

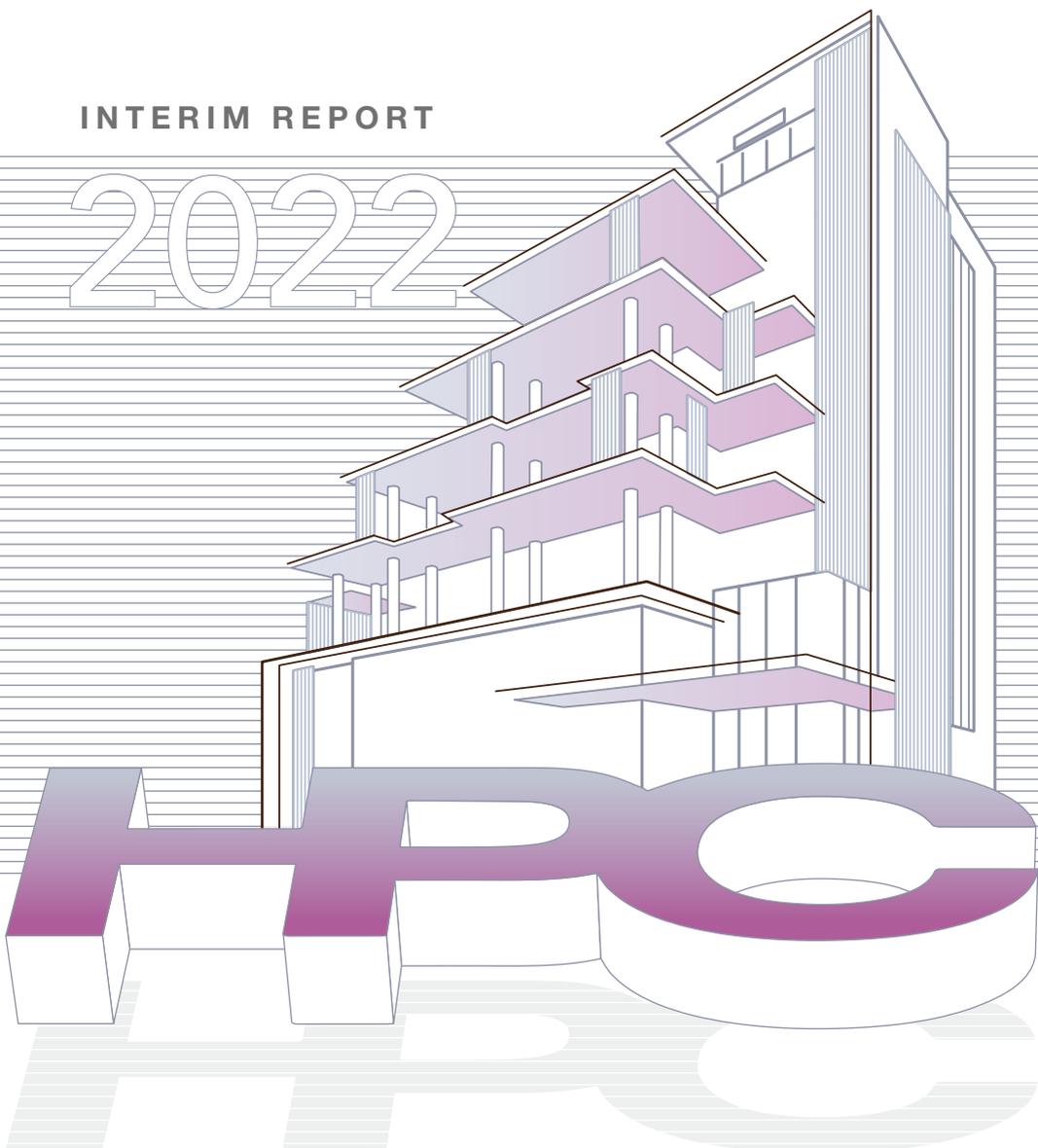


HPC HOLDINGS LIMITED

HKEX 1742 (Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

INTERIM REPORT

2022



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Mr. Leung Wai Yip
Mr. Gng Hoon Liang

Audit Committee

Mr. Leung Wai Yip *(Chairman)*
Mr. Zhu Dong
Mr. Gng Hoon Liang

Remuneration Committee

Mr. Zhu Dong *(Chairman)*
Mr. Wang Yingde
Mr. Gng Hoon Liang

Nomination Committee

Mr. Wang Yingde *(Chairman)*
Mr. Zhu Dong
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CORPORATE INFORMATION

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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The board (the “**Board**”) of directors (the “**Directors**”) of HPC Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) announces its unaudited consolidated interim results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “**Group**”) for the six months ended 30 April 2022 (the “**Interim Period**”) together with the comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2021 (the “**Previous Period**”).

BUSINESS REVIEW

After more than two years since the onset of COVID-19, more than 90% of Singapore’s population has been fully inoculated, as the country continues to prepare to live with COVID-19. While the Omicron variant has brought upon a spike in cases previously, Singapore Government continues its planning to lift social restrictions and reopen the borders, treating the virus as to do with seasonal influenza nationwide. Singapore Government has also established the Vaccinated Travel Lane with quite a number of countries, in order to recover of economic loss due to COVID-19 pandemic. We believe these implementations definitely facilitate the transportation of construction materials and bring a positive effect to construction industry, particularly on pre-cast and pre-fabricated modules (deliver from Malaysia) for HDB housing projects that been most welcomed by Singapore’s construction industry.

Even with above implementations to ease COVID-19 impacts on construction industry, we are still facing challenges in anticipation of rising inflation and Russia-Ukraine situation remains unresolved. The Russia-Ukraine situation cause further supply disruption to the construction industry, especially for those major and heavy equipment, building material etc that manufactured and procured from European countries.

With the above headwinds and unforeseen market fluctuations, the Group’s tender procedures and pricing strategy are to be more cautious and be more conservative during tendering, in order to capture the volatile of building material price and transportation cost. On 11 November 2021, Group had managed to secure an additional works, namely the LOGOS warehouse addition and alteration works, with a contract sum of S\$27,360,429.00. Although the tender outcome is relatively quiet, the Group still manage to sustain a healthy order book value at S\$269 million as of 30 April 2022.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

During the first half of 2022, the Group has successfully delivered Fu Yu Warehouse and Kim Seng Huat Warehouse projects for Fu Yu Corporation Limited and Kim Seng Huat Hardware Pte Ltd in June 2022. Currently, the Group has 5 on-going projects i.e., Housing Development Board (HDB)-786 Build To Order (BTO) units at Tengah Garden C6, Paradise Central Kitchen Factory, LOGOS/REC new build warehouse and Global International Indian School and the headquarter building of the Group, where Paradise Central Kitchen Factory, LOGOS/REC new build warehouse will be delivered by the 4th quarter of 2022, Global International Indian School will be delivered by the 1st quarter of 2023 and HDB-786 BTO units will be delivered by the 2nd quarter of 2024. The long delayed headquarter building will be finally completed by the 3rd quarter of this year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The impact of COVID-19 pandemic to the industry and our Company are still lasting over the Interim Period, the Group's construction productivity and progress have been severely slowed down particularly due to shortage of manpower and global restriction on supply chain. The mass destruction to other consumers dealing industries has also affected some of our customer's business and increased our financial risk. Despite great efforts have been made to mitigate the impacts, the Group still recorded a net loss in this Interim Period, but at least we are optimistic to hold a view that the impacts to our financial results have been fully captured and we expect to see a good return in the coming period.

