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# **TAI CHEUNG HOLDINGS LIMITED**

(Incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 88)

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### **Directors:**

David Pun CHAN (*Chairman and Managing Director*)

Ivy Sau Ching CHAN

\* Joseph Wing Siu CHEUNG

\* Karl Chi Leung KWOK

\* Man Sing KWONG

William Wai Lim LAM

Wing Sau LI

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18th July 2017

*To the shareholders*

Dear Sir/Madam,

## **PROPOSALS INVOLVING GENERAL MANDATES TO REPURCHASE SHARES AND TO ISSUE SHARES RE-ELECTION OF RETIRING DIRECTORS AND NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (“AGM”)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this circular is to give you notice of AGM and information relating to (i) the ordinary resolutions to renew the general mandates to repurchase shares and to issue shares; and (ii) the re-election of the retiring directors to be proposed at the forthcoming 2017 AGM.

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## LETTER FROM THE BOARD

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### GENERAL MANDATE TO REPURCHASE SHARES

A general mandate for repurchase of the Company's own shares was granted by shareholders of the Company (the "Shareholders") at the AGM held on 1st September 2016. This general mandate will lapse at the forthcoming 2017 AGM unless the authority is renewed by ordinary resolution at that meeting. At the 2017 AGM, an ordinary resolution will be proposed to grant a general mandate to the directors of the Company (the "Directors") to exercise the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of the Company up to a maximum of 61,753,142 shares, being 10% of the aggregate number of shares of the Company in issue at the date of the passing of the resolution (the "Repurchase Mandate") on the basis that no further shares are issued or repurchased prior to the 2017 AGM. The Directors have no present intention to repurchase any shares. Details of the Repurchase Mandate are set out in the ordinary resolution no. 5 in the notice of AGM.

Information relating to the Repurchase Mandate as required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules") is set out in Appendix II hereto.

### GENERAL MANDATE TO ISSUE SHARES

It will be proposed at the 2017 AGM two ordinary resolutions (i) granting to the Directors a general mandate to allot, issue and deal with shares of the Company not exceeding 123,506,285 shares, being 20% of the aggregate number of shares of the Company in issue at the date of the passing of the resolution (the "Issue Mandate") on the basis that no further shares are issued or repurchased prior to the 2017 AGM; and (ii) extending the Issue Mandate by adding to it the number of shares repurchased by the Company under the Repurchase Mandate. The Issue Mandate will provide the Company the flexibility to make such issue when appropriate and beneficial to the Company. The Directors have no immediate plans to issue new shares. Details of the Issue Mandate and extension of the Issue Mandate are set out in the ordinary resolutions no. 6 and 7 respectively in the notice of AGM.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice of AGM is set out on pages 8 to 10 of this circular. A form of proxy for use at the AGM is enclosed with this circular. Whether or not you intend to be present at the meeting you are requested to complete the form of proxy and return it to the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong in accordance with the instructions printed thereon not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for holding that meeting.

Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person at the meeting if you so wish and in such event, the form of proxy will be deemed to be revoked.

Pursuant to Rule 13.39(4) of the Listing Rules, any vote of shareholders at a general meeting must be taken by poll. The Chairman of the 2017 AGM will exercise his power under Bye-law 63(a) of the Company's Bye-laws to put each of the resolutions to be proposed at the 2017 AGM to the vote by way of a poll.

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### RE-ELECTION OF THE RETIRING DIRECTORS

Pursuant to Bye-law 84 of the Company's Bye-laws, Ms. Ivy Sau Ching Chan and Mr. Joseph Wing Siu Cheung will retire by rotation at the 2017 AGM and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Mr. Cheung has served as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company for more than 9 years. Pursuant to code provision A.4.3 of the Corporate Governance Code in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules, his further appointment should be subject to a separate resolution to be approved by shareholders. During his years of appointment, Mr. Cheung has demonstrated the attributes of an independent non-executive director by providing independent views and advice and there is no evidence that his tenure has had any impact on his independence.

Further, the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") is of the view that Mr. Cheung meets the independence guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and is independent in accordance with the terms of the guidelines. The Board is satisfied that he has the required character, integrity, independence and experience to fulfill the role of an independent non-executive director. Therefore, the Board recommends Mr. Cheung for re-election at the 2017 AGM.

Details of the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected at the AGM that are required to be disclosed under Rule 13.51(2) of the Listing Rules are set out in Appendix I hereto.

### RECOMMENDATION

The Board considers that the resolutions set out in the notice of AGM are all in the interests of the Company and its Shareholders. The Board would recommend that all Shareholders should vote in favour of the proposed resolutions.

Yours faithfully,  
**David Pun Chan**  
*Chairman*

Details of the retiring Directors proposed to be re-elected at the 2017 AGM are provided below:

**Ms. Ivy Sau Ching Chan**, BA, aged 64, is a Non-executive Director of the Company and has been a Director since 1981. Ms. Chan is also a member of the Audit Committee and Remuneration Committee and a director of certain subsidiaries of the Company. She is a Partner with Messrs Woo, Kwan, Lee & Lo with over 30 years' experience in the legal field. Ms. Chan is the sister of Mr. David Pun Chan, Chairman of the Company, daughter of Madam Chan Poon Wai Kuen, a substantial shareholder of the Company and cousin of Mr. Poon Chi Hung, Head of US Operations of the Company. She has an interest of 20,132,706 shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

**Mr. Joseph Wing Siu Cheung**, MS, aged 71, has been an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company since 2004. Mr. Cheung is also a member of the Audit Committee of the Company. He does not hold other directorships in the Company's group of companies. He is a director of The Garden Company Limited and its major subsidiaries ("The Garden Group") and has over 30 years' experience in manufacturing, sales and marketing management in The Garden Group. Mr. Cheung is not connected with any directors, senior management or substantial or controlling shareholders of the Company. He does not have any interests in shares of the Company within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

Each of the above Directors did not hold other directorships in listed companies in the last three years. Under a letter of appointment entered into between each of the above Directors and the Company for service as director, each of the Directors does not have fixed term of service with the Company and is subject to retirement by rotation and re-election at the AGM of the Company in accordance with the Company's Bye-laws. They receive directors' fees as approved from time to time by shareholders at AGM of the Company (2016: HK\$200,000 for each director). The basis of determining the directors' fees is by reference to the level of fees of similar nature normally paid by a listed company in Hong Kong to its directors. Other than the directors' fees as mentioned above, they do not receive any director's emolument. Save as disclosed above, there are no other matters that need to be brought to the attention of the shareholders of the Company in connection with the re-election of the above Directors and there is no information that should be disclosed pursuant to Rules 13.51(2)(h) to (v) of the Listing Rules.

This explanatory statement contains all the information required by the Listing Rules on repurchase of shares:

**Share Capital**

As at 11th July 2017, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 617,531,425 shares of HK\$0.10 each.

Subject to the passing of the ordinary resolution to approve the Repurchase Mandate and on the basis that no further shares are issued or repurchased prior to the 2017 AGM, the Company will be allowed under the Repurchase Mandate to repurchase a maximum of 61,753,142 shares, being 10% of the aggregate number of shares of the Company in issue at the date of the passing of the resolution.

**Shareholders' Approval**

All repurchase of shares must be approved by Shareholders in advance by means of an ordinary resolution, either by way of a general mandate or by specific resolution in relation to specific transactions.

**Reason for the Repurchase**

Repurchase of shares will only be made when the Directors consider that it will benefit the Company and its shareholders. Such repurchase may, depending on market conditions and funding arrangements at the time, lead to an enhancement of the net asset value and/or earnings per share.

**Source of Funds**

Repurchases must be financed out of funds legally available for the purpose in accordance with the Memorandum of Association and Bye-laws of the Company and the laws of Bermuda. The laws of Bermuda provide that the amount of capital repaid in connection with a share repurchase may only be paid out of either capital paid up on the shares to be repurchased, or the profits that would otherwise be available for dividends or distribution or the proceeds of a fresh issue of shares made for that purpose. The premiums payable on repurchase must only be paid out of either the profits that would otherwise be available for dividends or out of the share premium or contributed surplus account of the Company. It is envisaged that any repurchase of shares by the Company would be financed out of the same sources of fund as above described.

There might be material adverse impact on the working capital or gearing position of the Company (as compared with the position disclosed in the audited consolidated financial statements contained in the annual report for the year ended 31st March 2017) in the event that the proposed Repurchase Mandate were to be exercised in full at any time during the proposed repurchase period. However, the Directors do not propose to exercise the Repurchase Mandate to such extent as would, in the circumstances, have a material adverse effect on the working capital requirements of the Company or the gearing levels which in the opinion of the Directors are from time to time appropriate for the Company.

**Restrictions for the Repurchase**

A maximum of 10% of the fully paid-up issued shares of the Company at the date of the passing of the resolution authorizing the repurchase mandate may be repurchased on market.

**Disclosure of Interests**

None of the Directors nor, to the best of their knowledge having made all reasonable enquiries, their close associates have any present intention to sell any shares to the Company under the proposed Repurchase Mandate if such is approved by the Shareholders.

The Company has not been notified by any “core connected persons” (as defined in the Listing Rules) that they have a present intention to sell any shares to the Company, or that they have undertaken not to do so, in the event that the proposed Repurchase Mandate is approved by the Shareholders.

**Effect of the Code on Takeovers and Mergers (the “Takeovers Code”)**

As at 11th July 2017, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular, Madam Chan Poon Wai Kuen together with her parties acting in concert (i.e. including Mr. David Pun Chan and Ms. Ivy Sau Ching Chan) were interested in 296,421,131 shares, representing approximately 48.00% of the issued share capital of the Company. In the event that the Directors exercise in full the Repurchase Mandate, their collective shareholdings would be increased to approximately 53.33%, the resultant increase in voting rights held by Madam Chan Poon Wai Kuen and parties acting in concert with her will give rise to an obligation to make a mandatory offer in accordance with Rules 26 and 32 of the Takeovers Code. However, the Directors have no present intention to exercise the Repurchase Mandate to such extent as would give rise to such an offer obligation. The Directors do not propose to repurchase shares to such an extent as to result in less than 25% of the shares in public hands.

The Directors have undertaken to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Stock Exchange”) that, so far as the same may be applicable, they will exercise the Repurchase Mandate in accordance with the applicable laws of Bermuda and the Listing Rules.

**Repurchase Made by the Company**

The Company has not purchased any of its shares (whether on the Stock Exchange or otherwise) in the six months preceding the date of this circular.

**Share Prices**

The highest and lowest prices at which the shares of the Company have traded on the Stock Exchange in the past twelve months were as follows:

	<b>Share Prices</b>	
	<b>Highest</b>	<b>Lowest</b>
	<i>HK\$</i>	<i>HK\$</i>
July 2016	6.56	6.25
August 2016	6.76	6.40
September 2016	6.55	6.05
October 2016	6.62	6.20
November 2016	6.66	6.32
December 2016	6.99	6.56
January 2017	7.63	6.76
February 2017	7.50	6.98
March 2017	7.51	6.90
April 2017	7.47	7.06
May 2017	8.19	7.34
June 2017	8.47	7.76
July 2017 (up to 11th July 2017)	8.37	8.25

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Sung Room, 4th Floor, Sheraton Hong Kong Hotel & Towers, 20 Nathan Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong on Thursday, 24th August 2017 at 11:00 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the audited Consolidated Financial Statements and the Reports of the Directors and Auditor for the year ended 31st March 2017.
2. To declare a final dividend.
3. To elect Directors and fix the Directors' fees.
4. To appoint Auditor and fix their remuneration.

As special business, to consider and, if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions which will be proposed as ordinary resolutions:

### ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS

5. **"THAT:**
  - (a) subject to paragraph (b) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to repurchase shares of HK\$0.10 each in the capital of the Company on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") or on any other stock exchange on which the securities of the Company may be listed and recognized by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong and the Stock Exchange for this purpose, subject to and in accordance with all applicable laws and the requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange or of any other stock exchange as amended from time to time, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
  - (b) the aggregate number of shares of the Company which the Directors are authorized to repurchase pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this Resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
  - (c) for the purposes of this Resolution, "Relevant Period" means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
    - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
    - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws of the Company or any applicable law to be held; or
    - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting."



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6. **“THAT:**
- (a) subject to paragraph (c) below, the exercise by the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) of all the powers of the Company to allot, issue and deal with any unissued shares in the capital of the Company and to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures, notes and any securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such powers, be and is hereby generally and unconditionally approved;
  - (b) the approval in paragraph (a) above shall authorize the Directors during the Relevant Period (as hereinafter defined) to make or grant offers, agreements and options (including bonds, warrants and debentures, notes and any securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into shares of the Company) which would or might require the exercise of such powers after the end of the Relevant Period;
  - (c) the aggregate number of shares allotted or agreed conditionally or unconditionally to be allotted (whether pursuant to an option or otherwise) and issued by the Directors pursuant to the approval in paragraph (a) above, otherwise than pursuant to (i) a Rights Issue (as hereinafter defined); (ii) an issue of shares as scrip dividends in accordance with the Bye-laws of the Company from time to time; or (iii) an issue of shares upon the exercise of rights of subscription or conversion under the terms of any bonds, warrants, debentures, notes and any securities which carry rights to subscribe for or are convertible into shares of the Company; or (iv) an issue of shares under any option scheme or similar arrangement for the time being adopted for the grant or issue to the grantees as specified in such scheme or similar arrangement of shares or rights to acquire shares of the Company, shall not exceed 20 per cent. of the aggregate number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of this Resolution, and the said approval shall be limited accordingly; and
  - (d) for the purpose of this Resolution, “Relevant Period” means the period from the passing of this Resolution until whichever is the earlier of:
    - (i) the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company; or
    - (ii) the expiration of the period within which the next annual general meeting of the Company is required by the Bye-laws of the Company or any applicable law to be held; or
    - (iii) the date on which the authority set out in this Resolution is revoked or varied by an ordinary resolution of the shareholders of the Company in general meeting.

“Rights Issue” means an offer of shares open for a period fixed by the Directors to the holders of shares of the Company on the register of members of the Company (and, where appropriate to holders of other securities of the Company entitled to the offer) on a fixed record date in proportion to their then holdings of such shares (or, where appropriate, such other securities) as at that date (subject to such exclusions or other arrangements as the Directors may deem necessary or

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expedient in relation to fractional entitlements or having regard to any restrictions or obligations under the laws of, or the requirements of any recognized regulatory body or any stock exchange in, any territory outside Hong Kong applicable to the Company).”

7. “**THAT** subject to the passing of Ordinary Resolutions Nos. 5 and 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting, the general mandate granted to the Directors to allot, issue and deal with any unissued shares and to make or grant offers, agreements and options which might require the exercise of such powers pursuant to Ordinary Resolution No. 6 set out in the notice convening this meeting be and is hereby extended by the addition thereto of an amount representing the aggregate number of shares of the Company repurchased by the Company under the authority granted pursuant to Ordinary Resolution No. 5 set out in the notice convening this meeting, provided that such extended number shall not exceed 10 per cent. of the aggregate number of shares of the Company in issue as at the date of the passing of the said Resolution.”

By Order of the Board  
**Kit Yan Luk**  
*Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 18th July 2017

*Notes:*

1. Any Shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint one or more proxies to attend and, on a poll, vote in his stead. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company.
2. The form of proxy must be deposited at the Investor Centre of the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, 17M Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the meeting.
3. The register of members of the Company will be closed during the following periods:
  - (i) from Monday, 21st August 2017 to Thursday, 24th August 2017, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for attending and voting at the meeting, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the transfer office of the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-16, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, 18th August 2017.
  - (ii) from Tuesday, 5th September 2017 to Thursday, 7th September 2017, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for the proposed dividend, all transfers accompanied by the relevant share certificates must be lodged with the transfer office of the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited, Shops 1712-16, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong not later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, 4th September 2017.
4. At the meeting, the Chairman of the meeting will exercise his power under Bye-law 63(a) of the Bye-laws of the Company to put each of the above resolutions to the vote by way of a poll as required under the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited. The poll results will be published on the websites of the Company and Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited on 24th August 2017 following the conclusion of the meeting.