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CORPORATE INFORMATION

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Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin

Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. Hung Cho Sing
Mr. Luk Kin Ting
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John

COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. Tse Chi Shing

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Mr. Hung Cho Sing
Mr. Luk Kin Ting

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Mr. Hung Cho Sing
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John

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FIVE YEARS FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The following is a summary of the consolidated results, assets, liabilities and equity attributable to owners of the Company:

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS OF THE GROUP

	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000	2015 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000
Revenue	510,677	49,022	87,011	63,906	15,960
Cost of sales	(397,735)	(47,418)	(87,178)	(57,691)	(3,059)
Gross profit/(loss)	112,942	1,604	(167)	6,215	12,901
Other income, gains and losses (net)	(50,191)	(23,269)	(206,853)	(47,009)	12,809
Selling and marketing costs	(14,905)	(55)	(62)	(219)	(818)
Administrative expenses	(109,667)	(24,640)	(42,456)	(31,030)	(34,278)
Finance costs	(17,789)	(8,146)	(14,999)	(7,100)	(6,467)
Share of loss of associates	–	–	(76)	(91)	–
Loss before tax	(79,610)	(54,506)	(264,613)	(79,234)	(15,853)
Income tax	(70)	(4,965)	(799)	875	1,330
Loss for the year	(79,680)	(59,471)	(265,412)	(78,359)	(14,523)
Non-controlling interests	27,511	42,776	31,222	6,462	4,782
Loss attributable to owners of the Company	(52,169)	(16,695)	(234,190)	(71,897)	(9,741)

CONSOLIDATED ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

	2013 HK\$'000	2014 HK\$'000	2015 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000
Total assets	291,801	147,594	193,241	230,786	499,322
Total liabilities	(200,922)	(116,995)	(133,732)	(124,501)	(298,132)
Total assets less total liabilities	90,879	30,599	59,509	106,285	201,190
Non-controlling interests	(28,366)	14,737	45,466	1,719	6,238
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	62,513	45,336	104,975	108,004	207,428

CHAIRLADY'S STATEMENT

Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the board of the Directors (the "**Board**"), I am pleased to present the audited consolidated results of KOALA Financial Group Limited and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Group**") for the year ended 31 December 2017.

Stepping into 2017, due to the steady southbound capital inflows boosting up the market capitalisation of the securities market, the Hong Kong financial market was becoming fruitful but volatile. In this challenging market environment, we intend to leverage the expertise of the management in the Group to further develop our financial services business. To better reflect the Group's direction of future development, the Group has changed the name of the Company to "KOALA Financial Group Limited" and adopted "樹熊金融集團有限公司" as the Chinese name of the Company.

OVERVIEW OF FINAL RESULTS

The Group is principally engaged in securities brokerage, share placements, underwriting services, money lending and securities investment.

The Group recorded a net loss of approximately HK\$14.5 million (2016: loss of approximately HK\$78.4 million) for the year ended 31 December 2017. The main reasons for the reduction in such loss were mainly attributable to the additional provision for impairment recognised in last year on trading of commodities business and trading of garment accessories business, the discontinued operations of Shengyan in last year and the realised gain of the Group's held-for-trading investments recognised in this year.

CURRENT DEVELOPMENT

In 2017, the Group, through an indirect non wholly-owned subsidiary, established KOALA Capital Management Limited, which has obtained a licence to carry out Type 9 (Asset Management) regulated activities under the SFO in the fourth quarter of 2017. The operations and businesses of KOALA Capital Management Limited were at the start-up stage. We will seek for business opportunities for expanding business.

LOOKING AHEAD

Looking forward, the Group will continue to develop current businesses and at the same time proactively explore new business areas and seek suitable investment opportunities. Besides, the Group will continue to strictly control risks, strengthen internal management, integrate dominant resources and develop a cautious investment strategy in order to create a better return for its shareholders.

CHAIRLADY'S STATEMENT (Continued)

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Board, I would like to express gratitude to the Group's staff for their unwavering dedication and hard work during the year. At last but not least, I would like to extend my thanks, to all of our business partners, customers and shareholders for their unflagging support.

Kwan Kar Ching

Chairlady

Hong Kong, 22 March 2018

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS REVIEW

During the year, the Group's businesses were organised in eight operation's segments namely (i) Securities brokerage, underwriting and placements; (ii) Money lending; (iii) Securities investment; (iv) Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products; (v) Investment in properties; (vi) Trading of commodities; (vii) Trading of garments accessories and (viii) Asset management.

Securities Brokerage, Underwriting and Placements

In November 2016, the Group completed the acquisition of 80% equity interest in KOALA Securities Limited ("**KOALA Securities**"). As at 31 December 2017, KOALA Securities is licensed to carry on Type 1 (Dealing in Securities) and Type 4 (Advising on Securities) regulated activities under the SFO. The Group is optimistic about the market condition of the securities brokerage, share placements, underwriting services and other related businesses and believes that it will benefit the Group in the long term.

Revenue from this business segment during the year was approximately HK\$8.2 million (2016: HK\$3.4 million). It accounted for approximately 51.5% (2016: 5.3%) of the Group's revenue during the year. This business gave rise to a segment loss of approximately HK\$6.7 million (2016: segment profit of approximately HK\$1.4 million) for the year.

Money Lending

In February 2016, the Group, through an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group, obtained a money lender's licence under the Money Lenders Ordinance (Chapter 163 of the Laws of Hong Kong). In developing the Group's money lending business, the Group targets corporations and individuals with financing needs. The Group will only advance new loans to those borrowers whose have good financial credit rating and all overdue balances are reviewed regularly by our senior management.

During the year, the Group recorded loan interest income of approximately HK\$7.1 million from granting loans to both corporate and individual clients. It accounted for approximately 44.4% of the Group's revenue during the year. The outstanding principal amount of loan receivables as at 31 December 2017 was HK\$52 million. During the year, the Group did not record any doubtful or bad debt in its money lending activities. The segment profit of this business segment was approximately HK\$7.1 million during the year.

Securities Investment

This business activity started in the third quarter of 2015. The investment scope includes short-term investments in listed securities in Hong Kong and other recognised overseas securities markets as well as other related investment products offered by banks and financial institutions. The Board expects that this business activity can generate additional investment returns on available funds of the Company from time to time.

As at 31 December 2017, the Group managed a portfolio of listed equity investment with fair value of approximately HK\$12.2 million (2016: approximately HK\$26.1 million) which are classified as held-for-trading investments. During the year, the Group recorded a loss on fair value change of listed equity investments of approximately HK\$0.2 million (2016: gain of approximately HK\$1.6 million) and a realised gain of approximately HK\$10.3 million (2016: loss of approximately HK\$5.3 million).

Details of the Group's held-for-trading investments are set out in the section headed "Significant Investments".

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

BUSINESS REVIEW (Continued)

Manufacture and Sales of LED Digital Display Products

In the third quarter of 2015, the Group established Dongguan Guss Optoelectronics Co., Ltd. to engage in manufacture and sales of LED digital display products. The operation has been suspended since the second quarter of 2017, as a small-scaled fire accident took place at the factory, which led to some of the inventories and the production facilities have been damaged. The Board expected that it will not cause material adverse impact on the financial position of the Group.

During the year, the revenue was approximately HK\$0.1 million (2016: HK\$3.6 million). It accounted for approximately 0.7% (2016: 5.6%) of the Group's revenue during the year.

Investment in Properties

In the third quarter of 2016, the Group had acquired commercial properties for investment purpose. The properties are located in Hong Kong. It is currently leased by a listed company. The Group believes that these properties could generate stable rental income to the Group.

As at 31 December 2017, the fair value of the investment properties amounted to approximately HK\$17.3 million.

During the year, the rental income was approximately HK\$0.5 million. It accounted for approximately 3.4% of the Group's revenue during the year.

Trading of Garment Accessories

This operation commenced in the first quarter of 2015. In view of the market downturn, cutting prices by the competitors led to the temporary suspension of the operation from the second quarter of 2016.

Trading of Commodities

The Board considered that the profit margin of trading of commodities was thin and fluctuated. The operation has been halted from the first quarter of 2016.

Asset Management

The Group started the business of asset management by obtaining a licence, through an indirect 40.8% owned subsidiary, KOALA Capital Management Limited, to carry out Type 9 (Asset Management) regulated activities under the SFO in the fourth quarter of 2017. It is focusing on the markets of equities, bond, real estate and private equity in Asia Pacific.

The operations and businesses were at the start-up stage and faces marketing risk with its fund launches. However, the Board expects it to contribute over the long term.

As at 31 December 2017, the assets under management was nil.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

FINANCIAL REVIEW

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the revenue of the Group decreased to approximately HK\$16.0 million (2016: HK\$63.9 million), representing a decrease of approximately 75.0% when compared with that of 2016. The decrease in turnover mainly resulted from the change of the Group's focus to those financial services businesses.

Following to the fire accident occurred during the year at the factory of LED Digital display products business, an additional impairment loss on plant and equipment and inventories totalled approximately HK\$4.7 million was recognised.

The Group recorded a net loss of approximately HK\$14.5 million for the current year, compared with a net loss of approximately HK\$78.4 million for the same period of last year. The main reasons for the reduction in such loss were mainly attributable to the additional provision for impairment recognised in last year on trading of commodities business and trading of garment accessories business, the discontinued operations of Shengyan in last year and the realised gain of the Group's held-for-trading investments recognised in this year.

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the Group's major business operations took place in Hong Kong, financed mainly by the revenue generated from operating activities, corporate borrowings and issuance of new shares. As at 31 December 2017, the Group had cash and bank balances of approximately HK\$133.2 million (2016: HK\$23.0 million).

As at 31 December 2017, the Group's total indebtedness comprised of convertible bonds payable of approximately HK\$28.8 million (2016: HK\$24.4 million), corporate bonds of approximately HK\$15.2 million (2016: HK\$14.3 million) and other borrowings of HK\$1.0 million (2016: HK\$1.0 million).

As at 31 December 2017, the Group's outstanding number of issued shares of HK\$0.01 each was 2,457,044,169 shares (2016: 1,638,029,446 shares).

The Group's gearing ratio, as a percentage of total indebtedness over total indebtedness and total equity, as at 31 December 2017 was 18.3% (2016: 27.2%).

MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES

Save as disclosed in the Notes 20, 39 and 40 to the consolidated financial statements, the Group did not have other material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and affiliated companies.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS

As at 31 December 2017, the Group held approximately HK\$12.2 million of equity investments which were classified as held for trading. Details of the significant investments are as follows:

	<i>Notes</i>	Place of incorporation	Fair value gain/(loss) HK\$'000	Market value HK\$'000	Approximate percentage of held-for- trading investment %	Approximate percentage to the net asset %
Larry Jewelry International Company Limited	1	Bermuda	1,603	5,145	42.1	2.6
Shun Wo Group Holdings Limited	2	Cayman Islands	(149)	5,300	43.3	2.6
Others		N/A	(1,672)	1,782	14.6	0.9
			(218)	12,227	100	6.1

Notes:

1. Larry Jewelry International Company Limited (stock code: 8351) is principally engaged in design and retailing of jewelry products and sales of Chinese pharmaceutical products, dried seafood, health products and foodstuffs in Hong Kong, Macau and the People's Republic of China. No dividend was received during the year. According to the latest published financial statements of Larry Jewelry International Company Limited, it had net asset value of approximately HK\$560,501,000 as at 30 June 2017.
2. Shun Wo Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 1591) is principally engaged in undertaking foundation works in Hong Kong. No dividend was received during the year. According to the latest published financial statements of Shun Wo Group Holdings Limited, it had net asset value of approximately HK\$157,575,000 as at 30 September 2017.

In view of the recent volatile in the securities market, the Board will adopt cautious measures to manage the Group's investment portfolio with an aim to provide positive return to the Group in the near future.

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 31 December 2017, the Group did not have any significant capital commitments (2016: Nil).

Except as disclosed in the section headed "Legal Proceedings", as at 31 December 2016 and 2017, the Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Continued)

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Reference is made to the Company's announcement dated 25 July 2014 in relation to a writ of summons received by the Company. It was alleged in the writ that a total sum of HK\$10,000,000 was advanced by Total Shares Limited (the "**Plaintiff**") to Mr. Shan Xiaochang ("**Mr. Shan**"), the former Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to a loan agreement (the "**Loan Agreement**") dated 9 August 2013 made between the Plaintiff as the lender and Mr. Shan as the borrower, the repayment of which was guaranteed by the Company as a guarantor by a guarantee (the "**Guarantee**") signed by the Company in favour of the Plaintiff dated 9 August 2013. The amount of the claim specified in the writ was HK\$10,000,000 plus the accrued unpaid interest under the Loan Agreement and other interest.

As no meeting at the Board or shareholders of the Company was held to approve the Guarantee or authorise any Director to sign the Guarantee for and on behalf of the Company, the Board is of the view that the Guarantee is not binding on or enforceable against the Company and the claim has no merit against the Company. The Company has been advised by the counsel that the Company shall have a good defence to the case and shall not be liable to the Plaintiff's claim. Taken into account that the application of striking out the Plaintiff's claim will incur additional cost, the Company will adopt a wait and see approach towards the Plaintiff's claim.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

During the year under review, the Group's transactions were mainly denominated in Renminbi and Hong Kong dollars which exposed the Group to currency risk. The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy in place but the management continuously monitors foreign exchange exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign exchange exposure should the need arise.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

As at 31 December 2016 and 2017, the Group did not have any substantial pledge of assets.

EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY

At 31 December 2017, the Group had about 28 (2016: 96) employees. The Group's staff costs, including directors' emoluments, employees' salaries and retirement benefits scheme contribution amounted to approximately HK\$13.9 million (2016: HK\$10.6 million).

The Group believes that its staff is one of the Group's most important assets. Aiming at providing competitive salary packages, the Group adjusts employees' salary level in close association with the performance, qualifications and experience of individual staff as well as labour market conditions. In addition to the regular remuneration, discretionary bonus and share options may be awarded to eligible employees with reference to individual performance and the Group's business performance. The Group is also committed to providing appropriate on-going training to staff members to equip them for future career development.

DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT PROFILES

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Ms. Kwan Kar Ching (“Ms. Kwan”), aged 28, was appointed as an executive Director and the chairlady of the Company in April 2015 and in June 2016 respectively. Ms. Kwan holds a bachelor degree of business administration in accounting and finance from the University of Hong Kong. Ms. Kwan had worked for international bank and financial institution. She has over 4 years of experience in banking, asset management and investment.

Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin (“Ms. Hsin”), aged 31, was appointed as an executive Director in April 2016. She holds a bachelor degree in Chinese Literature from Providence University and a master degree of Science in Management from University of Leicester. Ms. Hsin has several years’ experience in educational sector and managerial experience in food and catering sector in Taiwan.

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Hung Cho Sing (“Mr. Hung”), age 77, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director in May 2015. He has over 30 years of experience in the film distribution industry. Mr. Hung was the founder of Delon International Film Corporation and has been its General Manager since June 2004. Mr. Hung was the Organising Committee Chairman of the 11th and 12th Hong Kong Film Awards from 1991 to 1993. And from 1993 to 1995, Mr. Hung was the Chairman of Hong Kong Film Awards Association Limited. Mr. Hung is currently the Chairman of Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Territories Motion Picture Industry Association. In recognition of his contribution to the Hong Kong film industry, Mr. Hung was awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star (BBS) by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (“**HKSAR**”) in 2005. From April 2007 to March 2013, Mr. Hung was appointed by the Government of HKSAR as a member of the Hong Kong Film Development Council. Mr. Hung is also a member of HKSAR Election Committee and since January 2013, he has been appointed by the Government of HKSAR as a non-official member of the Working Group on Manufacturing Industries, Innovative Technology, and Cultural and Creative Industries under the Economic Development Commission.

Currently, he is an executive director of EJE (Hong Kong) Holdings Limited (formerly known as Jia Meng Holdings Limited) (stock code: 8101) and Universe International Financial Holdings Limited (stock code: 1046). He is also an independent non-executive director of China Star Entertainment Limited (stock code: 326), Enerchina Holdings Limited (stock code: 622), Miko International Holdings Limited (stock code: 1247) and Unity Investments Holdings Limited (stock code: 913).

Mr. Hung was a non-executive director of Capital VC Limited (stock code: 2324) from September 2011 to January 2014, an independent non-executive director of Freeman FinTech Corporation Limited (stock code: 279) from January 2013 to January 2017 and HengTen Networks Group Limited (stock code: 136) from January 2013 to October 2015.

Mr. Luk Kin Ting (“Mr. Luk”), aged 33, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director in June 2016. He obtained a juris doctor degree from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, a master degree of laws (Majoring in Corporate Law) from New York University and a bachelor degree of business administration in Economics and Accounting from Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. He was admitted as a solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong and had experience in legal counseling and solicitor practice. He is currently an independent non-executive director of Janco Holdings Limited (stock code: 8035).

DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT PROFILES (Continued)

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS (Continued)

Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (“Mr. Kam”), aged 45, was appointed as an independent non-executive Director in September 2017. He holds a master’s degree in Business Administration from The University of Manchester in the United Kingdom. He is a fellow member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a member of The Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Mr. Kam is a member of Standing Committee of the 5th Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference of Futian District, Shenzhen, a member of ACCA China Expert Forum, and he is an expert juror of the First batch of Hong Kong Expert Jurors of Qianhai Court. He was previously appointed as Vice President of 7th Director Board of Shenzhen Association of Enterprises with Foreign Investment and was a member of the Project Advisory Committee for the Authority of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hongkong Modern Service Industry Cooperation Zone and the 13th and 14th Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference of Xi’an.

Mr. Kam has 20 years’ experience in corporate, personal and interbank business. He was Zone Manager – Corporate Banking Division and General Manager of Shenzhen Branch of The Bank of East Asia (China) Limited from July 2012 to March 2017 and Zone Manager (Western China) – Corporate Banking Division and General Manager of Xi’an Branch of The Bank of East Asia (China) Limited from November 2006 to June 2012.

