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SFK Construction Holdings Limited 新福港建設集團有限公司

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)
(Stock Code: 1447)

ANNUAL RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of SFK Construction Holdings Limited (the "Company") hereby presents the consolidated annual results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2021 (the "Year" or "2021"), together with the comparative figures for the year ended 31 December 2020 ("2020") as follows:

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the year ended 31 December 2021 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Revenue	3	3,624,511	3,772,118
Direct costs		(3,538,798)	(3,812,035)
Gross profit/(loss)		85,713	(39,917)
Other revenue Other net gain/(loss) Administrative expenses		3,643 1,373 (65,437)	95,847 (7,433) (78,168)
Profit/(loss) from operations		25,292	(29,671)
Finance costs Share of results of a joint venture		(2,406) (2,298)	(12,052) 1,343
Profit/(loss) before taxation		20,588	(40,380)
Income tax	4	(2,587)	21,406
Profit/(loss) for the year		18,001	(18,974)
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company Non-controlling interests		17,426 575	(19,027) 53
Profit/(loss) for the year		18,001	(18,974)
Earnings/(loss) per share — Basic/Diluted	5	4.4 cents	(4.8) cents

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2021 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Profit/(loss) for the year	18,001	(18,974)
Other comprehensive income for the year (after tax)		
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of subsidiaries outside Hong Kong	8	390
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u> 18,009</u>	(18,584)
Attributable to:		
Equity shareholders of the Company Non-controlling interests	17,432 577	(18,649) 65
Total comprehensive income for the year	18,009	(18,584)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 31 December 2021

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment		57,306	95,670
Goodwill Deferred tax assets		1,209	1,209
Deferred tax assets		57,445	60,448
		115,960	157,327
Current assets			
Contract assets		1,033,739	1,115,690
Trade receivables, other receivables and prepayments	6	387,563	400,389
Amount due from a joint venture		2,996	4,107
Current tax recoverable		3,514	4,726
Pledged deposits		20,113	20,113
Cash and cash equivalents		236,837	449,827
		1,684,762	1,994,852
Current liabilities			
Interest in a joint venture		20,419	18,121
Contract liabilities		160,533	189,103
Trade and other payables	7	1,120,943	1,267,470
Bank loans	8	82,121	200,417
Lease liabilities		13,887	27,306
Derivatives financial instruments		2,805	6,167
Current tax payable		1,139	1,853
		1,401,847	1,710,437
Net current assets		282,915	284,415
Total assets less current liabilities		398,875	441,742

	Note	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities Deferred tax liabilities	_	20,595 2,686	40,057 4,100
	<u></u> -	23,281	44,157
NET ASSETS	=	375,594	397,585
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			
Share capital Reserves	10	40,000 335,091	40,000 357,659
Total equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company		375,091	397,659
Non-controlling interests	_	503	(74)
TOTAL EQUITY	=	375,594	397,585

Notes:

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

SFK Construction Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group") are principally engaged in construction and maintenance projects in Hong Kong, construction projects in Macau, housing and property management services in Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") and electrical and mechanical engineering services in Hong Kong. The Company was incorporated in Bermuda on 17 October 2007 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Act 1981 of Bermuda (as amended). The Company's shares were listed on The Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") on 10 December 2015.

2 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE AND BASIS OF PREPARATION

(a) Statement of compliance

The financial information set out in this announcement does not constitute the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 but are extracted from those financial statements.

The Group's consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs"), which collective term includes all applicable individual Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. The Group's consolidated financial statements also comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules").

The HKICPA has issued certain amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective or available for early adoption for the current accounting period of the Group. Note 2(c) provides information on any changes in accounting policies resulting from initial application of these developments to the extent that they are relevant to the Group for the current accounting period reflected in these financial statements.

(b) Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries and the Group's interest in a joint venture.

The measurement basis used in the preparation of these financial statements is the historical cost basis except that derivative financial instruments are stated at their fair value.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with HKFRSs requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

(c) Changes in accounting policies

The HKICPA has issued certain amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group.

None of these developments have had a material effect on how the Group's results and financial position for the current or prior periods have been prepared or presented. The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

3 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

(a) Revenue

The principal activities of the Group are general building, civil engineering and the provision of other services.

(i) Disaggregation of revenue

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15 by major service lines is as follows:

	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Disaggregated by major service lines		
— General building	2,787,277	2,908,809
— Civil engineering	608,970	648,803
— Housing management services	65,997	81,604
— Others	162,267	132,902
	3,624,511	3,772,118

(ii) Revenue expected to be recognised in the future arising from contracts with customers in existence at the reporting date

As at 31 December 2021, the aggregated amount of revenue expected to be recognised in the future related to performance obligations that are unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied at the reporting date is \$4,274,327,000 (2020: \$4,362,943,000). This analysis is solely for compliance with HKFRS 15 disclosure requirement in respect of transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations. The Group will recognise the expected revenue in future when or as the work is completed, which is expected to occur over the next 48 months (2020: next 60 months).