Revenue and Gross Profit

The Group recorded a decrease of approximately 34.78% in revenue for the six months ended 30 April 2022 as compared with the six months ended 30 April 2021 from approximately S\$116.90 million to approximately S\$76.24 million. Revenue decreased as a result of less construction activities performed during the Interim Period comparing with the Previous Period due to aforesaid various market factors.

Gross profit of the Group reduced from approximately S\$9.50 million for the six months ended 30 April 2021 to S\$2.75 million for the six months ended 30 April 2022, representing an approximately 71.05% drop of profit. Gross profit margin whereby dropped to 3.61% of the Interim Period compared with 8.13% of the Previous Period.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Other Income

Other income of the Group for the six months ended 30 April 2022 was lower by approximately S\$193,000 primarily due to less government subsidies granted from Singapore Government to assist business defraying the cost caused by the COVID-19 pandemic as compared to the Previous Period following the gradual re-opening of the society.

Administrative Expenses

The Group incurred less administrative expenses for the six months ended 30 April 2022 compared with the six months ended 30 April 2021. Administrative expenses decreased by approximately S\$254,000 from approximately S\$3.71 million to S\$3.45 million. The decrement of the administrative expenses primarily due to the disposal of some of the properties in the past year, therefore less depreciation charged in this Interim Period as compared to the Previous Period, and there was also almost no idle cost incurred during the Interim Period as compared to the Previous Period.

Income Tax Expense

The Group made some provision for onerous contract and impaired assets; therefore, the Group booked a tax credit to the operation profit amounted approximately to S\$902,000, one million increment as compared to the Previous Period, mainly due to the deferred tax benefit of the provision for onerous contract and impaired assets.

Loss After Tax

As a result of the combined effects mentioned above, the Company recorded a net loss after tax at approximately S\$1.02 million for the Interim Period, a decrement of S\$5.69 million from net profit of S\$4.68 million of the Previous Period, representing a reduction of approximately 121.80%.

Dividends

The Company did not declare any dividend during the Interim Period and the Company does not recommend an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 April 2022.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND GEARING

Liquidity

The Group's business operations depend on the sufficiency of working capital and effective cost management, in particular, competitive prices from subcontractors and suppliers as well as effective management of foreign workforce. The Group's primary uses of cash are payments to subcontractors, suppliers and manpower cost. The Group had been depending on its internal generated funds to fund its working capital needs in the past, however, with consistently lower interest rate in the current economy, the Group has started to gradually introduce low risk loan financing to the capital structure in order to achieve the optimum cost of capital. With proven track record in costs management coupled with the local regulation on construction works settlements, the Group is not expected to face any liquidity issues.

The current ratios (defined as total current assets divided by total current liabilities) of the Group were 2.5 and 2.4 as at 30 April 2022 and 31 October 2021, respectively.

Borrowings and Gearing

The Group's borrowings relate to certain finance lease obligations obtained through the acquisition of motor vehicles and there were term loans and shareholders loans for land purchase and redevelopment of an industrial building on the land purchased on 7 Kung Chong Road of Singapore.

The gearing ratios (defined as total borrowings divided by total equity) of the Group were 20.26% and 14.2% as at 30 April 2022 and 31 October 2021 respectively and the increase in gearing ratio was mainly due to the progressive drawdown of the construction loan to finance the redevelopment project at 7 Kung Chong Road of Singapore.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Foreign Exchange Exposure

Most of the Group's income and expenditures are denominated in Singapore dollars, being the functional currency of the Group, and hence, the Group does not have any material foreign exchange exposures except a few listing compliance transactions in Hong Kong Dollars.

As the Group's normal operations' foreign exchange exposure is minimal, the Group does not use any hedging facilities. All foreign transactions are entered into at spot rate.

Mortgage or Charges on Group's Assets

As at 30 April 2022, the acquired land was mortgaged to secure the Group's bank loan. Besides, one of the subsidiaries of the Company, HPC Builders Pte Ltd. was also charged to the same bank for the same project as additional security. Other than that, only motor vehicles were acquired via finance leases.

Contingent Liabilities and Financial Guarantees

The Group was involved in a few litigation cases related to workplace injuries which was normally insured with insurance; therefore, the Group does not expect any contingent liabilities in the foreseeable future.

As at 30 April 2022, saved as disclosed in the paragraph headed "Mortgage or Charges on Group's Assets", there was no financial guarantee granted in favor of third party of the Group.

Capital Expenditure and Capital Commitments

For the Interim Period, the Group's incurred capital expenditures were mainly on the construction and financing cost of the 7 Kung Chong Project and some construction site equipment.

Significant Investments Held, Material Acquisitions and Disposal of Subsidiaries, Associates and Joint Ventures

There were no significant investments held, material acquisitions and disposal of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures during the Interim Period.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

EVENT OCCURRING AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 9 May 2022, the Group completed a disposal of an investment property to an independent third party at a cash consideration of S\$1.85 million. For further details, please refer to the Company's announcements dated 10 May 2022 and 1 June 2022.

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

As at 30 April 2022, the Group had 868 employees including foreign workers.

The employees of the Group are remunerated according to their job scope and responsibilities. The local employees are also entitled to discretionary bonus depending on their respective performance. The foreign workers are typically employed on one-year basis depending on the period of their work permits and subject to renewal based on their performance and are remunerated according to their work skills.

Total staff costs including Directors' emoluments amounted to approximately S\$13.9 million (2021: S\$13.8 million) for the six months ended 30 April 2022.

Employees of the Group receive training depending on their department and the scope of works. Typically, the human resources department arranges for employees to attend trainings from time to time, especially relating to workplace health and safety.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, our employees especially foreign workers were well taken care of. The Group swiftly responded to government arrangement to arrange accommodation, food and living groceries and distribution of personal protection and hygiene products to all the foreign workers in need. Human resources department has been followed up closely with foreign employees who are vulnerable and taken immediate action according to Singapore authorities' regulations. None of our employee's health was seriously affected by COVID-19.

As at the date of this report, 100% of the total employee of the Group has been vaccinated against COVID-19, and the Group is actively collaborating with government agencies to ensure all the local and foreign employees health condition are fit to all during the COVID-19 pandemic.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

PROSPECTS

Based on Building and Construction Authority of Singapore, the construction demand forecast of this year ranges from S\$27 billion, to an upper bound of S\$32 billion, excluding any developments on the two Integrated Resorts (Marina Bay Sand and Sentosa Development). There is still a severe shortage of manpower, and we foresee that the recent spike in COVID-19 cases in the local community may exacerbate the progress of those projects that are already months behind schedule.

