# Results for announcement to the market

		31 December 2024	31 December 2023
Financial Results	% movement	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue from ordinary activities	-40%	1,483	2,457
Profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to			
members	-44%	753	1,355
Net profit for the period attributable to members	-44%	753	1,355

Dividends	Amount per Ordinary Security	Franked amount per Security
2024 interim dividend*	\$0.0050	\$0.0050
2023 interim dividend	\$0.0050	\$0.0050

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ı	Record date for determining entitlements to the 2024 interim dividend	09 January 2025

Γ	Net Tangible Asset Backing	31 December 2024	31 December 2023
	Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	\$1.308	\$1.277

# Other explanatory notes

\*Dividend - the company declared a 0.5 cent (\$0.005) 100% franked dividend on 2 January 2025 for the quarterly period ended 31 December 2024.

The information required by listing rule 4.2A is contained in both this Appendix 4D and the attached half-year report. This half-yearly reporting information should be read in conjunction with the most recent annual financial report of the company.

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**Financial statements** for the half-year ended 31 December 2024

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# **Directors' report**

Your directors present their report with respect to results of Katana Capital Limited (the "Company" or "Katana Capital") for the half-year ended 31 December 2024 and the state of affairs for the Company at that date.

#### **DIRECTORS**

The following persons were directors of Katana Capital Limited during the whole of the half-year and up to the date of this report:

Name Title

Dalton Gooding

Non-Executive Chairman

Ben Laird

Non-Executive Director

Giuliano Sala Tenna

Non-Executive Director

# **OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW**

The profit before tax for the half-year was \$858,000 (2023: \$1,773,000) and profit after tax for the half-year was \$753,000 (2023: \$1,355,000).

# **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The basic and diluted profit per share is 2.37 cents (2023: 4.08 cents).

#### **DIVIDENDS**

During the half-year the Company announced dividends payable for the June 2024 quarter of 0.50 cents per ordinary share (2023: 0.50 cents per ordinary share) and for the September 2024 quarter 0.50 cents per ordinary share (2023: 0.50 cents per ordinary share). The total dividends paid to shareholders were \$318,519 (2023: \$332,718). These dividends were declared and announced to the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX). The following is the summary of the announcements made and the total dividend paid:

Half year ended 31 December 2024:

Date of ASX announcement	Date of Payment	Dividend Declared	Dividend Amount
3 July 2024	2 August 2024	0.5 cents	\$159,767
2 October 2024	1 November 2024	0.5 cents	\$158,752
			\$318,519

Half year ended 31 December 2023:

Date of ASX announcement	Date of Payment	Dividend Declared	Dividend Amount
11 July 2023	11 August 2023	0.5 cents	\$167,110
26 October 2023	3 November 2023	0.5 cents	\$165,608
			\$332,718

# **Directors' report (continued)**

# **DIVIDENDS** (continued)

Subsequent to 31 December 2024, the Company announced a dividend payable for the December 2024 quarter of 0.5 cents per ordinary share. The dividend was declared and announced to the ASX on 2 January 2025 and was paid out on 31 January 2025.

# PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The principal activity of the Company is that of an Investment Company with an "all opportunities" investment strategy.

#### **MATERIAL CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS**

In the opinion of the directors, there were no material changes in the state of affairs of the entity that occurred during the half-year under review.

# LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS AND EXPECTED RESULTS

In the opinion of the directors, it is unlikely that there will be any material changes in the state of affairs of the entity for the half-year ahead. The company remains committed to a quarterly dividend policy subject to the generation of profits.

#### **ROUNDING**

The financial report is presented in Australian dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (\$000), except when otherwise indicated under the option available to the company under ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191. The Company is an entity to which this legislative instrument applies.

# **AUDITOR INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 3 of this half-year report.

Signed for and on behalf of the Directors in accordance with a resolution of the Board.

Dalton Gooding Chairman

26 February 2025



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# DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BY GLYN O'BRIEN TO THE DIRECTORS OF KATANA CAPITAL LIMITED

As lead auditor for the review of Katana Capital Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2024, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- 1. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- 2. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Katana Capital Limited.

Glyn O'Brien

**Director** 

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

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Perth

26 February 2025

	Note	31 December 2024 \$'000	31 December 2023 \$'000
Revenue			
Dividends and distribution income	2	424	481
Investment income Interest	3	1,050 9	1,843 80
Other income		-	53
Total net investment income	_	1,483	2,457
Expenses			
Management fees		(220)	(215)
Performance fees Legal and professional		(80)	(67) (89)
Directors' fees and expenses		(166)	(159)
Administration		(87)	(79)
Investment transaction costs		(72)	(75)
Total expenses	_	(625)	(684)
Profit before income tax expense		858	1,773
Income tax expense	_	(105)	(418)
Net profit for the half-year attributable to			
shareholders of the Company	_	753	1,355
Other comprehensive income, net of tax	_	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive income for the half-year attributable to shareholders of the Company		753	1,355
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Basic and diluted earnings per share (cents per share)		2.37	4.08