Mr. Kam is an executive director and chief executive officer of Century Ginwa Retail Holdings Limited (stock code: 162).

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. Tse Chi Shing (“Mr. Tse”), aged 34, joined the Group in April 2011. He is the Chief Financial Officer and the Company Secretary of the Company. Mr. Tse holds a bachelor degree of arts in accountancy from the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. He is a Certified Public Accountant of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and has over 10 years of experience in accounting and audit on Hong Kong listed companies and private companies.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

INTRODUCTION

The Board and senior management are committed to maintaining a high standard of corporate governance practices with a view to enhancing the management efficiency of the Company as well as preserving the interests of the shareholders. The Board believes that high standards of corporate governance provide a framework and solid foundation for achieving, attracting and retaining the high standard and quality of the Group's management, promoting high standards of accountability and transparency and meeting the expectations of all of the Group's various stakeholders.

The Board is of the view that the Company has complied with all the code provisions as set out in the Code on Corporate Governance Practices to the Appendix 15 of the GEM Listing Rules throughout the year ended 31 December 2017, except for certain deviations as explained below. The Board will review the current practices at least annually, and make appropriate changes if considered necessary.

DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealing as set out in rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules throughout the year ended 31 December 2017. Having made specific enquiry of all Directors, the Directors have complied such code of conduct and the required standard of dealings concerning securities transactions by the Directors throughout the year ended 31 December 2017.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board currently comprises:

Executive Directors:

Ms. Kwan Kar Ching (*Board Chairlady*)
Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Mr. Hung Cho Sing
Mr. Luk Kin Ting
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John

The Board is collectively responsible for the oversight of the management of the Company's business and affairs of the organisation with the objective of enhancing shareholder value. The Board approves and monitors the Group's business strategies and policies. The Board is also responsible to the shareholders of the Company for overseeing the Group's overall business, strategic decisions and directions, annual budget, and other major corporate matters. Besides, the Board delegates the management team with the authority and responsibility for the daily operations and administration of the Group.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (Continued)

The Board has normally scheduled 4 regular meetings a year each at quarterly intervals and meets as and when required. In addition, the Directors have full access to information on the Group and independent professional advice whenever deemed necessary by the Director. During the year ended 31 December 2017, the Board held 12 meetings and the attendance of each Director is as follows:

	Number of meetings attended/ eligible to attend
Executive Directors:	
Ms. Kwan Kar Ching	12/12
Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin	12/12
Mr. Mui Wai Sum (retired on 19 May 2017)	7/7
Mr. Ma Arthur On-hing (resigned on 30 June 2017)	9/9
Independent non-executive Directors:	
Mr. Hung Cho Sing	12/12
Mr. Luk Kin Ting	12/12
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (appointed on 18 September 2017)	1/1
Mr. Ong King Keung (appointed on 28 February 2017 and resigned on 15 September 2017)	8/8
Ms. Wong Ka Yan (resigned on 28 February 2017)	0/3

There is no family or other material relationship among members of the Board.

The Directors enable, upon the reasonable request, to seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances, at the Company's expenses, in order to discharge their duties to the Company.

Appropriate insurance cover has been arranged in respect of legal actions against the Directors.

All independent non-executive Directors are appointed for a specific term of not more than 2 years. All Directors are subject to re-election by shareholders at the annual general meeting following their appointment. At each annual general meeting one-third of the Directors for the time being, or, if their number is not three or a multiple of three, then the number nearest to but not less than one-third, shall retire from office by rotation provided that every Director, including those appointed for a specific term, shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years. A retiring Director shall be eligible for re-election. The Company at the general meeting at which a Director retires may fill the vacated office. The Directors to retire by rotation shall include (so far as necessary to obtain the number required) any Director who wishes to retire and not to offer himself for re-election. Any further Directors so to retire shall be those who have been longest in office since their last re-election or appointment and so that as between persons who became or were last re-elected Directors on the same day those to retire shall (unless they otherwise agree among themselves) be determined by lot.

In compliance with rules 5.05(1) and (2) of the GEM Listing Rules, the Company has appointed 3 independent non-executive Directors, at least one of whom has appropriate professional qualifications on accounting or related financial management expertise. For a Director to be considered independent, the Board must determine that the Director does not have any direct or indirect material relationship with the Group. In determining the independence of the Directors, the Board follows the requirements set out in the GEM Listing Rule.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (Continued)

DIRECTORS' CONTINUOUS TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Pursuant to the code provision A.6.5, all Directors should participate in continuous professional development to develop and refresh their knowledge and skills so as to ensure their contributions to the Board remains informed and relevant. For the year ended 31 December 2017, all Directors have participated in continuous professional development, by attending conferences, seminars and in-house briefing, and giving talks and reading materials relevant to their duties, responsibilities and the Group's businesses. Further, all Directors have received in-house trainings which covered corporate governance, GEM Listing Rules and other regulations.

CHAIRLADY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Ms. Kwan Kar Ching is the Chairlady of the Board. The Chairlady is responsible for ensuring that Board functions effectively, for providing leadership for the Board in setting goals and objectives for the Company and for ensuring that good corporate governance practices and procedures are established and enforced.

The Company does not have the role of chief executive officer. The Chief Executive Officer's duties have been undertaken by members of the Board. They are responsible for corporate planning, business development strategy and overall direction of the Group. The senior management is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Group under the leadership of the Board.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

The remuneration committee of the Company currently comprises 1 executive Director, namely Ms. Kwan Kar Ching, and two independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John and Mr. Hung Cho Sing. Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John is the committee chairman. The main role and function of the remuneration committee include the formulation of the Company's remuneration policy, the approval or recommendation of remuneration packages for the Directors and senior management, and the review and approval of remuneration by reference to the performance of the individual and the Company as well as market practice and conditions.

The remuneration committee meets regularly to determine the policy for the remuneration of Directors and assess the performance of the executive Directors. For the year ended 31 December 2017, 1 meeting of the remuneration committee have been held with the following attendances:

	Number of meetings attended/ eligible to attend
Mr. Hung Cho Sing	1/1
Ms. Kwan Kar Ching	1/1
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (appointed on 18 September 2017)	0/0
Mr. Ong King Keung (appointed on 28 February 2017 and resigned on 15 September 2017)	1/1
Ms. Wong Ka Yan (resigned on 28 February 2017)	0/0

Details of the Director's remuneration are set out in Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (Continued)

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The nomination committee of the Company currently comprises 1 executive Director, namely Ms. Kwan Kar Ching and two independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Hung Cho Sing and Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John. Ms. Kwan Kar Ching is the committee chairlady. The works carried out by the nomination committee members are set out below:

- (a) to review the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge and experience) and to make recommendations to the Board after such review;
- (b) to assess the suitability and qualification of candidates put forward by the Chief Executive Officer and to become new board members and to report to the Board on their assessment;
- (c) to assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors, having regard to the requirements under the GEM Listing Rules; and
- (d) to make recommendations to the Board on relevant matters relating to the appointment of Directors and succession planning for Directors, in particular, the Chairlady and the Chief Executive Officer.

For the year ended 31 December 2017, 1 meeting of the nomination committee have been held with the following attendances:

	Number of meetings attended/ eligible to attend
Ms. Kwan Kar Ching	1/1
Mr. Hung Cho Sing	1/1
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (appointed on 18 September 2017)	0/0
Mr. Ong King Keung (appointed on 28 February 2017 and resigned on 15 September 2017)	1/1
Ms. Wong Ka Yan (resigned on 28 February 2017)	0/0

BOARD DIVERSITY POLICY

The Board adopts a board diversity policy and discusses all measurable objectives set for implementing the policy. The Company recognises and embraces the benefits of diversity of Board members. It endeavours to ensure that the Board has a balance of skills, experience and diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Company's business. All Board appointments will continue to be made on a merit basis with due regard for the benefits of diversity of the Board members. Selection of candidates will be based on a range of diversity perspectives, including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, experience (professional or otherwise), skills and knowledge. The ultimate decision will be made upon the merits and contribution that the selected candidates will bring to the Board.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (Continued)

AUDIT COMMITTEE

The audit committee of the Company comprises 3 independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John, Mr. Hung Cho Sing and Mr. Luk Kin Ting with Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John as the committee chairman.

The primary role and function of the audit committee are to oversee the relationship with the external auditor, to review the Group's preliminary quarterly results, interim results and annual results and to monitor compliance with statutory and listing requirements. The committee shall engage independent legal or other advisers as it determines is necessary to perform any investigations.

For the year ended 31 December 2017, 4 meetings of the audit committee have been held for the purpose of reviewing the Company's accounts and reports, and providing advices and recommendations to the Board, with the following attendances:

	Number of meetings attended/ eligible to attend
Mr. Hung Cho Sing	4/4
Mr. Luk Kin Ting	4/4
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (appointed on 18 September 2017)	1/1
Mr. Ong King Keung (appointed on 28 February 2017 and resigned on 15 September 2017)	3/3
Ms. Wong Ka Yan (resigned on 28 February 2017)	0/0

ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

The Board acknowledges their responsibility for preparing the financial statements of the Group and ensures the financial statements have adopted the accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and complied with the requirements of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the HKICPA and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and the GEM Listing Rules.

The statement of the external auditor of the Company about the responsibilities on the financial statements of the Group is set out in the independent auditor's report.

AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

For the year ended 31 December 2017, the fees paid and payable to the external auditor in respect of audit services to the Group were approximately HK\$620,000 (2016: HK\$650,000). The fees for non-audit related services performed by the external auditor were approximately HK\$138,000 (2016: Nil).

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (Continued)

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The investment committee of the Company was established on 14 October 2015. The investment committee is responsible for formulating investment policies while reviewing and determining the investment portfolio of the Group.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

Convening an extraordinary general meeting

In accordance with article 64 of the articles of association of the Company, any one or more Shareholders holding at the date of deposit of the requisition not less than one-tenth of the paid up capital of the Company carrying the right of voting at general meetings of the Company shall at all times have the right, by written requisition to the Board or the secretary of the Company, to require an extraordinary general meeting to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition; and such meeting shall be held within two months after the deposit of such requisition. If within twenty-one days of such deposit the Board fails to proceed to convene such meeting the requisitionist(s) himself/(themselves) may do so in the same manner, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of the Board shall be reimbursed to the requisitionist(s) by the Company.

Shareholders' enquiries

The Shareholders may at any time send their enquiries and concerns to the Board in writing to the Company's principal place of business in Hong Kong.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board has overall responsibilities for the risk management and internal control systems of the Group on an ongoing basis, and for reviewing its effectiveness. The Board is also responsible for establishing and maintaining appropriate and effective risk management and internal control systems. The established systems are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss. During the year under review, the Board has conducted a review of the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems of the Group, covering material controls, including financial, operational, compliance and risk management aspects of the Group. The systems were considered effective and adequate.

The Group adopts a complete process style of risk management in a functional bottom up manner, including risk identification, assessment, evaluation and treatment. The functional areas across the Group provide input of risks with treatments, which are appraised and maintained. The risk management system, as well as the internal control system, are continuous, proactive and systematic processes.

The Group also has an internal audit function, which is governed by an appointed professional with related qualification. The internal audit function is independent of the Group's daily operation and carries out appraisal of the risk management and internal control systems by conducting interviews, walkthroughs and tests of operating effectiveness. The results are reported to the audit committee and the Board.

In 1 of the audit committee meeting, internal audit report and other supporting documents have been discussed for the review of risk management and internal control systems and the effectiveness of internal audit function.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (Continued)

HANDLING AND DISSEMINATION OF INSIDE INFORMATION

With respect to the handling and dissemination of inside information, the Group has adopted various procedures and measures on disclosure of inside information with an aim to ensure that the insiders abide by the confidentiality requirement and that inside information is to be disseminated to public in equal and timely manner in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations. Such procedures include, among others, notification of regular blackout period and securities dealing restrictions to the Directors and employees, dissemination of information to specified persons on a need-to-know basis and use of code to identify projects.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors present their annual report together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Company is an investment holding company. Details of the principal activities of the subsidiaries of the Company are set out in Note 47 to the consolidated financial statements.

SEGMENT INFORMATION

An analysis of the Group's performance for the year by operating segments is set out in Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

Results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on pages 33 and 34.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of any dividends in respect of the year (2016: Nil).

BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

The business review of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017 is set out in the "Chairlady's Statement" and "Management Discussion and Analysis" on pages 4 to 5 and pages 6 to 10 respectively of this annual report.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the results and assets and liabilities of the Group for the past five financial years is set out on page 3 of the annual report.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Group during the year are set out in Note 16 to the consolidated financial statements.

SHARE CAPITAL

Details of the movements in the share capital of the Company during the year are set out in Note 36 to the consolidated financial statements.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

RESERVES

Details of the movements in reserves of the Group during the year are set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity on page 37.

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Under the provisions of the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the share premium is distributable to the shareholders of the Company provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES

A separate environmental, social and governance report is expected to be published on the website of the Stock Exchange and the Company no later than 3 months after the publication of this report.

DIRECTORS

The Directors during the year and up to the date of this report are:

Executive Directors:

Ms. Kwan Kar Ching

Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin

Mr. Ma Arthur On-hing (resigned 30 June 2017)

Mr. Mui Wai Sum (resigned 19 May 2017)

Independent non-executive Directors:

Mr. Hung Cho Sing

Mr. Luk Kin Ting

Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (appointed on 18 September 2017)

Mr. Ong King Keung (appointed on 28 February 2017 and resigned on 15 September 2017)

Ms. Wong Ka Yan (resigned on 28 February 2017)

In accordance with article 108(A) of the articles of association of the Company, Ms. Kwan Kar Ching and Mr. Hung Cho Sing shall retire by rotation at the forthcoming annual general meeting and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with article 112 of the articles of association of the Company, Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John shall retire at the forthcoming annual general meeting and, being eligible, offer himself for re-election.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

DIRECTORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S BIOGRAPHIES

Biographical details of the Directors and the senior management of the Group are set out on pages 11 to 12 of this annual report.

CHANGE IN INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Rule 17.50A(1) of the GEM Listing Rules, the changes in information of Directors subsequent to the date of the 2017 interim report of the Company are set out below:

Mr. Hung Cho Sing, an independent non-executive Director, has tendered his resignation as the chairman of the board of directors of EJE (Hong Kong) Holdings Limited, a company listed on the Stock Exchange (stock code: 8101), with effect from 20 November 2017. But he remains as an executive director of the company.

Mr. Ong King Keung has tendered his resignation as the independent non-executive director of the Company, the chairman of audit committee, the member of nomination committee and the chairman of remuneration committee with effect from 15 September 2017.

Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John has been appointed as the independent non-executive director of the Company, the chairman of audit committee, the member of nomination committee and the chairman of remuneration committee with effect from 18 September 2017.

Save for the information above, the Company is not aware of any other change in Directors' information which are required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 17.50A(1) of the GEM Listing Rules subsequent to the date of the 2017 interim report.

DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

Each of Ms. Kwan Kar Ching and Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin entered into an appointment letter with the Company. They have no fixed term of service with the Company save that they are subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company.

Each of Mr. Hung Cho Sing, Mr. Luk Kin Ting and Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John entered into a 2-year service contract with the Company and they are subject to retirement by rotation in accordance with the articles of association of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors being proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not terminable by the Group within one year without payment of compensation other than statutory compensation.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

CONFIRMATION OF INDEPENDENCE

The Company has received from each of its independent non-executive Directors the written confirmation of independence pursuant to rule 5.09 of the GEM Listing Rules. The Company based on such confirmation, considers that all of the independent non-executive Directors are independent.

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN CONTRACTS

Save as disclosed under the section "Connected/Related Party Transactions" below and Note 42 to the consolidated financial statements, none of the Directors had a significant beneficial interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party during the year.

MATERIAL CONTRACTS WITH CONTROLLING SHAREHOLDERS

There is no material contract between the Group and the controlling shareholder or its subsidiaries during the year.

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

None of the Directors nor chief executives of the Company had interests or short positions in any shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) as at 31 December 2017.

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

As at 31 December 2017, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO shows that the following shareholders had notified the Company of relevant interests and short positions in the issued share capital of the Company:

Long positions in ordinary shares and underlying shares of the Company

Name	Capacity	Number of ordinary shares held	Number of underlying shares held	Total	Percentage of issued share capital of the Company
Ms. Wong Ka Man	Beneficial owner	204,351,472	326,315,790	530,667,262 (note)	21.60%

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

Note:

Ms. Wong Ka Man is interested in 530,667,262 Shares/underlying shares of the Company of which 326,315,789 underlying shares may be allotted and issued upon exercise of the conversion rights attaching to the Convertible Bonds issued by the Company, provided that:

- (i) any conversion of the Convertible Bonds will not trigger a mandatory offer obligation under Rule 26 of Takeovers Code on the part of the bondholder and any parties acting in concert with it (as defined in the Takeovers Code); and
- (ii) the exercise of the Convertible Bonds will not cause the Company to be unable to meet the public float requirement under the GEM Listing Rules.

Save as disclosed above, the Company has not been notified of any other interests or short positions in the issued share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2017.

SHARE OPTIONS

The Company operates a share option scheme for the purpose of enabling the Company to grant share options to the eligible participants as incentives or rewards for their contribution to the Group. Eligible participants include any employees, directors, consultants or professional advisors, shareholders and suppliers or customers of the Group.

The share option scheme effective on 8 July 2002 (the “**2002 Share Option Scheme**”) was terminated and a new share option scheme (the “**New Share Option Scheme**”) was adopted and became effective for a period of 10 years commencing from 15 June 2012. Shares options granted prior to the expiry of the 2002 Share Option Scheme will continue to be valid and exercisable in accordance with the rules of the 2002 Share Option Scheme. As at 31 December 2017, the Company had 21,200,000 (31 December 2016: 21,200,000) share options outstanding under the 2002 Share Option Scheme, which represented approximately 0.9% (31 December 2016: 1.3%) of its issued share capital on that date. No share option was granted under the New Share Option Scheme.

