



# ESTABLISHING OUR FOOTPRINTS IN ASIA



Amara Holdings Limited  
Annual Report 2016





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Amara Signature Shanghai

# AMARA VISION

Sharing a common vision and an identical set of values, we strive to deliver a brand experience unique to Amara in our three interrelated core businesses.

The Amara vision is to be recognised as a leading Asian integrated lifestyle group, with premium brands that exude the value, quality and style of our product offerings, and a warm and personalised service that goes beyond the expectations of our customers.

## Our Core Values

allow us to embody the innovative and creative spirit, daring to dream and constantly keeping up with trends. We are committed to providing a quality and superior integrated lifestyle product, delivered with the utmost professionalism and that special touch of Asian hospitality.

## Our Ultimate Goal

is to maintain excellence in all that we do, and offer long term benefits to our shareholders, our customers and our employees.

## Our Greatest Asset

is our people. We value their contributions and are dedicated to training and bringing out the best in our people.

# AMARA BRAND



AMARA HOLDINGS LIMITED

A home-grown integrated lifestyle group principally engaged in three business areas, namely, hotel investment and management, property investment and development, and specialty restaurants and food services.



## Amara Hotels & Resorts



Amara presents the world with a fresh approach to luxury hotels and resorts. We promise to enrich, fulfill and inspire our guests with individual experiences that are cherished and memorable. We are the creator of special moments and unique memories.

Our Special Moments  
Make Memories.



## Amara Signature



Amara Signature Hotels are stylish contemporary Asian luxury city hotels, offering a unique environment in which to relax or do business. Amara Signature Hotels bring together the best contemporary architecture and state-of-the-art facilities in a prominent city location, where guests will find stylish interiors, world class service and an experience as individual as you.



## Amara Hotels



Amara Hotels are contemporary Asian business hotels offering a friendly environment in which to relax or do business. Amara Hotels offer the latest business hotel facilities in a convenient city location, where guests will find stylish interiors, world class service and an experience as individual as you.



## Amara Sanctuary



Amara Sanctuary Resorts are contemporary Asian luxury resort hotels in exotic locations offering a unique environment to relax and rejuvenate.

Amara Sanctuary Resorts blend tradition with modernity and offer sensory experiences in an intimate setting. Spaces are surprising, the service is world class and the experience is as individual as you.



## Thanying



At Thanying Restaurant, we offer you a unique taste of rich, exquisite and Royal Thai cuisine. Within a uniquely Thai ambience, and distinctly Thai service, Thanying Restaurant relives the culinary past when only the most exquisite morsels were prepared and presented with the pomp and richness deserving of royalty.



## Silk Road



Experience first-hand the cuisine of the Silk Road where Marco Polo first discovered Asia and where the finest dishes from the orient are created by master chefs.

Showcasing the very best of provincial Chinese cuisine, our show kitchen allows you to be a part of the action – a truly individual experience.



SHOWCASING  
THE AMARA  
EXPERIENCE







# OUR BUSINESS PORTFOLIO



## HOTEL INVESTMENT AND MANAGEMENT



### Amara Singapore

Our flagship city centre hotel, Amara Singapore, is conveniently located next to Tanjong Pagar MRT Station in the thriving Central Business District. Amara Singapore is easily accessible by major transportation modes and is within walking distance to the fascinating Chinatown, the Tanjong Pagar Conservation District, graded office buildings, foreign and local banks, post offices, shops, as well as dining and entertainment establishments.

The 588-room Amara Singapore showcases special touches which include a lobby with a minimalist theme, a contemporary Balinese-style resort pool and a collection of chic restaurants including our iconic Silk Road and Thanying Restaurants. Complemented by a host of specially designed rooms, facilities and a spa, our valued guests can enjoy luxurious inner-city living at Amara Singapore.

Furthermore, the Grand Ballroom with a 500 auditorium style seating capacity as well as four function rooms cater to events of all scales, from weddings and social functions to meetings and exhibitions.

### *Element and Element on Tras Street*

This 163-seater restaurant and 18-seater bar was refurbished with a new concept in December 2013 and it garnered rave reviews for its chic interiors and integrated Food and Beverage experience comprising Amara Group's signature restaurant offerings from Silk Road, Thanying and Cafe Oriental as well as Spanish cuisines. A semi-private dining area creates a niche for private gatherings and events. With music and a creative bar concept, Element on Tras Street allows urbanites to chill and unwind with a wide selection of wine, novel cocktails, boutique beer and artisanal coffee blends.

### Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa

Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa, our very first boutique resort, provides the ultimate modern luxury in the quiet seclusion of an exotic tropical garden setting. Specially crafted for discerning individuals who appreciate a luxury retreat with a modern, yet natural twist, the resort offers a well appointed respite from the urban hustle, one imbued with the unique Amara touch. Set amidst lush tropical greenery overlooking the South China Sea and near the white sands of Palawan beach at Sentosa Island, Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa offers a unique combination of contemporary design and luxurious hotel facilities. Spacious and well-equipped, the resort promises an unadulterated charm that is all its own.

Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa is nestled beautifully on a hilltop, surrounded by 3.8 hectares of gardens and natural tropical rainforest. Its unique character is derived from an exotic blend of colonial architecture and modern design concepts, as well as comprehensive luxurious hotel facilities that come together to shape an ideal and individual resort experience for both business and leisure stay.

The resort's 140 beautifully designed guest rooms, Courtyard and Verandah suites, Larkhill Terrace suites as well as villas offer the ultimate in comfort, luxury living and state-of-the-art facilities. Each villa has a tropical fruit garden. Guests may also choose to stay in the privacy and tranquillity of the Courtyard and Verandah suites for a taste of contemporary colonial style. To complement the existing colonial architecture, the deluxe guest rooms are situated in a stylishly designed building that offers contemporary accommodation with superb views of the surrounding tropical landscape.

### Amara Bangkok

Amara Bangkok marks our first entry into the “Land of Smiles”. Located on Surawong Road, parallel to Silom and Sathorn Roads, Amara Bangkok is situated in one of the most vibrant areas in Bangkok, an area known for its rich and colourful local entertainment and shopping activities as well as the financial district of Bangkok.

This 250-room hotel in Bangkok is designed as an exciting business and leisure hotel. Guests can enjoy Amara’s signature cuisines in the chic Element restaurant, a tranquil sunset bar by the rooftop pool, a lobby bar and comprehensive MICE facilities, as well as a 24-hour gymnasium with a view.

With Amara Bangkok’s strategic location, there is easy access to and from Suvarnabhumi International Airport, bringing convenience to tourists and business travellers alike. Amara Bangkok commenced operations in 2015.

### Amara Signature Shanghai

Located at the junction of Jiaozhou Road and Changshou Road in Puxi, Shanghai, Amara Signature Shanghai is a mixed-use development that will comprise a 345-room hotel, retail centre and office building. Amara Signature Shanghai is expected to benefit from its strategic location within the city centre and capitalise on Shanghai’s renowned status as Asia’s leading business and financial centre.

Through the mixed-use development, Amara will introduce refreshing extravagance and variety to the Puxi region. Business travellers will be rejuvenated by a luxurious stay at the hotel. The retail centre will feature popular brands in food and beverages, entertainment and lifestyle and bring a variety of choices to the executives working around the area. Built to Grade A office specifications, the office building will offer a conducive environment for business operations.

Amara Signature Shanghai is scheduled to open in 2017.

## SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS AND FOOD SERVICES

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### Thanying Restaurant

Since its inception in 1988, Thanying Restaurant has devotedly created culinary history by offering the most exquisite Royal Thai cuisine fit for royalties. Meticulous effort is put into the preparation and the presentation of each dish. Moreover, each Thai Chef has his/her own area of specialty, trained in the tradition of Thai court cuisine. To top it off, Thanying’s most famous dessert buffet offers a grand finale after a sumptuous feast. It consists of delicious seasonal fruits that have been thoughtfully peeled and seeded, as well as traditional Thai sweets, all of which are beautifully presented at the counter decorated with delicately carved fruits skillfully executed by our Thai Chefs. The flagship Thanying Restaurant has a seating capacity of 164 and is located at Amara Singapore.

### Silk Road Restaurant

Established in November 2001 and located at Amara Singapore, the award-winning Silk Road Restaurant is a full service restaurant featuring selected cuisines that stretch along the historical Silk Road in China, namely, the provinces of Sichuan, Shaanxi, Liaoning and Beijing. A team of highly specialised and trained chefs ensure that the original unique flavour and taste of the dishes are maintained with the judicious use of specially imported spices and sauces. Whilst providing excellent service standards, the service staff are also knowledgeable about the culinary customs and history of the dishes served in the restaurant. Since its inception, the restaurant has won many accolades and rave reviews from discerning locals, tourists and Chinese expatriates alike, who are well-travelled in China and keen to enjoy authentic Chinese cuisine.

## PROPERTY INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

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### 100 AM

100 AM is a lifestyle mall located in the west end of the Central Business District and is well-positioned to benefit from the rejuvenation of the Tanjong Pagar district. This area is gradually being developed for inner-city living and displays much promise and growth with a cluster of high-end residential developments and hotel developments shaping up the vicinity.

100 AM opened in November 2012 to an overwhelming response from residents, office workers, professionals, business travellers and tourists in the precinct with its diverse and attractive retail mix. Anchor tenant FairPrice Finest offers shoppers a high standard of grocery shopping with a wide selection. Koufu Food Court as well as a line-up of restaurants and cafes, namely, Tsujiri Tea House, Imperial Treasure Noodle and Congee House, The Public Izakaya by Hachi, Pagi Sore Indonesian Restaurant, Grain Traders, Starbucks, Toast Box, Ya Kun Kaya Toast and others provide more dining options. Well-known lifestyle brands such as Strip & Browhaus add a vibrant buzz to 100 AM.

In 2016, Itadakimasu by PARCO, launched a new restaurant zone on Level 3 featuring Japanese restaurants.

A 12-storey office building, also known as 100 AM, is strategically accessible from within the shopping centre. With its convenient location at 100 Tras Street, it is a stroll away from the Tanjong Pagar MRT Station, and is easily accessible by bus or car. The office building is also located close to diverse amenities such as major local and foreign banks and post offices.

### M5

Cradled in the heart of the city, M5 is surrounded by commercial hubs and hipster hotspots. Encircled by a well-connected transport network, M5 is a few minutes' drive to Orchard Road, Singapore's premier shopping belt. It is also a stone's throw away from many prestigious educational institutions and suburban malls.

M5, a 12-storey freehold boutique development at 5 Jalan Mutiara, is designed by award-winning architect Mr Yip Yuen Hong of ip:li. Inspired by a gem's geometry, the sparkling architecture is characterised by an iconic diamond tip design at the base and artistically-random window sizes.

The 33-unit M5 offers an exquisite collection of 1- and 2-bedroom apartments as well as penthouses at the edge of Orchard Road, making it an investment and an abode a cut above the rest.

M5 is developed by TTH Development Pte Ltd, a subsidiary of Amara Holdings Limited.

### Killiney 118

Situated in the prime residential enclave of District 9, Killiney 118 is a six-storey freehold boutique development which comprises 30 units of 1- and 2-bedroom apartments, and appeals to singles and couples seeking the tranquillity in their homes and proximity to Orchard Road.

Developed by Creslin Pte Ltd, a subsidiary of Amara Holdings Limited, Killiney 118 is designed by an award-winning team of ip:li architects firm and Atelier Ikebuchi firm. The property's interior is furnished with quality fittings, featuring signature brands such as Miele and Grohe.

This uniquely exclusive boutique development features a rooftop swimming pool and barbecue pits, a fitness centre and a landscaped environment to create a tranquil haven within the city.

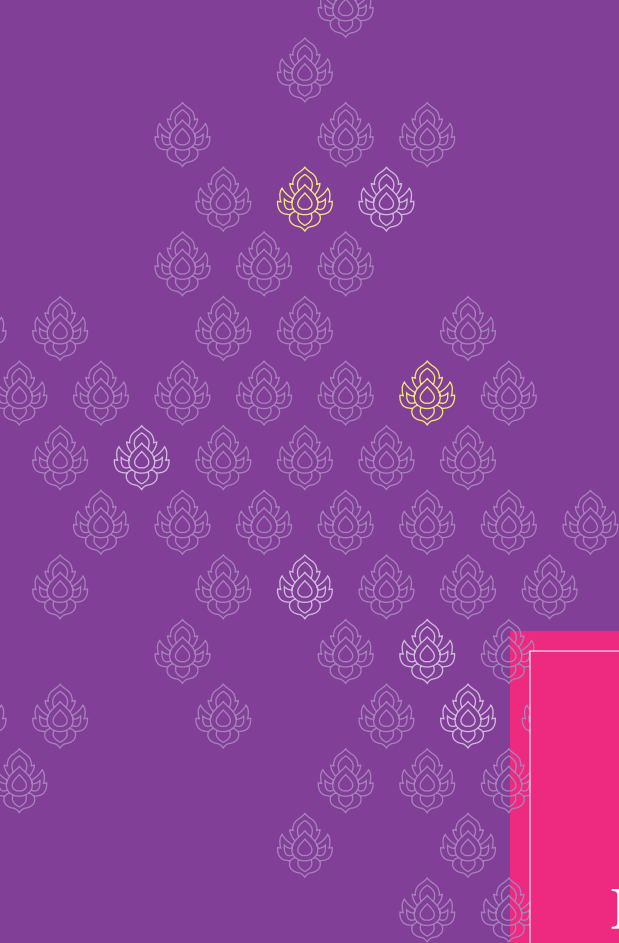
Killiney 118 won the 13th SIA Architecture Design Awards for Residential Projects in 2015 and Certificate of Appreciation Award for National Environment Agency's Skyrise Greenery Award 2013.

### CityLife@Tampines

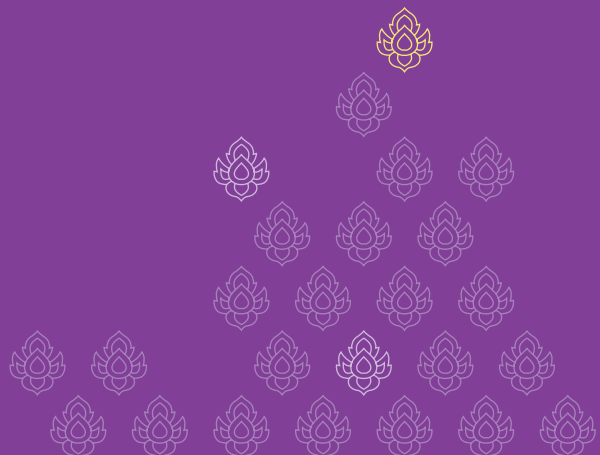
Singapore's first luxury hotel-inspired Executive Condominium obtained TOP on February 3, 2016. Jointly developed by Tampines EC Pte Ltd – a consortium comprising Amara Holdings Limited, Kay Lim Holdings Pte Ltd and SingHaiyi Group Ltd, the 514-unit Executive Condominium project was launched in November 2012, to tremendous success.

Offering 2/3/4/5-bedroom, dual-key, Skysuite and Penthouse units, CityLife@Tampines boasts a host of luxury hotel-inspired design features and services, including the home concierge service, a 100-metre infinity pool, resort-style landscaping (Bamboo Boulevard, three Aromatherapy Gardens, and six Sky Gardens at various altitudes), and designer-brand fittings and appliances. CityLife@Tampines offers a number of unique unit designs, such as Skysuites, which are exclusive 4- and 5-bedroom units with living/dining room that open out to a wrap-around open terrace. There are also 3- and 4-bedroom dual-key unit options.

CityLife@Tampines was awarded the BCA Green Mark Awards (Gold Plus) in 2013.



EXTENDING  
TRUE  
HOSPITALITY





# CEO'S MESSAGE



*FY2016 has been a challenging but interesting year for us at Amara. From a macro perspective, there have been many ground-shaking changes, with global uncertainties following political events like Brexit in the UK and elections in the US. Yet, looking back, we could see 2016 as a turnaround year for the economy as well as for us.*

*Albert Teo Hack Chuan*

The Singapore economy grew a robust 2.9%<sup>1</sup> in the fourth quarter of 2016, pulling full year growth to 2%, and beating the official forecast of 1% to 1.5%<sup>2</sup>. On the hospitality industry front, visitor arrivals and spending in Singapore hit a record high last year<sup>3</sup>, achieving 7.7% growth in number of visitors and 13.9% increase in tourism receipts, reversing the decline in 2015.

At Amara, revenue held steady in FY2016 at S\$81.3 million, as stronger growth in the Hotel Investment and Management segment made up for slower activities in Property Investment and Development. Net profit jumped 157% to S\$36.8 million due to the recognition of profit from the completion of our joint executive condominium development project – CityLife@Tampines.

In FY2016, Net Tangible Assets per share grew 7.9% to 64.75 Singapore cents. With a stable balance sheet, healthy gearing and a comfortable

debt headroom, we believe we are well-positioned to explore the opportunities of securing suitable projects, where we could add value through our branding, both locally and in the region.

## HOTEL INVESTMENT AND MANAGEMENT

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Singapore's tourism industry saw a cyclical recovery in 2016, buoyed by a return of Chinese visitors. Going forward, growth would likely be more muted. The Singapore Tourism Board (STB) expects visitor arrivals to post a growth of 0% to 2%, while tourism receipts are projected to grow by 1% to 4%<sup>3</sup> in 2017.

Our Hotel Investment and Management segment recorded growth amidst challenging conditions, driven by Amara Bangkok. Both Amara Singapore and Amara Sanctuary experienced commendable occupancy rates.

However, hotel rates were compressed, in line with the general hospitality industry. We are, nevertheless, cautiously optimistic that through refining our offerings in our two Singapore properties, we could grow at a faster rate than the industry benchmark.

At Amara Singapore, we are delighted to have received Halal certification for our Banquet / Events Kitchen. The idea, which was borne out of the need to cater to Halal dietary requirements during the 2015 SEA Games in April of 2015, became a reality in February of 2016. With a full-fledged Halal kitchen, this allows us to host Malay wedding events for the first time and opens up opportunities in the Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Events (MICE) market requiring Halal catering.

Meanwhile, we have refurbished our Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa to enhance its MICE infrastructure,



while retaining its contemporary design and resort vibes. We were honoured to be chosen by Deloitte University Asia Pacific as its permanent base, catering to the training needs of Deloitte employees in the region. This serves to solidify our position as a choice MICE destination and we look forward to catering to bigger events in the near future.

Amara Bangkok was our best performing hotel and achieved high occupancy during the year under review. We are extremely pleased with the warm reception to our first hotel in Thailand, which opened its doors to guests in 2015. Its chic ambience, strategic location in the heart of the city's most popular shopping and nightlife district, coupled with warm hospitality, are but some of its winning factors. We are encouraged by this good performance and will continue to upkeep our high standards to attract more guests, amidst a vibrant tourism market.

Indeed, tourism in Bangkok continued to experience a strong momentum in 2016, with a 9.8% increase in tourist arrivals to 17.3 million as at October 2016, compared to 19.4 million visitors for the whole of 2015<sup>4</sup>. Notably, the tourism sector for Thailand is set to generate over 2.58 trillion Baht (US\$73.7 billion), up 14 per cent over 2015<sup>5</sup>. We remain very optimistic of its growth impetus given that Thailand is recognised as one of the world's best travel destinations, recently topping the Mastercard Index of Global Destination Cities, beating 131 others in the 2016 listing.

Looking further north, we are excited with the opening of our first luxury brand, Amara Signature Shanghai, due to open in 2017. Strategically located at the junction of Jiaozhou Road and Changshou Road, this mixed-use development comprising a 343-room hotel, retail centre and office building, will feature great brands in food and beverages and entertainment as well as lifestyle retailers.

<sup>1</sup> Singapore economy grows 2% in 2016 after sharp uptick in Q4, 2017 forecast kept at 'modest' 1-3% – *The Straits Times*, February 17, 2017

<sup>2</sup> Economists slash GDP growth expectations once more – *The Business Times*, December 15, 2016

<sup>3</sup> Tourists spent record S\$24.8b in Singapore in 2016; arrivals also hit record high of 16.4m tourists – *The Straits Times*, February 14, 2017

<sup>4</sup> *Hotel Destinations Thailand* – JLL Hotels & Hospitality Group, January 2017

<sup>5</sup> Thailand tourism growth momentum to continue through to the last quarter of 2016 – *The Tourism Authority of Thailand*, September 1, 2016

Given that this is our first luxury brand, we have been even more stringent on design details and finishes to ensure perfection. As the saying goes, “all good things are worth the wait” and we look forward to its opening with much anticipation.

The impending opening of Amara Signature Shanghai is timely. Apart from its excellent location, the hotel is poised to benefit from the increase in tourist and corporate arrivals boosted by the opening of the Shanghai Disney Resort in mid-2016, as well as other iconic buildings including the National Exhibition and Convention Centre and Shanghai Tower. Shanghai Disney itself has already drawn six million visitors in the first seven months of operation. Overall, with Shanghai receiving 4.1 million international visitors YTD June 2016, representing a 4% year-on-year growth, Amara Signature Shanghai is well placed to benefit from this positive industry outlook.

Overall, for our Hotel Investment and Management segment, we continue to focus on productivity enhancements and cost management. Our award for Excellence in Hotel Sector in the Singapore Productivity Awards (SPA) 2016 for Amara Singapore is a testimony of our continuous efforts to leverage on technological advancements – including deploying Biometric Time Management

systems and our Mobile Banquet Floor Management project – to enhance operational efficiency. We will be gradually rolling out these initiatives to our other hotel properties. Ultimately, we would like to establish best-of-class systems across our hotels to allow scalability even as we seek opportunities to expand our footprints in the region and beyond.

## PROPERTY INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

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Our Property Investment and Development posted lower contribution largely due to the continued sluggish residential market in Singapore. According to latest statistics by the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA), home prices fell 3.1% in 2016<sup>6</sup>, posting 13 consecutive quarters of price declines.

In Property Development, we continue to seek opportunities where we could enhance the value of the properties. Our latest projects include amalgamating two freehold bungalow land at 29 and 31 Newton Road to redevelop it into a 5-storey residential development with 56 units, and a bungalow at 15 Bedok Avenue, which we intend to redevelop into 2 pairs of 5-storey semi-detached houses. This will enable us to maximise the usage of gross plot ratio and extract value for shareholders.



Meanwhile, we continue to market our boutique residential project, M5, at Jalan Mutiara. Sales have been slow, but we expect a gradual pick up in interest given its strategic location near the prime River Valley area.

Our commercial property, 100 AM in Tanjong Pagar, a lifestyle mall in the west end of Singapore’s CBD, welcomed a new anchor Japanese F&B concept – Itadakimasu by PARCO in 2016. This refreshing F&B concept featuring seven authentic Japanese restaurants within the 14,000 square feet space on 100 AM’s third level, officially launched on December 1, 2016. Its opening has injected an exciting buzz with its new-to-market Japanese F&B brands that appeal to trendy, inner-city urban shoppers and professionals working and residing in the vicinity.

Itadakimasu by PARCO is a good strategic fit with 100 AM and we will continue to rejuvenate our tenant mix and seek out unique retail, lifestyle and dining concepts to offer consumers a differentiated and integrated experience.







Amara Signature Shanghai

Our office tower, with its focus on healthcare services, remained resilient with good occupancy given its strategic location and niche positioning. Overseas, we look forward to the opening of Amara Signature Shanghai's office building which will strengthen our stable of recurring income with its Grade A office specifications and strategic location on Changshou Road, a quick 10-minute drive away from the prestigious Jing'an business and shopping district in West Shanghai.

To tide through the slowdown in the property cycle, we continue to maintain the fine balance of securing recurring income from our investments in commercial properties, while seeking potential opportunities in residential developments. For Property Development, we are on the constant lookout for suitable opportunities at the right locations, where we can develop attractive propositions based on our long-standing experience, not only as a property developer but also as a hotel and resort owner, to present a timeless product that would attract sophisticated buyers, even in slow markets.

As for Property Investment, we continue to refine our offerings to

ensure a stable income stream with opportunities for capital gains in an upcycle. We are also keeping an eye on opportunities in the region where we may leverage on our experience and financial strength to expand our property portfolio. In that aspect, our Amara Signature Shanghai's retail and office building is a first in property investment overseas.

### SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS AND FOOD SERVICES

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Our Specialty Restaurants and Food Services arm, which consists of two award-winning restaurant brands, Thanying Restaurant and Silk Road Restaurant, both of which offer evergreen and heritage-rich cuisines, have experienced a marginal dip in performance in line with the general slowdown. We will continually refresh our menus to stay relevant to discerning tastes.

At the same time, we will continue to leverage on the expansion of our hotel network in both Singapore and the region to bring these unique dining experiences to all our guests.

### PROPOSED DIVIDEND AND SHARE BUYBACK

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To express our appreciation towards all loyal shareholders, the Board of Directors has recommended a tax exempt one-tier final dividend of 1.0 Singapore cent per ordinary share and a tax exempt special cash dividend of 2.0 Singapore cents per ordinary share, representing a total dividend payout of S\$17.3 million. The proposed dividends translate to a payout ratio of about 47% of Amara's FY2016 net profit.

We are also pleased to update all shareholders that with the approval to renew our Share Purchase Mandate at our AGM in 2016, our Group has bought back 167,400 shares bringing it to a total of 1,967,800 shares as at March 16, 2017, amounting to 0.3% of the total issued share capital base of 576,936,000 shares.

### WORDS OF APPRECIATION

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I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to my fellow directors who have given me their invaluable counsel and guidance. To our management and staff, thank you for your tenacity and dedication. With our collective hard work and drive to succeed, I am confident that we will move to our next level of growth.

I would also like to thank all business partners and associates for their unwavering support through the years. I look forward to your support as we extend our footprint beyond Singapore, leveraging on our strong brand name and firm foundation.

**ALBERT TEO HOCK CHUAN**  
*Chief Executive Officer*

22 March 2017

<sup>6</sup> Release of 4th quarter 2016 real estate statistics – Urban Redevelopment Authority, January 26, 2017

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**ALBERT TEO HOCK CHUAN**  
*Executive Director/  
Chief Executive Officer*

#### FIRST APPOINTED

21 August 1970

#### LAST RE-ELECTED

29 April 2015

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Mr Teo has held the position of Chief Executive Officer since 1 August 1997.

Mr Teo is responsible for the development of Amara Hotel, marking the Group's foray into the hotel industry. Currently he serves as the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board, as well as a member of the Nominating Committee.

Mr Teo has been instrumental in spearheading the direction and development of the Group. He plays a pivotal role in the Group's diversification and expansion strategy, particularly in broadening Amara's earnings base through penetration within the Asian region.

As the Group's Chief Executive Officer, Mr Teo is passionately involved in the Group's corporate developments, including the transformation of Amara Singapore, as well as the Group's entry into the resort hotel business, Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa. Under his leadership, the Group's recurring earnings have been further consolidated with the revamped and rebranded mall - 100 AM, located in the heart of the Tanjong Pagar district which was successfully opened in November 2012. Going forward, the Group's future earnings stream will be diversified from new projects including Amara Bangkok - a new business hotel development in Bangkok CBD, which opened in 2015 and Amara Signature Shanghai, a mixed-use development which comprises a hotel, office building and retail centre, target to be

completed in 2017. He is passionate and committed in building the Amara Brand as a home-grown Singapore brand competing alongside international hospitality players in its space.

Mr Teo brings with him a wealth of experience to the Group. His past experience includes working with PricewaterhouseCoopers, an international public accounting firm; with a large listed group involved in wholesaling, manufacturing and retailing; and rounding off with an international bank in Singapore.

Currently, Mr Teo serves as the President of the Singapore Hotel Association.

Mr Teo holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Western Australia and is an Associate Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators of London.



**SUSAN TEO GEOK TIN**  
*Executive Director/  
 Company Secretary*

**FIRST APPOINTED**  
 26 May 1995

**LAST RE-ELECTED**  
 27 April 2016

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Ms Teo has held the position of Company Secretary since 14 September 1984.

