

SOHO China Limited **Annual Report 2012**



# SOHO CHINA

The board (the "Board") of directors (the "Directors") of SOHO China Limited (the "Company", "we" or "SOHO China") is pleased to announce the audited consolidated annual results of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2012 (the "Year" or the "Period"), which had been prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the relevant provisions of the Rules (the "Listing Rules") Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). The 2012 audited consolidated annual results of the Group had been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company and approved by the Board on 6 March 2013.

For the year ended 31 December 2012, the Group achieved a turnover of approximately RMB15,305 million, increased by approximately 169% year over year, gross profit of approximately RMB9,007 million and gross profit margin of approximately 59%. Net profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company was approximately RMB10,585 million, increased by approximately 172% year over year. Core net profit (excluding valuation gains on investment properties) was approximately RMB3,335 million, increased by approximately 135% year over year. Core net profit margin was approximately 22%.

The Board recommended the payment of a final dividend of RMB0.13 per share for the year ended 31 December 2012 subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company (the "AGM") to be held in May 2013.



## Contents

<b>2</b>	Chairman's Statement
<b>6</b>	Business Review
<b>20</b>	Corporate Social Responsibility
<b>21</b>	Management Discussion & Analysis
<b>24</b>	Directors' Report
<b>42</b>	Connected Transactions
<b>44</b>	Corporate Governance Report
<b>55</b>	Corporate Information
<b>1</b>	Independent Auditor's Report

## Chairman's Statement

As 2013 arrives following the end of 2012, we reflect on what we achieved last year to adjust our pace, direction and strategy.

As has been our practice, our review begins with an analysis of the macro-environment in which we operate, so that we may more clearly understand our status and position and avoid committing mistakes attributable to ignorance and complacency.



Chairman's Statement



## Chairman's Statement

As witnessed by all of us, in the midst of a volatile global economy and accompanied by unbalanced development in China, our entire society, being swept over by internet technology, is at the same time greatly influenced by the power of unity and the impact of discord. Almost every industry, including the real estate industry, suffers from oversupply and Marxist theory regarding the problems of oversupply is still applicable to today's situation. The emergence of these conflicts and contradictions may inevitably add another string of disappointment and frustration.

Nevertheless, we still believe that civilization continues to progress unabated. This phenomenon is unchangeable despite however difficult the situation is, be it the past, today or the future. It is the perpetual way and style of the evolution of our society. After meticulous observation of these conditions, we can discover the truth behind the veils, see the hope in disappointment, and find the guiding light amid darkness and pessimism.

The internet replaces the old customs with a new order. More innovative creations come after the demise of certain industries and products. As certain industries become obsolete, more enduring industries are born.

Several years ago, after thorough consideration and discussion, the Group determined the future development strategy and direction of the Company: which is to focus on office properties development and investment in prime locations in Beijing and Shanghai. By the end of each year, we reflect on these strategies and direction that we have taken to see if we have missed any opportunities or taken the wrong paths.

1. The Group achieved excellent results in 2012. This is an important validation of the correctness of our strategies over the past years. The Group's turnover was approximately RMB15,305 million, with year over year growth of approximately 169% and a gross profit margin of approximately 59%. Net profit was approximately RMB10,585 million, with year over year growth of approximately 172%. Core net profit (excluding valuation gains on investment properties) was approximately RMB3,335 million, with a year over year growth of approximately 135%. Core net profit margin was approximately 22%.
2. Based on the Group's financial indicators, the Group ended the year in solid financial position, with a net gearing ratio of only 2.6% and over RMB22 billion in cash, providing a cushion in the event of future volatility and fluctuations in the economy, while enabling it to simultaneously pursue acquisitions in its two core markets. The Group expects 2013 will be an attractive year for acquisition opportunities, so the Group will focus on acquiring land and projects in Beijing and Shanghai.
3. Office rents in Beijing and Shanghai have been rising steadily. Despite the differences in the growth rates of the two cities during various periods, the steady overall rise in both markets laid a solid foundation for our new development model and strategy. In China, this solid foundation exists only in Beijing and Shanghai and is not present in any other second-tier cities.
4. Properties for commercial use include offices and retail facilities. As online shopping becomes more and more popular, its impact on retail bricks and mortar businesses is already enormous and will be increasingly significant in the coming years. Accordingly, the Group is reducing the retail exposure in its portfolio, and those retail facilities included in its projects will mainly be concept stores. Prominent brands such as Canon and Samsung have already established concept stores in the Group's properties.

## Chairman's Statement

2012 was a banner year for the Company – the Group achieved solid earnings, further strengthened its balance sheet, and successfully executed a bellwether US\$1 billion bond issuance. Most importantly, the Group strategically started the transition of its business model from “Build-to-Sell” to “Build-to-Hold” to capture market opportunities and forge a sustainable foundation for the Company’s future development. The transition aroused some concern over the Company’s financial capability to fulfil a smooth transition. The solid earnings and strong capital position provides the best answer! Earnings realised through the “Build-to-Hold” model would be more stable.

How does the Group adapt to an evolving society under the influence of the internet? In 2012, adhering to the Group’s principles of openness, transparency and fairness to all clients, the Group disclosed all sales and leasing prices clearly on the internet with no privately offered discounts. This fundamentally changed the real estate industry’s deep-rooted and unspoken rule that prices should be disclosed and negotiated offered only in private. The Group’s excellent sales and leasing results have validated its advanced approach. The Group also made significant progress carrying out procurements and tenders on the internet with genuine openness and transparency, which attracted the participation of numerous highly qualified businesses, improving the quality of procurement and reducing costs. The essence of these two initiatives that we took in 2012 is the same, which is to promote justice and development through openness and transparency. Under current market condition, openness and transparency solve problems of corruption and will provide protection for the Company’s sustainable development.

In 2013, the Group will be vigilant in reviewing and modifying its strategy on a daily basis in order for the Group to adapt and accommodate the changing environment of the market. However, the Group will always adhere to its core values, identify real demand amid uncertainty, and offer the right products to the market and society based on their needs without taking undue risk. By making contributions to social advancement and offering appropriate products, the Company will be able to achieve a stable and sustainable growth and become a valuable contributor to society.

**Pan Shiyi**  
*Chairman*  
6 March 2013

# Business Review

## Contract sales

During 2012, the Group's contract sales were mainly generated from SOHO Peaks (formerly known as Wangjing SOHO) and SOHO Zhongshan Plaza. The total contract sales amount of these projects was approximately RMB9,468 million, with an average selling price of approximately RMB50,531 per square meter.

Project	Contract sales amount during the Period (RMB'000)	Contract sales area* during the Period (sq.m.)	Average price* during the Period (RMB/sq.m.)	Total sellable area* (sq.m.)	Aggregate percentage of sellable area sold* by 31 December 2012	Aggregate contract sales amount by 31 December 2012 (RMB'000)
SOHO Peaks (Towers 1&2)	8,086,488	153,349	52,196	283,204	83%	12,765,529
SOHO Zhongshan Plaza	1,381,781	31,730	42,482	112,864	57%	3,039,355
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,468,269</b>	<b>185,079</b>	<b>50,531</b>			

\* Sellable area, contract sales area and average price exclude that of car parks in the projects.

## Major Portfolio

During the Period, construction of SOHO Century Plaza and Galaxy SOHO were completed. The Company acquired SOHO Tianshan Plaza and the remaining 20% equity interest of the project company of SOHO Fuxing Plaza in 2012.

As at 31 December 2012, major properties in the Company's portfolio were as follows:

	Project (sq.m.)	Location	Type	Total Gross Floor Area ("GFA") (sq.m.)	Group Interest (%)
Projects for Investment	Tiananmen South (Qianmen)	Beijing	Retail	55,000	100%
	Galaxy SOHO & Chaoyangmen SOHO	Beijing	Retail, office	45,000*	100%
	Guanghualu SOHO II	Beijing	Retail, office	167,000	100%
	SOHO Peaks (Tower 3)	Beijing	Retail, office	170,000	100%
	SOHO Century Plaza	Shanghai	Retail, office	59,000	100%
	SOHO Fuxing Plaza	Shanghai	Retail, office	137,000	100%
	Sky SOHO	Shanghai	Retail, office	343,000	100%
	Bund SOHO	Shanghai	Retail, office	189,000	61.51%
	Hongkou SOHO	Shanghai	Retail, office	95,000	100%
	Bund 8-1 Land	Shanghai	Retail, office, finance, art, culture	426,000	50%
	SOHO Hailun Plaza	Shanghai	Retail, office	169,000	100%
	SOHO Tianshan Plaza	Shanghai	Retail, office, hotel	170,000	100%
	Projects for Sales	SOHO Peaks (Towers 1&2)	Beijing	Retail, office	350,000
SOHO Zhongshan Plaza		Shanghai	Retail, office	142,000	100%
SOHO Jing'an Plaza		Shanghai	Residential, retail, office	76,000	100%

\* Lettable GFA in the project held by the Group for investment



Business Review



Major projects in Beijing

# Tiananmen South (Qianmen)

The project is located at Qianmen Avenue and the area east to the avenue, right on the south of Tiananmen Square. The Group has the right to retail space of approximately 54,691 square meters. Approximately 35,000 square meters is fully built and is in leasing operation.



## Guanghualu SOHO II

Guanghualu SOHO II is located in the heart of the Beijing Central Business District, opposite the Guanghualu SOHO project. The total planned GFA is approximately 167,000 square meters. The Group plans to keep the entire Guanghualu SOHO II project as investment properties. The underground construction of the project has been completed.



# Galaxy SOHO

Galaxy SOHO has a total GFA of approximately 330,000 square meters. Designed by Zaha Hadid Architects, it is an iconic commercial development within the East Second Ring Road of Beijing.

The Group launched the pre-sale of Galaxy SOHO on 26 June 2010. As at 31 December 2012, a total cumulative contract sales amount of approximately RMB16,173 million was achieved with average selling price for office and retail area of approximately RMB63,634 per square meter and RMB86,311 per square meter, respectively. The Group keeps approximately 34,096 square meters of lettable area of the project as investment properties. The project was completed and delivered in November 2012.





## SOHO Peaks

SOHO Peaks (formerly known as Wangjing SOHO) is to be developed into large-scale retail and office properties consisting of a total GFA of approximately 520,000 square meters and a total sellable/lettable GFA of approximately 420,000 square meters. Wangjing area is one of Beijing's most well-developed high-end residential areas, which is noticeably lacking in large-scale office and commercial facilities. Upon full completion in 2014, the development of SOHO Peaks will significantly enhance and balance the overall urban fabric of the Wangjing area. This development, zoned to stand 200 meters high, will be the first landmark and a point of access to central Beijing from the airport expressway. Wangjing area is also home to China headquarters of many prestigious multinational companies, including Daimler, Siemens, Microsoft, and Caterpillar whose headquarters are situated in close proximity to the project.

The pre-sale of SOHO Peaks Towers 1&2 was launched on 20 August 2011. As at 31 December 2012, the project achieved a cumulative contract sales amount of approximately RMB12,766 million, with the average selling price for office and retail area of approximately RMB49,321 per square meter and RMB91,078 per square meter, respectively. The Group plans to keep Tower 3 of approximately 134,000 square meters of lettable area as investment properties. SOHO Peaks is designed by Zaha Hadid Architects. SOHO Peaks is now under construction. Towers 1&2 are expected to be completed in 2013 and Tower 3 is expected to be completed in 2014.

## Business Review

## Major projects in Shanghai

# SOHO Century Plaza

In August 2011, the Group acquired the subject property, formerly known as Jia Rui International Plaza. The acquisition comprises the entire building of SOHO Century Plaza (excluding 24th floor and 40 carparks in the basement) which has a total lettable GFA of approximately 42,954 square meters, including approximately 42,522 square meters of GFA for office use and approximately 432 square meters of GFA for retail use.

SOHO Century Plaza is situated at Century Avenue of Pudong district, Pudong's Zhu Yuan business district. The project is close to the Lujiazui financial district and only about three kilometers away from Jin Mao Tower and Oriental Pearl TV Tower. SOHO Century Plaza is easily accessible through convenient subway networks and road systems. It is within five minutes walking distance to Pudian Road Station on subway line 4 and within eight minutes walking distance to Century Avenue Station, the interchange station for subway lines 2, 4, 6 and 9. Century Avenue Station is currently the largest subway transportation hub in China.

The Group is keeping SOHO Century Plaza as investment properties. The project was completed in 2012 and is now in the process of leasing.



## Sky SOHO

Sky SOHO (formerly known as Hongqiao SOHO) has a site area of 86,164 square meters with a planned total aboveground GFA of 216,000 square meters. The total GFA will be approximately 343,000 square meters. The project is situated in the Shanghai Hongqiao Linkong Economic Zone and adjacent to the Shanghai Hongqiao transportation hub. The Shanghai Hongqiao transportation hub, the convergence point of modern means of transportation such as airplane, high speed railway and subway, is the world's largest transportation hub and currently Shanghai's most vibrant area. It is connected to the most affluent cities of the Yangtze River Delta within about half an hour, making the Shanghai Hongqiao transportation hub and its nearby areas an area with the highest development potential in China.

The project is now under construction. The Group plans to keep the project as investment properties.



# SOHO Fuxing Plaza

On 12 October 2010, the Group acquired 48.4761% equity interest of the project company holding SOHO Fuxing Plaza (formerly known as Fuxinglu SOHO) at a consideration of approximately RMB1.21 billion. In March 2011 and April 2012, the Group made further acquisitions at the same consideration calculated under the initial Cooperation Framework Agreement, and increased its equity interest held in the project company to 100%. SOHO Fuxing Plaza is situated at Huai Hai Road Central, the most vibrant and cosmopolitan commercial street in Shanghai with direct access to subway line 10 and subway line 13 (under construction). It is right next to Shanghai Xintiandi that has a bustling commercial atmosphere. The land is zoned for commercial and office uses, with a total planned GFA of approximately 137,000 square meters.

The project is now under construction. The Group plans to keep the project as investment properties.







## Bund SOHO

The project has a total site area of approximately 22,462 square meters, with a total planned GFA of approximately 189,000 square meters. The Group holds 90% interests of T&T International Investment Corporation ("T&T International"), the major shareholder of the project company, and consequently holds 61.506% interest of the project company. T&T International is entitled to a total planned GFA of approximately 132,000 square meters, including 65,000 square meters of aboveground office and retail areas and 17,000 square meters of underground retail area.

Bund SOHO is framed by Yong'an Road to the east, Xin Yong'an Road to the south, East Second Zhong Shan Road to the west, and Xinkaihe Road and Renmin Road to the north. On the treasured premium strip of the Bund, right next to Shanghai's most famous City God Temple, and beside the Bund's multi-dimensional transportation hub and yacht pier, the project location possesses a highly developed and lively commercial atmosphere.

The project is now under construction. The Group plans to keep the project as investment properties.

## Hongkou SOHO

In July 2011, the Group acquired No.10 land parcel on Hainan Road in Hongkou District, Shanghai. The project, later renamed as Hongkou SOHO, has a site area of approximately 16,427 square meters zoned for retail and office uses. Its lettable GFA is approximately 70,325 square meters, including approximately 65,467 square meters of aboveground office area and approximately 4,858 square meters of aboveground and underground retail area.

Hongkou SOHO is situated at Sichuan North Road Station on subway line 10 and is only 300 meters away from Baoshan Road Station, the interchange station for subway lines 3 and 4. It is located at the most prime and developed area of the Sichuan North Road commercial district, one of the three largest commercial districts in Shanghai.

The project is currently under construction. The Group plans to keep the project as investment properties.

## SOHO Jing'an Plaza

On 31 March 2011, the Group entered into a framework agreement to acquire Caojiadu Land in Shanghai, which was renamed as SOHO Jing'an Plaza. The project has a site area of approximately 14,832 square meters zoned for commercial, office and residential uses. Its total planned GFA is about 76,362 square meters, including an above ground GFA of approximately 51,130 square meters.

SOHO Jing'an Plaza is situated next to the Chang Shou Lu commercial street at the Caojiadu commercial area, JingAn District, Shanghai. Surrounded by subway lines 2, 3, 7 and 11 and with the addition of subway lines 13 and 14 in the area in the future, Caojiadu commercial area is another vibrant, popular area for offices, retail and high-end apartments in JingAn District.

The planning and design work was nearly finished.

## SOHO Hailun Plaza

In April 2011, the Group acquired the Hailun Road Station Land, renamed later as SOHO Hailun Plaza. The site area for SOHO Hailun Plaza is approximately 28,103 square meters and is zoned for retail and office uses. Its total planned GFA is approximately 168,873 square meters, including approximately 115,180 square meters above ground offices and retail area and approximately 53,693 square meters underground retail area and car parks.

SOHO Hailun Plaza is located at subway line 10 Hailun Road Station in Hongkou District, Shanghai. Situated in the center of Hongkou District, it is in close proximity to the Sichuan North Road business district and is only about 2.5 kilometers from the city center, The People's Square, and about six minutes away from Lujiazui Pudong and the Bund. It is the convergence point for subway line 10 and subway line 4. Subway line 10, which is renowned as Shanghai's underground "Golden Corridor", runs through the city center and the city's major business districts. Subway line 4 is the circle subway line in the city centre that connects Puxi and Pudong.

The project is currently under construction. The Group plans to keep the project as investment properties.

## The Bund 8-1 Land

On 29 December 2011, the Group announced the entering into of an equity transfer and loan assignment agreement to acquire 50% equity interest in Shanghai Haizhimen Property Investment Management Co., Ltd. at a total consideration of RMB4 billion. As at 31 December 2012, the Group is now indirectly interested in 50% equity interest of Shanghai Bund 8-1 Land project company.

The Bund 8-1 Land has a site area of approximately 45,472 square meters zoned for mixed office, retail, financial, art and culture uses. The project has a total planned GFA of 426,073 square meters, with aboveground GFA of approximately 274,777 square meters (of which lettable GFA is 269,968 square meters, including 40,590 square meters of retail space, 190,000 square meters of office space, 30,000 square meters of hotel space and 9,378 square meters of art and culture space) and 151,296 square meters of underground gross floor area (including 51,002 square meters of underground retail space). The rights to the 30,000 square meters of hotel space and 6,000 square meters of underground auxiliary facilities have already been sold to a third party.

The Bund 8-1 Land is located between Yuyuan Garden and the Shiliupu Expo water gate in Shanghai's Huangpu District, and is in close proximity to the Shanghai Bund transportation hub and the Bund SOHO project acquired by the Group in June 2010. Set on the bank of the Huangpu River, the Bund 8-1 Land is endowed with the Huangpu River waterfront scenery and faces Pudong's Global Financial Center and Jinmao Tower across the river.

The project is currently under construction. The Group plans to keep The Bund 8-1 Land as investment properties.

# SOHO Tianshan Plaza

On 17 April 2012, the Group announced its entering of a framework agreement to acquire Shanghai Tianshan Road project in Changning District, Shanghai, at a total consideration of approximately RMB2,129 million. Tianshan Road project, which was renamed as SOHO Tianshan Plaza, occupies a site area of approximately 25,594 square meters with a total GFA of approximately 170,000 square meters zoned for office and commercial uses. It has an aboveground GFA of approximately 106,441 square meters of which the lettable floor area is approximately 102,357 square meters.

SOHO Tianshan Plaza is at the most prime location of the Hongqiao Foreign Trade Center, in Changning District, Shanghai. Being the first business district for foreign enterprises in Shanghai, this area is home to over 4,400 enterprises and organizations with a high concentration of foreign enterprises (over 50% of the companies are foreign invested enterprises including many multinational companies such as Intel, GE, Samsung and Shell). In close proximity to the Tianshan Road Commercial Street, SOHO Tianshan Plaza neighbors the inner circle and Loushuan Station on subway line 2. Surrounded by a lively and bustling commercial atmosphere, it is situated at the hub for office, retail, and high-end residential apartments in Changning District. Upon completion, SOHO Tianshan Plaza will greatly enhance the quality of office and commercial facilities in the area.

The project is currently under construction. The Group plans to keep SOHO Tianshan Plaza as investment properties.

## SOHO Zhongshan Plaza

On 6 May 2011, the Group acquired a commercial project, which was renamed as SOHO Zhongshan Plaza, in Changning District, Shanghai. SOHO Zhongshan Plaza has a site area of approximately 16,176 square meters zoned for retail and office uses. It comprises of two buildings with a total GFA of 142,000 square meters, including 100,218 square meters of office area and approximately 12,691 square meters of retail area.

SOHO Zhongshan Plaza is situated at Zhongshan West Road in Changning District, Shanghai. Situated at the heart of Hongqiao commercial district, it is only about 2 kilometers from Xujiahui and Zhongshan Park commercial districts, and about 8 kilometers from the Shanghai Hongqiao transportation hub. SOHO Zhongshan Plaza is easily accessible through an extremely convenient transportation network that is close to Songyuan Road Station on subway line 10 and Hongqiao Road Station on subway lines 3, 4 and 10, and in close proximity to the Zhongshan West Road/Inner Ring highway.

As at 31 December 2012, the project achieved a total cumulative contract sales amount of approximately RMB3,039 million.

## Corporate Social Responsibility

SOHO China Foundation is a public welfare charity organization which is invested, managed and operated solely by SOHO China. Its mission is to promote socio-material development and at the same time, stimulate our spiritual advancement and growth. In addition to the continuous creation of tremendous wealth for society and its shareholders, the Company, with its donations and the participation of its staff members, aims to enrich our growth in spiritual wealth and the simultaneous growth in material and spiritual wealth by staging various charity and subsidy programs through the SOHO China Foundation. Apart from monetary donations, all our staff members are motivated and encouraged to participate in each of our charity programs which is an act that not only requires financial contribution, but also takes time, affection and wisdom to serve and give back to the community.

In 2012, SOHO China Foundation concentrated donations to the Children's Virtues Project and a number of charities. Since 2008, SOHO China Foundation has launched the trial promotion of the Children's Virtues Education Course Project in Tianshui region, Gansu. After five years of continuous efforts, virtues education was successfully promoted to more than 200 schools in Tianshui and other schools in Guangxi, Guizhou, Xian, Pingliang and schools for children of migrant workers in Beijing. Up till late 2012, SOHO China Foundation has subsidized 1,495 teachers and 252 principals to attend the training program of virtues education course, and these "virtues teachers" can spread virtues education to educate more than 60,000 children every year.

In 2012, SOHO China Foundation participated in the "Give Pair of Sports Shoes to Children" charity initiative, founded and organized by China Charities Aid Foundation for Children. In addition, SOHO China Foundation participated and provided monetary contributions to help cataract patients during the "Love without Boundaries" charity initiative organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

SOHO China Foundation will continue to provide guidance and be the first to perform social responsibility, and will actively participate in various charitable activities as well as encourage its staff members and divert more social resources to jointly contribute to public welfare activities.

# Management Discussion & Analysis

## Financial review

### Property development

Turnover (net of business tax) for 2012 was approximately RMB15,305 million, representing a substantial increase of approximately RMB9,620 million or approximately 169% as compared with approximately RMB5,685 million in 2011. This was mainly attributable to the increase in the area booked in 2012, resulting from the completion and delivery of Galaxy SOHO in the Year. Area booked during the Period was approximately 236,848 square meters (excluding car parks), representing an increase of approximately 136% compared to approximately 100,315 square meters in 2011. In 2012, average selling price of booked area (excluding car parks) was approximately RMB66,639 per square meter, which was approximately 18% higher than approximately RMB56,670 per square meter in 2011. Turnover for 2012 mainly came from Galaxy SOHO, SOHO Zhongshan Plaza, etc.

### Profitability

Gross profit for 2012 was approximately RMB9,007 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB6,276 million or approximately 230% as compared with approximately RMB2,731 million in 2011. Gross profit margin for 2012 was approximately 59%.

Profit before taxation for 2012 was approximately RMB18,195 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB11,333 million or approximately 165% as compared with approximately RMB6,862 million in 2011. The increase in profit before taxation was mainly due to the increase in gross profit and revaluation gains from investment properties during the Period.

Net profit attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company for 2012 was approximately RMB10,585 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB6,693 million as compared with approximately RMB3,892 million in 2011. The increase was mainly due to the significant increase of GFA booked and revaluation gains arising from more investment properties during the Period. Core net profit, excluding valuation gains on investment properties, was approximately RMB3,335 million.

Core net profit margin for 2012 was approximately 22%.

### Cost control

Selling expenses for 2012 was approximately RMB327 million, representing approximately 2.1% of the turnover in 2012.

Administrative expenses for 2012 was approximately RMB254 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB43 million or approximately 20% over approximately RMB211 million in 2011. The administrative expenses accounted for approximately 1.7% of the turnover in 2012.

### Financial income and expense

Financial income for 2012 was approximately RMB433 million, representing a decrease of approximately RMB127 million as compared with approximately RMB559 million in 2011.

Financial expenses for 2012 was approximately RMB558 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB208 million or approximately 59% over approximately RMB351 million for 2011. The increase in financial expenses was mainly attributable to the increase of borrowings incurred during the Year.

## Management Discussion &amp; Analysis

**Valuation gains on investment properties**

Valuation gains on investment properties for 2012 was approximately RMB9,605 million, which was mainly a result of more investment properties being held by the Group during the Period, including properties that are completed and under construction.

**Income tax**

Income tax of the Group comprised the PRC Corporate Income Tax and the Land Appreciation Tax. The PRC Corporate Income Tax for 2012 was approximately RMB4,138 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB2,585 million as compared with approximately RMB1,553 million in 2011. Land Appreciation Tax for 2012 was approximately RMB3,410 million, representing an increase of approximately RMB2,588 million as compared with approximately RMB822 million in 2011. Income tax increased as a result of increased profit.

**Government grants**

The Group received total government grants of approximately RMB203 million in 2012, compared with approximately RMB201 million in 2011. Such grants were awarded by local government to companies with a certain contribution pursuant to the regulations issued by the respective local governments.

**Senior notes, convertible bonds, bank loans and collaterals**

On 31 October 2012, the Company successfully issued US\$600 million 5.750% senior notes due 2017 and US\$400 million 7.125% senior notes due 2022 (collectively, the "Senior Notes").

On 2 July 2009, the Company issued a five-year HKD2,800 million convertible bonds (the "Convertible Bonds"), bearing interest at a rate of 3.75% per annum. Each bond will be convertible on or after 11 August 2009 up to and including 25 June 2014 into ordinary shares of the Company at an initial conversion price of HKD5.88 per share. As at 31 December 2012, the conversion price was adjusted to HKD5.26 per share. The carrying amounts of liability and equity component of the Convertible Bonds were approximately RMB2,092 million and RMB514 million, respectively, as at 31 December 2012.

