December 2020 (2019: HK\$21,174,000) (note 25).

### Deferred tax liability

Deferred tax liability relating to withholding tax of undistributed earnings of certain subsidiaries established in the PRC is provided to the extent that it is probable that distribution is made according to the relevant tax rules enacted in the relevant jurisdiction, and is subject to management's judgement on the timing and level of such distribution. Such judgement is made with reference to the Group's business plan and cash flow requirements for the holding companies of the subsidiaries. The carrying amount of deferred tax liability provided relating to such withholding tax amounted to HK\$3,874,000 as at 31 December 2020 (2019: HK\$3,458,000) (note 25).

#### Provision for reinstatement costs

The Group determines the estimated reinstatement costs of items of property, plant and equipment arising from the leasing of properties. The estimate is based on historical experience of the actual reinstatement costs incurred with reference to quoted price and/or other available information. Management will reassess the provision at the end of each reporting period, taking into consideration of size, shape topography and the complexity of the structure of each restaurant. The carrying amount of such provision amounted to HK\$50,775,000 (2019: HK\$47,517,000) as at 31 December 2020 (note 22).

#### Leases – Estimating the incremental borrowing rate

The Group cannot readily determine the interest rate implicit in a lease, and therefore, it uses an incremental borrowing rate ("IBR") to measure lease liabilities. The IBR is the rate of interest that the Group would have to pay to borrow over a similar term, and with a similar security, the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment. The IBR therefore reflects what the Group "would have to pay", which requires estimation when no observable rates are available (such as for subsidiaries that do not enter into financing transactions) or when it needs to be adjusted to reflect the terms and conditions of the lease (for example, when leases are not in the subsidiary's functional currency). The Group estimates the IBR using observable inputs (such as market interest rates) when available and is required to make certain entity-specific estimates (such as the subsidiary's stand-alone credit rating).

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#### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group has only one reportable operating segment, which is the operation and management of restaurants.

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on geographical areas and has two reportable operating segments as follows:

- (i) the Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan segment is engaged in the operation of restaurants, and the sales of food products; and
- (ii) the Mainland China segment is engaged in the operation of restaurants, and the sales of food products.

Management monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/loss, which is a measure of adjusted profit/loss before tax. The adjusted profit/loss before tax is measured consistently with the Group's profit before tax except that interest income and unallocated gains, non-lease-related finance costs, corporate and other unallocated expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude deferred tax assets, tax recoverable, intangible assets and cash and cash equivalents as these assets are managed on a group basis.

Segment liabilities exclude interest-bearing bank borrowings, tax payable and deferred tax liabilities as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

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## 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

## **Geographical information**

For the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019

	Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan 2020 2019		Mainland China 2020 2019		To 2020	2019
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Segment revenue (note 5) Sales to external						
customers* Intersegment sales	2,269,710 –	2,581,312 –	528,213 84,964	670,938 47,838	2,797,923 84,964	3,252,250 47,838
<b>Revenue</b> <i>Reconciliation:</i> Elimination of	2,269,710	2,581,312	613,177	718,776	2,882,887	3,300,088
intersegment sales					(84,964)	(47,838)
					2,797,923	3,252,250
Segment results Reconciliation: Elimination of	181,729	185,480	(49,717)	(35,780)	132,012	149,700
intersegment results Finance costs (other than interest on					(2,858)	(552)
lease liabilities) Listing expenses					(7,853) -	(14,370) (18,016)
Profit before tax					121,301	116,762
Segment assets Reconciliation:	1,871,950	1,877,182	735,320	793,403	2,607,270	2,670,585
Corporate and other unallocated assets					607,357	734,164
Total assets					3,214,627	3,404,749
Segment liabilities Reconciliation: Corporate and other	1,505,432	1,511,198	531,027	578,312	2,036,459	2,089,510
unallocated liabilities					95,156	344,385
Total liabilities					2,131,615	2,433,895

## **OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION** (Continued)

## **Geographical information** (Continued)

For the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019

	Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan		Mainlan	Mainland China		Total	
	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	
Other segment information							
Depreciation and amortisation  Amortisation for	109,990	105,284	45,298	50,478	155,288	155,762	
right-of-use assets Loss on disposal of items of property, plant and	306,699	269,348	102,446	85,842	409,145	355,190	
equipment  Capital expenditure**	10,506 101,575	218 145,843	20,229 63,688	8,248 70,415	30,735 165,263	8,466 216,258	
Non-current assets*** Fair value (gain)/loss on	1,700,350	1,751,735	674,085	706,341	2,374,435	2,458,076	
investment properties Impairment of items of property, plant and	606	_	1,351	(102)	1,957	(102)	
equipment and right-of-use assets	45,120	10,365	2,698	19,198	47,818	29,563	

The revenue information above is based on the locations of the customers.

## Information about major customers

There was no revenue from customers individually contributing over 10% to the total revenue of the Group.

Capital expenditure consists of additions to property, plant and equipment, investment properties and intangible assets.

The non-current asset information above is based on the locations of the assets and excludes deferred tax assets.

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#### 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS, NET

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

		2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Reve	enue from contracts with customers		
(i)	Disaggregated revenue information		
	Types of goods or services		
	Revenue from restaurant operations	2,730,083	3,186,471
	Revenue from the sale of food products	67,840	65,779
		2,797,923	3,252,250
	Geographical markets		
	Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan	2,269,710	2,581,312
	Mainland China	528,213	670,938
	Total revenue from contracts with customers	2,797,923	3,252,250
	Timing of revenue recognition		
	At a point in time	2,797,923	3,252,250

The following table shows the amounts of revenue recognised in the current reporting period that were included in the contract liabilities at the beginning of the reporting period:

	2020 HK\$′000	2019 HK\$'000
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liabilities at the beginning of the year		
– Restaurant operations	64,026	56,227

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## 5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS, NET (Continued)

## (ii) Performance obligations

Information about the Group's performance obligations is summarised below:

## Restaurant operations

The performance obligation is satisfied when the catering services have been provided to customers. The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on cash and credit card settlement. The credit period is generally less than one month.

## Sale of food products

The performance obligation is satisfied upon delivery and acceptance of the products by the customers. The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on cash, credit card settlement and on credit. The credit period is generally one to two months.

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Other income and gains, net		
Bank interest income	7,524	7,505
Rental income	981	444
Royalty income	1,090	5,319
Subsidies received from utility companies for purchases of		
items of property, plant and equipment*	3,249	2,964
Government grants*	47,706	480
Cash coupon forfeited	1,364	1,676
Fair value gain on investment properties	_	102
Gain on deregistration of subsidiaries	1,106	1,093
Others	7,594	5,812
	70,614	25,395

<sup>\*</sup> Government grants during the year ended 31 December 2020 included covid-19 relief subsidies received. As at the end of the reporting periods, there were no unfulfilled conditions or other contingencies attaching to the subsidies and government grants that had been recognised by the Group.