In her current role, Ms Teo has direct oversight of the function of the corporate affairs of the Group which includes treasury, finance, legal, company secretarial and administrative matters including human resource.

Ms Teo holds a Bachelor of Business (Distinction) degree from the Western Australian Institute of Technology and a Graduate Diploma in Computer Science from La Trobe University. She is an Associate Member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.



**LAWRENCE MOK  
 KWOK WAH**  
*Non-Executive Director*

**FIRST APPOINTED**  
 26 May 1995

**LAST RE-ELECTED**  
 29 April 2014

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Mr Mok is a member of the Audit Committee as well as the Remuneration Committee.

Mr Mok has more than 35 years of experience in the IT and Engineering industries. His experience includes financial and management accounting, treasury management, corporate planning, change management, general business management, quality process management and customer service operations management.

Currently, Mr Mok is a consultant in business operations and risk management. He holds a Bachelor of Accountancy (Honours) degree from the University of Singapore and is a Fellow of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants and CPA Australia.



**ER. CHANG MENG TENG**  
*Non-Executive,  
 Lead Independent Director*

**FIRST APPOINTED**  
 25 July 1997

**LAST RE-APPOINTED**  
 27 April 2016

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Er. Chang had his early education in Singapore. He pursued his studies in Britain and was awarded the Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering with honours in 1967 by the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow. Er. Chang did his post graduate engineering training in Britain and France. He was elected a Fellow of the Singapore Academy of Engineering in 2012.

Er. Chang is the Executive Chairman of Squire Mech Pte Ltd, a mechanical and electrical consulting engineering practice with operations in Malaysia, Vietnam and major cities in China. He was a Director of the Energy Market Company. He is currently an Independent Director of the listed Amara Holdings Limited and a Director / Treasurer of the Ang Mo Kio-Thye Hua Kwan Hospital. Er. Chang was appointed a director of the Energy Market Authority in April 2013.

Er. Chang's professional and administrative experiences commenced with the Electricity Department, Public Utilities Board, Singapore in 1967. He has held several senior positions in the Public Utilities Board including Distribution and Construction Superintendent in the Electricity

Department. He was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 1975 by the President of the Republic of Singapore for his significant contribution to the development and expansion of the power distribution networks in Singapore. Er. Chang was promoted to the Office of the General Manager as Assistant Director, a direct report to the General Manager, with responsibility for the management of the System Studies, Transport, Properties, Chief Chemist and Chief Architect Divisions of the Public Utilities Board.

In Squire Mech, Er. Chang has directed many high profile successful projects including the 280 metres tall, 66-storey user friendly, intelligent CDL flagship building Republic Plaza, and many award winning, energy efficient buildings including the HDB Hub Complex in Toa Payoh. The Republic Plaza won several awards including the FIABCI Prix D'Excellence award for the Best of World Real Estate 1997, and the HDB Hub won several BCA awards from 2005 to 2007 including the BCA Green Mark Gold award.

Er. Chang had served on many government committees and statutory boards, including the Deputy Chair of the Public Transport Council and the Chair of the Electrical Engineering Advisory Committee of the Singapore Polytechnic. He was also a member of the Mechanical and Production Engineering Advisory Committee of the National University of Singapore. Er. Chang is active in both the engineering fraternity and the civic organizations. He was President, Institution of Engineers, Singapore from 1990 to 1992 and was the Honorary IT and M&E Advisor to the Real Estate Developers' Association for many years. He was conferred the Public Service Star (BBM) by the President of Singapore in 1987. Er. Chang was appointed a Justice of Peace of the Republic of Singapore

in 1989. He is a Past President of the Society of Project Managers, Singapore. In 2012 Er. Chang was conferred the Public Service Star (Bar) by the President of the Republic of Singapore.



**RICHARD KHOO  
 BOO YEONG**  
*Non-Executive, Independent Director*

**FIRST APPOINTED**  
 16 September 2002

**LAST RE-APPOINTED**  
 27 April 2016

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Mr Khoo, an Independent Director on the Board, has been an Audit Committee member since September 2002. He serves as Chairman of the Nominating and Remuneration Committees since his appointment in 2003.

An accomplished business leader, Mr Khoo is a seasoned human resources practitioner with local and international experience in the service, air transport, and knowledge industries. Mr Khoo is currently Deputy Board Chairman of St Francis Methodist School Ltd, a registered charity under the Charities Act. He was a Senior Fellow with The Idea Factory, Corporate Advisor and independent consultant with China Xpress Pte Ltd, Director of Finance, Administration & Programmes at The Methodist Church in Singapore, and CEO of St Francis Methodist School (Private).

Mr Khoo held various senior management posts in his 29 years with the Singapore Airlines Group (SIA) including country general manager for South-West USA, New Zealand and India, and Chief Executive of SATS Passenger Services. At SIA's corporate headquarters, he managed a broad spectrum of planning and operating functions including cargo, passenger marketing, line operations, and human resource.

At the invitation of Government ministries, Mr Khoo served in national committees such as Manpower 21, SME 21, Singapore Learning Festival 2000 Steering Committee and Review of Tourism 21: Manpower & Image Committee.

Mr Khoo holds a Bachelor of Science (2nd Class Upper Honours) degree from the University of Malaya.



**FOO KO HING**  
*Non-Executive, Independent Director*

**FIRST APPOINTED**  
17 June 2013

**LAST RE-ELECTED**  
29 April 2014

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Mr Foo was appointed as a member of the Remuneration Committee in October 2013, and Audit Committee in January 2015.

He has over 16 years of experience in investment origination, structuring, monitoring and strategic growth assistance, with

emphasis on the venture debt/equity investment and capital markets. He has previously served on the boards of various companies in various sectors listed on the SGX.

After leaving Pricewaterhouse in 1986, he joined HSBC Group Singapore in the Trust and Fiduciary Business. He was later seconded to HSBC Bank Jersey C.I. in 1989 and was subsequently promoted to Executive Director, covering fiduciary activities, private banking, compliance and investment functions. He returned to Singapore in 1991, and resumed responsibilities with the HSBC Investment Bank Group for Private Banking and Trust Services as an Executive Director and Head of Business Development.

Mr Foo is a Singapore-based Co-Founder and Director of Cerealtch Pte Ltd, an advance manufacturing and food technology company specializing in enzyme application and micro ingredient development for the industrial baking and consumer sector. He currently sits on the Board of Gallant Venture Ltd, a company listed on the SGX Mainboard, and is a member of the audit, remuneration and nominating committees.

He holds an Honours Degree in Economics and Accounting from University of Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK.



**CHIA KWOK PING**  
*Non-Executive, Independent Director*

**FIRST APPOINTED**  
2 November 2015

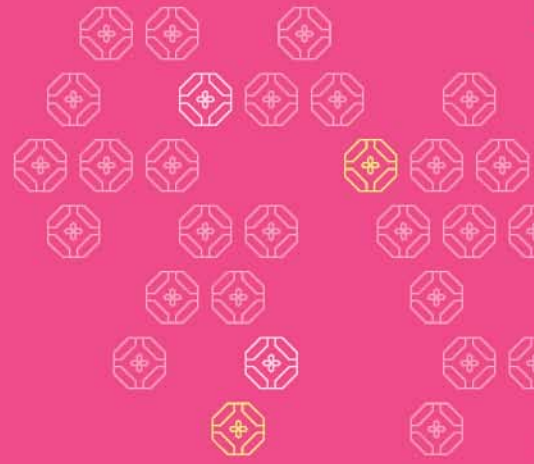
**LAST RE-ELECTED**  
27 April 2016

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Mr Chia brings with him over 20 years of experience in the hospitality industry, and has held senior positions in various hospitality and property investment companies. He previously represented TCC Land Co., Ltd for all of its international property acquisitions and management via TCC Land International. The Thailand-based hospitality and property group has assets spanning across the United States, United Kingdom, Australia, China, Japan and South-East Asia.

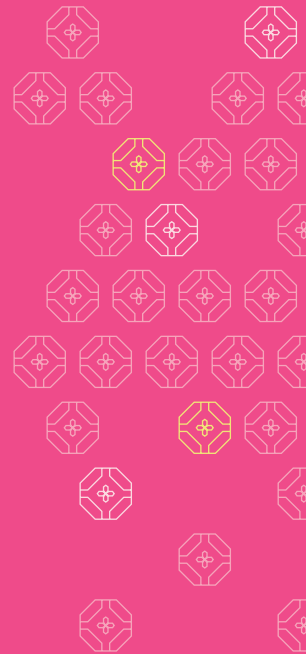
Mr Chia has extensive hands-on experience in hospitality management, having taken on the roles of Resident Manager, General Manager, Owner Representative and Asset Manager during his career. He also sat on the Board of the Singapore Hotel Association from 2010 to 2014, and has been an Independent Director, Chairman of Nominating Committee and Member of Remuneration Committee of Heeton Holdings Limited, a company listed on the SGX Mainboard since 2012.

Mr Chia holds a Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) degree from the National University of Singapore.





# SPREADING OUR WINGS



# OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

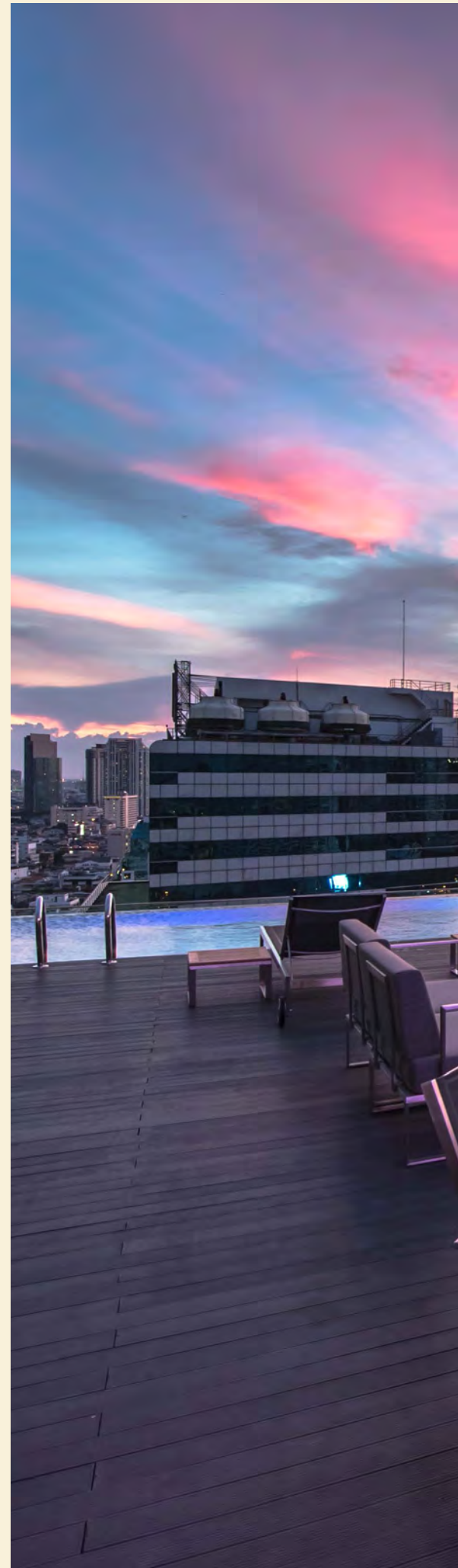


The year under review has seen several major economic and political shifts, causing volatility and uncertainties in many industries and sectors. Notwithstanding the challenging climate, we are pleased to report a set of resilient performance for the financial year ended December 31, 2016 (“FY2016”) with a 159% growth in net profit attributable to equity holders to S\$37.1 million from S\$14.3 million a year ago (“FY2015”).

The bottomline growth outpaced a slight dip in revenue to S\$81.3 million in FY2016 from S\$82.4 million in FY2015. This was mainly attributable to lower contribution from the Property Investment and Development segment in FY2016.

The strong bottomline growth was mainly lifted by a S\$28.0 million contribution from our share of results of a jointly-controlled entity that recognised profits from the completion of our well-received joint development executive condominium project – Singapore’s first luxury hotel-inspired EC, CityLife@Tampines – in February 2016.

Amara’s cash and bank balances as at December 31, 2016 remained healthy at S\$16.0 million while net gearing remained low at 44.2%. Earnings per share rose to 6.44 Singapore cents in FY2016 from 2.49 Singapore cents in the preceding financial year, while net asset value per share grew to 65.04 Singapore cents as at December 31, 2016 from 60.22 Singapore cents as at December 31, 2015.









## HOTEL INVESTMENT AND MANAGEMENT



Amara's core revenue driver, the Hotel Investment and Management segment, contributed S\$62.1 million or 76.4% of the S\$81.3 million Group revenue in FY2016. This marks a 9.7% improvement in performance compared to S\$56.6 million a year ago.

### SINGAPORE HOTELS



According to latest statistics<sup>1</sup> released by the Singapore Tourism Board (STB), visitor arrivals and tourism receipts outpaced earlier forecasts and grew 7.7% and 13.9%, respectively, in 2016 – this demonstrates the success of several STB marketing initiatives implemented during the year to boost the industry's performance.

In the coming year, the STB forecasts tourist arrivals to grow at a slower pace of 0% to 2% and tourism receipts to rise 1% to 4%, amidst headwinds brought about by global economic and political uncertainties

as well as increasing regional competition for tourism dollars. That said, the industry will likely be lifted from the completion of Terminal 4 of Changi Airport that will drive more traffic into the country when it commences operations in the second half of 2017<sup>2</sup>.

The STB also continues to promote Singapore as a key destination in various source markets to drive growth within the sector, such as its recent collaboration with JTB Corp to increase Singapore's profile to Japanese travellers<sup>3</sup>.

Leveraging on the strong Amara brand, our flagship hotel in Tanjong Pagar, Amara Singapore, continues to report resilient performance, supported by the integrated lifestyle experience and convenience it offers alongside our adjacent mall, 100 AM, as well as its exceptional location, luxurious designs and comprehensive suite of leisure and MICE facilities and services.

The Amara brand has always prided itself on its agility and adaptability to emerging consumer trends in our efforts to provide differentiated guest experiences, as well as embracing innovation and driving efficiency that will allow us to remain ahead of the curve amidst intense competition, rising operational costs and a labour crunch.

This commitment to enhance our productivity comes ahead of the government's call for hotels to adopt productivity solutions and manpower-lean business models, as well as to pursue growth through internationalisation through the Hotel Industry Transformation Map launched in November 2016<sup>4</sup>.

Not only are we already geographically diversified, our efforts have been recognised by the Singapore Business Federation when Amara Singapore was conferred the Singapore Productivity Award 2016 (Excellence in Hotel Sector), which gives recognition to organisations for their leadership and exemplary productivity initiatives.

We have invested in the use of technology – such as the Manpower Planning Scheduling system to enhance employee scheduling and optimise staffing deployment and the Mobile Banquet Floor Management project to optimise work flow, planning and execution of MICE events – as well



Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa

as skills upgrading and training for our employees to boost productivity.

To grow and expand a new market, an underutilised staff kitchen was converted into a Halal-certified events kitchen, giving us a foothold in the burgeoning Halal market and allowing us to host room service, seminars and wedding banquets for the Muslim community.

Our maiden Malay Wedding Showcase in August 2016 received warm reception and allowed us to secure two Muslim weddings – one in November 2016 and the other in January 2017 – which eventually led to several spin-off bookings following its success. With a roaring start, we are optimistic on the potential and opportunities in the Halal segment.

Separately, in response to the government's call for waste reduction and being cognisant of our social responsibility, we have commissioned an organic food waste and recycling system, thereby playing our part in conserving the environment.

As for Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa, which has carved a niche for itself with its five-star resort facilities, unique colonial architectural heritage and a respite minutes away from the hustle and bustle in Singapore's CBD, its offerings have been elevated yet again following a recent rejuvenation of its amenities to enhance its MICE facilities.

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**JUST LIKE WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY DONE IN SINGAPORE AND BANGKOK, WE HOPE TO BRING WITH US TO SHANGHAI THE SAME DRIVE AND COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AND TO CONTINUALLY RAISE THE BAR FOR OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR GREATER MARGIN EFFICIENCY.**

In June 2016, Amara Sanctuary Resort Sentosa welcomed the progressive Deloitte University Asia Pacific (“DU AP”), which has appointed the resort as a permanent base for its first specialised training centre in Asia-Pacific.

The resort's interiors were spruced up – sporting a clean, modern look while retaining our colonial heritage – to encourage networking and socialising in an inspired, luxurious and relaxing setting. We have also enhanced our MICE facilities to meet the DU AP's stringent requirements, and taken the chance to sharpen our value proposition as a choice MICE destination for customers and events, apart from being a renowned resort for leisure travellers.

## REGIONAL HOTELS

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Having established ourselves as a leading Singapore hospitality brand, we have exported our proven business model and efficient processes to our first overseas hotel in Thailand – Amara Bangkok, which opened in 2015.

Amara Bangkok has been in operation for over a year now, and it has successfully established itself in the local market for its exceptional service, amenities and for the Amara experience.

Over the last year, apart from stabilising operations and putting in place the right team to lead the hotel, we have also successfully improved the yield of the hotel significantly in FY2016.

With Amara Bangkok's strategic location and unique value propositions, we believe it is well positioned to capitalise on Bangkok's growing tourism industry. Thailand welcomed 52.6 million international tourists in 2016<sup>5</sup>, up 9.0% from 29.9 million visitors received in 2015<sup>6</sup>.

The Thai tourism industry is expected to grow 9% to 10% in 2017 on the back of strong markets in Asia and buoyed by favourable government policies such as extension of free tourist visa concessions and a decrease in visa-on-arrival fees<sup>7</sup>.

With the positive tourism outlook for Bangkok, we will focus on enhancing Amara Bangkok's performance and yield management with a view to increase room rates while considering the market conditions.

In 2017, we also look forward to the impending launch of our mixed-development in Shanghai, China, which will comprise 343 rooms in the upscale Amara Signature Shanghai hotel, a retail centre and a Grade-A office building.

Just like we have successfully done in Singapore and Bangkok, we hope to bring with us to Shanghai the same drive and commitment to provide exceptional service and to continually raise the bar for operational excellence for greater margin efficiency.

We will also be introducing the best of Singaporean food and culture through unique retail tenants in the retail centre, and through our own specialty restaurants and food services brands, thereby offering interesting varieties to the leisure and MICE travellers.

We are confident that Amara Signature Shanghai is well positioned to capitalise on Shanghai's strong tourism and MICE outlook, boosted by the launch of the Shanghai Disney Resort, the National Exhibition and Convention Centre and Shanghai Tower.

1 Singapore achieves record tourism sector performance in 2016 – Singapore Tourism Board, February 14, 2017

2 Construction of Changi Airport T4 completed – Channel NewsAsia, December 16, 2016

3 First-ever Memorandum of Understanding STB has signed with a travel agency – Singapore Tourism Board, February 20, 2017

4 Transforming the Hotel Industry for Sustainable Growth – Singapore Tourism Board, November 21, 2016

5 Tourism figures forecast growth for 2017 – The Phuket News, February 5, 2017

6 Thailand expects record tourist arrivals in 2016 – Reuters, January 6, 2016

7 Tourism figures forecast growth for 2017 – The Phuket News, February 5, 2017

# PROPERTY INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT



The Property Investment and Development segment contributed S\$16.8 million or 20.7% of the Group's FY2016 revenue, a 27.6% decline from S\$23.2 million recorded in FY2015, due to lower revenue recognition.

## RESIDENTIAL



Apart from the completion of CityLife@Tampines, we have replenished our land bank with the acquisition of the freehold 31 Newton Road and 15 Bedok Avenue sites in 2016. We intend to amalgamate the former with 29 Newton Road that we acquired earlier to redevelop the combined land parcel into a 5-storey residential development with 56 units, expected to launch in 2017. The 15 Bedok Avenue site will be developed into two pairs of three-storey semi-detached houses that we hope to launch in 2018.

Meanwhile, we continue to monitor market conditions and push sales for our boutique residential project, M5 while we work aggressively to execute our upcoming projects to enhance shareholder value. It is comforting to see that demand has been returning to the market with developers selling 7.2% more units in 2016 at 7,972 units, compared to 7,440 units in 2015<sup>8</sup>.

Although residential property prices continue to show decline, it also presents a good opportunity for us to keep a look out for yield-accretive opportunities to replenish our land bank for the segment's sustained growth.



## COMMERCIAL



On the commercial front, prices and rental for office space declined by 2.8% and 8.2% in 2016, respectively, compared to the 0.1% and 6.5% decrease in 2015. Similarly, prices and rental for retail space fell by 5.4% and 8.3% respectively, compared to the 0.8% and 4.1% decline in 2015. Both sectors are seeing lower pipeline supply at the end of the fourth quarter<sup>9</sup>.

Despite the lukewarm market conditions and increasing competition in the vicinity, our commercial property, 100 AM at Tanjong Pagar, maintained high occupancy and relatively stable rental rates for both the retail podium and office tower, both of which continue to contribute positively to our performance.

The retail podium's occupancy was lifted by the addition of our new anchor tenant, Itadakimasu by PARCO, which occupies 14,000 square feet of food and beverage space on the third floor of 100 AM. We seek to continually curate and refresh our tenant mix in 100 AM to keep consumers engaged.

We also look forward to the launch of Amara Signature Shanghai's office building that will strengthen our recurring income with its Grade A office specifications and central location in Shanghai's central business district – reputed as Asia's leading business and financial centre.



<sup>8</sup> Release of 4th quarter 2016 real estate statistics – Urban Redevelopment Authority, January 26, 2017

<sup>9</sup> Release of 4th quarter 2016 real estate statistics – Urban Redevelopment Authority, January 26, 2017



ALTHOUGH RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY PRICES CONTINUE TO SHOW DECLINE, IT ALSO PRESENTS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR YIELD-ACCRETIVE OPPORTUNITIES TO REPLENISH OUR LAND BANK FOR THE SEGMENT'S SUSTAINED GROWTH.



CityLife@Tampines



Thanying Restaurant, Amara Singapore

## SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS AND FOOD SERVICES





The Specialty Restaurants and Food Services segment contributed to the remaining 3% or S\$2.4 million of our FY2016 revenue. Through Amara's award-winning restaurants, the segment continues to provide a stable stream of recurring income and complements our other business segments to offer an integrated premium lifestyle experience.



Silk Road Restaurant, Amara Singapore

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PREMIUM LIFESTYLE  
EXPERIENCE.**

Amara's Royal Thai specialty restaurant, Thanying, has delighted guests since its establishment in 1988. Its exquisite culinary offerings can be experienced at the flagship outlet in Amara Singapore, which has a seating capacity of 164.

Silk Road Restaurant, a specialty restaurant which has served signature provincial cuisines along the historical Silk Road in China. The integrity of the cuisine's heritage is preserved with the use of specially-imported spices and sauces.

Silk Road at Amara Singapore, established since 2011, is helmed by a team of highly specialised and trained chefs.







## LOOKING FORWARD



As we accumulate experience from our first regional hotel in Bangkok, we will continue to build on our strengths, strong brand equity, complementary businesses and operational excellence to seek opportunities to bring the brand to new markets that present good growth potential.

Concurrently, we seek to continuously raise the bar of business and service excellence by embracing innovation and operational enhancements through driving greater efficiency and productivity.



# AWARDS AND ACCOLADES



## HOTEL INVESTMENT AND MANAGEMENT

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### Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa

Singapore Service Class 2012 & 2015  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Preferred Banquet Venues -  
Editor's Choice Award 2015  
Awarded by Blissful Brides

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### Shutters

Singapore's Top Restaurants  
2013-2016  
Awarded by Wine & Dine

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### Tier Bar

Singapore's Top Restaurants  
2014-2016  
Awarded by Wine & Dine

The Best Hotels – Resorts Award  
2010-2014  
Awarded by Singapore Tatler

Excellent Service Award 2013-2014  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Best Hotel Wedding Banquet  
The Wedding Accolade 2013

Recommended by TripAdvisor 2012  
Awarded by TripAdvisor

Hotel Security Award 2011-2012  
Jointly awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association, Singapore Police and  
National Crime Prevention Council

Excellent Service Awards 2011  
(2 Star, 9 Gold & 17 Silver)  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Best Resort Award 2009  
Awarded by AsiaOne People's Choice

URA Architectural Heritage  
Awards (Category A) 2007  
Awarded by the Urban  
Redevelopment Authority

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### Amara Singapore

Excellent Service Award 2016  
(34 Star, 10 Gold, 25 Silver)  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Singapore Productivity Awards 2016  
Awarded by Singapore  
Business Federation

National Kindness Award 2016  
Awarded by Singapore Kindness  
Movement and Singapore  
Hotel Association

Team Singapore 2016 (Gold) -  
Chef Samuel Quan  
Awarded by Culinary Olympics 2016  
in Erfurt, Germany

SHA Honesty Award 2016  
Awarded by Singapore  
Hotel Association

SHA Bravery Award 2016  
Awarded by Singapore  
Hotel Association

Hotel Security Award  
2011-2013 & 2015  
Certificate of Excellence  
Jointly awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association, Singapore Police and  
National Crime Prevention Council

Excellent Service Award 2015  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Certificate of Recognition for  
Skills Future Earn and Learn  
Programme 2015  
Awarded by WDA

Certificate of Excellence 2015  
Awarded by TripAdvisor

Excellent Service Awards 2014  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Arts Supporter Award 2013  
Awarded by National Arts Council  
Patrons of the Arts Awards

Singapore Service Class 2006-2013  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Recommended by  
TripAdvisor 2010-2013  
Awarded by TripAdvisor

Singapore National Kindness  
Award 2012 & 2014  
Awarded by Singapore  
Kindness Movement and  
Singapore Hotel Association

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Excellent Service Awards 2011  
(7 Star, 18 Gold & 13 Silver)  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

HAPA Service Excellence  
(Top 10) 2009-2011  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards Singapore Series

HAPA Best Deluxe Hotel  
(Top 5) 2009-2011  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards Singapore Series

HAPA Best Pastry Chef  
(Top 5) 2009-2011  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards Singapore Series

HAPA Executive Chef of the Year  
(Top 5) 2009-2011  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards Singapore Series

Hotel Security Award 2010  
Certificate of Commendation  
Jointly awarded by Singapore  
Hotel Association, National Crime  
Prevention Council and F1 &  
Sports and Hospitality Singapore  
Tourism Board

Signature Deluxe Hotel 2008-2010  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards Regional Series

Fire Safety Excellence Award 2009  
Awarded by National Fire And Civil  
Emergency Preparedness Council  
and Singapore Civil Defence Force

Excellent Service Awards 2009  
(8 Star, 38 Gold & 20 Silver)  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Excellent Service Awards 2008  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

SHA Courtesy Award 2008  
Awarded by Singapore  
Hotel Association

Finalist for Award for  
Excellence 2006-2007  
• Deluxe Hotel  
• Best Housekeeping Department  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards

Award for Excellence  
2004-2005 - Deluxe Hotel  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards

Finalist for Award for Excellence  
2004-2005 Hospitality Personality  
• Deluxe Property General Manager  
• Best Western Cuisine Chef  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards

Excellent Service Award 2003-2006  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

Service Gold National  
Courtesy Award 2003  
Awarded by Singapore  
Hotel Association

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**Element**  
Singapore's Top Restaurants  
2004, 2007, 2012-2013  
Awarded by Wine & Dine

The Singapore Women's Weekly  
gold plate awards 2011  
– buffets galore  
Awarded by The Singapore  
Women's Weekly

Singapore's Top Restaurants  
2009 – Silver  
Awarded by Simply Dining

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**Alphabet**  
HAPA Best Entertainment  
Experience (Top 5) 2009-2011  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards Singapore Series

Finalist for Award for Excellence  
in Hospitality 2004-2005  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards

## SPECIALTY RESTAURANTS AND FOOD SERVICES

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**Thanying Restaurant**  
Singapore's Best Restaurants  
1992-2016  
Awarded by Singapore Tatler