According to the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI), the manufacturing sector expanded 75% in 2021, supported by a strong demand for semiconductors, and the continuous growth of e-commerce and biomedical sciences. The JTC All Industrial Rental Index rose for the fourth straight quarter. Semiconductor maker, GlobalFoundries announced in June that they will add 250,000 square feet of clean room space to its campus at Woodlands Wafer Fab Park, expected to be operational in 2023. Taiwanese semiconductor United Microelectronics Corporation (UMC) recently announced its plan to build a new manufacturing facility in Singapore, with production to commence in 2024. In view of the global shortage of microchips and strong infrastructure support in Singapore, we expect investments in wafer fab development to draw keen interest from overseas manufacturers. The moratorium on construction of new data centres has been conditionally lifted, and although the carbon tax increase by year 2030 may see some headwinds, we expect activities in this sector to slowly pick up, due to its strong demand in data and 5G connectivity.

In line and the leasing activities in Singapore that been supported by stockpiling demand from Singapore Government following the introduction of semiconductors industry and Green Energy Projects, the Group is also working together with developers to explore the next new generation on semiconductors factory and cleanrooms warehouse projects. Besides that, the Group also working together with developers for container stacking yard by optimizing the land use and introducing automation to improve the efficiency of such facilities. Due to prime logistics properties in Singapore are nearly full occupancy and demand has begun to spill over to lower-specification logistics space. This has prompted cold-rooms logistic warehouse to higher rental growth compared with year 2021.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As Singapore is an open economy country, its business performance continuity depends heavily on how the Singapore Government responds to the world-wide inflation's threats and backlogs of COVID-19 pandemic. The Group is cautiously optimistic and confident that the Group can perform better in the coming months with the worldwide easing of social restrictions and country borders reopening. However, the Group will still have to cope with the lower gross profits due to current increasing of building material prices, cost overrun of the ongoing projects and the intense competition from other contractors for new projects. With a healthy order book of S\$269 million as of 30 April 2022, which will allow the Group to have more time to select better projects in coming months instead of tendering aggressively in order to survive through this current crisis. The management shall work positively to ensure the Group is able to sail through this difficult time safely and to excel again once the construction market returns to normalcy in the foreseeable future.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Group has adopted a share option scheme pursuant to which the Company may grant options to eligible persons. The maximum number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the scheme and any other schemes of the Group shall not in aggregate exceed 160,000,000 shares, being 10% of the Company's shares listing on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**SEHK**") on 11 May 2018.

No share options were granted or outstanding for the six months ended 30 April 2022.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the “**Model Code**”) as set out in the Appendix 10 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the SEHK (the “**Listing Rules**”) as code of conduct regarding directors’ securities transactions during the Interim Period and upon specific enquiry made, all Directors have confirmed that they complied with the Model Code throughout the six months ended 30 April 2022.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The Company is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities to the shareholders of the Company (the “**Shareholders**”) and protecting and enhancing the Shareholders’ value through good corporate governance. The Directors recognize the importance of incorporating elements of good corporate governance in the management structures, internal control and risk management procedures of the Group so as to achieve effective accountability.

The Company has adopted and complied with the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the “**CG Code**”) as set out in Appendix 14 of the Listing Rules during the Interim Period with the exception of code provision C.2.1.

Under the code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive shall be separated and shall not be performed by the same individual. Mr. Wang Yingde currently holds both positions. Throughout the business history, Mr. Wang Yingde has held the key leadership position of the Group and has been deeply involved in the formulation of corporate strategies and management of business and operations of the Group. Taking into account the consistent leadership within the Group and in order to enable more effective and efficient overall strategic planning and continuation of the implementation of such plans, the Directors (including independent non-executive Directors) consider that Mr. Wang Yingde is the best candidate for both positions and the present arrangements are beneficial and in the interests of the Group and the Shareholders as a whole.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Company (the “**Audit Committee**”) was established on 19 April 2018 with written terms of reference in compliance with the CG Code. The written terms of reference of the Audit Committee are published on the respective websites of the SEHK and the Company. Currently, it comprised of three independent non-executive Directors, namely, Mr. Leung Wai Yip (Chairman), Mr. Zhu Dong and Mr. Gng Hoon Liang.

The Audit Committee has reviewed with the management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and discussed the internal control procedures and financial reporting matters including the review of the Group’s financial results for the Interim Period, particularly addressed the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic to the Company’s operation. The Audit Committee is of the view that the unaudited interim consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 April 2022 have been prepared in accordance with the applicable standards, the Listing Rules and the statutory provisions and sufficient disclosures have been made.

The unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the Interim Period are reviewed by the Audit Committee.

The Company’s auditor, Ernst and Young LLP, has reviewed the unaudited interim financial information of the Group for the six months ended 30 April 2022 in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, “Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity” issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

USE OF PROCEEDS

The shares of the Company were listed on the Main Board of the SEHK on 11 May 2018 (the “**Listing**”). Net proceeds arising from the Listing amounted to approximately HK\$124.4 million. The percentage of net proceeds were allocated in accordance to the proposed proportion in the prospectus of the Company dated 27 April 2018. As at 30 April 2022, the use of the net proceeds was as follows:

Use of net proceeds	Percentage of net proceeds	Net proceeds (in HK\$ million)	Amount utilised (in HK\$ million)	Amount remaining (in HK\$ million)
Initial capital deployment for main contractor business	65%	80.9	80.9	-
Purchase of facilities and equipment	20%	24.9	24.9	-
Talent recruitment and training, and expansion of our labour force	5%	6.2	6.2	-
Working capital	10%	12.4	12.4	-
Total	100%	124.4	124.4	-

The Group has utilised the net proceeds from Listing in accordance with the intended plan and purposes as outlined in the “Future Plans and Use of Proceeds” in the Prospectus.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

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

As at 30 April 2022, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) (the “SFO”) which would have to be notified to the Company and the SEHK under Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO); or which would be required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or to be entered in the register as referred to therein, or otherwise required to be notified to the Company and the SEHK pursuant to Model Code, are as follows:

Interests in the Company

Name of Director	Capacity/ nature of interest	Number of Shares held	Long position/ short position	Approximate percentage of shareholding in issue (Note 3)
Mr. Wang Yingde	Interest in controlled/ corporation (Note 1)	660,000,000	Long position	41.25%
Mr. Shi Jianhua	Interest in controlled/ corporation (Note 2)	540,000,000	Long position	33.75%

Notes:

- (1) The 660,000,000 shares are held by Tower Point Global Limited (the “**Tower Point**”), which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Wang Yingde, the executive Director of the Company. By virtue of the SFO, Mr. Wang Yingde is deemed to be interested in all the shares held by Tower Point.
- (2) The 540,000,000 shares are held by Creative Value Investments Limited (the “**Creative Value**”), which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Shi Jianhua, the executive Director of the Company. By virtue of the SFO, Mr. Shi Jianhua is deemed to be interested in all shares held by Creative Value.
- (3) The calculation is based on a total number of 1,600,000,000 shares of the Company in issue as at 30 April 2022.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 April 2022, none of the Directors nor chief executive of the Company had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which was required to be recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 352 of the SFO, or which was required, pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the SEHK.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 30 April 2022, so far as is known to the Directors of the Company, the persons (other than Directors or chief executive of the Company) or corporations who had interest or short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which were required to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Division 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO were as follows:

Interests in the Company

Name of Shareholder	Capacity/ nature of interest	Number of shares held	Long position/ short position	Approximately percentage of shares in issue <i>(Note (iii))</i>
Tower Point	Beneficial owner <i>(Note (i))</i>	660,000,000	Long position	41.25%
Creative Value	Beneficial owner <i>(Note (ii))</i>	540,000,000	Long position	33.75%

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

Notes:

- (i) The 660,000,000 shares are held by Tower Point, which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Wang Yingde, the executive Director of the Company.
- (ii) The 540,000,000 shares are held by Creative Value, which is wholly and beneficially owned by Mr. Shi Jianhua, the executive Director of the Company.
- (iii) The calculation is based on a total number of 1,600,000,000 shares of the Company in issue as at 30 April 2022.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 April 2022, the Directors and the chief executive of the Company are not aware of any other person or corporation having an interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which would require to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Division 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF THE LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

During the Interim Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries of the Company purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities.

REPORT ON REVIEW OF INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 April 2022

To the Members of HPC Holdings Limited

Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements of HPC Holdings Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Group) which comprise the interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 April 2022 and the interim condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity, and cash flows for the six months then ended and explanatory notes. The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of a report on interim financial information to be in compliance with the relevant provisions thereof and International Accounting Standard 34 “Interim Financial Reporting” (IAS 34). The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these interim financial information in accordance with IAS 34. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these interim financial statements based on our review. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standard on Review Engagements 2410 *Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

REPORT ON REVIEW OF INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the six months ended 30 April 2022

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying interim condensed consolidated financial statements are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34.

Ernst & Young LLP

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants
Singapore

30 June 2022

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the Six Months Ended 30 April 2022

Six months ended 30 April			
	<i>Note</i>	2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	2021 \$'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue	4	76,245	116,901
Cost of sales		(73,496)	(107,397)
Gross profit		2,749	9,504
Other operating income	4	1,849	1,656
Administrative expenses		(3,451)	(3,705)
Other losses		(3,100)	(3,045)
Finance income		43	428
Finance costs		(11)	(65)
(Loss)/profit before tax	5	(1,921)	4,773
Income tax credit/(expense)	6	902	(98)
(Loss)/profit for the period, representing total comprehensive income for the period		(1,019)	4,675
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(891)	4,742
Non-controlling interests		(128)	(67)
		(1,019)	4,675
(Loss)/earning per share for (loss)/profit attributable to owners of the Company			
– Basic (expressed in Singapore cents per share)	7	(0.06)	0.3
– Diluted (expressed in Singapore cents per share)	7	(0.06)	0.3

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

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 April 2022

				Group	
				30 April	31 October
				2022	2021
				\$'000	\$'000
				(Unaudited)	(Audited)
				Note	
ASSETS					
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	9	26,624	22,594		
Investment properties	10	2,792	5,062		
Deferred tax assets	3	2,648	1,851		
				32,064	29,507
Current assets					
Trade receivables	11	33,701	45,229		
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	12	3,361	2,667		
Contract assets	13	54,351	40,758		
Investment in marketable securities	14	847	–		
Cash and cash equivalents	15	19,998	30,799		
				112,258	119,453
Asset held for sale	10	2,187	–		
				114,445	119,453
Total assets				146,509	148,960
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
Trade and retention payables	16	26,396	28,724		
Other payables and accruals	16	4,695	5,640		
Provisions	18	8,037	6,113		
Contract liabilities	13	5,479	7,783		
Lease liabilities	17	101	101		
Borrowings	19	720	720		
Current income tax payable		149	364		
				45,577	49,445
Net current assets				68,868	70,008

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

As at 30 April 2022

		Group	
		30 April 2022	31 October 2021
<i>Note</i>		\$'000 (Unaudited)	\$'000 (Audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Retention payables	16	953	3,469
Other payables	16	2,524	2,524
Lease liabilities	17	295	346
Borrowings	19	13,343	8,340
		17,115	14,679
Total liabilities		62,692	64,124
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Share capital	20	2,725	2,725
Share premium	20	69,777	69,777
Capital reserves	21	(26,972)	(26,972)
Retained profits		38,297	39,188
		83,827	84,718
Non-controlling interests		(10)	118
Total equity		83,817	84,836
Total equity and liabilities		146,509	148,960

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

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Six Months Ended 30 April 2022

	Attributable to owners of the Company						
	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Capital reserves \$'000	Retained profits \$'000	Total \$'000	Non-controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Group							
At 1 November 2020 (Audited)	2,725	69,777	(26,972)	43,870	89,400	399	89,799
Profit for the period, representing total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	4,742	4,742	(67)	4,675
At 30 April 2021 (unaudited)	2,725	69,777	(26,972)	48,612	94,142	332	94,474
At 1 November 2021 (Audited)	2,725	69,777	(26,972)	39,188	84,718	118	84,836
Loss for the period, representing total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	(891)	(891)	(128)	(1,019)
At 30 April 2022 (unaudited)	2,725	69,777	(26,972)	38,297	83,827	(10)	83,817

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

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Six Months Ended 30 April 2022

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022	2021
	\$'000	\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Cash flows from operating activities		
Loss/(profit) before tax	(1,921)	4,773
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	655	814
Depreciation of investment properties	83	83
(Gain)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(22)	27
Fair value loss on investment in marketable securities	103	–
Net unrealised foreign exchange loss	4	–
Interest expense	11	65
Interest income	(43)	(428)
Provision for onerous contracts	1,924	(1,776)
Impairment loss on financial assets – trade receivables	3,040	3,000
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital		
	3,834	6,558
Changes in working capital:		
– Increase in contract assets	(15,897)	(10,173)
– Decrease/(increase) in trade receivables	8,488	(8,793)
– Increase in other receivables, deposits and prepayments	(694)	(317)
– (Decrease)/increase in trade and retention payables	(4,844)	2,184
– Decrease in other payables and accruals	(945)	(940)
Cash used in operations		
	(10,058)	(11,481)
Interest paid	(11)	(65)
Interest received	43	428
Income tax paid	(111)	(632)

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

For the Six Months Ended 30 April 2022

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022	2021
	\$'000	\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net cash used in operating activities	(10,137)	(11,750)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	150	135
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(4,813)	(2,979)
Investment in marketable securities	(950)	–
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,613)	(2,844)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Net proceeds from/(repayment of) bank borrowings	5,003	(835)
Repayment of lease liabilities	(51)	(103)
Net cash generated from/(used in) financing activities	4,952	(938)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(10,798)	(15,532)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(3)	–
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	30,799	63,002
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	19,998	47,470

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

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Six Months Ended 30 April 2022

1. Corporate Information

HPC Holdings Limited (the “**Company**”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 13 October 2016 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands and is listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

The Company’s registered office is located at Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The headquarter and principal place of business of the Company in Singapore is located at Block 165, Bukit Merah Central, #08-3687, Singapore 150165.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. During the financial period, the Company’s subsidiaries were principally engaged in the following principal activities:

- (i) General contractors;
- (ii) Engineering design and consultancy services; and
- (iii) Investment holding.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

2.1 Basis of preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 April 2022 have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34, Interim Financial Reporting (“**IAS 34**”).