The maximum number of shares of the Company which may be issued upon exercise of all options granted under its share option scheme or any other share option scheme adopted by the Company must not in aggregate exceed 30% of its issued share capital of the Company from time to time. The total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group must not in aggregate exceed 10% of the shares in issue as at the date of passing the relevant resolution adopting the Scheme unless it is approved by shareholders in a general meeting of the Company. As at 31 December 2017, the number of securities available for issue under the New Share Option Scheme was 43,176,497 shares, which represented approximately 1.8% (31 December 2016: 2.6%) of its issued share capital on that date.

The maximum number of share issued and which may fall to be issued upon exercise of the share options granted under the share option scheme to each participant in any 12-month period up to the date of grant must not exceed 1% of the shares in issue unless it is approved by shareholders (other than the grantees and/or their respective associates) in a general meeting of the Company. Any share option granted to a substantial shareholder or an independent non-executive director of the Company or to any of their associates, in excess of 0.1% of the shares in issue and with an aggregate value (based on the closing price of the shares at the date of grant) in excess of HK\$5 million, in any 12-month period, are subject to shareholders' approval in general meeting of the Company.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

The offer of a grant of share option under the share option scheme may be accepted, upon payment of a nominal consideration of HK\$1 in total by the grantee. A share option granted under the share option scheme may be exercised in whole or in part in the manner provided in the share option scheme by a grantee giving notice in writing to the Company at any time during a period not exceed 10 years from the date an share option granted under the share option scheme is offered.

The exercise price of the share options is a price determined by the Board, in its absolute discretion, but in any case is not less than whichever is the highest of (1) the closing price of the Shares as stated in the Exchange's daily quotation sheet on the date of grant, which must be a trading day; (2) the average closing price of the Shares as stated in the Exchange's daily quotation sheets for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (3) the nominal value of the Shares.

The following table discloses movements in the Company's share options during the year:

Name or category of participant	Exercisable period	Exercise price per	Outstanding	Granted	Exercised	Forfeited	Outstanding at
		share of the Company HK\$	at 1 January 2017	during the period	during the period	during the period	31 December 2017
Others							
In aggregate	25 November 2010 to 24 November 2020	0.666	21,200,000	–	–	–	21,200,000

DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Saved as disclosed above and in Note 37 to the consolidated financial statements, at no time during the year were the rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any Director or chief executive of the Company or their respective spouse or children under 18 years of age, or were any such rights exercised by them; or was the Company or its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors to acquire such rights or benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

CONNECTED/RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Details of the related party transactions are set out in Note 42 to the consolidated financial statements. All the related party transactions did not constitute connected transactions or continuing connected transactions of the Company under Chapter 20 of the GEM Listing Rules which are required to comply with any of the reporting, announcement or independent shareholders' approval requirements under the GEM Listing Rule.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN COMPETING BUSINESS

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors or the management shareholders of the Company (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) had an interest in a business, which competes or may compete with the business of the Group.

PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

Pursuant to the Company's articles of association, every Director shall be entitled to be indemnified out of the assets of the Company against all losses or liabilities which he/she may sustain or incur in or about the execution of the duties of his/her office or otherwise in relation thereto. There is appropriate directors' and officers' liability insurance coverage for the directors and officers of the Group.

EMOLUMENTS OF DIRECTORS AND FIVE HIGHEST PAID INDIVIDUAL

Details of the emoluments of the Directors and the five highest paid individuals of the Group are set out in Notes 10 and 11 to the consolidated financial statements respectively.

EMOLUMENT POLICY

The emolument policy of the employees of the Group is set out by the human resources department of the Group on the basis of their merits, qualifications and competence.

The emolument policy of the Directors is decided by the remuneration committee of the Company, having regard to the Company's operating results, individual duties and performance and comparable market statistics.

The Company has adopted a share options scheme as an incentive to the Directors and eligible employees. Details of the scheme are set out in Note 37 to the consolidated financial statements.

MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

During the year, the aggregate amount of turnover attributable to the Group's five largest customers accounted for 37.2% (2016: 91.9%) of the Group's total turnover. The largest customer accounted for 8.8% (2016: 47.5%) of the Group's total turnover. The Group had no major supplier due to the nature of principal activities of the Group.

None of the Directors, their associates, or any shareholders (which, to the knowledge of the Directors, owned more than 5% of the Company's share capital) had a beneficial interest in the Group's five largest customers and suppliers.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS (Continued)

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries had purchased, sold or redeemed any of the listed securities of the Company during the year.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the articles of association of the Company, or laws of the Cayman Islands, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro-rata basis to existing shareholders.

SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

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

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

Corporate governance report of the Company is set out on pages 13 to 19 of the annual report.

AUDITOR

The accompanying financial statements have been audited by CCTH CPA Limited who will retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for reappointment at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company.

On behalf of the Board

Kwan Kar Ching
Chairlady

22 March 2018

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF KOALA FINANCIAL GROUP LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of KOALA Financial Group Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") set out on pages 33 to 116, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2017, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Key Audit Matters

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

Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Impairment assessments of goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite useful lives

Refer to Notes 18 and 19 to the consolidated financial statements.

The Group recognised goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite useful lives in connection with the acquisition of securities placing and brokerage business undertaken by KOALA Securities Limited during the prior year ended 31 December 2016.

We focused on the impairment assessment of the goodwill balance (HK\$18,302,000 as at 31 December 2017) and the intangible assets (HK\$20,000,000 as at 31 December 2017) as management's assessment of the "value in use" of the cash-generating units (CGUs) of this business involves judgments and estimates about the future results of the business, key assumptions including revenue growth rate and gross profit margin, long-term growth rate and the discount rates applied to future cash flow forecast.

- We evaluated and challenged the composition of the Group's future cash flow forecasts in each CGU, and the process by which they were drawn up, including testing the underlying value in use calculation.
- We challenged the key assumptions including revenue growth rate and gross profit margin by comparing the current year's actual results with the future plans. We considered the appropriateness of the discount rates adopted by management.
- We have also considered the adequacy of the disclosure of impairment assessments of the goodwill and other intangible assets set out in Notes 18 and 19 to the consolidated financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Recoverability of loans receivable and accounts receivable

Refer to Notes 21 and 23 to the consolidated financial statements.

As at 31 December 2017, the Group had loans receivable with the carrying amount of approximately HK\$55,530,000. As at that date, the Group had gross accounts receivable amounted to approximately HK\$49,196,000 of which impairment provision amounted to HK\$5,210,000 has been made.

Recoverability of the loans receivable and accounts receivable involved management judgment in assessing the allowance for doubtful debts for individual receivables. The ability of the debtors to repay the Group depends on customer-specific and market conditions which involve inherent uncertainty.

We have identified impairment assessment of loans receivable and accounts receivable as a key audit matter due to the magnitude of the receivables and the estimation and judgments involved in the determination of the recoverable amounts of these receivables.

Our procedures in relation to management's impairment assessment of loans receivable and accounts receivable included:

- We obtained an understanding of the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of management's internal controls relating to credit control, debt collection and making provisions for doubtful debts.
- We reviewed the agreements and other relevant documents relating to the loans made by the Group.
- We assessed the classification and accuracy of individual balances in accounts receivable, ageing report by testing the underlying clients' advices on a sample basis.
- We assessed subsequent settlement of receivable balances. Where settlement had not been received subsequent to the year end date, we obtained an understanding of the basis of management's judgments about the recoverability of the outstanding receivables and evaluate the allowance for doubtful debts made by management for these individual balances.
- We assessed the historical accuracy of the estimates made by the management for the allowance for doubtful debts.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Other Information

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

Responsibilities of Directors and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

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

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (Continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements (Continued)

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	Notes	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Continuing operations			
Revenue	6	15,960	63,906
Cost of sales and services		(3,059)	(57,691)
Gross profit		12,901	6,215
Other income and gains	6	11,861	4,179
Gain on change in fair value of investment properties	17	948	–
Gain on change in fair value of unlisted warrants	33	–	13,481
Selling and distribution expenses		(818)	(219)
Administrative expenses		(29,022)	(31,030)
Other operating expenses	7	(5,256)	(42,315)
Finance costs	8	(6,467)	(7,100)
Share of loss of associates		–	(91)
Loss before taxation	9	(15,853)	(56,880)
Taxation credit	12	1,330	875
Loss for the year from continuing operations		(14,523)	(56,005)
Discontinued operations			
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	13	–	(22,354)
Loss for the year		(14,523)	(78,359)
Other comprehensive income/(expense)			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations			
Exchange difference arising during the year		37	(286)
Reclassification adjustments relating to foreign operations disposed of during the year		–	(1,288)
Other comprehensive income/(expense) for the year		37	(1,574)
Total comprehensive expense for the year		(14,486)	(79,933)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Loss for the year from continuing operations attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(9,741)	(49,543)
Non-controlling interests		(4,782)	(6,462)
		(14,523)	(56,005)
Loss for the year from continuing and discontinued operations attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(9,741)	(71,897)
Non-controlling interests		(4,782)	(6,462)
		(14,523)	(78,359)
Total comprehensive expense for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(9,722)	(73,331)
Non-controlling interests		(4,764)	(6,602)
		(14,486)	(79,933)
Loss per share	<i>15</i>	2017	2016
From continuing operations			
Basic		HK(0.42) cents	HK(3.85) cents
Diluted		N/A	N/A
From continuing and discontinued operations			
Basic		HK(0.42) cents	HK(5.58) cents
Diluted		N/A	N/A

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	16	4,368	11,221
Investment properties	17	17,300	16,352
Goodwill	18	18,302	18,302
Other intangible assets	19	20,000	20,000
Loans receivable	21	10,300	–
		70,270	65,875
Current assets			
Inventories	22	–	693
Accounts receivable	23	43,986	54,847
Loans receivable	21	45,230	10,292
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	24	2,563	6,681
Amount due from non-controlling interests	25	245	–
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	26	12,226	26,145
Bank balances – trust accounts	27	191,648	43,267
Bank balances and cash – general accounts	27	133,154	22,986
		429,052	164,911
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	28	222,274	63,248
Other payables and accruals	29	9,292	8,240
Deposits received		135	135
Amount due to non-controlling interests	30	10,400	840
Convertible bonds payable	34	28,795	–
Other borrowings	32	1,000	1,000
Income tax payable		7,553	8,592
		279,449	82,055
Net current assets		149,603	82,856
Total assets less current liabilities		219,873	148,731

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Continued)

As at 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Non-current liabilities			
Corporate bonds payable	31	15,209	14,312
Convertible bonds payable	34	–	24,369
Deferred tax liabilities	35	3,474	3,765
		18,683	42,446
Net assets		201,190	106,285
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	36	24,570	16,380
Reserves		182,858	91,624
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		207,428	108,004
Non-controlling interests		(6,238)	(1,719)
Total equity		201,190	106,285

The consolidated financial statements on pages 33 to 116 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 22 March 2018 and are signed on its behalf by:

Kwan Kar Ching
Director

Hsin Yi-Chin
Director

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	Attributable to owners of the Company						Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	Share capital	Share premium account	Convertible bonds reserve	Share option reserve	Exchange fluctuation reserve	Accumulated losses			
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000 (Note 34)	HK\$'000 (Note 37)	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
At 1 January 2016	11,375	378,871	74,286	7,410	1,123	(368,090)	104,975	(45,466)	59,509
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(71,897)	(71,897)	(6,462)	(78,359)
Other comprehensive expense for the year	-	-	-	-	(1,434)	-	(1,434)	(140)	(1,574)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	-	-	-	-	(1,434)	(71,897)	(73,331)	(6,602)	(79,933)
Non-controlling interest arising from acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 39)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,697	6,697
Decrease in non-controlling interests arising on disposal of subsidiaries (Note 40)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43,652	43,652
Issue of shares upon:									
– Share placement	2,275	33,670	-	-	-	-	35,945	-	35,945
– Acquisition of subsidiaries	2,730	38,766	-	-	-	-	41,496	-	41,496
Share issue expenses	-	(1,081)	-	-	-	-	(1,081)	-	(1,081)
At 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	16,380	450,226	74,286	7,410	(311)	(439,987)	108,004	(1,719)	106,285
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	(9,741)	(9,741)	(4,782)	(14,523)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	19	-	19	18	37
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year	-	-	-	-	19	(9,741)	(9,722)	(4,764)	(14,486)
Capital contribution from non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	245	245
Issue of shares upon open offer	8,190	106,472	-	-	-	-	114,662	-	114,662
Share issue expenses	-	(5,516)	-	-	-	-	(5,516)	-	(5,516)
At 31 December 2017	24,570	551,182	74,286	7,410	(292)	(449,728)	207,428	(6,238)	201,190

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Loss for the year		(14,523)	(78,359)
Adjustments for:			
Taxation credit recognised in profit or loss	12	(1,330)	(875)
Interest income		(834)	(1,529)
Finance costs	8	6,467	7,100
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		2,409	2,662
Gain on change in fair value of investment properties		(948)	–
Gain on change in fair value of unlisted warrants		–	(13,481)
Impairment losses on:			
Property, plant and equipment		4,031	1,905
Inventories		619	1,020
Trade receivables		–	26,573
Proceeds receivable from disposal of subsidiaries		–	4,777
Other receivables		388	–
Investments in associates		–	2,500
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		5	164
Loss on disposal of subsidiaries	40	–	22,354
Loss on disposal of associates		–	203
Share of loss of associates		–	91
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital		(3,716)	(24,895)
Decrease in inventories		97	21,816
Decrease/(increase) in accounts receivable		10,886	(15,245)
Increase in loans receivable		(45,238)	–
Decrease in prepayments, deposits and other receivables		3,756	34,461
Increase in amount due from non-controlling interests		(245)	–
Decrease in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		13,919	37,113
(Increase)/decrease in bank balances – trust accounts		(148,381)	12,432
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable		158,996	(50,083)
Increase/(decrease) in other payables and accruals		697	(3,409)
Increase in deposits received		–	135
Increase in amount due to non-controlling interests		9,560	–
Cash generated from operations		331	12,325
Income taxes paid		–	–
Net cash generated from operating activities		331	12,325

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2017

	<i>Notes</i>	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		834	88
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		758	324
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(208)	(4,559)
Purchase of investment properties		–	(16,352)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	39	–	7,858
Disposal of subsidiaries	40	–	(8)
Net cash generated from/(used in) investing activities		1,384	(12,649)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid	45	(930)	(2,941)
Proceeds from issue of shares		114,662	35,945
Share issue expenses		(5,516)	(1,081)
Capital contribution to a subsidiary by non-controlling interest		245	–
Repayment of corporate bonds		–	(11,000)
Other borrowings obtained		–	1,000
Repayment of other borrowings		–	(5,000)
Net cash generated from financing activities		108,461	16,923
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		110,176	16,599
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		22,986	6,402
Effects of exchange rate changes		(8)	(15)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year		133,154	22,986
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents at end of the year:			
Bank balances and cash – general accounts		133,154	22,986

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2017

1. GENERAL

KOALA Financial Group Limited (the “**Company**”) is a limited liability company incorporated in the Cayman Islands, and the issued shares of the Company are listed on the GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Stock Exchange**”). The address of the registered office and principal place of business of the Company are disclosed in the corporate information section of the annual report.

The Company changed its name from “Sunrise (China) Technology Group Limited” to “KOALA Financial Group Limited” and adopted “樹熊金融集團有限公司” as the Chinese name of the Company, both of which are effective from 19 May 2017.

The Company is principally engaged in investment holding. The principal activities of the Company’s principal subsidiaries are set out in Note 47 to the financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollar (“**HK\$**”), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company.

2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“**HKFRSs**”)

New and revised HKFRSs applied in current year

In the current year, the Group has applied the following new and revised HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“**HKICPA**”):

Amendments to HKAS 7	Disclosure Initiative
Amendments to HKAS 12	Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses
Amendments to HKFRS 12	As part of the Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2014–2016 Cycle

The application of these new and revised HKFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group’s financial performance and financial position for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in the consolidated financial statements.

Amendments to HKAS 7 Disclosure Initiative

The Group has applied these amendments for the first time in the current year. The amendments require an entity to provide disclosures that enable users of financial statements to evaluate changes in liabilities arising from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. In addition, the amendments also require disclosures on changes in financial assets if cash flows from those financial assets were, or future cash flows will be, included in cash flows from financing activities.

Specifically, the amendments require the following to be disclosed: (i) changes from financing cash flows; (ii) changes arising from obtaining or losing control of subsidiaries or other businesses; (iii) the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates; (iv) changes in fair values; and (v) other changes.

A reconciliation between the opening and closing balances of these items is provided in note 45. Consistent with the transition provisions of the amendments, the Group has not disclosed comparative information for the prior year. Apart from the additional disclosure in note 45, the application of these amendments has had no impact on the Group’s consolidated financial statements.