Singapore's Top Restaurants  
1997-2013  
Awarded by Wine & Dine

Simply Her Editor's Rave on  
Roast Turkey December 2011  
Awarded by Simply Her

Luxe Dining Singapore's  
Best Restaurant 2011  
Awarded by Singapore Tatler

Best Eats 2010  
Awarded by CNNGo.com

Luxe Dining Singapore's Best  
Restaurants 2010  
Awarded by Singapore Tatler

Citibank-The Business Times  
Gourmet Choice Awards 2009  
Winner Thai/Vietnamese/  
Korean Category

Singapore Service Star 2009-2010  
Awarded by Singapore  
Tourism Board

Gold Plate Awards 2007  
Awarded by The Singapore  
Women's Weekly

"THAI SELECT" Seal of Approval  
For Thai Cuisine  
Awarded by Ministry of  
Commerce Thailand

Finalist for Award for Excellence  
Asian Cuisine Restaurant 2004-2005  
Awarded by Hospitality  
AsiaPlatinum Awards

The Best Thai Restaurant 2004  
Awarded by The Straits Times –  
Life! eats

Excellence in Service  
Asian Restaurant 1993  
Awarded by Singapore  
Tourism Board

Excellence in Service Asian  
Restaurant (Merit) 1991  
Awarded by Singapore  
Tourism Board

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### Silk Road Restaurant

Singapore's Best Restaurants  
2003-2016  
Awarded by Singapore Tatler

Singapore's Top Restaurants  
2003-2013  
Awarded by Wine & Dine

Singapore Service Class 2006-2012  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Epicurean Star Awards 2012  
Top 5 Chinese Restaurants  
Nominated by Restaurant  
Association of Singapore

Excellent Service Awards 2011  
(1 Star, 5 Gold & 1 Silver)  
Awarded by Singapore Hotel  
Association and SPRING Singapore

The Best of Singapore  
Service Star 2010-2011  
Awarded by Singapore  
Tourism Board

Luxe Dining Singapore's  
Best Restaurants 2010 - 2011  
Awarded by Singapore Tatler

The Definitive Guide to Singapore's  
Top Restaurants 2010-2011  
Awarded by Simply Dining

Healthier Restaurant Award  
2009-2011  
Awarded by Health  
Promotion Board

Excellent Award 2010  
(4 Gold & 7 Silver)  
Restaurant Association of Singapore  
and SPRING Singapore

Singapore Service Star 2009-2010  
Awarded by Singapore  
Tourism Board

15th Excellent Service Award 2009  
(2 Gold & 9 Silver)  
Awarded by Restaurant Association  
of Singapore and SPRING Singapore

SuperStar Finalist Excellent  
Service Award 2008  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Excellent Service Award 2008  
(4 Star & 3 Silver)  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Excellent Service Awards 2007  
(6 Gold)  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Top Sichuan Restaurant  
in Singapore  
The Straits Times – Lifestyle  
August 2006 Top 50 Restaurants

Finalist for Award for Excellence  
Chinese Cuisine Restaurant  
2004-2005  
Awarded by Hospitality Asia  
Platinum Awards

A Great Table of Singapore  
2003-2005  
Awarded by Tables

Service Gold National Courtesy  
Award 2003 & 2004  
Awarded by Singapore  
Hotel Association

National Model for  
Work Redesign 2002  
Awarded by SPRING Singapore

Editor's Choice  
IS Magazine

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# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016



	FY 2016 \$'000	FY 2015 \$'000
<b>Income Statement</b>		
Revenue	81,274	82,425
Profit before tax	40,001	18,182
Income tax expense	(3,206)	(3,876)
Non-controlling interests	280	26
Profit attributable to shareholders	37,075	14,332
<b>Financial Ratios</b>		
	%	%
Profit attributable to shareholders as percentage of revenue	45.62	17.39
Gearing ratio	44.15	44.17
<b>Per Share Unit</b>		
	Cents	Cents
Earnings per share	6.44	2.49
Net tangible assets per share	64.75	59.99
Net asset value per share	65.04	60.22
<b>Revenue By Country (%)</b>		
	%	%
Singapore	90.35	96.42
Thailand	9.65	3.58
	100.00	100.00
<b>Revenue By Activity (%)</b>		
	%	%
Hotel Investment & Management	76.43	68.73
Property Investment & Development	20.66	28.19
Specialty Restaurants & Food Services	2.90	3.07
Others	0.01	0.01
	100.00	100.00

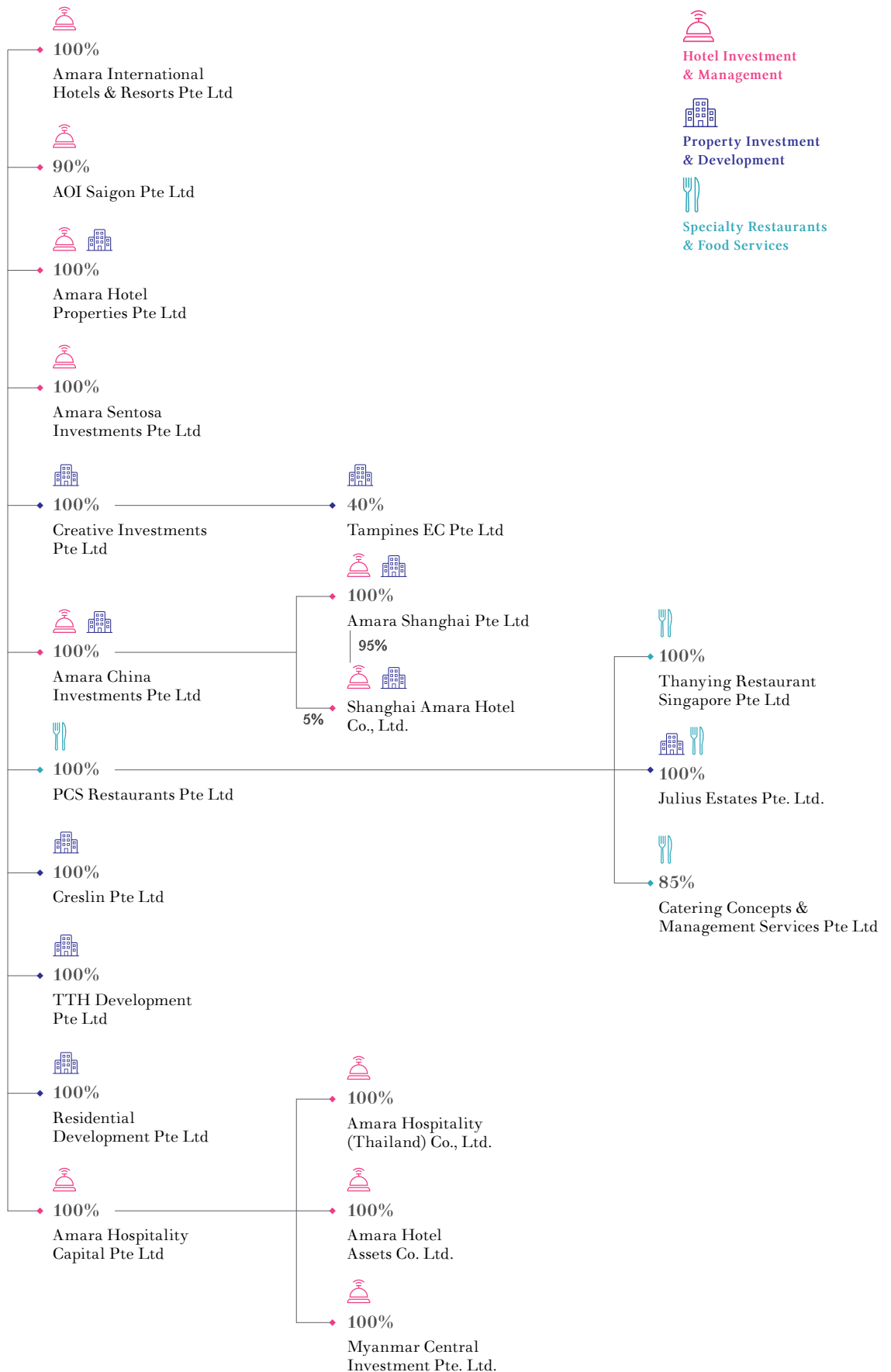
## REVENUE BY ACTIVITY



# CORPORATE STRUCTURE



**AMARA  
HOLDINGS  
LIMITED**



# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

The Board of Directors (“the Board”) is committed to high standards of corporate governance as a fundamental part of discharging its responsibilities to protect and to enhance long-term shareholders’ value whilst taking into account the interests of other stakeholders.

This report describes the corporate governance framework and practices of the Company with specific reference made to each of the principles of the Code of Corporate Governance 2012 (the “Code”). There are other sections of this annual report that contain information required by the Code and these should be read together with this report.

## THE BOARD’S CONDUCT OF AFFAIRS

**Principle 1: Every company should be headed by an effective Board to lead and control the company. The Board is collectively responsible for the long-term success of the company. The Board works with Management to achieve this objective and the Management remains accountable to the Board.**

### *Guideline 1.1*

#### *Board’s Role*

The principal functions of the Board, apart from its statutory responsibilities, are:

- a) setting overall strategies and supervision of the Group’s business and affairs to achieve the vision and mission of the Group;
- b) approving the Group’s corporate policies and internal guidelines for material transactions;
- c) approving key operational issues and major investment and funding;
- d) reviewing the financial performance of the Group;
- e) approving the appointment of Board directors and appointments to the various Board committees; and
- f) assuming responsibility for corporate governance.

The Board has identified areas for which the Board has direct responsibility for decision-making.

### *Guideline 1.2*

#### *Directors’ Duties and Responsibilities*

The Board exercises due diligence and independent judgment in dealing with the business affairs of the Group and works with the Management to make objective decisions as fiduciaries in the interest of the Group.

### *Guideline 1.5*

#### *Internal Guidelines on Matters Requiring Board’s Approval*

Matters which are specifically reserved to the Board for approval include:

- a) annual budgets and financial plans of the Group;
- b) quarterly and annual financial reports;
- c) material acquisitions, divestments, investments and funding proposals;
- d) issuance of shares, dividend distributions and other returns to shareholders;
- e) interested person transaction (as defined under Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual); and
- f) matters involving a conflict of interest for a substantial shareholder or a director.

The Board comprises a majority of non-executive directors, with relevant and diverse experiences necessary to contribute effectively and objectively to the Group. The Board meets at least four times a year and as warranted by circumstances, as deemed appropriate by the Board members. The Company’s Constitution provides for telephone and other electronic means of meetings of the Board as encouraged by the Code. This facilitates the attendance and participation of directors at Board meetings, even though they may not be in Singapore.

### *Guideline 1.3*

#### *Delegation of Authority to Board Committees*

In carrying out and discharging its duties, the Board is assisted by the Audit Committee (“AC”), the Nominating Committee (“NC”) and the Remuneration Committee (“RC”). These Committees are made up of wholly or predominantly non-executive directors and chaired by independent directors. These Committees function within clearly defined terms of references which set out their authority and duties. The effectiveness of each Committee is also constantly being reviewed by the Board. Other committees may be formed from time to time to look into specific areas as and when required.



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## THE BOARD'S CONDUCT OF AFFAIRS (CONTINUED)

### Guideline 1.4

#### Meetings of Board and Board Committees

The number of Board and Committees meetings held and attendance of the directors at these meetings during the year are as follows:

	Board	Audit Committee	Remuneration Committee	Nominating Committee
<b>Number of meetings held</b>	5	6	1	1
<b>Name of Directors</b>	<b>Number of meetings attended</b>			
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	5	6*	1*	1
Susan Teo Geok Tin	5	5*	1*	-
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	4	4	1	-
Chang Meng Teng	5	6	1	1
Richard Khoo Boo Yeong	5	6	1	1
Foo Ko Hing	5	6	1	-
Chia Kwok Ping	5	6*	1*	-

\* By invitation

Senior management staffs are invited to attend Board and Committees meetings whenever necessary and there is timely communication of information between the Board, the Management and the Committees.

### Guideline 1.6

#### Continuous Training and Development of Directors

The Company has in place an orientation program for new directors. Newly appointed directors are briefed by the Board to familiarise them with the Group's business and its strategic directions. The Company will arrange an incoming director to meet up with the senior management and the Company Secretary to familiarise himself with his roles, the organisation structure and business practices of the Group. This will enable him to get acquainted with senior management and the Company Secretary thereby facilitating board interaction and independent access to senior management and the Company Secretary.

The NC is charged with reviewing the training and professional development of Directors. All Directors are provided with regular updates on the latest governance and listing policies. The NC will recommend appropriate courses and seminars and arrange for updates by professionals as it deems relevant to improving the performance of the individual Directors and the whole Board.

Briefings and updates provided for Directors in FY2016 included the following:

- The external auditors briefed the AC members on developments in accounting and governance standards.
- The CEO updated the Board at each Board meeting on the Group's business and strategic developments.
- The senior management highlighted the salient operational and risk management issues to the Board.
- The Company Secretary briefed the Board on the Companies Act amendments.

The Directors had also attended appropriate courses, conferences and seminars. They also have unrestricted access to professionals for consultation on laws, regulations and commercial risks as and when necessary at the expense of the Group.

### Guideline 1.7

#### Formal Letter Setting Out Directors' Duties

Each new incoming director is issued a formal letter of appointment setting out his duties and obligations.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## BOARD COMPOSITION AND GUIDANCE

**Principle 2: There should be a strong and independent element on the Board, which is able to exercise objective judgement on corporate affairs independently, in particular, from Management and 10% shareholders (as defined in the Code). No individual or small group of individuals should be allowed to dominate the Board's decision making.**

### *Guidelines 2.1 and 2.2*

#### *Strong and Independent Element on the Board*

The Board consists of seven directors, of whom four are independent and non-executive directors and one is a non-independent and non-executive director. Accordingly, more than half of the Board is made up of independent directors. The executive directors are Mr Albert Teo Hock Chuan and Ms Susan Teo Geok Tin. The non-independent and non-executive director is Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah. The independent directors are Mr Chang Meng Teng, Mr Richard Khoo Boo Yeong, Mr Foo Ko Hing and Mr Chia Kwok Ping. The independence of each director is reviewed annually by the NC. Each of the independent directors has declared his independence in accordance with the guidelines of the Code.

### *Guidelines 2.3 and 2.4*

#### *Independence of Directors*

Mr Chang Meng Teng and Mr Richard Khoo Boo Yeong have served more than nine years on the Board. Accordingly, the Board (without the participation of Mr Chang and Mr Khoo) has conducted a rigorous review of the independence of Mr Chang and Mr Khoo, which includes (but not limited to):

- a) their ability to exercise independent judgement in the best interests of the Company, given that they do not have any relationship with the Company, its related corporations, its substantial shareholders or its officers;
- b) their contribution to the Board through constructive discussion, providing relevant and reasoned inputs, and exercising independent character and judgement without dominating the discussion; and
- c) their development of significant insights into the Group's business and operations over the years and continuing to provide invaluable contribution objectively to the Board as a whole.

Therefore, Mr Chang and Mr Khoo are considered independent by the Board.

Mr Chang and Mr Khoo have abstained from the Board's deliberation to maintain their independence.

Particulars of interests of directors who held office at the end of the financial year in shares, debentures and share options in the Company and in related corporations are set out in the Directors' Statement on pages 52 to 55 of this annual report.

### *Guidelines 2.5 and 2.6*

#### *Composition and Competency of the Board*

The Board is of the view that the current Board members comprise persons whose diverse skills, experience and attributes provide effective direction for the Group. The Board will constantly examine its size with a view to determining its impact upon its effectiveness.

### *Guideline 2.7*

#### *Role of Non-Executive Directors*

Non-executive directors contribute, especially in their areas of specialty, to proposals and strategies of the Group. They also review performance of management in achieving goals and objectives set.

### *Guideline 2.8*

#### *Regular Meetings of Non-Executive Directors*

During the year, the Non-Executive Directors communicate among themselves without the presence of Management as and when the need arises. The Company also benefits from Management's ready access to its Directors for guidance and exchange of views both within and outside the formal environment of the Board and Committees meetings.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**Principle 3: There should be a clear division of responsibilities between the leadership of the Board and the executives responsible for managing the company's business. No one individual should represent a considerable concentration of power.**

*Guidelines 3.1 and 3.2*

- *Separate Role of Chairman and CEO*

- *Role of the Chairman*

Mr Albert Teo Hock Chuan is both the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Group. The Board believes that there is no need for the role of Chairman of the Board and the CEO to be separated as there is good balance of power and authority with all critical committees chaired by independent directors.

The CEO together with the other executive director have full executive responsibilities over the business directions and operational decisions of the Group. Assisting them are the Director, Property Division, the Group Quality and Systems Manager, the Group Administration Manager and the Group Financial Controller. The CEO is responsible to the Board for all corporate governance procedures to be implemented by the Group and ensures that management conforms to such practices. Directors are given board papers in advance of meetings for them to be adequately prepared for the meeting and senior management staffs (who are not executive directors) are in attendance at Board and Committees meetings whenever necessary.

*Guidelines 3.3 and 3.4*

*Lead Independent Director*

Mr Chang Meng Teng, a member of the NC, is the Company's Lead Independent Director.

## BOARD MEMBERSHIP

**Principle 4: There should be a formal and transparent process for the appointment and re-appointment of directors to the Board.**

*Guideline 4.1*

*Nominating Committee*

The NC comprises:

- Richard Khoo Boo Yeong (Chairman)
- Albert Teo Hock Chuan
- Chang Meng Teng

*Guideline 4.2*

*Nominating Committee's Responsibilities*

The NC carried out their duties in accordance with the terms of reference which include the following:

- a) Identifying and selecting members of the Board for the purpose of recommending such nomination to the Board for its approval on board appointments;
- b) Assessing the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and contribution by each director;
- c) Assessing the independence of each director annually;
- d) Reviewing succession plans for directors; and
- e) Reviewing training and professional development of directors.

*Guideline 4.6*

*Process for the Selection and Appointment of New Directors*

For the selection and appointment of a new director, the NC will determine the desired competencies to complement the skills and competencies of the existing directors. Potential candidates are sourced from a network of contacts and identified based on the established criteria. Recommendations from directors and management are the usual source for potential candidates. Where applicable, search through external consultants can be considered.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## BOARD MEMBERSHIP (CONTINUED)

The NC will interview shortlisted candidates to assess their suitability and to verify that the candidates are aware of the expectations and the level of commitment required. Finally, the NC will make recommendations on the appointment to the Board for approval.

The Company's Constitution provides that one third of the directors for the time being or if their number is not a multiple of three, then the number nearest to one-third shall retire from office at the AGM. Accordingly, the directors will submit themselves for re-nomination and re-election at regular intervals of at least once every three years. The Committee is charged with the responsibility of re-nomination having regard to the director's contribution and performance, including, if applicable, as an independent director.

### *Guideline 4.4*

#### *Multiple Board Representations*

The Board has determined the maximum number of board appointments in listed companies that a director can hold, which shall not be more than six so as to ensure that the directors are able to commit their time to effectively discharge their responsibilities. All the directors currently do not hold more than six listed company board representations. The NC is satisfied that each individual director has allocated sufficient time and resources to the affairs of the Company. The NC has recommended the re-election of Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah and Mr Foo Ko Hing at the forthcoming AGM.

### *Guideline 4.3*

#### *Determining Directors' Independence*

As mentioned above, the NC is charged with determining annually whether a director is independent. The NC has reviewed and determined that the independent directors are independent. Mr Chang Meng Teng and Mr Richard Khoo Boo Yeong has each abstained from such NC's review of his own independence.

### *Guideline 4.7*

#### *Key Information on Directors*

Key information regarding the directors is set out in the 'Board of Directors' section of this annual report.

### *Guideline 4.5*

#### *Alternate Directors*

There were no alternate directors appointed to the Board during the year.

## BOARD PERFORMANCE

**Principle 5: There should be a formal annual assessment of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and its committees and the contribution by each director to the effectiveness of the Board.**

The NC is of the view that the Board's current size is satisfactory and that it is appropriate for effective decision making, taking into account the nature, size and scope of the Group's operations.

### *Guidelines 5.1 to 5.3*

- *Effectiveness of the Board*
- *Board Performance*
- *Evaluation of Individual Director*

The NC has established a formal evaluation process to assess the effectiveness of the Board as a whole, taking into consideration the attendance record at the meetings of the Board and Board Committees and also the contributions of each director to the effectiveness of the Board. The NC, along with the participation of the executive directors, carried out an evaluation and discussed the results of the evaluation of Board performance. The NC also reviewed and discussed each director's performance and contribution to the effectiveness of the Board. The NC is satisfied that the Board has been effective in the conduct of its duties and the directors have each contributed to the effectiveness of the Board.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## ACCESS TO INFORMATION

**Principle 6: In order to fulfill their responsibilities, directors should be provided with complete, adequate and timely information prior to board meetings and on an on-going basis so as to enable them to make informed decisions to discharge their duties and responsibilities.**

### *Guidelines 6.1 and 6.2*

#### *Board's Access to Information*

Directors receive periodic financial and operational reports, budgets, forecasts and other disclosure documents on the Group's businesses prior to Board meetings. Senior management staffs are invited where appropriate to provide further inputs during Board and Committees meetings. The Board has separate and independent access to the Company Secretaries and key executives.

### *Guideline 6.3*

#### *Board's Access to Company Secretary*

At least one of the Company Secretaries is present at all formal Board meetings to respond to the queries of any director and to assist in ensuring that Board procedures as well as applicable rules and regulations are followed.

### *Guideline 6.4*

#### *Appointment and Removal of Company Secretary*

The appointment and the removal of a Company Secretary are subject to the Board's approval.

### *Guideline 6.5*

#### *Board's Access to Independent Professional Advice*

Where decisions to be taken by the Board require specialised knowledge or expert opinion, the Board has adopted a policy to seek independent professional advice.

## REMUNERATION MATTERS

**Principle 7: There should be a formal and transparent procedure for developing policy on executive remuneration and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors. No director should be involved in deciding his own remuneration.**

### *Guideline 7.1*

#### *Remuneration Committee*

The RC comprises:

- Richard Khoo Boo Yeong (Chairman)
- Chang Meng Teng
- Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah
- Foo Ko Hing

### *Guideline 7.2*

#### *Remuneration Framework*

The RC carried out its duties in accordance with the terms of reference which include the following:

- a) recommend to the Board, a framework of remuneration for the Board and key executives, and to determine specific remuneration package for each executive director; and
- b) review senior executive remuneration and non-executive directors' fees annually.

All members of this Committee (including the Chairman) are independent and non-executive directors, except for Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah who is a non-independent and non-executive director.

All aspects of remuneration, including but not limited to directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses, ex-gratia payments, options and benefits-in-kind will be reviewed by the RC. No member of the RC or any director is involved in the deliberations in respect of any remuneration, compensation, options or any form of benefits to be granted to him.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## REMUNERATION MATTERS (CONTINUED)

### *Guideline 7.3*

#### *Remuneration Committee's Access to Advice on Remuneration Matters*

The RC is provided with access to expert professional advice on remuneration matters as and when necessary. The expenses of such services shall be borne by the Company.

### *Guideline 7.4*

#### *Termination Clauses in Service Contracts*

Each of the Executive Directors and key management personnel has employment contract with the Company which can be terminated by either party giving notice of resignation/termination. The RC has reviewed the Group's obligations arising in the event of termination of the Executive Directors' and key management personnel's contracts of service, to ensure that such contracts of service contain fair and reasonable termination clauses which are not overly generous.

## LEVEL AND MIX OF REMUNERATION

**Principle 8: The level and structure of remuneration should be aligned with the long-term interest and risk policies of the company, and should be appropriate to attract, retain and motivate (a) the directors to provide good stewardship of the company, and (b) key management personnel to successfully manage the company. However, companies should avoid paying more than is necessary for this purpose.**

### *Guideline 8.1*

#### *Remuneration of Executive Directors and Key Management Personnel*

The Company's remuneration structure for its Executive Directors and key management personnel comprises both fixed and variable components. The variable component is performance related and is linked to the Group's/Company's performance as well as individual's performance. Such performance-related remuneration is designed to align with the interests of shareholders and promote long term success of the Group. In setting remuneration packages, the RC takes into consideration the pay and employment conditions within the industry and in comparable companies.

### *Guideline 8.2*

#### *Long-term Incentive Scheme*

Currently, the Company has no long-term incentive schemes for its Executive Directors and key management personnel.

### *Guideline 8.3*

#### *Remuneration of Non-Executive Directors*

For the current year, the Board has recommended a fee for non-executive directors which is subject to approval at the AGM. Directors' fees are set in accordance with a remuneration framework comprising a basic fee as a director and an additional fee for serving on Board Committees, taking into consideration contribution of each of the non-executive directors.

### *Guideline 8.4*

#### *Contractual Provisions*

The Company does not have any contractual provisions in the employment contracts for the Company to reclaim incentive components of remuneration from Executive Directors and key management personnel.

## DISCLOSURE ON REMUNERATION

**Principle 9: Every company should provide clear disclosure of its remuneration policy, level and mix of remuneration, and the procedure for setting remuneration in the company's annual report. It should provide disclosure in relation to its remuneration policies to enable investors to understand the link between remuneration paid to directors and key management personnel, and performance.**

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## DISCLOSURE ON REMUNERATION (CONTINUED)

*Guidelines 9.1 and 9.2  
Remuneration Report*

Directors

For confidentiality reasons and given the sensitivity of remuneration information, the Company believes that the disclosure of exact remuneration of directors with breakdown is not in the best interests of the Company and therefore it wishes to maintain confidentiality on each individual director's remuneration. Instead disclosures are made under the broad band of remuneration as follows:

Remuneration Band	No. of Directors	
	2016	2015
S\$750,000 to below S\$1,000,000	1	1
S\$500,000 to below S\$750,000	1	1
S\$250,000 to below S\$500,000	-	-
Below S\$250,000	5	5
Total	7	7

*Guidelines 9.3 and 9.4*

- Key Management Personnel of the Group
- Immediate Family Members of Directors or the CEO

There are three employees who are immediate family members of Mr Albert Teo Hock Chuan, Director and CEO, and whose remuneration exceeded \$50,000 during the year.

The Company believes that it is not in the best interests of the Group to disclose the details as required under Guidelines 9.3 and 9.4 of the Code because of the highly competitive industry conditions and also because it wishes to maintain confidentiality for more harmonious and effective human resource management within the Group.

*Guideline 9.6*

*Link between Remuneration and Performance*

The remuneration of Executive Directors and key management personnel comprises a variable component. The variable component is performance related and is linked to the Group's/Company's performance as well as individual's performance.

For the year under review, the RC has reviewed the remuneration of Executive Directors, key management personnel and Non-Executive Directors in accordance with their performance criteria and recommended them to the Board. The Board has endorsed the RC's recommendations.

*Guideline 9.5*

*Employee Share Scheme*

### **Amara Performance Share Plan ("Plan")**

The Plan was approved by the shareholders on 29 April 2014. The Plan is administered by the RC comprising Mr Richard Khoo Boo Yeong, Mr Chang Meng Teng, Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah and Mr Foo Ko Hing.

The Plan is a share incentive scheme under which performance-based or time-based awards may be granted. The Plan is in place on the basis that it is important to retain employees whose contributions are important to the well-being and prosperity of the Group and to recognise outstanding employees of the Group who have contributed to the growth of the Group. The Plan gives participants an opportunity to have a personal equity interest in the Company and by granting such an opportunity, the Plan aims to foster a strong and lasting ownership culture within the Group which aligns the interests of its employees with the interests of shareholders.

Full-time employees (including executive directors) who are confirmed in their employment with the Company and/or any subsidiary shall be eligible to participate in the Plan. Controlling shareholders and their associates within the aforesaid category are eligible to participate in the Plan.

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## DISCLOSURE ON REMUNERATION (CONTINUED)

The aggregate number of shares which may be available pursuant to awards granted under the Plan on any date, when added to the number of new shares issued and issuable in respect of (a) all awards granted under the Plan and (b) options or awards granted under any other option scheme or share plan which the Company may implement from time to time, shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) on the day preceding the relevant award date.