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## **PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	Notes	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Cost of materials consumed		821,648	932,544
Depreciation of items of property, plant and equipment	14(a)	155,133	155,608
Amortisation of intangible assets	16	155	154
Amortisation for right-of-use assets*	14(b)(i)	409.145	355,190
Lease payments not included in the measurement of	(2/(./	1007110	223,.23
lease liabilities*		27,545	50,135
Covid-19-related rent concessions from lessors*		(56,246)	, –
Contingent rents*		7,885	12,360
Auditor's remuneration		3,400	4,135
Employee benefit expenses (including directors' and chief			
executive's remuneration (note 9)):			
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind***		774,985	1,025,874
Equity-settled share option expenses		8,323	2,180
Pension scheme contributions		42,588	68,386
		825,896	1,096,440
Direct operating expenses (including repairs and maintenance)			
arising from rental-earning investment properties		87	177
Foreign exchange differences, net**		(627)	579
Impairment of items of property, plant and equipment	14(a)	13,336	3,334
Impairment of items of right-of-use assets	14(b)(i)	34,482	26,229
Loss on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		30,735	8,466
Fair value gain on financial assets at fair value through			
profit or loss		_	(104)
Fair value loss/(gain) on investment properties, net		1,957	(102)
Listing expenses		_	18,016

These are included in "Amortisation of right-of-use assets, rental and related expenses" in profit or loss.

Foreign exchange differences, net are included in "Other income and gains, net" in profit or loss.

Employment support scheme subsidies from the HKSAR Government of HK\$158,139,000 are included in "Staff costs" in profit or loss.

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# 7. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES, NET

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Utilities expenses	101,534	120,171
Packing and consumables	52,506	47,433
Cleaning expenses	35,713	35,968
Advertising and promotion	25,302	32,601
Transportation and logistics	23,118	29,939
Repair and maintenance	18,297	24,123
Office expenses	13,910	20,974
Bank charges	17,239	13,479
Insurance	10,923	8,311
License, membership and entertainment	1,169	3,323
Legal and professional fee	6,118	6,832
Loss on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	30,735	8,466
Delivery handling charges	47,173	10,620
Others	28,275	24,597
	412,012	386,837

## 8. FINANCE COSTS

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Interest on bank borrowings Interest on lease liabilities (note 14(b)(ii))	7,853 38,817	14,370 40,398
	46,670	54,768

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#### DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REMUNERATION 9.

Directors' and chief executive's remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules, Section 383(1)(a), (b), (c) and (f) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and Part 2 of the Companies (Disclosure of Information about Benefits of Directors) Regulation, is as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Fees Other emoluments:	1,250	692
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	12,614	13,935
Performance-related bonuses	1,474	738
Pension scheme contributions	54	60
	14,142	14,733
Total	15,392	15,425

## **Independent non-executive directors**

The fees paid to independent non-executive directors during the year were as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Mak Ping Leung	240	133
Sat Chui Wan	240	133
Wong Shiu Hoi Peter	240	133
	720	399

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (2019: Nil).

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### **DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REMUNERATION** (Continued)

### (b) Executive directors, non-executive director and the chief executive

	Fees HK\$'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Performance related bonuses HK\$'000	Pension scheme contributions HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Year ended 31 December 2020					
Executive directors					
Chan Wing On	100	7,255	735	18	8,108
Yuen Chi Ming	100	1,539	179	_	1,818
Lau Hon Kee	100	1,359	167	18	1,644
Chan Shuk Fong	50	2,461	393	18	2,922
	350	12,614	1,474	54	14,492
Non-executive director					
Ho Ping Kee	180	_	-	_	180
	530	12,614	1,474	54	14,672
Year ended 31 December 2019					
Executive directors		0.000	222	4.0	0.504
Chan Wing On	55	8,288	230	18	8,591
Yuen Chi Ming Lau Hon Kee	55 55	1,631 1,440	66 66	6 18	1,758 1,579
Chan Shuk Fong	28	2,576	376	18	2,998
Chan shak rong	20	2,370	370	10	2,990
	193	13,935	738	60	14,926
Non-executive director	193	13,355	/30	60	14,920
Ho Ping Kee	100	_	_	_	100
	100				
	293	13,935	738	60	15,026

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year.

During the current and prior years, no remuneration was paid by the Group to the directors as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

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#### 10. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

The five highest paid employees during the year ended 31 December 2020 included 2 directors (2019: 2 directors), details of whose remuneration are set out in note 9 above. Details of the remuneration of the remaining three non-director, highest paid employees during the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	8,684	9,347
Performance related bonuses	765	463
Pension scheme contributions	84	151
	9,533	9,961

The number of the non-director, highest paid employees whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

N	Number of employees	
	2020	2019
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
HK\$3,500,001 to HK\$4,000,000	_	2
HK\$3,000,001 to HK\$3,500,000	2	-
HK\$2,500,001 to HK\$3,000,000	1	1
HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$2,500,000	-	-
HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000	_	-
	3	3

No emoluments were paid by the Group to any of the non-director, highest paid employees as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

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#### 11. INCOME TAX

Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the BVI, the Group is not subject to any income tax in the Cayman Islands and the BVI. Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% (2019: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong during the year, except for one subsidiary of the Group which is a qualifying entity under the two-tiered profits tax rates regime. The first HK\$2,000,000 (2019: HK\$2,000,000) of assessable profits of this subsidiary are taxed at 8.25% (2019: 8.25%) and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5% (2019: 16.5%). PRC tax, Macau tax and Taiwan tax have been provided at the rates of 25% (2019: 25%), 12% (2019: 12%) and 20% (2019: 19%), respectively, on the estimated profits arising in the PRC, Macau and Taiwan during the year.

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
	ПК\$ 000	HK\$ 000
Current – Hong Kong		
Charge for the year	12,120	17,502
(Overprovision)/underprovision in prior years	(392)	395
Current – Elsewhere	223	5,090
Deferred (note 25)	(8,412)	16,608
Total tax charge for the year	3,539	39,595

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax at the statutory rates for the tax expense at the effective tax rate is as follows:

2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
121,301	116,762
16,932 (392)	15,965 395
306 (38,229)	(1,281) (1,211)
18,437 (165)	15,391 9,928 (165)
1,363	573 39,595
	121,301 16,932 (392) 306 (38,229) 5,287 18,437 (165)

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#### 12. DIVIDENDS

#### (a) Dividends after the Listing

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Interim dividend – HK1.30 cents (2019: HK3.24 cents) per ordinary share Proposed final dividend – HK6.42 cents (2019: HK1.80 cents) per ordinary share	13,019 64,320	32,400 18,000
	77,339	50,400

The proposed final dividend for the year is subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

#### (b) Dividends before the Listing

During the year ended 31 December 2019, in April 2019 and May 2019, special dividends of HK\$20,000,000 and HK\$20,000,000, respectively, were declared and paid by the Company to the then shareholders before the listing of the Company on the Stock Exchange.

Investors becoming shareholders of the Company after the listing of the Company on the Stock Exchange were not entitled to such special dividends.

#### 13. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amount for the year ended 31 December 2020 is based on the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$118,959,000 (2019: HK\$76,864,000) and the weighted average number of ordinary shares of 1,000,762,000 (2019: 888,356,000) in issue during the year, as adjusted to reflect the rights issue during the year.