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2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”) (Continued)

New and revised HKFRSs in issue but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new and revised HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective:

HKFRS 9	Financial Instruments ¹
HKFRS 15	Revenue from Contracts with Customers ¹
HKFRS 16	Leases ²
HKFRS 17	Insurance Contracts ³
HK(IFRIC)-Int 22	Foreign Currency Transactions and Advance Consideration ¹
HK(IFRIC)-Int 23	Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments ²
Amendments to HKFRS 2	Classification and Measurement of Share-based Payment Transactions ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 4	Applying HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments with HKFRS 4 Insurance Contracts ¹
Amendments to HKFRS 9	Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation ²
Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture ⁴
Amendments to HKAS 28	Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures ²
Amendments to HKAS 28	As part of the Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2014–2016 Cycle ¹
Amendments to HKAS 40	Transfers of Investment Property ¹
Amendments to HKFRSs	Annual Improvement to HKFRSs 2015–2017 Cycle ²

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019

³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021

⁴ Effective date to be determined

HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments

HKFRS 9 issued in 2009 introduces new requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets. HKFRS 9 was subsequently amended in 2010 to include requirements for the classification and measurement of financial liabilities and for derecognition, and further amended in 2013 to include the new requirements for general hedge accounting. Another revised version of HKFRS 9 was issued in 2014 mainly to include (a) impairment requirements for financial assets and (b) limited amendments to the classification and measurement requirements by introducing a “fair value through other comprehensive income” (“**FVTOCI**”) measurement category for certain simple debt instruments.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2017

2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”) (Continued)

HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments (Continued)

Key requirements of HKFRS 9 are described below:

- All recognised financial assets that are within the scope of HKAS 39 “Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement” are subsequently measured at amortised cost or fair value. Specifically, debt investments that are held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows, and that have contractual cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding are generally measured at amortised cost at the end of subsequent accounting periods. Debt instruments that are held within a business model whose objective is achieved both by collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets, and that have contractual terms of the financial asset and give rise on specific dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, are measured at FVTOCI. All other debt investments and equity investments are measured at their fair values at the end of subsequent reporting periods. In addition, under HKFRS 9, entities may make an irrevocable election to present subsequent changes in the fair value of an equity investment (that is not held for trading) in other comprehensive income, with only dividend income generally recognised in profit or loss.
- With regard to the measurement of financial liabilities designated as at fair value through profit or loss, HKFRS 9 requires that amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that liability is presented in other comprehensive income, unless the recognition of the effects of changes in the liability’s credit risk in other comprehensive income would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch in profit or loss. Changes in fair value of financial liabilities attributable to changes in the financial liabilities’ credit risk are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss. Under HKAS 39, the entire amount of the change in fair value of the financial liability designated as fair value through profit or loss was presented in profit or loss.
- In relation to the impairment of financial assets, HKFRS 9 requires an expected credit loss model, as opposed to an incurred credit loss model under HKAS 39. The expected credit loss model requires an entity to account for expected credit losses and changes in credit risk since initial recognition. In other words, it is no longer necessary for a credit event to have occurred before credit losses are recognised.
- The new general hedge accounting requirements retain the three types of hedge accounting. However, greater flexibility has been introduced to the types or transactions eligible for hedge accounting, specifically broadening the types of instruments that qualify for hedging instruments and the types of risk components of non-financial items that are eligible for hedge accounting. In addition, the effectiveness test has been overhauled and replaced with the principle of an “economic relationship”. Retrospective assessment of hedge effectiveness is also no longer required. Enhanced disclosure requirements about an entity’s risk management activities have also been introduced.

Based on an analysis of the Group’s financial assets and financial liabilities as at 31 December 2017 on the basis of the facts and circumstances that exist at that date, the directors of the Company have performed a preliminary assessment of the impact of HKFRS 9 to the Group’s consolidated financial statements. All financial assets and financial liabilities will continue to be measured on the same basis as is currently adopted under HKAS 39.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2017

2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”) (Continued)

HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments (Continued)

In general, the directors of the Company anticipate that the application of the expected credit loss model of HKFRS 9 will result in earlier recognition of credit losses for the respective items and are currently assessing the potential impact.

HKFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

HKFRS 15 was issued which establishes a single comprehensive model for entities to use in accounting for revenue arising from contracts with customers. HKFRS 15 will supersede the current revenue recognition guidance including HKAS 18 “Revenue”, HKAS 11 “Construction Contracts” and the related Interpretations when it becomes effective.

The core principle of HKFRS 15 is that an entity should recognise revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Specifically, the Standard introduces a 5-step approach to revenue recognition:

- Step 1: Identify the contract(s) with a customer
- Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract
- Step 3: Determine the transaction price
- Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- Step 5: Recognise revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation

Under HKFRS 15, 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. Far more prescriptive guidance has been added in HKFRS 15 to deal with specific scenarios. Furthermore, extensive disclosures are required by HKFRS 15.

In 2016, the HKICPA issued Clarifications to HKFRS 15 in relation to the identification of performance obligations, principal versus agent consideration, as well as licensing application guidance.

The directors anticipate that the application of HKFRS 15 in the future may result in more disclosures, however, they do not anticipate that the application of HKFRS 15 will have a material impact on the timing and amounts of revenue recognised in the respective reporting periods.

HKFRS 16 Leases

HKFRS 16 introduces a comprehensive model for the identification of lease arrangements and accounting treatments for both lessors and lessees. HKFRS 16 will supersede the current lease guidance including HKAS 17 “Leases” and the related interpretations when it becomes effective.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND REVISED HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (“HKFRSs”) (Continued)

HKFRS 16 Leases (Continued)

HKFRS 16 distinguishes leases and service contracts on the basis of whether an identified asset is controlled by a customer. Distinction of operating leases (off balance sheet) and finance leases (on balance sheet) are removed for lessee accounting, and is replaced by a model where a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability have to be recognised for all leases by lessees (that is, all on balance sheet) except for short-term leases and leases of low value assets.

The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost (subject to certain exceptions) less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, adjusted for any re-measurement of the lease liability. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date.

Subsequently, the lease liability is adjusted for interest and lease payments, as well as the impact of lease modifications, amongst others. Furthermore, the classification of cash flows will also be affected as operating lease payments under HKAS 17 are presented as operating cash flows: whereas under HKFRS 16, lease payments will be split into a principal and an interest portion which will be presented as financing cash flows.

In contrast to lessee accounting, HKFRS 16 substantially carries forward the lessor accounting requirements in HKAS 17, and continues to require a lessor to classify a lease either as an operating lease or a finance lease.

Furthermore, extensive disclosures are required by HKFRS 16.

HKFRS 16 will primarily affect the Group’s accounting as lessee of leases for properties, plant and equipment which are currently classified as operating leases. The application of HKFRS 16 is expected to lead to an increase in both assets and liabilities and to impact on the timing of the expense recognition in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income over the period of the lease.

As disclosed in Note 41(b), at 31 December 2017, the Group’s future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases amounted to HK\$1,588,000 for properties, the majority of which is payable within one year after the reporting date. A portion of this amount may therefore need to be recognised as lease liabilities, with corresponding right-of-use assets, once HKFRS 16 is adopted.

The Group will need to perform a more detailed analysis to determine the amounts of new assets and liabilities arising from operating lease commitments on adoption of HKFRS 16, after taking into account the applicability of the practical expedient and adjusting for any leases entered into or terminated between now and the adoption of HKFRS 16 and the effects of discounting.

The Group is considering whether to adopt HKFRS 16 before its effective date of 1 January 2019. However, early adoption of HKFRS 16 is only permitted if this is no earlier than the adoption of HKFRS 15. It is therefore unlikely that HKFRS 16 will be adopted before the effective date of HKFRS 15, being 1 January 2018.

Other than the above, the directors of the Company anticipate that the application of the other new and revised HKFRSs will have no material impact on the Group’s consolidated financial statements.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The GEM of the Stock Exchange and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain properties and financial instruments that are measured at fair values at the end of each reporting period, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in the exchange for goods and services.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these consolidated financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of HKFRS 2, leasing transactions that are within the scope of HKAS 17, and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realisable value in HKAS 2 or value in use in HKAS 36.

In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorised into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The principal accounting policies are set out below.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities (including structured entities) controlled by the Company and its subsidiaries. Control is achieved when the Company:

- has power over the investee;
- is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Basis of consolidation (Continued)

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

When the Company has less than a majority of the voting rights of an investee, it has power over the investee when the voting rights are sufficient to give it the practical ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee unilaterally. The Company considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether or not the Company's voting rights in an investee are sufficient to give it power, including:

- the size of the Company's holding of voting rights relative to the size and dispersion of holdings of the other vote holders;
- potential voting rights held by the Company, other vote holders or other parties;
- rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- any additional facts and circumstances that indicate that the Company has, or does not have, the current ability to direct the relevant activities at the time that decisions need to be made, including voting patterns at previous shareholders' meetings.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Specifically, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income from the date the Group gains control until the date when the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

Profit or loss and each item of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies into line with the Group's accounting policies.

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Basis of consolidation (Continued)

Changes in the Group's ownership interests in existing subsidiaries

Changes in the Group's ownership interests in existing subsidiaries that do not result in the Group losing control over the subsidiaries are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's interests and the non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to owners of the Company.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, a gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the previous carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary and any non-controlling interests. All amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that subsidiary are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities of the subsidiary (i.e. reclassified to profit or loss or transferred to another category of equity as specified/permitted by applicable HKFRSs). The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under HKAS 39 or, when applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or a joint venture.

Business combinations

Acquisitions of businesses are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are generally recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed are recognised at their fair value, except that:

- deferred tax assets or liabilities, and assets or liabilities related to employee benefit arrangements are recognised and measured in accordance with HKAS 12 "Income Taxes" and HKAS 19 "Employee Benefits" respectively;
- liabilities or equity instruments related to share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree or share-based payment arrangements of the Group entered into to replace share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree are measured in accordance with HKFRS 2 "Share-based Payment" at the acquisition date (see the accounting policy below); and
- assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sale in accordance with HKFRS 5 "Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations" are measured in accordance with that standard.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Business combinations (Continued)

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any) over the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. If, after reassessment, the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree (if any), the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

Non-controlling interests that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of the entity's net assets in the event of liquidation may be initially measured either at fair value or at the non-controlling interests' proportionate share of the recognised amounts of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. The choice of measurement basis is made on a transaction-by-transaction basis. Other types of non-controlling interests are measured at their fair value or, when applicable, on the basis specified in another HKFRS.

When a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date when the Group obtains control) and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss where such treatment would be appropriate if that interest were disposed of.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period, and additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised at that date. Measurement period adjustments are adjustments that arise from additional information obtained during the "measurement period" (which cannot exceed one year from the acquisition date) about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date.

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a business is carried at cost as established at the date of acquisition of the business (see the accounting policy above) less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units) that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination.

A cash-generating unit to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually, or more frequently when there is indication that the unit may be impaired. If the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit is less than its carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the unit and then to the other assets of the unit on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit. Any impairment loss for goodwill is recognised directly in profit or loss. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in subsequent period.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investments in associates

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence and that is neither a subsidiary nor an interest in a joint venture. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting. Under the equity method, investments in associates are initially recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the profits or losses and other comprehensive income of the associates. When the Group's share of losses of an associate exceeds the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of that associate.

On acquisition of investment in an associate, any excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the associate is recognised as goodwill, which is included within the carrying amount of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of acquisition, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss in the period in which the investment is acquired.

The requirements of HKAS 39 are applied to determine whether it is necessary to recognise any impairment loss with respect to the Group's investment in an associate. When necessary, the entire carrying amount of the investment (including goodwill) is tested for impairment in accordance with HKAS 36 "Impairment of Assets" as a single asset by comparing its recoverable amount (higher of value in use and fair value less costs to sell) with its carrying amount. Any impairment loss recognised forms part of the carrying amount of the investment. Any reversal of that impairment loss is recognised in accordance with HKAS 36 to the extent that the recoverable amount of the investment subsequently increases.

Where a group entity transacts with an associate, profits and losses resulting from the transactions with the associate are recognised in the Group's consolidated financial statements only to the extent of interests in the associate that are not related to the Group.

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment, including buildings held for use in the production or for administrative purposes, are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of assets less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation. Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value. All of the Group's property interests held under operating leases to earn rentals or for capital appreciation purposes are accounted for as investment properties and are measured using the fair value model. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from the disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination and recognised separately from goodwill are initially recognised at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost).

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Impairment losses on intangible and tangible assets (other than goodwill)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss, if any. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Where a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

Intangible assets within indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised as income immediately.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the weighted average basis and, in case of work in progress and finished goods, comprises direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of overhead. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for inventories less all estimated costs of completion and costs necessary to make the sale.

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Financial assets

The Group's financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") and loans and receivables. The classification depends on the nature and purpose of the financial assets and is determined at the time of initial recognition. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Interest income is recognised on an effective interest basis for debt instruments, other than those financial assets classified as at FVTPL, of which interest income is included in other income and gains.

Financial assets at FVTPL

Financial assets are classified as at FVTPL when the financial asset is held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is a part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Financial assets at FVTPL (Continued)

Financial assets at FVTPL are stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain recognised in profit or loss excludes any dividend or interest earned on the financial assets and is included in other income and gains. Fair value is determined in the manner described in Note 44c.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables (including loans receivable, accounts receivable, other receivables, amount due from non-controlling interests and bank balances and cash) are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any identified impairment losses (see accounting policy on impairment loss on financial assets below).

Impairment loss on financial assets

Financial assets are assessed for indicators of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Financial assets are considered to be impaired where there is objective evidence that, as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows of the financial assets have been affected.

For all financial assets, objective evidence of impairment could include:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or counterparty; or
- breach of contract, such as default or delinquency in interest and principal payments; or
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or financial re-organisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties.

For certain categories of financial assets, such as accounts receivable, assets that are assessed not to be impaired individually are, in addition, assessed for impairment on a collective basis. Objective evidence of impairment for a portfolio of receivables could include the Group's past experience of collecting payments, an increase in the number of delayed payments in the portfolio past the credit period, as well as observable changes in national or local economic conditions that correlate with default on receivables.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment loss recognised is the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate.

The carrying amount of the financial asset is reduced by the impairment loss directly for all financial assets with the exception of accounts receivable, where the carrying amount is reduced through the use of an allowance account. Changes in the carrying amount of the allowance account are recognised in profit or loss. When accounts receivable are considered uncollectible, they are written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited to profit or loss.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial assets (Continued)

Impairment loss on financial assets (Continued)

For financial assets measured at amortised cost, if, in a subsequent period, the amount of 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 at the date the impairment is reversed does not exceed what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised.

Financial liabilities and equity instruments

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by a group entity are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company are recognised at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Convertible bonds

The component parts of compound instruments (convertible bonds) issued by the Company are classified separately as financial liabilities and equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument. Conversion option that will be settled by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of the Company's own equity instruments is an equity instrument.

At the date of issue, the fair value of the liability component is estimated using the prevailing market interest rate for similar non-convertible instruments. This amount is recorded as a liability on an amortised cost basis using the effective interest method until extinguished upon conversion or at the instrument's maturity date.

The conversion option classified as equity is determined by deducting the amount of the liability component from the fair value of the compound instrument as a whole. This is recognised and included in equity, net of income tax effects, if any, and is not subsequently remeasured. In addition, the conversion option classified as equity will remain in equity until the conversion option is exercised, in which case, the balance recognised in equity will be transferred to share premium. When the conversion remains unexercised at the maturity date of the convertible bonds, the balance recognised in equity will be transferred to accumulated losses. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss upon conversion or expiration of the conversion option.

Transaction costs that relate to the issue of the convertible bonds are allocated to the liability and equity components in proportion to the allocation of the gross proceeds. Transaction costs relating to the equity component are recognised directly in equity. Transaction costs relating to the liability component are included in the carrying amount of the liability component and are amortised over the lives of the convertible bonds using the effective interest method.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Financial liabilities and equity instruments (Continued)

Financial liabilities at FVTPL

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liability is either held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL on initial recognition.

A financial liability other than a financial liability held for trading may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial liability forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the Group's documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis; or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and HKAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement permits the entire combined contract (asset or liability) to be designated as at FVTPL.

Financial liabilities at FVTPL (unlisted warrants) were stated at fair value, with any gains or losses arising on remeasurement recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss incorporates any interest paid on the financial liability.

Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities (including accounts payable, other payables and accruals, amount due to non-controlling interests, corporate bonds payable, and other borrowings) are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

Effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial liability and of allocating interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial liability, or where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Interest expense is recognised on an effective interest basis.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Derecognition

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity.

On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable and the cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity is recognised in profit or loss.

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in profit or loss.

Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is reduced for estimated customer returns, rebates and other similar allowances.

Sale of goods

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when the goods are delivered and titles have passed, at which time all the following conditions are satisfied:

- the Group has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods;
- the Group retains neither continuing managerial involvement to the degree usually associated with ownership nor effective control over the goods sold;
- the amount of revenue can be measured reliably;
- it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Group; and
- the cost incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably.

Provision of securities placing and brokerage services

Income from provision of securities placing and brokerage services is recognised when the relevant services have been rendered by the Group.

Rental income

The Group's accounting policy for recognition of revenue from operating leases is described in the accounting policy for leasing below.

Interest income

Interest income from a financial asset is recognised when it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the amount of income can be measured reliably. Interest income is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount on initial recognition.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Leasing

Leases are classified as finance leases whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

The Group as lessor

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

The Group as lessee

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant leases.

Leasehold land for own use

When a lease includes both land and building elements, the Group assesses the classification of each element as a finance or an operating lease separately based on the assessment as to whether substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of each element have been transferred to the Group, unless it is clear that both elements are operating leases in which case the entire is classified as an operating lease. Specifically, the minimum lease payments (including any lump-sum upfront payments) are allocated between the land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values of the leasehold interests in the land element and building element of the lease at the inception of the lease.

To the extent the allocation of the lease payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land that is accounted for as an operating lease is presented as "prepaid land lease payments" in the consolidated statement of financial position and is amortised over the lease term on a straight-line basis. When the lease payments cannot be allocated reliably between the land and building elements, the entire lease is generally classified as a finance lease and accounted for as property, plant and equipment.

Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recorded in the respective functional currency (i.e. the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates) at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of the reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the retranslation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's foreign operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. HK\$) using exchange rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rates for the year, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during the period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of exchange fluctuation reserve.

On the disposal of a foreign operation (i.e. a disposal of the Group's entire interest in a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation), all of the exchange differences accumulated in equity in respect of that operation attributable to the owners of the Company are reclassified to profit or loss.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets, until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Retirement benefit costs

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense when employees have rendered services entitling them to the contributions.

Share-based payment arrangements

Share-based payment transactions of the Company

Equity-settled share-based payments to employees and others providing similar services are measured at the fair value of the equity instruments at the grant date.

The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of equity instruments that will eventually vest, with a corresponding increase in equity.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group revises its estimates of the number of options that are expected to ultimately vest. The impact of the revision of the original estimates, if any, is recognised in profit or loss such that the cumulative expense reflects the revised estimate, with a corresponding adjustment to share option reserve.