The aggregate number of shares available to eligible controlling shareholders and their associates under the Plan shall not exceed twenty five per cent (25%) of the shares available under the Plan. In addition, the number of shares available to each controlling shareholder or his associate shall not exceed ten per cent (10%) of the shares available under the Plan.

There were no shares awarded under the Plan at the end of the financial year.

## ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

**Principle 10: The Board should present a balanced and understandable assessment of the company's performance, position and prospects.**

### *Guideline 10.1*

#### *Assessment of Performance, Position and Prospects*

In presenting the annual financial statements and quarterly announcements to shareholders, the directors aim to present a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's performance, position and prospects.

### *Guideline 10.2*

#### *Compliance with Legislative and Regulatory Requirements*

The Board is mindful of its obligations to ensure compliance with the Listing Rules of the SGX-ST. The Directors have each signed the respective undertaking in the form set out in Appendix 7.7 of the Listing Manual to comply to their best of their abilities with the Listing Rules and to use their best endeavours to procure that the Company shall so comply.

### *Guideline 10.3*

#### *Management Accounts*

The Management currently provides the Board with consolidated management accounts which presents a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's performance, position and prospects on a quarterly and yearly basis and as and when deemed necessary.

## RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

**Principle 11: The Board is responsible for the governance of risk. The Board should ensure that Management maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls to safeguard the shareholders' interests and the company's assets, and should determine the nature and extent of the significant risks which the Board is willing to take in achieving its strategic objectives.**

### *Guidelines 11.1, 11.2 and 11.3*

#### *- Risk Management and Internal Controls System*

#### *- Board's Comment on Adequacy and Effectiveness of Internal Controls*

Key business risks identified in the course of audit and plans to address these risks are communicated to the management accordingly and tabled for discussion at AC meetings with updates by the management on the status of these action plans.

The AC ensures that a review of the effectiveness of the Group's material internal controls, including financial, operational and compliance controls, and risk management, is conducted at least annually.

The AC has reviewed the Group's material internal controls, including financial, operational, information technology and compliance controls, and risk management policies and is satisfied that there are adequate internal controls in place.



# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS (CONTINUED)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016, the Board has received letters of assurance from the CEO and the Group Financial Controller that the financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's operations and finances, and on the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal controls system.

### *Guideline 11.4 Separate Risk Committee*

The responsibility of overseeing the Company's risk management framework and policies is undertaken by the AC with the assistance of the internal auditors. Having considered the Company's business operations as well as its existing internal control and risk management systems, the Board is of the view that a separate risk committee is not required for the time being.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

**Principle 12: The Board should establish an Audit Committee ("AC") with written terms of reference which clearly set out its authority and duties.**

### *Guideline 12.1 Audit Committee Membership*

The AC comprises four non-executive directors, three of whom, including the Chairman are independent. They are Mr Chang Meng Teng (Chairman of the AC), Mr Richard Khoo Boo Yeong, Mr Foo Ko Hing and Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah. The AC had six meetings during the financial year. Key information regarding the AC members is given in the 'Board of Directors' section of this annual report.

### *Guideline 12.2 Expertise of Audit Committee Members*

The AC members bring with them invaluable professional expertise in the accounting and financial management domains. The experience and qualifications of the AC members are set out in the 'Board of Directors' section of this annual report.

### *Guidelines 12.3 and 12.4 Roles, Responsibilities and Authorities of Audit Committee*

The AC has expressed power to investigate any matter brought to its attention, within its terms of reference, with the power to seek professional advice at the Company's expense.

The AC carries out its functions in accordance with Section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act, Cap. 50, and the Code, including the following:

- reviews with the external auditors, the audit plan, the evaluation of the internal accounting controls, audit reports and any matters which the external auditors wish to discuss (in the absence of management, where necessary);
- reviews with the internal auditors, the scope and the results of internal audit procedures and their evaluation of the overall internal control systems;
- reviews any significant findings of internal investigations and management's response;
- makes recommendations to the Board on the appointment of external auditors, the audit fee and any questions of their resignation or dismissal;
- reviews and approves the appointment, replacement, reassignment or the dismissal of the internal auditors;
- monitors interested person transactions and conflict of interest situation that may arise within the Group including any transaction, procedure or course of action that raises questions of management integrity; and
- reviews quarterly reporting to SGX-ST and year-end financial statements of the Group before submission to the Board, focusing on
  - going concern assumption;
  - compliance with financial reporting standards and regulatory requirements;
  - any changes in accounting policies and practices;
  - significant issues arising from the audit;
  - major judgmental areas; and
  - any other functions which may be agreed by the AC and the Board.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## AUDIT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

*Guidelines 12.5 and 12.6*

- Meeting with External and Internal Auditors
- Independence of External Auditors

The AC has met with the external and internal auditors without the presence of the Company's management annually and reviewed the non-audit services provided by the external auditors and is satisfied that the nature and extent of the services would not affect their independence and objectivity.

The AC has free and independent access to the external auditors and the internal auditors, and other senior management staff for information that it may require. It has full discretion to invite any director and executive officer to attend its meetings. The AC is satisfied with the assistance given by the Group's officers to the audit functions.

In appointing the audit firms for the Group, the AC is satisfied that the Company has complied with Rules 712 and 715 of the Listing Manual.

As part of ongoing efforts to enhance corporate governance, it is considered timely to effect a change of external Auditor with effect from the financial year ending 31 December 2017. Various audit firms were invited to submit proposals, following which the Audit Committee reviewed and deliberated them, taking into consideration factors such as the adequacy of the resources and experience of the audit firm to be selected, and the audit engagement partner to be assigned to the audit, as well as the size and complexity of the Amara Group. After evaluation, the Audit Committee recommended that Deloitte & Touche LLP be selected for the proposed appointment.

*Guideline 12.7*

*Whistleblowing Policy*

The Company has in place a whistleblowing policy and the AC has the authority to conduct independent investigations into any complaints.

Staff of the Group has access to senior management employees whom they are free to bring their concerns or complaints to. All such concerns or complaints received shall be investigated thoroughly by the AC or the whistleblowing committee, as the case may be, and all investigations shall be conducted without bias. The Group will treat all information received confidentially and protect the identities and the interests of all whistle-blowers, so as to enable staff to voice their concerns or complaints without any fear of reprisal, retaliation, discrimination or harassment of any kind.

*Guideline 12.8*

*Measures by Audit Committee Members to Keep Abreast*

The AC members have kept abreast of changes in accounting standards and issues which impact the financial statements from briefings by auditors during the quarterly AC meetings.

*Guideline 12.9*

*Restriction on Acting as Audit Committee Member*

There is no member within the Company's AC who is a former partner or director of the Company's existing audit firm.

## INTERNAL AUDIT

**Principle 13: The Company should establish an effective internal audit function that is adequately resourced and independent of the activities it audits.**

The Group has outsourced the internal audit function. The internal auditors have unrestricted access to the Group's accounting records, documents, properties and personnel. Internal audit reports and recommendations are provided to the AC. Significant issues are discussed in the AC meetings with the presence of the internal auditors.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS

**Principle 14: Companies should treat all shareholders fairly and equitably, and should recognise, protect and facilitate the exercise of shareholders' rights, and continually review and update such governance arrangements.**

### *Guideline 14.1*

#### *Sufficient Information to Shareholders*

The Company strives for transparency in its disclosures to the shareholders and the public. This is done through the regular dissemination of information through SGXNET. However, the Company does not practise selective disclosure as all price-sensitive information is released through SGXNET. The Company also maintains a website at [www.amaraholdings.com](http://www.amaraholdings.com), at which shareholders can access information on the Group such as corporate information, annual report and core businesses of the Group.

### *Guideline 14.2*

#### *Opportunity for Shareholders to Participate and Vote at General Meetings*

Shareholders are encouraged to attend the AGM and EGM (if any) to ensure high level of accountability and to stay apprised of the Group's strategy and goals. Notice of the meetings will be mailed to the shareholders, advertised in newspaper and announced on SGXNET.

At the AGM and EGM (if any), shareholders are given the opportunity to express their views and ask the Board and the management questions about the Group.

### *Guideline 14.3*

#### *Proxies*

The Constitution of the Company permits a shareholder (other than a relevant intermediary as defined in Section 181 of the Singapore Companies Act, Cap. 50) to appoint one or two proxies to attend AGM and vote in his stead. The Singapore Companies Act, Cap. 50 allows relevant intermediaries to appoint more than two proxies. This will enable indirect investors, including CPF investors, to be appointed as proxies to participate in the AGM.

## COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS

**Principle 15: Companies should actively engage their shareholders and put in place an investor relations policy to promote regular, effective and fair communication with shareholders.**

### *Guidelines 15.1 to 15.4*

#### *Timely information to and Engagement with Shareholders*

As mentioned above, the Company communicates with its shareholders and the investment community through the timely release of announcements to the SGX-ST via SGXNET. The Company also responds to enquiries from investors, analysts, fund managers and the press.

Financial results of the Group are released within 45 days from the end of each quarter and within 60 days from the financial year end. In addition, Annual Reports are distributed to shareholders at least 14 days before each AGM.

In accordance with the Listing Rules of the SGX-ST, the Board's policy is that all shareholders are informed on a timely basis of all major developments that impact the Group.

The Company has also retained the services of a Public Relations firm to assist in its communication with the shareholders. The Company's AGM is the principal forum for dialogues with shareholders.

### *Guideline 15.5*

#### *Dividend Policy*

The Company currently does not have a fixed dividend policy. The dividend paid each year will depend on factors that include the Group's profit level, cash position and future cash needs.

The details of dividend payment, if any, would be disclosed via the release of announcements through SGXNET.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

## CONDUCT OF SHAREHOLDER MEETINGS

**Principle 16: Companies should encourage greater shareholder participation at general meetings of shareholders, and allow shareholders the opportunity to communicate their views on various matters affecting the company.**

### *Guideline 16.1*

#### *Effective Shareholders' Participation*

All resolutions at the forthcoming AGM would be put to vote by electronic poll. This will allow greater transparency and more equitable participation by shareholders.

### *Guideline 16.2*

#### *Separate Resolutions at General Meetings*

The Company will have separate resolutions at general meetings on each distinct issue.

### *Guideline 16.3*

#### *Attendance at General Meetings*

The whole Board together with the management and the external auditors are normally present at the AGM to address shareholders' queries, if any.

### *Guideline 16.4*

#### *Minutes of General Meetings*

Minutes of general meetings are prepared, including comments and queries from shareholders and responses from the Board and Management.

### *Guideline 16.5*

#### *Results of Resolutions by Poll*

The poll voting results will be announced after the AGM via SGXNET.

## OTHER CORPORATE GOVERNANCE MATTERS

### INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

The Group has adopted an internal policy in respect of any transactions with interested persons and requires all such transactions to be at arm's length and reviewed by the AC.

There were no interested person transactions conducted during the financial year pursuant to the Listing Manual.

The Board is satisfied with the Group's commitment to compliance with the Code.

### DEALINGS IN SECURITIES

In line with Listing Rule 1207(19) on Dealings in Securities, the Company has adopted the SGX-ST best practices on dealings in securities in its Internal Code of Dealings in Securities ("Internal Code") to prescribe the internal regulations pertaining to the securities of the Company. The Internal Code prohibits securities dealings by directors and employees while in possession of price-sensitive information. The directors and these employees are also prohibited from dealing in the securities of the Company on short-term considerations and during the period commencing two weeks before the announcement of the Group's quarterly results and one month before the announcement of the Group's annual results and ending on the date of announcement of the results.

### MATERIAL CONTRACTS

There were no material contracts of the Company involving the interests of the CEO, each director or controlling shareholder entered into since the end of the previous financial year.



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# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

The directors are pleased to present their statement to the members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company as set out on pages 59 to 120 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as at 31 December 2016 and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the financial year then ended in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

## DIRECTORS

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

Albert Teo Hock Chuan  
 Chang Meng Teng  
 Susan Teo Geok Tin  
 Richard Khoo Boo Yeong  
 Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah  
 Foo Ko Hing  
 Chia Kwok Ping

## ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object is to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES

- (a) According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the share capital or debentures of the Company and related companies, except as follows:

	Holdings registered in name of director/nominee			Holdings in which a director is deemed to have an interest		
	At	At	At	At	At	At
	21.1.2017	31.12.2016	1.1.2016	21.1.2017	31.12.2016	1.1.2016
	Number of ordinary shares					
<b>The Company</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	14,899,619	14,899,619	14,738,419	234,468,917	234,468,917	234,468,917
Chang Meng Teng	10,000	10,000	10,000	–	–	–
Susan Teo Geok Tin	14,820,447	14,820,447	14,820,447	234,458,917	234,458,917	234,458,917
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	710,030	710,030	710,030	*249,558,336	*249,558,336	*249,558,336

\* Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah is deemed to have an interest in 234,458,917 Amara Holdings Limited's shares held or controlled by Firsttrust Equity Pte Ltd (In Members' Voluntary Liquidation) by reason of the interest of his spouse and her associates in that company. Further, his spouse holds 15,099,419 Amara Holdings Limited's shares personally.

# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

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## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES (CONTINUED)

	Holdings registered in name of director/nominee			Holdings in which a director is deemed to have an interest		
	At	At	At	At	At	At
	21.1.2017	31.12.2016	1.1.2016	21.1.2017	31.12.2016	1.1.2016
	Number of ordinary shares					
<b>Ultimate holding company</b>						
<b>First Security Pte Ltd</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan and Susan Teo Geok Tin	–	10,000,000	10,000,000	–	–	–
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	5,000,025	–	–	–	–	–
Susan Teo Geok Tin	2,499,975	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Immediate holding company</b>						
<b>Firsttrust Equity Pte Ltd (In Members' Voluntary Liquidation)</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	–	–	–	5,171,935	5,171,935	5,171,935
Susan Teo Geok Tin	674,600	674,600	674,600	5,171,935	5,171,935	5,171,935
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	–	–	–	1,349,200	1,349,200	1,349,200
<b>Related company</b>						
<b>Amara Ventures Pte Ltd</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	85	85	85	9,302	9,302	9,302
Susan Teo Geok Tin	–	–	–	9,302	9,302	9,302
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	–	–	–	9,302	9,302	9,302

- (b) Mr Albert Teo Hock Chuan and Ms Susan Teo Geok Tin, by virtue of them being entitled to control the exercise of not less than 20% of the votes attached to voting shares in the Company as recorded in the register of directors' shareholdings, are each deemed to have an interest in the whole of the share capital of the Company's wholly owned subsidiary corporations and in shares held by the Company in the subsidiary corporations set out below. Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah is deemed to have an interest in the whole of the share capital of the Company's wholly owned subsidiary corporations and in the shares held by the Company in the following subsidiary corporations by virtue of the interest of his spouse and her associates being entitled to exercise not less than 20% of the votes attached to voting shares in the Company.

	Holdings registered in name of director/nominee			Holdings in which a director is deemed to have an interest		
	At	At	At	At	At	At
	21.1.2017	31.12.2016	1.1.2016	21.1.2017	31.12.2016	1.1.2016
	Number of ordinary shares					
<b>Subsidiary corporations</b>						
<b>Catering Concepts &amp; Management Services Pte Ltd</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	–	–	–	170,000	170,000	170,000
Susan Teo Geok Tin	–	–	–	170,000	170,000	170,000
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	–	–	–	170,000	170,000	170,000
<b>AOI Saigon Pte Ltd</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	–	–	–	3,780,000	3,780,000	3,780,000
Susan Teo Geok Tin	–	–	–	3,780,000	3,780,000	3,780,000
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	–	–	–	3,780,000	3,780,000	3,780,000
	Number of ordinary shares partially paid					
<b>AOI Saigon Pte Ltd</b>						
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	–	–	–	5,083,947	5,083,947	5,083,947
Susan Teo Geok Tin	–	–	–	5,083,947	5,083,947	5,083,947
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah	–	–	–	5,083,947	5,083,947	5,083,947

# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

*For the financial year ended 31 December 2016*

## SHARE OPTIONS

There were no options granted during the financial year to subscribe for unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiary corporations.

No shares have been issued during the financial year by virtue of the exercise of options to take up unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiary corporations.

There were no unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiary corporations under option at the end of the financial year.

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

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

Chang Meng Teng (Chairman)  
Richard Khoo Boo Yeong  
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah  
Foo Ko Hing

This subcommittee of the Board had six meetings during the financial year. The meetings had been attended by the Chief Executive Officer, Executive Director for Finance and Administration and Group Financial Controller. When necessary, the presence of the external auditors had been requested during these meetings.

All members of this Committee are non-executive directors. Except for Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah, all members are independent.

The Committee is authorised by the Board to investigate any activity within its terms of reference. It has an unrestricted access to any information pertaining to the Group, to both the internal and the external auditors, and to all employees of the Group. It is also authorised by the Board to obtain external legal or other independent professional advice as necessary and at the expense of the Company.

The Audit Committee carries out its functions in accordance with Section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act, including the following:

- reviews with the external auditors, the audit plan, the evaluation of the internal accounting controls, audit reports and any matters which the external auditors wish to discuss (in the absence of management, where necessary);
- reviews with the internal auditors, the scope and the results of internal audit procedures and their evaluation of the overall internal control systems;
- reviews any significant findings of internal investigations and management's response;
- makes recommendations to the Board on the appointment of external auditors, the audit fee and any questions of their resignation or dismissal;
- reviews and approves the appointment, replacement, reassignment or the dismissal of the internal auditors;
- monitors interested person transactions and conflict of interest situation that may arise within the Group including any transaction, procedure or course of action that raises questions of management integrity;



# DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

*For the financial year ended 31 December 2016*

## AUDIT COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

- reviews quarterly reporting to Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") and year end financial statements of the Group before submission to the Board, focusing on
  - going concern assumption;
  - compliance with financial reporting standards and regulatory requirements;
  - any changes in accounting policies and practices;
  - significant issues arising from the audit;
  - major judgmental areas; and
- any other functions which may be agreed by the Audit Committee and the Board.

The Audit Committee reviewed the following, where relevant, with the management, the internal auditors and/or the external auditors:

- (i) the co-operation given by the Company's officers and whether the external auditors in the course of carrying out their duties, were obstructed or impeded by management;
- (ii) the adequacy of the Group's internal accounting control system and its internal control procedures relating to interested person transactions;
- (iii) compliance with legal and other regulatory requirements; and
- (iv) any other matter which in the Audit Committee's opinion, should be brought to the attention of the Board.

As part of ongoing efforts to enhance corporate governance, it is considered timely to effect a change of external auditors with effect from the financial year ending 31 December 2017. Various audit firms were invited to submit proposals, following which the Audit Committee reviewed and deliberated them, taking into consideration factors such as the adequacy of the resources and experience of the audit firm to be selected, and the audit engagement partner to be assigned to the audit, as well as the size and complexity of the Group. After evaluation, the Board accepted the Audit Committee's recommendation for a change of external auditors for the financial year ending 31 December 2017, subject to approval by shareholders at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the directors

**ALBERT TEO HOCK CHUAN**  
Director

**CHANG MENG TENG**  
Director

22 March 2017

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMARA HOLDINGS LIMITED

## REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Amara Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") as set out on pages 59 to 120, which comprise the statements of financial position of the Group and the Company as at 31 December 2016, and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows of the Group and the statement of changes in equity of the Company for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the "Act") and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ("FRSs") so as to give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group and the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2016 and of the consolidated financial performance, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the Group and of the changes in equity of the Company for the year ended on that date.

### Basis for Opinion

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

### Key Audit Matters

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

### Valuation of investment properties

#### *Area of Focus*

As disclosed in Note 21 to the financial statements, the Group has a portfolio of investment properties of \$349,588,000 (2015: \$338,485,000), which constituted approximately 48% (2015: 50%) of the Group's total assets at end of the reporting period.

These investment properties are stated at their fair values, determined by independent valuation specialists.

The valuation of investment property requires significant judgment and estimation. There is a risk that the investment properties may not be fairly stated if the valuation methodology adopted and the key assumptions applied by the valuers are inappropriate.

A small change in the key assumptions applied by the valuers such as the market comparable used and capitalisation rate can have a significant impact to the valuation.

For investment property under construction, the estimated costs to complete the construction and a reasonable developer's profit on construction and development will also impact the valuation.

#### *Our responses*

We assessed management's processes for the selection of external valuers, the determination of the scope of work of the valuers, and the review and acceptance of the external valuation reports. We evaluated the qualifications and competence of the external valuers. We also read the terms of engagement of the valuers with the Group to determine whether there were any matters that might have affected their objectivity or limited the scope of their work.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMARA HOLDINGS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

## REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### Key Audit Matters (continued)

#### Valuation of investment properties (continued)

*Our responses (continued)*

We held discussions with the valuers and challenged their key assumptions applied by comparing them against market comparable, historical data and available industry data.

We also considered whether the financial statements disclosures appropriately reflect the Group's exposure to the fair value measurement risk. For example, we assessed the Group's fair value hierarchy policy against the requirements of FRS 113 Fair Value Measurement, and reviewed the selected Level 3 assets to evaluate whether they were categorised in the appropriate level.

In addition, for the investment property under development, we evaluated the estimated total cost of development by comparing the underlying assumptions to relevant market evidences and, where the works were contracted to third parties, agreed the estimated costs to the contracts.

We have also tested significant items of the cost components to source documents to ascertain the validity and accuracy of the costs of work done.

We also considered the adequacy of the disclosure in the financial statements, in describing the inherent degree of subjectivity and key assumptions in the estimates.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report 2016 but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AMARA HOLDINGS LIMITED (CONTINUED)

## REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

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

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

## REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and by those subsidiary corporations incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Sim Guan Seng.

**Baker Tilly TFW LLP**  
Public Accountants and  
Chartered Accountants  
Singapore

22 March 2017

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	The Group	
		2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Revenue</b>	3	81,274	82,425
Other income	4	2,559	7,030
Changes in inventories of finished goods		22	92
Cost of properties sold/consumables used		(6,948)	(9,417)
Staff costs	9	(24,293)	(23,865)
Depreciation	22	(5,557)	(5,202)
Finance costs	5	(5,989)	(6,542)
Other expenses	6	(29,063)	(26,311)
Share of results of a jointly-controlled entity, net of tax	19	27,996	(28)
<b>Profit before tax</b>	7	40,001	18,182
Income tax expense	10	(3,206)	(3,876)
<b>Profit for the year</b>		36,795	14,306
<b>Other comprehensive (loss)/income after tax:</b>			
<i>Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Currency translation differences on translation of financial statements of foreign subsidiaries		(3,647)	1,625
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets reclassified to profit or loss		62	75
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets, net		(41)	(136)
<b>Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year, net of tax</b>		(3,626)	1,564
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		33,169	15,870
<b>Profit attributable to:</b>			
Equity holders of the Company		37,075	14,332
Non-controlling interests		(280)	(26)
<b>Profit for the year</b>		36,795	14,306
<b>Total comprehensive income attributable to:</b>			
Equity holders of the Company		33,449	15,896
Non-controlling interests		(280)	(26)
		33,169	15,870
Earnings per ordinary share attributable to the equity holders of the Company			
Basic and diluted (cents)	11	6.44	2.49

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2016

	Notes	The Group		The Company	
		2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	12	16,024	13,455	20	64
Trade and other receivables	13	8,919	16,261	53,190	42,794
Inventories	14	429	407	–	–
Development properties	15	77,393	43,320	–	–
Other current assets	16	1,048	1,651	5	5
		103,813	75,094	53,215	42,863
<b>Non-current assets</b>					
Available-for-sale financial assets	17	1,063	1,109	126	125
Intangible assets	18	441	409	–	–
Investment in a jointly-controlled entity	19	29,872	1,876	–	–
Investment in subsidiaries	20	–	–	41,987	40,937
Investment properties	21	349,588	338,485	–	–
Property, plant and equipment	22	226,184	207,363	–	–
Land use rights	23	6,692	7,055	–	–
Goodwill	24	789	789	–	–
Other assets	25	6,464	6,576	–	–
Trade and other receivables	13	–	31,292	–	–
Deferred income tax assets	26	233	315	–	–
Other non-current assets	16	131	215	–	–
		621,457	595,484	42,113	41,062
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>725,270</b>	<b>670,578</b>	<b>95,328</b>	<b>83,925</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	27	26,054	22,512	365	327
Tax payable		3,275	4,122	–	–
Borrowings	28	60,953	61,924	–	–
		90,282	88,558	365	327
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	27	5,343	4,978	–	–
Borrowings	28	250,449	225,421	–	–
Deferred income tax liabilities	26	5,543	5,386	–	–
		261,335	235,785	–	–
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>351,617</b>	<b>324,343</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>327</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>373,653</b>	<b>346,235</b>	<b>94,963</b>	<b>83,598</b>
<b>Capital and reserves attributable to equity holders of the Company</b>					
Share capital	29	125,646	125,646	125,646	125,646
Treasury shares	29	(913)	(913)	(913)	(913)
Reserves		249,331	221,633	(29,770)	(41,135)
		374,064	346,366	94,963	83,598
Non-controlling interests		(411)	(131)	–	–
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>373,653</b>	<b>346,235</b>	<b>94,963</b>	<b>83,598</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company							Non - controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000	
		Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Asset revaluation reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Fair value reserve \$'000	Retained earnings and other reserves* \$'000	Total reserves \$'000			Total \$'000
<b>The Group</b>											
Balance at											
1 January 2016		125,646	(913)	9,773	6,736	93	205,031	221,633	346,366	(131)	346,235
Profit for the year		-	-	-	-	-	37,075	37,075	37,075	(280)	36,795
<b>Other comprehensive (loss)/income</b>											
Currency translation differences on translation of financial statements of foreign subsidiaries		-	-	-	(3,647)	-	-	(3,647)	(3,647)	-	(3,647)
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets reclassified to profit or loss		-	-	-	-	62	-	62	62	-	62
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets, net		-	-	-	-	(41)	-	(41)	(41)	-	(41)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year, net of tax		-	-	-	(3,647)	21	-	(3,626)	(3,626)	-	(3,626)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year		-	-	-	(3,647)	21	37,075	33,449	33,449	(280)	33,169
Dividend relating to 2015	30	-	-	-	-	-	(5,751)	(5,751)	(5,751)	-	(5,751)
Balance at 31 December 2016		125,646	(913)	9,773	3,089	114	236,355	249,331	374,064	(411)	373,653

\* Includes other reserves of \$112,000 as at 31 December 2016 (2015: \$112,000)

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (CONTINUED)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	Equity attributable to equity holders of the Company							Non - controlling interests	Total equity	
		Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Asset revaluation reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Fair value reserve \$'000	Retained earnings and other reserves* \$'000	Total reserves \$'000			Total \$'000
<b>The Group</b>											
Balance at 1 January 2015		125,646	(51)	9,773	5,111	154	197,611	212,649	338,244	(105)	338,139
Profit for the year		-	-	-	-	-	14,332	14,332	14,332	(26)	14,306
<b>Other comprehensive income/(loss)</b>											
Currency translation differences on translation of financial statements of foreign subsidiaries		-	-	-	1,625	-	-	1,625	1,625	-	1,625
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets reclassified to profit or loss		-	-	-	-	75	-	75	75	-	75
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets, net		-	-	-	-	(136)	-	(136)	(136)	-	(136)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year, net of tax		-	-	-	1,625	(61)	-	1,564	1,564	-	1,564
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		-	-	-	1,625	(61)	14,332	15,896	15,896	(26)	15,870
Purchase of treasury shares		-	(862)	-	-	-	-	-	(862)	-	(862)
Dividend relating to 2014	30	-	-	-	-	-	(6,912)	(6,912)	(6,912)	-	(6,912)
Balance at 31 December 2015		125,646	(913)	9,773	6,736	93	205,031	221,633	346,366	(131)	346,235

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (CONTINUED)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	Share capital \$'000	Treasury shares \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Fair value reserve \$'000	Other reserves \$'000	Total reserves \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>The Company</b>								
Balance at 1 January 2016		125,646	(913)	(42,060)	(1)	926	(41,135)	83,598
Profit for the year		–	–	17,109	–	–	17,109	17,109
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>								
Fair value loss on available -for-sale financial assets, net		–	–	–	7	–	7	7
Total comprehensive income for the year		–	–	17,109	7	–	17,116	17,116
Dividend relating to 2015	30	–	–	(5,751)	–	–	(5,751)	(5,751)
Balance at 31 December 2016		125,646	(913)	(30,702)	6	926	(29,770)	94,963
Balance at 1 January 2015		125,646	(51)	(41,118)	25	926	(40,167)	85,428
Profit for the year		–	–	5,970	–	–	5,970	5,970
<i>Other comprehensive loss</i>								
Fair value loss on available -for-sale financial assets, net		–	–	–	(26)	–	(26)	(26)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		–	–	5,970	(26)	–	5,944	5,944
Purchase of treasury shares		–	(862)	–	–	–	–	(862)
Dividend relating to 2014	30	–	–	(6,912)	–	–	(6,912)	(6,912)
Balance at 31 December 2015		125,646	(913)	(42,060)	(1)	926	(41,135)	83,598

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	The Group	
		2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Profit before tax		40,001	18,182
Adjustments for:			
Fair value gains (net) of investment properties		(1,840)	(5,588)
Amortisation of other assets		112	112
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		5,557	5,202
Property, plant and equipment written off		450	22
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment		(130)	(17)
Income from available-for-sale financial assets		(45)	(72)
Gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets		(13)	(2)
Fair value loss on available-for-sale financial assets reclassified to profit or loss		62	75
Interest income		(285)	(566)
Interest expense		5,989	6,542
Share of results of a jointly-controlled entity, net of tax		(27,996)	28
Operating cash flow before working capital changes		21,862	23,918
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Inventories		(22)	(92)
Receivables		39,177	586
Payables		3,907	(930)
Development properties		(34,073)	2,830
Currency translation adjustments		651	787
Cash generated from operations		31,502	27,099
Income tax paid, net		(3,814)	(3,667)
<b>Net cash generated from operating activities</b>		<b>27,688</b>	<b>23,432</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Proceeds from sale of available-for-sale financial assets		23	24
Purchase of available-for-sale financial assets		(5)	(7)
Payments for property, plant and equipment (Note A)		(26,217)	(37,500)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		181	17
Additional costs incurred on investment properties		(10,782)	–
Purchase of intangible assets		(32)	(52)
Repayment from a third party		144	144
Income received from quoted equity investments		45	72
Interest received		285	566
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>(36,358)</b>	<b>(36,736)</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

	Note	The Group	
		2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Interest paid		(5,989)	(6,542)
Purchase of treasury shares		–	(862)
Payment of dividends on ordinary shares		(5,751)	(6,912)
Repayment of finance lease liabilities		(166)	(172)
Repayment of bank borrowings		(93,950)	(46,400)
Proceeds from bank borrowings		117,100	75,091
<b>Net cash generated from financing activities</b>		<b>11,244</b>	<b>14,203</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents held</b>		<b>2,574</b>	<b>899</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		13,455	12,813
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(5)	(257)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year</b>	12	<b>16,024</b>	<b>13,455</b>

## Note A

During the financial year, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment with an aggregate cost of \$26,470,000 (2015: \$37,670,000) of which \$253,000 (2015: \$170,000) was financed by means of finance lease. Cash payment of \$26,217,000 (2015: \$37,500,000) was made to purchase property, plant and equipment.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

*For the financial year ended 31 December 2016*

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

## 1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

Amara Holdings Limited (the "Company") (Co. Reg. No. 197000732N) is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore and is listed on the SGX-ST. The address of its registered office is 100 Tras Street #06-01, 100 AM, Singapore 079027.