The calculation of the diluted earnings per share amount for the year ended 31 December 2020 is based on the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$118,959,000 (2019: HK\$76,864,000). The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is 1,000,762,000 (2019: 888,356,000) in issue during the year, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of 3,727,000 ordinary shares (2019: 2,988,000 ordinary shares) assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

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# 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

	Notes	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets	(a) (b)	556,921 1,638,391	586,996 1,696,543
		2,195,312	2,283,539

### (a) Property, plant and equipment

	Buildings HK\$000	Leasehold improvements HK\$000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment HK\$000	Motor vehicles HK\$000	Total HK\$000
31 December 2020					
At 1 January 2020:					
Cost	106,814	898,476	281,319	26,325	1,312,934
Accumulated depreciation and			,	.,.	, , , , ,
impairment	(33,645)	(529,936)	(141,904)	(20,453)	(725,938)
Net carrying amount	73,169	368,540	139,415	5,872	586,996
At 1 January 2020, net of accumulated					
depreciation and impairment	73,169	368,540	139,415	5,872	586,996
Additions	883	123,402	28,918	4,954	158,157
Disposals Depreciation (note 6)	(2,716)	(25,925) (117,939)	(6,810) (32,171)	(2,084) (2,307)	(34,819)
Impairment (note 6)	(2,710)	(117,939)	(32,171)	(2,307)	(155,133) (13,336)
Exchange realignment	2,489	7,609	4,908	50	15,056
Exchange realignment	2,703	7,005	4,500	30	15,050
At 31 December 2020, net of					
accumulated depreciation and					
impairment	73,825	342,351	134,260	6,485	556,921
At 31 December 2020:					
Cost	111,995	970,485	298,097	28,364	1,408,941
Accumulated depreciation and					
impairment	(38,170)	(628,134)	(163,837)	(21,879)	(852,020)
Mat and San and all	72.025	242.254	424.202	6.405	EEC 024
Net carrying amount	73,825	342,351	134,260	6,485	556,921

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# 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

# (a) Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

	Buildings HK\$000	Leasehold improvements HK\$000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment HK\$000	Motor vehicles HK\$000	Construction in progress HK\$000	Total HK\$000
31 December 2019						
At 1 January 2019:  Cost  Accumulated depreciation and	130,898	758,579	231,386	23,318	26,875	1,171,056
impairment	(41,001)	(438,252)	(112,866)	(18,147)	_	(610,266)
Net carrying amount	89,897	320,327	118,520	5,171	26,875	560,790
At 1 January 2019 Additions Disposals Depreciation (note 6) Impairment (note 6) Transfer to investment properties (note 15) Transfer Exchange realignment	89,897 2,611 - (3,526) - (15,032) - (781)	320,327 157,262 (7,508) (112,674) (3,334) - 16,409 (1,942)	118,520 42,752 (3,338) (35,722) - - 18,549 (1,346)	5,171 4,563 (132) (3,686) - - - (44)	26,875 8,149 - - - - (34,958) (66)	560,790 215,337 (10,978) (155,608) (3,334) (15,032) - (4,179)
At 31 December 2019, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment	73,169	368,540	139,415	5,872	-	586,996
At 31 December 2019: Cost Accumulated depreciation and impairment	106,814	898,476 (529,936)	281,319 (141,904)	26,325 (20,453)	-	1,312,934
Net carrying amount	73,169	368,540	139,415	5,872	<u>-</u>	586,996

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### 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

#### (a) Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

At 31 December 2020, the Group's property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets with a carrying amount of approximately HK\$253,043,000 (2019: HK\$262,615,000), were pledged to secure general banking facilities granted to the Group (note 24).

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's management identified certain restaurants which continued to underperform and estimated the corresponding recoverable amounts of their property, plant and equipment. Based on these estimates, an impairment loss of HK\$13,336,000 (2019: HK\$3,334,000) of which HK\$11,987,000 (2019: Nil) was for the Group's Hong Kong restaurants and HK\$1,349,000 (2019: HK\$3,334,000) was for the Group's Mainland China restaurants, was recognised to write down the carrying amounts of these items of property, plant and equipment to their recoverable amounts of HK\$5,044,000 (2019: Nil) as at 31 December 2020. The recoverable amount of the items of property, plant and equipment is determined based on a value in use calculation using cash flow projections based on financial budgets covering a period of the remaining lease terms plus the anticipated renewal period approved by senior management. The pre-tax discount rates applied for the cash flow projection ranged from 10% to 13% (2019: 13%).

#### (b) Leases

#### The Group as a lessee

The Group has lease contracts for properties used in its operations. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire the leased land from the owners with lease periods between 28 and 41 years, and no ongoing payments will be made under the terms of these land leases. Leases of properties generally have lease terms between 3 and 9 years. There are several lease contracts that include extension and termination options and variable lease payments, which are further discussed below.

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### 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

#### **(b)** Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessee (Continued)

(b)(i) Right-of-use assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's right-of-use assets and the movements during the year are as follows:

	Leasehold land HK\$'000	Land and buildings HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 1 January 2019 Addition	12,655	1,458,043	1,470,698
, (33.1.3.1.	(456)	583,633	583,633
Amortisation (note 6) Impairment (note 6)	(456)	(354,734) (26,229)	(355,190) (26,229)
Revision of lease terms arising from changes in	_	(20,223)	(20,223)
the non-cancellable period of leases	_	31,906	31,906
Exchange realignment	(213)	(8,062)	(8,275)
As at 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	11,986	1,684,557	1,696,543
Additions	_	470,194	470,194
Amortisation (note 6)	(453)	(408,692)	(409,145)
Reassessment of lease terms arising from			
decisions not to exercise the extension option	-	(64,237)	(64,237)
Revision of lease terms arising from changes in			
the non-cancellable period of leases	_	(41,687)	(41,687)
Impairment (note 6)		(34,482)	(34,482)
Exchange realignment	716	20,489	21,205
As at 31 December 2020	12,249	1,626,142	1,638,391

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's management identified certain restaurants which continued to underperform and estimated the corresponding recoverable amounts of their right-of-use assets. Based on these estimates, an impairment loss of HK\$34,482,000 (2019: HK\$26,229,000), of which HK\$33,133,000 (2019: HK\$10,365,000) was for the Group's Hong Kong restaurants and HK\$1,349,000 (2019: HK\$15,864,000) was for the Group's Mainland China restaurants, was recognised to write down the carrying amounts of these items of right-of-use assets to their recoverable amounts of HK\$50,825,000 (2019: Nil) as at 31 December 2020. The recoverable amount of the items of right-of-use assets is determined based on a value in use calculation using cash flow projections based on financial budgets covering a period of the remaining lease terms plus the anticipated renewal period approved by senior management. The pre-tax discount rates applied for the cash flow projection ranged from 10% to 13% (2019: 13%).

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# 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

**(b)** Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessee (Continued)

(b)(ii) Lease liabilities

The carrying amount of lease liabilities and the movements during the year are as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	1,631,253	1,402,164
New leases	463,049	564,289
Accretion of interest recognised during the year (note 8)	38,817	40,398
Covid-19-related rent concessions from lessors (note 6)	(56,246)	_
Payments	(409,404)	(399,639)
Reassessment of lease terms arising from decisions		
not to exercise the extension option	(68,234)	-
Revision of lease terms arising from changes in the		
non-cancellable period of leases	(41,687)	31,906
Exchange realignment	26,744	(7,865)
Carrying amount at 31 December	1,584,292	1,631,253
Analysed into:		
Current portion	555,028	550,065
Non-current portion	1,029,264	1,081,188
	1,584,292	1,631,253

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities is disclosed in note 35 to the financial statements.

