

**NOTICE OF THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
AND EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**



The Annual General Meeting of
Hudson Investment Group Limited
ACN 004 683 729
will be held at Hudson House, Level 2
131 Macquarie Street, Sydney NSW 2000
at 3.00 pm on 28 May 2018

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of members of Hudson Investment Group Limited (the **Company**) will be held at the registered office of the Company, Hudson House, Level 2, 131 Macquarie Street, Sydney NSW 2000 at 3.00 pm on 28 May 2018.

Ordinary Business

1. Financial Statements and Reports

To receive the Company's financial statements and the reports of the Directors and the Auditors thereon for the financial year ended 31 December 2017.

2. Resolution 1: Ordinary Resolution to approve Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution **as a non-binding resolution**.

"That the Directors' Remuneration Report for the year ended 31 December 2017 be and is hereby approved for the purposes of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)".

Note: The Remuneration Report is set out on pages 16 to 19 of the Directors' Report contained in the 2017 Annual Report in accordance with Section 250R(3) of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)*.

Voting Exclusion Statement

The company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 1 (in any capacity, whether as proxy or as shareholder) by any of the following persons:

- (a) Key Management Personnel; and
- (b) Closely Related Parties of Key Management Personnel.

However, the Company need not disregard a vote if it is:

- (c) Cast by a person as a proxy appointed in accordance with the directions of the proxy form that specifies how the proxy is to vote on Resolution 1; and the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described in subparagraphs (a) and (b) above; or
- (d) Cast by the chair of the Meeting as proxy appointed in accordance with the directions of the proxy form for a person who is entitled to vote, and such appointment on the proxy form expressly authorises the chair to exercise the proxy even if the resolution is connected directly with the remuneration report; and the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described in subparagraphs (a) and (b) above.

3. Election of Directors

a. Resolution 2: Ordinary resolution to elect John William Farey as a Director

To consider, and if thought, fit, pass the following resolution **as an ordinary resolution**.

"That John William Farey, retiring in accordance with Articles 12.3 and 12.10 of the Company's Constitution, be elected as a director of the Company".

Note: the qualifications and experience of John William Farey are provided in the 2017 Annual Report.

b. Resolution 3: Ordinary resolution to elect John Foley as a Director

To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolution **as an ordinary resolution**.

"That John Foley, retiring in accordance with Article 12.10 of the Company's Constitution, be elected as a director of the Company".

Note: the qualifications and experience of John Foley are provided in the 2017 Annual Report.

c. Resolution 4: Ordinary resolution to elect Dr Cheng Fong Han as a Director

To consider, and if thought, fit, pass the following resolution **as an ordinary resolution**.

"That Dr Cheng Fong Han, retiring in accordance with Articles 12.12 of the Company's Constitution, be elected as a director of the Company".

Note: the qualifications and experience of Dr Cheng Fong Han are provided in the 2017 Annual Report.

4. Other Business

To transact any other business that in accordance with the Company's Constitution and the Corporations Act, may be legally brought before an Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'H. Kinstlinger', with a stylized loop and a horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Henry Kinstlinger
Company Secretary

23 April 2018

This Notice of Meeting is accompanied by an Explanatory Statement to shareholders which explains the purpose of the Meeting and the resolutions to be considered at the Meeting.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement is intended to provide shareholders of Hudson Investment Group Limited (the **Company**) with sufficient information to assess the merits of the Resolutions contained in the accompanying Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Company.

The directors recommend that shareholders read this Explanatory Statement in full before making any decision in relation to the Resolutions.

If you have any queries regarding the matters set out in this Explanatory Statement or the preceding Notice please contact the Company or your professional advisor.

1. Financial Statements and Reports

The *Corporations Act* 2001 (Cth) requires the Financial Report, Directors' Report and Auditor's Report for the past financial year to be tabled before the Annual General Meeting, and the Company's Constitution provides for such reports to be received and considered at that meeting. Neither the *Corporations Act* 2001 (Cth) nor the Company's Constitution requires a vote of shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on such Reports. The Annual General Meeting provides a forum for shareholders to ask questions and make comments on the Company's reports and accounts and on the business and operations of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2017.