The principal activity of the Company is that of an investment holding company. The principal activities of its subsidiaries are set out in Note 20 to the financial statements.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### (a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ("FRSs"). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollars ("SGD or \$"), rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRSs requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the financial year. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, and historical experiences and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, actual results may ultimately differ from those estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity or areas where assumptions significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 2(b).

In the current financial year, the Group has adopted all the new and revised FRSs and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRSs") that are relevant to its operations and effective for the current financial year. Changes to the Group's accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the transitional provisions in the respective FRSs and INT FRSs.

The adoption of these new/revised FRSs and INT FRSs did not have any material effect on the financial results or financial position of the Group and the Company.

New standards, amendments to standards and interpretations that have been issued at the end of the reporting period but are not yet effective for the financial year ended 31 December 2016 have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. None of these are expected to have a significant effect on the financial statements of the Group and the Company, except as disclosed as follows:

### **New or revised FRS and INT FRS issued at the end of the reporting period but not effective**

#### FRS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

FRS 115 replaces FRS 18 'Revenue', FRS 11 'Construction contracts' and other revenue related interpretations. It applies to all contracts with customers, except for leases, financial instruments, insurance contracts and certain guarantee contracts and non-monetary exchange contracts. FRS 115 provides a single, principle-based model to be applied to all contracts with customers. An entity recognises revenue in accordance with the core principle in FRS 115 by applying a 5-step approach.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (a) Basis of preparation (continued)

#### **New or revised FRS and INT FRS issued at the end of the reporting period but not effective (continued)**

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

Under FRS 115, an entity recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied, i.e. when “control” of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018, with early adoption permitted. FRS 115 includes disclosure requirements that will result in disclosure of comprehensive information about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from the entity’s contracts with customers.

The Group plans to adopt the standard when it becomes effective in financial year ending 31 December 2018. Management is currently assessing the impact of applying the new standard on the Group’s financial statements.

##### FRS 109 Financial Instruments

FRS 109 which replaces FRS 39, includes guidance on (i) the classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities; (ii) impairment requirements for financial assets; and (iii) general hedge accounting. Financial assets are classified according to their contractual cash flow characteristics and the business model under which they are held. The impairment requirements in FRS 109 are based on an expected credit loss model and replace FRS 39 incurred loss model.

#### (a) *Classification and measurement*

While the Group has yet to undertake a detailed assessment of the classification and measurement of its financial assets, the Group does not expect a significant change to the measurement basis arising from adopting the new classification and measurement model under FRS 109:

- Loans and receivables that are currently accounted for at amortised cost will continue to be accounted using amortised cost model under FRS 109.
- The Group will be able to elect to present changes in fair value in other comprehensive income (OCI) for equity instruments currently classified as available-for-sale (AFS) financial assets.

#### (b) *Impairment*

FRS 109 requires the Group to record expected credit losses on all of its debt securities, loans and trade receivables, either on a 12-month or lifetime basis. The Group expects to apply the simplified approach and record lifetime expected losses on all trade receivables.

The Group has not undertaken a detailed assessment of the impact of the impairment provisions under FRS 109 but the Group expects that the new expected loss model may result in an earlier recognition of credit losses.

The Group plans to adopt the standard when it becomes effective in financial year ending 31 December 2018.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (a) Basis of preparation (continued)

#### New or revised FRS and INT FRS issued at the end of the reporting period but not effective (continued)

##### FRS 116 Leases

FRS 116 replaces the existing FRS 17: Leases. It reforms lessee accounting by introducing a single lessee accounting model. Lessees are required to recognise all leases on their statement of financial position to reflect their rights to use leased assets (a "right-of-use" asset) and the associated obligations for lease payments (a lease liability), with limited exemptions for short term leases (less than 12 months) and leases of low value items. The accounting for lessors will not change significantly.

The standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. The standard will affect primarily the accounting for the Group's operating leases. At the end of the reporting period, the Group has non-cancellable operating lease commitments of \$92,588,000 (Note 34(c)). The Group anticipates that the adoption of FRS 116 in the future may have a material impact on the amounts reported and disclosures made in the financial statements. But, it is not practicable to provide a reasonable estimate of the impact of FRS 116 until the Group performs a detailed assessment. The Group will perform a detailed assessment of the impact and plans to adopt the standard on the required effective date.

##### *Convergence with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)*

The Accounting Standards Council ("ASC") announced on 29 May 2014 that Singapore incorporated companies listed on the Singapore Exchange will be required to apply a new financial reporting framework identical to the International Financial Reporting Standards (full IFRS convergence) in 2018. The Group will adopt the new financial reporting framework on 1 January 2018.

### (b) Significant accounting estimates and judgments

The Group's accounting policies and use of estimates are integral to the reported results. Certain accounting estimates require exercise of management's judgment in determining the appropriate methodology for valuation of assets and liabilities. In addition, procedures are in place to ensure that methodologies are reviewed and revised as appropriate. The Group believes its estimates for determining the valuation of its assets and liabilities are appropriate.

#### (1) Key sources of 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 discussed below.

##### i) Impairment of non-financial assets

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for all non-financial assets at the end of each reporting period. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually and at other times when such indicators exist. Other non-financial assets are tested for impairment when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. The carrying amounts of the Group's investment in a jointly-controlled entity, property, plant and equipment and goodwill and the Company's investment in subsidiaries, net of impairment loss at the end of the reporting period are disclosed in Notes 19, 22, 24 and 20 to the financial statements.

##### ii) Investment properties

The Group carries its investment properties at fair value, with changes in fair values being recognised in profit or loss. The Group engaged independent valuation specialists to determine the investment properties' fair values annually.

The valuation techniques and inputs used to determine the fair value of the investment properties are further explained in Note 37.

The carrying amounts of the Group's investment properties at the end of the reporting period are disclosed in Note 21 to the financial statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (c) Revenue recognition

Revenue comprises the fair value for the sale of goods and rendering of services, net of goods and services tax, rebates and discounts, and after eliminating sales within the Group. Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Group, and the amount of revenue and related cost can be reliably measured.

#### (1) *Hotel and restaurant operations and other services rendered*

Revenue from hotel and restaurant operations are recognised when the services are rendered.

Revenue from rendering of services is recognised on the performance of services.

#### (2) *Rental income*

Rental income arising from operating leases on investment properties are recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease terms.

#### (3) *Revenue from sale of completed development property*

A development property is regarded as sold when the significant risks and returns have been transferred to the buyer, which is normally on unconditional exchange of contracts. For conditional exchanges, sales are recognised only when all the significant conditions are satisfied.

#### (4) *Revenue from sale of development property under construction*

Where development property is under construction and agreement has been reached to sell such property when construction is complete, the Directors consider whether the contract comprises:

- A contract to construct a property; or
  - A contract for the sale of completed property
- a) Where a contract is judged to be for the construction of a property, revenue is recognised using the percentage of completion method as construction progresses.
  - b) Where the contract is judged to be for the sale of a completed property, revenue is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the real estate have been transferred to the buyer (i.e. revenue is recognised using the completed contract method).
    - i) If however, the legal terms of the contract are such that the construction represents the continuous transfer of work in progress to the purchaser, the percentage of completion method of revenue recognition is applied and the revenue is recognised as work progresses.
    - ii) In Singapore's context, INT FRS 115 includes an accompanying note on the application of INT FRS 115 in Singapore which requires the percentage of completion method of revenue recognition to be applied to sale of private residential properties prior to completion of the properties that are regulated under the Singapore Housing Developers (Control and Licensing) Act (Chapter 130) and uses the standard form of sale and purchase agreements (SPAs) prescribed in the Housing Developers Rules. The accompanying note to INT FRS 115 does not address the accounting treatment for other SPAs, including SPAs with Deferred Payment Scheme feature in Singapore.

In the above situations (i) and (ii), the percentage of work completed is measured based on the costs incurred up till the end of the reporting period as a proportion of total costs expected to be incurred to completion.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 December 2016

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (c) Revenue recognition (continued)

#### (5) Management fee

Management fee income is recognised when services are rendered.

#### (6) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

#### (7) Interest income

Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method.

### (d) Basis of consolidation and business combinations

#### (1) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

In the Company's statement of financial position, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less accumulated impairment losses. On disposal of the investments, the difference between disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the investments are recognised in profit or loss.

#### (2) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries at the end of the reporting period. Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting date as the parent company. Consistent accounting policies are applied for like transactions and events in similar circumstances.

Intragroup balances and transactions, including income, expenses and dividends, are eliminated in full. Profits and losses resulting from intragroup transactions that are recognised in assets, such as inventory and property, plant and equipment, are eliminated in full.

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred for the acquisition comprises the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred also includes the fair value of any contingent consideration arrangement and the fair value of any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary. Acquisition-related costs are recognised as expenses as incurred. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.



# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (d) Basis of consolidation and business combinations (continued)

#### (2) Basis of consolidation (continued)

Any excess of the fair value of the consideration transferred in the business combination, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree (if any) and the fair value of the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any), over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. Goodwill is accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy for goodwill stated in Note 2(f). In instances where the latter amount exceeds the former amount and the measurement of all amounts have been reviewed, the excess is recognised as gain from bargain purchase in profit or loss on the date of acquisition.

Non-controlling interests are that part of the net results of operations and of net assets of a subsidiary attributable to the interests which are not owned directly or indirectly by the equity holders of the Company. They are shown separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of financial position. Total comprehensive income is attributed to the non-controlling interests based on their respective interests in a subsidiary, even if the subsidiary incurred losses and the losses allocated exceed the non-controlling interests in the subsidiary's equity.

For non-controlling interests that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the acquiree's net assets in the event of liquidation, the Group elects on an acquisition-by-acquisition basis whether to measure them at fair value, or at the 'non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the acquiree's net identifiable assets, at the acquisition date. All other non-controlling interests are measured at acquisition date at fair value or, when applicable, on the basis specified in another standard.

In business combinations achieved in stages, previously held equity interests in the acquiree are re-measured to fair value at the acquisition date and any corresponding gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Changes in the Company's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions (i.e. transactions with owners in their capacity as owners). The carrying amount of the controlling and non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interest is adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributable to owners of the Company.

When a change in the Company's ownership interest in a subsidiary results in a loss of control over the subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary including any goodwill, non-controlling interest and other component of equity related to the subsidiary are derecognised. Amounts recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are also reclassified to profit or loss or transferred directly to retained earnings if required by a specific FRS.

Any retained equity interest in the previous subsidiary is remeasured at fair value at the date that control is lost. The difference between the carrying amounts of the retained interest at the date control is lost, and its fair value is recognised in profit or loss.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (d) Basis of consolidation and business combinations (continued)

#### (3) *Jointly-controlled entity*

A jointly-controlled entity is an arrangement in which the Group has joint control, whereby the Group has rights to the net assets of the arrangement, rather than right to its assets and obligations for its liabilities.

Investment in a jointly-controlled entity is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting, less impairment losses, if any.

Investment in a jointly-controlled entity is initially recognised at cost. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the Group's share of a jointly-controlled entity's post-acquisition profits or losses is recognised in the profit or loss and its share of post-acquisition other comprehensive income is recognised in other comprehensive income. These post-acquisition movements and distributions received are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investment.

When the Group's share of losses in a jointly-controlled entity equals or exceeds its interest in the jointly-controlled entity, including any other unsecured non-current receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has obligations or has made payments on behalf of the jointly-controlled entity.

Any excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the jointly-controlled entity recognised at the date of acquisition is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill is included within the carrying amount of the investment and is assessed for impairment as part of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities over the cost of acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately as income in the Group's profit or loss.

Where a group entity transacts with a jointly-controlled entity of the Group, profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the respective jointly-controlled entity.

Upon loss of significant influence over a jointly-controlled entity, the Group measures any retained investment at its fair value. Any difference between the carrying amount of the jointly-controlled entity upon loss of significant influence and the fair value of the aggregate of the retained investment and proceeds from disposal is recognised in profit or loss.

If the Group's ownership interest in a jointly-controlled entity is reduced and the Group continues to apply the equity method, the Group shall reclassify to profit or loss the proportion of the gain or loss that had previously been recognised in other comprehensive income relating to that reduction in ownership interest if that gain or loss would be required to be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (e) Property, plant and equipment

All property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, except for operating supplies and capital project in progress that are not subjected to depreciation. All property, plant and equipment are stated at cost except for an once-off revaluation of the long leasehold land and buildings in 1987 by an external independent valuer. The Group does not have a fixed policy on revaluation.

The cost of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

Fully depreciated assets are retained in the financial statements until they are no longer in use.

#### (1) Operating supplies

Operating supplies comprising uniform, kitchen utensils, linen, crockery, cutlery, glassware, loose tools and catering utensils are dealt with on a replacement basis and subsequent purchases are charged directly to profit or loss.

#### (2) Capital project in progress

Expenditure relating to the construction of the leasehold land and buildings, including interest expenses, are capitalised when incurred, up to the completion of construction. The interest rate applied to the funds provided for the construction of the leasehold land and buildings is arrived at by reference to the actual rate payable on borrowings taken to finance the construction.

#### (3) Depreciation

No depreciation is provided on capital project in progress. Depreciation is calculated using a straight-line method to allocate the depreciable amounts of property, plant and equipment over their estimated useful lives. The annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

	%
Freehold property	2
Leasehold land and buildings	1.1 - 5
Plant and machinery, furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 - 33 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub>
Motor vehicles	20
Renovations	10
Land use rights	2.2 - 2.5

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. The effects of any revision are recognised in profit or loss when the changes arise.

The depreciation charge of land use rights in relation to construction in progress of properties held for own use is capitalised in capital project in progress until completion of the construction.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (e) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

#### (4) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost can be reliably measured. Other subsequent expenditure is recognised as an expense during the financial year in which it is incurred.

#### (5) Disposal

On disposal of a property, plant and equipment, the difference between the net disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is taken to profit or loss; any amount in revaluation reserve relating to that asset is transferred to retained earnings.

### (f) Intangible assets

#### (1) Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of acquisition of subsidiaries over the fair value of the Group's share of their identifiable net assets and contingent liabilities at the date of acquisition.

Goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries is recognised as intangible assets and is tested at least annually for impairment and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses (Note 2(h)).

On disposal of a subsidiary or a jointly-controlled entity, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

#### (2) Club memberships

Club memberships are held on a long-term basis and are stated at cost less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

### (g) Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held either to earn rental or for capital appreciation or both. Investment properties under development are properties being constructed or developed for future use as investment properties. Certain of the Group's investment properties acquired through interests in subsidiaries, are accounted for as acquisition of assets. Investment properties and investment properties under development are initially recognised at cost, including transaction costs, and subsequently at fair value with any change therein recognised in the profit or loss. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the investment property. The cost of self-constructed investment property includes cost of land use rights and cost of materials and direct labour, any other costs directly attributable to bringing the investment property to a working condition for their intended use and capitalised borrowing costs. The fair value is determined based on an independent professional valuation. Independent professional valuation is obtained annually.

When an investment property or investment property under development is disposed off, the resulting gain or loss recognised in the profit or loss is the difference between the net disposal proceed and the carrying amount of the property.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (g) Investment properties (continued)

Transfer to, or from, investment properties are made only when there is a change in use, evidenced by:

- commencement of development with a view to sell, for a transfer from investment properties to development properties for sale;
- commencement of owner-occupation, for a transfer from investment property to property, plant and equipment (owner-occupied property);
- end of owner-occupation, for a transfer from property, plant and equipment (owner-occupied property) to investment properties; or
- commencement of an operating lease to another party for a transfer from development properties held for sale to investment property.

### (h) Impairment of assets

#### (1) Goodwill

Goodwill is tested annually for impairment, as well as when there is any indication that the goodwill may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing of goodwill, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating-units ("CGU") expected to benefit from synergies of the business combination.

An impairment loss is recognised in the profit or loss when the carrying amount of CGU, including the goodwill, exceeds the recoverable amount of the CGU. Recoverable amount of the CGU is the higher of the CGU's fair value less cost to sell and value in use.

The total impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the CGU and then to the other assets of the CGU pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the CGU.

Impairment loss on goodwill is not reversed in subsequent period.

#### (2) Non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever there is any indication that these assets may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount (i.e. the higher of the fair value less cost to sell and value in use) of the asset is estimated to determine the amount of impairment loss.

For the purpose of impairment testing of these assets, recoverable amount is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets. If this is the case, recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs to.

If the recoverable amount of the asset (or CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is reduced to its recoverable amount. The impairment loss is recognised in the profit or loss unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case, such impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

An impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is reversed if, and only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying amount of an asset other than goodwill is increased to its revised recoverable amount, provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortisation or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is recognised in the profit or loss, unless the asset is carried at revalued amount, in which case, such reversal is treated as a revaluation increase.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (i) Financial assets

#### (1) Classification

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following categories: loans and receivables and available-for-sale, as appropriate. The classification depends on the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at the end of each reporting period.

#### i) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are included in current assets, except those maturing more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are classified within "trade and other receivables", "cash and cash equivalents" and "other current/non-current assets" (excluding prepayments) on the statement of financial position.

#### ii) Financial assets, available-for-sale

Financial assets, including equity and debt securities, available-for-sale are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are included in non-current assets unless management intends to dispose off the assets within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

#### (2) Recognition and derecognition

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

On disposal of a financial asset, the difference between the net sale proceeds and its carrying amount is taken to profit or loss. Any amount in the fair value reserve relating to that asset is transferred to profit or loss.

#### (3) Initial measurement

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs.

#### (4) Subsequent measurement

Financial assets, available-for-sale are subsequently carried at fair value. Loans and receivables are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment.

Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the loans and receivables are derecognised or impaired, as well as through the amortisation process.

Changes in the fair values of available-for-sale debt securities (i.e. monetary items) denominated in foreign currencies are analysed into currency translation differences on the amortised cost of the securities and other changes; the currency translation differences are recognised in profit or loss and the other changes are recognised in the fair value reserve. Changes in fair values of available-for-sale equity securities (i.e. non-monetary items) are recognised in the fair value reserve, together with the related currency translation differences.

Interest and dividend income on financial assets, available-for-sale are recognised separately in profit or loss.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (i) Financial assets (continued)

#### (5) Determination of fair value

The fair values of quoted financial assets are based on current bid prices. If the market for a financial asset is not active, the Group establishes fair value by using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length transactions, reference to other instruments that are substantially the same and discounted cash flow analysis refined to reflect the issuer's specific circumstances.

#### (6) Impairment

The Group assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired.

##### (i) Loans and receivables

Significant financial difficulties of the receivables, probability that the receivables will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default or delinquency in payments are considered indicators that the receivables are impaired.

The carrying amount of these assets is reduced through the use of an impairment allowance account, and the amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss. The allowance amount is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. When the asset becomes uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are recognised against the same line item in profit or loss.

If in subsequent periods, the impairment loss decreases, and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its amortised cost at the reversal date.

##### (ii) Financial assets, available-for-sale

In the case of an equity security classified as available-for-sale, a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of the security below its cost is considered an indicator that the security is impaired.

When there is objective evidence that an available-for-sale financial asset is impaired, the cumulative loss that was recognised directly in the fair value reserve is reclassified to profit or loss. The cumulative loss is measured as the difference between the acquisition cost (net of any principal repayments and amortisation) and the current fair value, less any impairment loss on that financial asset previously recognised.

Impairment losses on debt instruments classified as available-for-sale financial assets are reversed through profit or loss. However, impairment losses recognised in profit or loss on equity instruments classified as available-for-sale financial assets are not reversed through profit or loss.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (j) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first-in first-out basis and includes all costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the costs of completion and selling expenses.

### (k) Development properties for sales and stocks

Development properties for sale and stocks are stated at the lower of cost plus, where appropriate, a portion of the attributable profit [Note 2(c), 2(c)(4)], and estimated net realisable value, net of progress billings. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less costs to be incurred in selling the property.

The cost of properties under development comprises specifically identified costs, including acquisition costs, development expenditure, borrowing costs and other related expenditure. Borrowing costs payable on loans funding a development property are also capitalised, on a specific identification basis, as part of the cost of the development property until completion of development.

### (l) Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value and net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is taken to profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

### (m) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs, which comprise interest and other costs incurred in connection with the borrowing of funds, are capitalised as part of the cost of a qualifying asset if they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of that asset. Capitalisation of borrowing costs commences when the activities to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress and the expenditures and borrowing costs are incurred. Borrowing costs are capitalised until the assets are substantially completed for their intended use or sale. All other borrowing costs are recognised in the profit or loss using the effective interest method.

The amount of borrowing cost capitalised on that asset is the actual borrowing costs incurred during the period less any investment income on the temporary investment of those borrowings.

### (n) Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities include trade and other payables and bank borrowings. Financial liabilities are recognised on the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs and (except for financial guarantees) subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is extinguished. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised and through the amortisation process.



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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (o) Leases

(1) *When a group company is the lessee:*

#### *Finance leases*

Leases of assets in which the Group assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised at the inception of the lease at the lower of the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments. Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and finance charges so as to achieve a constant rate on the balance outstanding. The corresponding rental obligations, net of finance charges, are included in borrowings. The interest element of the finance cost is taken to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

#### *Operating leases*

Leases of assets in which a significant portion of the risks and rewards of ownership are retained by the lessor are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor) are taken to profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of lease.

When an operating lease is terminated before the lease period has expired, any payment required to be made to the lessor by way of penalty is recognised as an expense in the period in which termination takes place.

(2) *When a group company is the lessor:*

#### *Operating leases*

Leases where the Group retains substantially all the risk and rewards incidental to ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Rental income (net of any incentives given to lessees) is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

### (p) Income taxes

Income tax on the profit or loss for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that they relate to items recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity in which the tax is also recognised outside profit or loss (either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively).

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the current year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred income tax is provided using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the end of the reporting period arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements except where the deferred income tax 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 transaction, affects neither the accounting nor taxable profit or loss.

Deferred income tax is provided on temporary differences arising on investment in subsidiaries and a jointly-controlled entity, except where the timing of the reversal of temporary difference can be controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (p) Income taxes (continued)

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on currently enacted or substantively enacted tax rates at the end of the reporting period.

Deferred income tax is measured based on the tax consequence that will follow the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amounts of its assets and liabilities except for investment properties. The carrying amount of the investment properties measured at fair value is presumed to be recovered through sale.

Deferred taxes are charged or credited to equity if the tax relates to items that are credited or charged, in the same or a different period, directly to equity.

### (q) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past event, and it is probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required to settle that obligation and the amount can be estimated reliably. Provisions are measured at the management's best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period, and are discounted to present value where the effect is material.

### (r) Employee benefits

#### (1) Employee leave entitlement

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the end of the reporting period.

#### (2) Defined contribution plans

Defined contribution plans are post-employment benefit plans under which the Group pays fixed contributions into separate entities such as the Central Provident Fund in Singapore, and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further contributions if any of the funds does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employee benefits relating to employee service in the current and preceding financial years. The Group's contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in the financial year to which they relate.

### (s) Foreign currency translation

#### (1) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each entity in the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates (the "functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

#### (2) Transactions and balances

Transactions in a currency other than the functional currency ("foreign currency") are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Currency translation gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss except for currency translation differences on net investment in foreign operations and borrowings qualifying as net investment hedges for foreign operations, which are included in the foreign currency translation reserve within equity in the consolidated financial statements.

Currency translation differences on non-monetary items, such as available-for-sale equity securities, are reported as part of the fair value gains or losses.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (s) Foreign currency translation (continued)

#### (3) Translation of Group entities' financial statements

The results and financial positions of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- i) Assets and liabilities for each statement of financial position presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that reporting period;
- ii) Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions); and
- iii) All resulting exchange differences are taken to the foreign currency translation reserve within equity.

On consolidation, currency translation differences arising from the translation of the net investment in foreign operations (including monetary items that, in substance, form part of the net investment in foreign entities) and borrowings and other currency instruments designated as hedges of such investments are taken to the foreign currency translation reserve. When a foreign operation is disposed of, such exchange differences are taken to profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate.

### (t) Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenue and incur expenses, including revenue and expenses that relate to transactions with other components of the Group. Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Group's chief operating decision maker for making decisions about allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments.

### (u) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and unsecured fixed deposits that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and excludes pledged deposits.

### (v) Government grants

Government grants 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 relates to an expense item, it is recognised in profit or loss over the period necessary to match it on a systematic basis to the costs that it is intended to compensate.

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## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (w) Share capital

#### *Ordinary shares*

Proceeds from issuance of ordinary shares are recognised as share capital in equity. Incremental cost directly attributable to the issuance of new ordinary shares are deducted against share capital account.