# 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

**(b)** Leases (Continued)

The Group as a lessee (Continued)

(b)(iii) The amounts recognised in profit or loss in relation to leases are as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Interest on lease liabilities (note 8)	38,817	40,398
Amortisation for right-of-use assets (note 6)	409,145	355,190
Expense relating to short-term leases and other leases with		
remaining lease terms ended on or before		
31 December 2019 and leases of low-value assets (note 6)	27,545	50,135
Impairment of right-of-use assets (note 6)	34,482	26,229
Variable lease payments not included in the measurement of		
lease liabilities (note 6)	7,885	12,360
Covid-19-related rent concessions from lessors (note 6)	(56,246)	-
Total amount recognised in profit or loss	461,628	484,312

<sup>(</sup>b)(iv) The total cash outflow for leases and future cash outflows relating to leases that have not yet commenced are disclosed in notes 29(b) and 35 to the consolidated financial statements.

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### 14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

(b) Leases (Continued)

#### The Group as a lessor

The Group leases its investment properties (note 15) which consisted of two (2019: two) commercial properties in the PRC and one (2019: nil) industrial property in Hong Kong under operating lease arrangements. The terms of the leases generally require the tenants to pay security deposits and provide for periodic rent adjustments according to the then prevailing market conditions. Rental income recognised by the Group during the year was HK\$981,000 (2019: HK\$444,000), details of which are included in note 5 to the financial statements.

At 31 December 2020, the undiscounted lease receivables by the Group in future periods under non-cancellable operating leases with its tenants are as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Within one year  After one year but within two years	984 1,330	1,267 962
	2,314	2,229

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#### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January	29,945	10,655
Additions	7,106	-
Transfer from owner-occupied property (note 14(a))	_	15,032
Fair value upon reclassification from property, plant and equipment	_	4,631
Net gain/(loss) from fair value adjustments (note 6)	(1,957)	102
Exchange realignment	1,773	(475)
Carrying amount at 31 December	36,867	29,945

The Group's investment properties as of 31 December 2020 consisted of 2 (2019: 2) commercial properties in Mainland China and 1 industrial property (2019: Nil) in Hong Kong, which are held under medium to long term leases. The Directors have determined that during the year ended 31 December 2020, the investment properties consisted of 2 classes (2019: 1 class) of assets, i.e., commercial and industrial (2019: commercial), based on the nature, characteristics and risks of each property.

The Group's investment properties were revalued on 31 December 2020 based on valuations performed by RHL Appraisal Limited, independent professionally qualified valuers, at HK\$36,867,000 (2019: HK\$29,945,000).

Each year, the Group's senior finance director decides, after approval from the directors, to appoint which external valuers to be responsible for the external valuations of the Group's properties. Selection criteria include market knowledge, reputation, independence and whether professional standards are maintained. The Group's finance director has discussions with the valuers on the valuation assumptions and valuation results once a year when the valuation is performed for annual financial reporting.

The investment properties are leased to third parties under operating leases, further details of which are included in note 14(b).

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# 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

### Fair value hierarchy

The following table illustrates the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's investment properties:

	Fair value m Quoted price in active markets (Level 1) HK\$'000	easurement as Significant observable inputs (Level 2) HK\$'000	at 31 December Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) HK\$'000	2020 using Total HK\$'000
Recurring fair value measurement for: Commercial properties Industrial property	- -	- -	30,367 6,500	30,367 6,500
	-	-	36,867	36,867

	Fair value m	easurement as a	t 31 December 20	19 using
	Quoted price	Significant	Significant	
	in active	observable	unobservable	
	markets	inputs	inputs	
	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Recurring fair value measurement for:				
Commercial properties	_	_	29,945	29,945

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### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

### Fair value hierarchy (Continued)

Reconciliation of fair value measurements categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy:

#### 31 December 2020

	Commercial properties HK\$'000	Industrial property HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Carrying amount at beginning of the year Additions Net losses from fair value adjustments <i>(note 6)</i>	29,945 - (1,351)	- 7,106 (606)	29,945 7,106 (1,957)
Exchange realignment	1,773		1,773
Carrying amount at end of the year	30,367	6,500	36,867

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	Commercial properties HK\$'000
Carrying amount at beginning of the year	10,655
Transfer from owner-occupied property (note 14(a))	15,032
Fair value upon reclassification from property, plant and equipment	4,631
Net gain from fair value adjustments (note 6)	102
Exchange realignment	(475)
Carrying amount at end of the year	29,945

In the prior year, certain buildings with a carrying amount of HK\$15,032,000 were transferred from property, plant and equipment as a result of change in use from owner-occupied to investment properties for rental purposes (note 14(a)). Such buildings were revalued as at the date of transfer at HK\$19,663,000 with a fair value gain of HK\$4,631,000.

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### 15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

#### Fair value hierarchy (Continued)

Below is a summary of the valuation techniques used and the key inputs to the valuation of investment properties:

	Valuation techniques	Significant unobservable inputs	Range or weighted average	Sensitivity of fair value to the input
Commercial	Direct comparison method	Estimated market value (per square foot)	HK\$5,961 (2019: HK\$5,878)	5% increase/(decrease) in fair value would result in increase/(decrease) in fair value by HK\$1,518,000/ (HK\$1,518,000) (2019: HK\$1,497,000/ (HK\$1,497,000))
Industrial	Direct comparison method	Estimated market value (per square foot)	HK\$4,996 (2019: Nil)	5% increase/(decrease) in fair value would result in increase/ (decrease) in fair value by HK\$325,000/ (HK\$325,000) (2019: Nil)

Under the direct comparison method, fair value is estimated by making reference to the comparable market transactions as available. This method involves the identification of the highest and best use of the properties, identification of comparable sales and adjustment of the comparable sales values to reflect their superior and inferior characteristics to the investment properties held by the Group. Factors to be considered in making the adjustments include the size, shape topography and location of the comparable sales.

The key input was the market price per square foot, which a significant increase/decrease in the market price would result in a significant increase/decrease in the fair value of the investment properties.

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# 16. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Licenses HK\$'000
31 December 2020	
At 1 January 2020	1,167
Amortisation provided during the year (note 6)	(155)
At 31 December 2020, net of accumulated amortisation	1,012
At 31 December 2020	
Cost	1,698
Accumulated amortisation	(686)
Net carrying amount	1,012
31 December 2019	
At 1 January 2019	400
Addition	921
Amortisation provided during the year (note 6)	(154)
	4.467
At 31 December 2019, net of accumulated amortisation	1,167
At 31 December 2019	
Cost	1,698
Accumulated amortisation	(531)
Net carrying amount	1,167

# 17. INVENTORIES

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Food and beverages, and other operating items for restaurant operations	78,800	77,097

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#### 18. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	2020	2019
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Trade receivables	24,331	24,503

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on cash and credit card settlement. The credit period is generally one to two months. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over its trade receivable balances. Trade receivables are non-interest-bearing.