As at 31 December 2012, the loan balance of the Group was approximately RMB14,713 million, of which approximately RMB3,922 million is due within 1 year or on demand, approximately RMB6,365 million is due after 1 year but within 2 years, approximately RMB4,111 million is due after 2 years but within 5 years and approximately RMB315 million is due after 5 years. As at 31 December 2012, bank loans of approximately RMB14,713 million of the Group were collateralized by the Group's land use rights, properties, restricted bank deposits and shares of certain subsidiaries or guaranteed by certain subsidiaries of the Group.

As at 31 December 2012, the Group had Senior Notes, Convertible Bonds and bank loans of approximately RMB23,004 million, equivalent to approximately 28.5% of the total assets (2011: 22.8%). Net debt (bank loans + Senior Notes + Convertible Bonds – cash and cash equivalents and bank deposits) to shareholder's equity ratio was approximately 2.6% (2011: –10%).

**Risks of foreign exchange fluctuation**

The Group conducts its business primarily in Renminbi. Certain bank deposits and bank loans were denominated in Hong Kong dollars and US dollars, and the Group's convertible bonds and the senior notes were denominated in Hong Kong dollars and US dollars respectively. However, the Group's operating cash flow and liquidity are not subject to significant influence from fluctuations in exchange rate. No currency hedging arrangements were made as at 31 December 2012.



## Management Discussion &amp; Analysis

**Contingent liabilities**

As at 31 December 2012, the Group entered into agreements with certain banks to provide guarantees in respect to mortgage loans provided to buyers of property units. The amount of guaranteed mortgage loans relating to such agreements was approximately RMB5,593 million as at 31 December 2012 (approximately RMB4,776 million as at 31 December 2011).

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 5 June 2012. On 4 June 2012, the Group was served with a document of summons issued by Shanghai No. 1 Intermediate People's Court in relation to a court action initiated by a subsidiary of Fosun International Limited ("Fosun Group"), which holds the other 50% equity interests in Shanghai Haizhimen Property Investment Management Co., Ltd. ("Shanghai Haizhimen"), that requested orders to be made to invalidate the acquisition of Shanghai Haizhimen by the Group. Fosun Group takes the view that the transaction breached its pre-emptive right to acquire the remaining equity interests in the Bund 8-1 Land.

The Company and its PRC legal advisers take the view that, the acquisition does not involve a transfer of equity interest in Shanghai Haizhimen and therefore, the Company believes that the acquisition of the entire equity interests in the shareholders of Shanghai Haizhimen does not constitute a breach of any pre-emptive rights as alleged by Fosun Group.

As at the date of this report, the directors of the Company (the "Directors"), after consultation with the PRC legal advisers, do not consider it probable that orders will be made to invalidate the acquisition. In case Fosun Group prevails in its suit, Shanghai Haizhimen will discontinue to be a jointly controlled entity of the Group and the consideration paid for the acquisition of Shanghai Haizhimen will be refunded from the original shareholders.

Other than the above litigation, the Group is a defendant in certain lawsuits as well as the named party in other proceedings arising in the normal course of business. While the outcomes of such contingencies, lawsuits or other proceedings cannot be determined at present, the Directors believe that any resulting liabilities will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position, liquidity, or operating results of the Group.

**Capital commitment**

As at 31 December 2012, the Group's contracted capital commitments for properties under development was approximately RMB4,903 million (approximately RMB4,547 million as at 31 December 2011). The amount mainly comprised the development cost and land cost of contracted projects.

**Employees and remuneration policy**

As at 31 December 2012, the Group had 2,582 employees (including 161 employees for sales and leasing in Beijing and Shanghai, 258 employees for Commune by the Great Wall and Boao Canal Village and 1,656 employees for the property management company).

The remuneration of the Group's employees includes basic salary and bonuses. Bonuses are determined on a quarterly basis based on performance reviews. Remuneration of sales staff is primarily composed of commissions linked to sales performance. Pursuant to the terms of the share option scheme adopted on 14 September 2007, the Company also granted share options to various Directors and employees on 14 September 2007, 30 January 2008, 30 June 2008 and 6 November 2012, and adopted an employees' share award scheme on 23 December 2010 (the "Employees' Share Award Scheme") as part of its employees' remuneration packages.

The senior management team consists of six persons.

# Directors' Report

## Principal activities

The principal activity of the Company is investment in real estate development. Details of the principal activities of the Group are set out in the section headed "Business review" of this report. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year ended 31 December 2012.

## Results and dividends

The Group's profit for the Year and the financial status of the Company and the Group as at 31 December 2012 are set out in the audited consolidated financial statements.

The Board has resolved to recommend the payment of a final dividend of RMB0.13 per share for the year ended 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB0.11 per share).

## Financial information summary

A summary of the published financial results of the Group for the last five financial years is set out below. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

Consolidated income statement for the years ended 31 December:

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
RMB'000					
<b>Turnover</b>	<b>15,305,129</b>	5,684,822	18,215,091	7,413,451	3,121,375
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	<b>18,194,772</b>	6,861,880	8,700,068	5,658,710	1,149,159
Income tax	<b>(7,547,921)</b>	(2,375,458)	(4,928,485)	(2,264,020)	(726,219)
<b>Profit for the year</b>	<b>10,646,851</b>	4,486,422	3,771,583	3,394,690	422,940
<b>Attributable to:</b>					
Equity shareholders of the Company	<b>10,584,876</b>	3,892,308	3,636,156	3,300,178	399,073
Non-controlling interests	<b>61,975</b>	594,114	135,427	94,512	23,867
Basic earnings per share (RMB)	<b>2.051</b>	0.751	0.701	0.636	0.076
Diluted earnings per share (RMB)	<b>1.897</b>	0.716	0.673	0.625	0.076
Interim dividend per share (RMB)	<b>0.12</b>	0.14	0.12	0.00	0.00
Final dividend per share (RMB)	<b>0.13</b>	0.11	0.14	0.20	0.10

## Directors' Report

Consolidated balance sheet as at 31 December:

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
RMB'000					
Non-current assets	<b>45,205,058</b>	16,146,673	9,711,396	5,427,663	1,572,874
Current assets	<b>35,372,513</b>	43,533,101	38,219,036	32,328,658	24,498,210
Current liabilities	<b>25,046,565</b>	23,044,487	18,853,899	11,958,573	8,846,894
Net current assets	<b>10,325,948</b>	20,488,614	19,365,137	20,370,085	15,651,316
Total assets less current liabilities	<b>55,531,006</b>	36,635,287	29,076,533	25,797,748	17,224,190
Non-current liabilities	<b>23,820,544</b>	13,417,665	9,097,165	8,355,221	3,099,303
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>31,710,462</b>	23,217,622	19,979,368	17,442,527	14,124,887
Share capital	<b>106,029</b>	107,502	107,485	107,485	107,485
Reserves	<b>30,593,478</b>	21,615,261	19,135,247	17,116,130	13,880,557
Total equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company	<b>30,699,507</b>	21,722,763	19,242,732	17,223,615	13,988,042
Non-controlling interests	<b>1,010,955</b>	1,494,859	736,636	218,912	136,845
<b>Total equity</b>	<b>31,710,462</b>	23,217,622	19,979,368	17,442,527	14,124,887

### Share capital and share options

Details of changes in the Company's share capital and share options during the Year together with the reasons therefor, and details of the pre-IPO share option scheme approved by the shareholders of the Company on 14 September 2007 (the "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme") and the post-IPO share option scheme approved by the shareholders of the Company on 14 September 2007 (the "Share Option Scheme") are set out in Notes 25 and 27 to the audited consolidated financial statements.

### Reserves

Details of changes in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the Year are set out in Note 25 to the audited consolidated financial statements and the consolidated statements of changes in equity.

Details of the distributable reserves of the Company as at 31 December 2012 are set out in Note 25 to the audited consolidated financial statements.

### Pre-emptive rights

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's articles of association although there are no restrictions against such rights under the laws of the Cayman Islands.

## Directors' Report

## Property and equipment

Details of changes in property and equipment of the Group during the Year are set out in Note 11 to the audited consolidated financial statements.

## Disclosure Pursuant to Rules 13.18 and 13.21 of the Listing Rules

On 22 June 2011, the Company, as borrower, entered into a facility agreement with a syndicate of banks for an up to USD605 million equivalent 3-year transferable term loan facility. This syndicated loan will bear interest at the rate being the sum of LIBOR/HIBOR (as the case may be) and the interest margin of 3.55% per annum. This syndicated loan was to finance the general corporate funding requirement of the Group.

On 5 June 2012, the Company, as borrower, entered into a facility agreement (together with the facility agreement dated 22 June 2011, collectively, the "Facility Agreements") with a syndicate of banks for an up to USD626 million equivalent 3-year transferable term loan facility (the "Syndicated Loan"). The Syndicated Loan will bear interest at the rate being the sum of LIBOR/HIBOR (as the case may be) and the interest margin of 4.25% per annum. The Syndicated Loan is to finance the general corporate funding requirements of the Group.

Pursuant to the terms of the Facility Agreements, if, among others, the Company, as borrower and certain subsidiaries of the Company, as guarantors, fail to procure that:

- 1 Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita ("Ms. Zhang") and The Little Brothers Settlement constituted on 25 November 2005 by a deed of settlement between Ms. Zhang as settlor and HSBC International Trustee Limited as original trustee and under which Ms. Zhang is also the protector and a beneficiary (the "Trust") shall, in the aggregate, remain as the beneficial owners of at least 51% of the entire issued share capital of the Company; and
- 2 Mr. Pan Shiyi and Ms. Zhang shall remain as the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, respectively,

all outstanding liabilities of the Company under the Facility Agreement and the related documentation will become immediately due and payable. As at 31 December 2012, the Trust is the beneficial owner of approximately 65.0176% of the entire issued share capital of the Company.

## Directors

The directors of the Company (the "Directors") during the Year and up to the date of this report are:

### Executive Directors

Mr. Pan Shiyi (*Chairman*)

Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita (*Chief Executive Officer*)

Ms. Yan Yan (*President*)

Ms. Tong Ching Mau (*Chief Financial Officer*)

Mr. Yin Jie (*Senior Vice President*) (appointed on 22 October 2012)

## Directors' Report

**Independent non-executive Directors ("INEDs")**

Dr. Ramin Khadem

Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor

Mr. Yi Xiqun

Mr. Yin Jie was appointed as an executive Director on 22 October 2012. In accordance with article 86(3) of the Company's articles of association, Mr. Yin shall hold office until the forthcoming AGM and being eligible, offer himself for re-election at the forthcoming AGM.

In accordance with articles 87(1) and 87(2) of the Company's articles of association, Mr. Pan Shiyi, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Ms. Tong Ching Mau shall retire by rotation, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming AGM.

Each of Mr. Pan Shiyi, Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita and Ms. Yan Yan has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 1 January 2011, which may be terminated by either party by serving not less than one month's prior written notice. Ms. Tong Ching Mau has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 24 December 2010, which may be terminated by either party thereto giving to the other party not less than one month's prior written notice. Mr. Yin Jie has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of three years commencing from 22 October 2012, which may be terminated by either party thereto giving to the other party not less than one month's prior notice in writing.

Each of the independent non-executive Directors has entered into the appointment letters with the Company for a term from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014 which may be terminated by either party thereto giving to the other party not less than three months' prior notice in writing.

Save as disclosed above, no Director standing for re-election at the forthcoming AGM has a service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation other than statutory compensation.

**Biographies of Directors and members of senior management****Executive Directors****Mr. Pan Shiyi**

*Chairman of the Board*

**Mr. Pan Shiyi**, aged 49, is an executive Director and Chairman of the Board. Mr. Pan co-founded Redstone Industry Co., Ltd., the predecessor of the Company, in 1995. Since then he has led, together with his wife, Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita, the development of all of the Company's projects. Before that, Mr. Pan co-founded Beijing Vantone Co., Ltd. in 1992.

Mr. Pan was selected as "Real Estate Person of the Year" by sina.com in 2009 and 2010, Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year China 2008, one of the "Top Ten Influential Figures in Real Estate Industry" by sina.com in 2004 and 2006, one of the "25 most influential business leaders" in China by Fortune (China) Magazine in 2005. In 2011, Mr. Pan was selected again as "Real Estate Person of the Year" by sina.com and in 2012, he was selected as "China Real Estate Leader of the Year on Weibo" by sina.com.

## Directors' Report

**Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita***Chief Executive Officer*

**Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita**, aged 47, is an executive Director and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Ms. Zhang co-founded Redstone Industry Co., Ltd., the predecessor of the Company, in 1995. Since then she has led, together with her husband Mr. Pan Shiyi, the development of all of the Company's projects.

Ms. Zhang was selected by the Davos World Economic Forum as a Young Global Leader in 2005. In recognition of Ms. Zhang's efforts in promoting the development of architecture in Asia, Ms. Zhang was awarded the "Special Prize to an Individual Patron of Architectural Award" at la Biennale di Venezia in 2002. She was named among the "World's 100 Most Powerful Women" by Forbes Magazine in 2008 and 2011 and was named one of the "Top 50 Women in World Business" by Financial Times Newspaper in 2009, 2010 and 2011. She was honored the Blue Cloud Award by the China Institute in America in 2011 and was also named among "The International Power 50" of the "Most Powerful Women" by Fortune magazine in 2011. She had spoken at various forums as well, including the China Business Summit 2003, World Economic Development Declaration 2003, the Fortune Global Forum 2005 and the World Economic Forum in 2008, 2009 and 2010.

**Ms. Yan Yan***President*

**Ms. Yan Yan**, aged 49, is an executive Director and the Company's President. She is responsible for the business development, budget control and overall management of the Company. Ms. Yan joined the Company in December 1996 and had acted as Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer prior to her present position. Ms. Yan received a Bachelor of Civil Engineering degree from Tianjin University in 1986. She has eighteen years of relevant experience in the real estate development industry in China.

**Ms. Tong Ching Mau***Chief Financial Officer*

**Ms. Tong Ching Mau**, aged 42, is an executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Company. Ms. Tong has been with the Company for over ten years. She acted as the director of corporate finance and investor relations and then financial controller prior to her promotion as the Chief Financial Officer. Ms. Tong is responsible for financial management, investor relations and corporate finance of the Company. Prior to joining the Company in 2002, she worked in the investment banking division of Credit Suisse First Boston in New York. She received a Master of Business Administration degree from Yale University, and a Master and a Bachelor degree of Economics from Fudan University in Shanghai.

**Mr. Yin Jie***Senior Vice President*

**Mr. Yin Jie**, aged 45, is our Chief Architect and is responsible for the overall project design. He joined the Company in 2009. Mr. Yin received his Bachelor degree from University of Washington in 1992 and is a registered architect in Washington State of the U.S. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Yin practiced in a major U.S. architectural firm for 17 years.

## Directors' Report

**Independent non-executive Directors****Dr. Ramin Khadem**

**Dr. Ramin Khadem**, aged 68, is an independent non-executive Director. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the International Space University, Strasbourg, France. He is a member of the board of the International Institute of Space Commerce, a member of the advisory board of ManSat Ltd., a company that serves the needs of the international space industry, as well as Near Earth L.L.C., an investment bank with a focus on the satellite, media and telecommunications clients and investors. He is also Chairman of Odyssey Moon Ltd, a lunar enterprise business. Dr. Khadem served as an executive director of Inmarsat Ventures Limited (formerly known as Inmarsat Ventures Plc.) ("Inmarsat") between October 2000 and July 2004, and also as an executive director of Inmarsat Group Holdings Limited between December 2003 and July 2004 where he was responsible for the overall financial management and performance of the Inmarsat Group. Since 1993, he had been acting as the Chief Financial Officer of Inmarsat. Before this, he had held several other posts in Inmarsat, including those of financial director, financial manager and executive officer. Dr. Khadem graduated from the University of Illinois with a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering and from McGill University with an M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Economics.

**Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor**

**Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor**, aged 63, is an independent non-executive Director. He is the Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of HKR International Limited (a company listed on the Stock Exchange, Stock Code 480) and an alternate independent non-executive director of New World Development Company Limited (a company listed on the Stock Exchange, Stock Code 0017). He is also a member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Committee of Zhejiang Province and a council member of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. Mr. Cha graduated from Stanford University with an MBA degree and University of Wisconsin with a Bachelor of Science degree.

**Mr. Yi Xiqun**

**Mr. Yi Xiqun**, aged 65, is an independent non-executive Director. Mr. Yi is Vice Chairman of China Association of Private Equity, Vice Chairman and the first rotating presidency of Beijing Private Equity Association. From 1986 to 1987, he guided Economic Reform Office of Beijing Municipal People's Government, and was District Chief of Xicheng District in Beijing from 1987 to 1991. From 1991, he was an assistant to the Mayor of Beijing, and at the same time, he was director of Foreign Economy & Trade Committee in Beijing, as well as Director of Management Committee in Beijing Economic-Technological Development Area. In 1999, he successively assumed the General Manager of BHLH, a subsidiary of Beijing Holdings Ltd. and director of Beijing Holdings Ltd. In 2003, he was the Chairman of BHLH and Chairman of the Board of Beijing Enterprises Holdings limited (a company listed on the Stock Exchange, Stock Code 392). In December 2004, he became to serve as the Chairman of Beijing Enterprises Holdings Group Company Ltd., during which period, Mr. Yi also served as Chairman of Beijing Private Equity Management Co., Ltd. Mr. Yi now serves as Vice Chairman of China Association of Private Equity, Vice Chairman of Beijing Private Equity Association, independent non-executive director of China Merchants Bank Co. Ltd. (a company listed on the Stock Exchange, stock code 3968), independent Director of Zhejiang Zheshang Trust, Independent Director of Asian Capital (Corporate Finance) Limited, Vice President of China Association for the Promotion of Industrial Development and Member of Zhong Guancun Advisory Committee.

## Directors' Report

**Senior Management****Ms. Ng Swen Dein***Senior Vice President*

**Ms. Ng Swen Dein**, aged 48, is responsible for overall property management, internal management, hotel management and retail leasing. She joined the Company in 2010. Ms. Ng received her bachelor's degree in marketing management and finance from University of Wisconsin in 1987. Ms. Ng has 15 years of relevant experience in China's real estate industry including business management and property operations.

**Ms. Ma Sau Kuen Gloria***Company Secretary*

**Ms. Ma Sau Kuen Gloria**, aged 54, is the Company Secretary of the Company. Ms. Ma is a director and head of registration and compliance services of KCS Hong Kong Limited (凱譽香港有限公司), a corporate secretarial and accounting services provider in Hong Kong. Ms. Ma has over 30 years of experience in corporate secretarial work that includes acting as company secretary for companies listed on the Stock Exchange, setting up companies in different jurisdictions such as Hong Kong, Cayman Islands and British Virgin Islands. She also has extensive knowledge and experience in corporate restructuring and legal compliance issues. Ms. Ma holds a master degree in Business Administration from the University of Strathclyde, Scotland, and is a fellow member of the Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries and the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators in the United Kingdom.



## Directors' Report

## Directors' remuneration

The Directors' remunerations are determined by the Board, as authorized by the 2012 AGM held on 18 May 2012, with reference to Directors' duties, responsibilities and performance as well as the financial results of the Group.

Remuneration details of each Director for the year 2012 are set out as follows:

2012	Directors' fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowance and benefits in kind RMB'000	Retirement scheme contributions RMB'000	Sub-total RMB'000	Share-based payments (Note i) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>Executive Directors</b>						
Pan Shiyi ( <i>Chairman</i> )	240	5,926	33	6,199	–	6,199
Pan Zhang Xin Marita	240	5,201	–	5,441	–	5,441
Yan Yan	240	5,251	33	5,524	1,911	7,435
Tong Ching Mau	240	3,723	–	3,963	635	4,598
Yin Jie (appointed on 22 October 2012)	50	971	7	1,028	124	1,152
<b>Independent non-executive Directors</b>						
Ramin Khadem	308	–	–	308	–	308
Cha Mou Zing Victor	272	–	–	272	–	272
Yi Xiqun	272	–	–	272	–	272
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,862</b>	<b>21,072</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>23,007</b>	<b>2,670</b>	<b>25,677</b>

Note:

- (i) These represent the fair value of awarded shares and share options granted to the Directors under the Employees' Share Award Scheme and the Share Option Scheme. The value of these awarded shares and share options is measured according to the Group's accounting policies for share-based payment transactions as set out in Note 1(p)(ii) of the audited consolidated financial statements. Details of these benefits in kind, including the principal terms and number of awarded shares and share options granted, are disclosed in Note 27 of the audited consolidated financial statements.

During the Year, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the Directors as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office. No Directors waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the Year.

## Senior management's remuneration

The senior management's remuneration is determined with reference to the senior management's duties, responsibilities and performance as well as the financial results of the Group. During the year, total individual remuneration to the senior management, other than the five executive Directors who are also members of the senior management, was more than RMB500,000.

## Directors' Report

## Interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations

As at 31 December 2012, the interests and short positions of the Directors and the chief executive of the Company in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO")), which were required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO to be recorded in the register referred to therein, or pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as contained in the Listing Rules, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, were as follows:

### (i) Interests in the ordinary shares of the Company

Name	Personal interests	Family interests	Corporate interests	Number of ordinary shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Pan Shiyi	–	3,324,100,000 (L)	–	3,324,100,000 (L)	65.0176% (L)
Pan Zhang Xin Marita	–	–	3,324,100,000 (L)	3,324,100,000 (L)	65.0176% (L)
Yan Yan	16,351,857 (L) (Note 2)	–	–	16,351,857 (L)	0.3198% (L)
Tong Ching Mau	891,666 (L) (Note 3)	–	–	891,666 (L)	0.0174% (L)
Yin Jie (appointed on 22 October 2012)	337,416 (L) (Note 4)	–	–	337,416 (L)	0.0066% (L)
Ramin Khadem	300,000 (L)	–	–	300,000 (L)	0.0059% (L)

## Notes:

- (1) (L) represents the Directors' long position in shares or underlying shares.
- (2) These are interests in the underlying shares, which include (i) options to subscribe for 1,242,500 shares granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme; (ii) options to subscribe for 901,000 shares and 8,184,000 shares granted on 30 January 2008 and 6 November 2012, respectively, under the Share Option Scheme; and (iii) 6,024,357 shares beneficially owned.
- (3) These are interests in the underlying shares, which include (i) options to subscribe for 331,250 shares granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme; (ii) options to subscribe for 223,000 shares granted on 30 January 2008 under the Share Option Scheme; and (iii) 337,416 shares beneficially owned.
- (4) These are interests in the underlying shares, which include 337,416 shares beneficially owned.

## Directors' Report

**(ii) Interests in the ordinary shares of the Company's associated corporations**

Name	Name of associated corporation	Nature of interest	Share capital (USD)	Approximate percentage of shareholding
Pan Shiyi	Beijing Redstone Jianwai Real Estate Development Co. Ltd.	interest of controlled corporation	1,275,000	4.25%
	Beijing SOHO Real Estate Co. Ltd.	beneficial owner	4,950,000	5.00%
	Beijing Redstone Newtown Real Estate Co. Ltd.	beneficial owner	500,000	5.00%
	Beijing Shanshi Real Estate Company Limited	beneficial owner	1,935,000	5.00%
Yan Yan	Beijing Redstone Jianwai Real Estate Development Co. Ltd.	interest of controlled corporation	225,000	0.75%

Save as disclosed above, to the best knowledge of the Directors, as at 31 December 2012, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company had or was deemed to have any interests or short positions in the shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which are required pursuant to section 352 of the SFO to be recorded in the register referred to therein, or pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

## Directors' Report

## Substantial shareholders and other persons' interests and short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company

As at 31 December 2012, the register of substantial shareholders maintained by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO showed that, other than the interests disclosed above in respect of certain Directors, the following shareholders had notified the Company of their relevant interests in the issued share capital of the Company:

Name	Nature of interest	Number of ordinary shares	Approximate percentage of shareholding
HSBC International Trustee Limited (Note 2)	trustee	3,325,633,000 (L)	65.0476% (L)
Capevale Limited	interests of controlled corporation	3,324,100,000 (L)	65.0176% (L)
Boyce Limited (Note 3)	beneficial owner	1,662,050,000 (L)	32.5088% (L)
Capevale Limited (Note 4)	beneficial owner	1,662,050,000 (L)	32.5088% (L)

Notes:

- (1) (L) represents the shareholders' long position in shares or underlying shares.
- (2) HSBC International Trustee Limited (in its capacity as the trustee of the trust) is the legal owner of 100% of the shares in the issued share capital of Capevale Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands. HSBC International Trustee Limited held 3,325,633,000 shares under the trust for the benefit of the beneficiaries of the trust, including Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita. Boyce Limited, which is incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, was the beneficial owner of 1,662,050,000 shares. Capevale Limited, which is incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, is the beneficial owner of 1,662,050,000 shares of the Company's shares.
- (3) Boyce Limited, incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Capevale Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands.
- (4) Capevale Limited, incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Capevale Limited, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands.

Save as disclosed above, to the best knowledge of the Directors, as at 31 December 2012, none of any person who had interest or short position in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which were required, pursuant to section 336 of the SFO, to be recorded into the register referred to therein.

## Directors' Report

### Directors' interests in contracts of significance

Save as disclosed in the section headed "Connected Transactions" of this report, no contracts of significance, in relation to the Group's business to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party in which a Director had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the Year or at any time during the Year.

### Directors' interests in competing business

Save as disclosed in the Company's prospectus dated 21 September 2007, as at 31 December 2012, none of the Directors or their respective associates had engaged in or had any interest in any business which competes or may compete with the businesses of the Group.

### Directors' rights to acquire shares of the company

Save as disclosed in the sections headed "Share Option Scheme" and "Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme" below, at no time during the Year were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any Directors or their respective spouse or minor children, nor were any such rights exercised by them; nor was the Company or any of its subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable any Directors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

### Employees' share award scheme

The Company adopted the Employees' Share Award Scheme on 23 December 2010. The purpose of the Employees' Share Award Scheme is to recognize the contributions by certain employees of the Group and to give incentives to them in order to retain them for the continual operation and development of the Group, and to attract suitable personnel for further development of the Group.

During the Year, the trustee of the Employees' Share Award Scheme pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Employees' Share Award Scheme, purchased on the Stock Exchange a total of 3,878,500 shares of the Company at a total consideration of approximately HKD21,784,000. During the Year, 6,466,200 shares were granted to the employees including Directors under the Employees' Share Award Scheme.