#### *Treasury shares*

When any entity within the Group purchases the Company's ordinary shares ("treasury shares"), the carrying amount which includes the consideration paid including any directly attributable incremental cost is presented as a component within equity attributable to the Company's equity holders, until they are cancelled, sold or reissued.

When treasury shares are subsequently cancelled, the cost of treasury shares are deducted against the share capital account if the shares are purchased out of the capital of the Company, or against the retained earnings of the Company if the shares are purchased out of retained earnings of the Company.

When treasury shares are subsequently sold, the cost of treasury shares is reversed from the treasury shares account and the realised gain or loss on sale, net of any directly attributable incremental transaction costs and related income tax, is recognised in the capital reserve of the Company.

### (x) Earnings per share

The Group presents basic and diluted earnings per share data for its ordinary shares. Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted-average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year, adjusted for own shares held. Diluted earnings per share is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted-average number of ordinary shares outstanding, adjusted for own shares held, for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, which comprise convertible notes and share options granted to employees, if any.

### (y) Dividend

Interim dividends are recorded during the financial year in which they are declared payable. Final and special dividends are recorded during the financial year in which the dividends are approved by the shareholders.

### (z) Financial guarantees

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified receivable fails to make payment when due.

Financial guarantee contracts are initially recognised at their fair values plus transaction costs. Financial guarantees are classified as financial liabilities.

Subsequent to initial measurement, the financial guarantees are stated at the higher of the initial fair value less cumulative amortisation and the amount that would be recognised if they were accounted for as contingent liabilities. Financial guarantee contracts are amortised in profit or loss over the period of the guarantee.

### (aa) Land use rights

Land use rights represent costs paid to use land in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") with periods ranging from 40 to 45 years. Land use rights granted with consideration are recognised initially at acquisition cost and subsequently, are classified and accounted for in accordance with the intended use of the properties erected on the related land.

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## 3. REVENUE

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Room, food and beverage and other revenue	64,482	59,187
Rental income from investment properties	15,501	17,434
Revenue recognised on development properties	1,065	4,960
Others	226	844
	81,274	82,425

## 4. OTHER INCOME

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Other income		
- Amortisation of fair value adjustment on advances to a jointly-controlled entity	276	551
- Fair value gains (net) of investment properties	1,840	5,588
- Gain on disposal of available-for-sale financial assets	13	2
- Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	130	17
- Income from available-for-sale financial assets	45	72
- Net foreign exchange gain	-	486
- Others	246	299
	2,550	7,015
Interest income - fixed deposits	9	15
	2,559	7,030

## 5. FINANCE COSTS

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Interest expense		
- Finance leases	19	16
- Bank loans and overdraft	5,970	6,526
	5,989	6,542

## 6. OTHER EXPENSES

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Advertising	2,213	2,371
Allowance for doubtful debts	2,962	175
Cleaning expenses	2,943	3,035
Commission charges	2,335	1,964
Property tax	3,152	3,024
Rental expenses - operating leases	2,254	1,922
Repair and maintenance	2,547	2,535
Utilities	3,889	5,334
Others	6,768	5,951
	29,063	26,311

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## 7. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Profit before tax is arrived at after charging:</b>		
Allowance for doubtful trade receivables	76	13
Allowance for doubtful non-trade receivables	2,886	162
Amortisation of other assets (Note 25)	112	112
Audit fees payable/paid to the auditor of the Company	118	119
Audit fees payable/paid to the other auditors*	19	17
Bad debts written off (trade)	–	34
Directors' fees	189	162
Non-audit fees payable/paid to the auditor of the Company	28	23
Property, plant and equipment written off	450	22

\* Includes independent member firms of the Baker Tilly International network.

## 8. REMUNERATION BANDS OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

	The Group	
	2016	2015
Number of directors of the Company in remuneration bands:		
\$750,000 to below \$1,000,000	1	1
\$500,000 to below \$750,000	1	1
\$250,000 to below \$500,000	–	–
Below \$250,000	5	5
Total	7	7

The depreciation charges relating to motor vehicles of the Group which were made available for the use of the directors were \$117,318 (2015: \$111,637). These amounts have been included in the remuneration of directors of the Company for the purpose of this Note.

## 9. STAFF COSTS

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Wages and salaries	20,842	20,384
Employer's contribution to the Central Provident Fund	1,516	1,541
Other benefits	1,935	1,940
	24,293	23,865

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## 10. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Tax expense attributable to the results is made up of:		
Current income tax	3,268	3,791
Deferred income tax (Note 26)	239	47
	3,507	3,838
(Over)/under provision in preceding financial years:		
- Current income tax	(301)	38
	3,206	3,876

The tax expense on profit differs from the amount that would arise using the Singapore statutory rate of income tax due to the following:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Profit before tax	40,001	18,182
Share of results of a jointly-controlled entity, net of tax	(27,996)	28
Profit before tax and share of results of a jointly-controlled entity	12,005	18,210
Tax calculated at a tax rate of 17%	2,041	3,096
Singapore statutory stepped income exemption	(87)	(101)
Effect of different tax rates in other countries	87	(77)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	3,013	1,354
Income not taxable	(1,624)	(1,399)
Corporate income tax rebate and tax incentives	(205)	(172)
Deferred tax assets not recognised	89	973
Others	193	164
	3,507	3,838

## 11. EARNINGS PER ORDINARY SHARE

	The Group	
	2016	2015
Profit after tax attributable to the equity holders of Amara Holdings Limited (\$'000)	37,075	14,332
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue, excluding own shares held, used for computing earnings per share ('000)	575,707	575,707
Basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share (cents)	6.44	2.49

Basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to members of Amara Holdings Limited by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue, excluding own shares held, during the financial year.

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## 12. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	15,417	12,341	20	64
Fixed deposits	607	1,114	–	–
	16,024	13,455	20	64

Included in the above is an amount of \$84,000 (2015: \$1,114,000) held under the Housing Developers (Project Account) Rules (1997 Ed) where withdrawals from which are restricted to payments for project expenditure incurred.

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents approximate their fair values.

The Group's fixed deposits with banks mature on varying dates within 1 to 3 months (2015: 1 month) from the end of the reporting period. The weighted average effective interest rate of these deposits as at 31 December 2016 are ranging from 0.85% to 1% (2015: 0.61%) per annum.

Cash and cash equivalents are denominated in the following currencies:

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Singapore Dollar	13,912	6,813	20	64
United States Dollar	313	5,582	–	–
Chinese Renminbi	107	113	–	–
Thai Baht	1,691	946	–	–
Others	1	1	–	–
	16,024	13,455	20	64

## 13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

### (a) Current

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Trade receivables				
- Third parties	7,707	5,956	3	5
Less: Allowance for doubtful trade receivables	(116)	(40)	–	–
Trade receivables - net	7,591	5,916	3	5
Non-trade receivables				
- Third parties	6,971	13,102	–	2
- Subsidiaries	–	–	53,187	42,787
	6,971	13,102	53,187	42,789
Less: Allowance for doubtful non-trade receivables	(5,643)	(2,757)	–	–
Non-trade receivables - net	1,328	10,345	53,187	42,789
	8,919	16,261	53,190	42,794



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## 13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

### (a) Current (continued)

Concentration of credit risks with respect to trade receivables are limited due to the Group's large number of customers. Due to these factors, management believes that no additional credit risk beyond amounts provided for collection losses is inherent in the Group's and Company's trade receivables.

The non-trade receivables of the Group and the Company are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

Included in the Group's non-trade receivable balance net of impairment is an amount due from a third party with a carrying amount of \$Nil (2015: \$2,796,329) which is past due at the end of the reporting period.

The carrying amounts of current trade and other receivables approximate their fair values.

### (b) Non-current

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Advances to a jointly-controlled entity	–	31,160
Advances to a third party	–	132
	–	31,292

In 2015, the advances to a jointly-controlled entity and a third party were unsecured and interest-free. The advances have been fully repaid during the current financial year.

The fair values of non-current other receivables at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Advances to a jointly-controlled entity	–	29,840
Advances to a third party	–	126
	–	29,966

In 2015, the fair value of the above advances were computed based on cash flows discounted at market borrowing rate of 2.91% per annum at the end of the reporting period.

Trade and other receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Singapore Dollar	4,048	41,512	53,190	42,794
United States Dollar	–	2,757	–	–
Chinese Renminbi	1,326	–	–	–
Thai Baht	3,545	3,284	–	–
	8,919	47,553	53,190	42,794

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## 14. INVENTORIES

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Food and beverage, at cost	207	190
Other hotel and catering supplies, at cost	222	217
	429	407

## 15. DEVELOPMENT PROPERTIES

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Properties under development	75,066	40,993
Completed properties held for sale	2,327	2,327
	77,393	43,320

### Properties under development

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Land, development and other related costs	75,042	40,993
Add: Attributable profits	24	–
	75,066	40,993
Less: Progress billings	–	–
	75,066	40,993
Representing:		
Unsold development properties	74,001	40,993
Due from customers on development property	1,065	–
	75,066	40,993

The Group's development properties as at 31 December 2016 are set out below:

	Address	Title	Stage of development/ Estimated date of completion	Actual/ Proposed gross floor area (sq m)	Description	Interest %
(i)	9 Devonshire Road, Singapore	Freehold	Completed	234	Residential apartment	100
(ii)	5 Jalan Mutiara, Singapore*	Freehold	Under development/ 2018	2,355	Proposed residential development of 1 block of 12 storey apartments	100
(iii)	29 and 31 Newton Road, Singapore	Freehold	Under development/ 2020	3,941	Proposed residential development	100
(iv)	15 Bedok Avenue, Singapore	Freehold	Under development/ 2019	1,561	Proposed residential development	100

\* The land under development with carrying amount of \$26,151,000 (2015: \$24,013,000) is pledged as security for banking facilities granted to a subsidiary which has yet to be utilised as at year end.

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## 16. OTHER CURRENT/NON-CURRENT ASSETS

### (a) Current

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Deposits	304	510	–	–
Prepayments	734	1,134	5	5
Staff advances	10	7	–	–
	1,048	1,651	5	5

The carrying amounts of other current assets (excluding prepayments) approximate their fair values.

### (b) Non-current

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Deposits	–	22
Prepayments	131	193
	131	215

The fair values of other non-current assets (excluding prepayments) at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Deposits	–	22

Other current/non-current assets (excluding prepayments) are denominated in the following currencies:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Singapore Dollar	219	387
Chinese Renminbi	54	103
Thai Baht	41	49
	314	539

## 17. AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Quoted investments, equity shares in corporations at fair value	1,063	1,109	126	125

The fair values of quoted investments are determined by reference to quoted bid prices at the end of the reporting period.

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## 18. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Club memberships	616	584
Less: Impairment loss	(175)	(175)
	441	409

## 19. INVESTMENT IN A JOINTLY-CONTROLLED ENTITY

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Unquoted equity shares, at cost	400	400
Fair value adjustment	2,139	2,139
Share of accumulated profit/(losses), net of tax	27,333	(663)
	29,872	1,876

The investment in unquoted equity shares represents 40% equity interest in a jointly-controlled entity that is engaged in real estate development. There is no active market for the unquoted equity investment.

The fair value adjustment arose from advances granted to a jointly-controlled entity in financial year 2012. The fair value is computed based on cash flows discounted at market borrowing rate of 1.8% (2015: 1.8%) per annum.

The summarised financial information of the Group's jointly-controlled entity, which is not adjusted for the percentage of ownership interest held by the Group, are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Summarised statement of financial position</b>		
Non-current assets	–	306
Current assets (a)	91,306	448,716
Current liabilities (b)	(21,840)	(449,546)
Total equity attributable to the equity holders of the jointly-controlled entity	69,466	(524)
Included in the summarised statement of financial position of the jointly-controlled entity are the following:		
(a) Cash and cash equivalents	8,995	9,123
(b) Current financial liabilities (excluding trade and other payables and provisions)	(578)	(177,911)
<b>Summarised statement of comprehensive income</b>		
Revenue	523,704	–
Profit/(loss) after tax and total comprehensive income/(loss)	69,990	(56)
Group's interest in net assets of jointly-controlled entity at beginning of the year	1,876	1,904
Share of total comprehensive profit/(loss)	27,996	(28)
	29,872	1,876

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## 19. INVESTMENT IN A JOINTLY-CONTROLLED ENTITY (CONTINUED)

Details of the jointly-controlled entity are as follows:

Name of jointly-controlled entity	Principal activity	Country of incorporation and business	Group's proportion of ownership interest	
			2016 %	2015 %
<b>Held by Creative Investments Pte Ltd</b>				
Tampines EC Pte Ltd*	Real estate development	Singapore	40	40

\* Audited by Moore Stephens LLP.

## 20. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES

	The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Unquoted equity investment, at cost	51,816	50,766
Less: Impairment loss	(9,829)	(9,829)
	41,987	40,937

Allowance for impairment loss balance is as follows:

	The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
At 1 January and 31 December	9,829	9,829

The subsidiaries of Amara Holdings Limited, which are directly or indirectly owned by the Company are as follows:

Name of subsidiary	Principal activities	Country of incorporation and business	Proportion of ownership interest		Cost of investment	
			2016 %	2015 %	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Held by the Company</b>						
Amara Hotel Properties Pte Ltd	Hotelier, restaurateur, investment holding and provision of general management and administrative services	Singapore	100	100	20,000	20,000
TTH Development Pte Ltd	Share trading and investment, property development and provision of construction services	Singapore	100	100	1,000	1,000

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## 20. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

The subsidiaries of Amara Holdings Limited, which are directly or indirectly owned by the Company are as follows: (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activities	Country of incorporation and business	Proportion of ownership interest		Cost of investment	
			2016 %	2015 %	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Held by the Company (continued)</b>						
Creative Investments Pte Ltd	Investment holding, property development and provision of construction services	Singapore	100	100	6,704	6,704
Creslin Pte Ltd	Property development and provision of construction services	Singapore	100	100	1,000	1,000
PCS Restaurants Pte Ltd	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	1,673	1,673
Amara China Investments Pte Ltd	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	—*	—*
Amara International Hotels & Resorts Pte Ltd	Management and technical advisory services for the management and development of hotels and resorts	Singapore	100	100	50 <sup>(a)</sup>	—*
AOI Saigon Pte Ltd **	Dormant	Singapore	90	90	4,773	4,773
Amara Hospitality Capital Pte Ltd	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	7,616	7,616
Amara Sentosa Investments Pte Ltd	Hotelier, restaurateur and investment holding	Singapore	100	100	8,000	8,000
Residential Development Pte Ltd	Property development	Singapore	100	—	1,000 <sup>(b)</sup>	—
					51,816	50,766

(a) On 9 September 2016, the Company increased its investment in a wholly-owned subsidiary, Amara International Hotels & Resorts Pte Ltd by \$49,998.

(b) On 5 October 2016, the Company incorporated a wholly-owned subsidiary, Residential Development Pte Ltd with share capital of \$1,000,000.

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## 20. INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES (CONTINUED)

The subsidiaries of Amara Holdings Limited, which are directly or indirectly owned by the Company are as follows: (continued)

Name of subsidiary	Principal activities	Country of incorporation and business	Proportion of ownership interest	
			2016 %	2015 %
<b>Held by PCS Restaurants Pte Ltd</b>				
Catering Concepts & Management Services Pte Ltd ###	Dormant	Singapore	85	85
Julius Estates Pte Ltd	Property investment and franchisor	Singapore	100	100
Thanying Restaurant Singapore Pte Ltd	Restaurateur	Singapore	100	100
Silk Road Restaurant (M) Sdn Bhd ****	Dormant	Malaysia	–	100
<b>Held by Amara Hospitality Capital Pte Ltd</b>				
Amara Hospitality (Thailand) Co., Ltd #	Hotel development and ownership	Thailand	100	100
Amara Hotel Assets Co., Ltd ***	Dormant	Jersey	100	100
Myanmar Central Investment Pte. Ltd. ###	Dormant	Singapore	100	100
<b>Held by Amara China Investments Pte Ltd</b>				
Amara Shanghai Pte Ltd **	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100
Shanghai Amara Hotel Co., Ltd. ##	Hotel development and ownership	The People's Republic of China	5	5
<b>Held by Amara Shanghai Pte Ltd</b>				
Shanghai Amara Hotel Co., Ltd. ##	Hotel development and ownership	The People's Republic of China	95	95

\* Cost of investment less than \$1,000.

\*\* 1 ordinary share in each of AOI Saigon Pte Ltd and Amara Shanghai Pte Ltd is held by another fellow subsidiary in the Group.

\*\*\* Not required to be audited under the laws of the country of incorporation and to be strike off in the subsequent financial year.

\*\*\*\* De-registered during the financial year.

# Audited by independent overseas member firm of Baker Tilly International in Thailand.

## Audited by Shanghai Certified Public Accountants, The People's Republic of China.

### No audit required as dormant.

Subsidiaries incorporated and operating their businesses in Singapore are audited by Baker Tilly TFW LLP.

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## 21. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
At beginning of year	338,485	299,000
Additions	10,782	–
Reclassification from property, plant and equipment (Note 22)	–	30,911
Reclassification from land use rights (Note 23)	–	3,198
Fair value adjustment	1,840	5,588
Exchange rate adjustment	(1,519)	(212)
At end of year	349,588	338,485

- (a) The valuation techniques and inputs used in the valuation to determine the fair values of the investment properties are disclosed in Note 37.
- (b) At the end of the reporting period, 100 AM with aggregate carrying amount of \$288,000,000 (2015: \$288,000,000) were mortgaged as security to banks for bank loans and bank facilities for the Group (Note 28).
- (c) The Group's investment properties as at 31 December 2016 are set out below:

Address	Held by	Title	Net lettable area (sq ft)	Description
100 Tras Street, Singapore	Amara Hotel Properties Pte Ltd	Leasehold 99 years commencing 17 August 1979	126,504	100 AM, shopping centre with 3 levels of basement carpark
100 Tras Street, Singapore	Amara Hotel Properties Pte Ltd	Leasehold 99 years commencing 17 August 1979	43,796	100 AM, 12-storey office building
118 Killiney Road, #01-01, Singapore	Julius Estates Pte Ltd	Freehold	3,980	1st floor commercial space within a 6-storey apartment
582 and 600 Changshou Road, Shanghai, The People's Republic of China	Shanghai Amara Hotel Co., Ltd.	Land use rights of 45 years and 40 years commencing from May 1997 and July 2004 respectively	46,911	Proposed development of a shopping centre with 3 levels of basement carpark
582 and 600 Changshou Road, Shanghai, The People's Republic of China	Shanghai Amara Hotel Co., Ltd.	Land use rights of 45 years and 40 years commencing from May 1997 and July 2004 respectively	49,456	Proposed development of a 11-storey office building

- (d) In the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, rental income of \$15,501,000 (2015: \$17,434,000) was generated from investment properties, and direct operating expenses include \$3,827,000 (2015: \$4,682,000) relating to investment properties that generated rental income during the year.



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## 21. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (CONTINUED)

- (e) Investment properties of the Group are held mainly for use by tenants under operating leases. Minimum lease payments receivable under non-cancellable operating leases of investment properties and not recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Lease payments receivable:		
Not later than one financial year	14,287	13,045
Later than one financial year but not later than five financial years	20,095	22,439
Later than five financial years	–	348
	34,382	35,832

## 22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

### The Group

	Freehold property \$'000	Leasehold land and buildings \$'000	Plant and machinery, furniture, fixtures and equipment \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Renovations \$'000	Operating supplies \$'000	Capital project in progress \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>Cost or valuation</b>								
At 1 January 2016								
- Cost	491	124,222	23,848	1,657	6,591	3,609	58,084	218,502
- Valuation	–	52,200	–	–	–	–	–	52,200
	491	176,422	23,848	1,657	6,591	3,609	58,084	270,702
Exchange rate adjustment	–	738	101	4	3	21	(2,427)	(1,560)
Additions, at cost	–	55	1,139	445	1,891	21	22,919	26,470
Transfers, at cost	–	–	–	–	232	–	(232)	–
Transfer from land use rights (Note 23)	–	–	–	–	–	–	55	55
Disposals/write off	–	(1)	(377)	(339)	(26)	(427)	–	(1,170)
At 31 December 2016	491	177,214	24,711	1,767	8,691	3,224	78,399	294,497
Representing:								
- Cost	491	125,014	24,711	1,767	8,691	3,224	78,399	242,297
- Valuation	–	52,200	–	–	–	–	–	52,200
	491	177,214	24,711	1,767	8,691	3,224	78,399	294,497
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>								
At 1 January 2016	188	41,351	17,270	1,153	3,377	–	–	63,339
Exchange rate adjustment	–	50	33	2	1	–	–	86
Depreciation	10	2,813	1,927	217	590	–	–	5,557
Disposals/write off	–	–	(309)	(339)	(21)	–	–	(669)
At 31 December 2016	198	44,214	18,921	1,033	3,947	–	–	68,313
<b>Net carrying value</b>								
At 31 December 2016	293	133,000	5,790	734	4,744	3,224	78,399	226,184

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## 22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

### The Group

	Freehold property \$'000	Leasehold land and buildings \$'000	Plant and machinery, furniture, fixtures and equipment \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Renovations \$'000	Operating supplies \$'000	Capital project in progress \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>Cost or valuation</b>								
At 1 January 2015								
- Cost	491	88,320	20,378	1,394	6,464	2,900	91,888	211,835
- Valuation	-	52,200	-	-	-	-	-	52,200
	491	140,520	20,378	1,394	6,464	2,900	91,888	264,035
Exchange rate adjustment	-	(546)	(76)	(3)	(2)	(16)	1,019	376
Additions, at cost	-	169	2,043	446	129	728	34,155	37,670
Transfers, at cost	-	41,573	1,628	-	-	-	(43,201)	-
Transfer from land use rights (Note 23)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(156)	(156)
Reclass to investment properties (Note 21)	-	(5,290)	-	-	-	-	(25,621)	(30,911)
Disposals/write off	-	(4)	(125)	(180)	-	(3)	-	(312)
At 31 December 2015	491	176,422	23,848	1,657	6,591	3,609	58,084	270,702
Representing:								
- Cost	491	124,222	23,848	1,657	6,591	3,609	58,084	218,502
- Valuation	-	52,200	-	-	-	-	-	52,200
	491	176,422	23,848	1,657	6,591	3,609	58,084	270,702
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>								
At 1 January 2015	178	38,687	15,608	1,185	2,793	-	-	58,451
Exchange rate adjustment	-	(17)	(11)	(1)	-	-	-	(29)
Depreciation	10	2,682	1,777	149	584	-	-	5,202
Disposals/write off	-	(1)	(104)	(180)	-	-	-	(285)
At 31 December 2015	188	41,351	17,270	1,153	3,377	-	-	63,339
<b>Net carrying value</b>								
At 31 December 2015	303	135,071	6,578	504	3,214	3,609	58,084	207,363

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## 22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

- (a) The Group has property, plant and equipment under finance lease agreements with the following net carrying amount:

	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Plant and machinery, furniture, fixtures and equipment	64	74
Motor vehicles	641	375
	705	449

- (b) At the end of the reporting period, the net carrying amount of certain freehold property, leasehold land and buildings and renovations of the Group amounted to \$86,626,000 (2015: \$86,336,000) and were mortgaged as security to banks for borrowings (Note 28).
- (c) During the financial year, the borrowing costs capitalised as cost of property, plant and equipment amounted to \$542,922 (2015: \$172,899). The capitalisation rate used to determine the amount of borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation was between 1.64% to 3.09% (2015: between 2.43% to 2.97%), which is the weighted average of the borrowing costs applicable to the borrowings of the Group that are outstanding during the financial year.
- (d) One of the Group's leasehold land and buildings, known as Amara Hotel, located at Tanjong Pagar Road, Singapore which has a lease period of 99 years commencing from 1979 is stated at valuation at 31 December 1987 based on an independent professional valuation carried out by Knight Frank Pte Ltd, a firm of property consultants, on 8 March 1988 on the basis of open market value for existing use. The revaluation surplus was transferred to the asset revaluation reserve.

If the leasehold land and buildings stated at valuation had been included in the financial statements at cost less depreciation, the net carrying amount would have been \$19,746,000 (2015: \$20,071,000).

A full valuation on Amara Hotel was carried out by an external and independent valuer on 31 December 2016 on the highest-and-best-use basis (2015: highest-and-best-use basis). The surplus on revaluation of the leasehold land and buildings based on this valuation amounting to \$319,397,000 (2015: \$317,793,000) has not been incorporated in the financial statements of the subsidiary nor in the consolidated financial statements.

A full valuation on the Group's land use rights and capital project in progress for land located at 582 and 600 Changshou Road, Shanghai was carried out by an external and independent valuer on 31 December 2016 on the open market value basis (2015: open market value basis). The surplus on revaluation of the land use rights and capital project in progress based on this valuation amounting to \$23,270,000 (2015: \$36,205,000) has not been incorporated in the financial statements of the subsidiary nor in the consolidated financial statements.

A full valuation on Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa was carried out by an external and independent valuer on 31 December 2016 on the highest-and-best-use basis (2015: highest-and-best-use basis). The surplus on revaluation of the leasehold land and building based on this valuation amounting to \$54,707,000 (2015: \$54,806,000) has not been incorporated in the financial statements of the subsidiary nor in the consolidated financial statements.

These valuation measurements are categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

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## 22. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

(e) The Group's properties as at 31 December 2016 are set out below:

	Address	Held by	Title	Description
(i)	165 Tanjong Pagar Road, Singapore	Amara Hotel Properties Pte Ltd	Leasehold 99 years commencing 17 August 1979	Amara Singapore, a 388-guestroom hotel
(ii)	12 Hoot Kiam Road, Singapore	Amara Hotel Properties Pte Ltd	Freehold	A 2-storey pre-war intermediate terrace house
(iii)	582 and 600 Changshou Road, Shanghai, The People's Republic of China	Shanghai Amara Hotel Co., Ltd.	Land use rights of 45 years and 40 years commencing May 1997 and July 2004 respectively	Proposed hotel development comprising a 343-guestroom hotel
(iv)	1 Larkhill Road, Sentosa, Singapore	Amara Sentosa Investments Pte Ltd	Leasehold 70 years commencing January 2005	Amara Sanctuary Resort Sentosa, a resort hotel comprising 140 guestrooms, suites and villas
(v)	Land number 23, Surawong Road, Bangkok, Thailand	Amara Hospitality (Thailand) Co., Ltd	Leasehold 63 years commencing July 2010	Amara Bangkok, comprising a 250-guestroom hotel

## 23. LAND USE RIGHTS

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Cost</b>		
At beginning of year	11,428	16,227
Reclass to Investment properties (Note 21)	–	(5,180)
Exchange rate adjustments	(499)	381
At end of year	10,929	11,428
<b>Accumulated depreciation</b>		
At beginning of year	4,373	6,361
Reclass to Investment properties (Note 21)	–	(1,982)
Transfer to Capital project in progress (Note 22)	55	(156)
Exchange rate adjustments	(191)	150
At end of year	4,237	4,373
<b>Net carrying value</b>	6,692	7,055
<b>Amount to be depreciated</b>		
Not later than one financial year	275	288
Later than one financial year but not later than five financial years	1,102	1,152
Later than five financial years	5,315	5,615

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## 24. GOODWILL

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Goodwill arising on consolidation</b>		
<b>Cost</b>		
At beginning and end of year	871	871
<b>Accumulated impairment loss</b>		
At beginning and end of year	82	82
<b>Net carrying amount</b>	789	789

### Impairment test for Goodwill

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated to the cash generating unit ("CGU") that is expected to benefit from that business combination. The carrying amount of the goodwill (net of impairment) relates to the hotel investment and management segment in the People's Republic of China.

The recoverable amount of the CGU is determined based on value in use calculation. The value in use calculation is a discounted cash flow model using cash flow projections based on the most recent budgets and forecasts approved by management covering five years. The discount rate and average forecasted growth rate applied is 6.5% (2015: 6.5%) and 7.0% (2015: 6.4%) respectively. The key assumptions are those relating to expected changes in average room rates and occupancy and direct costs.