An ageing analysis of the trade receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Within 1 month	17,316	18,356
1 to 2 months	4,036	4,418
2 to 3 months	677	287
Over 3 months	2,302	1,442
	24,331	24,503

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure expected credit losses. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments with similar loss patterns (i.e., by geographical region and customer type and rating). The calculation reflects the probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions. Generally, trade receivables are written off if past due for more than one year and are not subject to enforcement activity.

The Group applies the simplified approach to provide for expected credit losses prescribed by HKFRS 9 which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for all trade receivables. The expected credit loss rate for the Group's trade receivables is minimal for all bands of trade receivables.

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### 19. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Prepayments Deposits and other receivables	76,830 195,130	67,987 187,514
Less: Non-current portion	271,960 (141,244)	255,501 (143,425)
Current portion	130,716	112,076

None of the above assets is either past due or impaired. The financial assets included in the above balances relate to receivables for which there was no recent history of default.

Deposits and other receivables mainly represent rental deposits and deposits with suppliers. Where applicable, an impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date by applying a loss rate approach with reference to the historical loss record of the Group. The loss rate is adjusted to reflect the current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions, as appropriate.

The expected credit losses for the Group's deposits and other receivables are assessed to be minimal. The financial assets included in the above balance related to receivables for which there was no recent history of default and past due amounts as at 31 December 2020 and 2019.

#### 20. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Cash and bank balances Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of less than	179,015	307,457
three months when acquired  Non-pledged time deposits with original maturity of more than	371,190	403,622
three months when acquired	11,876	_
Cash and cash equivalents	562,081	711,079

The cash and bank balances of the Group denominated in Renminbi ("RMB") as at 31 December 2020 amounted to approximately HK\$65,967,000 (2019: HK\$48,391,000). The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Short term time deposits are made for varying periods of between 15 days and one year depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the respective short term time deposit rates. The bank balances are deposited with creditworthy banks with no recent history of default. The carrying amounts of the cash and cash equivalents approximate to their fair values.

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### 21. TRADE PAYABLES

An ageing analysis of the trade payables based on the invoice date as at the end of the reporting period, is as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Within 1 month	75,729	82,969
1 to 2 months	10,256	22,409
2 to 3 months	849	4,781
Over 3 months	5,101	10,452
	91,935	120,611

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled on 30-day to 120-day terms.

### 22. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Other payables and accruals	231,230	205,610
Deposits received	380	622
Provision for reinstatement costs	50,775	47,517
	282,385	253,749
Less: Non-current portion	(33,589)	(37,325)
Current portion	248,796	216,424

Other payables are non-interest-bearing and have an average term of 30 days to 90 days.

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### 22. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS (Continued)

Note:

The movements in the provision for reinstatement costs during the year are as follows:

	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2019	42,132
Addition during the year	7,032
Utilised during the year	(1,510)
Exchange realignment	(137)
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	47,517
Addition during the year	5,353
Utilised during the year	(2,250)
Exchange realignment	155
At 31 December 2020	50,775

Pursuant to the terms of the respective tenancy agreements entered into by the Group, the Group is required to return its leased properties to the conditions as stipulated in the tenancy agreements at the expiration of the corresponding lease term as appropriate. The provision for reinstatement costs was estimated based on certain assumptions and estimates made by the Group's management with reference to historical reinstatement costs and/or other available market information. The estimation basis is reviewed on an ongoing basis and revised where appropriate.

#### 23. CONTRACT LIABILITIES

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Contract liabilities in relation to cash coupons	77,847	83,897

The contract liabilities represent the aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to the performance obligations that are unsatisfied in relation to the unredeemed cash coupons outstanding as of the end of the reporting period. The Group expects the transaction price allocated to the unsatisfied performance obligations to be recognised as revenue when the related cash coupons are redeemed.

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# 23. CONTRACT LIABILITIES (Continued)

The following table shows the revenue recognised during the year related to contract liabilities carried forward:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liabilities 1 January  – Restaurant operations	64,026	56,227

The following table shows unsatisfied performance obligations as at the end of the year resulting from restaurant operations.

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Expected to be recognised within one year  – Restaurant operations	77,847	83,897

### 24. INTEREST-BEARING BANK BORROWINGS

		2020	As at 31 [	December	2019	
	Effective interest rate per		11/2/000	Effective interest rate per	Matrigity	LING 1000
	annum	Maturity	HK\$'000	annum	Maturity	HK\$'000
Current Bank loans – secured	1.7%	2021	24,230	3.2%-4.2%	2020	137,613
Non-current Bank loans – secured	1.7%	2022-2033	54,545	3.2%-4.2%	2021-2033	169,849
			78,775			307,462

### 24. INTEREST-BEARING BANK BORROWINGS (Continued)

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Analysed into:		
Bank loans repayable:		
Within one year or on demand	24,230	137,613
In the second year	4,302	41,726
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	13,348	84,630
Beyond five years	36,895	43,493
	78,775	307,462

#### Notes:

- All of the Group's bank loans were secured by property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets of HK\$253,043,000 (2019: HK\$262,615,000) as at 31 December 2020.
- (b) All borrowings are in Hong Kong dollars.
- (c) There are no on demand clauses included in the loan facilities and the amounts repayable also represented the amounts based on the maturities of the bank loans.

### 25. DEFERRED TAX

The movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the years are as follows:

#### **Deferred tax assets**

	Tax losses HK\$'000	Decelerated tax depreciation HK\$'000	Right-of-use assets HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2019 Deferred tax credited/(charged) to	1,150	12,072	23,644	36,866
profit or loss during the year (note 11) Exchange realignment	226 (72)	2,200 –	(17,689) –	(15,263) (72)
At 31 December 2019 and				
1 January 2020 Deferred tax credited to profit or	1,304	14,272	5,955	21,531
loss during the year <i>(note 11)</i> Exchange realignment	3,657 116	670 -	4,588 415	8,915 531
At 31 December 2020	5,077	14,942	10,958	30,977

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# 25. DEFERRED TAX (Continued)

### **Deferred tax liabilities**

	Withholding taxes HK\$'000	Accelerated tax depreciation HK\$'000	Others HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2019 Deferred tax charged/(credited) to	4,797	2,401	461	7,659
profit or loss during the year <i>(note 11)</i> Exchange realignment	(1,281) (58)	1,102 -	1,524 (9)	1,345 (67)
At 31 December 2019 and				
1 January 2020 Deferred tax charged/(credited) to	3,458	3,503	1,976	8,937
profit or loss during the year <i>(note 11)</i> Exchange realignment	306 110	729 	(532)	503 107
At 31 December 2020	3,874	4,232	1,441	9,547

For presentation purposes, certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset in the statement of financial position. The following is an analysis of the deferred tax balances of the Group for financial reporting purposes:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Net deferred tax assets recognised in the consolidated		
statement of financial position	26,311	21,174
Net deferred tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position	(4,881)	(8,580)
	21,430	12,594

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### 25. DEFERRED TAX (Continued)

The Group had unrecognised tax losses arising in Hong Kong of approximately HK\$71,235,000 as at 31 December 2020 (2019: HK\$47,768,000), that are available indefinitely for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose. The Group had unrecognised tax losses arising in Mainland China, Macau and Taiwan of approximately HK\$179,440,000, HK\$11,605,000 and HK\$3,145,000 as at 31 December 2020 (2019: HK\$127,032,000, HK\$4,655,000 and nil), that will expire in five, three and ten years for offsetting against future taxable profits of the companies in which the losses arose, respectively. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these losses as, in the opinion of the directors, they have arisen in subsidiaries that have been loss-making for some time and it is not certain that taxable profits will be available against which the tax losses can be utilised.