## Directors' Report

## Share option scheme

The Company has adopted the Share Option Scheme on 14 September 2007, which shall be valid and effective for a period of ten years commencing from 14 September 2007. The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to provide the participants who have been granted options (the "Options") under the Share Option Scheme to subscribe for shares with the opportunity to acquire proprietary interests in the Company and to encourage participants to work towards enhancing the value of the Company for the benefit of the Company and shareholders as a whole. The Share Option Scheme will provide the Company with a flexible means of retaining, motivating, rewarding, remunerating, compensating and/or providing benefits to the participants. Under the Share Option Scheme, the Board may make an offer to (i) any Directors (including executive Directors, non-executive Directors and independent non-executive Directors), employees and officers of any member of the Group and (ii) any advisers, consultants, agents, business partners, joint venture business partners and service providers of any member of the Group (collectively, the "Business Associate"), as the Board may in its absolute discretion select, to take up Options (collectively the "Participants"). The amount payable by a Participant upon acceptance of a grant of Options is HKD1.00.

Unless approved by the shareholders of the Company, the total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the Options granted to each Participant (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding Options) under the Share Option Scheme and any other share option scheme adopted by the Company in any twelve-month period must not exceed 1% of the shares in issue. Any further grant of Options which would result in the number of shares issued as aforesaid exceeding the said 1% limit will be subject to prior shareholders' approval with the relevant Participant and his associates (as defined in the Listing Rules) abstaining from voting. The period within which the Options may be exercised shall expire no later than ten years from the relevant date on which the offer of the grant of an Option is made to a Participant.

The subscription price of any Option granted under the Share Option Scheme may be determined by the Directors provided that it shall be no less than the higher of (i) the closing price of the shares as stated in the daily quotation sheet issued by the Stock Exchange on the offer date; (ii) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the daily quotation sheets issued by the Stock Exchange for the five Stock Exchange business days immediately preceding the offer date; and (iii) the nominal value of a share on the date of grant.

As at 31 December 2012, options carrying the rights to subscribe for 11,090,000 (31 December 2011: 3,599,000) shares representing 0.22% (31 December 2011: 0.07%) of the issued share capital of the Company, remained outstanding and options carrying the rights to subscribe for 523,000 (2011: 693,700) shares were cancelled during the Year.

## Directors' Report

Details of the Options granted under the Share Option Scheme and remain outstanding as at 31 December 2012 are as follows:

Name and class of grantees	Date of grant	Outstanding as at 1 January 2012	Number of Options				Outstanding as at 31 December 2012
			Granted during the Period	Exercised during the Period	Cancelled during the Period	Lapsed during the Period	
(1) Directors							
Yan Yan	30 January 2008 (Note 1)	901,000	–	–	–	–	901,000
	6 November 2012 (Note 3)	–	8,184,000	–	–	–	8,184,000
Tong Ching Mau	30 January 2008 (Note 1)	223,000	–	–	–	–	223,000
(2) Other employees							
Other employees	30 January 2008 (Note 1)	2,005,000	–	–	523,000	–	1,482,000
Other employees	30 June 2008 (Note 2)	470,000	–	170,000	–	–	300,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>3,599,000</b>	<b>8,184,000</b>	<b>170,000</b>	<b>523,000</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>11,090,000</b>

Notes:

(1) Details of Options:

Number of Options granted	Exercise period	Exercise price per share HKD	Closing price per share immediately prior to the grant date HKD
7,259,000	30 January 2009 to 29 January 2014*	6.10	5.87

(2) Details of Options:

Number of Options granted	Exercise period	Exercise price per share HKD	Closing price per share immediately prior to the grant date HKD
1,080,000	30 June 2009 to 29 June 2014**	4.25	4.34

(3) Details of Options:

Number of Options granted	Exercise period	Exercise price per share HKD	Closing price per share immediately prior to the grant date HKD
8,184,000	6 November 2013 to 5 November 2022***	5.53	5.67

## Directors' Report

- \* The Options granted on 30 January 2008 are exercisable from the commencement of the exercise periods until the expiry of the Options which is on 29 January 2014. One-third of such Options are exercisable after the expiry of the first year from the date of grant, a further one-third is exercisable after the expiry of second year from the date of grant, and the remaining one-third is exercisable after the expiry of third year from the date of grant.
- \*\* The Options granted on 30 June 2008 are exercisable from the commencement of the exercise periods until the expiry of the Options which is on 29 June 2014. One-third of such Options are exercisable after the expiry of the first year from the date of grant, a further one-third is exercisable after the expiry of second year from the date of grant, and the remaining one-third is exercisable after the expiry of third year from the date of grant.
- \*\*\* The Options granted on 6 November 2012 are exercisable from the commencement of the exercise period until the expiry of the Options which is on 5 November 2022. One-tenth of such Options are exercisable after the expiry of the first six years from the date of grant on an annual basis, and the remaining two-fifths of the option are exercisable after the expiry of the seventh year from the date of grant.

### Pre-IPO share option scheme

The Company has adopted the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme on 14 September 2007, the terms of which are substantially the same as the terms of the Share Option Scheme except that:

- (i) the exercise price per share under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme shall be equal to the offer price per share upon initial public offering of the Company's shares;
- (ii) the term of the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme is six years, commencing from 8 October 2007;
- (iii) the total number of shares which may be issued upon the exercise of all pre-IPO share options (the "Pre-IPO Share Options") granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme is 12,058,000 shares, representing approximately 0.23% of the enlarged issued share capital of the Company after completion of the initial public offering; and
- (iv) save for the Pre-IPO Share Options which have been granted, no further Pre-IPO Share Options will be granted on or after the Company's listing on 8 October 2007, as the right to do so has ended on 8 October 2007.

As at 31 December 2012, Pre-IPO Share Options carrying the rights to subscribe for 5,481,660 (31 December 2011: 6,854,340) shares representing 0.11% (31 December 2011: 0.13%) of the issued share capital of the Company remained outstanding. Pre-IPO Share Options carrying the right to subscribe for 1,372,680 shares were cancelled during the Period.



## Directors' Report

Details of the outstanding Pre-IPO Share Options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme are as follows:

Name and class of grantees	Granted on 14 September 2007 (Note)	Outstanding as at 1 January 2012	Number of Options			Outstanding as at 31 December 2012
			Exercised during the Period	Cancelled during the Period	Lapsed in during the Period	
(1) Directors						
Yan Yan	1,242,500	1,242,500	–	–	–	1,242,500
Su Xin (resigned on 30 September 2009)	750,000	–	–	–	–	–
Tong Ching Mau	331,250	331,250	–	–	–	331,250
(2) Employees of the Group						
	9,734,250	5,280,590	–	1,372,680	–	3,907,910
	12,058,000	6,854,340	–	1,372,680	–	5,481,660

Note:

All the Pre-IPO Share Options can be exercised at the price of HKD8.3 per share. All the Pre-IPO Share Options under the Pre-IPO Share Option Scheme cannot be exercised within the first twelve months after the date of the listing of the Company. The Pre-IPO Share Options granted are exercisable for the period from 8 October 2008 until the expiry of Options which is on 7 October 2013. One-third of such Pre-IPO Share Options are exercisable after the expiry of the first year from the date of grant, a further one-third is exercisable after the expiry of second year from the date of grant, and the remaining one-third is exercisable after the expiry of third year from the date of grant.

## Major suppliers and customers

For the year ended 31 December 2012, the percentage of sales of the Group to the Group's five largest customers amounted to less than 30%.

For the year ended 31 December 2012, the percentage of purchases by the Group for the Year attributable to the Group's five largest suppliers amounted to 65.8%, and the Group's largest supplier accounted for 25.9%.

So far as the Board is aware, neither the Directors, their associates nor any shareholder of the Company (which to the knowledge of the Directors owns more than 5% of the Company's share capital) had any interest in these major customers and suppliers during the Year.

## Charitable donations

In 2012, the Group contributed approximately RMB12 million to various charities.

## Sufficiency of public float

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, at least 25% of the Company's total issued share capital was held by the public as at the date of this annual report.

## Directors' Report

## Compliance with the Code of Corporate Governance Practices

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company had been in compliance with the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices during the period from 1 January 2012 to 31 March 2012 and the Corporate Governance Code during the period from 1 April 2012 to 31 December 2012, contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules during the Period except for the following deviation.

Code provision A.6.7 requires the independent non-executive Directors and the non-executive Directors should attend the general meeting. However, due to other commitments, the independent non-executive Directors, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Mr. Yi Xiqun did not attend the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 May 2012 and had appointed Dr. Ramin Khadem, an independent non-executive Director, to attend the above meeting on their behalf.

## Material legal proceedings

Except for the information related to the Bund 8-1 Land project disclosed in the section of Contingent Liabilities, to the knowledge of the Directors, there was no material legal proceeding during the Year.

## Purchase, sale or redemption of listed securities of the Company

During the Year, the Company repurchased on the Stock Exchange a total of 98,510,000 Shares at a total consideration of approximately HKD525,284,000. Details of the repurchase are set out in the table below. As at 11 January 2013, all the Shares repurchased by the Company during the Year had been cancelled. In addition, the trustee of the employees' share award scheme which was adopted by the Company on 23 December 2010 (the "Employees' Share Award Scheme"), pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Employees' Share Award Scheme, purchased on the Stock Exchange a total of 3,878,500 Shares at a total consideration of approximately HKD21,784,000. Other than the aforesaid, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold, or redeemed any of the Company's listed securities during the Year.

Month of Repurchase	Number of Shares Repurchased	Price Paid Per Share		Total Consideration (HK\$ millions)
		Highest Price HK\$	Lowest Price HK\$	
Aug-2012	24,598,500	5.40	4.93	131
Sep-2012	22,390,000	4.86	4.72	107
Oct-2012	18,290,500	5.10	4.77	91
Nov-2012	10,930,500	5.70	5.46	61
Dec-2012	22,300,500	6.27	5.86	134
<b>Total</b>	<b>98,510,000</b>			<b>525</b>

Directors' Report

## Auditor

The consolidated financial statements of the Group have been audited by KPMG. A resolution for the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers as auditors of the Company for the next financial year will be proposed at the forthcoming AGM.

On behalf of the Board

**Pan Shiyi**

*Chairman*

Hong Kong

6 March 2013

## Connected Transactions

During the Year, the Group had the following continuing connected transactions (the “Transactions”) with connected persons of the Company within the meaning of the Listing Rules. Details of the Transactions have been described in the prospectus of the public offering of the Company’s shares dated 21 September 2007 (the “Prospectus”) under the heading “Relationship with Our Controlling Shareholders and Founders”. The status of the Transactions of the Group as at 31 December 2012 and for the year then ended is set out below:

1. Continuing connected transactions for which waiver had been sought from strict compliance with the announcement requirements under Rule 14A.47 of the Listing Rules:

- (a) Property purchase contracts between Beijing Hongyun Co., Ltd. and Beijing ZhongHongTian Real Estate Co., Ltd. (“ZhongHongTian”)

As disclosed in the Prospectus, the outstanding amounts from the above contracts were in aggregate RMB3,916,128 as at 24 July 2007, 50% of which should be repayable on 30 June 2008 and the remaining 50% should be repayable on 31 December 2008. The outstanding amount bore an interest at the People’s Bank of China’s (“PBOC”) lending rate till the repayment dates, i.e. 30 June 2008 and 31 December 2008, respectively. As at 31 December 2012, the balance of RMB3,916,128 remained outstanding and interests receivable of RMB498,210 thereon was recorded.

- (b) Property purchase contracts between Beijing Zeli Investment Co., Ltd (“Beijing Zeli”) and ZhongHongTian

As disclosed in the Prospectus, the outstanding amounts from the above contracts were in aggregate RMB15,572,207 as at 23 July 2007, 50% of which should be repayable on 30 June 2008 and the remaining 50% should be repayable on 31 December 2008. The outstanding amount bore an interest at the PBOC’s lending rate till the repayment dates, i.e. 30 June 2008 and 31 December 2008, respectively. During the year ended 31 December 2012, the total outstanding amount of RMB20,080,000, including the principal and interests thereon, was settled.

## Connected Transactions

## (c) Four connected transactions between the Group and Ms. Yan Yan and her associates

As disclosed in the Prospectus, Ms. Yan Yan and her associates entered into four purchase contracts with the Group to purchase one unit in Chaowai SOHO, one unit in Jianwai SOHO and two units in SOHO Shangdu. Ms. Yan Yan and her associates settled part of the purchase prices for these four units by way of mortgages which are guaranteed by the Group. During the year ended 31 December 2012, guarantees were released after title deeds of the properties were registered with the related bank.

The independent non-executive Directors have reviewed the above Transactions during the Year and confirmed that the Transactions have been entered into:

- (i) in the ordinary and usual course of the business of the Group;
- (ii) either on normal commercial terms or on terms no less favorable to the Group than terms available to or from independent third parties; and
- (iii) in accordance with the relevant agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

Further, the Company has engaged its auditor to perform procedures and report their findings regarding the Transactions entered into by the Group set out above for the year ended 31 December 2012. The auditor has issued a letter containing their findings and conclusions in respect of the Transactions set out above and a copy has been provided to the Stock Exchange.

The Company confirms it has complied with the disclosure requirements in accordance with Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

# Corporate Governance Report

The Company is committed to upholding high standards of corporate governance which, it believes, is crucial to the development of the Company and safeguarding the interests of the shareholders of the Company. The Company has adopted sound governance and disclosure practices, and is committed to continuously improve these practices and inculcate an ethical corporate culture.

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company had been in compliance with the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices during the period from 1 January 2012 to 31 March 2012 and the Corporate Governance Code during the period from 1 April 2012 to 31 December 2012, contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules during the year ended 31 December 2012 except for the following deviation.

Code provision A.6.7 requires the independent non-executive Directors and the non-executive Directors attend the general meeting. However, due to other commitments, the independent non-executive Directors, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Mr. Yi Xiqun did not attend the annual general meeting of the Company held on 18 May 2012 and had appointed Dr. Ramin Khadem, an independent non-executive Director, to attend the above meeting on their behalf.

## Compliance with the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code")

The Company has adopted the Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules as the code of conduct for securities transactions carried out by the Directors. The Company had made specific enquiry to all Directors and all Directors confirmed that they had complied with the required standard set out in the Model Code throughout the year ended 31 December 2012.

## Board of Directors

The Board is responsible for the leadership and control of the Company and is collectively responsible for promoting the success of the Company by directing and supervising the Company's affairs. Under the leadership of the Chairman, the Board is also responsible for approving and overseeing the overall strategies and policies of the Company, approving the annual budget and business plans, assessing the Company's performance and supervising the work of the senior management.

The running of the day-to-day businesses of the Company is delegated by the Board to the management who is working under the leadership and supervision of the Board committees except that authority is reserved for the Board to approve interim and annual financial statements, dividend policy, annual budgets, business plan and significant operational matters.

The Board currently comprises eight Directors, including five executive Directors, namely Mr. Pan Shiyi (Chairman), Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita (Chief Executive Officer), Ms. Yan Yan, Ms. Tong Ching Mau and Mr. Yin Jie; and three independent non-executive Directors, namely Dr. Ramin Khadem, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Mr. Yi Xiqun (Details of their biographical information are set out in the section headed "Biographies of Directors and members of senior management" of this report).

## Corporate Governance Report

Regular Board meetings are held at least four times a year (at quarterly intervals) and any ad hoc meeting will be held when necessary. At least fourteen days notice will be given to all the Directors prior to any Board meeting and any relevant materials to be presented to a Board meeting will be provided to Directors at least three days before such Board meeting. The Directors are appointed by shareholders of the Company through ordinary resolutions or appointed by the Board to fill any existing vacancies on the Board or for new additions to the Board. At each AGM, one-third (or, if the number is not a multiple of three, the number nearest to but not less than one-third) of the Directors for the time being shall retire from office by rotation but are eligible for re-election and re-appointment.

The Chairman of the Board, Mr. Pan Shiyi, is the husband of Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita, an executive Director and the Chief Executive Officer. Except for disclosed above, the Board members have no financial, business, family or other material/relevant relationships with each other.

The Board is established in accordance with the provisions of Rules 3.10 and 3.10A of the Listing Rules. Of the three independent non-executive Directors appointed, at least one or more are equipped with financial expertise and the number of independent non-executive Directors representing at least one-third of the Board.

The Board's composition demonstrates a balance of core competence with regard to the business of the Company, so as to provide effective leadership and the required expertise to the Company.

Liability insurance for Directors and senior management officers was maintained by the Company with coverage for any legal liabilities which may arise in the course of performing their duties.

### Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

The Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer are currently two separate positions held by Mr. Pan Shiyi and Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita respectively with clear distinction in responsibilities. The Chairman of the Board is responsible for the management and leadership of the Board to formulate overall strategies and business development directions for the Company, to ensure adequate, complete and reliable information is provided to all Directors in a timely manner, and to ensure the issues raised at the Board meetings are explained appropriately. The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for the day-to-day management of the business of the Company, implementation of the policies, business objectives and plans set by the Board and is accountable to the Board for the overall operation of the Company.

### Independent non-executive Directors

According to the code provisions, each independent non-executive Director has a specific term of service and subject to re-election. Each of the independent non-executive Directors has renewed their appointment letters with the Company for a term commencing from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014.

Pursuant to the guidelines provided in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules, the Company has received the confirmation of independence from each of the independent non-executive Directors, and thus the Board considers such Directors to be independent persons. The Board believes that the independent non-executive Directors are able to offer independent opinions on the Company's development strategy, risk management and management process, etc. so that the interests of the Company and all shareholders will be taken into consideration and duly safeguarded.

## Corporate Governance Report

## Board meetings

In 2012, seven Board meetings were held and below is the attendance of each of the Directors at Board meetings:

Directors	Attendance/No. of Meetings
<b>Executive Directors</b>	
Pan Shiyi	6/7
Pan Zhang Xin Marita	6/7
Yan Yan	7/7
Tong Ching Mau	7/7
Yin Jie (appointed on 22 October 2012)	1/1
<b>Independent non-executive Directors</b>	
Ramin Khadem	4/7
Cha Mou Zing Victor	3/7
Yi Xiqun	4/7

During the Board meetings, the senior management of the Company provided each Director with timely information regarding the business activities and developments of the Company and met with independent non-executive Directors to seek their views on the business development and operational matters of the Company.

## Provision and use of information

- Minutes of all Board meetings and meetings of the Board committees are kept by designated secretaries, and will be available for inspection by any Director after giving reasonable notice.
- All Directors are entitled to receive advice and services from the Company Secretary to ensure due compliance with the terms of reference of the Board.
- Directors may have recourse to seek independent advice from professionals as appropriate and such fees incurred shall be borne by the Company.

## Audit committee

The audit committee comprises three independent non-executive Directors, namely Dr. Ramin Khadem, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Mr. Yi Xiqun. The committee is chaired by Dr. Ramin Khadem, who has the appropriate accounting and financial management expertise as required under Rule 3.10(2) of the Listing Rules.



## Corporate Governance Report

The audit committee is authorized by the Board to review the relevant financial reports and to give recommendations and advices, its duties include:

**1. Relationship with the Company's auditors**

The duty to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment, reappointment or removal of external auditor(s); to review and monitor the external auditors' independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process; to develop and implement policies on the engagement of the external auditor for providing audit services; to meet with the external auditor and discuss matters relating to the audit, if necessary, in the absence of the management of the Company.

**2. Review of financial information of the Company**

The duty to monitor the integrity of financial statements of the Company set out in the Company's annual reports and accounts and the half-yearly reports, and to review any significant views of financial reporting contained in them.

**3. Monitor the Company's financial reporting system and internal control procedures**

Each of the Company's operational departments has established internal audit and supervisory functions for its operating procedures. The audit committee will also review the financial control, internal control and risk management systems to ensure adequate resources, including that sufficient staff with qualifications and experience in accounting and financial reporting, as well as training programs and budgets are allocated to operate the internal control procedures effectively.

In 2012, two meetings were held by the audit committee and below is the attendance of each of the committee members:

Committee Members	Attendance/No. of Meetings
Ramin Khadem (Chairman)	2/2
Cha Mou Zing Victor	1/2
Yi Xiqun	2/2

The audit committee had reviewed the internal audit plan report submitted by the internal audit department and recommended the Board on risk and internal control matters. The audit committee has also reviewed the adequacy of resources, the interim results for the period ended 30 June 2012 and the audited consolidated annual results of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2012 and considered that the Company had complied with all applicable accounting standards and requirements and had made adequate disclosure.

The audit committee has reviewed the auditor's fee for the year 2012, and recommended the Board to appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers as the auditors of the Company for the year 2013, which is subject to the approval of shareholders at the forthcoming AGM.

## Corporate Governance Report

## Remuneration committee

The remuneration committee comprises three independent non-executive Directors, namely Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor, Dr. Ramin Khadem, and Mr. Yi Xiqun. The committee is chaired by Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor. The remuneration committee is mainly responsible for determining remuneration packages of individual executive Director and senior management of the Company, appraising the performance of the executive Directors and senior management of the Company and making recommendations for their remuneration arrangements, as well as for assessing and making recommendations for staff benefits to the Board.

In 2012, two meetings were held by the remuneration committee and below is the attendance of each of the committee members:

Committee Members	Attendance/No. of Meeting
Cha Mou Zing Victor (Chairman)	2/2
Ramin Khadem	2/2
Yi Xiqun	2/2

A complete record of the minutes of the remuneration committee meetings is kept by the Company Secretary. The remuneration committee had reviewed the Company's remuneration policies, the terms of the service contracts and the performance of all executive Directors and the senior management. In the opinion of the remuneration committee, the remuneration payable to all executive Directors and the senior management is in accordance with the terms of the service contracts, such remuneration is fair and reasonable, and does not create any additional burden for the Company.

Remuneration details of each Director for the year 2012 are set out in the section headed "Directors' remuneration" of the Directors' Report and the Note 6 to the audited consolidated financial statements.

## Nomination committee

The nomination committee was set up on 23 March 2012. Details of the authorities and duties of the nomination committee are set out in its terms of reference. Its roles are highlighted as follows:

- (1) review the structure, size and composition (including the skills, knowledge and experience) of the Board at least annually and make recommendations to the Board on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategy;
- (2) identify individuals suitably qualified to become members of the Board and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships;
- (3) assess the independence of the independent non-executive Directors;
- (4) make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of Directors and succession planning for Directors in particular the chairman and chief executive of the Company;

## Corporate Governance Report

- (5) conform to any requirement, direction, and regulation that may from time to time be prescribed by the Board or contained in the constitution of the Company or imposed by the Listing Rules or applicable law; and
- (6) ensure the chairman of the Committee, or in the absence of the chairman, another member of the Committee or failing this his duly appointed delegate, to be available to answer questions at the annual general meeting of the Company.

The members of the nomination committee comprises two independent non-executive Directors and one executive Directors, namely Dr. Ramin Khadem, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita. The committee is chaired by Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor. The nomination committee has received and approved the nomination of Mr. Yin Jie as the member of the Board. No physical meeting was held by the nomination committee in 2012.

### Procedure for nomination of Directors

1. When there is a vacancy in the Board, the Board evaluates the balance of skills, knowledge and experience of the Board, and identifies any special requirements for the vacancy (e.g. independence status in the case of an INED).
2. Prepare a description of the role and capabilities required for the particular vacancy.
3. Identify a list of candidates through personal contacts/recommendations by Board members, senior management, business partners or investors.
4. Arrange interview(s) with each candidate for the Board to evaluate whether he/she meets the established written criteria for nomination of directors. One or more members of the Board will attend the interview.
5. Conduct verification on information provided by the candidate.
6. Convene a Board meeting to discuss and vote on which candidate to nominate or appoint to the Board.

### Criteria for nomination of Directors

#### 1. Common criteria for all Directors

- (a) Character and integrity.
- (b) The willingness to assume board fiduciary responsibility.
- (c) Present needs of the Board for particular experience or expertise and whether the candidate would satisfy those needs.

## Corporate Governance Report

- (d) Relevant experience, including experience at the strategy/policy setting level, high level managerial experience in a complex organization, industry experience and familiarity with the products and processes used by the Company.
- (e) Significant business or public experience relevant and beneficial to the Board and the Company.
- (f) Breadth of knowledge about issues affecting the Company.
- (g) Ability to objectively analyse complex business problems and exercise sound business judgment.
- (h) Ability and willingness to contribute special competencies to Board activities.
- (i) Fit with the Company's culture.

**2. Criteria applicable to non-executive Directors/INEDs**

- (a) Willingness and ability to make a sufficient time commitment to the affairs of the Company in order to effectively perform the duties of a director, including attendance at and active participation in Board and committee meetings.
- (b) Accomplishments of the candidate in his/her field.
- (c) Outstanding professional and personal reputation.
- (d) The candidate's ability to meet the independence criteria for directors established in the Listing Rules.

**Compliance committee**

The compliance committee comprises two independent non-executive Directors, one executive Director and one senior management, namely Mr. Yi Xiqun, Dr. Ramin Khadem, Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita and Ms. Lai Chor Shan. The committee is chaired by Mr. Yi Xiqun. Ms. Lai Chor Shan resigned in February 2013. The Board has authorized the compliance committee to determine the policy for the corporate governance of the Company.

The main responsibility of the compliance committee is as follows:

- (1) assisting the Company carrying out its responsibilities as required by all applicable laws and regulations of the PRC, Hong Kong, Cayman Islands and any other jurisdictions as may be applicable, including but not limited to the Listing Rules;
- (2) conducting investigations on compliance matters as delegated by the Board or on its own initiative, and considering any findings;

## Corporate Governance Report

- (3) reviewing and making proposals for improving the internal control procedures of the Company;
- (4) overseeing the maintenance, development and enhancement of the internal control framework of the Company;
- (5) reviewing and monitoring the compliance and internal control environment of the Group, and devise mechanism and procedures;
- (6) making recommendations to the Board to improve the compliance environment and effectiveness of internal control of the Group;
- (7) reviewing the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance and the regular reports prepared by the internal control manager of the Company to the Board and requesting the internal control manager to prepare specific reports on particular issues; and
- (8) developing, reviewing and monitoring the code of conduct and compliance manual (if any) applicable to employees and Directors.

In 2012, one meeting was held by the compliance committee and below is the attendance of each of the committee members:

Committee Members	Attendance/No. of Meeting
Yi Xiqun (Chairman)	1/1
Ramin Khadem	1/1
Pan Zhang Xin Marita	0/1
Lai Chor Shan	1/1

In 2012, the compliance committee discussed about various operational issues and relevant initiatives adopted by the management to address such issues, reviewed work summary report of the internal audit department and the 2012 internal audit plan, and resolved that amendments to the terms of reference of the compliance committee prepared with reference to the revision to the Listing Rules be recommended to the Board for approval and publication.

### Directors' responsibility for the financial statements

The Directors are responsible for supervising the preparation of the annual accounts, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs, the operating results and the cash flows of the Group for the year. In preparing the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2012, the Directors have selected suitable accounting policies and adopted appropriate accounting standards. Based on judgments and estimates that are prudent and reasonable, the Directors had ensured that the accounts are prepared on the going concern basis. The Directors have confirmed that the consolidated financial statements of the Group are prepared in compliance with the statutory requirements and appropriate standards of accounting.

## Corporate Governance Report

## Internal control

The Board has the responsibility to maintain and review the Group's internal control system to ensure the Company's assets and shareholders' interests are safeguarded. The Board also reviews the internal control and risk management systems to ensure their effectiveness.

The Company has set up an internal audit department, which is an important part of its internal control system.

In 2012, the internal audit department reviewed the internal control of the important processes and these ensured a sound and effective internal control system.

The internal audit department did special audit on budgeting of important operation units and business procedure. It also worked on financial monitoring, operation monitoring, compliance monitoring and risk management.

The Board is responsible for the internal control system of the Company and conducts regular reviews on the effectiveness of the system through the internal audit department. The Board considers that, during the Period, the existing internal control system has been operating in a healthy and effective manner in the finance, operation, compliance and risk management aspects.

## Auditors' remuneration

KPMG is the independent external auditor of the Company. The remuneration amounts paid and payable by the Company to KPMG for their services rendered for the year ended 31 December 2012 are set out below:

Services rendered	Fees paid/payable
Audit services for 2012	RMB6.47 million
Non-audit services:	
Hong Kong profits tax compliance service	RMB0.10 million
Hong Kong salary tax compliance service	RMB0.03 million
Due diligence services	RMB0.80 million

## Effective communication with the investment community

The Company attaches a great importance to the effective and close communication with investors. The investor relations team of the Company seeks to provide the most efficient and effective channel for our shareholders, bondholders and the investment community to gain information about the Company. In addition to the regular interim and annual result announcement and daily communicates through emails and phone calls, the investor relations team also take frequent and active participant in global investment conferences.

In 2012, we attended twelve global investor conferences and corporate day in Hong Kong, Singapore, Shanghai and Beijing. In March and August, the Company arranged roadshow to visit over 300 investors from about 200 institutions spreading across the United States, the United Kingdom, Singapore and Hong Kong.

## Corporate Governance Report

In 2012, annual general meeting was held on 18 May 2012 and below is the attendance of each Director:

	Attendance/No. of Meeting
<b>Executive Directors</b>	
Mr. Pan Shiyi	1/1
Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita	0/1
Ms. Yan Yan	0/1
Ms. Tong Ching Mau	1/1
Mr. Yin Jie (appointed on 22 October 2012)	0/0
<b>Independent Non-executive Directors</b>	
Dr. Ramin Khadem	1/1
Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor	0/1
Mr. Yi Xiqun	0/1

The 2012 AGM provided an ideal chance for communication between the Board and the shareholders. The chairmen of the Board and the audit committee and the external auditor were all present at the 2012 AGM held on 18 May 2012, to answer shareholders' inquiries.

### Company secretary

The Company engages Ms. Ma Sau Kuen Gloria, director of KCS Hong Kong Limited, as its company secretary. Her primary corporate contact person at the Company is Ms. Tong Ching Mau, executive Director and CFO of the Company. In compliance with Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules, Ms. Ma, has undertaken no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training during the year ended 31 December 2012.

### Shareholders' rights

#### Convening of extraordinary general meeting and putting forward proposals

Under 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 (1/10) of the paid up capital of the Company which carries the right of voting at general meeting can require an extraordinary general meeting ("EGM") to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition. The procedures for shareholders to convene and put forward proposals at an EGM are stated as follows:

- (1) The requisitionist(s) should sign a written request stating the objects of the meeting to be convened, and deposit the same at the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong situated at 8/F., Gloucester Tower, The Landmark, 15 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong for the attention of the Company Secretary.
- (2) Where, within 21 days from the date of deposit of the requisition, the Directors do not proceed to convene an EGM, the requisitionists themselves may convene the general meeting in the same manner, as that in which meetings may be convened by the Board, 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.

## Corporate Governance Report

**Enquiries to the Board**

Shareholders who intend to put forward their enquiries about the Company to the Board could email their enquiries to [ir@sohochina.com](mailto:ir@sohochina.com).

**Amendments to the Company's memorandum and articles of association**

Pursuant to the special resolutions passed at the Company's annual general meeting on 18 May 2012, the shareholders of the Company resolved to amend the memorandum and articles of association of the Company (collectively, the "M&A") and to adopt an amended and restated M&A by incorporating the amendments made to the M&A for the purposes of (a) ensuring compliance of the M&A with the amended Listing Rules; and (b) incorporating certain housekeeping amendments proposed by the Board.

The principal amendments include the following:

- (a) to require a physical Board meeting in lieu of written resolutions where a Director or substantial shareholder has a conflict of interest in a manner to be considered by the Board which the Board has determined to be material;
- (b) to no longer permit a Director to disregard 5% interests when considering whether the Director has a material interest which would prevent him from forming part of the quorum or voting at Board meetings; and
- (c) to allow the chairman at a general meeting of the Company to exempt procedural and administrative matters from voting by poll.

Apart from the above, there is no significant change in the Company's constitutional documents during the Year.

**Training for Directors**

The Company will provide a comprehensive, formal and tailored induction to each newly appointed Director on his first appointment in order to enable he/she has appropriate understanding of the business and operations of the Company that he/she is fully aware of his/her responsibilities and obligations under the Listing Rules and relevant regulatory requirements.

All the Directors namely Mr. Pan Shiyi, Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita, Ms. Yan Yan, Ms. Tong Ching Mau, Mr. Yin Jie, Dr. Ramin Khadem, Mr. Cha Mou Zing Victor and Mr. Yi Xiqun were provided with weekly commentary on the Group's business, operations, and financial matters as well as regulatory updates on applicable legal and regulatory requirements. In addition, all Directors also participated in other courses relating to the roles, functions and duties of a listed company director or further enhancements of their professional development by way of attending training courses or via on-line aids or reading relevant materials.



# Corporate Information

<b>Executive Directors</b>	<p>Pan Shiyi (Chairman)  Pan Zhang Xin Marita (Chief Executive Officer)  Yan Yan  Tong Ching Mau  Yin Jie (appointed on 22 October 2012)</p>
<b>Independent non-executive Directors</b>	<p>Ramin Khadem  Cha Mou Zing Victor  Yi Xiqun</p>
<b>Company Secretary</b>	<p>Ma Sau Kuen Gloria</p>
<b>Members of the Audit Committee</b>	<p>Ramin Khadem (Chairman)  Cha Mou Zing Victor  Yi Xiqun</p>
<b>Members of the Remuneration Committee</b>	<p>Cha Mou Zing Victor (Chairman)  Ramin Khadem  Yi Xiqun</p>
<b>Members of the Nomination Committee</b>	<p>Cha Mou Zing Victor (Chairman)  Pan Zhang Xin Marita  Ramin Khadem</p>
<b>Members of the Compliance Committee</b>	<p>Yi Xiqun (Chairman)  Ramin Khadem  Pan Zhang Xin Marita  Lai Chor Shan (resigned in February 2013)</p>
<b>Authorised Representatives</b>	<p>Pan Zhang Xin Marita  Ma Sau Kuen Gloria</p>
<b>Registered Office</b>	<p>Cricket Square  Hutchins Drive  P.O. Box 2681  Grand Cayman  KY1-1111  Cayman Islands</p>
<b>Corporate Headquarters</b>	<p>11F, Section A  Chaowai SOHO  No. 6B Chaowai Street  Chaoyang District  Beijing 100020  China</p>

## Corporate Information

**Principal Place of Business in Hong Kong**

8th Floor  
Gloucester Tower  
The Landmark  
15 Queen's Road Central  
Hong Kong

**Cayman Islands Principal Share Registrar and Transfer Office**

Royal Bank of Canada Trust Company  
(Cayman) Limited  
4th Floor, Royal Bank House  
24 Shedden Road, George Town  
Grand Cayman KY1-1110  
Cayman Islands

**Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar and Transfer Office**

Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited  
Shops 1712-1716  
17th Floor  
Hopewell Centre  
183 Queen's Road East  
Wanchai  
Hong Kong

**Hong Kong Legal Advisor**

King & Wood Mallesons  
9/F, Hutchison House  
10 Harcourt Road  
Central  
Hong Kong

**Auditors**

KPMG  
8th Floor, Prince's Building  
10 Chater Road  
Central  
Hong Kong

**Principal Banker**

Bank of China Corporation Ltd.  
China CITIC Bank Corporation Ltd.  
China Merchants Bank Corporation Ltd.  
China Minsheng Banking Corp., Ltd.  
The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation  
Limited  
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (Macau)  
Limited  
Standard Chartered Bank (Hong Kong) Limited

**Website address**

[www.sohochina.com](http://www.sohochina.com)

**Stock Code**

410

# Independent Auditor's Report

## **Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of SOHO China Limited**

*(Incorporated in Cayman Islands with limited liability)*

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of SOHO China Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Group") set out on pages 3 to 92, which comprise the consolidated and company balance sheets as at 31 December 2012, the consolidated income statement, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated cash flow statement for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### **Directors' responsibility for the consolidated financial statements**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants 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.

### **Auditor's responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. This report is made solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independent  
Auditor's Report

## Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the Group as at 31 December 2012 and of the Group's consolidated profit and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and have been properly prepared in accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### **KPMG**

*Certified Public Accountants*  
8th Floor, Prince's Building  
10 Chater Road  
Central, Hong Kong  
6 March 2013

# Consolidated Income Statement

for the year ended 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Turnover</b>	2	<b>15,305,129</b>	5,684,822
Cost of properties sold		<b>(6,298,439)</b>	(2,954,246)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>9,006,690</b>	2,730,576
Valuation gains on investment properties	10	<b>9,604,777</b>	4,027,445
Other revenue and income		<b>239,015</b>	276,142
Selling expenses		<b>(326,970)</b>	(237,661)
Administrative expenses		<b>(254,094)</b>	(210,511)
Other operating expenses		<b>(151,885)</b>	(134,097)
<b>Profit from operations</b>		<b>18,117,533</b>	6,451,894
Financial income	3(a)	<b>432,516</b>	559,453
Financial expenses	3(a)	<b>(558,432)</b>	(350,752)
Government grants	4	<b>203,155</b>	201,285
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	3	<b>18,194,772</b>	6,861,880
Income tax	5(a)	<b>(7,547,921)</b>	(2,375,458)
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<b>10,646,851</b>	4,486,422
<b>Attributable to:</b>			
Equity shareholders of the Company		<b>10,584,876</b>	3,892,308
Non-controlling interests		<b>61,975</b>	594,114
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<b>10,646,851</b>	4,486,422
<b>Earnings per share (RMB)</b>	9		
Basic		<b>2.051</b>	0.751
Diluted		<b>1.897</b>	0.716

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements. Details of dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the profit for the year are set out in Note 25(b).

# Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 31 December 2012

(Expressed in Renminbi)

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<b>10,646,851</b>	4,486,422
<b>Other comprehensive income for the year (after tax and reclassification adjustments):</b>			
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of foreign operations	<i>25(d)(iii)</i>	<b>(153)</b>	(19,655)
Surplus on revaluation of office premises	<i>11(a)</i>	–	70,481
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>10,646,698</b>	4,537,248
<b>Attributable to:</b>			
Equity shareholders of the Company		<b>10,584,723</b>	3,943,134
Non-controlling interests		<b>61,975</b>	594,114
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>10,646,698</b>	4,537,248

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

# Consolidated Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Investment properties	10	<b>38,310,000</b>	13,334,500
Property and equipment	11	<b>682,084</b>	688,140
Bank deposits	18	<b>137,647</b>	1,222,115
Interest in jointly controlled entities	13	<b>4,065,532</b>	–
Deferred tax assets	14(b)	<b>2,009,795</b>	901,918
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>45,205,058</b>	16,146,673
<b>Current assets</b>			
Properties under development and completed properties held for sale	15	<b>10,048,137</b>	23,428,529
Deposits and prepayments	16	<b>2,599,287</b>	5,066,025
Trade and other receivables	17	<b>662,937</b>	549,471
Bank deposits	18	<b>2,353,429</b>	2,582,919
Cash and cash equivalents	19	<b>19,708,723</b>	11,906,157
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>35,372,513</b>	43,533,101
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans	20	<b>3,922,219</b>	2,214,593
Sales deposits	21	<b>8,896,083</b>	13,198,710
Trade and other payables	22	<b>2,657,017</b>	1,949,503
Taxation	14(a)	<b>9,571,246</b>	5,681,681
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>25,046,565</b>	23,044,487
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>10,325,948</b>	20,488,614
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>55,531,006</b>	36,635,287

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated  
Balance Sheet (continued)at 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans	20	<b>10,791,280</b>	9,422,836
Convertible bonds	23	<b>2,092,476</b>	1,986,897
Senior notes	24	<b>6,198,433</b>	–
Contract retention payables		<b>660,189</b>	276,677
Deferred tax liabilities	14(b)	<b>4,078,166</b>	1,731,255
Total non-current liabilities		<b>23,820,544</b>	13,417,665
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>31,710,462</b>	23,217,622
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>			
Share capital	25	<b>106,029</b>	107,502
Reserves		<b>30,593,478</b>	21,615,261
<b>Total equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company</b>		<b>30,699,507</b>	21,722,763
<b>Non-controlling interests</b>		<b>1,010,955</b>	1,494,859
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>31,710,462</b>	23,217,622

Approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 6 March 2013.

Directors  
Pan Shiyi

Pan Zhang Xin Marita

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.



# Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Investments in subsidiaries	12	<b>294,423</b>	294,423
Bank deposits	18	–	148,635
Total non-current assets		<b>294,423</b>	443,058
<b>Current assets</b>			
Trade and other receivables	17	<b>15,539,275</b>	15,746,009
Bank deposits	18	<b>195,310</b>	–
Cash and cash equivalents	19	<b>9,314,175</b>	1,307,747
Total current assets		<b>25,048,760</b>	17,053,756
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans	20	<b>2,432,219</b>	628,293
Other payables		<b>122,769</b>	48,999
Amounts due to subsidiaries		<b>1,121,036</b>	1,004,253
Total current liabilities		<b>3,676,024</b>	1,681,545
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>21,372,736</b>	15,372,211
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>21,667,159</b>	15,815,269
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Bank loans	20	<b>5,456,313</b>	3,733,631
Convertible bonds	23	<b>2,092,476</b>	1,986,897
Senior notes	24	<b>6,198,433</b>	–
Total non-current liabilities		<b>13,747,222</b>	5,720,528
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>7,919,937</b>	10,094,741

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

## Balance Sheet (continued)

at 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
<b>CAPITAL AND RESERVES</b>	25		
Share capital		<b>106,029</b>	107,502
Reserves		<b>7,813,908</b>	9,987,239
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>7,919,937</b>	10,094,741

Approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 6 March 2013.

Directors  
Pan Shiyi

Pan Zhang Xin Marita

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 31 December 2012

(Expressed in Renminbi)

	Note	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company										Non-controlling interests	Total equity	
		Share capital	Share premium	Treasury shares	Capital			Exchange reserve	Revaluation reserve	General reserve	Retained profits			Total
					redemption reserve	Capital reserve	Reserve							
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000		
At 1 January 2011		107,485	11,424,236	(8,775)	867	561,389	(623,637)	216,232	402,387	7,162,548	19,242,732	736,636	19,979,368	
Profit for the year		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,892,308	3,892,308	594,114	4,486,422	
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	-	(19,655)	70,481	-	-	50,826	-	50,826	
Profit and total comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	-	(19,655)	70,481	-	3,892,308	3,943,134	594,114	4,537,248	
Treasury shares	25(c)(iii)	-	-	(17,525)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(17,525)	-	(17,525)	
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year	25(b)(ii)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(726,050)	(726,050)	-	(726,050)	
Dividends declared in respect of the current year	25(b)(i)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(726,102)	(726,102)	-	(726,102)	
Shares issued under the employees' share option schemes	25(c)(i)	17	6,534	-	-	(1,556)	-	-	-	-	4,995	-	4,995	
Employees' share award scheme	27(b)	-	-	-	-	1,579	-	-	-	-	1,579	-	1,579	
Transfer to general reserve fund	25(d)(v)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44,797	(44,797)	-	-	-	
Acquisition of subsidiaries		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	161,309	161,309	
Realisation of revaluation reserve		-	-	-	-	-	-	(97,186)	-	97,186	-	-	-	
Capital contributions from non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,000	6,000	
Distributions to non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,200)	(3,200)	
At 31 December 2011		107,502	11,430,770	(26,300)	867	561,412	(643,292)	189,527	447,184	9,655,093	21,722,763	1,494,859	23,217,622	

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of  
Changes in Equity (continued)for the year ended 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

Note	Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company											Total equity RMB'000	
	Share capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Treasury shares RMB'000	Capital				General		Non-controlling interests RMB'000			
				redemption reserve RMB'000	Capital reserve RMB'000	Exchange reserve RMB'000	Revaluation reserve RMB'000	reserve fund RMB'000	Retained profits RMB'000				
At 1 January 2012	107,502	11,430,770	(26,300)	867	561,412	(643,292)	189,527	447,184	9,655,093	21,722,763	1,494,859	23,217,622	
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,584,876	10,584,876	61,975	10,646,851	
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(153)	-	-	-	(153)	-	(153)	
Profit and total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(153)	-	-	10,584,876	10,584,723	61,975	10,646,698	
Repurchase of own shares	25(c)(ii)	(1,476)	(362)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,838)	-	(1,838)	
- par value paid		-	(362)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,838)	-	(1,838)	
- premium paid		(317,853)	(108,770)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(426,623)	-	(426,623)	
- transfer between reserves		(1,476)	-	1,476	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Treasury shares	25(c)(iii)	-	(17,625)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(17,625)	-	(17,625)	
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year	25(b)(ii)	-	(570,056)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(570,056)	-	(570,056)	
Dividends declared in respect of the current year	25(b)(i)	-	(618,918)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(618,918)	-	(618,918)	
Shares issued under the employees' share option schemes	25(c)(i)	3	763	-	(178)	-	-	-	-	588	-	588	
Employees' share award scheme	27(b)	-	-	-	4,328	-	-	-	-	4,328	-	4,328	
Employees' share option schemes	27(a)	-	-	-	196	-	-	-	-	196	-	196	
Vesting of shares under employees' share award scheme	27(b)	-	52	960	(1,012)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Transfer to general reserve fund	25(d)(v)	-	-	-	-	-	-	52,622	(52,622)	-	-	-	
Acquisition of non-controlling interests without a change in control	25(f)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,969	21,969	(576,879)	(554,910)	
Capital contributions from non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31,000	31,000	
At 31 December 2012		106,029	9,923,282	(152,097)	2,343	564,746	(643,445)	189,527	499,806	20,209,316	30,699,507	1,010,955	31,710,462

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

# Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

for the year ended 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Profit before taxation	<b>18,194,772</b>	6,861,880
Adjustments for:		
Valuation gains on investment properties	<b>(9,604,777)</b>	(4,027,445)
Depreciation	<b>22,934</b>	19,323
Financial income	<b>(432,516)</b>	(559,453)
Interest expense	<b>534,353</b>	329,699
Net foreign exchange loss	<b>4,777</b>	–
Impairment losses recognised for trade and other receivables	<b>15,114</b>	3,881
Loss on sale of property and equipment	<b>364</b>	180
Gain on liquidation of subsidiaries	–	(109,018)
Equity-settled share-based payment expense	<b>4,524</b>	1,579
Changes in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in deposits and prepayments	<b>120,004</b>	(3,836,087)
(Increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	<b>(80,653)</b>	239,956
Decrease/(increase) in properties under development and completed properties held for sale	<b>2,380,314</b>	(2,962,535)
(Decrease)/increase in sales deposits	<b>(4,302,627)</b>	6,478,619
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	<b>979,081</b>	(3,436,518)
<b>Cash generated from/(used in) operations</b>	<b>7,835,664</b>	(995,939)
Interest received	<b>432,494</b>	377,274
Interest paid	<b>(849,895)</b>	(620,642)
Income tax paid	<b>(2,355,882)</b>	(2,990,350)
<b>Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>5,062,381</b>	(4,229,657)

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated  
Cash Flow Statement (continued)for the year ended 31 December 2012  
(Expressed in Renminbi)

	Note	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Investing activities</b>			
Payment for purchase of investment properties		(527,554)	(419,671)
Payment for purchase of property and equipment		(17,360)	(59,748)
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		157	849
(Increase)/decrease in term deposits with banks and other financial institutions over 3 months		(512,698)	2,986,499
Decrease in bank deposits		1,313,958	35,881
Advances payment to a jointly controlled entity		(2,367,349)	–
Net cash outflow arising from acquisition of subsidiaries		(2,200,686)	(1,630,466)
Payment for acquisition of interests in a jointly controlled entity		(598,183)	–
Payment for acquisition of non-controlling interests		(500,000)	–
Payment for purchase of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		–	(15,483,824)
Proceeds from settlement of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		–	15,548,896
<b>Net cash (used in)/generated from investing activities</b>		<b>(5,409,715)</b>	978,416
<b>Financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from bank loans		6,035,016	5,301,279
Repayment of bank loans		(2,998,470)	(3,325,935)
Proceeds from issue of senior notes		6,201,383	–
Repurchase of own shares		(384,300)	–
Proceeds from shares issued under the employees' share option schemes	25(c)(i)	588	4,995
Payment for purchase of treasury shares for employees' share award scheme	25(c)(iii)	(17,625)	(17,525)
Dividends paid to equity shareholders of the Company		(1,188,974)	(1,452,152)
Capital contribution from non-controlling interests		–	6,000
Distributions to non-controlling interests		–	(32,350)
<b>Net cash generated from financing activities</b>		<b>7,647,618</b>	484,312
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>7,300,284</b>	(2,766,929)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January</b>		<b>11,202,232</b>	14,034,497
<b>Effect of foreign exchange rate changes</b>		<b>(10,416)</b>	(65,336)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	19	<b>18,492,100</b>	11,202,232

The notes on pages 13 to 92 form part of these financial statements.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies

### (a) Statement of compliance

These 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. These financial statements also comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Group is set out below.

The HKICPA has issued certain new and revised HKFRSs that are first effective or available for early adoption for the current accounting period of the Group and the Company. Note 1(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 and prior accounting periods reflected in these financial statements.

### (b) Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2012 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group") and the Group's interests in jointly controlled entities.

The functional currency of the Company is Hong Kong dollars ("HKD"). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Renminbi ("RMB"), rounded to the nearest thousand, which is the functional currency of the subsidiaries carrying out the principal activities of the Group.

The measurement basis used in the preparation of the financial statements is the historical cost basis except that the following assets and liabilities are stated at their fair value as explained in the accounting policies set out below:

- investment properties (see Note 1(g));
- office premises (see Note 1(h));
- financial instruments classified as available-for-sale or as trading securities (see Note 1(f)(i)); and
- derivative financial instruments (see Note 1(f)(ii)).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

### (b) Basis of preparation of the financial statements (continued)

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.

Judgements made by management in the application of HKFRSs that have significant effect on the financial statements and major sources of estimation uncertainty are discussed in Note 32.

### (c) Changes in accounting policies

The HKICPA has issued several amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group and the Company. Of these, the following developments are relevant to the Group's financial statements:

- Amendments to HKFRS 7, Financial instruments: Disclosures – Transfers of financial assets
- Amendments to HKAS 12, Income taxes – Deferred tax: Recovery of underlying assets

The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

#### Amendments to HKFRS 7, Financial instruments: Disclosures

The amendments to HKFRS 7 require certain disclosures to be included in the financial statements in respect of transferred financial assets that are not derecognised in their entirety and for any continuing involvement in transferred financial assets that are derecognised in their entirety, irrespective of when the related transfer transaction occurred. However, an entity needs not provide the disclosures for the comparative period in the first year of adoption. The Group did not have any significant transfers of financial assets in previous periods or the current period which require disclosure in the current accounting period under the amendments.



## Notes to the Financial Statements

**1 Significant accounting policies (continued)****(c) Changes in accounting policies (continued)****Amendments to HKAS 12, Income taxes**

Under HKAS 12 deferred tax is required to be measured with reference to the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the entity expects to recover the carrying amount of the asset(s) in question. In this regard, the amendments to HKAS 12 introduced a rebuttable presumption that the carrying amount of investment property carried at fair value under HKAS 40, Investment property, will be recovered through sale. This presumption is rebutted on a property-by-property basis if the investment property in question is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time, rather than through sale.

In respect of the Group's investment properties located in Mainland China, the Group has determined that these properties are held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time and consequently the presumption in the amended HKAS 12 is rebutted for these properties. As a result, the Group continues to measure the deferred tax relating to these properties using the tax rate that would apply as a result of recovering their value through use.

**(d) Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests**

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Group. Control exists when the Group has the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities. In assessing control, potential voting rights that presently are exercisable are taken into account.

An investment in a subsidiary is consolidated into the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. Intra-group balances and transactions and any unrealised profits arising from intra-group transactions are eliminated in full in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised losses resulting from intra-group transactions are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

Non-controlling interests represent the equity in a subsidiary not attributable directly or indirectly to the Company, and in respect of which the Group has not agreed any additional terms with the holders of those interests which would result in the Group as a whole having a contractual obligation in respect of those interests that meets the definition of a financial liability. For each business combination, the Group can elect to measure any non-controlling interests either at fair value or at their proportionate share of the subsidiary's net identifiable assets.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

**1 Significant accounting policies (continued)****(d) Subsidiaries and non-controlling interests (continued)**

Non-controlling interests are presented in the consolidated balance sheet within equity, separately from equity attributable to the equity shareholders of the Company. Non-controlling interests in the results of the Group are presented on the face of the consolidated income statement and the consolidated statement of comprehensive income as an allocation of the total profit or loss and total comprehensive income for the year between non-controlling interests and the equity shareholders of the Company. Loans from holders of non-controlling interests and other contractual obligations towards these holders are presented as financial liabilities in the consolidated balance sheet in accordance with Notes 1(l), (m) or (n) depending on the nature of the liability.

Changes in the Group's interests in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions, whereby adjustments are made to the amounts of controlling and non-controlling interests within consolidated equity to reflect the change in relative interests, but no adjustments are made to goodwill and no gain or loss is recognised.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in that subsidiary, with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. Any interest retained in that former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is recognised at fair value and this amount is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition of a financial asset or, when appropriate, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or jointly controlled entity (see Note 1(e)).

In the Company's balance sheet, an investment in a subsidiary is stated at cost less impairment losses (see Note 1(i)), unless the investment is classified as held for sale (or included in a disposal group that is classified as held for sale).

**(e) Associates and jointly controlled entities**

An associate is an entity in which the Group or Company has significant influence, but not control or joint control, over its management, including participation in the financial and operating policy decisions.