For share options that vest immediately at the date of grant, the fair value of the share options granted is expensed immediately to profit or loss.

When share options are exercised, the amount previously recognised in share option reserve will be transferred to share premium. When share options are forfeited after the vesting date or are still not exercised at the expiry date, the amount previously recognised in share option reserve will be transferred to accumulated losses.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit before tax as reported in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Taxation (Continued)

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax base used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary difference to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit. In addition, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

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

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Current and deferred tax is recognised in profit or loss, except when it relates to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Cash and cash equivalents

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

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4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND ESTIMATES

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

The major judgments, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements and have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are set out below:

(a) Impairment of non-financial assets (other than goodwill)

The Group assesses whether there are any indications of impairment for all non-financial assets at the end of each reporting period. Non-financial assets are tested for impairment when there are indications that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. In addition, intangible assets within indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment at least annually. An impairment exists when the carrying amount of an asset or a cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. The calculation of the fair value less costs to sell is based on available information from binding sales transactions in an arm's length transaction of similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs for disposing of the asset. When value in use calculations are undertaken, management estimate the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit and choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows.

(b) Impairment of goodwill

The Group determines whether goodwill is impaired at least on an annual basis. This requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units to which the goodwill is allocated. Estimating the value in use requires the Group to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the cash-generating units and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of goodwill amounted to approximately HK\$18,302,000 (2016: HK\$18,302,000). No impairment of goodwill was recognised in profit or loss in respect of both of the years ended 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016.

(c) Useful life and residual value of property, plant and equipment

The Group determines the depreciation amount of property, plant and equipment based on the estimated useful life and residual value, which are reviewed at the end of each reporting period. The principal assumptions for the Group's estimation of the useful life and residual value include those related to the mode of operations, government regulations and scrap value of property, plant and equipment in future.

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4. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGMENTS AND ESTIMATES (Continued)

(d) Estimated allowance for inventories

Inventories are written down to net realisable value based on an assessment of their realisability. Impairments on inventories are recorded where events or changes in circumstances indicate that the balances may not be realised. The identification of impairments requires the use of judgment and estimates. Where the expectation is different from the original estimate, such difference will have impact on the carrying value of inventories and impairment of inventories in the period in which such estimate is changed. As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of inventories is HK\$Nil (2016: HK\$693,000). Impairment losses of inventories amounted to HK\$619,000 (2016: HK\$1,020,000) have been charged to profit or loss in respect of the year.

(e) Impairment loss recognised in respect of accounts and other receivables

The Group maintains an allowance for estimated loss arising from the inability of its debtors to make the required payments. The Group makes its estimates based on the ageing of debtors' balances, debtors' creditworthiness, and historical write-off experience. If the financial condition of its debtors was to deteriorate so that the actual impairment loss might be higher than expected, the Group would be required to revise the basis of making the allowance and its future results would be affected. As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of accounts receivable and other receivables amounted to an aggregate of HK\$43,986,000 (2016: HK\$54,847,000) and HK\$302,000 (2016: HK\$3,570,000) respectively, net of accumulated impairment losses amounted to HK\$5,210,000 (2016: HK\$26,573,000) and HK\$12,719,000 (2016: HK\$12,331,000) respectively.

(f) Impairment loss on loans receivable

Management regularly reviews the recoverability of the loans receivable. Appropriate impairment loss for estimated irrecoverable amount is recognised in profit and loss when there is objective evidence that the amount is not recoverable. In determining whether allowance for bad and doubtful debts is required, the Group takes into consideration the aged status and likelihood of collection. Specific allowance is only made for the loans receivable that are unlikely to be collected and is recognised on the difference between the carrying amount of loans receivable and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted using the original effective interest rate. As at 31 December 2017, the carrying amount of loans receivable is HK\$55,530,000 (2016: HK\$10,292,000). No impairment loss has been recognised on the loans receivable in respect of both of the years presented.

(g) Fair value measurements and valuation processes

Some of the Group's assets and liabilities are measured at fair value for financial reporting purposes. In estimating the fair value of an asset, the Group uses market-observable data to the extent it is available. Where Level 1 inputs are not available, the Group engages third party qualified valuers to establish the appropriate valuation techniques and inputs to the model. The Group uses valuation techniques that include inputs that are not based on observable market data to estimate the fair value of the investment properties. Detailed information about the valuation techniques, inputs and key assumptions used in the determination of the fair value of various assets is set out in Notes 17 and 44c.

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into the following reportable operating segments based on their products and services:

Continuing operations:

- Securities investment
- Trading of commodities
- Trading of garment accessories
- Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products
- Provision of securities placing and brokerage services
- Leasing of investment properties
- Money lending business

Discontinued operations:

- Manufacture and sales of straw briquettes

Management monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resources allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/loss, which is a measure of adjusted profit/loss before tax. The adjusted profit/loss before tax is measured consistently with the Group's profit/loss before tax except that bank interest income, loss on disposal of subsidiaries and associates, gain on change in fair value of unlisted warrants, impairment loss on investments in associates, finance costs, as well as other head office and corporate expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude unallocated head office and corporate assets as these assets are managed on a group basis.

Segment liabilities exclude unallocated head office and corporate liabilities as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(a) Segment revenue and results

	Segment revenue		Segment profit/(loss)	
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Continuing operations				
Securities investments	–	–	10,308	(3,706)
Trading of commodities	–	56,363	(17)	(17,363)
Trading of garment accessories	–	539	(272)	(9,472)
Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products	117	3,551	(5,555)	(4,088)
Provision of securities placing and brokerage services	8,218	3,363	(6,698)	1,365
Leasing of investment properties	540	90	1,477	63
Money lending business	7,085	–	7,073	–
	15,960	63,906	6,316	(33,201)
Discontinued operations				
Manufacture and sales of straw briquettes	–	–	–	–
	15,960	63,906	6,316	(33,201)

Segment revenue reported above represents revenue generated from external customers. There were no inter-segment sales in the current year (2016: Nil).

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Segment profit/(loss) reported above	6,316	(33,201)
Interest income from bank deposits	834	88
Other interest income	–	1,441
Loss on disposal of subsidiaries	–	(22,354)
Loss on disposal of associates	–	(203)
Gain on change in fair value of unlisted warrants	–	13,481
Impairment loss on investments in associates	–	(2,500)
Corporate and other unallocated expenses	(16,536)	(28,795)
Finance costs	(6,467)	(7,100)
Share of loss of associates	–	(91)
Loss before taxation	(15,853)	(79,234)
Taxation credit	1,330	875
Loss for the year	(14,523)	(78,359)

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(b) Segment assets and liabilities

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Segment assets		
Continuing operations		
Securities investments	12,103	26,145
Trading of commodities	–	35,354
Trading of garment accessories	11	989
Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products	452	6,161
Provision of securities placing and brokerage services	322,886	120,998
Leasing of investment properties	17,304	16,356
Money lending business	58,225	–
Total segment assets	410,981	206,003
Corporate and other unallocated assets	88,341	24,783
Total assets	499,322	230,786
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Segment liabilities		
Continuing operations		
Securities investments	–	–
Trading of commodities	–	–
Trading of garment accessories	8,379	8,217
Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products	1,816	3,020
Provision of securities placing and brokerage services	227,135	57,855
Leasing of investment properties	180	135
Money lending business	–	–
Total segment liabilities	237,510	69,227
Corporate and other unallocated liabilities	60,622	55,274
Total liabilities	298,132	124,501

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(b) Segment assets and liabilities (Continued)

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments:

- all assets are allocated to operating segments other than certain property, plant and equipment, investments in associates, other deposits and prepayments, other receivables, certain bank balances and cash and assets used jointly by reportable segments. Goodwill is allocated to segments as described in Note 18. Assets used jointly by segments are allocated on the basis of the revenues earned by individual segments; and
- all liabilities are allocated to operating segments other than certain other payables and accruals, corporate bonds payable, convertible bonds payables, other borrowings, income tax payable and deferred tax liabilities and liabilities for which reportable segments are jointly liable. Liabilities for which segments are jointly liable are allocated in proportion to segment assets.

(c) Other segment information

	Depreciation and amortisation		Additions to non-current assets	
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Continuing operations				
Trading of garment accessories	57	861	–	–
Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products	486	977	–	125
Provision of securities placing and brokerage services	361	41	208	11
Leasing of investment properties	–	–	–	16,352
	904	1,879	208	16,488
Discontinued operations				
Manufacture and sales of straw briquettes	–	–	–	–
	904	1,879	208	16,488
Unallocated	1,505	783	–	4,423
Consolidated total	2,409	2,662	208	20,911

The additions to non-current assets consist of additions to property, plant and equipment and investment properties and exclude assets from the acquisition of subsidiaries and financial assets.

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(c) Other segment information (Continued)

In addition to the depreciation and amortisation reported above, impairment losses totalling HK\$5,038,000 (2016: HK\$34,275,000) were recognised in respect of inventories, trade and other receivables and property, plant and equipment. These impairment losses were attributable to the following segments:

(i) Impairment loss in respect of inventories

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Continuing operations		
Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products	619	–
Trading of garment accessories	–	1,020
	619	1,020
Discontinued operations		
Manufacture and sales of straw briquettes	–	–
	619	1,020

(ii) Impairment loss in respect of trade and other receivables

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Continuing operations		
Trading of commodities	–	21,363
Trading of garment accessories	23	5,210
	23	26,573
Discontinued operations		
Manufacture and sales of straw briquettes	–	–
	23	26,573
Unallocated	365	4,777
	388	31,350

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(c) Other segment information (Continued)

(iii) Impairment loss in respect of property, plant and equipment

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Continuing operations		
Trading of garment accessories	188	1,905
Manufacture and sales of LED digital display products	3,843	–
Discontinued operations		
Manufacture and sales of straw briquettes	–	–
	4,031	1,905

(d) Geographical information

(i) Revenue from external customers

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Hong Kong	15,843	34,355
Mainland China	117	29,551
	15,960	63,906

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

(ii) Non-current assets

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Hong Kong	51,968	42,383
Mainland China	–	5,190
	51,968	47,573

The non-current assets information is based on the locations of the assets and excludes goodwill.

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5. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

(e) Information about major customers

No single customer contributed to 10% or more to the Group's revenue for the year ended 31 December 2017. Revenue from customers contributed 10% or more of the total revenue of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2016 as follows:

Revenue generated from		2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Customer A	Trading of commodities	–	30,363
Customer B	Trading of commodities	–	26,000
		–	56,363

6. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents the aggregate of net invoiced value of goods sold, after allowances for returns, trade discounts and sales related taxes, income from provision of securities placing and brokerage services, rental income from lease of investment properties and interest from loans receivable, analysed as follows:

	2017			2016		
	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Revenue						
Sales of goods	117	–	117	60,453	–	60,453
Provision of securities placing and brokerage services	8,218	–	8,218	3,363	–	3,363
Rental income from lease of investment properties	540	–	540	90	–	90
Interest income from loans receivable	7,085	–	7,085	–	–	–
Total revenue	15,960	–	15,960	63,906	–	63,906

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6. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS (Continued)

	2017			2016		
	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Other income and gains						
Gain on change in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss						
– Net realised gain on sale of listed securities	10,316	–	10,316	–	–	–
– Net unrealised gain on listed securities	–	–	–	1,631	–	1,631
	10,316	–	10,316	1,631	–	1,631
Dividend income	210	–	210	–	–	–
Exchange gains, net	8	–	8	211	–	211
Interest income from						
– bank deposits	834	–	834	88	–	88
– loans receivable	–	–	–	1,441	–	1,441
Rental income	264	–	264	247	–	247
Others	229	–	229	561	–	561
Total other income and gains	11,861	–	11,861	4,179	–	4,179

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7. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

	2017			2016		
	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Impairment losses recognised in respect of:						
– Property, plant and equipment (Note 16)	4,031	–	4,031	1,905	–	1,905
– Investments in associates (Note 20)	–	–	–	2,500	–	2,500
– Inventories (Note 22)	619	–	619	1,020	–	1,020
– Trade receivables (Note 23)	–	–	–	26,573	–	26,573
– Proceeds receivable from disposal of subsidiaries (Note 24a)	–	–	–	4,777	–	4,777
– Other receivables (Note 24b)	388	–	388	–	–	–
Loss on disposal of associates (Note 20)	–	–	–	203	–	203
Loss on change in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss						
– Net realised loss on sale of listed securities	–	–	–	5,337	–	5,337
– Net unrealised loss on listed securities	218	–	218	–	–	–
	5,256	–	5,256	42,315	–	42,315

8. FINANCE COSTS

	2017			2016		
	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Interest on:						
– Bank overdraft	–	–	–	2	–	2
– Convertible bonds payable (Note 34)	5,356	–	5,356	4,725	–	4,725
– Corporate bonds payable (Note 31)	897	–	897	1,530	–	1,530
– Other borrowings (Note 32)	214	–	214	843	–	843
	6,467	–	6,467	7,100	–	7,100

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9. LOSS BEFORE TAXATION

The Group's loss before taxation is arrived at after charging:

	2017			2016		
	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Directors' remuneration (<i>Note 10</i>)	3,164	–	3,164	3,392	–	3,392
Other staff costs (excluding directors' remuneration):						
Wages, salaries and allowances	10,393	–	10,393	7,128	–	7,128
Contribution to retirement schemes	351	–	351	156	–	156
Total staff costs	13,908	–	13,908	10,676	–	10,676
Auditor's remuneration						
– audit services	620	–	620	650	–	650
Cost of inventories sold	115	–	115	57,240	–	57,240
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	2,409	–	2,409	2,662	–	2,662
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	5	–	5	164	–	164
Rental charges on land and buildings under operating leases	3,739	–	3,739	3,223	–	3,223

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10. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

Details of emoluments paid by the Group to the directors of the Company are as follows:

	Fees HK\$'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Pension scheme contribution HK\$'000	Total remuneration HK\$'000
2017				
<i>Executive directors:</i>				
Mr. Ma Arthur On-hing (<i>note i</i>)	–	650	9	659
Mr. Mui Wai Sum (<i>note iii</i>)	–	100	–	100
Ms. Kwan Kar Ching	–	1,188	18	1,206
Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin (<i>note iv</i>)	–	840	–	840
<i>Independent non-executive directors:</i>				
Mr. Hung Cho Sing	120	–	–	120
Mr. Luk Kin Ting (<i>note viii</i>)	120	–	–	120
Ms. Wong Ka Yan (<i>note ix</i>)	20	–	–	20
Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John (<i>note x</i>)	34	–	–	34
Mr. Ong King Keung (<i>note xi</i>)	65	–	–	65
	359	2,778	27	3,164
2016				
<i>Executive directors:</i>				
Mr. Ma Arthur On-hing (<i>note i</i>)	–	1,300	18	1,318
Mr. Shan Biao (<i>note ii</i>)	–	260	–	260
Mr. Mui Wai Sum (<i>note iii</i>)	–	260	–	260
Ms. Kwan Kar Ching	–	585	13	598
Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin (<i>note iv</i>)	–	586	–	586
<i>Non-executive director:</i>				
Mr. Chen Wai Chung Edmund (<i>note v</i>)	10	–	–	10
<i>Independent non-executive directors:</i>				
Mr. Ho Chun Kit Gregory (<i>note vi</i>)	70	–	–	70
Mr. Ho Wai Shing (<i>note vii</i>)	60	–	–	60
Mr. Hung Cho Sing	120	–	–	120
Mr. Luk Kin Ting (<i>note viii</i>)	60	–	–	60
Ms. Wong Ka Yan (<i>note ix</i>)	50	–	–	50
	370	2,991	31	3,392

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10. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION (Continued)

Notes:

- (i) Mr. Ma Arthur On-hing was resigned executive director of the Company on 30 June 2017.
- (ii) Mr. Shan Biao resigned as executive director of the Company on 30 June 2016.
- (iii) Mr. Mui Wai Sum was resigned executive director of the Company on 19 May 2017.
- (iv) Ms. Hsin Yi-Chin was appointed executive director of the Company on 20 April 2016.
- (v) Mr. Chen Wai Chung Edmund resigned as non-executive director of the Company on 15 January 2016.
- (vi) Mr. Ho Chun Kit Gregory resigned as independent non-executive director of the Company on 1 August 2016.
- (vii) Mr. Ho Wai Shing resigned as independent non-executive director of the Company on 30 June 2016.
- (viii) Mr. Luk Kin Ting was appointed independent non-executive director of the Company on 30 June 2016.
- (ix) Ms. Wong Ka Yan was appointed independent non-executive director of the Company on 1 August 2016 and resigned on 28 February 2017.
- (x) Mr. Kam Hou Yin, John was appointed independent non-executive director of the Company on 18 September 2017.
- (xi) Mr. Ong King Keung was appointed independent non-executive director of the Company on 28 February 2017 and resigned on 15 September 2017.

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11. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

The 5 highest paid employees during the year included 2 directors (2016: 1 director) whose remuneration are included in directors' remuneration as set out in Note 10 above. Details of the remuneration of the remaining 3 highest paid employees (2016: 4 employees) are as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Salaries, allowances and other benefits	2,629	5,265
Pension scheme contribution	54	90
	2,683	5,355

The remuneration of these 3 highest paid employees (2016: 4 employees) fell within the following bands:

	2017 Number of employees	2016 Number of employees
Nil to HK\$1,000,000	2	2
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,000	1	2
	3	4

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12. TAXATION CREDIT/(CHARGE)

	2017			2016		
	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000	Continuing operations HK\$'000	Discontinued operations HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Current tax						
Hong Kong Profits Tax						
– current year	(77)	–	(77)	(260)	–	(260)
– over-provision in prior years	1,116	–	1,116	–	–	–
	1,039	–	1,039	(260)	–	(260)
Deferred tax credit (Note 35)	291	–	291	1,135	–	1,135
Taxation credit for the year	1,330	–	1,330	875	–	875

Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% (2016: 16.5%) on the estimated assessable profits for the year.