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Note 30 June 2024 31 December 2024 \$'000 \$'000 **Assets Current Assets** Cash and cash equivalents 3,156 1,664 5 Receivables 109 224 6 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss 38,930 40,284 **Total current assets** 42,195 42,172 **Total assets** 42,195 42,172 Liabilities **Current Liabilities Payables** 8 177 283 Income tax payable (176)**Total current liabilities** 177 107 Non-current liabilities Deferred tax liabilities 7 908 803 908 **Total non-current liabilities** 803 **Total liabilities** 1,085 910 **Net assets** 41,110 41,262 **Equity** 9 32,507 33,093 Issued capital **Retained Earnings** 8,603 8,169 **Total equity** 41,110 41,262

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

	Note	Issued capital \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Total \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2023		34,889	6,714	41,603
Profit for the half-year		-	1,355	1,355
Buy-back of shares Dividends provided for	8	(755)	-	(755)
or paid		-	(333)	(333)
Balance at 31 December 2023	_	34,134	7,736	41,870
Balance at 1 July 2024 Profit for the half-year Buy-back of shares	8	<b>33,093</b> - (586)	<b>8,169</b> 753 -	<b>41,262</b> 753 (586)
Dividends provided for or paid		-	(319)	(319)
Balance at 31 December 2024	er 	32,507	8,603	41,110

The above consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

	Note	31 December 2024 \$'000	31 December 2023 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities Proceeds on sale of financial assets Payments for purchases of financial assets Payments to suppliers and employees Interest Received Dividends and distributions received Tax paid		22,826 (20,422) (646) 9 443 167	16,356 (22,063) (1,258) 80 504 (444)
Other revenue		20	24
Net cash inflow from operating activities		2,397	(6,801)
Cash flows from financing activities Payments for shares bought back Dividends paid		(586) (319)	(755) (333)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(905)	(1,088)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the		1,492	(7,889)
half-year	4	1,664	10,689
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the half-year	4	3,156	2,800

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### 1. Corporate information

The financial report of Katana Capital Limited (the "Company") for the half-year ended 31 December 2024 was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Katana Capital Limited on 26 February 2025.

Katana Capital Limited was incorporated on 19 September 2005.

Katana Capital Limited is a company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia and whose shares are publicly traded on the Australian Stock Exchange.

The nature of the operations and principal activities are described in the Directors' report. The Company is a for-profit entity.

# 2. Summary of material accounting policies

#### (a) Basis of preparation of half-year report

This financial report for the half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2024 has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Act 2001. This financial report does not include all the notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024 and any public announcements made in respect of the Company during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period.

# (b) New and amended standards adopted by the Company

The Company has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period. The Company did not have to change its accounting policies or make retrospective adjustments as a result of adopting these amended standards.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not vet mandatory have not been early adopted.

# 3. Investment income

	Half-year ended	
	31 December 2024	31 December 2023
	\$'000	\$'000
Realised gains on investments held for trading	728	1,254
Unrealised gains on investments held for trading	322	589
Total income	1,050	1,843

4. Current assets - Cash and cash equivalents		
	31 December 2024 \$'000	30 June 2024 \$'000
Cash at banks	3,156	1,664
5. Current assets - Receivables		
	As at	
	31 December 2024	30 June 2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Other receivables	109	224

There are no receivables past due or impaired.

Due to the short-term nature of these receivables, their carrying value approximates their fair value.

# 6. Current assets - Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	31 December 2024 \$'000	30 June 2024 \$'000
Investments in listed equities	38,787	39,743
Investment in listed unit trusts	143	541
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	38,930	40,284

Held for trading investments consist primarily of investments in ordinary shares and therefore have no fixed maturity date or coupon rate.

# 7. Non-current assets - Deferred tax liabilities (net)

	31 December 2024 \$'000	30 June 2024 \$'000
Investments and unsettled shares Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	1,415 (519)	1,034 (248)
Net deferred tax assets	896	786
Dividends receivable	12	17
Net deferred tax liabilities	908	803

8. Current liabilities - payables		
	31 December 2024 \$'000	30 June 2024 \$'000
Trades payable Management fees Performance fees payable	- 144 23	95 138 23
Other payables	10	27
	177	283

Due to the short-term nature of these payables, their carrying value approximates their fair value.

9. Issued capital					
	As at 31 December 2024		As at 30 June 2024		
	No. of shares	\$'000	No. of shares	\$'000	
Issued and paid up capital - Ordinary					
shares	31,423,126	32,507	31,907,411	33,093	
(a) Movements in ordinary share capital:					
Half-year ended 31 December 2023					
			No. of shares	\$'000	
Opening balance - 1 July			33,460,417	34,889	
Shares bought back from shareholders, net	of Dividend Re-inves	tment Plan	(672,403)	(755)	
Half-year ended 31 December 2024					
Opening balance - 1 July			31,907,411	33,093	
Shares bought back from shareholders, net	of Dividend Re-inves	tment Plan	(484,285)	(586)	
Closing balance - 31 December			31,423,126	32,507	

# 9. Issued capital (continued)

# (a) Movements in ordinary share capital: (continued)

Fully paid ordinary shares carry one vote per share and carry the right to dividends.