Pursuant to the PRC Corporate Income Tax Law, a 5% withholding tax is levied on dividends declared to foreign investors from the foreign investment enterprises established in Mainland China.

At 31 December 2020 and 2019, deferred tax has been recognised for withholding taxes that would be payable on the unremitted earnings of the Group's subsidiaries established in Mainland China that are subject to withholding taxes.

There are no income tax consequences attaching to the payment of dividends by the Company to its shareholders.

#### 26. ISSUED CAPITAL

	Number of shares	Share capital HK\$'000
Authorised:		
At 1 January 2019	38,000,000	380
Increase of authorised share capital with par value of HK\$0.01 each on 22 May 2019 (note a)	9,962,000,000	99,620
As at 31 December 2019, 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2020	10,000,000,000	100,000

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### 26. ISSUED CAPITAL (Continued)

	Number of shares	Share capital HK\$'000
Issued and fully paid:		
At 1 January 2019	100,000	1
Capitalisation of shares (note b)	749,900,000	7,499
Shares issued pursuant to the share offer (note c)	250,000,000	2,500
As at 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020 Share options exercised (note d)	1,000,000,000	10,000 19
As at 31 December 2020	1,001,873,000	10,019

#### Notes:

- (a) On 22 May 2019, the shareholders of the Company resolved to increase the authorised share capital of the Company from HK\$380,000 to HK\$100,000,000 by the creation of 9,962,000,000 additional shares, each ranking pari passu in all respects with the Company's shares then in issue.
- (b) Pursuant to the written resolutions passed on 22 May 2019, the directors were authorised to capitalise a sum of HK\$7,499,000 from the amount standing to the credit of the share premium account of the Company and applied such amount to pay up in full at par of 749,900,000 ordinary shares of the Company upon the listing of the shares of the Company on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange on 13 June 2019.
- (c) The Company's shares were listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange on 13 June 2019, and 250,000,000 ordinary shares were issued at HK\$3.0 per share on 13 June 2019 in connection with the listing of the Company. HK\$26,513,000 of the listing expenses for the listing of the Company's shares were debited to the share premium account, as disclosed in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.
- (d) During the year ended 31 December 2020, the subscription rights attaching to 1,873,000 share options were exercised at the subscription price of HK\$0.45 per share, resulting in the issue of 1,873,000 shares for a total cash consideration, before expenses, of approximately HK\$842,850. An amount of HK\$4,343,000 was transferred from the share option reserve to share premium upon the exercise of the share options.

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#### 27. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES

#### (a) Post-IPO Share Option Scheme

The Company operates a post-IPO share option scheme (the "Post-IPO Share Option Scheme") for the purpose of motivating eligible persons to optimise their performance and efficiency for the benefit of the Group and to attract and retain or otherwise maintain ongoing relationships with such eligible persons whose contributions are expected to be/will be beneficial to the Group. The Post-IPO Share Option Scheme was approved and conditionally adopted by the Shareholders on 22 May 2019 (the "Adoption Date") and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years commencing on the effective date of the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme.

The maximum number of shares in respect of which options may be granted under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and any other schemes involving the issue or grant of options or similar rights over shares or other securities by the Company shall not, in aggregate, exceed 10% of the issued share capital of the Company as at the Listing Date (without taking into account the shares which may be issued and allotted pursuant to the exercise of the over-allotment option and the options which may be or have been granted under the Pre-IPO share option scheme and the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme) unless shareholders' approval has been obtained.

The maximum number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all outstanding options granted and yet to be exercised under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and any other schemes must not, in aggregate, exceed 10% of the issued share capital of the Company from time to time. No options may be granted under any schemes of the Company (including the share option scheme) if this will result in the said 10% limit being exceeded.

The total number of shares issued and to be issued upon the exercise of the options granted to or to be granted to each eligible participant under the Share Option Scheme and any other schemes of the Group (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding options) in any 12-month period shall not exceed 1% of the shares of the Company in issue. Any grant of further share options above this limit shall be subject to certain requirements provided under the Listing Rules.

Any grant of options to a connected person under the Listing Rules must be approved in accordance with the requirements of the Listing Rules.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 in total by the grantee. The exercise period of the share options granted is determinable by the directors and ends on a date which is not later than 10 years from the date of offer of the share options.

The exercise price for any share under the Share Option Scheme shall be a price determined by the board of directors and notified to each grantee and shall not be less than the highest of (i) the closing price of a share as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheet on the date of grant of the relevant option, which must be a business day, (ii) an amount equivalent to the average of the closing prices of a share as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant of the relevant option and (iii) the nominal value of a share on the date of grant.

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### 27. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

#### (a) Post-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

Since the Adoption Date and up to 31 December 2020, no share options of the Company were granted, exercised, cancelled or lapsed under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme.

### (b) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme

The Company operates a Pre-IPO share option scheme (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") for the purpose of providing incentives and rewards to eligible participants who contribute to the success of the Group's operations. Eligible participants of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme include the senior management and employees of the Group. The Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme was approved and conditionally adopted by the Shareholders on 22 May 2019 and, unless otherwise cancelled or amended, will remain in force for 10 years from the effective date of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme.

There were 6,375,000 outstanding share options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme as at 31 December 2019, 1,873,000 share options were exercised during the year ended 31 December 2020, and there were 4,502,000 outstanding share options as at 31 December 2020.

Share options do not confer rights on the holders to dividends or to vote at shareholders' meetings.

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# 27. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

### **(b) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme** (Continued)

The following share options were outstanding under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme during the year:

Participants	Date of grant	Fair value of the Company's shares at grant date of options (HK\$)	Exercise price per share (HK\$)	Outstanding as at 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	Exercised during the year	Outstanding as at 31 December 2020	Exercise period
Senior management							
Mr. Wong King Pong							
Edmond	22 May 2019	2.31	0.45	180,000	(180,000)	-	Note (i)
	22 May 2019	2.24	0.45	180,000	-	180,000	Note (ii)
	22 May 2019	2.19	0.45	240,000	-	240,000	Note (iii)
Ms. Zhou Yuewu	22 May 2019	2.31	0.45	180,000	(180,000)	-	Note (i)
	22 May 2019	2.24	0.45	180,000	-	180,000	Note (ii)
	22 May 2019	2.19	0.45	240,000	-	240,000	Note (iii)
Other grantees							
Employees	22 May 2019	2.32	0.45	1,552,500	(1,513,000)	39,500	Note (i)
, ,	22 May 2019	2.25	0.45	1,552,500	-	1,552,500	Note (ii)
	22 May 2019	2.19	0.45	2,070,000	-	2,070,000	Note (iii)
Total for the Pre-IPO							
Share Option Scheme				6,375,000	(1,873,000)	4,502,000	

Since the date of grant and up to 31 December 2020, no share options were cancelled, lapsed, forfeited or expired under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme.