The Group believes that any reasonable possible changes in the above key assumptions applied are not likely to materially cause the recoverable amount to be lower than its carrying amount.

## 25. OTHER ASSETS

Other assets comprise fees paid in respect of a lease arrangement entered into by the Group.

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Prepayment</b>		
At beginning of year	6,576	6,688
Amortisation	(112)	(112)
At end of year	6,464	6,576

The amortisation rate for the prepaid lease is 1.47% (2015: 1.47%) per annum.

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## 26. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES

The movements in the Group's deferred income tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction) during the financial year are as follows:

### Deferred income tax assets

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Tax losses:</b>		
At beginning of year	(315)	(402)
Debited to profit or loss	82	87
At end of year	(233)	(315)

### Deferred income tax liabilities

#### The Group

	Accelerated tax depreciation \$'000	Unremitted foreign sourced income \$'000	Asset revaluation reserve \$'000	Provisions \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>2016</b>					
At beginning of year	4,571	137	1,385	(707)	5,386
(Credited)/debited to profit or loss	(111)	216	(22)	74	157
At end of year	4,460	353	1,363	(633)	5,543
<b>2015</b>					
At beginning of year	4,672	63	1,407	(716)	5,426
(Credited)/debited to profit or loss	(101)	74	(22)	9	(40)
At end of year	4,571	137	1,385	(707)	5,386

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority. The following amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, are shown in the statements of financial position:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Deferred income tax assets	(233)	(315)
Deferred income tax liabilities	5,543	5,386
	5,310	5,071

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## 26. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

The movements in the deferred income taxes account are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
At beginning of year	5,071	5,024
Tax debited to profit or loss	239	47
At end of year	5,310	5,071

The Group has unrecognised tax losses of \$7,767,000 (2015: \$7,678,000) which can be carried forward and used to offset against future taxable income subject to meeting certain statutory requirements by those companies in their respective countries of incorporation. The Thailand subsidiary has unrecognised tax losses of \$7,767,000 (2015: \$7,324,000) that are available for carry forward for a maximum of 5 years to offset against future taxable income. Deferred tax asset of \$1,553,000 (2015: \$1,553,000) is not recognised on these tax losses because it is not probable that further taxable profits will be sufficient to allow the related tax benefits to be realised.

## 27. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

### (a) Current

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Trade payables	4,607	4,478	–	–
Due to related party	36	42	–	–
Accrued operating expenses	10,568	10,400	273	273
Accrued construction costs	6,792	3,782	–	–
Sundry payables	1,588	1,003	92	54
Deposits received	2,463	2,807	–	–
	26,054	22,512	365	327

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The amounts due to related party are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand. Related party refers to a company which is controlled by the immediate holding corporation.

The carrying amounts of current trade and other payables approximate their fair values.

### (b) Non-current

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Retention sum payable to contractor	855	892
Deposits received	4,488	4,086
	5,343	4,978

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## 27. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES (CONTINUED)

### (b) Non-current (continued)

The fair values of non-current trade and other payables at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Retention sum payable to contractor	828	855
Deposits received	4,347	3,913
	5,175	4,768

The fair values were computed based on the present value of the cash flows using a discount rate of 2.14% (2015: 2.91%) per annum, which is the lending rate that the directors expect would be available to the Group at the end of the reporting period.

Trade and other payables are denominated in the following currencies:

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Singapore Dollar	23,469	24,450	365	327
Chinese Renminbi	5,015	90	–	–
Thai Baht	2,913	2,950	–	–
	31,397	27,490	365	327

## 28. BORROWINGS

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>Current</b>		
Bank loans, secured	60,835	61,815
Finance lease liabilities (Note 32)	118	109
	60,953	61,924
<b>Non-current</b>		
Bank loans, secured		
- Between 1 and 5 years	250,185	225,235
Finance lease liabilities (Note 32)	264	186
	250,449	225,421
Total borrowings	311,402	287,345



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## 28. BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

(a) The Group's bank borrowings at 31 December 2016 comprise the following:

- (i) a term loan of \$34,200,000 (2015: \$35,200,000), revolving credit advances of \$50,000,000 (2015: \$50,000,000) and a short-term advance of \$44,900,000 (2015: \$51,600,000) are secured by way of a legal mortgage on 100 AM and Amara Singapore as stated in Notes 21 and 22 to the financial statements and the assignment in escrow of interest in the lease and rental proceeds from the above properties and debenture over Amara Singapore and corporate guarantee from the Company.

These banking facilities mature in November 2019.

Each revolving credit advance is repayable in full upon maturity. However, as this facility is revolving, any amount repaid by the subsidiary to the said lending bank before November 2019 will remain available for reborrowing;

- (ii) term loans of \$107,300,000 (2015: \$94,645,000) and revolving credit advances of \$23,651,000 (2015: \$Nil) are secured by way of the first legal mortgage on 100 AM and Amara Singapore as stated in Notes 21 and 22 to the financial statements and the assignment of all rental proceeds from the above properties and debenture over Amara Singapore and corporate guarantee from the Company.

These banking facilities mature in November 2019;

- (iii) a term loan of \$27,594,000 (2015: \$26,930,000) is secured by an assignment of lease and bank accounts of the project in Bangkok. This loan matures on the earlier of July 2026 or 123 months after the project completion date; and

- (iv) a term loan of \$13,375,000 (2015: \$14,875,000) and revolving credit advances of \$10,000,000 (2015: \$13,800,000) are secured by way of a legal mortgage on Amara Sanctuary Resort, Sentosa as disclosed in Note 22 to the financial statements. These loans are further secured by an assignment of building contracts, insurance policies, a corporate guarantee from the Company and debenture over the hotel.

These banking facilities mature in March 2018.

### (b) Currency risk

All borrowings are denominated in Singapore Dollar except for the term loan of \$27,594,000 (2015: \$26,930,000) which is denominated in Thai Baht.

### (c) Interest rate risks

The weighted average effective interest rates of total borrowings at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 Per annum	2015 Per annum
Bank loans, secured	2.14%	2.91%
Finance lease liabilities	5.67%	5.88%

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## 28. BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

### (c) Interest rate risks (continued)

The exposure of borrowings of the Group to interest rate changes and the periods in which the borrowings reprice are as follows:

	Less than 6 months \$'000	6 to 12 months \$'000	1 to 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>At 31 December 2016</b>				
Total borrowings	311,079	59	264	311,402
At 31 December 2015				
Total borrowings	287,104	55	186	287,345

To manage interest rate risk, the Group, where appropriate, uses interest rate swap.

### (d) Carrying amounts and fair values

The carrying amounts of these financial liabilities are reasonable approximation of fair values as they are floating rate instruments that are repriced to market interest rates on or near the end of the reporting period.

## 29. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES

### (a) Share capital

Issued and fully paid ordinary share capital of Amara Holdings Limited:

	The Group and The Company			
	2016 Number of shares issued '000	2015 Number of shares issued '000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
At 1 January and 31 December	576,936	576,936	125,646	125,646

All issued ordinary shares are fully paid with no par value.

The holders of ordinary shares (except treasury shares) are entitled to receive dividends as and when declared by the Company. All ordinary shares carry one vote per share without restrictions.

### (b) Treasury shares

	The Group and The Company			
	2016 No. of shares '000	2015 No. of shares '000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
At beginning of year	1,800	100	913	51
Acquired during the year	–	1,700	–	862
At end of year	1,800	1,800	913	913

Treasury shares relate to ordinary shares of the Company that are held by the Company.

In 2015, the Company acquired 1,700,400 shares in the Company through purchases on the Singapore Exchange. The total amount paid to acquire the shares was \$862,000 and this was presented as a component within shareholders' equity.

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## 30. DIVIDEND

	The Group and The Company	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Ordinary dividend paid</b>		
First and final tax exempt dividend of 1 cent per share (2015: 1.2 cent per share tax exempt) in respect of the previous financial year	5,751	6,912

At the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") to be held on 28 April 2017, a final tax exempt dividend of 1 cent per share amounting to \$5,751,360 and a special tax exempt dividend of 2 cents per share amounting to \$11,502,720 will be recommended. These financial statements do not reflect these dividends, which will be accounted for in the shareholders' equity as an appropriation of retained earnings in the financial year ending 31 December 2017, subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming AGM.

## 31. IMMEDIATE HOLDING AND ULTIMATE HOLDING COMPANIES

The Company's immediate holding company is Firsttrust Equity Pte Ltd (In Members' Voluntary Liquidation). The ultimate holding company is First Security Pte Ltd. All holding companies are incorporated in Singapore.

## 32. FINANCE LEASE LIABILITIES

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Minimum lease payments due:		
Not later than one financial year	138	122
Later than one financial year but not later than five financial years	284	201
	422	323
Less: Future finance charges	(40)	(28)
Present value of finance lease liabilities	382	295
Representing finance lease liabilities:		
- Current (Note 28)	118	109
- Non-current (Note 28)	264	186
	382	295

The net carrying value of property, plant and equipment acquired under finance lease agreements are disclosed in Note 22(a).

## 33. INTRA-GROUP FINANCIAL GUARANTEES

### *The Company*

Corporate guarantees issued by the Company to banks in respect of banking facilities utilised by certain subsidiaries at the end of the reporting period amounted to \$283,426,000 (2015: \$260,119,000). The directors have assessed the fair value of these financial guarantees to have no material financial impact on the financial position and results of the Company for the years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015.

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## 34. COMMITMENTS

Commitments not provided for in the financial statements:

### (a) Capital commitments

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Estimated expenditure contracted for:		
- Property, plant and equipment	38,159	36,053

### (b) Lease commitments - where the Group is a lessor

The Group leases units in the shopping centre, office premises and shop units to external parties under non-cancellable operating leases.

The future minimum lease amounts receivable under non-cancellable operating leases contracted for at the end of the reporting period but not recognised as receivables are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Not later than one financial year	14,287	13,072
Later than one financial year but not later than five financial years	20,095	22,439
Later than five financial years	–	348
	34,382	35,859

### (c) Lease commitments - where the Group is a lessee

The Group leases land, apartment and office premises from non-related parties under non-cancellable operating lease agreements. The leases have an average tenure of between 2 to 70 years, varying terms, escalation clauses and renewal options.

The future aggregate minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases contracted for at the end of the reporting period but not recognised as liabilities are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Not later than one financial year	1,526	1,537
Later than one financial year but not later than five financial years	5,794	5,627
Later than five financial years	85,268	86,335
	92,588	93,499

### (d) Interest rate swaps

As at 31 December 2016, the Group entered into interest rate swaps at notional amounts of \$30,450,000 (2015: \$20,000,000).

The fair values of outstanding interest rate swaps (which are not accounted as hedging instruments) at the end of the reporting period is not material and hence are not taken up at the group level.

Interest rate swaps are valued using valuation technique models, which includes forward pricing and discounting method, and based on the bank's assessment of such factors as it considers relevant to the valuation.

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## 35. CATEGORIES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

- (a) A comparison by category of carrying amounts of all the Group's financial instruments that are carried in the financial statements is as follows:

	Loans & receivables \$'000	Available- for-sale \$'000	Liabilities at amortised cost \$'000	Non-financial assets/ liabilities \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>2016</b>					
<b>The Group</b>					
<b>Assets</b>					
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	1,063	–	–	1,063
Intangible assets	–	–	–	441	441
Investment properties	–	–	–	349,588	349,588
Investment in a jointly-controlled entity	–	–	–	29,872	29,872
Property, plant & equipment	–	–	–	226,184	226,184
Land use rights	–	–	–	6,692	6,692
Goodwill	–	–	–	789	789
Other assets	–	–	–	6,464	6,464
Deferred income tax assets	–	–	–	233	233
Cash and cash equivalents	16,024	–	–	–	16,024
Trade and other receivables	4,535	–	–	4,384	8,919
Inventories	–	–	–	429	429
Development properties	–	–	–	77,393	77,393
Other current/non-current assets	314	–	–	865	1,179
	<u>20,873</u>	<u>1,063</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>703,334</u>	<u>725,270</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	–	–	29,588	1,809	31,397
Tax payable	–	–	–	3,275	3,275
Borrowings	–	–	311,402	–	311,402
Deferred income tax liabilities	–	–	–	5,543	5,543
	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>340,990</u>	<u>10,627</u>	<u>351,617</u>
<b>2015</b>					
<b>The Group</b>					
<b>Assets</b>					
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	1,109	–	–	1,109
Intangible assets	–	–	–	409	409
Investment properties	–	–	–	338,485	338,485
Investment in a jointly-controlled entity	–	–	–	1,876	1,876
Property, plant & equipment	–	–	–	207,363	207,363
Land use rights	–	–	–	7,055	7,055
Goodwill	–	–	–	789	789
Other assets	–	–	–	6,576	6,576
Deferred income tax assets	–	–	–	315	315
Cash and cash equivalents	13,455	–	–	–	13,455
Trade and other receivables	44,499	–	–	3,054	47,553
Inventories	–	–	–	407	407
Development properties	–	–	–	43,320	43,320
Other current/non-current assets	539	–	–	1,327	1,866
	<u>58,493</u>	<u>1,109</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>610,976</u>	<u>670,578</u>

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## 35. CATEGORIES OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONTINUED)

(a) A comparison by category of carrying amounts of all the Group's financial instruments that are carried in the financial statements is as follows: (continued)

	Loans & receivables \$'000	Available- for-sale \$'000	Liabilities at amortised cost \$'000	Non-financial assets/ liabilities \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>2015</b>					
The Group (continued)					
Liabilities					
Trade and other payables	–	–	25,844	1,646	27,490
Tax payable	–	–	–	4,122	4,122
Borrowings	–	–	287,345	–	287,345
Deferred income tax liabilities	–	–	–	5,386	5,386
	–	–	313,189	11,154	324,343
<b>2016</b>					
<b>The Company</b>					
<b>Assets</b>					
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	126	–	–	126
Investment in subsidiaries	–	–	–	41,987	41,987
Cash and cash equivalents	20	–	–	–	20
Trade and other receivables	53,187	–	–	3	53,190
Other current/ non-current assets	–	–	–	5	5
	53,207	126	–	41,995	95,328
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	–	–	365	–	365
<b>2015</b>					
The Company					
Assets					
Available-for-sale financial assets	–	125	–	–	125
Investment in subsidiaries	–	–	–	40,937	40,937
Cash and cash equivalents	64	–	–	–	64
Trade and other receivables	42,789	–	–	5	42,794
Other current/ non-current assets	–	–	–	5	5
	42,853	125	–	40,947	83,925
Liabilities					
Trade and other payables	–	–	327	–	327

## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group and the Company are exposed to financial risks arising from their operations and the use of financial instruments. The key financial risks include credit risk, liquidity risk, interest rate risk, market price risk and foreign currency risk. The Board of Directors reviews and agrees on the policies and procedures in the management of these risks, which are executed by the Group Treasury. The Audit Committee provides independent oversight to the effectiveness of the risk management process. It is, and has been throughout the current and previous financial years, the Group's policy that no derivatives shall be undertaken except for the use as hedging instruments where appropriate and cost-efficient.

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The following sections provide details regarding the Group's and Company's exposure to the above-mentioned financial risks and the objectives, policies and processes for the management of these risks.

### (a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of loss that may arise on outstanding financial instruments should a counterparty default on its obligations. The Group's and the Company's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables. For other financial assets (including investment securities and cash and cash equivalents), the Group and the Company minimise credit risk by dealing with counterparties with appropriate credit history.

The Group's and the Company's objective is to seek continual revenue growth while minimising losses incurred due to increased credit risk exposure. The Group and the Company trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties. It is the Group's and the Company's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Group's and the Company's exposure to bad debts is minimised.

#### Exposure to credit risk

At the end of the reporting period, the Group's and the Company's maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by:

- (i) the carrying amount of each class of financial assets recognised in the statement of financial positions; and
- (ii) corporate guarantees issued by the Company to banks in respect of banking facilities utilised by certain subsidiaries amounted to \$283,426,000 (2015: \$260,119,000).

At 31 December 2016, there was no significant concentration of credit risk for the Group, while approximately all of the Company's receivables were balances with its subsidiaries (Note 13(a)).

The aged analysis of receivables due from third parties and related party past due but not impaired are as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Past due 0 to 1 month	1,728	1,170	–	–
Past due 1 to 3 months	504	727	–	–
Past due over 3 months	735	7,062	3	2
	2,967	8,959	3	2

#### Financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired

Trade and other receivables that are neither past due nor impaired are creditworthy receivables with good payment record with the Group and the Company. Cash and cash equivalents and investment securities that are neither past due nor impaired are placed with or entered into with reputable financial institutions or companies with high credit ratings and no history of default.

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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (a) Credit risk (continued)

Financial assets that are either past due or impaired

The carrying amount of third parties receivables individually determined to be impaired and the movement in the related allowance for impairment are as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Gross amount	5,849	5,554
Less: Allowance for impairment	(5,759)	(2,797)
	90	2,757
At beginning of year	2,797	2,696
Allowance made	2,962	175
Allowance written off	–	(74)
At end of year	5,759	2,797

The impaired receivables due from third parties arise mainly from potential uncollectible balances.

### (b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group or the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting financial obligations due to shortage of funds. The Group's and the Company's exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities.

The Group adopts prudent liquidity risk management by maintaining sufficient cash and the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities. Due to the dynamic nature of the underlying businesses, the Group maintains flexibility in funding by keeping committed credit lines available.

At the end of the reporting period, approximately 19.6% (2015: 21.6%) of the Group's loans and borrowings (Note 28) will mature in less than one year based on the carrying amounts reflected in the financial statements.

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Group's and the Company's financial liabilities at the end of the reporting period based on contractual undiscounted payments.

	← 2016 →			← 2015 →		
	1 year or less \$'000	1 to 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000	1 year or less \$'000	1 to 5 years \$'000	Total \$'000
<b>The Group</b>						
Trade and other payables	24,245	5,343	29,588	20,866	4,978	25,844
Borrowings	62,275	269,311	331,586	63,736	254,535	318,271
	86,520	274,654	361,174	84,602	259,513	344,115



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## 36. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (CONTINUED)

### (b) Liquidity risk (continued)

	One year or less	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
<b>The Company</b>		
Trade and other payables	365	327

The table below shows the maturity profile of the Company's financial guarantee contracts at the end of the reporting period based on contractual undiscounted repayment obligations. The maximum amounts of the financial guarantee contracts are allocated to the earliest period in which the guarantees could be called.

	One year or less	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Financial guarantee contracts	283,426	260,119

### (c) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of the Group's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company obtains financing through bank loans and finance lease facilities. The Company's policy is to obtain the most favourable interest rates available without increasing its interest risk exposure.

To manage interest rate risk, the Group, where appropriate, uses interest rate swaps.

At the end of the reporting period, if SGD interest rates had been 25 (2015: 25) basis points lower/higher with all other variables held constant, the Group's profit would have been \$637,000 (2015: \$604,000) higher/lower, arising mainly as a result of lower/higher interest expense on floating rate bank loans.

#### The Company

The financial assets and financial liabilities of the Company are non-interest bearing.

### (d) Market price risk

The Group has investments in quoted equity shares. The market value of these investments will fluctuate with market conditions.

Sensitivity analysis for market price risk is not disclosed as the effect on the fair value reserve in equity is considered not significant if equity prices had been 5% (2015: 5%) higher or lower with all other variables including tax rate being held constant.

### (e) Foreign currency risk

To minimise foreign currency exchange risk, the Group conducts the majority of both its purchase and sale transactions in the same currency.

The Group has foreign currency exposure arising from cash and cash equivalents, receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies. These foreign currency denominated cash and cash equivalents, receivables and payables are mainly denominated in United States Dollar (USD). Approximately \$4,871,000 (2015: \$6,041,000) of receivables, \$2,112,000 (2015: \$6,642,000) of cash and cash equivalents and \$7,928,000 (2015: \$3,040,000) of payables are denominated in foreign currencies.

Sensitivity analysis for foreign currency risk is not disclosed as the effect on the profit or loss is considered not significant if USD changes against the SGD by 3% (2015: 3%) with all other variables including tax rate being held constant.

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## 37. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

### (a) Fair value hierarchy

The fair value hierarchy levels are defined as follows:

- a) Level 1 - quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- b) Level 2 - inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- c) Level 3 - inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs)

### (b) Fair value measurements of assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value

The following table presents the levels of fair value hierarchy for each class of assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statements of financial position at 31 December 2016.

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Recurring fair value measurements				
<b>2016</b>				
<b>The Group</b>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Available-for-sale financial assets				
- Quoted equity investments	1,063	-	-	1,063
<b>Non-financial assets</b>				
Investment properties				
- Leasehold properties	-	-	337,588	337,588
- Freehold property	-	-	12,000	12,000
	-	-	349,588	349,588
<b>The Company</b>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Available-for-sale financial assets				
- Quoted equity investments	126	-	-	126
<b>2015</b>				
<b>The Group</b>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Available-for-sale financial assets				
- Quoted equity investments	1,109	-	-	1,109
<b>Non-financial assets</b>				
Investment properties				
- Leasehold properties	-	-	323,485	323,485
- Freehold property	-	-	15,000	15,000
	-	-	338,485	338,485
<b>The Company</b>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Available-for-sale financial assets				
- Quoted equity investments	125	-	-	125

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## 37. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

### (c) Assets and liabilities not carried at fair value but which fair values are disclosed

	Carrying Amount \$'000	Fair value measurements at the end of reporting period		
		Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000
<b>2016</b>				
<b>The Group</b>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Property, plant and equipment and land use rights	181,284	–	–	578,658
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Finance lease liabilities	264	–	–	264
Trade and other payables				
- Deposits received (non-current)	4,488	–	–	4,347
- Retention sum payable to contractor	855	–	–	828
<b>2015</b>				
<b>The Group</b>				
<b>Assets</b>				
Property, plant and equipment and land use rights	161,658	–	–	565,462
Trade and other receivables				
- Advances to a jointly-controlled entity (non-current)	31,160	–	–	29,840
- Advances to a third party (non-current)	132	–	–	126
- Deposits (non-current)	22	–	–	22
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Finance lease liabilities	186	–	–	186
Trade and other payables				
- Deposits received (non-current)	4,086	–	–	3,913
- Retention sum payable to contractor	892	–	–	855

As mentioned in Note 28, the Group's borrowings are floating rate instruments that are repriced to market interest rates on or near the end of the reporting period. Accordingly, the fair values of the borrowings, determined from discounted cash flow analysis using a discount rate of 2.14% (2015: 2.91%) which is the lending rate that the directors expect would be available to the Group at the end of the reporting period, would approximate their carrying amounts at the end of the reporting period. This fair value determination is classified in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

The above does not include financial assets and financial liabilities whose carrying amounts measured on the amortised cost basis approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature and where the effect of discounting is immaterial.

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## 37. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

### (d) Determination of fair values

#### *Available-for-sale*

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as available-for-sale securities) is based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in Level 1.

#### *Investment properties*

Investment properties, which include those in the course of development are stated at fair value based on independent professional valuation. The fair values are based on open market values, being the estimated amount for which a property could be exchanged on the date of the valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably and without compulsion. In determining the fair value, the valuers have used valuation techniques which involve certain estimates. The key assumptions used to determine the fair value of investment properties include market-corroborated capitalisation yield, terminal yield and discount rate. In relying on the valuation reports, management has exercised its judgment and is satisfied that the valuation methods and estimates are reflective of current market conditions.

The valuers have considered valuation techniques including the direct comparison approach, investment approach and residual approach in arriving at the open market value at the end of the reporting period. The direct comparison approach involves the analysis of comparable sales of similar properties and adjusting the sale prices to that reflective of the investment properties. The investment approach capitalises an income stream into a present value using the revenue multipliers or single-year capitalisation rates. In the residual approach of valuation, the total gross development costs and developer's profit are deducted from the gross development value to arrive at the residual value of land. The gross development value is the estimated value of the property assuming satisfactory completion of the development as at the date of valuation. Details of valuation methods and key assumptions used to estimate the fair values of investment properties are set out in Note 37(f).

Investment property under construction is valued by estimating the fair value of the completed investment property and then deducting from that amount the estimated costs to complete the construction and a reasonable developer's profit on construction and development. The estimated cost to complete is determined based on the construction cost per square feet in the pertinent area.

#### (i) Leasehold properties

The fair values of the Group's leasehold properties were determined based on the properties' highest and best use valuations performed by external and independent valuer using a combination of the investment approach, residual approach and direct comparison approach at 31 December 2016 (2015: combination of the investment approach, residual approach and direct comparison approach).

#### (ii) Freehold property

The fair value of the Group's freehold property was determined based on the property's highest and best use valuation performed by external and independent valuer using direct comparison approach which estimates the value of a property by comparing it to similar properties recently sold in the open market at 31 December 2016, taking into consideration their location, tenure, size, shape, age and condition of the buildings, date of transactions and the prevailing market conditions (2015: direct comparison approach using direct comparison with recent transactions of comparable properties within the vicinity and elsewhere, taking into consideration their location, tenure, age, size, condition, layout and design, amongst other features).

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## 37. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

### (e) Movements in level 3 assets and liabilities measured at fair value

The following table presents the reconciliation for all assets and liabilities measured at fair value based on significant unobservable inputs (Level 3):

	<b>Investment properties</b>	
	<b>2016</b>	2015
	<b>\$'000</b>	\$'000
At beginning of year	338,485	299,000
Total gains or losses for the year:		
- included in profit or loss	1,840	5,588
Purchases, issues, sales and settlements:		
- additions and transfers	10,782	–
Reclassification from property, plant and equipment	–	30,911
Reclassification from land use rights	–	3,198
Exchange rate adjustments	(1,519)	(212)
At end of year	<b>349,588</b>	<b>338,485</b>
Total gains and losses for the year included in:		
<b>Profit or loss</b>		
Other income - net fair value gain of investment properties	1,840	5,588

### (f) Valuation process applied by the Group

For all significant financial reporting valuations using valuation models and significant unobservable input, it is the Group's policy to engage external valuation experts to perform the valuation. The management is responsible for selecting and engaging valuation experts that possess the relevant credentials and knowledge on the subject of valuation, valuation methodologies and FRS 113 fair value measurement guidance.

For valuation performed by external valuation experts, management reviews the appropriateness of the valuation methodologies and assumptions adopted, including the appropriateness and reliability of the inputs used in the valuations.

In selecting the appropriate valuation models and inputs to be adopted for each valuation that uses significant unobservable inputs, external valuation experts are requested to calibrate the valuation models and inputs to actual market transactions (which may include transactions entered into by the Group with third parties as appropriate) that are relevant to the valuation, if such information are reasonably available. For valuations that are sensitive to the unobservable inputs used, external valuation experts are required, to the extent practicable, to use a minimum of two valuation approaches to allow for cross-checks.

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## 37. FAIR VALUE OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (CONTINUED)

### (f) Valuation process applied by the Group (continued)

The following table shows the valuation techniques used in measuring significant Level 3 fair values, as well as the significant unobservable inputs used.

Type	Valuation method	Key unobservable inputs	Inter-relationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurement
<i>Investment properties</i>			
- Singapore	Investment approach	- Capitalisation rate: 3.85% to 5% (2015: 5%)	The estimated fair value varies inversely against the capitalisation rate.
	Direct comparison approach	- Transaction prices of comparable properties: \$2,317 to \$5,161 per sq ft (2015: \$1,614 to \$9,994 per sq ft)	The estimated fair value increases with higher comparable price.
<i>Investment properties under development</i>			
- The People's Republic of China	Residual approach	- Gross development value: \$73.3 million (2015: \$75.8 million) - Estimated construction cost to completion: \$16.9 million (2015: \$28.7 million) - Developer's profit: 1.5% (2015: 3%)	The estimated fair value increases with higher gross development value, decreases with higher construction costs to completion and decreases with higher developer's profit.
	Direct comparison approach	- Transaction prices of comparable properties: \$580 to \$619 per sq ft (2015: \$587 to \$647 per sq ft)	The estimated fair value increases with higher comparable price.