During the period from 1 July 2024 to 31 December 2024, 484,285 shares were bought back on market and were subsequently cancelled. The shares were acquired at an average price of \$1.21 with the price ranging from \$1.17 to \$1.24 per share.

# (b) Capital management

When managing capital, management's objective is to ensure the entity continues as a going concern as well as to maintain optimal returns to shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders. Management also aims to maintain a capital structure that ensures the lowest cost of capital available to the entity. Management is constantly adjusting the capital structure to take advantage of favourable costs of capital or high returns on assets. The Company defines its capital as the total funds under management, being \$41,110,000 at 31 December 2024 (30 June 2024: \$41,262,000), including equities and cash reserves. The Company does not have any additional externally imposed capital requirements however has as a goal the ability to continue to grow assets under management and maintain a sustainable dividend return to shareholders. To assist with meeting its internal guidelines, Katana Asset Management Ltd holds regular Investment Committee meetings to assess the equity portfolio.

#### 10. Related party transactions

#### (a) Directors

The names of the persons who were Directors of Katana Capital Limited at any time during the half-year and of this report are as follows: Mr Dalton Gooding, Mr Ben Laird, and Mr Giuliano Sala Tenna.

#### (b) Related party transactions

All related party transactions are made at arm's length on normal commercial terms and conditions. Outstanding balances at half-year end are unsecured and settlement occurs in cash.

Related parties during the year are outlined below:

Dalton Gooding is a partner of Gooding Partners Chartered Accounting firm and as part of providing taxation advisory services, Gooding Partners received \$21,120 (2023: \$22,550) for tax services provided.

#### 11. Financial risk management

#### (a) Fair value measurements

The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities must be estimated for recognition and measurement or for disclosure purposes.

The Company uses various methods in estimating the fair value of a financial instrument. The methods comprise:

- (a) Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- (b) Level 2 valuation technique for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable.
- (c) Level 3 valuation technique for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value movement that is not observable.

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Company determines whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

The following table presents the Company's assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value at 31 December 2024 and 30 June 2024.

		31 December 20	24	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Investment in listed equities Investment in unit trusts	38,787 143	-	- -	38,787 143
Total	38,930	-	-	38,930

# 11. Financial Risk Management (continued)

#### (a) Fair value measurements (continued)

		30 June 2024		
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	<b>\$'000</b>
Investment in listed equities Investment in unit trusts	39,743 541	- -	-	39,743 541
Total	40,284	-	-	40,284

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives, and trading and available for sale securities) is based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Company is the current bid price. These instruments are included in Level 1.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, unlisted investments) is determined using valuation techniques. The Company uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at the end of each reporting period. Quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments are used to estimate fair value for long-term debt for disclosure purposes. Other techniques, such as estimated discounted cash flows, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments. In determining the fair value of the securities the company holds in unlisted investments, the company refers to the Net Tangible Assets of that investment, recent trading in units of the investment and all other market factors associated with the unlisted investment.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are dependent on the change of input variables used to determine fair value, namely changes in market prices of equity securities. The majority of the investments are invested in shares of companies listed on the Australian Stock Exchange which are valued based on market observable information.

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There were no transfers between level 1 and level 2 during the period.

# 12. Segment information

For management purposes, the Company is organised into one main operating segment, which invests in equity securities, debt instruments, and related derivatives. All of the Company's activities are interrelated, and each activity is dependent on the others. Accordingly, all material operating disclosures are based upon analysis of the Company as one segment. The financial results from this segment are equivalent to the financial statements of the Company as a whole.

The Company operates from one geographic location, being Australia, from where its investing activities are managed.

The Company does not derive revenue of more than 10% from any one of its investments held.

# 13. Events occurring after reporting date

Other than the events below, the Directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance that has materially or may materially affect the operations of the company or the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the company in subsequent financial years

On 2 January 2025, the Company announced a 0.5 cent per share dividend and was paid on 31 January 2025.

# 14. Commitments and contingencies

There are no outstanding contingent liabilities or commitments as at 31 December 2024 (30 June 2023: Nil).

# **Directors' declaration**

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Katana Capital Limited, I state that:

- (a) The financial statements and notes of the entity set out on pages 4 to 14 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) Giving a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date of the consolidated entity.
  - (ii) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001;
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- (c) Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 303(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001 for the half-year ended 31 December 2024.

On behalf of the Board Katana Capital Limited

**Dalton Gooding** 

Chairman 26 February 2025 Perth, Western Australia



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of Katana Capital Limited

# Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Katana Capital Limited (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of the Company does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- i. Giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- ii. Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

# Basis for conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to the audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001* which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

# Responsibility of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



# Auditor's responsibility for the review of the financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

Glyn O'Brien

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Director

Perth, 26 February 2025