In addition, shareholders may, at the meeting, ask questions of the auditor in relation to the following matters:

- the conduct of the audit;
- the content of the auditor's report;
- the accounting policies adopted by the Company for the preparation of the financial statements; and
- the auditor's independence in relation to the above items.

Shareholders may view the Company's Annual Report on the Company's website <https://www.higl.com.au/reports>

2. Resolution 1 – Adoption of Directors' Remuneration Report

Pursuant to Section 250R(2) of the *Corporations Act* 2001 (Cth) a resolution that the Remuneration Report be adopted must be put to a vote at the Company's Annual General Meeting. The vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the directors or the Company. The Remuneration Report is set out in the Company's Year 2017 Annual Report and is also available from the Company's website <https://www.higl.com.au/reports>

The Remuneration Report;

- describes the policies behind, and the structure of, the remuneration arrangements of the Company and the link between the remuneration of executives and the Company's performance;
- sets out the remuneration arrangements in place for each director and for certain members of the senior management team; and
- explains the differences between the bases for remunerating non-executive directors and senior executives, including the Chief Executive Officer.

If the Company's Remuneration Report resolution receives "No" votes of 25% or more of votes cast at the meeting the Company's subsequent Remuneration Report will include a report on actions taken by the Board in the Company's next Annual Report. A 'NO' vote of 25% or more **was not** received at the Company's 2017 Annual General Meeting.

3. Election of Directors

a) Resolution 2 – Ordinary Resolution to elect John William Farey as a director of the Company

Mr John William Farey retires as a director of the Company in accordance with Article 12.10 of the Company's Constitution which provides that a director who has attained the age of 72 years must automatically retire at the end of the Annual General Meeting. In addition, Mr Farey is also seeking to be re-elected under Article 12.3 of the Company's Constitution which states that one third of the directors must retire at each Annual General Meeting of the Company whereby they are eligible for re-election.

Mr Farey was appointed on 1 February 2002. In accordance with Articles 12.3 and 12.10 of the Company's Constitution, Mr Farey offers himself for election. The qualifications and experience of Mr John William Farey are provided in the 2017 Annual Report tabled at this Annual General

Meeting.

b) Resolution 3 - Ordinary resolution to elect John Foley as a director of the Company

Mr John Foley retires as a director of the Company in accordance with Article 12.10 of the Company's Constitution which provides that a director who has attained the age of 72 years must automatically retire at the end of the Annual General Meeting.

Mr John Foley was appointed on 6 August 2014. In accordance with Article 12.10 of the Company's Constitution, Mr John Foley offers himself for election. The qualifications and experience of Mr John Foley are provided in the 2017 Annual Report tabled at this Annual General Meeting.

c) Resolution 4 – Ordinary Resolution to elect Dr Cheng Fong Han as director of the Company

Dr Cheng Fong Han is seeking to be elected as a director of the Company pursuant to Article 12.12 of the Company's Constitution which states new additions to the Board of Directors must retire at the next general meeting of the Company whereby they are eligible for election.

Dr Cheng Fong Han was appointed on 1 June 2017. In accordance with Articles 12.12 of the Company's Constitution, Dr Cheng Fong Han offers himself for election. The qualifications and experience of Dr Cheng Fong Han are provided in the 2017 Annual Report tabled at this Annual General Meeting.

Voting Information:

Voting Entitlement at the Annual General Meeting in accordance with Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporation Regulations 2001.

For the purpose of determining a person's entitlement to vote at the Annual General Meeting, a person will be recognised as a member of the Company and the holder of shares if that person is registered as a holder of those shares at 5.00 pm AEST on 25 May 2018 less than 48 hours prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

Votes of Members

On a show of hands, each member present in person or by proxy (or, in the case of a body corporate, by a representative) at the Annual General Meeting shall have one vote.

On a poll, every member present in person or by attorney or by proxy (or, in the case of a body corporate, by a representative) shall have one vote for each share held provided that all shares are fully paid.

Voting

Please note that for a resolution to be passed, except where otherwise indicated, a simple majority of votes from shareholders attending in person or voting by proxy is required.

Amendments to proxy voting

Shareholders are advised that the Federal government has introduced the *Corporations Amendment (improving Accountability on Director and Executive Remuneration) Act 2011* (Cth) (the **CA Act**), which came into effect on 1 July 2011. The CA Act introduced new prohibitions on Key Management Personnel and their Closely Related Parties from voting their shares (or voting undirected proxies) on, amongst other things, remuneration matters.