The Group applies the practical expedient in paragraph 121 of HKFRS 15 and does not disclose the amount of the transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations for contracts with an original expected duration of one year or less. In addition, contracts that include a promise to perform an undefined quantity of tasks at a fixed contractual rate per unit, with no contractual minimums that would make some or all of the consideration fixed, are not included as the possible transaction prices and the ultimate consideration for those contracts will depend on the occurrence or non-occurrence of future customer usage.

(b) Segment reporting

The Group manages its businesses by segments, which are organised by business lines. In a manner consistent with the way in which information is reported internally to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment, the Group has presented the following three reportable segments.

— General building : this segment provides engineering services of substructure or

superstructure of building structures and maintenance, repairs,

alterations services and additions to building structures

— Civil engineering : this segment provides engineering services of infrastructure facilities

and maintenance, repairs, alterations services to infrastructure

facilities

— Others : this segment mainly provides housing management services, fresh

water and flush water maintenance services, sewage water sampling

services, electrical and mechanical engineering services and

consultancy services

(i) Segment results, assets and liabilities

For the purposes of assessing segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Group's most senior executive management monitors the results, assets and liabilities attributable to each reportable segment on the following bases:

Segment assets include all tangible assets and current assets with the exception of deferred tax assets, current tax recoverable and other corporate assets. Segment liabilities include trade creditors, accruals, lease liabilities and other current and non-current liabilities attributable to the business activities of the individual segments.

Segment result includes revenue and expenses that are allocated to the reportable segments with reference to sales generated by those segments and the expenses incurred by those segments or which otherwise arise from the depreciation of assets attributable to those segments.

In addition, management is provided with segment information concerning revenue, share of results of a joint venture, depreciation, additions to non-current segment assets used by the segments in their operations and share of net liabilities in a joint venture. Intersegment sales are priced with reference to prices charged to external price for similar orders.

Information regarding the Group's reportable segments as provided to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance for each of the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020 is set out below.

	General building \$'000	Civil engineering \$'000	Others	Total \$'000
Reportable segment revenue (recognised over time)	2,787,277	608,970	228,264	3,624,511
Reportable segment profit	49,053	8,024	27,151	84,228
Other revenue and other net income Depreciation Finance costs				3,495 (13,275) (1,821)
Unallocated head office and corporate expenses				(52,039)
Consolidated profit before taxation				20,588
Share of results of a joint venture	(2,298)			(2,298)
Depreciation for the year	24,048	2,999	1,919	28,966
Reportable segment assets	975,705	439,028	36,387	1,451,120
Deferred tax assets Current tax recoverable Unallocated head office and corporate assets				57,445 3,514 288,643
Consolidated total assets				1,800,722
Additions to non-current segment assets during the year	<u>16,438</u>	1,808	1,300	19,546
Reportable segment liabilities (including interest in a joint venture)	915,458	325,338	18,082	1,258,878
Current tax payable Deferred tax liabilities Unallocated head office and				1,139 2,686
corporate liabilities				162,425
Consolidated total liabilities				1,425,128
Share of net liabilities in a joint venture	20,419			20,419

	General building \$'000	Civil engineering \$'000	Others \$'000 (note)	Total \$'000
Reportable segment revenue (recognised over time)	2,908,809	648,803	214,506	3,772,118
Reportable segment profit/(loss)	100,123	(71,966)	21,637	49,794
Other revenue and other net income Depreciation Finance costs				(777) (13,302) (11,475)
Unallocated head office and corporate expenses				(64,620)
Consolidated loss before taxation				(40,380)
Share of results of a joint venture	1,343			1,343
Depreciation for the year	21,062	3,326	2,527	26,915
Reportable segment assets	1,127,119	376,451	57,208	1,560,778
Deferred tax assets Current tax recoverable Unallocated head office and				60,448 4,726
corporate assets				526,227
Consolidated total assets				2,152,179
Additions to non-current segment assets during the year	22,774	273	1,218	24,265
Reportable segment liabilities (including interest in a joint venture)	1,104,361	310,745	15,801	1,430,907
Current tax payable Deferred tax liabilities Unallocated head office and				1,853 4,100
corporate liabilities				317,734
Consolidated total liabilities				1,754,594
Share of net liabilities in a joint venture	18,121			18,121

Note: Others included revenue from fresh water and flush water maintenance services and sewage water sampling services with a sum of \$102,539,000 (2020: \$56,002,000) and the relevant segment profit of \$21,420,000 (2020: \$6,457,000).

(ii) Geographic information

No geographic information has been presented as most of the Group's operating activities are carried out in Hong Kong.

4 INCOME TAX

Taxation in the consolidated income statement represents:

	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Current tax — Hong Kong Profits Tax	φυσυ	φ 000
Provision for the year Over provision in respect of prior years	1,028 (30)	481 (46)
Over provision in respect of prior years	998	435
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	1,589	(21,841)
	2,587	(21,406)

The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for 2021 is calculated at 16.5% (2020: 16.5%) of the estimated assessable profits for the year, except for one subsidiary of the Group which is a qualifying corporation under the two-tiered Profits Tax rates regime.