## 38. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to maintain an adequate and efficient capital structure so as to support its business and growth and enhance shareholders' value.

The Group regularly reviews and manages its capital structure, comprising shareholders' equity and borrowings, to ensure optimal capital structure and shareholders' returns, taking into consideration operating cash flows, capital expenditures, investment opportunities, gearing ratio and prevailing market interest rates. No changes were made to the objectives, policies or processes of capital management during the financial years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015.

In order to maintain or achieve an optimal capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividend payment, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares, buy back issued shares, obtain new borrowings or sell assets to reduce borrowings.

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## 38. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

The Group monitors capital using gearing ratio, which is computed as net borrowings divided by the sum of total equity and net borrowings. Net borrowings are computed as borrowings less cash and cash equivalents.

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	\$'000	\$'000
Borrowings	311,402	287,345
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(16,024)	(13,455)
Net borrowings	295,378	273,890
Total equity	373,653	346,235
	669,031	620,125

	The Group	
	2016	2015
	%	%
Gearing ratio	44.15	44.17

The Group is in compliance with externally imposed capital requirements for the financial years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015.

## 39. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Other than as disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following related party transactions took place between the Group and related parties during the year on terms agreed by the parties concerned:

### Key management's remuneration

The key management's remuneration includes salary, bonus, commission, CPF contributions and other emoluments (including benefits-in-kind) computed based on the cost incurred by the Group and the Company, and where the Group or Company did not incur any costs, the value of the benefit. Key management's remuneration amounted to \$2,786,000 (2015: \$2,732,000) for the financial year ended 31 December 2016.

Included in the above is remuneration to directors of the Company amounting to \$1,496,000 (2015: \$1,482,000), excluding directors' fees which is disclosed in Note 7 to the financial statements.

## 40. SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business segments based on their products and services and the Group has three reportable operating segments as follows:

- Hotel investment and management
- Property investment and development
- Specialty restaurants and food services

Another area of the Group's business comprises investment holding which does not constitute a separate reportable segment.

Management monitors the operating results of its business segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about allocation of resources and assessment of performance of each segment.

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## 40. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The segment information provided to Management for the reportable segments are as follows:

	Hotel investment and management \$'000	Property investment and development \$'000	Specialty restaurants and food services \$'000	Others \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	The Group \$'000
<b>2016</b>						
Segment revenue						
Sales to external customers	62,119	16,788	2,363	4	–	81,274
Intersegment sales/income	2,859	242	–	17,500	(20,601)	–
Total revenue	<u>64,978</u>	<u>17,030</u>	<u>2,363</u>	<u>17,504</u>	<u>(20,601)</u>	<u>81,274</u>
Segment profit	<u>8,811</u>	<u>36,750</u>	<u>526</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>46,082</u>
Depreciation and amortisation	5,589	–	80	–	–	5,669
Share of results of a jointly-controlled entity	–	27,996	–	–	–	27,996
Other significant non-cash expenses	3,045	339	27	–	–	3,411
Segment assets	260,509	463,171	542	206	–	724,428
Unallocated assets						842
Total assets						<u>725,270</u>
<i>Segment assets include:</i>						
Investment in a jointly-controlled entity	–	29,872	–	–	–	29,872
Additions to						
- Property, plant and equipment	26,463	–	7	–	–	26,470
- Investment properties	–	10,782	–	–	–	10,782
Segment liabilities	(21,480)	(8,988)	(540)	(389)	–	(31,397)
Unallocated liabilities						(320,220)
Total liabilities						<u>(351,617)</u>
<b>2015</b>						
Segment revenue						
Sales to external customers	56,649	23,234	2,538	4	–	82,425
Intersegment sales/income	631	274	–	6,600	(7,505)	–
Total revenue	<u>57,280</u>	<u>23,508</u>	<u>2,538</u>	<u>6,604</u>	<u>(7,505)</u>	<u>82,425</u>
Segment profit	<u>11,207</u>	<u>12,914</u>	<u>671</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>24,789</u>
Depreciation and amortisation	5,233	–	81	–	–	5,314
Share of results of a jointly-controlled entity	–	(28)	–	–	–	(28)
Other significant non-cash expenses	206	43	–	–	–	249
Segment assets	240,433	427,775	715	224	–	669,147
Unallocated assets						1,431
Total assets						<u>670,578</u>



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## 40. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

The segment information provided to Management for the reportable segments are as follows: (continued)

	Hotel investment and management \$'000	Property investment and development \$'000	Specialty restaurants and food services \$'000	Others \$'000	Eliminations \$'000	The Group \$'000
2015						
<i>Segment assets include:</i>						
Investment in a jointly-controlled entity	–	1,876	–	–	–	1,876
Additions to						
- Property, plant and equipment	37,633	–	37	–	–	37,670
Segment liabilities	(16,502)	(9,809)	(842)	(337)	–	(27,490)
Unallocated liabilities						(296,853)
Total liabilities						(324,343)

### Segment results

Performance of each segment is evaluated based on segment profit or loss which is measured differently from the net profit before tax in the consolidated financial statements. Interest income and finance expenses are not allocated to segments as financing is managed on a group basis.

A reconciliation of segment profit to the consolidated profit before tax is as follows:

	The Group	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Segment profit	46,082	24,789
Interest income	285	566
Interest expense on borrowings	(5,989)	(6,542)
Unallocated corporate expenses	(377)	(631)
Profit before tax	40,001	18,182

### Segment assets

The amounts provided to Management with respect to total assets are measured in a manner consistent with that of the financial statements. Management monitors the assets attributable to each segment for the purposes of monitoring segment performance and for allocating resources between segments. All assets are allocated to reportable segments other than investments, deferred income tax assets, interest bearing receivables and fixed deposits which are classified as unallocated assets.

### Segment liabilities

The amounts provided to Management with respect to total liabilities are measured in a manner consistent with that of the financial statements. All liabilities are allocated to the reportable segments based on the operations of the segments other than taxation, deferred income tax liabilities and certain corporate borrowings. These liabilities are classified as unallocated liabilities.

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## 40. SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

### Geographical segments

The Group operates in three main geographical areas, namely Singapore, the People's Republic of China ("PRC") and Thailand.

The main areas of operations undertaken by the Group in each country are as follows:

- Singapore – hotel investment and management, property investment and development, specialty restaurants and food services
- PRC – hotel investment and management, property investment and development
- Thailand – hotel investment and management

	Revenue		Non-current assets	
	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000	2016 \$'000	2015 \$'000
Singapore	73,433	79,474	425,244	434,900
PRC	–	–	144,357	110,755
Thailand	7,841	2,951	50,560	48,405
	81,274	82,425	620,161	594,060

Revenue and non-current assets are shown by the geographical areas in which the assets are located.

Non-current assets presented above are non-current assets as presented on the statements of financial position excluding financial instruments and deferred income tax assets.

### Information about major customer

There was no single external customer that had contributed more than 10 percent to the revenue of the Group.

## 41. AUTHORISATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of Amara Holdings Limited on 22 March 2017.

# CORPORATE DATA

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Albert Teo Hock Chuan  
*Chief Executive Officer*

Chang Meng Teng  
Susan Teo Geok Tin  
Richard Khoo Boo Yeong  
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah  
Foo Ko Hing  
Chia Kwok Ping

## COMPANY SECRETARIES

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Susan Teo Geok Tin  
Foo Soon Soo

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

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Chang Meng Teng  
*Chairman*

Richard Khoo Boo Yeong  
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah  
Foo Ko Hing

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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Richard Khoo Boo Yeong  
*Chairman*

Albert Teo Hock Chuan  
Chang Meng Teng

## REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

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Richard Khoo Boo Yeong  
*Chairman*

Chang Meng Teng  
Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah  
Foo Ko Hing

## PRINCIPAL BANKERS

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Partner-in-charge of the audit  
(Appointed for the financial year ended  
31 December 2016)

# STATISTICS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

As at 15 March 2017

Class of Shares	:	Ordinary shares each fully paid up
Voting Rights (excluding Treasury Shares)	:	1 vote per share
No. of Holders	:	5,418
No. of Issued Shares	:	576,936,000
No. of Issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares)	:	575,075,800
No. of Treasury Shares	:	1,860,200
Percentage of Treasury Shares against the total no. of Issued Shares (excluding Treasury Shares)	:	0.32%

## DISTRIBUTION OF SHAREHOLDINGS

Size of Holdings	No. of Shareholders	%	No. of Shares (excluding Treasury Shares)	% <sup>(1)</sup>
1 - 99	-	-	-	-
100 - 1,000	511	9.43	504,300	0.09
1,001 - 10,000	3,483	64.29	18,557,800	3.23
10,001 - 1,000,000	1,397	25.78	70,290,430	12.22
1,000,001 and above	27	0.50	485,723,270	84.46
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,418</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>575,075,800</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Based on information available to the Company on 15 March 2017, approximately 27% of the Company's issued ordinary shares were held by the public and accordingly, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST has been compiled with.

## TWENTY LARGEST SHAREHOLDERS (as shown in the Register of Members and Depository Register)

No.	Name	No. of Shares	% <sup>(1)</sup>
1	FIRSTRUST EQUITY PTE LTD (IN MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)	174,458,917	30.34
2	UOB NOMINEES (2006) PRIVATE LIMITED	60,000,000	10.43
3	TEO CHEW CHUAN	42,578,500	7.40
4	TEO PENG CHUAN	36,744,419	6.39
5	TEO HIN CHUAN	32,580,997	5.67
6	TEO SIEW BEE	15,099,419	2.63
7	DBS NOMINEES (PRIVATE) LIMITED	14,854,110	2.58
8	TEO GEOK TIN	14,790,447	2.57
9	TEO KWEE CHUAN	14,757,449	2.57
10	MORPH INVESTMENTS LTD	14,463,000	2.51
11	TEO HOCK CHUAN	9,729,619	1.69
12	CITIBANK NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	8,147,200	1.42
13	UNITED OVERSEAS BANK NOMINEES (PRIVATE) LIMITED	6,856,000	1.19
14	ONG KIAN KOK	6,490,000	1.13
15	TEO DENG JIE (ZHANG DENG JIE)	5,000,000	0.87
16	OCBC NOMINEES SINGAPORE PRIVATE LIMITED	4,044,000	0.70
17	DBS VICKERS SECURITIES (SINGAPORE) PTE LTD	3,796,000	0.66
18	TEO GUAN HOON	3,238,000	0.56
19	POH LAY ENG	3,153,493	0.55
20	RAFFLES NOMINEES (PTE) LIMITED	2,730,000	0.47
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>473,511,570</b>	<b>82.33</b>

Note:

(1) The percentage of issued ordinary shares is calculated based on the total number of issued ordinary shares of the Company, excluding treasury shares.

# STATISTICS OF SHAREHOLDINGS

*As at 15 March 2017*

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS

(As shown in the Register of Substantial Shareholders)

	Direct Interest	Deemed Interest	Total	% <sup>(3)</sup>
Albert Teo Hock Chuan	14,949,619	234,458,917 <sup>(1)</sup>	249,408,536	43.37
Susan Teo Geok Tin	14,820,447	234,458,917 <sup>(1)</sup>	249,279,364	43.35
Teo Kwee Chuan	14,757,449	234,458,917 <sup>(1)</sup>	249,216,366	43.34
Firsttrust Equity Pte Ltd (In Members' Voluntary Liquidation)	234,458,917	-	234,458,917	40.77
Corinne Teo Siew Bee	15,099,419	234,458,917 <sup>(1)</sup>	249,558,336	43.40
First Security Pte Ltd	-	234,458,917 <sup>(1)</sup>	234,458,917	40.77
Teo Chew Chuan	42,578,500	3,153,493 <sup>(2)</sup>	45,731,993	7.95
Teo Peng Chuan	36,744,419	-	36,744,419	6.39
Teo Hin Chuan	32,580,997	-	32,580,997	5.67

### Notes:

- (1) Albert Teo Hock Chuan, Susan Teo Geok Tin, Teo Kwee Chuan, Corinne Teo Siew Bee and First Security Pte Ltd are each deemed to have an interest in the 234,458,917 shares in which Firsttrust Equity Pte Ltd (In Members' Voluntary Liquidation) is interested in as they are entitled to exercise or control the exercise of not less than 20% of the votes attached to the voting shares of Firsttrust Equity Pte Ltd (In Members' Voluntary Liquidation).
- (2) Teo Chew Chuan is deemed interested in 3,153,493 shares held by his spouse.
- (3) The percentage of issued ordinary shares is calculated based on the total number of issued ordinary shares of the Company, excluding treasury shares.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company will be held at Amara Ballroom 2, Level 3, Amara Singapore, 165 Tanjong Pagar Road, Singapore 088539 on Friday, 28 April 2017 at 10.30 a.m. to transact the following business:-

## AS ORDINARY BUSINESS

1. To receive and adopt the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 together with the Directors' Statement and Independent Auditor's Report thereon. **(Resolution 1)**
2. To declare a final tax exempt dividend of 1 cent per ordinary share and a special tax exempt dividend of 2 cents per ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2016. **(Resolution 2)**
3. To re-elect Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah as a Director retiring under Article 87 of the Constitution of the Company. **(Resolution 3)**

Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah will, upon re-election as Director of the Company, remain as a member of the Audit Committee and will be considered non-independent for the purposes of Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"). He will also remain as a member of the Remuneration Committee.

4. To re-elect Mr Foo Ko Hing as a Director retiring under Article 87 of the Constitution of the Company. **(Resolution 4)**

Mr Foo Ko Hing will, upon re-election as Director of the Company, remain as a member of the Audit Committee and will be considered independent for the purposes of Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST. He will also remain as a member of the Remuneration Committee.

5. To approve payment of Directors' Fees of \$189,200 for the year ended 31 December 2016 (2015: \$161,700). **(Resolution 5)**
6. To appoint Messrs Deloitte & Touche LLP as Auditor of the Company in place of the retiring Auditor, Messrs Baker Tilly TFW LLP, and to authorise the Directors to fix its remuneration. **(Resolution 6)**

(See Explanatory Note 1)

## AS SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following Ordinary Resolutions (with or without amendments):

7. Authority to allot and issue shares
  - (a) That, pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore ("Act"), and the listing rules of the SGX-ST, authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company at any time upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors may in their absolute discretion deem fit, to:
    - (i) issue shares in the capital of the Company whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise;
    - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options that might or would require shares to be issued or other transferable rights to subscribe for or purchase shares (collectively, "Instruments") including but not limited to the creation and issue of warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares; and
    - (iii) issue additional Instruments arising from adjustments made to the number of Instruments previously issued in the event of rights, bonus or capitalisation issues; and

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- (b) notwithstanding the authority conferred by the shareholders may have ceased to be in force, issue shares in pursuance of any Instruments made or granted by the Directors while the authority was in force,

provided always that

- (i) the aggregate number of shares to be issued pursuant to this resolution (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this resolution) does not exceed 50% of the Company's total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares, of which the aggregate number of shares (including shares to be issued in pursuance of Instruments made or granted pursuant to this resolution) to be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders of the Company does not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the Company, and for the purpose of this resolution, the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares shall be the Company's total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares at the time this resolution is passed, after adjusting for:
- (aa) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of convertible securities;
- (bb) new shares arising from exercising share options or vesting of share awards outstanding or subsisting at the time this resolution is passed provided the options or awards were granted in compliance with Part VIII of Chapter 8 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST; and
- (cc) any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of the Company's shares, and
- (ii) such authority shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next AGM or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier. **(Resolution 7)**

(See Explanatory Note 2)

## 8. Authority to allot and issue shares under the Amara Performance Share Plan

That authority be and is hereby given to the Directors of the Company to grant awards in accordance with the provisions of the Amara Performance Share Plan (the "Plan"), and, pursuant to Section 161 of the Act, to allot and issue from time to time such number of shares in the capital of the Company as may be required to be allotted and/or issued pursuant to the vesting of awards under the Plan provided that the aggregate number of shares available under the Plan and any other share based schemes which the Company may implement from time to time, shall not exceed 15% of the total number of issued shares of the Company (excluding treasury shares) from time to time and that such authority shall, unless revoked or varied by the Company at a general meeting, continue in force until the conclusion of the next AGM or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is the earlier. **(Resolution 8)**

(See Explanatory Note 3)

## 9. Renewal of Share Purchase Mandate

That:

- (a) For the purposes of Sections 76C and 76E of the Act, the exercise by the Directors of all the powers of the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire issued ordinary shares in the capital of the Company ("Shares") not exceeding in aggregate the Prescribed Limit (as defined below), at such price or prices as may be determined by the Directors from time to time up to the Maximum Price (as defined below), whether by way of:
- (i) off-market purchases (each an "Off-Market Share Purchase") effected in accordance with any equal access scheme(s) as may be determined or formulated by the Directors as they may consider fit, which scheme(s) shall satisfy all the conditions prescribed by the Act; and/or

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- (ii) on-market purchases (each an "On-Market Share Purchase") on the SGX-ST, and otherwise in accordance with all other laws and regulations and rules of the SGX-ST as may for the time being be applicable,

be and is hereby authorised and approved generally and unconditionally ("Share Purchase Mandate").

- (b) Unless varied or revoked by the Company in general meeting, the authority conferred on the Directors pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate may be exercised by the Directors at any time and from time to time during the period commencing from the date of the passing of this Ordinary Resolution, and expiring on the earlier of:

- (i) the date on which the next AGM of the Company is held or required by law or the Constitution of the Company to be held; or
- (ii) the date on which the purchase of Shares by the Company pursuant to the Share Purchase Mandate is carried out to the full extent mandated.

- (c) In this Ordinary Resolution:

"Prescribed Limit" means 10% of the total number of issued Shares as at the date of the passing of this Ordinary Resolution (excluding treasury shares); and

"Maximum Price" in relation to a Share to be purchased, means an amount (excluding brokerage, stamp duties, commission, applicable goods and services tax and other related expenses) not exceeding:

- (i) in the case of an On-Market Share Purchase, 105% of the Average Closing Price; and
- (ii) in the case of an Off-Market Share Purchase, 120% of the Average Closing Price,

where:

"Average Closing Price" means the average of the closing market prices of a Share over the last 5 Market Days ("Market Day" being a day on which the SGX-ST is open for securities trading), on which transactions in the Shares were recorded, immediately preceding the date of making the On-Market Share Purchase or, as the case may be, the date of the making of the offer pursuant to the Off-Market Share Purchase, and deemed to be adjusted for any corporate action that occurs after the relevant 5 Market Days; and

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

- (d) The Directors and/or each and any of them be and are hereby authorised to complete and do all such acts and things (including executing such documents as may be required) as they and/or he may consider necessary, expedient, incidental or in the interests of the Company to give effect to the transactions contemplated and/or authorised by this Ordinary Resolution. **(Resolution 9)**

(See Explanatory Note 4)

## AS OTHER BUSINESS

10. To transact any other business that may be transacted at an AGM.



# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN** that subject to the approval of the shareholders at the AGM, a final tax exempt dividend of 1 cent per ordinary share and a special tax exempt dividend of 2 cents per ordinary share, in respect of the year ended 31 December 2016 will be paid on 22 June 2017 to shareholders whose names appear in the Register of Members on 8 June 2017.

Accordingly, the Transfer Books and the Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8 June 2017 after 5.00 p.m. to 9 June 2017, for the purpose of determining shareholders' entitlements to the proposed final dividend and the proposed special dividend.

Registrable transfers received by the Company's Share Registrar, Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd. at 50 Raffles Place, Singapore Land Tower #32-01, Singapore 048623, up to 5.00 p.m., on 8 June 2017 will be registered before entitlements to the final and special dividends are determined.

By Order of the Board

Susan Teo Geok Tin/Foo Soon Soo  
Company Secretaries

Singapore  
13 April 2017

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE 1:**

The Ordinary Resolution in item 6 is to appoint Messrs Deloitte & Touche LLP as Auditor of the Company in place of the retiring Auditor, Messrs Baker Tilly TFW LLP, and to authorise the Directors to fix its remuneration. Information on Deloitte & Touche LLP, the rationale of the proposed change of Auditor, the confirmations pursuant to Rule 1203(5) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST and the Directors' recommendation are set out in the Appendix to the Notice of AGM dated 13 April 2017 in relation to the proposed change of Auditor and the proposed renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE 2:**

The Ordinary Resolution in item 7 is to authorise the Directors of the Company from the date of the above Meeting until the next AGM to issue shares and convertible securities in the Company up to an amount not exceeding in aggregate 50% of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the Company of which the total number of shares and convertible securities issued other than on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders shall not exceed 20% of the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares of the Company at the time the resolution is passed, for such purposes as they consider would be in the interests of the Company. For determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued, the percentage of issued shares will be calculated based on the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares in the capital of the Company at the time this resolution is passed (after adjusting for new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of any convertible securities or share options or vesting of share awards which are outstanding or subsisting at the time this resolution is passed and any subsequent bonus issue, consolidation or subdivision of the Company's shares). This authority will, unless revoked or varied at a general meeting, expire at the next AGM of the Company.

# NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE 3:**

The Ordinary Resolution in item 8 is to authorise the Directors of the Company from the date of the above Meeting until the next AGM to grant awards in accordance with the provisions of the Plan and to allot and issue from time to time such number of shares in the capital of the Company as may be required to be allotted and/or issued pursuant to the vesting of the awards under the Plan provided that the aggregate number of shares available under the Plan and any other share based schemes which the Company may implement from time to time, shall not exceed 15% of the total number of issued shares of the Company (excluding treasury shares) from time to time.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE 4:**

In respect of the Ordinary Resolution in item 9, the Company intends to use internal sources of funds, external borrowings or a combination of internal sources of funds and external borrowings to finance purchases or acquisitions of the Shares. The amount of financing required for the Company to purchase or acquire its Shares, and the impact on the Company's financial position, cannot be ascertained as at the date of this Notice as these will depend on, among other things, whether the Shares are purchased or acquired out of capital and/or profits of the Company, the aggregate number of Shares purchased or acquired, and the consideration paid at the relevant time. Purely for illustration purposes, the financial effects of Share Purchases on the audited financial statements of Amara Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2016, based on certain assumptions, are set out in the Appendix to the Notice of AGM dated 13 April 2017 in relation to the proposed change of Auditor and the proposed renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate.

## **NOTES:**

1. A member of the Company (other than a member who is a relevant intermediary as defined in Section 181 of the Act) entitled to attend and vote at the above Meeting is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote on his behalf. Where such member appoints more than one proxy, the proportion of his shareholding to be represented by each proxy shall be specified in the proxy form.
2. A member of the Company who is a relevant intermediary as defined in Section 181 of the Act is entitled to appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at the above Meeting.
3. A proxy or representative need not be a member of the Company.
4. The instrument appointing a proxy together with the power of attorney (if any) under which it is signed or notarially certified or office copy thereof must be lodged at the registered office of the Company at 100 Tras Street #06-01, 100 AM, Singapore 079027, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for the above Meeting.

## **PERSONAL DATA PRIVACY:**

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the AGM and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents or service providers) for the purpose of processing and administration by the Company (or its agents or service providers) of proxies and representatives appointed for the AGM (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, minutes and other documents relating to the AGM (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents or service providers) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"), and (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents or service providers), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents or service providers) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes.

**AMARA HOLDINGS LIMITED**

Registration No. 197000732N

(Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore)

**PROXY FORM****ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING****IMPORTANT:**

1. Pursuant to Section 181 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50, members of the Company who are relevant intermediaries may appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting.

2. For investors who have used their CPF monies to buy shares in the Company, this Proxy Form is not valid for use and shall be ineffective for all intents and purposes if used or purported to be used by them. CPF Investors should contact their respective Agent Banks if they have any queries regarding their appointment as proxies.

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (NRIC/Passport/Co.Registration Number)  
of \_\_\_\_\_ (Address)

being a member/members of AMARA HOLDINGS LIMITED hereby appoint:

Name	Address	NRIC/ Passport Number	Proportion of Shareholdings (%)

and/or (delete as appropriate)

Name	Address	NRIC/ Passport Number	Proportion of Shareholdings (%)

as my/our proxy/proxies to attend and to vote for me/us and on my/our behalf at the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company to be held at Amara Ballroom 2, Level 3, Amara Singapore, 165 Tanjong Pagar Road, Singapore 088539 on Friday, 28 April 2017 at 10.30 a.m., and at any adjournment thereof. I/We direct my/our proxy/proxies to vote for or against the resolutions to be proposed at the AGM as indicated hereunder. If no specific direction as to voting is given, the proxy/proxies will vote or abstain from voting at his/their discretion, as he/they will on any other matter arising at the AGM.

No.	Ordinary Resolutions	For*	Against*
1.	To receive and adopt the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 together with the Directors' Statement and Independent Auditor's Report thereon.		
2.	To declare a final tax exempt dividend of 1 cent per ordinary share and a special tax exempt dividend of 2 cents per ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2016.		
3.	To re-elect Mr Lawrence Mok Kwok Wah as a Director retiring under Article 87 of the Constitution of the Company.		
4.	To re-elect Mr Foo Ko Hing as a Director retiring under Article 87 of the Constitution of the Company.		
5.	To approve payment of Directors' Fees of \$189,200 for the year ended 31 December 2016 (2015: \$161,700).		
6.	To appoint Messrs Deloitte & Touche LLP as Auditor of the Company in place of the retiring Auditor, Messrs Baker Tilly TFW LLP, and to authorise the Directors to fix its remuneration.		
7.	To authorise Directors to issue shares pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Cap. 50.		
8.	To authorise Directors to issue shares under the Amara Performance Share Plan.		
9.	To approve the renewal of the Share Purchase Mandate.		

\* Voting will be conducted by poll. If you wish to exercise all your votes "For" or "Against", please tick (✓) within the box provided. Alternatively, please indicate the number of votes as appropriate.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2017

Total number of Shares held

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature(s) of Member(s)/Common Seal

**IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ NOTES FOR PROXY FORM**

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## **Notes for Proxy Form**

1. A member of the Company (other than a member who is a relevant intermediary as defined in Section 181 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50) entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote on his behalf.
2. Where a member appoints more than one proxy, he shall specify the proportion of his shareholding to be represented by each proxy. If no provision is specified, the Company shall be entitled to treat the first named proxy as representing the entire shareholding and the second named proxy as an alternate to the first named, or at the Company's option to treat this proxy form as invalid.
3. A member of the Company who is a relevant intermediary as defined in Section 181 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 is entitled to appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote at the AGM, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by such member. Where such member appoints more than two proxies, the number of shares in relation to which each proxy has been appointed shall be specified in the proxy form.
4. A proxy or representative need not be a member of the Company.
5. A member should insert the total number of shares held. If the member has shares entered against his name in the Depository Register (maintained by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited ), he should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares registered in his name in the Register of Members (maintained by or on behalf of the Company), he should insert that number of shares. If the member has shares entered against his name in the Depository Register and registered in his name in the Register of Members, he should insert the aggregate number of shares. If no number of shares is inserted, this form of proxy will be deemed to relate to all the shares held by the member.
6. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies for any member must be in writing and (in the case of an individual appointor) duly signed by the appointor or his attorney or, (if the appointor is a corporation) must be executed under its seal or signed by its attorney or duly authorised officer.
7. The instrument appointing a proxy and the power of attorney or other authority, if any, under which it is signed or a notarially certified copy of that power or authority shall be deposited at the registered office at 100 Tras Street #06-01, 100 AM, Singapore 079027, not less than 24 hours before the time set for the AGM, and in default the instrument of proxy shall be treated as invalid.
8. The Company shall be entitled to reject an instrument of proxy which is incomplete, improperly completed, illegible or where the true intentions of the appointor are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointor specified on the instrument of proxy. In addition, in the case of shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject an instrument of proxy if the member, being the appointor, is not shown to have shares entered against his name in the Depository Register as at 72 hours before the time appointed for holding the AGM, as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.

## **Personal Data Privacy**

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s), the member accepts and agrees to the personal data privacy terms set out in the Notice of AGM dated 13 April 2017.

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