A jointly controlled entity is an entity which operates under a contractual arrangement between the Group or Company and other parties, where the contractual arrangement establishes that the Group or Company and one or more of the other parties share joint control over the economic activity of the entity.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

**1 Significant accounting policies (continued)****(e) Associates and jointly controlled entities (continued)**

An investment in an associate or a jointly controlled entity is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements under the equity method, unless it is classified as held for sale (or included in a disposal group that is classified as held for sale). Under the equity method, the investment is initially recorded at cost, adjusted for any excess of the Group's share of the acquisition-date fair values of the investee's identifiable net assets over the cost of the investment (if any). Thereafter, the investment is adjusted for the post acquisition change in the Group's share of the investee's net assets and any impairment loss relating to the investment (see Note 1(i)). Any acquisition-date excess over cost, the Group's share of the post-acquisition, post-tax results of the investees and any impairment losses for the year are recognised in the consolidated income statement, whereas the Group's share of the post-acquisition post-tax items of the investees' other comprehensive income is recognised in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

When the Group's share of losses exceeds its interest in the associate or the jointly controlled entity, the Group's interest is reduced to nil and recognition of further losses is discontinued except to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the investee. For this purpose, the Group's interest is the carrying amount of the investment under the equity method together with the Group's long-term interests that in substance form part of the Group's net investment in the associate or the jointly controlled entity.

Unrealised profits and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and its associates and jointly controlled entities are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the investee, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred, in which case they are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

When the Group ceases to have significant influence over an associate or joint control over a jointly controlled entity, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in that investee, with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. Any interest retained in that former investee at the date when significant influence or joint control is lost is recognised at fair value and this amount is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition of a financial asset or, when appropriate, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate (see Note 1(e)).

In the Company's balance sheet, investments in associates and jointly controlled entities are stated at cost less impairment losses (see Note 1(i)), unless classified as held for sale (or included in a disposal group that is classified as held for sale).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(f) Financial instruments****(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

A financial asset is classified as at fair value through profit or loss if it is classified as held-for-trading or is designated as such upon initial recognition. Financial assets are designated at fair value through profit or loss if the Group manages such investments and makes purchase and sale decisions based on their fair value in accordance with the Group's documented risk management or investment strategy. Attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, and changes therein are recognised in profit or loss.

**(ii) Derivative financial instruments**

Derivative financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value. At the each balance sheet date the fair value is remeasured. The gain or loss on remeasurement to fair value is recognised immediately in profit or loss, except where the derivatives qualify for cash flow hedge accounting or hedge the net investment in a foreign operation, in which case recognition of any resultant gain or loss depends on the nature of the item being hedged.

**(g) Investment properties**

Investment properties are land and/or buildings which are owned to earn rental income and/or for capital appreciation. These include land held for a currently undetermined future use and property that is being constructed or developed for future use as investment property.

Investment properties, including completed investment properties and investment properties under construction, are stated at fair value, unless they are still in the course of construction or development at the balance sheet date and their fair value cannot be reliably determined at that time. Any gain or loss arising from a change in fair value or from the retirement or disposal of an investment property is recognised in profit or loss. Rental income from investment properties is accounted for as described in Note 1(s)(ii).

**(h) Property and equipment**

Office premises are stated at their revalued amount, being their fair value at the date of the revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation.

Revaluations are performed with sufficient regularity to ensure that the carrying amount of these assets does not differ materially from that which would be determined using fair values at the balance sheet date.

Serviced apartment properties, that are owner-occupied properties from which the Group earns apartment service income, and equipment items are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (see Note 1(i)).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(h) Property and equipment** (continued)

Changes arising on the revaluation of office premises are generally dealt with in other comprehensive income and are accumulated separately in equity in the revaluation reserve. The only exceptions are as follows:

- when a deficit arises on revaluation, it will be charged to profit or loss to the extent that it exceeds the amount held in the reserve in respect of that same asset immediately prior to the revaluation; and
- when a surplus arises on revaluation, it will be credited to profit or loss to the extent that a deficit on revaluation in respect of that same asset had previously been charged to profit or loss.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset and any other costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to a working condition for its intended use. Expenditure incurred after the asset has been placed into operations is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the item of property and equipment. All other expenditures are charged to profit or loss in the period incurred.

Gains or losses arising from the retirement or disposal of an item of property and equipment are determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item and are recognised in profit or loss on the date of retirement or disposal. Any related revaluation surplus is transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained profits and is not reclassified to profit or loss.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or valuation of items of property and equipment, less their estimated residual value, if any, using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- Office premises and serviced apartment properties situated on leasehold land are depreciated over the shorter of the unexpired term of lease and their estimated useful lives, being no more than 40 years after the date of completion.
- Office equipment 5 years
- Motor vehicles 8 years

Where parts of an item of property and equipment have different useful lives, the cost or valuation of the item is allocated on a reasonable basis between the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Both the useful life of an asset and its residual value, if any, are reviewed annually.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(i) Impairment of assets****(i) Impairment of investments and receivables**

Investments and current and non-current receivables that are stated at cost or amortised cost are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is objective evidence of impairment. Objective evidence of impairment includes observable data that comes to the attention of the Group about one or more of the following loss events:

- significant financial difficulty of the debtor;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- it becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- significant changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have an adverse effect on the debtor; and
- a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an investment in an equity instrument below its cost.

If any such evidence exists, any impairment loss is determined and recognised as follows:

- For investments in subsidiaries, associates and jointly controlled entities (including those recognised using the equity method (see Note 1(e))), the impairment loss is measured by comparing the recoverable amount of the investment with its carrying amount in accordance with Note 1(i)(ii). The impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount in accordance with Note 1(i)(ii).
- For trade and other current receivables and other financial assets carried at amortised cost, the impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate (i.e. the effective interest rate computed at initial recognition of these assets), where the effect of discounting is material.

If in a subsequent period the amount of an impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be linked objectively to an event occurring after the impairment loss was recognised, the impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss. A reversal of an impairment loss shall not result in the asset's carrying amount exceeding that which would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(i) Impairment of assets** (continued)**(i) Impairment of investments and receivables** (continued)

Impairment losses are written off against the corresponding assets directly, except for impairment losses recognised in respect of trade and other receivables, whose recovery is considered doubtful but not remote. In this case, the impairment losses for doubtful debts are recorded using an allowance account. When the Group is satisfied that recovery is remote, the amount considered irrecoverable is written off against trade and other receivables directly and any amounts held in the allowance account relating to that debt are reversed. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously charged to the allowance account are reversed against the allowance account. Other changes in the allowance account and subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off directly are recognised in profit or loss.

**(ii) Impairment of other assets**

Internal and external sources of information are reviewed at each balance sheet date to identify indications that property and equipment (other than office premises carried at revalued amounts) may be impaired or an impairment loss previously recognised no longer exists or may have decreased.

If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

## – Calculation of recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of an asset is the greater of its 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. Where an asset does not generate cash inflows largely independent of those from other assets, the recoverable amount is determined for the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows independently (i.e. a cash-generating unit).

## – Recognition of impairment losses

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss if the carrying amount of an asset, or the cash-generating unit to which it belongs, exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the cash-generating unit (or group of units) and then, to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (or group of units) on a pro rata basis, except that the carrying value of an asset will not be reduced below its individual fair value less costs to sell, or value in use, if determinable.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(i) Impairment of assets** (continued)**(ii) Impairment of other assets** (continued)

- Reversals of impairment losses

An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a favourable change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount.

A reversal of impairment losses is limited to the asset's carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised in prior years. Reversals of impairment losses are credited to profit or loss in the year in which the reversals are recognised.

**(iii) Interim financial reporting and impairment**

Under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the Group is required to prepare an interim financial report in compliance with HKAS 34, Interim financial reporting, in respect of the first six months of the financial year. At the end of the interim period, the Group applies the same impairment testing, recognition, and reversal criteria as it would at the end of the financial year (see Notes 1(i)(i) and (ii)).

**(j) Properties under development and completed properties held for sale**

Properties under development and completed properties held for sale in respect of property development activities are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost and net realisable values are determined as follows:

- Property under development for sale

The cost of properties under development for sale comprises specifically identified cost, including the acquisition cost of land, aggregate cost of development, materials and supplies, wages and other direct expenses, an appropriate proportion of overheads and borrowing costs capitalised (see Note 1(u)). Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in selling the property.

- Completed property held for resale

In the case of completed properties developed by the Group, cost is determined by apportionment of the total development costs for that development project, attributable to the unsold properties. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less costs to be incurred in selling the property.

The cost of completed properties held for sale comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the properties to their present location and condition.



## Notes to the Financial Statements

**1 Significant accounting policies (continued)****(k) Trade and other receivables**

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less allowance for impairment of doubtful debts (see Note 1(i)), except where the receivables are interest-free loans made to related parties without any fixed repayment terms or the effect of discounting would be immaterial. In such cases, the receivables are stated at cost less allowance for impairment of doubtful debts.

**(l) Convertible bonds**

Convertible bonds that can be converted to equity share capital at the option of the holder, where the number of shares that would be issued on conversion and the value of the consideration that would be received at that time do not vary, are accounted for as compound financial instruments which contain both a liability component and an equity component.

At initial recognition the liability component of the convertible bonds is measured as the present value of the future interest and principal payments, discounted at the market rate of interest applicable at the time of initial recognition to similar liabilities that do not have a conversion option. Any excess of proceeds over the amount initially recognised as the liability component is recognised as the equity component. Transaction costs that relate to the issue of a compound financial instrument are allocated to the liability and equity components in proportion to the allocation of proceeds.

The liability component is subsequently carried at amortised cost. The interest expense recognised in profit or loss on the liability component is calculated using the effective interest method. The equity component is recognised in the capital reserve until either the bond is converted or redeemed.

If the bond is converted, the capital reserve, together with the carrying amount of the liability component at the time of conversion, is transferred to share capital and share premium as consideration for the shares issued. If the bond is redeemed, the capital reserve is released directly to retained profits.

**(m) Interest-bearing borrowings**

Interest-bearing borrowings are recognised initially at fair value less attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, interest-bearing borrowings are stated at amortised cost with any difference between the amount initially recognised and redemption value being recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings, together with any interest and fees payable, using the effective interest method.

**(n) Trade and other payables**

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value. Except for financial guarantee liabilities measured in accordance with Note 1(r)(i), trade and other payables are subsequently stated at amortised cost unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(o) 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.

**(p) Employee benefits****(i) Short term employee benefits and contributions to defined contribution retirement plans**

Salaries, annual bonuses, paid annual leave, contributions to defined contribution retirement plans and the cost of non-monetary benefits are accrued in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees. Where payment or settlement is deferred and the effect would be material, these amounts are stated at their present values.

**(ii) Share-based payments**

The fair value of share options granted to employees under the employees' share option schemes and shares granted to employees under the employees' share award scheme (the "Awarded Shares") is recognised as an employee cost with a corresponding increase in a capital reserve within equity. The fair value of share options is measured at grant date using the Black-Scholes Model or Binomial Tree Pricing Method, taking into account the terms and conditions upon which the options were granted. The fair value of Awarded Shares is measured at quoted share price at grant date. Where the employees have to meet vesting conditions before becoming unconditionally entitled to the options or Awarded Shares, the total estimated fair value of the options or Awarded Shares is spread over the vesting period, taking into account the probability that the options or Awarded Shares will vest.

During the vesting period, the number of share options or Awarded Shares that is expected to vest is reviewed. Any resulting adjustment to the cumulative fair value recognised in prior years is charged/credited to the profit or loss for the year of the review, unless the original employee expenses qualify for recognition as an asset, with a corresponding adjustment to the capital reserve. On vesting date, the amount recognised as an expense is adjusted to reflect the actual number of options or Awarded Shares that vest (with a corresponding adjustment to the capital reserve) except where forfeiture is only due to not achieving vesting conditions that relate to the market price of the Company's shares. The equity amount is recognised in the capital reserve until either the option is exercised (when it is transferred to the share premium account) or the Awarded Shares are transferred to the employees (when it is credit to the treasury shares account) or the option expires (when it is released directly to retained profits).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

**1 Significant accounting policies (continued)****(p) Employee benefits (continued)****(iii) Termination benefits**

Termination benefits are recognised when, and only when, the Group demonstrably commits itself to terminate employment or to provide benefits as a result of voluntary redundancy by having a detailed formal plan which is without realistic possibility of withdrawal.

**(q) Income tax**

Income tax for the year comprises current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities. Current tax and movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that they relate to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the relevant amounts of tax are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

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

Deferred tax assets and liabilities arise from deductible and taxable temporary differences respectively, being the differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and their tax bases. Deferred tax assets also arise from unused tax losses and unused tax credits.

Apart from certain limited exceptions, all deferred tax liabilities, and all deferred tax assets to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised, are recognised. Future taxable profits that may support the recognition of deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences include those that will arise from the reversal of existing taxable temporary differences, provided those differences relate to the same taxation authority and the same taxable entity, and are expected to reverse either in the same period as the expected reversal of the deductible temporary difference or in periods into which a tax loss arising from the deferred tax asset can be carried back or forward. The same criteria are adopted when determining whether existing taxable temporary differences support the recognition of deferred tax assets arising from unused tax losses and credits, that is, those differences are taken into account if they relate to the same taxation authority and the same taxable entity, and are expected to reverse in a period, or periods, in which the tax loss or credit can be utilised.

The limited exceptions to recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities are the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable profit (provided they are not part of a business combination), and temporary differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that, in the case of taxable differences, the Group controls the timing of the reversal and it is probable that the differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future, or in the case of deductible differences, unless it is probable that they will reverse in the future.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

### (q) Income tax (continued)

Where investment properties are carried at their fair value in accordance with the accounting policy set out in Note 1(g), the amount of deferred tax recognised is measured using the tax rates that would apply on sale of those assets at their carrying value at the reporting date unless the property is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the property over time, rather than through sale. In all other cases, the amount of deferred tax recognised is measured based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of the assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

The carrying amount of a deferred tax asset is reviewed at each balance sheet date and is reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow the related tax benefit to be utilised. Any such reduction is reversed to the extent that it becomes probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available.

Additional income taxes that arise from the distribution of dividends are recognised when the liability to pay the related dividends is recognised.

Current tax balances and deferred tax balances, and movements therein, are presented separately from each other and are not offset. Current tax assets are offset against current tax liabilities, and deferred tax assets against deferred tax liabilities, if the Company or the Group has the legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and the following additional conditions are met:

- in the case of current tax assets and liabilities, the Company or the Group intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously; or
- in the case of deferred tax assets and liabilities, if they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either:
  - the same taxable entity; or
  - different taxable entities, which, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered, intend to realise the current tax assets and settle the current tax liabilities on a net basis or realise and settle simultaneously.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

### (r) Financial guarantees issued, provisions and contingent liabilities

#### (i) Financial guarantees issued

Financial guarantees are contracts that require the issuer (i.e. the guarantor) to make specified payments to reimburse the beneficiary of the guarantee (the "holder") for a loss the holder incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument.

Where the Group issues a financial guarantee, the fair value of the guarantee (being the transaction price, unless the fair value can otherwise be reliably estimated) is initially recognised as deferred income within trade and other payables. Where consideration is received or receivable for the issuance of the guarantee, the consideration is recognised in accordance with the Group's policies applicable to that category of asset. Where no such consideration is received or receivable, an immediate expense is recognised in profit or loss on initial recognition of any deferred income.

The amount of the guarantee initially recognised as deferred income is amortised in profit or loss over the term of the guarantee as income from financial guarantees issued. In addition, provisions are recognised in accordance with Note 1(r)(iii) if and when (i) it becomes probable that the holder of the guarantee will call upon the Group under the guarantee, and (ii) the amount of that claim on the Group is expected to exceed the amount currently carried in trade and other payables in respect of that guarantee i.e. the amount initially recognised, less accumulated amortisation.

#### (ii) Contingent liabilities assumed in business combinations

Contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination which are present obligations at the date of acquisition are initially recognised at fair value, provided the fair value can be reliably measured. After their initial recognition at fair value, such contingent liabilities are recognised at the higher of the amount initially recognised, less accumulated amortisation where appropriate, and the amount that would be determined in accordance with Note 1(r)(iii). Contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination that cannot be reliably fair valued or were not present obligations at the date of acquisition are disclosed in accordance with Note 1(r)(iii).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

### (r) Financial guarantees issued, provisions and contingent liabilities (continued)

#### (iii) Other provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised for other liabilities of uncertain timing or amount when the Group or the Company has a legal or constructive obligation arising as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made. Where the time value of money is material, provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditure expected to settle the obligation.

Where it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

### (s) Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Provided it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue and costs, if applicable, can be measured reliably, revenue is recognised in profit or loss as follows:

#### (i) Sale of properties

Revenue arising from the sale of properties held for sale is recognised in profit or loss when the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyers. The Group considers that the significant risks and rewards of ownership are transferred when the properties are completed and delivered to the buyers. Revenue from sales of properties excludes business tax and is after deduction of any trade discounts. Deposits and instalments received on properties sold prior to the date of revenue recognition are included in the balance sheet as sales deposits.

#### (ii) Rental income from operating leases

Rental income receivable under operating leases is recognised in profit or loss in equal instalments over the periods covered by the lease term, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the use of the leased asset. Rental income from operating leases excludes business tax. Lease incentives granted are recognised in profit or loss as an integral part of the aggregate net lease payments receivable. Contingent rentals are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are earned.

#### (iii) Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering of services is recognized in profit or loss in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. The stage of completion is assessed with reference of surveys of work performed.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

**(s) Revenue recognition** (continued)**(iv) Dividend**

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the shareholder's right to receive payment is established.

**(v) Interest income**

Interest income is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest method.

**(vi) Commission income**

When the Group acts in the capacity of an agent rather than as the principal in a transaction, the revenue recognised is the net amount of commission made by the Group.

**(vii) Government grants**

Government grants are recognised in the balance sheet initially when there is reasonable assurance that they will be received and that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them. Grants that compensate the Group for expenses incurred are recognised as revenue in profit or loss on a systematic basis in the same periods in which the expenses are incurred.

**(t) Translation of foreign currencies**

Foreign currency transactions during the year are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was determined.

The results of foreign operations are translated into RMB at the exchange rates approximating the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Balance sheet items are translated into RMB at the closing foreign exchange rates at the balance sheet date. The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated separately in equity in the exchange reserve.

On disposal of a foreign operation, the cumulative amount of the exchange differences relating to that foreign operation is reclassified from equity to profit or loss when the profit or loss on disposal is recognised.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

**1 Significant accounting policies (continued)****(u) Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset which necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset. Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

The capitalisation of borrowing costs as part of the cost of a qualifying asset commences when expenditure for the asset is being incurred, borrowing costs are being incurred and activities that are necessary to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress. Capitalisation of borrowing costs is suspended or ceases when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are interrupted or complete.

**(v) Operating lease payments**

Where the Group has the use of assets held under operating leases, payments made under the leases are charged to profit or loss in equal instalments over the accounting periods covered by the lease term, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased assets. Lease incentives received are recognised in profit or loss as an integral part of the aggregate net lease payments made. Contingent rentals are charged to profit or loss in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

**(w) Related parties**

(a) A person, or a close member of that person's family, is related to the Group if that person:

- (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
- (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
- (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or the Group's parent.

(b) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions applies:

- (i) The entity and the Group are members of the same group (which means that each parent, subsidiary and fellow subsidiary is related to the others).
- (ii) One entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member).
- (iii) Both entities are joint ventures of the same third party.
- (iv) One entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.



## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1 Significant accounting policies (continued)

### (w) Related parties (continued)

- (b) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions applies: (continued)
- (v) The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group.
  - (vi) The entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a).
  - (vii) A person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).

Close members of the family of a person are those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the entity.

### (x) Segment reporting

Operating segments, and the amounts of each segment item reported in the financial statements, are identified from the financial information provided regularly to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of allocating resources to, and assessing the performance of, the Group's various lines of business and geographical locations.

Individually material operating segments are not aggregated for financial reporting purposes unless the segments have similar economic characteristics and are similar in respect of the nature of products and services, the nature of production processes, the type or class of customers, the methods used to distribute the products or provide the services, and the nature of the regulatory environment. Operating segments which are not individually material may be aggregated if they share a majority of these criteria.

## 2 Turnover and segment reporting

### (a) Turnover

The principal activities of the Group are property development and property investments. Turnover represents revenue from the sale of property units and rental income from investment properties, net of business tax, analysed as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Sale of property units	15,157,006	5,593,729
Rental income from investment properties	148,123	91,093
	<b>15,305,129</b>	5,684,822

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 2 Turnover and segment reporting (continued)

### (b) Segment reporting

The Group manages its businesses based on development status of current projects, which are divided into completed projects held for sale, completed investment properties and projects under development. 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. No operating segments have been aggregated to form the following reportable segments.

(i) **Completed projects held for sale**

This segment includes projects which have been completed and the Group has obtained completion certificates for those projects.

(ii) **Completed investment properties**

This segment includes one project which has been completed and is held to earn rental income.

(iii) **Projects under development**

This segment includes projects which are under development.

### (c) Segment results, assets and liabilities

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

Segment assets and liabilities include all non-current assets and liabilities and current assets and liabilities with the exception of unallocated head office and corporate assets and liabilities.

Revenue and expenses are allocated to the reportable segments with reference to revenue generated by those segments and the expenses incurred by those segments or which otherwise arise from the depreciation or amortization of assets attributable to those segments. Head office and corporate expenses are not allocated to individual segments.

Segment profit represents the profit after taxation generated by individual segments.

Inter-segment sales are priced with reference to prices charged to external parties for similar orders.

Management is provided with segment information concerning turnover, cost of properties sold, gross profit, valuation gains on investment properties, net operating expenses, financial income, financial expenses, government grants, income tax, investment properties, properties under development and completed properties held for sale, interest in jointly controlled entity, cash and cash equivalents, bank deposits, bank loans, and additions to investment properties and property and equipment.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 2 Turnover and segment reporting (continued)

## (c) Segment results, assets and liabilities (continued)

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 the years ended 31 December 2012 and 2011 is set out below:

	Completed projects held for sale		Completed investment properties		Projects under development		Total	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Income statement items</b>								
Reportable segment revenue	15,157,006	5,593,729	148,123	91,093	-	-	15,305,129	5,684,822
Cost of properties sold	(6,298,439)	(2,954,246)	-	-	-	-	(6,298,439)	(2,954,246)
Reportable segment gross profit	8,858,567	2,639,483	148,123	91,093	-	-	9,006,690	2,730,576
Valuation gains on investment properties	-	-	2,699,530	1,585,793	7,324,414	2,579,522	10,023,944	4,165,315
Operating income/(expenses), net	(137,503)	41,464	(28,760)	(18,061)	45,544	(51,315)	(120,719)	(27,912)
Financial income	336,526	333,535	251	1,288	85,322	150,966	422,099	485,789
Financial expenses	(28,452)	(126,539)	(65,544)	(76,089)	(41,944)	(93,689)	(135,940)	(296,317)
Government grants	199,429	192,305	3,726	7,966	-	1,014	203,155	201,285
Reportable segment profit before taxation	9,228,567	3,080,248	2,757,326	1,591,990	7,413,336	2,586,498	19,399,229	7,258,736
Income tax	(5,255,135)	(1,422,067)	(709,231)	(397,997)	(1,806,493)	(660,597)	(7,770,859)	(2,480,661)
Reportable segment profit	3,973,432	1,658,181	2,048,095	1,193,993	5,606,843	1,925,901	11,628,370	4,778,075
<b>Balance sheet items</b>								
Investment properties	-	-	10,730,000	5,332,500	27,580,000	8,002,000	38,310,000	13,334,500
Properties under development and completed properties held for sale	5,592,279	5,718,209	-	-	5,340,271	18,021,736	10,932,550	23,739,945
Interest in jointly controlled entities	-	-	-	-	4,065,532	-	4,065,532	-
Cash and cash equivalents	6,833,121	8,873,968	11,095	16,955	3,517,660	1,648,841	10,361,876	10,539,764
Bank deposits	1,024,424	818,266	-	-	1,271,342	2,838,133	2,295,766	3,656,399
Bank loans	1,000,000	1,500,000	845,000	925,000	2,923,610	2,800,000	4,768,610	5,225,000
Reportable segment assets	41,821,344	32,833,720	10,890,831	5,542,011	56,537,095	43,685,066	109,249,270	82,060,797
Reportable segment liabilities	24,836,591	18,906,954	2,947,565	2,281,378	37,367,099	35,613,848	65,151,255	56,802,180
Additions to investment properties and property and equipment	15,156	51,448	126	469,207	561,746	2,849,853	577,028	3,370,508

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 2 Turnover and segment reporting (continued)

## (d) Reconciliations of reportable segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Valuation gains on investment properties</b>		
Reportable valuation gains on investment properties	10,023,944	4,165,315
Adjustment for expenses capitalised in preparing the consolidated financial statements	(419,167)	(137,870)
Consolidated valuation gains on investment properties	9,604,777	4,027,445
<b>Profit</b>		
Reportable segment profit	11,628,370	4,778,075
Elimination of intra-group profit	(288,283)	(23,810)
Unallocated head office and corporate expenses	(693,236)	(267,843)
Consolidated profit	10,646,851	4,486,422
<b>Properties under development and completed properties held for sale</b>		
Reportable segment properties under development and completed properties held for sale	10,932,550	23,739,945
Elimination of intra-group transactions	(884,413)	(311,416)
Consolidated properties under development and completed properties held for sale	10,048,137	23,428,529
<b>Bank deposits</b>		
Reportable segment bank deposits	2,295,766	3,656,399
Unallocated head office and corporate bank deposits	195,310	148,635
Consolidated bank deposits	2,491,076	3,805,034

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 2 Turnover and segment reporting (continued)

**(d) Reconciliations of reportable segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities**  
(continued)

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>		
Reportable segment cash and cash equivalents	10,361,876	10,539,764
Unallocated head office and corporate cash and cash equivalents	9,346,847	1,366,393
Consolidated cash and cash equivalents	19,708,723	11,906,157
<b>Bank loans</b>		
Reportable segment bank loans	4,768,610	5,225,000
Unallocated head office and corporate bank loans	9,944,889	6,412,429
Consolidated bank loans	14,713,499	11,637,429
<b>Assets</b>		
Reportable segment assets	109,249,270	82,060,797
Elimination of intra-group balances	(45,137,154)	(28,638,995)
Unallocated head office and corporate assets	16,465,455	6,257,972
Consolidated total assets	80,577,571	59,679,774
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Reportable segment liabilities	65,151,255	56,802,180
Elimination of intra-group balances	(44,575,478)	(28,444,034)
Unallocated head office and corporate liabilities	28,291,332	8,104,006
Consolidated total liabilities	48,867,109	36,462,152

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 3 Profit before taxation

Profit before taxation is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

## (a) Financial income and financial expenses

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>Financial income</b>		
Interest income	(432,516)	(425,127)
Net foreign exchange gain	–	(69,254)
Net gain on settlement of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:		
Held for trading	–	(65,072)
	<b>(432,516)</b>	(559,453)
<b>Financial expenses</b>		
Interest on bank loans wholly repayable within five years	754,652	538,062
Interest on bank loans wholly repayable above five years	22,039	57,961
Interest expenses on the Convertible Bonds	190,938	185,290
Interest expenses on the Senior Notes	60,823	–
Less: Interest expense capitalised into properties under development*	(494,099)	(451,614)
	<b>534,353</b>	329,699
Net foreign exchange loss	4,777	–
Bank charges and others	19,302	21,053
	<b>558,432</b>	350,752

\* The borrowing costs were capitalised at a rate of 4.57% – 8.32% per annum (2011: 4.58% – 7.44%).

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 3 Profit before taxation (continued)

## (b) Staff costs

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
Salaries, wages and other benefits		<b>209,105</b>	193,937
Contributions to defined contribution retirement plan		<b>15,048</b>	13,122
Equity-settled share-based payment expenses	27	<b>4,524</b>	1,579
		<b>228,677</b>	208,638

## (c) Other items

	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
Depreciation	<b>22,934</b>	19,323
Auditors' remuneration		
– audit services	<b>7,439</b>	6,711
– tax services	<b>1,387</b>	1,199
– other services	<b>798</b>	727
Rentals receivable from investment properties less direct outgoings of RMB nil (2011: RMB nil)	<b>148,123</b>	91,093

## 4 Government grants

The Group received total government grants of RMB203,155,000 (2011: RMB201,285,000) in relation to certain completed projects from the local finance bureaus pursuant to the regulations issued by the respective local governments.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 5 Income tax in the consolidated income statement

## (a) Income tax in the consolidated income statement represents:

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
PRC Corporate Income Tax			
– Provision for the year		<b>2,977,642</b>	485,418
– (Over)/under-provision in respect of prior years		<b>(78,887)</b>	27,815
Land Appreciation Tax		<b>3,410,132</b>	822,163
Deferred tax	<i>14(b)</i>	<b>1,239,034</b>	1,040,062
		<b>7,547,921</b>	2,375,458

- (i) Pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands (“BVI”), the Company and the Company’s subsidiaries registered in the BVI and the Cayman Islands are not subject to any income tax.
- (ii) In accordance with the Corporate Income Tax Law of the People’s Republic of China, the income tax rate applicable to the Company’s subsidiaries in the PRC is 25% (2011: 24% to 25%).
- (iii) In accordance with the Land Appreciation Tax Law of the PRC, Land Appreciation Tax is levied at the properties developed by the Group for sale in the PRC. Land Appreciation Tax is charged on the appreciated amount at progressive rates ranged from 30% to 60%.
- (iv) According to the Implementation Rules of the Corporate Income Tax Law of the People’s Republic of China, the Company’s subsidiaries in the PRC are levied a 10% withholding tax on dividends declared to their foreign investment holding companies arising from profit earned subsequent to 1 January 2008. In respect of dividends that are subject to the withholding tax, provision for withholding tax is recognised for the dividends that have been declared, and deferred tax liability is recognised for those to be declared in the foreseeable future.



## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 5 Income tax in the consolidated income statement (continued)

**(b) Reconciliation between tax expense and accounting profit at applicable tax rates:**

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Profit before taxation	<b>18,194,772</b>	6,861,880
Income tax computed by applying the tax rate of 25% (2011: 25%) to profit before taxation	<b>4,548,693</b>	1,715,470
Tax effect of Land Appreciation Tax deductible for PRC Corporate Income Tax	<b>(837,253)</b>	(145,550)
Effect of differential tax rate on profit	<b>103,149</b>	(86,467)
Tax effect of unused tax losses not recognised	<b>2,354</b>	3,823
(Over)/under-provision in prior years	<b>(78,887)</b>	27,815
Tax effect of non-deductible expenses	<b>399,733</b>	38,204
Provision for Land Appreciation Tax for the year	<b>3,410,132</b>	822,163
Actual tax expense	<b>7,547,921</b>	2,375,458

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 6 Directors' remuneration

Details of directors' remuneration are as follows:

	Directors' fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind RMB'000	Retirement scheme contributions RMB'000	Sub-total RMB'000	Share-based payments (Note 6(i)) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>2012</b>						
Chairman						
Pan Shiyi	240	5,926	33	6,199	–	6,199
Executive directors						
Pan Zhang Xin Marita	240	5,201	–	5,441	–	5,441
Yan Yan	240	5,251	33	5,524	1,911	7,435
Tong Ching Mau	240	3,723	–	3,963	635	4,598
Yin Jie (appointed on 22 October 2012)	50	971	7	1,028	124	1,152
Independent non-executive directors						
Ramin Khadem	308	–	–	308	–	308
Cha Mou Zing Victor	272	–	–	272	–	272
Yi Xiqun	272	–	–	272	–	272
	<b>1,862</b>	<b>21,072</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>23,007</b>	<b>2,670</b>	<b>25,677</b>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 6 Directors' remuneration (continued)

	Directors' fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind RMB'000	Retirement scheme contributions RMB'000	Sub-total RMB'000	Share-based payments (Note 6(i)) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
2011						
Chairman						
Pan Shiyi	240	5,528	30	5,798	–	5,798
Executive directors						
Pan Zhang Xin Marita	240	4,947	–	5,187	–	5,187
Yan Yan	240	5,050	30	5,320	657	5,977
Tong Ching Mau	240	3,844	–	4,084	219	4,303
Independent non-executive directors						
Ramin Khadem	298	–	–	298	–	298
Cha Mou Zing Victor	255	–	–	255	–	255
Yi Xiqun	255	–	–	255	–	255
	1,768	19,369	60	21,197	876	22,073

During the year, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office. No directors of the Company waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year.

*Note:*

- (i) These represent the fair value of share options and shares granted to the directors under the employees' share option schemes and the employees' share award scheme, respectively. The value of these share options and shares is measured according to the Group's accounting policies for share-based payment transactions as set out in Note 1(p)(ii) and, in accordance with that policy, includes adjustments to reverse amounts accrued in previous years where grants of equity instruments are forfeited prior to vesting.

The details of these benefits in kind, including the principal terms and number of options and shares granted, are disclosed in Note 27.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 7 Individuals with highest emoluments

Of the five individuals with the highest emoluments, three (2011: four) are directors whose emoluments are disclosed in Note 6. The aggregate of the emoluments in respect of the other two (2011: one) individuals are as follows:

	<b>2012</b> <b>RMB'000</b>	2011 RMB'000
Salaries and other emoluments	<b>8,571</b>	4,058
Retirement scheme contributions	<b>33</b>	–
Share-based payments	<b>1,123</b>	132
	<b>9,727</b>	4,190

The emoluments of the two (2011: one) individuals with the highest emoluments are within the following bands:

RMB	<b>2012</b> <b>Number of</b> <b>individuals</b>	2011 Number of individuals
4,000,001-4,500,000	–	1
4,500,001-5,000,000	<b>2</b>	–

During the year, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 8 Profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company

The consolidated profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company includes a loss of RMB572,328,000 (2011: RMB279,946,000) which has been dealt with in the financial statements of the Company.

## 9 Earnings per share

### (a) Basic earnings per share

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of RMB10,584,876,000 (2011: RMB3,892,308,000) and the weighted average of 5,160,850,000 ordinary shares (2011: 5,185,179,000) in issue during the year, calculated as follows:

#### Weighted average number of ordinary shares

	Note	2012 '000	2011 '000
Issued ordinary shares at 1 January		<b>5,188,656</b>	5,187,657
Effect of share options exercised	25(c)(i)	<b>53</b>	658
Effect of shares repurchased and cancelled	25(c)(ii)	<b>(20,520)</b>	–
Effect of treasury shares	25(c)(iii)	<b>(7,551)</b>	(3,136)
Effect of Awarded Shares vested	27(b)	<b>212</b>	–
Weighted average number of ordinary shares during the year		<b>5,160,850</b>	5,185,179

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 9 Earnings per share (continued)

**(b) Diluted earnings per share**

The calculation of diluted earnings per share is based on the profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company of RMB10,775,814,000 (2011: RMB4,077,598,000) and the weighted average of 5,680,015,000 ordinary shares (2011:5,696,893,000), calculated as follows:

**(i) Profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders of the Company (diluted)**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	<b>RMB'000</b>	RMB'000
Profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders	<b>10,584,876</b>	3,892,308
After tax effect of effective interest on the liability component of the convertible bonds	<b>190,938</b>	185,290
Profit attributable to ordinary equity shareholders (diluted)	<b>10,775,814</b>	4,077,598

**(ii) Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	<b>'000</b>	'000
Weighted average number of ordinary shares	<b>5,160,850</b>	5,185,179
Effect of conversion of the Convertible Bonds	<b>516,605</b>	510,646
Effect of deemed issue of shares under the employee's share option schemes	–	470
Effect of deemed vesting of the Awarded Shares	<b>2,560</b>	598
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)	<b>5,680,015</b>	5,696,893

## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 10 Investment properties – the Group

	Completed investment properties RMB'000	Investment properties under development RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2011	3,085,000	–	3,085,000
Additions	469,207	2,841,553	3,310,760
Transfer from properties under development and completed properties held for sale	192,500	–	192,500
Acquisition of a subsidiary	–	2,718,795	2,718,795
Fair value adjustment			
– existing investing properties	1,585,793	1,787,649	3,373,442
– properties under development and completed properties held for sale transferred in	–	654,003	654,003
At 31 December 2011	5,332,500	8,002,000	13,334,500
At 1 January 2012	<b>5,332,500</b>	<b>8,002,000</b>	<b>13,334,500</b>
Additions	–	<b>559,668</b>	<b>559,668</b>
Transfer from properties under development and completed properties held for sale	<b>2,863,826</b>	<b>11,947,229</b>	<b>14,811,055</b>
Fair value adjustment			
– existing investment properties	<b>277,500</b>	<b>428,332</b>	<b>705,832</b>
– properties under development and completed properties held for sale transferred in	<b>2,256,174</b>	<b>6,642,771</b>	<b>8,898,945</b>
At 31 December 2012	<b>10,730,000</b>	<b>27,580,000</b>	<b>38,310,000</b>

## Notes to the Financial Statements

**10 Investment properties – the Group (continued)****(a) Revaluation of investment properties**

The completed investment properties of the Group were revalued as at 31 December 2012 and 31 December 2011 on an open market value basis by making reference to comparable sales transaction as available in the relevant market, and where appropriate, taking into account of the valuation based on the income capitalization approach. The valuations were carried out by CB Richard Ellis Ltd. ("CBRE"), a firm of independent qualified valuers in Hong Kong with recent experience in the location and category of property being valued.

Management of the Group has concluded that the fair value of its investment properties under development as at 31 December 2012 and 31 December 2011 can be measured reasonably, therefore, the Group's investment properties under development were measured at fair value on 31 December 2012 and 31 December 2011. The valuations were carried out by CBRE by using residual method of valuation which is common in valuing development sites by establishing the market value of the properties on an "as-if" completed basis with appropriate deduction on construction costs, professional fees and interest payments to be incurred as well as developer's profits. The resultant figures were adjusted back to present values to reflect the existing state of the investment properties under development as at 31 December 2012 and 31 December 2011.

- (b)** Certain investment properties of the Group were pledged against the bank loans, details are set out in Note 20.
- (c)** The net book value of investment properties of RMB38,310,000,000 as at 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB13,334,500,000) were under medium-term leases in the PRC.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 11 Property and equipment – the Group

	Office premises RMB'000	Serviced apartment properties RMB'000	Office equipment RMB'000	Motor vehicles RMB'000	Construction in progress RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>Cost or valuation:</b>						
At 1 January 2011	288,534	325,666	39,887	6,574	–	660,661
Additions	–	–	9,748	–	50,000	59,748
Transfer to construction in process	–	(306,946)	–	–	256,666	(50,280)
Transfer from construction in process	–	306,666	–	–	(306,666)	–
Acquisition of subsidiaries	–	–	368	391	–	759
Disposals	–	–	(3,356)	(1,696)	–	(5,052)
Surplus on revaluation	65,928	–	–	–	–	65,928
At 31 December 2011	354,462	325,386	46,647	5,269	–	731,764
<b>Representing:</b>						
Cost	–	325,386	46,647	5,269	–	377,302
Valuation –2011	354,462	–	–	–	–	354,462
	354,462	325,386	46,647	5,269	–	731,764
At 1 January 2012	<b>354,462</b>	<b>325,386</b>	<b>46,647</b>	<b>5,269</b>	–	<b>731,764</b>
Additions	–	<b>5,004</b>	<b>10,406</b>	<b>1,950</b>	–	<b>17,360</b>
Acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 31)	–	–	<b>42</b>	–	–	<b>42</b>
Disposals	–	–	<b>(7,117)</b>	<b>(1,534)</b>	–	<b>(8,651)</b>
At 31 December 2012	<b>354,462</b>	<b>330,390</b>	<b>49,978</b>	<b>5,685</b>	–	<b>740,515</b>
<b>Representing:</b>						
Cost	–	<b>330,390</b>	<b>49,978</b>	<b>5,685</b>	–	<b>386,053</b>
Valuation –2011	<b>354,462</b>	–	–	–	–	<b>354,462</b>
	<b>354,462</b>	<b>330,390</b>	<b>49,978</b>	<b>5,685</b>	–	<b>740,515</b>

## Notes to the financial statements

## 11 Property and equipment – the Group (continued)

	Office premises RMB'000	Serviced apartment properties RMB'000	Office equipment RMB'000	Motor vehicles RMB'000	Construction in progress RMB'000	Total RMB'000
<b>Accumulated depreciation:</b>						
At 1 January 2011	21,202	56,525	25,108	3,665	–	106,500
Charge for the year	6,845	7,399	4,347	732	–	19,323
Written back on transfer to construction in process	–	(50,280)	–	–	–	(50,280)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	–	–	77	74	–	151
Written back on disposals	–	–	(3,157)	(866)	–	(4,023)
Elimination on revaluation	(28,047)	–	–	–	–	(28,047)
At 31 December 2011	–	13,644	26,375	3,605	–	43,624
At 1 January 2012	–	<b>13,644</b>	<b>26,375</b>	<b>3,605</b>	–	<b>43,624</b>
Charge for the year	<b>9,354</b>	<b>7,114</b>	<b>5,915</b>	<b>551</b>	–	<b>22,934</b>
Acquisition of a subsidiary (Note 31)	–	–	3	–	–	3
Written back on disposals	–	–	(6,704)	(1,426)	–	(8,130)
At 31 December 2012	<b>9,354</b>	<b>20,758</b>	<b>25,589</b>	<b>2,730</b>	–	<b>58,431</b>
<b>Net book value:</b>						
At 31 December 2012	<b>345,108</b>	<b>309,632</b>	<b>24,389</b>	<b>2,955</b>	–	<b>682,084</b>
At 31 December 2011	354,462	311,742	20,272	1,664	–	688,140

## Notes to the financial statements

## 11 Property and equipment – the Group (continued)

**(a) Revaluation of office premises**

The Group's office premises were revalued as at 31 December 2011 by the management on an open market value basis by making reference to comparable sales transaction as available in the relevant market. As at 31 December 2011, the revaluation surplus of RMB70,481,000 has been recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the revaluation reserve of the Group, net of deferred tax. The carrying amount of the office premises of the Group as at 31 December 2012 did not materially differ from their fair value.

The carrying amount of the office premises of the Group as at 31 December 2012 would have been RMB114,391,000 (2011: RMB117,474,000) had they been carried at cost less accumulated depreciation.

**(b) The analysis of net book value of properties is as follows:**

The net book value of office premises and serviced apartment properties in aggregate of RMB654,740,000 as at 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB666,204,000) were under medium-term leases in the PRC.

**(c)** Office premises and serviced apartment properties of the Group were pledged against the bank loans, details are set out in Note 20.

## 12 Investments in subsidiaries – the Company

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	294,423	294,423

## Notes to the financial statements

## 12 Investments in subsidiaries – the Company (continued)

The following list contains only the particulars of subsidiaries which principally affected the results, assets or liabilities of the Group. The class of shares held is ordinary unless otherwise stated.

Name of Company	Place of Establishment/ incorporation and operation	Principal activities	Issued/ paid-in capital	Attributable equity interest	
				Direct	Indirect
Beijing Redstone Newtown Real Estate Co., Ltd. *	Beijing, the PRC	Development of the Commune by the Great Wall project and operation of serviced apartment	USD10,000,000	–	95%
Hainan Redstone Industry Co., Ltd. *	Hainan, the PRC	Development of Boao Canal Village project	RMB20,000,000	–	98.1%
Beijing SOHO Real Estate Co., Ltd. *	Beijing, the PRC	Development of Sanlitun SOHO project	USD99,000,000	–	95%
Beijing Millennium Real Properties Development Co., Ltd. ***	Beijing, the PRC	Development of Beijing Residency project	RMB96,000,000	–	100%
Beijing Yeli Real Properties Development Co., Ltd. ***	Beijing, the PRC	Investment in Phase II of Guanghualu SOHO project	RMB10,000,000	–	100%
Beijing Kaiheng Real Estate Co., Ltd. *	Beijing, the PRC	Investment in and development of Chaoyangmen SOHO project and Galaxy SOHO project	USD12,000,000	–	100%
Beijing Suo Tu Shi Ji Investment Management Co., Ltd. ***	Beijing, the PRC	Development of ZhongGuanCun SOHO project and Danling SOHO project	RMB10,000,000	–	100%
Beijing Zhanpeng Century Investment Management Co., Ltd. ***	Beijing, the PRC	Investment in Tiananmen (Qianmen) project	RMB50,000,000	–	100%

## Notes to the financial statements

## 12 Investments in subsidiaries – the Company (continued)

Name of Company	Place of Establishment/ incorporation and operation	Principal activities	Issued/ paid-in capital	Attributable equity interest	
				Direct	Indirect
SOHO Exchange Limited	Cayman Islands	Investment in and development of Exchange-SOHO project	USD1,000	–	100%
Beijing Wangjiing SOHO Real Estate Co., Ltd. *	Beijing, the PRC	Investment in and development of SOHO Peaks project	USD99,000,000	–	100%
Beijing Bluewater Property Management Co., Ltd. **	Beijing, the PRC	Development of SOHO Nexus Centre project	USD120,000,000	–	100%
Shanghai Ding Ding Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. *	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in Bund SOHO project	USD135,000,000	–	61.506%
SOHO (Shanghai) Investment Co., Ltd. ***	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in Sky SOHO project and SOHO Century Plaza project, and development of SOHO Zhongshan Plaza Project	RMB200,000,000	–	100%
Shanghai Hong Sheng Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. ***	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in SOHO Fuxing Plaza project	RMB840,000,000	–	100% Note (i)
Shanghai Hanggang Jiajie Real Estate Company Limited ***	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in SOHO Hailun Plaza project	RMB101,450,000	–	100%
Shanghai Xusheng Property Co., Ltd. **	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in Hongkou SOHO project	USD180,000,000	–	100%
Shanghai Greentown Plaza Development Co., Ltd. ***	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in and development of SOHO Tianshan Plaza project	RMB1,550,000,000	–	100% Note (ii)

\* The company is registered as a sino-foreign equity joint venture enterprise in the PRC.

\*\* The company is registered as a wholly owned foreign enterprise in the PRC.

\*\*\* The company is registered as a limited liability company in the PRC.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 12 Investments in subsidiaries – the Company (continued)

- (i) Shanghai Hong Sheng Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. (“Shanghai Hong Sheng”)

In 2012, SOHO (Shanghai) Investment Co., Ltd. (“SOHO Shanghai”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, acquired the remaining 20% equity interests in Shanghai Hong Sheng from a third party at a consideration of RMB500,000,000. From then on, Shanghai Hong Sheng became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company. Shanghai Hong Sheng is the project company holding SOHO Fuxing Plaza project located in Lu Wan District of Shanghai, the PRC.

- (ii) Shanghai Greentown Plaza Development Co., Ltd. (“Shanghai Greentown”)

In 2012, SOHO Shanghai acquired the entire equity interests in Shanghai Greentown at a total consideration of RMB2,129,420,000. Shanghai Greentown is the project company holding SOHO Tianshan Plaza project located in Chongming District of Shanghai, the PRC.

## 13 Interest in jointly controlled entities – the Group

	Note	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Share of net assets		928,199	–
Loans to a jointly controlled entity	(i)	3,137,333	–
		<b>4,065,532</b>	–

Details of the Group’s interest in the jointly controlled entities as at 31 December 2012 were as follows:

Name of jointly controlled entity	Form of business structure	Place of incorporation and operation	Principal activities	Particulars of paid-in capital/registered capital	Proportion of ownership interest held by a subsidiary
Shanghai Haizhimen Property Investment Management Co., Ltd.	Incorporated	Shanghai, the PRC	Investment in the Bund 8-1 Land project	RMB100,000,000	50%
Shanghai Ying Bi Chang Sheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd.	Incorporated	Shanghai, the PRC	Properties Management	RMB500,000	50%

These jointly controlled entities are not material to the financial results of the Group.

## Note:

- (i) Loans to a jointly controlled entity, included in the interest in a jointly controlled entity, represented advances of RMB3,137,333,000 to Shanghai Haizhimen Property Investment Management Co., Ltd. (“Shanghai Haizhimen”), which were interest-free, except for a balance amounting to RMB288,660,000 that bore interest at a fixed interest rate of 13.8% per annum. All advances were unsecured and had no fixed term of repayment.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 14 Income tax in the consolidated balance sheet – the Group

## (a) Current taxation in the consolidated balance sheet represents:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
PRC Corporate Income Tax payable	3,169,541	1,197,308
Land Appreciation Tax payable	6,401,705	4,484,373
	<b>9,571,246</b>	5,681,681

## (b) Deferred tax assets and liabilities recognised:

- (i) The components of deferred tax assets/(liabilities) recognised in the consolidated balance sheet and the movements during the year are as follows:

Deferred tax arising from	Note	Tax losses RMB'000	Properties under development and completed properties held for sale RMB'000	Investment properties RMB'000	Office premises RMB'000	Withholding tax on the equity increase of PRC subsidiaries RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2011		1,155	942,534	(577,365)	(39,682)	(93,656)	232,986
Credited/(charged) to profit and loss	5(a)	12,987	(52,433)	(1,000,616)	-	-	(1,040,062)
Charged to revaluation reserve		-	-	-	(23,494)	-	(23,494)
Acquisition of subsidiaries		1,233	-	-	-	-	1,233
At 31 December 2011		15,375	890,101	(1,577,981)	(63,176)	(93,656)	(829,337)
At 1 January 2012		<b>15,375</b>	<b>890,101</b>	<b>(1,577,981)</b>	<b>(63,176)</b>	<b>(93,656)</b>	<b>(829,337)</b>
Credited/(charged) to profit and loss	5(a)	<b>(3,741)</b>	<b>1,104,528</b>	<b>(2,339,821)</b>	-	-	<b>(1,239,034)</b>
At 31 December 2012		<b>11,634</b>	<b>1,994,629</b>	<b>(3,917,802)</b>	<b>(63,176)</b>	<b>(93,656)</b>	<b>(2,068,371)</b>

## Notes to the financial statements

## 14 Income tax in the consolidated balance sheet – the Group (continued)

**(b) Deferred tax assets and liabilities recognised:** (continued)

(ii) Reconciliation to the consolidated balance sheet:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Net deferred tax assets recognised in the consolidated balance sheet	2,009,795	901,918
Net deferred tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated balance sheet	(4,078,166)	(1,731,255)
	<b>(2,068,371)</b>	(829,337)

**(c) Deferred tax assets not recognised**

In accordance with the accounting policy set out in Note 1(q), the Group has not recognised deferred tax assets in respect of cumulative tax losses in certain subsidiaries of RMB244,960,000 as at 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB246,905,000), as it is not probable that future taxable profits against which the losses can be utilised will be available in the relevant subsidiaries. As at 31 December 2012, RMB105,456,000, RMB33,261,000, RMB32,372,000, RMB22,215,000 and RMB51,656,000 of these tax losses will expire in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017, respectively.

**(d) Deferred tax liabilities not recognised**

As at 31 December 2012, temporary differences relating to the undistributed profits of the subsidiaries in the PRC amounted to RMB26,302,812,000 (2011: RMB11,437,786,000). Deferred tax liabilities of RMB2,630,281,000 (2011: RMB1,143,779,000) have not been recognised in respect of the tax that would be payable on the distribution of these retained profits as the Company controls the dividend policy of these subsidiaries and it has been determined that it is probable that profits will not be distributed in the foreseeable future.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 15 Properties under development and completed properties held for sale – the Group

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Properties under development	5,195,232	18,083,646
Completed properties held for sale	4,852,905	5,344,883
	<b>10,048,137</b>	23,428,529

- (a) The analysis of carrying value of leasehold land included in properties under development and completed properties held for sale is as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
In the PRC		
– long term lease	112,911	131,511
– medium-term lease	6,689,068	18,613,515
	<b>6,801,979</b>	18,745,026

- (b) The amount of properties under development expected to be recovered after more than one year is analysed as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Properties under development	941,951	12,929,899

All of the other properties under development and completed properties held for sale are expected to be recovered within one year.

- (c) The cost of properties sold for the year ended 31 December 2012 amounted to RMB6,298,439,000 (2011: RMB2,954,246,000).
- (d) Certain properties under development and completed properties held for sale of the Group were pledged against the bank loans, details are set out in Note 20.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 16 Deposits and prepayments

Deposits and prepayments mainly represented amounts prepaid for acquisition of property development projects and construction fees.

The amount of the Group's deposits and prepayments expected to be recovered or recognised as expense after more than one year is RMB1,189,282,000 (2011: RMB1,570,562,000).

## 17 Trade and other receivables

	Note	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
<b>The Group</b>			
Trade receivables	(a)	161,038	161,162
Other receivables		513,622	389,861
Less: allowance for doubtful debts	(b)	(11,723)	(1,552)
		<b>662,937</b>	549,471
<b>The Company</b>			
Amounts due from subsidiaries		<b>15,539,275</b>	15,746,009

## (a) Ageing analysis

The ageing analysis of trade receivables based on due date is as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Current	75,089	47,380
Less than 1 month past due	1,075	33,189
1 to 6 months past due	2,613	1,000
6 months to 1 year past due	9,388	16,960
More than 1 year past due	72,873	62,633
Amounts past due	<b>85,949</b>	113,782
	<b>161,038</b>	161,162

The Group's credit policy is set out in Note 28(a).

## Notes to the financial statements

## 17 Trade and other receivables (continued)

**(b) Impairment of trade and other receivables**

Impairment losses in respect of trade and other receivables are recorded using an allowance account unless the Group is satisfied that recovery of the amount is remote, in which case the impairment loss is written off against trade and other receivables directly (see Note 1(i)(i)).

The movement in the allowance for doubtful debts during the year is as follows:

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	<b>RMB'000</b>	RMB'000
At 1 January	<b>1,552</b>	3,863
Impairment loss recognised, net	<b>15,114</b>	3,881
Uncollectible amounts written off	<b>(4,943)</b>	(6,192)
At 31 December	<b>11,723</b>	1,552

At 31 December 2012, the Group's trade and other receivables of RMB11,723,000 (2011: RMB1,552,000) were individually determined to be impaired. The individually impaired receivables related to debtors that were in financial difficulties and management assessed that no receivables is expected to be recovered. Consequently, specific allowances for doubtful debts of RMB11,723,000 (2011: RMB1,552,000) were recognised. The Group does not hold any collateral over these balances.

**(c) Trade and other receivables that are not impaired**

The ageing analysis of trade and other receivables that are neither individually nor collectively considered to be impaired are as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	<b>2012</b>	2011	<b>2012</b>	2011
	<b>RMB'000</b>	RMB'000	<b>RMB'000</b>	RMB'000
Neither past due nor impaired	<b>413,818</b>	224,649	<b>15,539,275</b>	15,746,009
Less than 1 month past due	<b>48,547</b>	54,785		
1 to 6 months past due	<b>19,870</b>	106,081		
6 months to 1 year past due	<b>36,015</b>	28,613		
More than 1 year past due	<b>144,687</b>	135,343		
	<b>249,119</b>	324,822		
	<b>662,937</b>	549,471		

## Notes to the financial statements

## 17 Trade and other receivables (continued)

## (c) Trade and other receivables that are not impaired (continued)

Receivables that were neither past due nor impaired relate to customers and debtors for whom there was no recent history of default.

Receivables that were past due but not impaired mainly relate to a number of independent customers to whom the title of the property units have not been transferred and debtors that have a good track record with the Group. Based on past experience, management believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of these balances as there has not been a significant change in credit quality and the balances are still considered fully recoverable. The Group holds rental deposits as collateral over the balance of rental receivables and holds the title of the property units as collateral over the balance of trade receivables of RMB61,006,000 (2011: RMB93,064,000) and other receivables of RMB57,262,000 (2011: RMB20,889,000) as at 31 December 2012, and does not hold any collateral over the remaining balance of other receivables.

## 18 Bank deposits

	Note	The Group		The Company	
		2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Bank deposits in non-current assets for:					
Guarantees for mortgage loans	(i)	–	818,266	–	–
Guarantees for bank loans	(ii)	–	148,635	–	148,635
Guarantees for construction fee payment	(iii)	<b>137,647</b>	255,214	–	–
		<b>137,647</b>	1,222,115	–	148,635
Bank deposits in current assets for:					
Guarantees for mortgage loans	(i)	<b>337,271</b>	–	–	–
Guarantees for bank loans	(ii)	<b>882,464</b>	705,000	<b>195,310</b>	–
Restricted cash related to pre-sale proceeds received	(iv)	<b>1,133,694</b>	1,877,919	–	–
		<b>2,353,429</b>	2,582,919	<b>195,310</b>	–
		<b>2,491,076</b>	3,805,034	<b>195,310</b>	148,635

## Notes to the financial statements

**18 Bank deposits (continued)**

The above bank deposits are restricted as follows:

- (i) The Group has entered into agreements with certain banks with respect to mortgage loans provided to buyers of the property units. As at 31 December 2012, the Group had deposits of RMB337,271,000 (2011: RMB818,266,000) as security for settlement of the mortgage instalments under these agreements. Should the mortgagors fail to pay the mortgage monthly instalments, the bank can draw down the security deposits up to the amount of outstanding mortgage instalments and demand the Group to repay the outstanding balance to the extent that the deposit balance is insufficient. Such guarantee deposits will be released when the title of properties are pledged to banks or the related mortgage loans are repaid by buyers.
- (ii) As at 31 December 2012, the Group had deposits of RMB882,464,000 (2011: RMB853,635,000) as non-cancellable guarantees on bank loans. Should the Group fail to settle the bank loans or interests, the bank can draw down the deposits to settle the relevant sums and demand the Group to repay the outstanding balance to the extent that the deposit balance is insufficient.
- (iii) As at 31 December 2012, pursuant to a government regulation, the Group had deposits of RMB137,647,000 (2011: RMB255,214,000) as non-cancellable guarantees on construction fees payable to construction contractors. Should the Group fail to settle related construction fees, the bank can draw down the deposits to settle the relevant sums and demand the Group to repay the outstanding balance to the extent that the deposit balance is insufficient.
- (iv) In accordance with relevant government regulations, certain project companies of the Group are required to place the pre-sale proceeds of properties received of RMB1,133,694,000 (2011: RMB1,877,919,000) at designated bank accounts as guarantee deposits for construction work of related properties as at 31 December 2012. The deposits can only be used for purchases of construction materials and payments of construction fee of the relevant properties upon the approval of Authorities of the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development and relevant banks. Such guarantee deposits will be released according to the completion stage of the related pre-sold properties.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 19 Cash and cash equivalents

	The Group		The Company	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Cash on hand	516	748	–	–
Cash at bank and other financial institutions	4,462,845	6,662,633	2,008,383	92,265
Term deposits with banks and other financial institutions	15,245,362	5,242,776	7,305,792	1,215,482
Cash and cash equivalents in the balance sheet	19,708,723	11,906,157	9,314,175	1,307,747
Less: Term deposits with banks and other financial institutions over 3 months	1,216,623	703,925		
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated cash flow statements	18,492,100	11,202,232		

## Notes to the financial statements

## 20 Bank loans

(a) The bank loans were repayable as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Within 1 year or on demand	<b>3,922,219</b>	2,214,593	<b>2,432,219</b>	628,293
After 1 year but within 2 years	<b>6,364,664</b>	3,656,815	<b>3,670,604</b>	1,866,815
After 2 years but within 5 years	<b>4,111,616</b>	5,311,021	<b>1,785,709</b>	1,866,816
After 5 years	<b>315,000</b>	455,000	–	–
	<b>10,791,280</b>	9,422,836	<b>5,456,313</b>	3,733,631
	<b>14,713,499</b>	11,637,429	<b>7,888,532</b>	4,361,924

The bank loans were secured as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Secured	<b>14,713,499</b>	11,631,129	<b>7,888,532</b>	4,361,924
Unsecured	–	6,300	–	–
	<b>14,713,499</b>	11,637,429	<b>7,888,532</b>	4,361,924

## Notes to the financial statements

## 20 Bank loans (continued)

(b) The following items were pledged and entities or individuals provided guarantees to secure and guarantee certain bank loans granted to the Group and the Company at 31 December:

- (i) As at 31 December 2012, RMB4,265,934,000 (2011: RMB5,853,293,000) bank loans of the Group and RMB547,324,000 (2011: RMB628,293,000) bank loan of the Company were secured by following items:

	The Group		The Company	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Properties under development and completed properties held for sale	5,492,355	10,241,027	–	–
Investment properties	14,656,500	7,266,000	–	–
Bank deposits	687,154	705,000	687,154	705,000
	<b>20,836,009</b>	18,212,027	<b>687,154</b>	705,000

- (ii) As at 31 December 2012, RMB371,726,000 bank loans (2011: RMB360,548,000) of the Group were secured by the shares of two subsidiaries, i.e. 50% shares of Beijing Wangjing SOHO Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("Wangjing SOHO") and 100% shares of Beijing Yirun Century Investment Management & Consulting Co., Ltd., and guaranteed by the Company (see Note 29(b)).
- (iii) As at 31 December 2012, RMB1,684,631,000 bank loans (2011: RMB1,683,657,000) of the Group were secured by the shares of T&T International Investment Corporation, a subsidiary of the Group, and property and equipment of RMB654,740,000 (2011: RMB666,204,000) and guaranteed by Mr. Pan Shiyi and Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita (see Note 30(c)(ii)), and guaranteed by the Company (see Note 29(b)).
- (iv) As at 31 December 2012, RMB7,341,208,000 bank loans (2011: RMB3,733,631,000) of the Group and the Company were secured by the total assets and shares of all foreign subsidiaries of the Company, excluding 27 foreign subsidiaries who directly or indirectly hold The Exchange-SOHO project, SOHO Peaks project and Bund SOHO project.
- (v) As at 31 December 2012, RMB1,050,000,000 bank loans (2011: RMB nil) of the Group were secured by investment properties of phase II of Guanghualu SOHO project of RMB3,060,000,000, 100% shares of Shanghai Greentown, a subsidiary of the Group and guaranteed by Wangjing SOHO, a subsidiary of the Group.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 20 Bank loans (continued)

(c) The effective interest rates per annum on bank loans at amortised cost are as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2012 %	2011 %	2012 %	2011 %
Bank loans included in current liabilities	<b>2.90–6.77</b>	2.15–7.05	<b>2.90–4.77</b>	1.51–2.7
Bank loans included in non-current liabilities	<b>4.57–8.32</b>	4.58–7.44	<b>4.57–5.91</b>	4.58–4.63

(d) RMB7,341,208,000 bank loans (2011: RMB3,733,631,000) are subject to the fulfilment of covenants relating to certain targets of the Group's results of operation and financial position and the ratio of distribution to profit attributable to equity shareholders of the Company, as are commonly found in lending arrangements with financial institutions. The Group regularly monitors its compliance with these covenants. Further details of the Group's management of liquidity risk are set out in Note 28(b). As at 31 December 2012, none of the covenants relating to drawn down facilities had been breached (2011: RMB nil).

## 21 Sales deposits – the Group

Sales deposits represented proceeds received on property unit sales that have not been recognised as revenue in accordance with the Group's revenue recognition policy.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 22 Trade and other payables – the Group

	Note	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Accrued expenditure on land and construction	(i)	<b>1,091,125</b>	774,648
Consideration payable for acquisition of subsidiaries and jointly controlled entities		<b>100,000</b>	71,318
Amounts due to related parties	30(a)	<b>342,078</b>	327,308
Others		<b>676,064</b>	569,946
Financial liabilities measured at amortised costs		<b>2,209,267</b>	1,743,220
Other taxes payable	(ii)	<b>447,750</b>	206,283
		<b>2,657,017</b>	1,949,503

## Notes:

- (i) These accrued expenditure payables on land and construction are expected to be settled within a year.

The ageing analysis of accrued expenditure on land and construction based on due date is as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Due within 1 month or on demand	<b>326,956</b>	236,604
Due after 1 month but within 3 months	<b>764,169</b>	538,044
	<b>1,091,125</b>	774,648

- (ii) Other taxes payable mainly comprised business tax payable, deed tax payable, urban real estate tax payable, stamp duty payable and withholding tax payable.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 23 Convertible bonds

On 2 July 2009, the Company issued convertible bonds (the "Convertible Bonds") due 2014, bearing interest at the rate of 3.75% per annum. The aggregate principal amount of the Convertible Bonds issued is HKD2,800,000,000. Each bond will at the option of the holder be convertible (unless previously redeemed, converted or purchased and cancelled) on or after 11 August 2009 up to and including 25 June 2014 into the Company's fully paid ordinary shares with a par value of HKD0.02 each at an initial conversion price of HKD5.88 per share subject to adjustment for, amongst other things, consolidation, subdivision or reclassification of shares, capitalisation of profits or reserve, capital distribution, right issues, issues at less than current market price, modification of rights of conversion, other offers to shareholders and other events which have a dilutive effect on the issued share capital of the Company. No adjustment shall be made to the conversion price where such adjustment (rounded down if applicable) would be less than one per cent of the conversion price then in effect. Any adjustment not required to be made, and any amount by which the conversion price has not been rounded down, shall be carried forward and taken into account in any subsequent adjustment. The interest is payable semi-annually. The Convertible Bonds are listed on Singapore Stock Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

As at 31 December 2012, the conversion price of the Convertible Bonds was adjusted to HKD5.26 per share as a result of the dividends declared for 2010 and 2011.

The initial recognition of the liability component of the Convertible Bonds is measured as the present value of the future interest and principal payments, discounted at the market rate of interest applicable at the time of initial recognition to similar liabilities that do not have a conversion option. Interest expense is calculated using the effective interest method by applying the effective interest rate of 9.32% to the liability component. The excess of proceeds from the issuance of the Convertible Bonds, net of issuance costs, over the amount initially recognised as the liability component is recognised as the capital reserve in equity. The initial carrying amounts of liability and equity component of the Convertible Bonds were RMB1,914,959,000 and RMB514,395,000 upon issuance, respectively.

As at 31 December 2012, the carrying amounts of the liability component, including the accrued interests, and the equity component of the Convertible Bonds were RMB2,092,476,000 (2011: RMB1,986,897,000) and RMB514,395,000 (2011: RMB514,395,000), respectively.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 24 Senior notes

The Company issued senior notes of aggregate amount of USD1,000,000,000 on 7 November 2012 (the "Senior Notes"), which will be due in 2017 and 2022, respectively. The details of the Senior Notes are as follows:

USD600,000,000 out of USD1,000,000,000 ("Senior Notes 2017") bear interest at 5.750% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears, and will be due in 2017.

USD400,000,000 out of USD1,000,000,000 ("Senior Notes 2022") bear interest at 7.125% per annum, payable semi-annually in arrears, and will be due in 2022.

As at 31 December 2012, the Senior Notes were guaranteed by 66 subsidiaries of the Company registered in Hong Kong, the BVI and the Cayman Islands. The guarantee will be released upon the full and final payments of the Senior Notes.

The Senior Notes are subject to the fulfilment of covenants relating to limitations on indebtedness and certain transactions of the Group, as are commonly found in issue of corporate bonds. The Group regularly monitors its compliance with these covenants. As at 31 December 2012, none of the covenants relating to the Senior Notes had been breached.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends

**(a) Movements in components of equity**

The reconciliation between the opening and closing balances of each component of the Group's consolidated equity is set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Details of the changes in the Company's individual components of equity between the beginning and the end of the year are set out below:

**The Company**

Note	Capital								Total RMB'000
	Share capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Capital redemption reserve RMB'000	Capital reserve RMB'000	Exchange reserve RMB'000	Revaluation reserve RMB'000	Retained profits RMB'000		
At 1 January 2011	107,485	11,424,236	867	561,389	(1,568,663)	97,186	941,421	11,563,921	
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	480,054	480,054	
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	(503,037)	-	-	(503,037)	
Profit and total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	(503,037)	-	480,054	(22,983)	
Realisation of revaluation reserve	-	-	-	-	-	(97,186)	97,186	-	
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year	25(b)	-	-	-	-	-	(726,359)	(726,359)	
Dividends declared in respect of the current year	25(b)	-	-	-	-	-	(726,412)	(726,412)	
Share issued under the employees' share option schemes	25(c)(i)	17	6,534	-	(1,556)	-	-	4,995	
Employees' share award scheme	27(b)	-	-	-	1,579	-	-	1,579	
At 31 December 2011	107,502	11,430,770	867	561,412	(2,071,700)	-	65,890	10,094,741	

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

## (a) Movements in components of equity (continued)

The Company (continued)

	Note	Share capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB'000	Treasury shares RMB'000	Capital redemption reserve RMB'000	Capital reserve RMB'000	Exchange reserve RMB'000	Retained profits/ accumulated losses RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2012		107,502	11,430,770	-	867	561,412	(2,071,700)	65,890	10,094,741
Loss for the year		-	-	-	-	-	-	(572,328)	(572,328)
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	-	12,282	-	12,282
Loss and total comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	-	12,282	(572,328)	(560,046)
Repurchase of own shares	25(c)(ii)	(1,476)	-	(362)	-	-	-	-	(1,838)
- par value paid		-	(317,853)	(108,770)	-	-	-	-	(426,623)
- premium paid		-	(1,476)	-	1,476	-	-	-	-
- transfer between reserves		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year	25(b)	-	(570,752)	-	-	-	-	-	(570,752)
Dividends declared in respect of the current year	25(b)	-	(619,697)	-	-	-	-	-	(619,697)
Share issued under the employees' share option schemes	25(c)(i)	3	763	-	-	(178)	-	-	588
Employees' share award scheme	27(b)	-	-	-	-	4,328	-	-	4,328
Employees' share option schemes	27(a)	-	-	-	-	196	-	-	196
Vesting of shares under employees' share award scheme	27(b)	-	52	-	-	(1,012)	-	-	(960)
At 31 December 2012		106,029	9,921,807	(109,132)	2,343	564,746	(2,059,418)	(506,438)	7,919,937

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

**(b) Dividends****(i) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the year**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	<b>RMB'000</b>	RMB'000
Interim dividend declared and paid of RMB0.12 per ordinary share (2011: RMB0.14 per ordinary share)	<b>619,697</b>	726,412
Final dividend proposed after the balance sheet date of RMB0.13 per ordinary share (2011: RMB0.11 per ordinary share)	<b>655,601</b>	570,752
	<b>1,275,298</b>	1,297,164

The final dividend proposed after the balance sheet date has not been recognised as a liability at the balance sheet date.

**(ii) Dividends payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year**

	<b>2012</b>	2011
	<b>RMB'000</b>	RMB'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year, of RMB0.11 per ordinary share (2011: RMB0.14 per ordinary share)	<b>570,752</b>	726,359

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

## (c) Share capital and treasury shares

## (i) Share capital

	Note	2012		2011	
		No. of shares ('000)	Share capital RMB'000	No. of shares ('000)	Share capital RMB'000
<b>Authorised:</b>					
Ordinary shares of HKD0.02 each		7,500,000		7,500,000	
<b>Issued and fully paid:</b>					
At 1 January		5,188,656	107,502	5,187,657	107,485
Shares repurchased and cancelled	(ii)	(76,210)	(1,476)	–	–
Shares issued under the employees' share option schemes		170	3	999	17
At 31 December		5,112,616	106,029	5,188,656	107,502

During the year ended 31 December 2012, options were exercised to subscribe for 170,000 ordinary shares (2011: 999,000) of the Company at consideration of HKD722,000 (2011: HKD5,960,000) of which HKD3,000 (2011: HKD20,000) was credited to share capital and the balance of HKD719,000 (2011: HKD5,940,000) was credited to the share premium. HKD218,000 (2011: HKD1,857,000) has been transferred from capital reserve to share premium in accordance with policy set out in Note 1(p)(ii).



## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

## (c) Share capital and treasury shares (continued)

## (ii) Shares repurchased and cancelled

During the year ended 31 December 2012, the Company repurchased its own shares on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited as follows:

	Number of shares repurchased	Highest price paid per share HKD	Lowest price paid per share HKD	Aggregate price paid HKD'000
August 2012	(24,598,500)	5.40	4.93	130,960
September 2012	(22,390,000)	4.86	4.72	107,593
October 2012	(18,290,500)	5.10	4.77	90,806
November 2012	(10,930,500)	5.70	5.46	61,430
	(76,209,500)			390,789

76,209,500 shares out of the total repurchased shares were cancelled and accordingly the issued share capital of the Company was reduced by the nominal value of these shares. Pursuant to section 37 of the Cayman Islands Companies Law, an amount equivalent to the par value of the shares cancelled of HKD1,524,000 was transferred from share premium to the capital redemption reserve.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

## (c) Share capital and treasury shares (continued)

## (iii) Treasury shares

	Note	2012		2011	
		No. of shares ('000)	Treasury shares RMB'000	No. of shares ('000)	Treasury shares RMB'000
At 1 January		6,593	26,300	2,210	8,775
Shares purchased for employees' share award scheme		3,879	17,625	4,383	17,525
Shares repurchased to be cancelled		22,300	109,132	-	-
Vesting of shares under employees' share award scheme	27(b)	(262)	(960)	-	-
At 31 December		32,510	152,097	6,593	26,300

During the year ended 31 December 2012, a subsidiary of the Group purchased 3,878,500 shares (2011: 4,383,000 shares) of the Company on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, at a total consideration of HKD21,784,000 (2011: HKD21,539,000), for the employees' share award scheme launched on 23 December 2011, 13 January 2012 and 7 November 2012 (see Note 27(b)).

During December 2012, the Company repurchased 22,300,500 shares on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, at a total consideration of HKD134,495,000 which were cancelled on 11 January 2013.

Details of treasury shares purchased during the year ended 31 December 2012 are as follows:

Month/year	Number of shares purchased	Highest price paid per share HKD	Lowest price paid per share HKD	Aggregate price paid HKD'000
June 2012	155,500	5.37	5.27	838
October 2012	188,000	5.01	5.01	945
November 2012	3,535,000	5.64	5.63	20,001
December 2012	22,300,500	6.27	5.86	134,495
	26,179,000			156,279

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

## (c) Share capital and treasury shares (continued)

## (iv) Terms of unexpired and unexercised share options at balance sheet date

Exercise period	Exercise price	2012 Number	2011 Number
8 October 2008 to 7 October 2013	HKD8.30	5,481,660	6,854,340
30 January 2009 to 29 January 2014	HKD6.10	2,606,000	3,129,000
30 June 2009 to 29 June 2014	HKD4.25	300,000	470,000
6 November 2013 to 5 November 2022	HKD5.53	8,184,000	–
		<b>16,571,660</b>	10,453,340

Each option entitles the holder to subscribe for one ordinary share in the Company. Further details of these options are set out in Note 27(a).

## (d) Nature and purpose of reserves

## (i) Share premium

The share premium account is governed by the Cayman Companies Law and may be applied by the Company subject to the provisions, if any, of its memorandum and articles of association in (a) paying distributions or dividends to equity shareholders; (b) paying up unissued shares of the Company to be issued to equity shareholders as fully paid bonus shares; (c) the redemption and repurchase of shares (subject to the provisions of section 37 of the Cayman Companies Law); (d) writing-off the preliminary expenses of the Company; (e) writing-off the expenses of, or the commission paid or discount allowed on, any issue of shares or debentures of the Company; and (f) providing for the premium payable on redemption or purchase of any shares or debentures of the Company.

No distribution or dividend may be paid to equity shareholders out of share premium account unless immediately following the date on which the distribution or dividend is proposed to be paid, the Company will be able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

## (ii) Capital reserve

The capital reserve represents the fair value of the actual or estimated number of unexercised share options granted to employees of the Company and the Awarded Shares (see Note 27) and the equity component of the Convertible Bonds (see Note 23).

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

### (d) Nature and purpose of reserves (continued)

#### (iii) Exchange reserve

The exchange reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations. The reserve is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 1(t).

#### (iv) Revaluation reserve

The revaluation reserve has been set up and is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policies adopted for office premises in Note 1(h).

The revaluation reserve of the Company in respect of office premises is distributable to the extent of RMB nil (2011: RMB nil).

#### (v) General reserve fund

Pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Company's subsidiaries in the PRC, appropriations to the general reserve fund were made at a certain percentage of profit after taxation determined in accordance with the accounting rules and regulations of the PRC. The percentage for this appropriation was decided by the directors of the subsidiaries. This reserve fund can be utilised in setting off accumulated losses or increasing capital of the subsidiaries and is non-distributable other than in liquidation.

### (e) Distributability of reserves

At 31 December 2012, the aggregate amount of reserves available for distribution to equity shareholders of the Company was RMB9,306,237,000 (2011: RMB11,496,660,000), including retained profits or accumulated losses, the share premium and the distributable revaluation reserve as disclosed in Notes 25(d)(i) and 25(d)(iv), respectively. After the balance sheet date the directors proposed a final dividend of RMB13 cents per ordinary share (2011: RMB11 cents per ordinary share), amounting to RMB655,601,000 (2011: RMB570,752,000). This dividend has not been recognised as a liability at the balance sheet date.

### (f) Acquisition of non-controlling interests

During the year ended 31 December 2012, the Group acquired 20% and 29% equity interests of Shanghai Hong Sheng and Beijing ZhongHongTian Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("ZhongHongTian") with an aggregate book value of RMB520,537,000 and RMB56,342,000 at a consideration of RMB500,000,000 and RMB54,910,000 from the non-controlling shareholders, respectively. The excess of consideration over the book value of RMB20,537,000 and RMB1,432,000 was recorded in equity.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 25 Capital, reserves and dividends (continued)

### (g) Capital management

The Group's primary objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, so that it can fund its development and construction of real estate projects, and continue to provide returns for shareholders, by pricing properties commensurately with the level of risk and by securing access to finance at a reasonable cost.

The Group actively and regularly reviews and manages its capital structure to maintain a balance between the higher shareholder returns that might be possible with higher levels of borrowings and the advantages and security afforded by a sound capital position and makes adjustments to the capital structure in light of changes in economic conditions.

Consistent with industry practice, the Group monitors its capital structure on the basis of a gearing ratio, which was unchanged from 2007, as defined by the Group, being the total of bank and interest bearing borrowings (including convertible bonds and senior notes) divided by the total assets. As at 31 December 2012, the gearing ratio of the Group was 28.55% (2011: 22.83%).

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries are subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

## 26 Employee benefit plan

The Group participates in a defined contribution retirement scheme established by the Beijing Municipal Labour Bureau and Shanghai Municipal Labour Bureau for its staff. The Group was required to make contributions to the retirement scheme at 20% and 22% of the gross salaries of its staff in Beijing and Shanghai, respectively, during the years ended 31 December 2012 and 2011.

The Group has no other obligation for the payment of post-retirement benefits beyond the contributions described above.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 27 Equity settled share-based transactions

**(a) Employees' share option schemes**

The Company has adopted a Pre-IPO share option scheme and an IPO share option scheme on 14 September 2007, whereby the directors of the Company are authorised, at their discretion, to invite employees of the Group, including directors of any company in the Group, to take up options at HKD1 consideration to subscribe for shares of the Company. The options vest in a period of three to seven years from the date of grant and are exercisable within a period of six to ten years. Each option gives the holder the right to subscribe for one ordinary share of the Company.