For this subsidiary, the first \$2 million of assessable profits are taxed at 8.25% and the remaining assessable profits are taxed at 16.5%. The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax for this subsidiary was calculated on the same basis in 2020.

5 EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings/(loss) per share

The calculation of basic earnings/(loss) per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of \$17,426,000 (2020: loss of \$19,027,000) and 400,000,000 shares (2020: 400,000,000 shares) in issue during the year.

(b) Diluted earnings/(loss) per share

There were no potential dilutive shares in existence during the years ended 31 December 2021 and 2020.

6 TRADE RECEIVABLES, OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS

	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Trade debtors Other receivebles, denseits and prenouments	351,135 36 155	373,590
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments Amounts due from a joint operation partner (note (i))	36,155 273	23,312 3,487
	387,563	400,389

Notes:

- (i) The amounts due from a joint operation partner are interest-free, unsecured and recoverable on demand.
- (ii) Except for the amounts of \$7,314,000 (2020: \$8,209,000) which are expected to be recovered after one year, all of the remaining balances of trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered within one year.

Ageing analysis

As at the end of the reporting period, the ageing analysis of trade debtors (which are included in trade and other receivables), based on the invoice date (or date of revenue recognition, if earlier) is as follows:

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Within 1 month	335,253	361,461
1 to 2 months	9,629	8,110
2 to 3 months	2,973	856
Over 3 months but within 6 months	3,280	3,163
	351,135	373,590

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer rather than the industry or region in which the customers operate and therefore significant concentration of credit risk primarily arise when the Group has significant exposure to individual customers.

Individual credit evaluations are performed on all customers requiring credit over a certain amount. These evaluations focus on the customer's past history of making payments when due and current ability to pay, and take into account information specific to the customer as well as pertaining to the economic environment in which the customer operates. Trade debtors are due within 14–45 days from the date of billing. Normally, the Group does not obtain collateral from customers.

7 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Trade creditors	211,828	238,852
Accruals and other payables	535,998	652,627
Amounts due to joint operation partners (note (i))	1,062	1,062
Provision for construction works (note (ii))	34,332	34,594
Retentions payable	337,723	340,335
	1,120,943	1,267,470

Notes:

- (i) The amounts due to joint operation partners are interest-free, unsecured and repayable on demand.
- (ii) As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, the Group recognises provision for construction works when the unavoidable costs of meeting the performance obligations under the construction contracts exceed the economic benefits expected to be received from the contracts. The amount of the provision is measured at the present value of the lower of the expected cost of terminating the contract and the net cost of continuing with the contract. The amount of provision is reviewed on an ongoing basis.
- (iii) Except for the amounts of \$164,914,000 (2020: \$132,533,000), all of the remaining balances of trade and other payables are expected to be settled within one year.

Ageing analysis

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

	2021 \$'000	2020 \$'000
Within 1 month	137,348	139,171
1 to 2 months	41,304	76,651
2 to 3 months	13,606	12,858
Over 3 months	19,570	10,172
	211,828	238,852

8 BANK LOANS

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Bank loans, repayable within 1 year		
— Unsecured	82,121	200,417

- (a) As at 31 December 2021, the bank loans bear interest ranging from 1.69% to 1.98% (2020: 1.63% to 1.69%) per annum.
- (b) As at 31 December 2021 and 2020, the banking facilities (including bank loans and performance bonds) granted to the Group, the Group's joint operations and the Group's joint venture jointly were secured by:
 - (i) Assignment of project proceeds from certain construction contracts of the Group, the Group's joint operations and the Group's joint venture;
 - (ii) Pledged deposits of the Group of \$20,113,000 (2020: \$20,113,000);
 - (iii) Corporate guarantees provided by a subsidiary and the joint venture partner, personal properties and pledged deposits owned by the joint venture partner; and
 - (iv) Corporate guarantees provided by the Company and cross corporate guarantees provided by the Company and certain subsidiaries.

9 DIVIDENDS

Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the year:

	2021	2020
	\$'000	\$'000
Interim dividend declared and paid of 2.0 cents (2020: 4.0 cents) per		
ordinary share	8,000	16,000
Final dividend proposed after the end of the reporting period		
of 3.0 cents (2020: 8.0 cents) per ordinary share	12,000	32,000
	20,000	48,000

The final dividend proposed after the end of the reporting period has not been recognised as a liability at the end of the reporting period.

10 SHARE CAPITAL

	20	21	2020		
	No. of shares	No. of shares Amount		Amount	
		\$		\$	
Authorised: Ordinary shares of \$0.1 each					
At 1 January and 31 December	10,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	10,000,000,000	1,000,000,000	
Issued and fully paid: Ordinary shares of \$0.1 each					
At 1 January and 31 December	400,000,000	40,000,000	400,000,000	40,000,000	

The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and are entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company. All ordinary shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets.

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

BUSINESS REVIEW

The Group's revenue for the Year decreased by 3.91% to HK\$3,624.51 million (2020: HK\$3,772.12 million). The Group recorded a net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of HK\$17.43 million in the Year (2020: a net loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of HK\$19.03 million). The results for the Year were mainly due to the combined effect of a mix of projects from our general building works and civil engineering works undertaken during the Year, with the major projects being outlined in the following sections.

Major projects awarded and undertaken in 2021

During the Year, we were awarded 7 projects as a main contractor in Hong Kong (out of which 5 and 2 are from the public sector and private sector, respectively), with total original contract sum of approximately HK\$3,345 million. The table below sets out the summary of our construction and maintenance projects for general building and civil engineering works that were awarded during the Year:

	Number of projects	Total original contract sum (approximate HK\$'million)
Original contract sum at or above HK\$500 million Original contract sum below HK\$500 million	3	3,112
but at or above HK\$200 million Original contract sum below HK\$200 million	Nil	Nil
but at or above HK\$50 million	1	193
Original contract sum less than HK\$50 million	3	40
	7	3,345

As at 31 December 2021, we had a total of 10 projects for general building works and 17 projects for civil engineering works on hand. The total original contract sum of these projects was approximately HK\$12 billion. The outstanding value (defined as the difference between revenue recognised and the original contract sum) of our ongoing projects as at 31 December 2021 was approximately HK\$6.3 billion. The following table sets forth the particulars of some of the sizeable construction and maintenance projects for general building works and civil engineering works awarded and undertaken by us as a main contractor and remained ongoing as at 31 December 2021:

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Project type	Business segment	Scope of works	Original contract completion date	Original contract sum (approximate HK\$'million)	Revenue recognised during the financial year 2021 (approximate HK\$'million)
Site Formation and Infrastructure Works for the Civil Engineering and Development Department	Civil engineering works	Site formation and infrastructure works for development at Kam Tin South, Yuen Long — Advance works	July 2021*	409.0	137.2
Piers maintenance for the Civil Engineering and Development Department	Civil engineering works — maintenance project	To carry out maintenance works for piers	March 2022	150.1	67.6
Design and Construction managed by the Architectural Services Department	General building works — maintenance project	Design and Construction of Minor Works to the Government and Subvented Properties for Architectural Services Department — New Territories and Outlying Islands (North)	August 2022	531.1	214.8
Construction of Public Rental Housing Development and Subsidised Sale Flats Development of the Housing Authority	General building works	Construction of Public Rental Housing Development and Subsidised Sale Flats Development	October 2022	3,740.0	785.4
Construction of Subsidised Sale Flats Development of the Housing Authority	General building works	Construction of Subsidised Sale Flats	October 2022	1,911.0	767.2

Project type	Business segment	Scope of works	Original contract completion date	Original contract sum (approximate HK\$'million)	Revenue recognised during the financial year 2021 (approximate HK\$'million)
Management and maintenance of roads in Kowloon East for the Highways Department	Civil engineering works — maintenance project	Management and maintenance of public roads, including associated slopes, highway structures, tunnels and landscaping, and minor improvement works in Kowloon East but excluding Expressways and High Speed Roads	March 2024	482.6	194.9
Electrical and Mechanical Works for Sewage Treatment Facilities of the Drainage Services Department	Civil engineering works	Electrical and Mechanical works for sewage treatment facilities in Shek Wu Hui Effluent Polishing Plant (Main Works Stage 1)	May 2024	557.6	50.2
Three Runway System Project for the Hong Kong International Airport	General building works	Building and Civil Works for New Integrated Airport Centres	September 2024	440.7	208.1
Infrastructure Works for Non-public Housing Facilities of Hong Kong Housing Authority	General building works	Non-public Housing Facilities — Transport Infrastructure Works, Water Feature Park and Landscaped Walk	December 2024	1,497.0	124.5
Maintenance of properties managed by the Architectural Services Department	General building works — maintenance project	Alterations, additions, maintenance and repair of buildings and lands and other properties in Hong Kong Island Western, Southern and Lantau Islands for which Architectural Services Department (Property Services Branch) is responsible	March 2025	830.4	114.4
Maintenance of properties managed by the Architectural Services Department	General building works — maintenance project	Alterations, additions, maintenance and repair of buildings and lands and other properties in Tuen Mun and Yuen Long for which Architectural Services Department (Property Services Branch) is responsible	March 2025	784.8	93.4

^{*} The actual contract completion date was postponed and the project was still ongoing as at 31 December 2021.

Major projects completed in 2021

Completed projects refer to projects for which we have received the completion certificates from the respective customers or terms of year of the contracts expired. Details of the major projects completed by the Group as a main contractor during the Year are as follows:

Project type	Business segment	Scope of works	Original contract period	Original contract sum (approximate HK\$'million)	Revenue recognised during the financial year 2021 (approximate HK\$'million)
Maintenance of properties managed by the Architectural Services Department	General building works — maintenance project	Alterations, additions, maintenance and repair of buildings and lands and properties in (i) Hong Kong Island Eastern and Outlying Islands (South); and (ii) Hong Kong Island Western, Southern and Lantau Island for which Architectural Services Department (Property Services Branch) is responsible	April 2017 to March 2021	1,471.8	170.0
Maintenance of properties managed by the Housing Authority	General building works — maintenance project	Maintenance, improvement and vacant flat refurbishment for properties in (i) Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan; and (ii) Hong Kong Island & Islands	October 2018 to September 2021	863.2	206.4

A majority of our revenue is generated from our general building and civil engineering works. During the Year, the revenue attributable to our general building and civil engineering business amounted to HK\$2,787.28 million and HK\$608.97 million (2020: HK\$2,908.81 million and HK\$648.80 million), respectively, representing approximately 76.90% and 16.80% (2020: 77.11% and 17.20%), respectively, of the total revenue of the Group for the Year.

During the Year, other than general building and civil engineering works, we also provided other services which comprised mainly housing and property management services (such as the provision of cleaning services and security management services), fresh water and flush water maintenance services, sewage water sampling services, electrical and mechanical engineering services and BIM services to real estates in Hong Kong. Revenue attributable to these other services amounted to approximately 6.30% of the total revenue of the Group for the Year (2020: 5.69%).

Award of contracts after the Year

The Group has been awarded the following contracts for general building works after the Year and the table below sets forth the particulars of the projects:

Project type	Business segment	Scope of works	Contract period	Original contract sum (approximate HK\$'million)
Maintenance of properties managed by the Housing Authority	General building works — maintenance project	Maintenance, improvement and vacant flat refurbishment for properties managed by the Housing Authority in Tuen Mun and Yuen Long	April 2022 to March 2025	478
Construction of public housing developments of Kai Tak Sites 2B5 and 2B6	General building works	Construction of public housing developments	March 2022 to January 2026	2,624

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Revenue

Our revenue decreased by approximately HK\$147.61 million, or approximately 3.91%, from HK\$3,772.12 million for 2020 to HK\$3,624.51 million for 2021. The decrease in our revenue was mainly due to the decrease in our revenue from general building business of HK\$121.53 million and civil engineering business of HK\$39.83 million.

Revenue from general building business decreased by approximately HK\$121.53 million, or approximately 4.18%, from HK\$2,908.81 million for 2020 to HK\$2,787.28 million for 2021. The decrease in revenue between years was primarily due to the completion of certain general building contracts, including mainly the contracts for maintenance of properties managed by the Architectural Services Department and the Housing Authority, respectively. This was partly offset by the increase in revenue between years in accordance with the work progress of other general building contracts, including the construction of subsidised sale flats development for the Housing Authority.

Revenue from civil engineering business decreased by approximately HK\$39.83 million, or approximately 6.14%, from HK\$648.80 million for 2020 to HK\$608.97 million for 2021. The decrease in revenue between years was primarily due to the reduction in revenue in accordance with the work progress of certain civil engineering contracts, including the management and maintenance of roads in Kowloon East for the Highways Department.

Revenue from other services (which mainly comprised housing and property management services, fresh water and flush water maintenance services, sewage water sampling services, electrical and mechanical engineering services and BIM services) for 2021 amounted to HK\$228.26 million (2020: HK\$214.51 million), representing 6.30% (2020: 5.69%) of the total revenue of the Group.

Our business remained to be primarily focusing in the Hong Kong market during the Year.

Gross profit/(loss) and gross profit margin

The Group recorded a gross profit of HK\$85.71 million for the Year, as compared with a gross loss of HK\$39.92 million for 2020. The gross loss in the previous year was mainly due to the combined effect of losses recorded for two of our civil engineering contracts in 2020 totalling HK\$104.24 million, whereas such contracts did not record a loss of similar level in 2021. Excluding the loss recorded for these two projects in 2020, there was an increase of approximately HK\$21.39 million or 33.26% in our overall gross profit between years. This was mainly attributable to the relative control of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic in Hong Kong and the improvement of market conditions in Hong Kong during 2021 which had a positive impact on the progress of existing projects. This led to an increase in revenue and a decrease in project overhead costs and subcontracting costs. In addition, there was an increase in contributions from our ongoing projects between years in accordance with the work progress, leading to an increase in gross profit between years.

The Group recorded a gross profit margin of 2.36% for 2021, compared to a gross profit margin of -1.06% for 2020. The positive gross profit margin in the current year was mainly attributable to the relative control of the COVID-19 epidemic in Hong Kong and the improvement of market conditions in Hong Kong. In addition, there was better cost control which resulted in higher gross profit margin when compared to that of the previous year.