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### 27. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

### (b) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)

Notes for exercise period:

- (i) on the first anniversary of the Listing Date (the "First Exercisable Date"), 30% of the Pre-IPO Share Options (the "First Batch Options") granted to an individual grantee was vested and became exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised First Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the First Exercisable Date.
- (ii) on the second anniversary of the Listing Date (the "Second Exercisable Date"), a further 30% of the Pre-IPO Share Options (the "Second Batch Options") granted to an individual grantee shall become vested in and exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised Second Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the Second Exercisable Date.
- (iii) on the third anniversary of the Listing Date (the "Third Exercisable Date"), the remaining 40% of the Pre-IPO Share Options (the "Third Batch Options") granted to an individual grantee shall become exercisable by such grantee, and all unexercised Third Batch Options shall lapse and be deemed as cancelled and void on the fifth anniversary date of the Third Exercisable Date.

The weighted average share price at the date of exercise for share options exercised during the year was HK\$1.43 per share (2019: No share options were exercised).

The fair value of the share options granted in 2019 was HK\$14,321,000, for which the Group recognised a share option expense of HK\$8,323,000 (2019: HK\$2,180,000) during the year ended 31 December 2020.

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### 27. SHARE OPTION SCHEMES (Continued)

#### (b) Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme (Continued)

The fair value of equity-settled share options granted during 2019 was estimated as at the date of grant using a binomial model, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The following table lists the inputs to the model used:

	2019
Dividend yield (%)	2.50
Expected volatility (%)	37.36
Risk-free interest rate (%)	2.06–2.12
Expected life of options (year)	6–8

The expected life of the options is based on the historical data over the past and is not necessarily indicative of the exercise patterns that may occur. The expected volatility reflects the assumption that the historical volatility is indicative of future trends, which may also not necessarily be the actual outcome.

The 1,873,000 share options exercised during the year resulted in the issue of 1,873,000 ordinary shares of the Company and new share capital of HK\$18,730 (before issue expenses), as further detailed in note 26 to the financial statements.

At the end of the reporting period, the Company had 4,502,000 share options outstanding under the Scheme. The exercise in full of the outstanding share options would, under the present capital structure of the Company, result in the issue of 4,502,000 additional ordinary shares of the Company and additional share capital of HK\$45,020 (before issue expenses).

Subsequent to the end of the reporting period, on 28 February 2021, a total of 52,500 share options were forfeited for certain of the employees of the Group.

At the date of approval of these financial statements, the Company had 4,449,500 share options outstanding under the Scheme, which represented approximately 0.4% of the Company's shares in issue as at that date.

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#### 28. RESERVES

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein during the year are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

#### (a) Capital reserve

Capital reserve represents the contribution from an intermediate holding company with respect to the consideration for the acquisition of a subsidiary in prior years and the transfer from non-controlling interests upon the Group's acquisition of non-controlling interests on 27 December 2017.

### (b) Exchange fluctuation reserve

The exchange fluctuation reserve comprises all relevant exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations.

#### (c) Statutory reserve

In accordance with the Company law of the PRC, certain subsidiaries of the Group which are domestic enterprises are required to allocate 10% of their profit after tax, as determined in accordance with the relevant PRC accounting standards to their respective statutory reserve until the reserve reaches 50% of their respective registered capital. Subject to certain restrictions set out in the Company law of the PRC, part of the statutory reserve may be converted to increase share capital, provided that the remaining balance after the capitalisation is not less than 25% of the restricted capital.

#### 29. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

#### (a) Major non-cash transactions

- (i) The Group recognised estimated obligations to dismantle, remove and restore certain items of property, plant and equipment of HK\$5,353,000 (2019: HK\$7,032,000) in respect of the premises under operating leases in the Group's property, plant and equipment which had been recorded under other payables and accruals.
- (ii) During the year, the Group had non-cash additions to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities of HK\$463,049,000 (2019: HK\$583,633,000) and HK\$463,049,000 (2019: HK\$564,289,000), respectively, in respect of lease arrangements for leased assets.
- (iii) During the year, the Group had non-cash lease modification to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities of HK\$41,687,000 (2019: HK\$31,906,000) and HK\$41,687,000 (2019: HK\$31,906,000), respectively, in respect of lease arrangements for leased assets.

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# 29. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

### (b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

	Lease liabilities HK\$'000	Interest- bearing bank borrowings HK\$'000
At 1 January 2019 (restated) Changes from financing cash flows	1,402,164 (399,639)	537,159 (229,697)
New leases (note 14(b)(ii)) Revision of lease terms arising from changes in the non-cancellable period of lease (note 14(b)(ii)) Foreign exchange movement Interest expense (note 8)	31,906 (7,865) 40,398	- - -
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	1,631,253	307,462
Changes from financing cash flows  New leases (note 14(b)(ii))  Foreign exchange movement	(409,404) 463,049 26,744	(228,687) - -
Interest expense (note 8)  Covid-19-related rent concessions from lessors (note 6)  Reassessment of lease terms arising from decisions	38,817 (56,246)	-
not to exercise the extension option (note 14(b)(ii)) Revision of lease terms arising from changes in the non-cancellable period of lease (note 14(b)(ii))	(68,234) (41,687)	
At 31 December 2020	1,584,292	78,775

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#### 30. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the end of the reporting period, contingent liabilities not provided for were as follows:

	As at 31 December		
	2020	2019	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Bank guarantees in favour of landlords in lieu of deposits	40,108	23,618	

#### 31. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) In addition to the transactions detailed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with related parties during the year:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Rental expenses paid to related companies (note)	6,331	11,300

Note:

Rental expenses paid to related companies were for properties leased from related companies for restaurant operations and staff quarters based on rates determined between the parties, which approximated to market rates.

The transactions were conducted on terms and conditions mutually agreed between the relevant parties. The directors are of the opinion that those related party transactions were conducted in the ordinary course of business of the Group.

### (b) Commitments with related parties

During the year, certain subsidiaries of the Group entered into lease agreements with related companies, which are controlled by certain directors of the Company, to lease the investment properties for the Group's restaurant operations and staff quarters. The amounts of rental expenses paid to the related companies are included in note 31(a) to the financial statements. The leases are negotiated for one to three years with a one-month notice period for termination.

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had outstanding future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases for such properties owned by related companies amounting to HK\$9,920,000 (2019: HK\$11,703,000) for the properties owned by related companies.

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### 31. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

### (c) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Short-term employee benefits Post-employment benefits	23,887 138	24,676 211
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	24,025	24,887

The compensation of key management personnel of the Group for each reporting period included emoluments of the directors and the five highest paid employees as disclosed in notes 9 and 10, respectively.

### 32. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Contracted, but not provided for:  Leasehold improvements and plant and machinery	26,187	25,274

### 33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of the Group's financial instruments as at 31 December 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

#### **Financial assets**

	Financial assets at amortised costs		
	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	
As at 31 December 2020			
Trade receivables	24,331	24,503	
Financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and			
other receivables (note 19)	195,130	187,514	
Cash and cash equivalents	562,081	711,079	
	781,542	923,096	

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### 33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (Continued)

#### Financial liabilities

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost		
	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	
Trade payables Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals Interest-bearing bank borrowings Lease liabilities	91,935 282,005 78,775 1,584,292	120,611 253,127 307,462 1,631,253	
	2,037,007	2,312,453	

#### 34. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, trade payables, interest-bearing bank borrowings, financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables and financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

The fair values of non-current other receivables and interest-bearing bank borrowings have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities, and were assessed to approximate to their carrying amounts.