- (i) The terms and conditions of the grants that existed during the years are as follows, whereby all options are settled by physical delivery of shares:

	Number of instruments	Vesting conditions	Contractual life of options
Options granted to directors:			
– on 8 October 2007	1,573,750	Three years from the date of grant	6 years
– on 30 January 2008	1,124,000	Three years from the date of grant	6 years
– on 30 June 2008	500,000	Three years from the date of grant	6 years
– on 6 November 2012	8,184,000	Seven years from the date of grant	10 years
Options granted to employees:			
– on 8 October 2007	10,484,250	Three years from the date of grant	6 years
– on 30 January 2008	6,135,000	Three years from the date of grant	6 years
– on 30 June 2008	580,000	Three years from the date of grant	6 years
<b>Total share options</b>	<b>28,581,000</b>		

## Notes to the financial statements

## 27 Equity settled share-based transactions (continued)

## (a) Employees' share option schemes (continued)

(ii) The number and weighted average exercise prices of share options are as follows:

	2012		2011	
	Weighted average exercise price HKD	Number of options '000	Weighted average exercise price HKD	Number of options '000
Outstanding at the beginning of the year	7.46	10,453	7.37	13,697
Granted during the year	5.53	8,184	-	-
Exercised during the year	4.25	(170)	5.96	(999)
Forfeited during the year	7.69	(1,895)	7.59	(2,245)
Outstanding at the end of the year	6.51	16,572	7.46	10,453
Exercisable at the end of the year	7.47	8,388	7.46	10,453

The options outstanding at 31 December 2012 and 2011 had an exercise price of HKD8.30, HKD6.10, HKD4.25 or HKD5.53 (2011: HKD8.30, HKD6.10 or HKD4.25) and a weighted average remaining contractual life of 64 months (2011: 23 months).

## Notes to the financial statements

## 27 Equity settled share-based transactions (continued)

## (a) Employees' share option schemes (continued)

## (iii) Fair value of share options and assumptions

The fair value of services received in return for share options granted is measured by reference to the fair value of share options granted. The estimate of the fair value of the share options granted is measured based on the Black-Scholes Model or Binomial Tree Pricing Method. The contractual life of the share option is used as an input into these models. Expectations of early exercise are incorporated into the Black-Scholes Model or Binomial Tree Pricing Method.

	Granted on 30 June 2008	Granted on 30 January 2008	Granted on 8 October 2007	Granted on 6 November 2012
Fair value at measurement date	HKD1.51	HKD2.24	HKD3.25	HKD1.79
Share price	HKD4.25	HKD6.10	HKD8.30	HKD5.53
Exercise price	HKD4.25	HKD6.10	HKD8.30	HKD5.53
Expected volatility (expressed as weighted average volatility used in the modelling under Black-Scholes Model or Binomial Tree Pricing Method)	49.36%	46.35%	45.91%	48.37%
Expected dividends	2.278%	0.5192%	0.478%	5.56%
Risk-free interest rate (based on Exchange Fund Notes)	3.111%	1.980%	3.9275%	0.65%

The expected volatility is based on the historic volatility of the share price over the most recent period, adjusted for any expected changes to future volatility based on publicly available information. Expected dividends are based on the dividends policies of the Company.

Share options were granted under a service condition. This condition has not been taken into account in the grant date fair value measurement of the services received. There were no market conditions associated with the share option grants.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 27 Equity settled share-based transactions (continued)

**(b) Employees' share award scheme**

Employees' share award scheme in which all employees (including without limitation any executive directors) of the Group would be entitled to participate was launched by the Group on 23 December 2010. The purpose of the employees' share award scheme is to give incentive to participants in order to retain them for the continued operation and development of the Group. Vested shares will be transferred at no cost to the selected employees. For employees who are granted the shares but cease employment with the Group before vesting, the unvested shares are forfeited.

The fair value of each share granted is based on the share price at grant date which could be obtained from the stock market directly. Shares are granted under a service condition. There are no market conditions associated with the shares awards.

Details of the shares awarded and vested during 2011 and 2012 are set out below:

Month of shares purchased	Number of shares purchased	Consideration of shares purchased HKD'000	Month of award	Number of shares awarded	Number of awarded shares vested	Average fair value per share HKD	Vesting period	Remaining vesting period
September 2009	735,000	3,313	March 2011	735,000	(262,000)	5.97	9 March 2012 – 9 March 2014	0.18 year to 1.18 years
September 2009	1,299,500	5,857	January 2012	1,299,500	-	5.24	13 January 2013 – 13 January 2015	0.03 year to 2.03 years
September 2009	175,500	791	November 2012	175,500	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	0.85 year
September 2011	232,000	1,157	November 2012	232,000	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	0.85 year
October 2011	3,113,000	15,194	November 2012	3,113,000	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	0.85 year to 6.85 years
November 2011	1,038,000	5,188	November 2012	1,038,000	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	6.85 years
June 2012	155,500	838	November 2012	155,500	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	6.85 years
October 2012	188,000	945	November 2012	188,000	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	6.85 years
November 2012	3,535,000	20,001	November 2012	264,700	-	5.61	7 November 2013 – 7 November 2019	6.85 years
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,471,500</b>	<b>53,284</b>		<b>7,201,200</b>	<b>(262,000)</b>			

## Notes to the financial statements

## 27 Equity settled share-based transactions (continued)

## (b) Employees' share award scheme (continued)

Movements in the number of shares awarded and dividend shares were as follows:

	2012 Number of awarded shares and dividend shares	2011 Number of awarded shares and dividend shares
Outstanding at 1 January	784,500	–
Awarded	6,466,200	735,000
Vested	(245,000)	–
Dividend shares		
– allocated to awardees	99,200	49,500
– vested	(17,000)	–
Outstanding at 31 December	7,087,900	784,500

## 28 Financial risk management and fair values

Exposure to credit, liquidity, interest rate and currency risks arises in the normal course of the Group's business. The Group's exposure to these risks and the financial risk management policies and practices used by the Group to manage these risks are described below.

## (a) Credit risk

The Group's credit risk is primarily attributable to trade and other receivables. Management has a credit policy in place and the exposures to these credit risks are monitored on an ongoing basis.

Credit evaluations are performed on all customers requiring credit over a certain amount. The Group would not deliver properties to tenants before it receives the rental deposits and would not release the property ownership certificates to the buyers before the buyers finally settle the selling price.

As at 31 December 2012 and 2011, the Group had no significant concentrations of credit risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the balance sheets.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 28 Financial risk management and fair values (continued)

## (b) Liquidity risk

The Group relied to a great extent on proceeds received from pre-sale of property units (sold in advance of the completion of the real estate projects) and rentals received from tenants to fund its development and construction of real estate projects. As there is no assurance that proceeds received from future pre-sales of the Group's current real estate projects and from future rentals collected will be sufficient to meet the Group's needs, the Group's operating plan requires it to raise additional funds to finance the development and construction of its current real estate projects. If the Group is unable to raise additional equity or debt financing, the Group's expansion plans and operations might need to be curtailed.

Individual operating entities within the Group are responsible for their own cash management, including the short term investment of cash surpluses, issuing convertible bonds and senior notes, and the raising of loans to cover expected cash demands, subject to approval by the Company's board of directors when the borrowings exceed certain predetermined levels of authority. The Group's policy is to regularly monitor current and expected liquidity requirements and its compliance with lending covenants, to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash and adequate committed lines of funding from major financial institutions to meet its liquidity requirement in the short and longer term.

The following table details the remaining contractual maturities at the balance sheet date of the Group's and the Company's financial liabilities which are based on contractual undiscounted cash flows (including interest payments computed using contractual rates or, if floating, based on rates current at the balance sheet date) and the earliest date the Group and the Company can be required to pay:

	2012						2011					
	Contractual undiscounted cash outflow					Carrying amount at 31 December	Contractual undiscounted cash outflow					Carrying amount at 31 December
	Within 1 year or on demand	More than 1 year but less than 2 years	More than 2 years but less than 5 years	More than 5 years	Total		Within 1 year or on demand	More than 1 year but less than 2 years	More than 2 years but less than 5 years	More than 5 years	Total	
RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
<b>The Group</b>												
Bank loans	(4,578,561)	(6,562,780)	(4,840,241)	(337,039)	(16,318,621)	14,713,499	(2,731,026)	(4,063,370)	(5,680,761)	(506,508)	(12,981,665)	11,637,429
Convertible bonds	(85,139)	(2,314,605)	-	-	(2,399,744)	2,092,476	(85,124)	(85,124)	(2,312,994)	-	(2,483,242)	1,986,897
Senior notes	(336,917)	(395,986)	(4,974,139)	(3,435,112)	(9,142,154)	6,198,433	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contract retention payables	-	(487,303)	(172,886)	-	(660,189)	660,189	-	(26,677)	(250,000)	-	(276,677)	276,677
Financial liabilities measured at amortised costs	(2,209,267)	-	-	-	(2,209,267)	2,209,267	(1,743,220)	-	-	-	(1,743,220)	1,743,220
	(7,209,884)	(9,760,674)	(9,987,266)	(3,772,151)	(30,729,975)	25,873,864	(4,559,370)	(4,175,171)	(8,243,755)	(506,508)	(17,484,804)	15,644,223
<b>The Company</b>												
Bank loans	(2,756,045)	(3,921,900)	(1,867,108)	-	(8,545,053)	7,888,532	(776,169)	(2,044,495)	(1,943,475)	-	(4,764,139)	4,361,924
Convertible bonds	(85,139)	(2,314,605)	-	-	(2,399,744)	2,092,476	(85,124)	(85,124)	(2,312,994)	-	(2,483,242)	1,986,897
Senior notes	(336,917)	(395,986)	(4,974,139)	(3,435,112)	(9,142,154)	6,198,433	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other payables	(122,769)	-	-	-	(122,769)	122,769	(43,377)	-	-	-	(43,377)	43,377
Amounts due to subsidiaries	(1,121,036)	-	-	-	(1,121,036)	1,121,036	(1,004,253)	-	-	-	(1,004,253)	1,004,253
	(4,421,906)	(6,632,491)	(6,841,247)	(3,435,112)	(21,330,756)	17,423,246	(1,908,923)	(2,129,619)	(4,256,469)	-	(8,295,011)	7,396,451

## 28 Financial risk management and fair values (continued)

### (c) Interest rate risk

The interest rates of the Group's bank loans, convertible bonds and senior notes are disclosed in Notes 20, 23 and 24, respectively. The annual interest rates of the Group's deposits at bank ranged from 0.35% to 3.30% as at 31 December 2012 (2011: 0.36% to 3.30%).

At 31 December 2012, it is estimated that a general increase/decrease of 100 basis points in borrowing interest rates for bank loans, with all other variables held constant, would decrease/increase the Group's profit after tax and retained profits by approximately RMB56,866,000 (2011: RMB23,643,000) and would increase/decrease the Group's properties under development and completed properties held for sale and investment properties by approximately RMB74,623,000 (2011: RMB69,364,000). In addition, it is estimated that a general increase/decrease of 100 basis points in bank deposit interest rates, with all other variables held constant, would increase/decrease the Group's profit after tax and retained profits by approximately RMB190,450,000 (2011: RMB128,671,000).

The sensitivity analysis above has been determined assuming that the change in interest rates had occurred at the balance sheet date and had been applied to the exposure to interest rate risk for non-derivative financial instruments in existence at that date. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2011.

### (d) Foreign currency risk

RMB is not freely convertible into foreign currencies. All foreign exchange transactions involving RMB must take place through PBOC or other institutions authorised to buy and sell foreign exchange. The exchange rate adopted for the foreign exchange transactions are the rates of exchange quoted by the PBOC that would be subject to a managed float against an unspecified basket of currencies.

Foreign currency payments, including the remittance of earnings outside the PRC, are subject to the availability of foreign currency (which depends on the foreign currency denominated earnings of the Group) or must be arranged through the PBOC with government approval.

All the revenue-generating operations of the Group are transacted in RMB. The Group is exposed to foreign currency risk on financing transactions denominated in currencies other than RMB and HKD. Depreciation or appreciation of the RMB and HKD against foreign currencies can affect the Group's results. The Group did not hedge its currency exposure.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 28 Financial risk management and fair values (continued)

**(d) Foreign currency risk** (continued)

Included in cash and cash equivalents, bank loans and senior notes in the consolidated balance sheet and the Company's balance sheet as at 31 December 2012 and 2011, the amounts denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the entities to which they relate were as follows:

	The Group		The Company	
	2012 '000	2011 '000	2012 '000	2011 '000
United States Dollars ("USD")				
– Cash and cash equivalents	<b>1,338,444</b>	211,062	<b>1,329,710</b>	149,651
– Bank loans	<b>(990,000)</b>	(561,000)	<b>(660,000)</b>	(230,000)
– Senior notes	<b>(1,000,000)</b>	–	<b>(1,000,000)</b>	–

5% increase or decrease in USD exchange rate against RMB, assuming such change had occurred as at 31 December 2012, would not have a significant impact on the Group's results of operation and financial position.

**(e) Fair values**

Financial instruments are carried at amounts not materially different from their fair values as at 31 December 2012 and 2011.

The method and major assumptions used in estimating the fair value of the share options granted to employees of the Group are set out in Note 27. The unit fair value of the Awarded Shares are share price at grant dates which can be obtained from the stock market directly.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate is a market related rate for a similar instrument at the balance sheet date. Where other pricing models are used, inputs are based on market related data at the balance sheet date.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 29 Commitments and contingent liabilities

## (a) Commitments

- (i) Commitments in respect of properties under development, investment properties and purchase of properties outstanding at 31 December not provided for in the financial statements were as follows:

	The Group	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Contracted for	4,902,875	4,546,727
Authorised but not contracted for	6,998,629	7,228,262
	<b>11,901,504</b>	11,774,989

The Group's share of its jointly controlled entity's own capital commitment, which is not included above, is as follows:

	The Group	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Authorised but not contracted for	2,493,810	–

- (ii) Commitments in respect of equity investments outstanding at 31 December not provided for in the financial statements were as follows:

	The Group	
	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Contracted for	–	3,756,152
Authorised but not contracted for	–	500,000
	–	4,256,152

## Notes to the financial statements

**29 Commitments and contingent liabilities (continued)****(b) Guarantees**

The Group has entered into agreements with certain banks with respect to mortgage loans provided to buyers of property units. The Group has given guarantees on mortgage loans provided to the buyers by these banks. For most mortgages, the guarantees will be released when the property title deeds are pledged to banks as security for the respective mortgage loans, which generally take place within one year after the property units are delivered to the buyers. The total amount of mortgages outstanding which are guaranteed by the Company's subsidiaries was RMB5,593,435,000 as at 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB4,776,176,000).

As at 31 December 2012, the Company provided guarantees to two (2011: two) subsidiaries with respect to their bank loans of RMB2,056,357,000 (2011: RMB1,689,957,000).

**(c) Warranty against defects of properties**

Properties purchased by buyers are provided with various warranties of term between one to five years against certain defects as stipulated in the PRC laws and regulations which are covered by back-to-back warranties provided by the relevant contractors of the projects.

**(d) Legal contingencies**

On 4 June 2012, the Group was served with a document of summons issued by Shanghai No. 1 Intermediate People's Court in relation to a court action initiated by a subsidiary of Fosun International Limited ("Fosun Group"), who holds the other 50% equity interests of Shanghai Haizhimen, that requested orders to be made to invalidate the acquisition of Shanghai Haizhimen by the Group. Fosun Group takes the view that the transaction breached its pre-emptive right to acquire the remaining equity interests in the Bund 8-1 Land.

The Company and its PRC legal advisers take the view that, the acquisition does not involve a transfer of equity interest in Shanghai Haizhimen and therefore, the Company believes that the acquisition of the entire equity interests in the shareholders of Shanghai Haizhimen does not constitute a breach of any pre-emptive rights as alleged by Fosun Group.

As at the date of this report, the directors of the Company, after consultation with the PRC legal advisers, do not consider it probable that orders will be made to invalidate the acquisition. In case Fosun Group prevails in its suit, Shanghai Haizhimen will discontinue to be a jointly controlled entity of the Group and the consideration paid for the acquisition of Shanghai Haizhenmen will be refunded from the original shareholders.

Other than the above litigation, the Group is a defendant in certain lawsuits as well as the named party in other proceedings arising in the normal course of business. While the outcomes of such contingencies, lawsuits or other proceedings cannot be determined at present, the directors believe that any resulting liabilities will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position, liquidity, or operating results of the Group.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 29 Commitments and contingent liabilities (continued)

**(e) Investment properties and properties held for sale**

The Group leases out investment properties and certain properties held for sale under operating leases. The leases typically run for an initial period of 1 to 8 years, with an option to renew the lease after that date at which time all terms are renegotiated.

The Group's total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are receivable as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Within 1 year	129,254	160,708
After 1 year but within 5 years	318,174	329,605
After 5 years	11,324	5,796
	<b>458,752</b>	496,109

## 30 Material related party transactions

**(a) Amounts due to related parties, and corresponding transactions**

Amounts due to related parties, included in current liabilities, comprise:

	<i>Note</i>	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Shanghai Yi Dian	<i>(i)</i>	171,039	151,254
Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank	<i>(i)</i>	171,039	151,254
Mr. Pan Shiyi		–	24,800
		<b>342,078</b>	327,308

- (i) The balances as at 31 December 2012 mainly represented the advances of RMB342,078,000 (2011: RMB302,508,000) from Shanghai Yi Dian Holdings (Group) Co., Ltd. ("Shanghai Yi Dian") and Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank, the non-controlling equity holders of Shanghai Ding Ding Real Estate Development Co., Ltd. which were interest-free, unsecured and had no fix term of repayment.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 30 Material related party transactions (continued)

**(b) Key management personnel remuneration**

Remuneration for key management personnel of the Group, including amounts paid to the Company's directors as disclosed in Note 6 and certain of the highest paid employees as disclosed in Note 7 is as follows:

	2012 RMB'000	2011 RMB'000
Short-term employee benefits	36,281	35,591
Post-employment benefits	131	115
Share-based payments	4,525	1,360
	<b>40,937</b>	37,066

Total remuneration is included in "Staff costs" (see Note 3(b)).

**(c) Other related party transactions**

- (i) Beijing Redstone Industry Co., Ltd. ("Redstone Industry"), a company controlled by Mr. Pan Shiyi, entered into agreements with certain banks in 1998 and 1999 with respect to guarantees for mortgage loans provided to certain buyers of the Group's properties. Redstone Industry provided guarantees amounting to RMB5,959,000 for these buyers as at 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB10,831,000). The guarantee period generally ranged from 2 to 17 years.
- (ii) Mr. Pan Shiyi and Mrs. Pan Zhang Xin Marita entered into guarantee agreements with a bank with respect to the long-term bank loans amounted to RMB1,684,631,000 as at 31 December 2012 (2011: RMB1,683,657,000) provided to the Group. The guarantees will be released upon the repayment of the bank loans.

- (d) None of the above related party transactions falls under the definition of connected transaction or continuing connected transaction as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

## Notes to the financial statements

**31 Acquisition of a subsidiary**

In April 2012, SOHO Shanghai acquired the entire equity interests in Shanghai Greentown at a total consideration of RMB2,129,420,000. Shanghai Greentown owns the land use rights to a parcel of land located at Tianshan Road, Changning District, Shanghai, the PRC.

The assets acquired and liabilities assumed did not constitute a business as defined in HKFRS 3 and, therefore, the acquisition has been accounted for as an asset acquisition. The acquisition had the following effect on the Group's assets and liabilities on the acquisition date:

	RMB'000
Property and equipment	39
Properties under development and completed properties held for sale	2,174,684
Trade and other receivables	703
Cash and cash equivalents	52
Trade and other payables	(46,058)
<b>Net assets and liabilities</b>	<b>2,129,420</b>
Total consideration	2,129,420
Cash acquired	(52)
<b>Net cash outflow during the year ended 31 December 2012</b>	<b>2,129,368</b>

**32 Critical accounting judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies**

Estimates and judgements used in preparing the accounts are evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that may have a significant effect on the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities mainly include those related to property development activities.

**(a) Land appreciation taxes**

PRC land appreciation tax is levied at progressive rates ranging from 30% to 60% on the appreciation of land value, being the proceeds of sales of properties less deductible expenditures including sales charges, borrowing costs and all property development expenditures.

## Notes to the financial statements

**32 Critical accounting judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies (continued)****(a) Land appreciation taxes (continued)**

The Group is subject to land appreciation taxes in the PRC which has been included in income tax of the Group. However, the Group has not finalised its land appreciation tax returns with the tax authorities for certain property development projects of the Group. Accordingly, significant judgement is required in determining the amount of land appreciation and its related taxes. The ultimate tax determination is uncertain during the ordinary course of business. The Group recognises these liabilities based on management's best estimates. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred income tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

**(b) Provision for properties under development and completed properties held for sale**

As explained in Note 1(j), the Group's properties under development and completed properties held for sale are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Based on the Group's recent experience and the nature of the subject properties, the Group makes estimates of the selling prices, the costs of completion in case for properties under development, and the costs to be incurred in selling the properties based on prevailing market conditions.

If there is an increase in costs to completion or a decrease in net sales value, the net realisable value will decrease and this may result in provision for properties under development and completed properties held for sale. Such provision requires the use of judgement and estimates. Where the expectation is different from the original estimate, the carrying value and provision for properties in the periods in which such estimate is changed will be adjusted accordingly.

In addition, given the volatility of the PRC property market and the unique nature of individual properties, the actual outcomes in terms of costs and revenue may be higher or lower than estimated at the balance sheet date. Any increase or decrease in the provision would affect profit or loss in future years.

**(c) Recognition and allocation of construction cost on properties under development**

Development costs of properties are recorded as properties under development during construction stage and will be transferred to profit or loss upon the recognition of the sale of the properties. Before the final settlement of the development costs and other costs relating to the sale of the properties, these costs are accrued by the Group based on management's best estimate.

When developing properties, the Group typically divides the development projects into phases. Specific costs directly related to the development of a phase are recorded as the cost of such phase. Costs that are common to phases are allocated to individual phases based on the estimated market value of each phase as a percentage of the total estimated market value of the entire project, or if the above is not practicable, the common costs are allocated to individual phases based on saleable area.

Where the final settlement of costs and the related cost allocation is different from the initial estimates, any increase or decrease in the development costs and other costs would affect the profit or loss in future years.

## Notes to the financial statements

**32 Critical accounting judgements in applying the Group's accounting policies (continued)****(d) Impairment for property and equipment**

If circumstances indicate that the net book value of a property or equipment may not be recoverable, the asset may be considered "impaired", and an impairment loss may be recognised to reduce the carrying amount to the recoverable amount in accordance with the accounting policy for impairment of property and equipment as described in Note 1(i)(ii). The recoverable amount is the greater of the net selling price and the value in use. In determining the value in use, expected cash flows generated by the asset are discounted to their present value, which requires significant judgement relating to level of future income and operating costs. The Group uses all readily available information in determining an amount that is a reasonable approximation of recoverable amount, including estimates based on reasonable and supportable assumptions and projections of future income and operating costs. Changes in these estimates could have a significant impact on the carrying value of the assets and could result in additional impairment charge or reversal of impairment in future periods.

**(e) Valuation of investment properties**

As described in Note 10(a), investment properties are stated at fair value based on the valuation performed by an independent firm of professional valuers after taking into consideration the market evidence of transaction prices, and where appropriate, the rental income allowing for reversionary income potential.

In determining the fair value, the valuers have based on the market conditions existing at the balance sheet date or where appropriate, a method of valuation which involves, inter alia, certain estimates including market prices, current market rents for similar properties in the same location and condition, appropriate discount rates and expected future market rents. In relying on the valuation report, the management has exercised their judgement and are satisfied that the method of valuation is reflective of the current market conditions.

**(f) Impairment for trade and other receivables**

The Group estimates impairment losses for trade and other receivables resulting from the inability of the customers to make the required payments. The Group bases the estimates on the aging of the trade and other receivables balance, customer credit-worthiness, and historical write-off experience. If the financial condition of the customers were to deteriorate, actual write-offs would be higher than estimated.

**(g) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

In determining the fair value of the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, considerable judgement is required to interpret market data used in the valuation techniques. The use of different market assumptions and/or estimation methodologies may have a material effect on the estimated fair value amounts.

## Notes to the financial statements

### 33 Possible impact of amendments, new standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2012

Up to the date of issue of these financial statements, the HKICPA has issued a number of amendments and five new standards which are not yet effective for the year ended 31 December 2012 and which have not been adopted in these financial statements. These include the following which may be relevant to the Group.

	Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after
Amendments to HKAS 1, <i>Presentation of financial statements – Presentation of items of other comprehensive income</i>	1 July 2012
HKFRS 10, <i>Consolidated financial statements</i>	1 January 2013
HKFRS 11, <i>Joint arrangements</i>	1 January 2013
HKFRS 12, <i>Disclosure of interests in other entities</i>	1 January 2013
HKFRS 13, <i>Fair value measurement</i>	1 January 2013
HKAS 27, <i>Separate financial statements</i> (2011)	1 January 2013
HKAS 28, <i>Investments in associates and joint ventures</i>	1 January 2013
Revised HKAS 19, <i>Employee benefits</i>	1 January 2013
HK (IFRIC) 20, <i>Stripping costs in the production phase of a surface mine</i>	1 January 2013
Amendments to HKFRS 7, <i>Financial instruments: Disclosures – Disclosures – Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities</i>	1 January 2013
Amendments to HKFRS 1, <i>First-time Adoption of Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards-Government loans</i>	1 January 2013
<i>Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2009-2011 Cycle</i>	1 January 2013
Amendments to HKFRS 10, <i>Consolidated Financial Statements</i> , HKFRS 11, <i>Joint arrangements</i> and HKFRS 12, <i>Disclosure of interests in other entities – Transition Guidance</i>	1 January 2013
Amendments to HKFRS 10, HKFRS 12 and HKFRS 27, <i>Investment entities</i>	1 January 2014
Amendments to HKAS 32, <i>Financial instruments: Presentation – Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities</i>	1 January 2014
HKFRS 9, <i>Financial instruments</i> (2009)	1 January 2015
HKFRS 9, <i>Financial instruments</i> (2010)	1 January 2015
Amendments to HKFRS 9, <i>Financial instruments</i> and HKFRS 7, <i>Financial instruments: Disclosures – Mandatory effective date and transition disclosures</i>	1 January 2015

The Group is in the process of making an assessment of what the impact of these amendments and new standards is expected to be in the period of initial application. So far it has concluded that the adoption of them is unlikely to have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements.

## Notes to the financial statements

### 34 Ultimate holding company

At 31 December 2012, the directors consider the ultimate holding company to be Capevale Limited, which is incorporated in the Cayman Islands. This entity does not produce financial statements available for public use.

### 35 Non-adjusting events after the reporting period

On 24 January 2013 and 1 February 2013, the Company has repurchased the Convertible Bonds totalling HKD183,000,000 and HKD260,000,000, respectively, (the "Repurchased Bonds") out of the total principal amount of HKD2,800,000,000 by way of over-the-counter purchases.

The Board further announced that: (1) the settlements of the Repurchased Bonds will take place on 29 January 2013 and 6 February 2013, respectively; (2) the Repurchased Bonds will be cancelled upon the settlements; and (3) immediately following the cancellation of the Repurchased Bonds, the aggregate principal amount of Convertible Bonds remaining outstanding will be HKD2,617,000,000 and HKD2,357,000,000, respectively.