Other revenue

Other revenue mainly consisted of interest income and sundry income. Our other revenue for 2021 amounted to HK\$3.64 million, compared to that of HK\$95.85 million in 2020. The other revenue in 2020 comprised a one-off lump sum government subsidy of approximately HK\$91.98 million under the Employment Support Scheme. Excluding the government subsidy in 2020, our other revenue for 2021 of HK\$3.64 million was about in line with that of HK\$3.86 million for 2020.

Other net gain/(loss)

Our other net gain for 2021 amounted to HK\$1.37 million, compared to our other net loss of HK\$7.43 million for 2020. The difference was mainly because the balance in the previous year included a net realised and unrealised loss of HK\$7.73 million on interest rate swaps. Excluding this item in 2020, the difference between years was mainly attributable to the inclusion of a HK\$1.94 million gain on disposal of a subsidiary in the current year.

Administrative expenses

Administrative expenses mainly consisted of staff costs and rental charges. Our administrative expenses for 2021 amounted to HK\$65.44 million, compared to that of HK\$78.17 million for 2020. The decrease was mainly due to the decrease in staff costs between years.

Finance costs

Our finance costs for 2021 amounted to HK\$2.41 million, compared to that of HK\$12.05 million for 2020. The decrease was mainly attributable to the improvement of the liquidity position and the decrease in bank borrowings of the Group during the Year.

Share of results of a joint venture

Our share of results of a joint venture for 2021 was a net loss of HK\$2.30 million, compared to that of a net profit of HK\$1.34 million for 2020. The net loss recorded in 2021 was mainly due to the increase in administrative expenses recorded for the joint venture between years.

Income tax

Our income tax for 2021 was HK\$2.59 million, compared to a credit of HK\$21.41 million for 2020. The net credit balance in 2020 was mainly explained by the recognition of deferred tax from tax losses in certain subsidiaries' books that are expected to be utilised in future years.

Profit/(loss) attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company

Based on the above factors, there was a profit attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company amounting to HK\$17.43 million for 2021, compared to a loss attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company of HK\$18.65 million for 2020.

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND CAPITAL STRUCTURE

Capital Structure

As at 31 December 2021, the capital structure of the Group consisted of equity of HK\$375.59 million (2020: HK\$397.59 million) and bank loans of HK\$82.12 million (2020: HK\$200.42 million) as more particularly described in the paragraph headed "Borrowings" below.

Cash position and fund available

During the Year, the Group maintained a healthy liquidity position, with working capital being financed by our operating cash flows and bank borrowings. As at 31 December 2021, our cash and cash equivalents were HK\$236.84 million (2020: HK\$449.83 million).

As at 31 December 2021, the current ratio of the Group was 1.20 (2020: 1.17).

Our principal uses of cash have been, and are expected to continue to be, operational costs.

Borrowings

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had bank loans, which are repayable within one year, of approximately HK\$82.12 million (2020: HK\$200.42 million). As at 31 December 2021, the bank loans bear interest ranging from 1.69% to 1.98% (2020: 1.63% to 1.69%) per annum. The decrease in bank loans between years was mainly due to the sufficient internal resources available to finance the working capital of the existing projects and hence a decrease in demand of bank loans. In addition, the repayment of bank loans led to a decrease in bank interest expenses which aligned with the Group's strategy of controlling costs in an effective way.

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had approximately HK\$1,917 million (2020: HK\$2,540 million) of unutilised banking facilities in Hong Kong (including loans, letter of credit and letter of guaranteed facilities). All of the Group's banking facilities are subject to the fulfilment of certain covenants as are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. The Group's policy is to regularly monitor its liquidity requirements and its compliance with lending covenants, to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and adequate lines of funding from major financial institutions to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer term. The Group remains in compliance with its loan covenants during the Year.

GEARING RATIO

As at 31 December 2021, the Group's gearing ratio was 21.86% (2020: 50.41%), calculated based on the interest-bearing borrowings divided by the total equity as at the respective year end.

NET CURRENT ASSETS

As at 31 December 2021, the Group had net current assets of HK\$282.92 million (2020: HK\$284.42 million).

The Board regularly reviewed the maturity analysis of the Group's contractual liabilities and concluded that the Group had no liquidity issue that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

The Group's capital expenditures primarily comprise purchase of plant and equipment, such as motor vehicles and equipment, which were funded, and are expected to continue to be funded, by internal resources and cash flow generated from our operation. For the Year, the Group has incurred HK\$11.73 million (2020: HK\$2.36 million) on acquiring items of plant and equipment.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

The functional currency to which the Group's operations and assets and liabilities are denominated is the Hong Kong dollars. The Group has cash balances that is denominated in the United States dollars, Renminbi and British Pound. Given that the Hong Kong dollars are pegged with the United States dollars, there is no currency risk exposure to the United States dollars. The Board considers that the Group was not exposed to significant foreign exchange risk. The Board will review the Group's foreign exchange risk and exposure from time to time.

MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS OR DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES, AND PLANS FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSETS

There were no material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures during the Year and no future plan for material investments or capital assets as at 31 December 2021.

SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS HELD

Except for investments in the subsidiaries, a joint venture and joint operations, the Group did not hold any significant investments during the Year.

FINANCIAL GUARANTEES AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Save as disclosed below, the Group had no other financial guarantees and contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2021:

(a) As at 31 December 2021, approximately HK\$280,579,000 (2020: HK\$271,757,000) of performance bonds were given by financial institutions to the Group in favour of the Group's customers as security for the due performance and observance of the Group's obligation under the contracts entered into between the Group and their customers. The Group has provided guarantees of the above performance bonds. If the Group fails to provide satisfactory performance to its customers to whom performance bonds have been given, such customers may demand the financial institutions to pay to them the sum or sums stipulated in such demand. The Group will then become liable to compensate such financial institutions accordingly. The performance bonds will be released upon completion of the contract works.

At the end of the reporting period, the directors of the Company do not consider it probable that a claim will be made against the Group.

- (b) As at 31 December 2021, the Group has provided guarantees of HK\$177,951,000 (2020: HK\$141,544,000) representing a 50% proportionate guarantee in respect of certain banking facilities of HK\$355,902,000 (2020: HK\$283,087,000) granted to its joint venture in Macau. The 50% proportionate facilities were utilised to the extent of HK\$124,979,000 (2020: HK\$55,656,000), of which amounts of HK\$92,090,000 (2020: HK\$51,044,000) represent performance bonds given by financial institutions to the customers of the joint venture.
- (c) The Group has not recognised any deferred income in respect of these guarantees as their fair values cannot be reliably measured using observable market data and no transaction price was incurred.
- (d) The subsidiaries of the Group are defendants in a number of claims, lawsuits and potential claims relating to employee's compensation cases and personal injuries claims. The directors of the Company considered that the possibility of any economic outflow in settling the legal claims is remote as these claims are all well covered by insurance. Accordingly, no provision for the contingent liabilities in respect of these litigations is necessary, after due consideration of each case.

(e) A subsidiary of the Group is defendant in several arbitration proceedings relating to projects performed. With reference to legal opinions obtained, the Directors considered that the possibility of any economic outflow in settling such arbitration proceedings is remote. Accordingly, the Directors consider that no provision for the contingent liabilities in respect of such arbitration proceedings is necessary, after due consideration of each case.

PLEDGE OF ASSETS

At 31 December 2021, the Group had pledged deposits, amounting to HK\$20.11 million (2020: HK\$20.11 million) and assignment of project proceeds from certain construction contracts of the Group, the Group's joint operations and the Group's joint venture to banks as security of banking facilities (including bank loans and performance bonds). Pledged deposits remained relatively stable between years.

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

As at 31 December 2021, our Group did not have any capital commitments (2020: Nil).

EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICY

The Group maintains a very stable and experienced management team and an amicable long-term relationship with its employees as it is our belief that our employees are important assets to the Group. As at 31 December 2021, the Group has 1,571 employees in Hong Kong and Macau of which 1,447 were full-time employees and 124 were part-time employees. The Group's total remuneration for 2021 was approximately HK\$476 million. The Directors recognise the importance of attracting and retaining staff. In order to promote employee loyalty and retention, the Group provides technical and operational on-job trainings to its employees covering various aspects of its operations including contract law, and workplace and occupational safety. The Directors consider that the Group has maintained good relationship with its employees. The Group has not experienced any strikes, work stoppages or labour disputes which affected its operations during the Year. The Directors also consider that the relationship and co-operation between the management team and the employees have been good during the Year.

FUTURE PROSPECTS

COVID-19 has caused significant adverse impact on local and global economy which is expected to continue in 2022. As such, we expect that contractors in Hong Kong, including the Group, will continue to have pressure on profit margins. However, we believe that the Hong Kong Government will take more relief measures to try to overcome the challenges and to alleviate the financial burden suffered by the businesses from the COVID-19 outbreak. Together with the Government's continued commitment and efforts in land development and provision of public housing in Hong Kong, the Board remains confident of the Group's future development and will continue to build on our existing competitive strengths to achieve our long term business objectives.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND OTHER INFORMATION

The Board recognises that corporate governance practices are crucial to the smooth, effective and transparent operation of a company and its ability to attract investment, protect the rights of shareholders and stakeholders, and enhance shareholder value. The Company is committed to achieving and maintaining a high standard of corporate governance and leading the Group to attain better results and improve its corporate image with effective corporate governance procedures.

The Company has adopted the applicable code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") under Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules"). The references to the code provisions in this announcement has been updated with reference to the amended CG Code effective on 1 January 2022. The Board is of the opinion that the Company has complied with all the applicable code provisions, except for the deviation from provision C.2.1 and D.2.5 of the CG Code during the Year.