Taxes on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the tax rates prevailing in the jurisdictions in which the Group operates.

The income tax expense can be reconciled to loss before tax per the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Loss before taxation from:		
Continuing operations	(15,853)	(56,880)
Discontinued operations (Note 13)	–	(22,354)
Loss before taxation	(15,853)	(79,234)
Tax calculated at the tax rate of 16.5% (2016: 16.5%)	(2,615)	(13,074)
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax	937	15,248
Tax effect of income not subject to tax	(206)	(3,008)
Tax effect of deductible temporary differences not recognised	–	(2,003)
Tax effect of tax loss not recognised	554	1,962
Taxation credit	(1,330)	(875)

Following the cessation of straw briquettes business in Mainland China in the prior years, the Group's activities are substantially carried out in Hong Kong. In the preparation of the above reconciliation, the Hong Kong Profits Tax rate of 16.5% has been taken as the applicable tax rate for the current and the prior years.

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13. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

During the year ended 31 December 2016, following the disposal of the Company's subsidiary, Shengyan, as detailed in Note 40, the Group discontinued its business of manufacture and sales of straw briquette on 31 March 2016. An analysis of the results attributable to the discontinued operations in respect of the year ended 31 December 2016 is as follows:

	1.1.2016 to 31.3.2016 HK\$'000
Loss from the discontinued operations	–
Loss on disposal of subsidiaries (<i>Note 40</i>)	(22,354)
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	(22,354)
Loss for the year from discontinued operations attributable to:	
Owners of the Company	(22,354)
Non-controlling interests	–
Loss for the year from discontinued operations	(22,354)

The loss from the discontinued operations are analysed as follows:

	<i>Notes</i>	1.1.2016 to 31.3.2016 HK\$'000
Revenue	6	–
Other income and gains	6	–
Administrative expenses		–
Other operating expenses	7	–
Finance costs	8	–
Loss before taxation		–
Taxation credit	12	–
Loss from the discontinued operations		–
Cash flows from discontinued operations		
Net cash outflows from operating activities		(8)
Net cash flows from investing activities		–
Net cash flows from financing activities		–
		(8)

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14. DIVIDENDS

No dividend was paid or proposed during the year ended 31 December 2017, nor has any dividend been proposed since the end of the reporting date (2016: Nil).

15. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic and diluted loss per share attributable to the owners of the Company is as follows:

	Continuing operations		Continuing and discontinued operations	
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Loss				
Loss for the purpose of basic loss per share				
Loss for the year attributable to owners of the Company	(9,741)	(49,543)	(9,741)	(71,897)
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:				
Interest on convertible bonds, net of tax effects	4,472	4,725	4,472	4,725
Loss for the purpose of diluted loss per share	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			2017 '000	2016 '000
Number of shares				
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of basic loss per share			2,345,382	1,288,512
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:				
Convertible bonds			326,316	327,089
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of diluted loss per share			2,671,698	1,615,601

The weighted average number of ordinary shares for both of the years shown above is calculated after taking account of the effect arising from the open offer of shares of the Company made during the current year (Note 36c).

Diluted loss per share for the years ended 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016 is not presented because the Group sustained a loss for each of these years and the impact of conversion of convertible bonds and exercise of share options and unlisted warrants is regarded as anti-dilutive.

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16. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Buildings HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Machinery, furniture and equipment HK\$'000	Motor vehicles HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
COST OR VALUATION					
At 1 January 2016	6,914	26,827	75,887	4,939	114,567
Additions	–	11	125	4,423	4,559
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 39)	–	551	388	532	1,471
Disposals	–	–	(5)	(532)	(537)
Derecognised on disposal of subsidiaries (Note 40)	(6,914)	(21,678)	(68,869)	(4,939)	(102,400)
Exchange realignment	–	(225)	(149)	–	(374)
At 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	–	5,486	7,377	4,423	17,286
Additions	–	191	17	–	208
Disposals	–	(3,926)	(6,566)	–	(10,492)
Exchange realignment	–	108	72	–	180
At 31 December 2017	–	1,859	900	4,423	7,182
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION AND IMPAIRMENT					
At 1 January 2016	6,914	21,986	69,772	4,939	103,611
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 39)	–	269	84	42	395
Depreciation for the year	–	1,258	1,240	164	2,662
Eliminated on disposals	–	–	(5)	(44)	(49)
Eliminated on disposal of subsidiaries (Note 40)	(6,914)	(21,678)	(68,869)	(4,939)	(102,400)
Impairment losses recognised in profit or loss (Note 7)	–	–	1,905	–	1,905
Exchange realignment	–	(41)	(18)	–	(59)
At 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	–	1,794	4,109	162	6,065
Depreciation for the year	–	1,169	355	885	2,409
Eliminated on disposals	–	(3,921)	(5,808)	–	(9,729)
Impairment losses recognised in profit or loss (Note 7)	–	2,207	1,824	–	4,031
Exchange realignment	–	26	12	–	38
At 31 December 2017	–	1,275	492	1,047	2,814
CARRYING AMOUNTS					
At 31 December 2017	–	584	408	3,376	4,368
At 31 December 2016	–	3,692	3,268	4,261	11,221

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16. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

The property, plant and machinery, other than buildings, are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment, if any. The buildings, which are situated in the PRC, were carried at fair value on Level 3 fair value measurement. These buildings were disposed of during the year ended 31 December 2016.

The above items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, less their residual values as follows:

Buildings	Remaining lease terms of the relevant land
Leasehold improvements	2–5 years
Machinery, furniture and equipment	3–10 years
Motor vehicles	5 years

During the current year, a fire accident occurred at the production line of LED digital display products which resulted in the suspension of the manufacture of such products. Impairment loss on certain property, plant and equipment of the production line has been made based on their estimated selling prices, comprising impairment losses on leasehold improvements and machinery, furniture and equipment amounted to approximately HK\$2,207,000 (2016: Nil) and HK\$1,824,000 (2016: Nil) respectively. The impairment loss was recognised in profit or loss in respect of the current year and was included in other operating expenses (*Note 7*).

During the prior year ended 31 December 2016, following the temporary suspension of the trading of garment accessories business, management of the Company conducted a review of the economic viability of the Group's property, plant and equipment relating to this business. Impairment loss of HK\$1,905,000 on such assets, based on their estimated selling prices, was recognised in profit or loss in respect of the prior year and included in other operating expenses (*Note 7*).

17. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The Group's investment properties comprise:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Investment properties in Hong Kong	17,300	16,352

Note:

The Group's investment properties represent office premises which are located in Hong Kong held under land on long lease and were rented out under operating leases as at 31 December 2017.

The fair values of the Group's investment properties at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016 have been arrived at on the basis of valuations carried out at those dates by Chung Hin Appraisals Limited and B.I. Appraisals Limited respectively, both of which are independent qualified professional valuers not connected with the Group.

The fair value of investment properties is a level 3 recurring fair value measurement. A reconciliation of the opening and closing fair value balance is provided below.

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
At the beginning of the year	16,352	–
Additions	–	16,352
Change in fair value	948	–
At the end of the year	17,300	16,352

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17. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (Continued)

The investment properties were revalued on direct comparison approach by making reference to comparable sale evidence as available in the relevant market or, wherever appropriate, the investment approach by taking into account the current rents passing and the reversionary income potential of the tenancies.

The significant unobservable inputs into the valuation technique include:

Estimated rental value	Based on the actual view, type and quality of the properties and supported by the terms of any existence lease, other contracts and external evidence such as current market rents for similar properties
Discount rate	Reflecting current market assessments of the uncertainty in the amount and timing of cash flows
Premium or discount for quality of properties	Quality of properties, such as view, time, location, size, level and condition of the properties

The following table gives information about how the fair values of these investment properties are determined (in particular, the valuation techniques and inputs used):

Properties and location	Fair value	Valuation techniques	Significant unobservable inputs	Range of significant unobservable inputs	Interrelationship between key unobservable inputs and fair value measurement
Office premises located in Hong Kong	31 December 2017: HK\$17,300,000 31 December 2016: HK\$16,352,000	investment approach	unit rent and market yield	2017: HK\$42 to 59 (unit rent) and 2.6% to 3.1% (yield) 2016: HK\$31 to 46 (unit rent) and 1.82% to 3.05% yield	the higher the rental the higher the market value; the higher the market yield the lower the market value

The fair value measurement is based on the above properties' highest and best use, which does not differ from their actual use.

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18. GOODWILL

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Cost		
At the beginning of the year	18,811	509
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 39)	–	18,302
At the end of the year	18,811	18,811
Impairment		
At the beginning and at the end of the year	(509)	(509)
Carrying amounts		
At the end of the year	18,302	18,302

Goodwill has been allocated for impairment testing purposes to the following cash-generating units (“CGUs”)

- Trading of garment accessories undertaken by a subsidiary, Mark Wish Limited (“**Mark Wish**”)
- Provision of securities placing and brokerage services undertaken by a subsidiary, KOALA Securities Limited (“**KOALA Securities**”)

The carrying amounts of goodwill (net of accumulated impairment losses) as at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016 allocated to these units are as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Mark Wish	–	–
KOALA Securities	18,302	18,302
	18,302	18,302

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18. GOODWILL (Continued)

The basis of the recoverable amounts of the above CGUs and their major underlying assumptions are summarised below.

Mark Wish

In view that this cash-generating unit is not profitable, impairment loss on the goodwill of HK\$509,000 attributable to the cash-generating unit has been fully recognised in prior years.

KOALA Securities

The recoverable amount of this group of cash generating units is determined based on a value in use calculation which uses cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management of the Group covering a five-year period, and a discount rate of 24.01% (2016: 22.11%) per annum.

Cash flow projection during the budget period are based on the same expected gross margins throughout the budget period. The cash flows beyond that five-year period have been extrapolated using a steady growth rate of 2% (2016: 3%) per annum which is projected long-term average growth rate. The directors believe that any reasonably possible change in the key assumptions on which the recoverable amount is based would not cause the carrying amount of the group of units to exceed the aggregate recoverable amount.

19. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Securities brokerage licence	
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
COST		
At the beginning of the year	20,000	–
Acquisition of subsidiary (Note 39)	–	20,000
At the end of the year	20,000	20,000

The securities brokerage licence is held by a subsidiary, KOALA Securities. Under the securities brokerage licence, KOALA Securities is entitled to carry out Type 1 (dealing in securities) and Type 4 (advising on securities) regulated activities under the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

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19. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (Continued)

Impairment assessments for securities brokerage licence with indefinite useful life

Management assesses impairment of securities brokerage licence with indefinite useful life annually using the value in use method calculated based on cash flow projections of the business of provision of securities placing and brokerage services undertaken by KOALA Securities (*Note 18*) to which the intangible asset relates.

Based on the impairment assessment, management considers that no impairment loss on the intangible asset is required to be made in the consolidated financial statements.

20. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	–	–
Share of post-acquisition loss and other comprehensive expense	–	–
	–	–

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Movements during the year are as follows:		
At beginning of the year	–	4,924
Share of post-acquisition losses and other comprehensive expense	–	(91)
Impairment loss recognised	–	(2,500)
Eliminated on disposal	–	(2,333)
At end of the year	–	–

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20. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES (Continued)

The unlisted shares represented 30% equity interest in Summus Asia Limited (“**Summus Asia**”), an entity incorporated in the British Virgin Islands. Summus Asia, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, was principally engaged in the provision of limousine services.

In view of the continuous operating losses sustained by the associates, impairment loss amounted to HK\$2,500,000 on costs of investments in associates was recognised in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2016 and was included in other operating expenses (*Note 7*).

On 19 September 2016, the Company disposed of 30% equity interest in Summus Asia for the consideration which was satisfied by the waiver of the amounts due by the Group to the associates amounted to HK\$2,130,000. The disposal resulted in a loss of HK\$203,000 and was included in other operating expenses (*Note 7*). The settlement of the disposal consideration is regarded as a non-cash item in the preparation of the consolidated statement of cash flows.

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21. LOANS RECEIVABLE

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Loans and interests thereon		
– receivable within one year	45,230	10,292
– receivable in the second to fifth years	10,300	–
	55,530	10,292

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Analysed for reporting purposes:		
Classified under		
– non-current assets	10,300	–
– current assets	45,230	10,292
	55,530	10,292

Movements during the year are as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
At 1 January	10,292	8,851
Loan made by the Group	109,000	–
Interest on loans receivable	7,085	1,441
Loans and interest repaid	(70,847)	–
At 31 December	55,530	10,292

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21. LOANS RECEIVABLE (Continued)

Details of the loans receivable from each of the borrowers as at 31 December 2017 are as follows:

Loan principal amount	Interest rate	Maturity date	Security pledged
HK\$'000			
3,000	20% per annum	3 February 2017	Nil
2,000	12% per annum	18 August 2017	62.5% equity interest in a subsidiary of the borrower
3,000	20% per annum	19 August 2017	Nil
4,000	24% per annum	28 February 2018	Nil
10,000	24% per annum	30 June 2018	Nil
10,000	36% per annum	14 August 2018	Nil
10,000	30% per annum	5 September 2018	Nil
10,000	36% per annum	1 December 2019	Personal guarantee by the director of the borrower
52,000			

Loans and interest receivable are to be settled by the borrowers at the respective maturity dates.

Included in loans and interest receivable are past due receivables amounted to HK\$10,880,000 which have been fully settled by the borrowers subsequent to 31 December 2017.

22. INVENTORIES

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Raw materials	–	133
Work in progress	–	89
Finished goods	–	471
	–	693

As a result of the fire accident occurred at the production line of LED digital display products, as detailed in Note 16, certain finished goods were damaged, impairment loss on these finished goods amounted to HK\$619,000 (2016: Nil) has been recognised in respect of the current year and were included in other operating expenses.

For the year ended 31 December 2016, impairment losses on finished goods amounted to HK\$1,020,000 were recognised and were included in other operating expenses.

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23. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Trade receivables	5,319	62,206
Less: Impairment loss recognised	(5,210)	(26,573)
	109	35,633
Accounts receivable from the business of securities brokerage: Clearing house, brokers and cash clients	43,877	19,214
	43,986	54,847

Trade receivables

The ageing analysis of trade receivables, net of impairment loss, based on delivery date is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Within 90 days	–	573
91–180 days	–	–
181–365 days	16	35,060
More than 365 days	93	–
	109	35,633

The majority of the Group's sales are on open account in accordance with terms specified in the contracts governing relevant transactions. An average credit period of 180 days (2016: 180 days) is granted to customers. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. An aging analysis of the Group's trade receivables, that are past due but not impaired, is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Past due:		
within 180 days	16	35,060
more than 180 days	93	–
	109	35,060

The Group reviews customer credit limit regularly based on historical repayment record. Having considered the credit quality of the customers and the past experience of debts settlement, management of the Group is of the view that these trade receivables are fully recoverable and impairment loss on the receivables is not required to be made.

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23. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (Continued)

Trade receivables (Continued)

Included in trade receivables past due at 31 December 2016 are gross receivables from sales of fertilisers and other commodities amounted to an aggregate of HK\$56,363,000 of which impairment losses amounted to HK\$21,363,000 have been recognised in the prior year. These receivables were fully settled during the current year.

The table below reconciled the impairment of trade receivables for the year:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Balance at beginning of the year	26,573	46,473
Impairment loss recognised (<i>Note 7</i>)	–	26,573
Eliminated on disposal of subsidiaries	–	(46,473)
Eliminated on repayment	(21,363)	–
Balance at end of the year	5,210	26,573

Accounts receivable from the business of securities brokerage

The settlement terms of accounts receivable from clearing house, brokers and cash clients, which arose from the business of securities brokerage, are two days after trade date. Included in accounts receivable from clearing house, brokers and cash clients are receivables with an aggregate carrying amount of HK\$18,878,000 (2016: HK\$5,388,000) which are past due but not impaired at the reporting date. Such amounts have been settled subsequent to 31 December 2017, accordingly no provision is considered necessary.

No ageing analysis of the accounts receivable from clearing house, brokers and cash clients is disclosed as management of the Group is of the view that the ageing analysis does not give additional value in view of the nature of this business.

24. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Other deposits and prepayments	2,261	3,111
Proceeds receivable from disposal of subsidiaries (<i>note a</i>)	–	3,000
Other receivables (<i>note b</i>)	302	570
	2,563	6,681

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24. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) An analysis of the proceeds receivable from disposal of subsidiaries is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Proceeds receivable	4,777	7,777
Less: Impairment loss recognised	(4,777)	(4,777)
	–	3,000

The proceeds receivable represents the consideration amounted to HK\$3,000,000 and HK\$4,777,000 for the disposal of the Group's 100% equity interests in the subsidiaries, Rich Share Global Limited ("Rich Share") and A-Plus Glory Capital Limited ("A-Plus") during the years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2015 respectively. The proceeds receivable are unsecured and interest free. The receivable from disposal of Rich Share was settled in full in January 2017. The receivable from disposal of A-Plus is past due and remained outstanding. During the year ended 31 December 2016, as it is not certain that the receivable from disposal of A-Plus will be settled by the purchaser, management of the Group considers it appropriate to recognise an impairment loss of HK\$4,777,000 on the receivable which was included in other operating expenses (Note 7).

- (b) An analysis of other receivables is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Other receivables	8,244	8,124
Less: Impairment loss recognised	(7,942)	(7,554)
	302	570

The table below reconciled the impairment of other receivables:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Balance at beginning of the year	7,554	12,338
Impairment loss recognised (Note 7)	388	–
Eliminated on disposal of subsidiaries	–	(4,784)
Balance at end of the year	7,942	7,554

25. AMOUNT DUE FROM NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS

The amount due from non-controlling interests is unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

26. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Equity securities listed in Hong Kong, at fair value (Note 44c(i))	12,226	26,145

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27. BANK BALANCES AND CASH

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Bank balances and cash		
– trust accounts (<i>note a</i>)	191,648	43,267
– general accounts and cash (<i>note b</i>)	133,154	22,986
	324,802	66,253

Notes:

- (a) The Group receives and holds money deposited by clients and other institutions during the course of its regulated securities brokerage business. These clients' monies are maintained in one or more trust bank accounts and bear interest at commercial rates. The Group has recognised the corresponding accounts payable to respective clients and other institutions. The Group currently does not have an enforceable right to offset those payables with the deposits placed.
- (b) The general accounts and cash comprise cash held by the Group and bank deposits bearing interest at commercial rates with original maturity of three months or less.

28. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Trade payables	5,805	6,468
Accounts payable from the business of securities brokerage: Clearing house, brokers and cash clients	216,469	56,780
	222,274	63,248

In general, the credit period on purchase of goods granted by suppliers ranged from 30 to 180 days. An ageing analysis of the Group's trade payables, based on invoice date, is as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Within 30 days	–	166
31–90 days	–	294
91–180 days	–	320
181–365 days	6	–
More than 365 days	5,799	5,688
	5,805	6,468

The settlement terms of accounts payable arising from the business of securities brokerage are two days after trade date. No ageing analysis of these accounts payable is disclosed as management of the Group is of the view that the ageing analysis does not give additional value in view of the nature of this business.

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29. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Other payables	2,786	2,368
Accrued charges	6,506	5,872
	9,292	8,240

30. AMOUNT DUE TO NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS

The amount due to non-controlling interests is unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

31. CORPORATE BONDS PAYABLE

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Carrying amount of corporate bonds due on:		
– 29 September 2021	7,066	6,549
– 9 March 2022	8,143	7,763
	15,209	14,312

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Analysed for reporting purposes:		
Classified under non-current liabilities		
– payable in the second to fifth years	15,209	6,549
– payable more than five years	–	7,763
	15,209	14,312

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31. CORPORATE BONDS PAYABLE (Continued)

Movements in the corporate bonds payable are as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
At beginning of the year	14,312	24,882
Interest on bonds accrued (Note 8)	897	1,530
Repayment of principal amount	–	(11,000)
Interest paid	–	(1,100)
At end of the year	15,209	14,312

During the year ended 31 December 2014, the Company issued unsecured corporate bonds with the aggregate principal amounts of HK\$31,000,000, giving rise to a total gross proceed of HK\$31,000,000 (before expenses). Total proceeds received by the Company amounted to HK\$24,500,000 which have been arrived at after deducting interests on the bonds prepaid amounted to HK\$6,500,000.

One of the unsecured corporate bonds with the aggregate principal amount of HK\$11,000,000 matured on 7 September 2015. The Company entered into an agreement with the bondholder, under which the repayment of the outstanding principal of HK\$11,000,000 was extended to 7 September 2016 and interests on such bond are calculated at 12% per annum. This portion of the corporate bonds was fully paid on 4 July 2016.

At 31 December 2017, the corporate bonds with the principal amount of HK\$20,000,000 (2016: HK\$20,000,000) remained outstanding. Interests on the bonds due on 29 September 2021 and due on 9 March 2022 is calculated at the effective interest rate of 8.78% (2016: 8.78%) per annum and 4.92% (2016: 4.92%) per annum respectively. Details of the corporate bonds outstanding at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016 are as follows:

	Corporate bonds due on 29 September 2021	9 March 2022
Date of issue	30 September 2014	10 September 2014
Principal amount	HK\$10,000,000	HK\$10,000,000
Interest rate	5% per annum	4% per annum
Maturity period	7 years	7.5 years

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32. OTHER BORROWINGS

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Loans from third parties		
– secured	–	–
– unsecured	1,000	1,000
	1,000	1,000

During the year ended 31 December 2016, a subsidiary of the Company obtained unsecured short term loan amounted to HK\$1,000,000 from a third party which carries interests at 12% per annum and is repayable on 25 January 2017. Such loan remained outstanding as at 31 December 2017 and 31 December 2016 which carries interests at 20% per annum, being the default interest rate specified in the relevant loan agreement.

33. UNLISTED WARRANTS

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
At beginning of the year	–	13,481
Gain on change in fair value recognised in profit or loss	–	(13,481)
At end of the year	–	–

The unlisted warrants at 1 January 2016 represent warrants issued by the Company which entitled the warrant holder to subscribe approximately 136,565,000 new shares of the Company at the subscription price of HK\$0.2929 per share during the exercise period up to 8 August 2016. During the year ended 31 December 2016, the unlisted warrants lapsed following the expiration of the exercise period, and no new shares was issued by the Company under the terms of the warrants.

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34. CONVERTIBLE BONDS PAYABLE

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Liability component of convertible bonds payable	28,795	24,369
Analysed for reporting purpose:		
Classified under		
– non-current liabilities	–	24,369
– current liabilities	28,795	–
	28,795	24,369

On 16 July 2015, the Company issued 3% convertible bonds due on 15 July 2018 at the principal amount of HK\$80,000,000 to a third party for a cash consideration of HK\$80,000,000. The convertible bonds can be converted into ordinary shares at an initial conversion price of HK\$0.095 per share from the day immediately following the date of the issue of convertible bonds to the maturity date of 15 July 2018. If the convertible bonds have not been converted, they will be redeemed at par on the maturity date.

During the year ended 31 December 2015, the convertible bonds with an aggregate principal amount of HK\$49,000,000 were converted into approximately 515,789,000 new shares of the Company at the conversion price of HK\$0.095 per share.

No conversion of the convertible bonds into new shares of the Company took place during the years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2017. At 31 December 2017, the convertible bonds with an aggregate principal amount of HK\$31,000,000 (2016: HK\$31,000,000) remained outstanding.

The convertible bonds contain two components: liability and equity elements. The fair value of the liability component at the date of issue was calculated using the discount rate of 22.11% per annum, being the estimated market rates for a similar non-convertible bonds at that date. The fair value of the equity component at the date of issue was valued using the Binomial Model.

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34. CONVERTIBLE BONDS PAYABLE (Continued)

Movements of the liability component and equity component of the convertible bonds are set out below:

	Liability component HK\$'000	Equity component HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Carrying amount at 1 January 2016	20,752	74,286	95,038
Interest expense accrued (Note 8)	4,725	–	4,725
Interest paid	(1,108)	–	(1,108)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	24,369	74,286	98,655
Interest expense accrued (Note 8)	5,356	–	5,356
Interest paid	(930)	–	(930)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2017	28,795	74,286	103,081

The effective interest rate at 31 December 2017 in respect of the liability component of the convertible bonds is 22.37% (2016: 22.37%) per annum.

35. DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES

Movements in the deferred tax liabilities during the year are as follows:

	Fair value adjustments on business combination HK\$'000	Accelerated depreciation allowance HK\$'000	Unrealised gain on listed securities HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2016	–	(18)	(1,665)	(1,683)
Arising from acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 39)	(3,217)	–	–	(3,217)
(Charged)/credited to profit or loss	–	(411)	1,546	1,135
At 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	(3,217)	(429)	(119)	(3,765)
Credited to profit or loss	–	172	119	291
At 31 December 2017	(3,217)	(257)	–	(3,474)

Under the Enterprise Income Tax Law of the PRC, withholding tax is imposed on dividends declared in respect of the PRC subsidiaries from 1 January 2008 onwards. No profits have been earned by the PRC subsidiaries (2016: Nil), accordingly deferred tax has not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements.

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35. DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES (Continued)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has unused tax losses and other deductible temporary differences totalling approximately HK\$13,179,000 (2016: HK\$20,757,000) available for offset against future profits. No deferred tax asset has been recognised in respect of these deductible temporary differences due to the unpredictability of future profit streams.

36. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of ordinary shares HK\$0.01 each '000	Nominal amount HK\$'000
Authorised:		
At 1 January 2016, 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2017	20,000,000	200,000
Issued and fully paid:		
At 1 January 2016	1,137,529	11,375
Issue of shares upon:		
– Share placement (Note a)	227,500	2,275
– Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note b)	273,000	2,730
At 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	1,638,029	16,380
Issue of shares upon open offer (Note c)	819,015	8,190
At 31 December 2017	2,457,044	24,570

Notes:

- (a) On 24 June 2016, the Company allotted and issued 227,500,000 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each to certain independent third parties for an aggregate cash consideration of HK\$35,945,000 (before expenses).
- (b) On 21 November 2016, the Company issued 273,000,000 shares of HK\$0.01 each as partial consideration for the acquisition of 80% equity interest in Prime Paradise Limited (Note 39). The closing price of the Company's shares as quoted on the Stock Exchange on 21 November 2016 was HK\$0.152 per share.
- (c) On 23 December 2016, the Company announced a proposed open offer to shareholders for the subscription of new shares of the Company on the basis of one offer share for every two existing shares held at the subscription price of HK\$0.14 per share (the "Open Offer"). On 20 February 2017, the Company issued 819,014,723 ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each at the subscription price of HK\$0.14 per share under the Open Offer, giving rise to a proceed of approximately HK\$114,662,000 (before expense).

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37. SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Group adopted a share option scheme (the “**Scheme**”) which has become effective on 15 June 2012. In accordance with the Scheme, share options may be granted to any employees, consultants or professional advisors, and suppliers or customers of the Group.

The exercise price of the options granted is the highest of (i) the closing price of the Company’s shares on the date of the offer of grant, which must be a business day; (ii) the average closing price of the Company’s shares for the five trading days immediately preceding the date of the offer of grant; (iii) the nominal value of the share. The options are exercisable at the grant date and have a contractual option term of ten years. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash.

The offer of a grant of share options may be accepted within 21 business days from the date of the offer of grant of the option. The consideration for a grant of options of the Company is HK\$1.00. The exercise period of the share options granted is determined by the Board of Directors.

The maximum number of shares of the Company which may be issued upon exercise of all options granted under the Scheme or any other share option scheme adopted by the Company must not in aggregate exceed 30% of its issued share capital of the Company from time to time. The total number of shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the Scheme and any other share option scheme of the Group must not in aggregate exceed 10% of the shares in issue as at the date of passing the relevant resolution adopting the Scheme unless it is approved by shareholders in a general meeting of the Company.

No share option was granted, exercised, lapsed or forfeited during both of the years ended 31 December 2016 and 31 December 2017.

The number of share options outstanding and their exercise prices are as follows:

	2017		2016	
	Weighted average exercise price HK\$	Number of share options granted to parties other than directors and employees ’000	Weighted average exercise price HK\$	Number of share options granted to parties other than directors and employees ’000
Outstanding at the beginning and the end of the year	0.666	21,200	0.666	21,200
Exercisable at the end of the year	0.666	21,200	0.666	21,200

No share option expense has been recognised by the Group for the year ended 31 December 2017 (2016: Nil) in relation to share options granted by the Company.

The weighted average exercise price of the share options granted and outstanding at the end of the reporting period is HK\$0.666 (2016: HK\$0.666) per share. The weighted average remaining contractual life of share options granted and outstanding at the end of the reporting period is 2.9 years (2016: 3.9 years).

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38. RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEMES

The Group operates a Mandatory Provident Fund Scheme for all qualifying employees in Hong Kong. The assets of the plans are held separately from those of the Group in funds under the control of trustees. The Group's subsidiaries in the PRC, in compliance with the applicable regulations of the PRC, participate in social insurance schemes operated by the relevant local government authorities. The insurance premium is borne by the Group and is calculated based on a specified proportion of the employee's salaries in accordance with the relevant PRC laws and regulations.

The contribution paid or payable to the schemes by the Group in respect of the year which were charged to profit or loss amounted to approximately HK\$378,000 (2016: HK\$187,000).

Apart from the above, the Group has no significant obligations under retirement benefit schemes at the end of both of the years presented.

39. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES

Acquisition took place during the year ended 31 December 2016

On 26 July 2016, Leading Nation Investment Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into an agreement with a third party to acquire 80% equity interest in Prime Paradise Limited ("Prime Paradise") together with shareholder's loans made to Prime Paradise for a consideration which was satisfied by the payment in cash of approximately HK\$6,952,000 and the issue of 273,000,000 new shares in the Company. The acquisition was completed on 21 November 2016. The closing price of the Company's shares at the date of completion of the acquisition was HK\$0.152 per share. Prime Paradise is an investment holding company and its subsidiary, KOALA Securities Limited, is principally engaged in provision of securities placing and brokerage services. KOALA Securities is a licensed corporation under the Securities and Futures Ordinance and is authorised to engage in the following regulated activities: (i) Type 1: Dealing in securities; and (ii) Type 4: Advising on securities. Management of the Group considers that such acquisition will enable the Group to diversify its business.

The acquisition has been accounted for by business combination using the purchase method. The effect of the acquisition is summarised as follows:

	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Consideration transferred	
Cash paid	6,952
Issue of new shares	41,496
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No significant acquisition-related costs were incurred for this acquisition.

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39. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Acquisition took place during the year ended 31 December 2016 (Continued)

Assets acquired and liabilities recognised at the date of acquisition

	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Non-current assets	
Property, plant and equipment	1,076
Intangible assets	20,000
Current assets	
Accounts receivable	32,543
Prepayment and deposits	1,345
Bank balances – trust accounts	55,699
Bank balances and cash – general accounts	14,810
Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	(80,333)
Other payables and accruals	(912)
Loan from a shareholder	(3,359)
Amounts due to shareholders	(840)
Income tax payable	(3,328)
Non-current liabilities	
Deferred tax liabilities	(3,217)
Total identifiable net assets acquired	33,484

The receivables acquired in these transactions has gross amount of HK\$32,543,000. No contractual cash flows from these receivables are expected not to be collected.

Goodwill arising on acquisition

	HK\$'000
Consideration transferred	48,448
Portion attributable to acquisition of shareholder's loans	(3,359)
Consideration attributable to acquisition	45,089
Net assets acquired	(33,484)
Non-controlling interests	6,697
Goodwill arising on acquisition	18,302

The goodwill arising on this acquisition is not expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

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39. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Acquisition took place during the year ended 31 December 2016 (Continued)

Net cash flow on acquisition of subsidiaries

	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Consideration paid in cash	(6,952)
Bank balances and cash (general accounts) acquired	14,810
Cash inflow on acquisition of subsidiaries	7,858

Impact of acquisition on the results of the Group

Included in the loss for the year ended 31 December 2016 was profit of HK\$1,193,000 attributable to the business undertaken Prime Paradise. Revenue for the year ended 31 December 2016 included HK\$3,363,000 in respect of Prime Paradise.

Has the acquisition been effected at 1 January 2016, the revenue of the Group from continuing operations for the year ended 31 December 2016 would have been HK\$97,781,000 and loss for the year ended 31 December 2016 from continuing operations would have been HK\$38,801,000. The directors of the Company consider these "pro forma" numbers to represent an approximate measure of the performance of the combined group on annualised basis and to provide a reference point for comparison in future periods.

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40. DISPOSAL OF SUBSIDIARIES

Disposal took place during the year ended 31 December 2016

On 31 March 2016, the Company disposed of 100% equity interest in a subsidiary, Rich Share Global Limited (“**Rich Share**”), to a third party, for a cash consideration of HK\$3,000,000. Rich Share, through its subsidiaries, Rise Joy Investment Limited and 黑龍江省盛焱新能源開發有限公司 (Heilongjiang Province Shengyan New Energy Development Limited), was engaged in manufacture and sales of straw briquette.

	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Consideration for the disposal:	

Consideration receivable (Note 24a)	3,000
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	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Analysis of assets and liabilities at the date of disposal over which control was lost:	

Property, plant and equipment	–
Bank balances and cash	8
Accounts payables	(7,068)
Other payables and accruals	(1,169)
Other borrowings	(8,781)

Net liabilities disposed of	(17,010)
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	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Loss on disposal of subsidiaries	

Consideration	3,000
Net liabilities disposed of	17,010
Cumulative exchange gain in respect of the subsidiaries	1,288
Non-controlling interests	(43,652)

Loss on disposal (Note 13)	(22,354)
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	Year ended 31 December 2016 HK\$'000
Net cash outflow on disposal of subsidiaries	

Consideration received	–
Less: Bank balances and cash disposed of	(8)

(8)

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41. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2017, the Group had the following contingent liabilities and commitments:

(a) Contingent liabilities

A writ of summons dated 16 July 2014 was issued by a third party, Total Shares Limited (“**Total Shares**”), claiming against the Company and Mr. Shan Xiaochang (“**Mr. Shan**”), a former director of the Company, in respect of a sum of HK\$10,000,000 which was advanced by Total Shares to Mr. Shan, the repayment of which was guaranteed by the Company. The Company has contested the case vigorously. Having sought legal advice, the directors are of the opinion that the Company has a good defence against the allegation and the legal action would not result in a material loss to the Group, accordingly no provision for liabilities has been made in the consolidated financial statements.

(b) Operating leases

As lessee

At the end of reporting period, the Group had commitments for future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases which fall due as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Within one year	1,588	3,408
In the second to fifth year inclusive	–	1,588
	1,588	4,996

Operating lease payments represent rental payable by the Group for its office and factory premises. Leases and rentals are negotiated and fixed respectively for an average of three years.

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42. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

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

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Service fees paid to – an associate of the Group	–	360

- (b) Key management personnel compensation

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Salaries and other short-term benefits	2,778	2,991
Pension scheme contribution	27	31
	2,805	3,022

43. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balances. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from that of the prior year.

The capital structure of the Group consists of net debts (bank and other borrowings less bank balances and cash (general account)) and equity attributable to owners of the Company, comprising issued share capital and reserves.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to ensure optimal capital structure and shareholders' returns, taking consideration of future capital requirements of the Group and capital efficiency, prevailing and projected profitability, projected operating cash flows, projected capital expenditures and projected strategic investment opportunities. The Group currently does not adopt any formal dividend policy.