The Group's finance department is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments. The finance department reports directly to the directors. At each reporting date, the finance department analyses the movements in the values of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation. The valuation is reviewed and approved by the directors.

The fair values of the financial assets and liabilities are included at the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

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### 35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise cash and cash equivalents and interest-bearing bank borrowings. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the Group's operations. The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade receivables, other receivables, trade payables and other payables, which arise directly from the Group's operations.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are foreign currency risk, interest rate risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The board of directors reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

#### Foreign currency risk

The Group has transactional currency exposures. Such exposures arise from sales or purchases by operating units in currencies other than the units' functional currencies.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity at the end of the each of the years to a reasonably possible change in the Hong Kong dollar exchange rate, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's profit before tax (due to changes in the fair value of monetary assets and liabilities) and the Group's equity.

	Increase/ (decrease) in exchange rate %	Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax HK\$'000	Increase/ (decrease) in equity* HK\$'000
As at 31 December 2020  If Renminbi weakens against HK\$  If Renminbi strengthens against HK\$	10	(410)	-
	10	410	-
As at 31 December 2019  If Renminbi weakens against HK\$  If Renminbi strengthens against HK\$	10	(683)	-
	10	683	-

Excluding retained profits

#### Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to the Group's short term and long term debt obligations with floating interest rates. The Group's policy is to manage its interest cost using variable rate debts, which are regularly reviewed by senior management.

As at 31 December 2020, if the interest rates on borrowings had been 50 basis points higher, which was considered reasonably possible by management, with all other variables held constant, the profit before tax for the year would have been approximately HK\$966,000 (2019: HK\$2,112,000) lower as a result of higher interest expenses on interest-bearing bank borrowings.

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### 35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Credit risk**

The Group has applied the simplified approach to providing for impairment for expected credit losses ("ECLs") prescribed by HKFRS 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected loss provision for impairment of all trade receivables. To measure the ECLs, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. The ECLs also incorporate forward looking information.

Management considered that no provision for impairment of trade receivables is necessary for the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019.

All of the current portions of the other receivable balances and cash and cash equivalents are expected to be recovered within one year.

#### Liquidity risk

The Group monitors its risk to a shortage of funds using a recurring liquidity planning tool. This tool considers the maturity of both its financial instruments and financial assets and projected cash flows from operations. The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of bank loans and funds generated from operations.

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities as at the end of the reporting period, based on the contractual and undiscounted payments, is as follows:

	Within 1 year HK\$'000	2 to 5 years HK\$'000	Beyond 5 years HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As at 24 December 2020				
As at 31 December 2020				
Trade payables	91,935	-	-	91,935
Financial liabilities included in				
other payables and accruals	248,416	33,589	-	282,005
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	25,228	20,799	39,227	85,254
Lease liabilities	558,431	1,073,493	63,282	1,695,206
	924,010	1,127,881	102,509	2,154,400
As at 31 December 2019				
Trade payables	120,611	_	_	120,611
Financial liabilities included in	,			,
other payables and accruals	215,802	37,325	_	253,127
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	144,926	140,168	51,546	336,640
Lease liabilities	550,863	1,171,472	146,361	1,868,696
Ecase habilities	330,003	1,171,472	140,501	1,000,000
	1,032,202	1,348,965	197,907	2,579,074

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### 35. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (Continued)

#### **Capital management**

The primary objectives of the Group's capital management are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders and return capital to shareholders. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the years.

The Group monitors capital using a gearing ratio which is net debt divided by capital plus net debt. Net debt includes interest-bearing bank borrowings, contract liabilities, trade payables, other payables and accruals, less cash and cash equivalents. Capital represents the equity attributable to owners of the Company. The gearing ratios as at the end of the reporting periods were as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
Trade payables	91,935	120,611
Other payables and accruals	282,385	253,749
Contract liabilities	77,847	83,897
Interest-bearing bank borrowings	78,775	307,462
Lease liabilities	1,584,292	1,631,253
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(562,081)	(711,079)
Net debt	1,553,153	1,685,893
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	1,077,460	966,721
Capital and net debt	2,630,613	2,652,614
Gearing ratio	59.0%	63.6%

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### 36. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

Information about the statement of financial position of the Company at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSET		
Investments in subsidiaries	_*	_*
Total non-current asset	_*	_*
CURRENT ACCETC		
CURRENT ASSETS  Due from a subsidiary	488,637	271,964
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	312	1,175
Cash and cash equivalents	324,448	455,771
Total current assets	813,397	728,910
CURRENT LIABILITY		
Accruals and other payables	217	
Total a susse Pala Pi	247	
Total current liability	217	_
NET CURRENT ASSETS	813,180	728,910
Net assets	813,180	728,910
TVCL dasets	013,100	720,510
EQUITY		
Issued capital	10,019	10,000
Reserves (note)	803,161	718,910
Total equity	813,180	728,910

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

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### 36. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Note:

A summary of the Company's reserves is as follows:

	Share	Share option	Retained	
	premium	reserve	profits	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2019	_	_	32	32
Profit for the year	_	_	75,610	75,610
Issue of new shares pursuant to the capitalisation	(7,499)	_	_	(7,499)
New shares issued pursuant to the share offer	747,500	_	_	747,500
Share issuance cost	(26,513)	_	_	(26,513)
Equity-settled share option arrangement (note 27(b))	_	2,180	_	2,180
Dividends	_	_	(72,400)	(72,400)
At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020	713,488	2,180	3,242	718,910
Profit for the year	-	-	106,123	106,123
Equity-settled share option arrangement (note 27(b))	-	8,323	_	8,323
Issue of shares	5,167	(4,343)	-	824
Dividends	-	-	(31,019)	(31,019)
At 31 December 2020	718,655	6,160	78,346	803,161

### 37. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 25 March 2021.

# **FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

A summary of the results and of the assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the published audited financial statements, is set out below.

### **RESULTS**

	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
REVENUE	2,797,923	3,252,250	3,126,053	2,771,277	2,512,970
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	121,301	116,762	357,676	270,541	247,732
Income tax expense	(3,539)	(39,595)	(52,742)	(60,908)	(50,853)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	117,762	77,167	304,934	209,633	196,879
Profit attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	118,959	76,864	304,934	115,682	108,644
Non-controlling interests	(1,197)	303	_	93,951	88,235
	117,762	77,167	304,934	209,633	196,879

# ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS

	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
TOTAL ASSETS TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,214,627	3,404,749	1,399,207	1,734,387	2,246,800
	2,131,615	2,433,895	1,033,162	1,536,727	1,380,750
	1,083,012	970,854	366,045	197,660	866,050
EQUITY: Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	1,077,460	966,721	366,045	197,660	477,912
	5,552	4,133	–	–	388,138
	1,083,012	970,854	366,045	197,660	866,050