According to provision C.2.1 of the CG Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. The Company does not have a chief executive officer and such role has been assumed by the managing director of the Company. Mr. Chan Ki Chun is the chairman and the managing director of the Company. In the view that Mr. Chan has been assuming day-to-day responsibilities in operating and managing the Group since 1999, the Board believes that it is in the best interest of the Group to have Mr. Chan taking up both roles for effective management and business development. Therefore, the Board considers that the deviation from provision C.2.1 of the CG Code is appropriate in such circumstances.

According to code provision D.2.5 of the CG Code, the Company should have an internal audit function. The Company does not establish a standalone internal audit department, however, the Board has put in place adequate measures to perform the internal audit function in relation to different aspects of the Group. In 2021, the Company appointed an external internal control adviser to perform periodic review of our internal control system to evaluate the effectiveness and formulate plans and recommendations for improvement of our internal control measures and policies. It is intended to review the effectiveness of the Group's material internal controls so as to provide assurance that key internal control measures are carried out appropriately and are functioning as intended.

Notwithstanding the above, the Board is of the view that this management structure is effective for the Group's operations and sufficient checks and balances are in place. The Board will continue to review its corporate governance practices in order to enhance its corporate governance standard, to comply with regulatory requirements and to meet the growing expectations of the shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") and investors.

MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. Having made specific enquiries of all the Directors, each of the Directors confirmed that he has complied with the required standards set out in the Model Code during the Year.

Pursuant to Rule B.13 of the Model Code, the Directors have also requested any employee of the Company or director or employee of a subsidiary of the Company who, because of his office or employment in the Company or a subsidiary, is likely to possess inside information in relation to the securities of the Company, not to deal in securities of the Company when he would be prohibited from dealing by the Model Code as if he were a Director.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the Year.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Board is not aware of any significant event requiring disclosure that has taken place subsequent to 31 December 2021 and up to the date of this announcement.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEW

The Company has established the audit committee (the "Audit Committee") on 19 November 2015 with written terms of reference in compliance with the Listing Rules as amended from time to time. The Audit Committee consists of three independent non-executive Directors. The Audit Committee has, inter alia, reviewed the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the Year, including the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, as well as the risk management and internal control systems of the Group.

SCOPE OF WORK OF KPMG

The financial figures in respect of Group's consolidated statement of financial position, consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of comprehensive income and the related notes thereto for the year ended 31 December 2021 as set out in this announcement have been compared by the Group's auditor, KPMG, Certified Public Accountants, to the amounts set out in the Group's draft consolidated financial statements for the Year and the amounts were found to be in agreement. The work performed by KPMG in this respect did not constitute an audit, review or other assurance engagement in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing, Hong Kong Standards on Review Engagements or Hong Kong Standards on Assurance Engagements issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and consequently no assurance has been expressed by the auditor.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company will be held on Thursday, 26 May 2022 (the "2022 AGM"). A notice convening the 2022 AGM will be published and despatched to the Shareholders in accordance with the bye-laws of the Company, the Listing Rules and other applicable laws and regulations.

FINAL DIVIDENDS

The Directors recommended the payment of a final dividend of HK3.0 cents per ordinary share of the Company (the "Share") for the Year (2020: HK8.0 cents per Share), amounting to HK\$12 million (2020: HK\$32 million). Such payment of dividends will be subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the 2022 AGM and if approved, will be payable to the Shareholders whose names appear on the register of members of the Company at the close of business on Wednesday, 8 June 2022. It is expected that the proposed final dividend will be paid on or about Wednesday, 22 June 2022.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS

In order to establish entitlements to attend and vote at the 2022 AGM, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Monday, 23 May 2022 to Thursday, 26 May 2022 (both dates inclusive), during which no transfer of the Shares will be registered. Shareholders of the Company are reminded to ensure that all completed share transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 20 May 2022.

In order to establish entitlements to the proposed final dividend, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Tuesday, 7 June 2022 to Wednesday, 8 June 2022 (both dates inclusive), during which no transfer of the Shares of the Company will be registered. Shareholders of the Company are reminded to ensure that all completed share transfer forms accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, 6 June 2022.

PUBLICATION OF ANNUAL RESULTS AND ANNUAL REPORT

This annual consolidated results announcement is published on the Company's website at http://www.sfkchl.com.hk and the Stock Exchange's website at www.hkexnews.hk. The 2021 Annual Report will be despatched to the Shareholders and available on the above websites.

APPRECIATION

The Board would like to express its sincere gratitude to the management of the Group and all the staff for their hard work and dedication, as well as the shareholders of the Company, business associates and other professional parties for their continuous support to the Group throughout the Year.

By order of the Board

SFK Construction Holdings Limited

Chan Ki Chun

Chairman

Hong Kong, 25 March 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Chan Ki Chun, Mr. Yung Kim Man and Mr. Yeung Cho Yin, William; and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mr. Lam Leung Tsun, Mr. Jim Fun Kwong, Frederick and Mr. Chan Kim Hung, Simon.