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(a) Categories of financial instruments

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets and liabilities as recognised at the reporting dates are categorised as follows:

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Financial assets		
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	12,226	26,145
Loans and receivables		
Loans receivable	55,530	10,292
Trade and other receivables	44,288	58,417
Amount due from non-controlling interests	245	–
Bank balances – trust accounts	191,648	43,267
Bank balances and cash – general accounts	133,154	22,986
	437,091	161,107
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities at amortised costs		
Trade and other payables	231,566	71,488
Corporate bonds payable	15,209	14,312
Other borrowings	1,000	1,000
Amount due to non-controlling interests	10,400	840
Convertible bonds payable	28,795	24,369
	286,970	112,009

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group's major financial instruments include financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans receivable, trade and other receivables, amount due from non-controlling interests, bank balances and cash, trade and other payables, corporate bonds payable, other borrowings, amount due to non-controlling interests and convertible bonds payable. Details of these financial instruments are disclosed in respective notes. The risks associated with these financial instruments include market risk (currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The policies on how to mitigate these risks are set out below. The management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure that appropriate measures are implemented on a timely and effective manner. There has been no change to the types of the Group's exposure in respect of financial instruments or the manner in which it manages and measures the risks.

Currency risk

Foreign exchange risk arises when the group entities enter into transactions denominated in a currency other than their functional currency. The Group's monetary assets and liabilities are mainly denominated in United States dollars and Hong Kong dollars. The exchanges rates between these currencies are pegged, and there are no significant fluctuations of exchange rates of these currencies.

No significant monetary assets and monetary liabilities of the companies in the Group at the reporting date were denominated in currencies other than functional currencies of the related entities.

The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy. However, the management will closely monitors foreign exchange exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

Sensitivity analysis

No sensitivity analysis on currency risk is presented as there were no significant impacts on the Group's loss after taxation in response to reasonably possible changes in the foreign exchange rates to which the Group has exposure at the end of reporting period.

Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk as the group entities may borrow funds at both fixed interest rates and floating interest rates. The Group manages the risk by maintaining an appropriate mix between fixed and floating rate borrowings. Although the board of directors accepts that this policy neither protects the Group entirely from the risk of paying rates in excess of current market rates nor eliminates fully cash flow risk associated with interest payments, it considers that it achieves an appropriate balance of exposure to these risks.

The Group currently does not have an interest rate hedging policy. However, the management monitors interest rate exposure and will consider hedging significant interest rate exposure should the need arise.

The directors consider that the Group's exposure to interest rate risk of bank deposits, which are short term in nature, is not significant, accordingly no sensitivity analysis is presented.

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (continued)

The Group's loans receivable and borrowings carry interests at fixed interest rates, analysed below:

The Group

	2017		2016	
	Effective interest rate	Carrying amount HK\$'000	Effective interest rate	Carrying amount HK\$'000
Loans receivable (Note 21)	12%–36%	55,530	12%–20%	10,292
Fixed rate borrowings				
– corporate bonds payable (Note 31)	4.92%–8.78%	15,209	4.92%–8.78%	14,312
– convertible bonds payable (Note 34)	22.37%	28,795	22.37%	24,369
– other borrowings (Note 32)	20%	1,000	12%	1,000

Sensitivity analysis

The Group had no floating rate borrowings at end of each of the reporting periods presented. Accordingly, there would be no impact on the results of the Group for the year (2016: Nil) upon any change in interest rate on floating rate borrowings assuming that no floating rate borrowings were outstanding during the year.

Price risk

The Group is exposed to equity price risk mainly through its investment in listed equity securities. Management of the Company manages this exposure by maintaining a portfolio of investments with different risk and return profiles. In addition, the Group has appointed a special team to monitor the price risk and will consider hedging the risk exposure should the need arise.

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (continued)

Sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analysis below have been determined based on the exposure to equity price risk at the end of the reporting period.

If equity prices had been 10% higher/lower, the post-tax loss for the year would decrease/increase by HK\$1,021,000 (2016: HK\$2,183,000). This is mainly due to the changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

Credit risk

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk which will cause a financial loss to the Group due to failure to discharge an obligation by the counterparties is arising from the carrying amount of the respective recognised financial assets as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position.

In order to minimise the credit risk, management of the Group has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits, credit approvals and other monitoring procedures to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue debts. In addition, the Group reviews the recoverable amount of each individual debt at the end of each reporting period to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts. In this regard, the directors of the Company consider that the Group's credit risk is significantly reduced.

The Group has concentration of credit risk in relation to accounts receivable from the business of securities brokerage as approximately 46% (2016: 40%) and 24% (2016: 24%) of such receivables are due from one clearing house and the top five clients respectively.

The Group has significant concentration of credit risk in relation to loans receivable (*Note 21*).

At 31 December 2016, the Group has also significant concentration of credit risk arising from the amounts due from third parties amounted to HK\$3,000,000 included in other receivables (*Note 24*).

The credit risk on liquid funds is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies.

None of the Group's financial assets are secured by collateral or other credit enhancements. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the consolidated statement of financial position of the Group after deducting any impairment losses.

Liquidity risk

In the management of the liquidity risk, the Group monitors and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by the management to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows.

The Group relies on corporate bonds payable as a significant source of liquidity. As at 31 December 2017, the Group has no available unutilised banking facilities (2016: Nil).

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

The following table details the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its non-derivative financial liabilities. For non-derivative financial liabilities, the table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. The table includes both interest and principal cash flows. To the extent that interest flows are floating rate, the undiscounted amount is derived from interest rate curves at the end of the reporting period.

In addition, the following tables detail the Group's expected maturity for its non-derivative financial assets. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted contractual cash flows of the financial assets including interest that will be earned on those assets. The inclusion of information on these non-derivative financial assets is necessary in order to understand the Group's liquidity risk management as the liquidity is managed on a net asset and liability basis.

The amounts included below for variable interest rate instruments for both non-derivative financial assets and liabilities are subject to change if changes in variable interest rates different to those estimates of interest rates determined at the end of the reporting period.

The Group

At 31 December 2017	Weighted average interest rate	Within 1 year HK\$'000	More than 1 year but less than 5 years HK\$'000	More than 5 years HK\$'000	Total undiscounted cash flows HK\$'000	Carrying amount HK\$'000
Non-derivative financial assets						
Loans receivable	12%–36%	54,490	13,600	–	68,090	55,530
Trade and other receivables	–	44,288	–	–	44,288	44,288
Amount due from non-controlling interests	–	245	–	–	245	245
Bank balances						
– trust accounts	0.5%	191,648	–	–	191,648	191,648
Bank balances and cash – general accounts	0.5%	133,154	–	–	133,154	133,154
		423,825	13,600	–	437,425	424,865
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Trade and other payables	–	231,566	–	–	231,566	231,566
Corporate bonds payable	4% & 5%	–	20,000	–	20,000	15,209
Other borrowings	20%	1,326	–	–	1,326	1,000
Amount due to non-controlling interests	–	10,400	–	–	10,400	10,400
Convertible bonds payable (<i>note</i>)	3%	31,930	–	–	31,930	28,795
		275,222	20,000	–	295,222	286,970

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

(b) Financial risk management objectives and policies (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

At 31 December 2016	Weighted average interest rate	Within 1 year HK\$'000	More than 1 year but less than 5 years HK\$'000	More than 5 years HK\$'000	Total undiscounted cash flows HK\$'000	Carrying amount HK\$'000
Non-derivative financial assets						
Loans receivable	12% & 20%	10,880	–	–	10,880	10,292
Trade and other receivables	–	58,417	–	–	58,417	58,417
Bank balances						
– trust accounts	0.5%	43,267	–	–	43,267	43,267
Bank balances and cash						
– general accounts	0.5%	22,986	–	–	22,986	22,986
		135,550	–	–	135,550	134,962
Non-derivative financial liabilities						
Trade and other payables	–	71,488	–	–	71,488	71,488
Corporate bonds payable	4% & 5%	–	10,000	10,000	20,000	14,312
Other borrowings	12%	1,120	–	–	1,120	1,000
Convertible bonds payable (<i>note</i>)	3%	930	31,930	–	32,860	24,369
Amount due to non-controlling interests	–	840	–	–	840	840
		74,378	41,930	10,000	126,308	112,009

Note: This is categorised based on contractual term of redemption at maturity on the assumption that there were no redemption or conversion of the convertible bonds outstanding at the end of the respective reporting periods before the maturity date.

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44. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

(c) Fair value measurement

- (i) **Fair value of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis**

The Group's financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, representing equity securities listed in Hong Kong, are measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period. The following table gives information about how the fair values of these financial assets and financial liabilities are determined in particular, the valuation technique(s) and input used.

	Fair value as at 31 December		Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technical(s) and key inputs
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000		
Financial assets				
Listed securities (Note 26)	12,226	26,145	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market

The fair value of all the listed securities at 31 December 2017 is measured based on the quoted closing prices as at 29 December 2017, the last trading date of the current year.

Included in listed securities at 31 December 2016 are 6,700,000 shares of a listed entity with the carrying amount of HK\$5,159,000. In view of the infrequent securities trading of the listed shares of the listed entity with significant fluctuation of transaction prices close to 31 December 2016, management of the Company considers that the quoted closing price of the listed shares of HK\$5.55 per share at 30 December 2016, the last trading date of that year, does not represent the fair value of these listed shares at 31 December 2016. The fair value of 6,700,000 listed shares at 31 December 2016 was estimated based on the quoted closing price of such shares of HK\$0.77 per share at 3 January 2017, being the securities trading date immediately following the end of that year.

The fair value of all the other listed securities at 31 December 2016 is measured based on the quoted closing prices as at 30 December 2016.

There were no transfer of the financial assets between the levels in both of the years presented.

- (ii) **Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities that are not measured at fair value on a recurring basis (but fair value disclosures are required)**

The directors consider that the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost in the consolidated financial statements approximate their fair values. The fair values, which are included in Level 3 categories, have been determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on a discounted cash flow analysis, with the most significant inputs being the discount rate that reflect the credit risk of counterparties.

- (iii) **Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements**

The financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value on Level 2 fair value measurement. Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements is not presented.

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45. RECONCILIATION OF LIABILITIES ARISING FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities for the year ended 31 December 2017, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

	Interest payable (included in other payables and accruals) HK\$'000	Corporate bonds payable HK\$'000	Convertible bonds payable HK\$'000	Other borrowings HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
As 1 January 2017	112	14,312	24,369	1,000	39,793
Financing cash outflows	–	–	(930)	–	(930)
Finance costs	214	897	5,356	–	6,467
As 31 December 2017	326	15,209	28,795	1,000	45,330

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46. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES OF THE COMPANY

	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Non-current assets		
Investments in subsidiaries	–	500
	–	500
Current assets		
Loans receivable	10,880	10,292
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	889	4,661
Amounts due from subsidiaries	242,259	168,463
Bank balances and cash – general accounts	10,711	1,595
	264,739	185,011
Current liabilities		
Other payables and accruals	2,119	2,779
Convertible bonds payable	28,795	–
Income tax payable	5,077	5,000
	35,991	7,779
Net current assets	228,748	177,232
Total assets less current liabilities	228,748	177,732
Non-current liabilities		
Corporate bonds payable	15,209	14,312
Convertible bonds payable	–	24,369
	15,209	38,681
Net assets	213,539	139,051
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	24,570	16,380
Reserves	188,969	122,671
Total equity	213,539	139,051

The Company's statement of financial position was approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 22 March 2018 and is signed on its behalf by:

Kwan Kar Ching
Director

Hsin Yi-Chin
Director

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46. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVES OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Movements of the reserves of the Company are as follows:

	Share premium HK\$'000	Share option reserve HK\$'000	Convertible bonds reserve HK\$'000	Merger reserve HK\$'000	Accumulated losses HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
1 January 2016	378,871	7,410	74,286	19,550	(416,999)	63,118
Loss and total comprehensive expense for the year	-	-	-	-	(11,802)	(11,802)
Issue of shares upon:						
Share placement	33,670	-	-	-	-	33,670
Acquisition of subsidiaries	38,766	-	-	-	-	38,766
Share issue expenses	(1,081)	-	-	-	-	(1,081)
At 31 December 2016 and 1 January 2017	450,226	7,410	74,286	19,550	(428,801)	122,671
Loss and total comprehensive expense for the year	-	-	-	-	(34,658)	(34,658)
Issue of shares upon open offer	106,472	-	-	-	-	106,472
Share issue expenses	(5,516)	-	-	-	-	(5,516)
At 31 December 2017	551,182	7,410	74,286	19,550	(463,459)	188,969

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47. SUBSIDIARIES

Details of the Group's subsidiaries at the end of the reporting period:

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation/ registration/ operations	Class of shares held	Paid up registered capital	Proportion of ownership interest held by the Company				Proportion of voting power held by the Company		Principal activities
				Directly		Indirectly		by the Company		
				2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	
Modern World Group Limited	British Virgin Islands ("BVI")	Ordinary	US\$5	100	100	–	–	100	100	Investment holding and trading of commodities
Ever Wealth Capital Holdings Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$2	100	100	–	–	100	100	Investment holding
Era Smart Trading Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	–	–	100	100	100	100	Inactive
Honest Smart Investment Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	–	–	100	100	100	100	Provision of management services to group companies and securities investment
Frame Holding Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$1	100	100	–	–	100	100	Investment holding
Winning Force Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	–	–	100	100	100	100	Trading of commodities
Mark Wish Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$10,000	51	51	–	–	51	51	Investment holding
Pudong Investment Development Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$10,000	–	–	51	51	51	51	Investment holding
Guss International Trading Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1,500,000	–	–	51	51	51	51	Trading of garment accessories
漢霄(上海)投資管理有限公司 (note a)	PRC	Registered capital	–	–	–	51	51	51	51	Investment holding
東莞格斯光電有限公司 (note a)	PRC	Registered capital	–	–	–	51	51	51	51	Manufacture and trading of LED components
Leading Nation Investment Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$1	100	100	–	–	100	100	Investment holding
Honest Smart Finance Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	–	–	100	100	100	100	Money lending
Prime Paradise Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$100	–	–	80	80	80	80	Investment holding
KOALA Securities Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$60,000,000	–	–	80	80	80	80	Provision of securities placing and brokerage services
KOALA Capital Management Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$500,100	–	–	41	41	41	41	Asset management
Ever Up Capital Investment Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	–	–	100	100	100	100	Inactive
Genius Founder Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$1	100	100	–	–	100	100	Properties leasing
KOALA Land Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	–	–	100	–	100	–	Inactive

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47. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Notes:

- a The registered capitals of 漢宵（上海）投資管理有限公司（“漢宵”） and 東莞格斯光電有限公司（“格斯”） are RMB5,000,000 and RMB15,000,000 respectively of which no contribution were made by the Company up to 31 December 2017. The outstanding registered capitals of 漢宵 and 格斯 are to be contributed by the Company and non-controlling interests on or before 10 June 2034 and 31 December 2035 respectively.
- b KOALA Capital Management Limited is 51% owned by Prime Paradise Limited which is in turn 80% owned by the Company.

None of the subsidiaries had issued any debt securities subsisting at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

Details of non-wholly owned subsidiaries that have material non-controlling interests

The table below shows details of non-wholly-owned subsidiaries of the Group that have material non-controlling interests.

Name of subsidiary	Place of incorporation and principal place of business	Proportion of ownership interests and voting rights held by non-controlling interests		Profit/(loss) allocated to non-controlling interests		Accumulated non-controlling interests	
		2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016
		%	%	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Prime Paradise	(note a)	20	20	(1,822)	238	5,358	6,935
Mark Wish	(note b)	49	49	(2,960)	(6,700)	(11,596)	(8,654)
				(4,782)	(6,462)	(6,238)	(1,719)

Notes:

- a. Prime Paradise was incorporated in the BVI and, through its subsidiaries, is principally engaged in provision of securities placing and brokerage services.
- b. Mark Wish was incorporated in the BVI and, through its subsidiaries, is principally engaged in trading of garment accessories and manufacture and sales of LED components.

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47. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Summarised financial information in respect of the Company's subsidiaries at 31 December 2017 that has material non-controlling interests is set out below. The summarised financial information below represents amounts before intragroup eliminations.

Prime Paradise

	In respect of the year ended 31 December	
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Current assets	284,185	82,138
Non-current assets	20,400	20,559
Current liabilities (<i>note</i>)	(274,254)	(64,802)
Non-current liabilities	(3,217)	(3,217)
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	21,756	27,743
Non-controlling interests	5,358	6,935
Revenue	8,218	3,363
Expenses	(16,027)	(2,170)
(Loss)/profit for the year	(7,809)	1,193
(Loss)/profit attributable to owners of the Company	(5,987)	955
(Loss)/profit attributable to non-controlling interests	(1,822)	238
(Loss)/profit for the year	(7,809)	1,193
Total comprehensive (expense)/income attributable to owners of the Company	(5,987)	955
Total comprehensive (expense)/income attributable to non-controlling interests	(1,822)	238
Total comprehensive (expense)/income for the year	(7,809)	1,193
Net cash inflow from operating activities	18,633	3,125
Net cash inflow from investing activities	613	402
Net cash inflow from financing activities	9,560	–
Net cash inflow	28,806	3,527

Note: The current liabilities include amounts due to intragroup companies amounted to HK\$44,646,000 (2016: HK\$3,359,000) which have been eliminated in the preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements.

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47. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Mark Wish

	In respect of the year ended 31 December	
	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Current assets	463	1,961
Non-current assets	14	5,204
Current liabilities	(24,141)	(24,826)
Non-current liabilities	–	–
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	(12,068)	(9,007)
Non-controlling interests	(11,596)	(8,654)
Revenue	117	4,090
Expenses	(6,159)	(17,764)
Loss for the year	(6,042)	(13,674)
Loss attributable to owners of the Company	(3,082)	(6,974)
Loss attributable to non-controlling interests	(2,960)	(6,700)
Loss for the year	(6,042)	(13,674)
Total comprehensive expense attributable to owners of the Company	(3,063)	(7,121)
Total comprehensive expense attributable to non-controlling interests	(2,942)	(6,840)
Total comprehensive expense for the year	(6,005)	(13,961)
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(898)	(2,582)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	759	(124)
Net cash inflow from financing activities	–	886
Net cash outflow	(139)	(1,820)