However, the chair of a meeting may vote an undirected proxy (ie. a proxy that does not specify how it is to be voted), provided the shareholder who has lodged the proxy has given informed consent, in the form of an express voting direction to the chair to exercise the undirected proxy, even if the resolution is connected with the remuneration of a member of Key Management Personnel (Informed Consent).

In the light of these legislative requirements, the Company recommends that shareholders consider the following options to ensure the validity of their votes:

- a) that shareholders direct proxies on a remuneration related resolution instead of leaving them undirected; or
- b) that shareholders nominate a proxy who is not a member of Key Management Personnel or any of their Closely Related Parties to vote on a remuneration related resolution; or
- c) that shareholders who wish to vest their undirected proxies in the chair on a remuneration related resolution ensure that they follow instructions provided on the proxy form in order to provide Informed Consent.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS PROXY FORM

Please complete, sign and return this document to:

To: The Secretary
Hudson Investment Group Limited
Level 2, Hudson House
131 Macquarie Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Email executed form to: corporate@higl.com.au
fax executed form to: 02 9251 7500
By 5.00 pm AEST on 26 May 2018

I / We
being a member of Hudson Investment Group Limited (the **Company**), appoint:

Name of proxy:

Address of proxy:

Or failing the individual or body corporate named, or if no individual or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my / our proxy to act generally at the Meeting on my / our behalf and to vote in accordance with the following directions (or if no directions have been given, and to the extent permitted by law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of the Company on 28 May 2018 and at any adjournment of or postponement of that Meeting.

Chairman authorised to exercise undirected proxies on remuneration related resolutions:

Where I / we have appointed the Chairman of the Meeting as my / our proxy (or the Chairman becomes my / our proxy by default), I / we expressly authorise the Chairman to exercise my / our proxy on Resolution 1 (except where I / we have indicated a different voting intention below) even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of key management personnel, which includes the Chairman.

Important Note: If the Chairman of the Meeting is (or becomes) your proxy you can direct the Chairman to vote for or against or abstain from voting on Resolution 1 by marking the appropriate box below.

The Chairman intends to vote all undirected proxies that he receives in favour of each resolution to be brought before the meeting, except where the Chairman is expressly forbidden to do so, under the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

Items of Business

Please mark ☒ to indicate your directions

PLEASE NOTE: If you mark the Abstain box for an item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority.

RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
Resolution 1 – Ordinary Resolution to adopt the Directors' Remuneration Report	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 2 – Ordinary Resolution to elect Mr John William Farey as a director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 3 – Ordinary Resolution to elect Mr John Foley as a director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resolution 4 – Ordinary Resolution to elect Dr Cheng Fong Han as a director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The Chairman of the meeting intends to vote all available proxies in favour of each item of business.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER (S)

Individual or Member 1

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Member 2

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Member 3

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Sole Director/
Company Secretary

Director

Director/Company Secretary

Date: _____

Email: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone (daytime): _____

Notes on Proxies

1. Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box, your proxy may vote as they choose. If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.
2. A member entitled to attend and vote at this meeting is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote in his stead pursuant to the Constitution.
3. If a member appoints one proxy only, that proxy shall be entitled to vote on a show of hands, but if a member appoints two proxies neither shall be entitled to vote on a show of hands.
4. Where more than one proxy is appointed, each proxy must be appointed to represent a specific portion of the member's voting rights. Otherwise each proxy may exercise half of your votes.
5. A proxy need not be a security holder of the Company.
6. Signing instructions:

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the security holder must sign.

Joint Holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the security holders should sign.

Power of Attorney: If you have not already lodged the Power of Attorney with the registry or the Company, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.

Companies: Where the company has a Sole Director who is also the Sole Company Secretary, this form must be signed by that person. If the Company (pursuant to Section 204A of the *Corporations Act* 2001 (Cth) does not have a Company Secretary, a Sole Director can also sign alone. Otherwise this form must be signed by a Director jointly with either another Director or a Company Secretary. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

For your vote to be effective, the completed proxy form must be received by 5.00 pm AEST on 25 May 2018.

Please advise of any change of address by completion of the section below:

My new address is:

