

GLORY SUN FINANCIAL GROUP LIMITED
寶新金融集團有限公司
(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)
(Stock code: 01282)
(the “Company”)

TERMS OF REFERENCE
OF
AUDIT COMMITTEE
(the “Committee”)

(Adopted pursuant to directors’ resolutions dated 28 March 2012 and updated in December 2014, November 2015, March 2019, May 2019 and March 2022)

1. Membership

- 1.1 The Committee shall be appointed by the board of directors of the Company (the “**Board**”) from amongst the non-executive directors and shall consist of not less than three members, at least one of whom is an independent non-executive director with appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise as required under Rule 3.10(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “**Listing Rules**”).
- 1.2 The majority of the members of the Committee shall be independent non-executive directors of the Company.
- 1.3 The chairman of the Committee shall be appointed by the Board and shall be an independent non-executive director of the Company.
- 1.4 A former partner of the Company’s existing auditing firm should be prohibited from acting as a member of the Committee for a period of 2 years from the date of his ceasing:
 - (a) to be a partner of the firm; or
 - (b) to have any financial interest in the firm,whichever is later.
- 1.5 The term of membership will be one year from the date of appointment subject to renewal and shall be governed by the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company.
- 1.6 The appointment of the members of the Committee may be revoked, and new member can be appointed in place by resolutions passed by the Board and by the Committee.
- 1.7 No alternate Committee member can be appointed.
- 1.8 The company secretary of the Company or his/her nominee shall act as the secretary of the Committee.

2. Attendance at meetings

2.1 The Chief Financial Officer of the Group (as defined hereunder) (or any officer(s) assuming the relevant functions but having a different designation), the secretary of the Committee and a representative of the external auditor shall normally attend meetings. Other Board members may be invited to attend a particular meeting in order to answer specific questions or concerns. Where an internal audit function exists, the Head of Internal Audit or a representative of the Internal Audit should normally attend meetings. However, at least once a year the Committee shall meet with the external and internal auditors (if any) without the presence of any of the executive directors.

3. Frequency and proceedings of meetings

3.1 Meetings shall be held not less than twice a year. Additional meetings should be held as and when the Committee considers necessary.

3.2 The chairman of the Committee may convene additional meetings at his discretion.

3.3 The quorum of a meeting shall be two members of the Committee.

3.4 Proceedings of meetings of the Committee shall be governed by the provisions of the Articles of Association of the Company.

4. Notice of Meetings

4.1 Notice of any meetings has to be given at least 14 days prior to any such meeting being held, unless all members unanimously waive such notice. Irrespective of the length of notice being given, attendance of a meeting by a member shall be deemed waiver of the requisite length of notice by the member. Notice of any adjourned meetings is not required if adjournment is for less than 14 days.

5. Committee's Resolutions

5.1 A resolution in writing signed by all the members of the Committee shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Committee and may contain in one document or in several documents in like form each signed by one or more of the members of the Committee. Such resolution may be signed by fax. This provision is without prejudice to any requirement under the Listing Rules for a Board or Committee meeting to be held.

6. Authority

6.1 The Committee is authorised by the Board to investigate any activity within its terms of reference and all employees are directed to cooperate as requested by members of the Committee.

6.2 The Committee is authorised by the Board to obtain outside legal or other independent professional advice if deemed required and to invite the attendance of outsiders with relevant experience and expertise if it considers necessary.

- 6.3 The Committee shall report to the Board on any suspected frauds and irregularities, failures of internal control or suspected infringements of/non-compliance with laws, rules and regulations which come to its attention and are of sufficient importance to warrant the attention of the Board.
- 6.4 Where the board disagrees with the Committee's view on the selection, appointment, resignation or dismissal of the external auditors, the Company should include in the Corporate Governance Report a statement from the Committee explaining its recommendation and also the reason(s) why the Board has taken a different view.
- 6.5 The Committee should be provided with sufficient resources to perform its duties.

7. Responsibility

- 7.1 The Committee is to serve as a focal point for communication between other directors, the external auditor and the internal auditor (where an internal audit function exists) as regards their duties relating to financial and other reporting, internal controls, external and internal audits and such other financial and accounting matters as the Board determines from time to time.
- 7.2 The Committee is to assist the Board in providing an independent review and supervision of the effectiveness of the financial reporting process, internal control and risk management system of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "**Group**"), overseeing the audit process and performing other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the Board.

8. Duties, powers and functions

- 8.1 The Committee is:

Relationship with the Company's auditors

- (a) to be primarily responsible for making recommendations to the Board on the appointment, reappointment and removal of the external auditor, and to approve the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditor, and any questions of its resignation or dismissal;
- (b) to review and monitor the external auditor's independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process in accordance with applicable standards. The Committee should discuss with the auditor the nature and scope of the audit and reporting obligations before the audit commences. In this connection, the Committee shall:
- (i) consider all relationships between the Company and the external auditor (including non-audit services);
 - (ii) obtain from the external auditor annually, information about policies and processes for maintaining independence and monitoring compliance with relevant requirements, including those for rotation of audit partners and staff;

- (iii) meet with the auditor, at least annually, in the absence of management, to discuss matters relating to its audit fees, any issue arising from the audit and any other matters the auditor may wish to raise;
 - (iv) conduct annual review of all non-audit services performed by the external auditor and the related fee levels, and to ensure that such services do not impair the independence of the external auditor;
- (c) to develop and implement policy on engaging an external auditor to supply non-audit services. For this purpose, external auditor includes any entity that is under common control, ownership or management with the audit firm or any entity that a reasonable and informed third party knowing all relevant information would reasonably conclude to be part of the audit firm nationally or internationally. The Committee should report to the Board, identifying and making recommendations on any matters where action or improvement is needed;
- (d) to approve the policies on hiring employees or former employees of the external auditors and monitoring the application of these policies and consider whether there has been or appears to be any impairment of the auditor's judgement or independence for the audit;

Review of the Company's financial information

- (e) to monitor integrity of the Company's financial statements and annual report and accounts, half-year report and, if prepared for publication, quarterly reports, and to review significant financial reporting judgements contained in them. In reviewing these reports before submission to the Board, the Committee should focus particularly on:-
- (i) any changes in accounting policies and practices;
 - (ii) major judgmental areas;
 - (iii) significant adjustments resulting from audit;
 - (iv) the going concern assumptions and any qualifications;
 - (v) compliance with accounting standards; and
 - (vi) compliance with the Listing Rules and legal requirements in relation to financial reporting;
- (f) Regarding to (e) above:-
- (i) members of the Committee should liaise with the Board and senior management and the Committee must meet, at least twice a year, with the Company's auditor; and
 - (ii) the Committee should consider any significant or unusual items that are, or may need to be, reflected in the report and accounts, it should give due consideration to any matters that have been raised by the Company's staff responsible for the accounting and financial reporting function, compliance officer or auditors;

Oversight of the Company's financial reporting system, risk management and internal control procedures

- (g) to review the Company's financial controls, internal control and risk management systems;
- (h) to discuss the risk management and internal control system with management to ensure that management has performed its duty to have an effective risk management internal control system. This discussion should include the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Company's accounting and financial reporting function;
- (i) to consider major investigation findings on risk management and internal control matters as delegated by the Board or on its own initiative and management's response to these findings;
- (j) where an internal audit function exists, to ensure co-ordination between the internal and external auditors, and to ensure that the internal audit function is adequately resourced and has appropriate standing within the Company, and to review and monitor its effectiveness;
- (k) to review the Group's financial and accounting policies and practices;
- (l) to review the external auditor's management letter, any material queries raised by the auditor to management about accounting records, financial accounts or systems of control and management's response;
- (m) to ensure that the Board will provide a timely response to the issues raised in the external auditor's management letter;
- (n) to report to the Board on the matters in these terms of reference;
- (o) to consider other matters, as defined by the Board;
- (p) to review arrangements employees of the Company can use, in confidence, to raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting, risk management and internal control or other matters. The Committee should ensure that proper arrangements are in place for fair and independent investigation of these matters and for appropriate follow-up action;
- (q) to act as the key representative body for overseeing the Company's relations with the external auditor; and
- (r) to 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.

9. Reporting Procedures

- 9.1 The Committee should report to the Board on a regular basis.
- 9.2 Full minutes of the Committee meetings should be kept by the secretary of the Committee. Draft and final versions of minutes of the meetings should be sent to all Committee members for their comment and records within a reasonable time after the meeting. The secretary of the Committee shall circulate the minutes of meetings and all written resolutions of the Committee to all members of the Board, keeping the Board informed of the Committee's activities, decisions and recommendations on a regular basis.
- 9.3 At the next meeting of the Board following a meeting of the Committee, the chairman of the Committee shall report to the Board on the findings and recommendations of the Committee. At least annually, the Committee should present a report to the Board which addresses the work and findings of the Committee during the year.
- 9.4 Reports to the Board and minutes of the Committee should be approved by the Committee before submitting to the Board.

10. Availability and update of the terms of reference

- 10.1 These terms of reference shall be updated and revised as and when necessary in light of changes in circumstances and changes in regulatory requirements (e.g. the Listing Rules) in Hong Kong. These terms of reference shall be made available to the public, explaining its role and the authority delegated to it by the Board, by including them on the websites of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and the Company.
- 10.2 The Board may, subject to compliance with the Articles of Association of the Company and the Listing Rules (including the Corporate Governance Code set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules or, if adopted by the Company, the Company's own code of corporate governance practices), amend, supplement and revoke these terms of reference and any resolution passed by the Committee provided that no amendments to and revocation of these terms of reference and the resolutions passed by the Committee shall invalidate any prior act or resolution of the Committee which would have been valid if such terms of reference or resolution had not been amended or revoked.