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group’s audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2021.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements are presented in Singapore dollars (\$) and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (\$’000) except when otherwise indicated.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

2.2 New standards, interpretations and amendment adopted by the Group

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2021, except for the adoption of new standards effective as of 1 November 2021. The Group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

For the current period, the Group has applied all the new and revised International Financial Reporting Standard ("IFRSs") as well as amendments to and interpretation of IFRSs that are relevant to its operations and effective for the financial periods beginning on or after 1 November 2021. These applications do not have a material impact on the interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group.

2.3 Standards issued but not yet effective

The Group has not adopted the following standards applicable to the Group that have been issued but not yet effective:

Description	Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
Amendments to IAS 16 <i>Property, Plant and Equipment</i>	1 January 2022
Amendments to IAS 37 <i>Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract</i>	1 January 2022
Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2018–2020	1 January 2022
Amendments to IAS 1 <i>Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current</i>	1 January 2023
Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2: <i>Disclosure of Accounting Policies</i>	1 January 2023
Amendments to IAS 8: <i>Definition of Accounting Estimates</i>	1 January 2023

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

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3. Segment Information

The executive directors are the Group's chief operating decision-makers. Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the executive directors that are used to make strategic decisions, allocate resources and assess performance. The executive directors consider the business from business segment perspective.

The Group is organised into two reportable segments, namely:

- (a) General building construction: Relates to the design and build projects of warehouses and other industrial or commercial buildings; and
- (b) Civil engineering: Relates to the construction of public infrastructures such as train stations, tunnel, railway and express way.

Information regarding the results of each reportable segment is included below. Performance is measured based on segment gross profit, as included in the internal management reports that are reviewed by the Group's executive directors. Segment gross profit is used to measure performance as management believes that such information is the most relevant in evaluating the results of segments relative to other entities that operate within these industries.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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3. Segment Information (continued)

Allocation basis and transfer pricing

Segment results, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

Transfer prices between operating segments are on an arm's length basis in a manner similar to transactions with third parties. There are no transfers between operating segments included in segment revenue, expenses and results.

Capital expenditure comprises additions to property, plant and equipment. Group financing (including finance costs), income taxes and investment properties are managed on a group basis and are not allocated to operating segments.

The segment information provided to the Group's executive directors for the reportable segments for the six months ended 30 April 2022 and 30 April 2021 are as follows:

	General building construction \$'000	Civil engineering \$'000	Total \$'000
Six months ended			
30 April 2022 (Unaudited)			
Total segment revenue to external customers	74,109	2,136	76,245
Gross profit	2,177	572	2,749
Segment assets	86,452	1,600	88,052
Segment liabilities	39,907	958	40,865

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3. Segment Information (continued)

Allocation basis and transfer pricing (continued)

	General building construction \$'000	Civil engineering \$'000	Total \$'000
Six months ended 30 April 2021 (Unaudited)			
Total segment revenue to external customers	112,301	4,600	116,901
Gross profit	7,649	1,855	9,504
Segment assets	81,296	3,701	84,997
Segment liabilities	46,318	1,736	48,054

Reconciliations

(i) Segment profits

A reconciliation of gross profit to (loss)/profit before income tax is as follows:

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	2021 \$'000 (Unaudited)
Gross profit for reportable segments	2,749	9,504
Other income	1,849	1,656
Other losses	(3,100)	(3,045)
Administrative expenses	(3,451)	(3,705)
Finance income	43	428
Finance costs	(11)	(65)
(Loss)/profit before tax	(1,921)	4,773

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3. Segment Information (continued)

Reconciliations (continued)

(ii) Segment assets

The amounts reported to the executive directors with respect to total assets are measured in a manner consistent with that of the consolidated financial statements as at 31 October 2021. Segment assets exclude unallocated head office assets as these assets are managed on a group basis.

Segment assets are reconciled to total assets as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Segment assets for reportable segments	88,052	85,987
Unallocated:		
Property, plant and equipment	26,624	22,594
Investment properties	2,792	5,062
Deferred income tax assets	2,648	1,851
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	3,361	2,667
Cash and cash equivalents	19,998	30,799
Investment in marketable securities	847	–
Asset held for sale	2,187	–
	146,509	148,960

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3. Segment Information (continued)

Reconciliations (continued)

(iii) Segment liabilities

The amounts reported to the executive directors with respect to total liabilities are measured in a manner consistent with that of the consolidated financial statements as at 31 October 2021. Segment liabilities exclude unallocated head office liabilities as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

Segment liabilities are reconciled to total liabilities as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Segment liabilities for reportable segments	40,865	46,089
Unallocated:		
Lease liabilities	396	447
Other payables and accruals	7,219	8,164
Borrowings	14,063	9,060
Current income tax payable	149	364
	62,692	64,124

All of the Group's activities are carried out in Singapore and all of the Group's assets are located in Singapore. Accordingly, no analysis by geographical basis is presented.

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4. Revenue and Other Operating Income

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	2021 \$'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers		
Construction contract revenue	76,245	116,901

Revenue from contracts with customers are derived from Singapore and are recognised over time.

Disaggregation of revenue

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	2021 \$'000 (Unaudited)
By project sector		
Public sector	19,514	19,394
Private sector	56,731	97,507
	76,245	116,901

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4. Revenue and Other Operating Income (continued)

Disaggregation of revenue (continued)

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022	2021
	\$'000	\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Government grants*	1,078	1,408
Sales of scrap materials	556	154
Rental income from investment properties	95	94
Others	120	–
Other operating income	1,849	1,656

* Government grants were received by certain subsidiaries in connection with employment of Singaporean workers under Job Support Scheme, Foreign Worker Levy Rebate, BCA COVID-Safe firm-based Support. There were no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies relating to these grants.

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5. (Loss)/Profit Before Tax

The following items have been included in arriving at (loss)/profit before tax:

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	2021 \$'000 (Unaudited)
Auditors' remuneration:		
– auditor of the Company	93	90
Materials, sub-contractors and other construction costs	61,476	95,677
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	655	814
Depreciation of investment properties	84	83
Employee compensation	13,939	13,789
Operating lease rentals*	57	79
Entertainment and transportation	69	59
Professional fees	179	303
Impairment losses on financial assets – trade receivables	3,040	3,000
Fair value loss on investment on marketable securities	103	–

* Operating lease rentals relate to rental expenses arising from short-term lease entered into by the Group for its office premise.

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6. Income Tax (Credit)/Expense

Major components of income tax (credit)/expense

The major components of income tax expense for the six months ended 30 April 2022 and 30 April 2021 are:

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022	2021
	\$'000	\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Current income tax	37	331
Deferred income tax	(797)	(243)
(Over)/under provision in respect of previous years	(142)	10
Income tax (credit)/expense recognised in profit or loss	(902)	98

Singapore profits tax has been provided on the estimated assessable profits arising in Singapore at a rate of 17% in 2022. No provision for profits tax has been made in other countries/jurisdictions in which the Group operates as the Group did not generate any assessable profits arising in other countries/jurisdictions during the six-months ended 30 April 2022 and 30 April 2021.

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7. (Loss)/Earnings Per Share

Basic (loss)/earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

Diluted (loss)/earnings per share is calculated by adjusting the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding to assume conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The diluted (loss)/earnings per share are the same as the basic (loss)/earnings per share as there are no dilutive potential ordinary share.

	Six months ended 30 April	
	2022	2021
	\$'000	\$'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to owners of the Company	(891)	4,742

	No. of shares	
	30 April 2022	30 April 2021
Weighted average number of ordinary shares on issue applicable to Basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share (in thousands)	1,600,000	1,600,000
Basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share (cents)	(0.06)	0.3

8. Dividends

No dividends were declared during the six months ended 30 April 2022 and 30 April 2021.

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9. Property, Plant and Equipment

	Computers \$'000	Furniture and fittings \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Leasehold improvements \$'000	Leasehold land and building under construction \$'000	Total \$'000
(Unaudited)							
Cost:							
At 1 November 2021	1,221	955	2,708	2,267	60	20,617	27,828
Additions	6	-	-	-	-	4,807	4,813
Disposals	-	-	(529)	-	-	-	(529)
At 30 April 2022	1,227	955	2,179	2,267	60	25,424	32,112
Accumulated depreciation:							
At 1 November 2021	972	356	1,464	1,976	58	408	5,234
Depreciation for the period	71	131	124	119	1	209	655
Disposals	-	-	(401)	-	-	-	(401)
At 30 April 2022	1,043	487	1,187	2,095	59	617	5,488
Net carrying amount:							
At 30 April 2022	184	468	992	172	1	24,807	26,624

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9. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

	Computers \$'000	Furniture and fittings \$'000	Motor vehicles \$'000	Plant and equipment \$'000	Leasehold improvements \$'000	Leasehold land and building under construction \$'000	Leasehold land and building \$'000	Total \$'000
(Audited)								
Cost:								
At 1 November 2020	1,013	179	3,158	2,180	60	15,360	4,585	26,535
Additions	208	776	-	166	-	5,257	-	6,407
Disposals	-	-	(450)	(79)	-	-	(4,585)	(5,114)
At 31 October 2021	1,221	955	2,708	2,267	60	20,617	-	27,828
Accumulated depreciation:								
At 1 November 2020	817	168	1,474	1,822	56	-	99	4,436
Depreciation for the year	155	188	280	233	2	408	269	1,535
Disposals	-	-	(290)	(79)	-	-	(368)	(737)
At 31 October 2021	972	356	1,464	1,976	58	408	-	5,234
Net carrying amount:								
At 31 October 2021	249	599	1,244	291	2	20,209	-	22,594

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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9. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

Capitalisation of borrowing costs

The Group's leasehold land and building under construction include borrowing costs arising from bank loan borrowed specifically for the purpose of the construction of the leasehold building. During the six months ended 30 April 2022, the borrowing costs capitalised as cost of leasehold land and building amounted to \$97,000 (31 October 2021: \$334,000). The rate used to determine the amount of borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation was 1.55% to 1.90% (31 October 2021: 1.75%) per annum, which is the effective interest rate of the specific borrowing (Note 16).

Assets pledged as security

The Group's leasehold land and building with a carrying amount of \$24,807,000 (31 October 2021: \$20,210,000) were mortgaged to secure the Group's bank loan.

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10. Investment Properties

	Freehold strata property unit \$'000	Leasehold strata property unit \$'000	Total \$'000
(Unaudited)			
Cost:			
At 1 November 2021	3,067	2,751	5,818
Transfer to asset held for sale	–	(2,751)	(2,751)
At 30 April 2022	3,067	–	3,067
Accumulated depreciation:			
At 1 November 2021	245	511	756
Depreciation for the period	30	53	83
Transfer to asset held for sale	–	(564)	(564)
At 30 April 2022	275	–	275
Net carrying amount:			
At 30 April 2022	2,792	–	2,792
(Audited)			
Cost:			
At 1 November 2020 and 31 October 2021	3,067	2,751	5,818
Accumulated depreciation:			
At 1 November 2020	184	405	589
Depreciation for the year	61	106	167
At 31 October 2021	245	511	756
Net carrying amount:			
At 31 October 2021	2,822	2,240	5,062
At valuation			
At 31 October 2021	3,600	2,200	5,800
At 30 April 2022	3,500	–	3,500

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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10. Investment Properties (continued)

At the balance sheet date, the details of the Group's investment properties are as follows:

Location	Description/ existing use	Tenure
#01-08, Loyang Enterprise Building Singapore	Industrial unit	26 years
211 Henderson Road, #02-01	Industrial unit	Freehold
	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Rental income from investment properties	95	180

During the six months ended 30 April 2022, the investment property unit at Loyang Enterprise Building Singapore #01-08 was transferred to asset held for sale upon entering an option to purchase with a third-party buyer. The sale was completed on 9 May 2022 for a cash consideration of \$1,850,000 and the impairment loss of \$337,000 was recognised upon completion.

Save as disclosed above, the Group has no other restrictions on the realisability of its investment properties and no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment property or for repairs, maintenance or enhancements.

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10. Investment Properties (continued)

Valuation

The Group engages external, independent and qualified valuers to determine the fair value of the Group's properties at the end of every year based on the property's highest and best use. Discussions on the valuation process, key inputs applied in the valuation approach and the reasons for the fair value changes are held between the property manager, management and the independent valuer yearly.

The fair value of the Group's investment properties is determined based on significant unobservable inputs and is categorised under Level 3 of the fair value measurement hierarchy. Level 3 fair value has been derived using the direct comparative approach, which takes into consideration significant inputs such as recent sales of comparable properties in the vicinity, floor area, floor level, tenure and prevailing market conditions. In arriving at the estimates of market value, the valuers have used their market knowledge and professional judgment and not only relied on historical transactional comparable. The most significant input in this valuation approach is the selling price per square meter.

An increase/decrease in selling price per square meter will result in a corresponding increase/decrease to the fair value of the investment property.

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11. Trade Receivables

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Current		
– Trade receivables*	39,541	45,931
– Loan receivable**	1,350	3,448
	40,891	49,379
Allowance for impairment	(7,190)	(4,150)
	33,701	45,229

* Included in trade receivables is retention receivables of \$2,464,000 and \$2,115,000 as at 30 April 2022 and 31 October 2021 respectively. Retention receivables will be settled in accordance with the terms of the respective contracts. The terms and conditions in relation to the release of retention vary from contract to contract, which is subject to practical completion, the expiry of the defect liability period or a pre-agreed time period.

** A subsidiary of the Group entered into an agreement with a customer on 20 March 2020 to restructure trade receivables of \$6,300,000 into a loan that bears interest at 6% per annum. This loan is repayable over four instalments commencing on 31 December 2020 and ending on 31 December 2021. The Group had further extended the due date for the loan receivable to August 2022.

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11. Trade Receivables (continued)

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

Trade receivables

Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and are generally on 35 days' terms. They are recognised at their original invoice amounts which represent their fair values on initial recognition.

The ageing analysis of the trade receivables, based on invoice date, is as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
– Less than 3 months	13,731	19,709
– 3 to 6 months	136	969
– Over 6 months to 1 year	2,714	9,104
– More than 1 year	24,310	19,597
	40,891	49,379

Receivables that were past due but not impaired relate to a number of customers that have a good track record with the Group. Except for an allowance of \$7,190,000 (31 October 2021: \$4,150,000), management believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are considered fully recoverable. The Group did not hold any collateral over these balances.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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11. Trade Receivables (continued)

Trade receivables that are past due but not impaired

The Group has trade receivables amounting to \$27,221,000 (31 October 2021: \$27,952,000) as at 30 April 2022 that are past due at the end of the reporting period but not impaired. These receivables are unsecured and the analysis of their ageing at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Trade receivables past due but not impaired:		
– Past due less than 3 months	4,099	6,911
– Past due 3 to 6 months	2,509	4,040
– Past due more than 6 months to 1 year	1,739	5,671
– Past due more than 1 year	18,874	11,330
	27,221	27,952

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11. Trade Receivables (continued)

Expected credit losses

The movement in allowance for expected credit losses of trade receivables and contract assets computed based on lifetime ECL are as follows:

	Trade receivables \$'000	Contract assets \$'000	Total \$'000
30 April 2022			
(Unaudited)			
Movement in allowance accounts:			
At 1 November 2021	4,150	–	4,150
Charge for the period	3,040	–	3,040
At 30 April 2022	7,190	–	7,190

	Trade receivables \$'000	Contract assets \$'000	Total \$'000
31 October 2021			
(Audited)			
Movement in allowance accounts:			
At 1 November 2020	1,150	–	1,150
Charge for the year	3,000	–	3,000
At 31 October 2021	4,150	–	4,150

The Group recognised allowance for expected credit losses of \$3,040,000 for the six-month ended 30 April 2022 on trade receivables pertaining to two customers for which there is significant change in the credit quality and balances from these customers are assessed to be not fully recoverable.

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12. Other Receivables, Deposits and Prepayment

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Deposits	2,200	1,544
Prepayments	152	22
Other receivables		
– Related parties	86	86
– Non-related parties	619	390
– Government grants receivable	304	625
	3,361	2,667

Deposits include deposits paid in respect of office leases and tenders as well as those in connection with professional services and construction projects. Prepayments mostly relate to workers accommodation.

Other receivables mainly due to a short-term loan receivable, and relate to employee loans, our employee loans which are interest free are approved by directors. The loans are only granted to employees (excluding directors and senior management) who have worked for more than 5 years, have good performance record and are willing to maintain a long working relationship with the Group.

Government grants receivable consists mainly of government assistance under the Jobs Support Scheme program funded by the Singapore Government.

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13. Contract Assets/Liabilities

Information about contract assets and contract liabilities from contracts with customers are disclosed as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
<i>Construction contracts:</i>		
Contract assets	54,351	40,758
Contract liabilities	5,479	7,783

Contract assets primarily relates to the Group's right to consideration for work completed but not yet billed at reporting date arising from construction contracts. Contract assets are transferred to receivables when the rights become unconditional.

Included within contract assets and contract liabilities is an amount of \$25,237,642 (31 October 2021: \$28,071,200) which relate to amounts withheld (up to 5% of the contract sum) under contractual terms from amount receivables from customers as the construction work progresses. The monies are generally released from the customers upon the certification of completion of work and/or finalisation of contract accounts, which is typically 12 to 18 months after the physical completion of the project. As these amounts are expected to be realised in the normal operating cycle, they are classified as current asset.

Contract liabilities primarily relate to the Group's obligation to transfer goods or services to customers for which the Group has received advances from customers from construction contracts. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue as the Group performs under the contract.

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13. Contract Assets/Liabilities (continued)

- (i) Significant changes in contract assets are explained as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Contract asset reclassified to receivables	(4,692)	(15,157)
Right to consideration for work completed but not yet billed	18,286	24,434

- (ii) Significant changes in contract liabilities are explained as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the period/year	4,298	15,101
Advance received from customers	(1,995)	(3,093)

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13. Contract Assets/Liabilities (continued)

(iii) Unsatisfied performance obligations

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
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<i>Aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to contracts that are partially or fully unsatisfied as at 30 April 2022/31 October 2021</i>		
Construction contracts		
Within one year	187,385	123,736
More than one year	92,380	191,860
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	279,765	315,596
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The amount disclosed above does not include variable consideration which is subject to significant risk of reversal.

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14. Investment in Marketable Securities

The investment in marketable securities, are made up of investments in listed equity shares, is measured at fair value through profit or loss. Fair values of these equity shares are determined by reference to published price quotations in an active market.

15. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Cash at banks	11,902	15,709
Short-term bank deposits	8,096	15,090
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated statement of cash flows	19,998	30,799

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents denominated in United States Dollars and Hong Kong Dollars amounted to \$616,694 (31 October 2021: \$600,624) and \$267,042 (31 October 2021: \$180,543), respectively. The remaining balances are denominated in Singapore Dollars.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Short-term deposits are made for varying periods of not more than three months depending on the immediate cash requirement of the Group and earn interests at respective short-term deposit rates.

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16. Trade and Other Payables

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Current		
Trade payables	8,570	9,594
Retention payables	11,441	10,131
Accrued construction costs	6,385	8,999
	26,396	28,724
Deposits	–	154
Accrued expenses	1,325	1,053
Goods and services tax payables	274	279
Other payables	3,096	4,154
Total other payables and accruals	4,695	5,640
Non-current		
Retention payables	953	3,469
Amount due to non-controlling shareholders	2,524	2,524
Total other payables	3,477	5,993

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

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16. Trade and Other Payables (continued)

Amount due to non-controlling shareholders

The non-current portion pertains to loans from the non-controlling shareholders for the acquisition of the leasehold land and building under construction incurred by Regal Haus. This loan is interest-free and are expected to be repaid upon completion of the leasehold land and building under construction in 2023.

The fair values of non-current retention payables are computed based on cash flows discounted at market borrowing rates. The fair values are within level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. The fair values of non – current retention payables and the market borrowing rates used are as follows:

	30 April 2022	31 October 2021
Borrowing rates	1.75%	1.75%
Retention payables (\$'000)	937	3,410
Borrowing rates	1.75%	1.75%
Amount due to non-controlling shareholders (\$'000)	2,395	2,459

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16. Trade and Other Payables (continued)

Amount due to non-controlling shareholders (continued)

The ageing analysis of the trade payables, based on invoice date, is as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
– Less than 3 months	7,585	8,290
– 3 to 6 months	53	476
– Over 6 months to 1 year	24	89
– More than 1 year	908	739
	8,570	9,594

The average credit period granted by the contractors and suppliers approximate 35 days.

Retention payables were not yet past due as at 30 April 2022 and 31 October 2021 and will be settled in accordance with the terms of the respective contracts. The terms and conditions in relation to the release of retention vary from contract to contract, which is subject to practical completion, the expiry of the defect liability period or a pre-agreed time period.

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17. Leases

The Group has lease contracts relating to land and motor vehicles. The Group also has certain leases of office premise with lease term of 12 months or less. The Group applies the “short-term lease” recognition exemptions for these leases.

Carrying amount of right-of-use assets classified within property, plant and equipment

	Motor vehicles \$'000	Leasehold land \$'000	Total \$'000
(Unaudited)			
As at 1 November 2021	879	–	879
Depreciation	(61)	–	(61)
As at 30 April 2022	818	–	818
(Audited)			
As at 1 November 2020	999	768	1,767
Disposals	–	(768)	(768)
Depreciation	(120)	–	(120)
As at 31 October 2021	879	–	879

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17. Leases (continued)

Lease liabilities

The carrying amounts of lease liabilities and the movements during the year are disclosed in Note 19.

Amounts recognised in statement of comprehensive income

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	61	120
Interest expense on lease liabilities	8	16
Expenses relating to short term leases (included in other expenses)	57	143
	126	279

Total cash outflows

The Group had total cash outflows for leases of \$58,700 for the six months ended at 30 April 2022 (31 October 2021: \$117,000) and had no non-cash additions to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities (31 October 2021: \$Nil) in 2021.

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18. Provision

Provision for onerous contracts

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Balance at beginning	6,113	2,112
Arose during the period/year	1,924	4,001
	8,037	6,113

During the year, the Group provided \$1,924,000 (31 October 2021: \$4,001,000) for the unavoidable costs of fulfilling certain fixed price construction contracts with customers that were in excess of the economic benefits expected to be received under the contracts. The provision for the onerous contracts is expected to be utilised by the end of the contract terms.

The above provision has not been discounted as the effect of discounting is not significant.

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19. Borrowings

		30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Current			
SGD bank loan	2035	720	720
Non-current			
SGD bank loan	2035	13,343	8,340

SGD bank loan

The loan which matures on 2035 is repayable over 180 monthly instalments commencing on 10 June 2019 and is interest bearing at 1% per annum above the bank's cost of funds in the first year and interest bearing at 1.2% per annum above the bank's cost of funds in the second year onwards.

The loan is secured by first mortgage over certain property (Note 9) of the Group, corporate guarantee provided by a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group, HPC Builders Pte. Ltd. and personal guarantees provided by the executive directors of the Group.

The loan includes a financial covenant which requires the Group to maintain a security margin, defined as a percentage of outstanding borrowings over gross development value of the secured property, of less than 80% upon the Group obtaining Temporary Occupation Permit ("TOP") on the secured property. Such TOP has not yet been obtained on the property as at 30 April 2022.

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19. Borrowings (continued)

Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

	1 November 2021 \$'000	Cash inflows \$'000	Cash outflows \$'000	Others*	30 April 2022 \$'000
(Unaudited)					
Borrowings					
- Current	720	-	(720)	720	720
- Non-current	8,340	5,723	-	(720)	13,343
Lease liabilities					
- Current	101	-	(51)	51	101
- Non-current	346	-	-	(51)	295
Amount owing to non-controlling shareholders (non-current)	2,524	-	-	-	2,524
	12,031	5,723	(771)	-	16,983

	1 November 2020 \$'000	Cash inflows \$'000	Cash outflows \$'000	Others*	31 October 2021 \$'000
(Audited)					
Borrowings					
- Current	1,676	-	(1,676)	720	720
- Non-current	13,104	-	(4,044)	(720)	8,340
Lease liabilities					
- Current	175	-	(101)	27	101
- Non-current	1,161	-	-	(815)	346
Amount owing to non-controlling shareholders (non-current)	2,058	466	-	-	2,524
	18,174	466	(5,821)	(788)	12,031

* Pertains to reclassification between current and non-current and termination of leases during the year

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20. Share Capital and Share Premium

Authorised ordinary shares

	Number of shares '000	Share capital HK\$'000
As at 31 October 2021 and 30 April 2022	10,000,000	100,000

Ordinary shares

	Number of shares issued and fully paid '000	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000
As at 31 October 2021 and 30 April 2022	1,600,000	2,725	69,777

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. The ordinary shares have no par value.

21. Capital Reserves

Capital reserve of the Group includes:

- Capital contribution by a shareholder arising from the acquisition of a subsidiary, DHC Construction Pte. Ltd. during the financial year ended 31 October 2017; and
- The difference between the consideration paid for the acquisition of HPC Builders Pte. Ltd. (“**HPCB**”) and the share capital of HPCB arising from the reorganisation exercise undertaken by the Group during the financial year ended 31 October 2017.

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22. Commitments

Lease commitments – where the Group is a lessor

The investment property is leased to a non-related party under non-cancellable operating lease.

The future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable operating lease contracted for at the balance sheet date but not recognised as receivables, are as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Within one year	85	191
Two to five years	223	316
	308	507

23. Related Party Disclosures

There are no material related party transactions apart from those disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements.

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24. Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities

Trade receivables (Note 11), other receivables and deposits (Note 12), cash and cash equivalents (Note 15), trade and retentions payable (current) (Note 16), and other payables and accruals (current) (Note 16)

The carrying amounts of the above financial assets and liabilities are reasonable approximation of their fair values due to their short maturities.

Borrowings (Note 19)

The carrying amounts of the above financial assets and liabilities are reasonable approximation of their fair values as the interest rate approximates the market interest rate prevailing at the financial period end.

Trade payables (non-current) (Note 16), and other payables (non-current) (Note 16)

The carrying amounts of these financial liabilities are reasonable approximations of their fair values as the present value differential is not significant.

Financial instruments by category

The aggregate carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost are as follows:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Financial assets at amortised cost	57,906	78,695
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	57,064	55,978

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24. Fair Value of Assets and Liabilities (continued)

Financial instruments by category (continued)

The following table provides the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial asset as at 30 April 2022:

	30 April 2022 \$'000 (Unaudited)	31 October 2021 \$'000 (Audited)
Financial assets measured at fair value		
<i>Quoted equity investments</i>		
Investment in marketable securities (Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets)	847	–

The Group did not have any financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value as at 31 October 2021. During the reporting periods, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 for both financial assets and financial liabilities. Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred on the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfers.

25. Event Occurring after the Reporting Period

On 9 May 2022, the Group completed a disposal of an investment property to an independent third party at a cash consideration of S\$1.85 million. For further details, please refer to the Company's announcements dated 10 May 2022 and 1 June 2022.

26. Authorisation of Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for Issue

The financial statements for the six-months ended 30 April 2022 were authorised for issue in accordance with a directors' resolution dated 30 June 2022.