# Stalled Recovery Depressed Property Values



Established 1886



- Recovery in Revenue & OP Stalled
- That Resulted in a 2% Increase in UNP to \$3.1B
- Group Loss Resulted from \$4.4B Non-cash IP Revaluation Deficit
- Group NAV (\$61.8 Per Share) is 16% Lower than 5 Years Ago
- Net Debt Reduction In Line with Plan

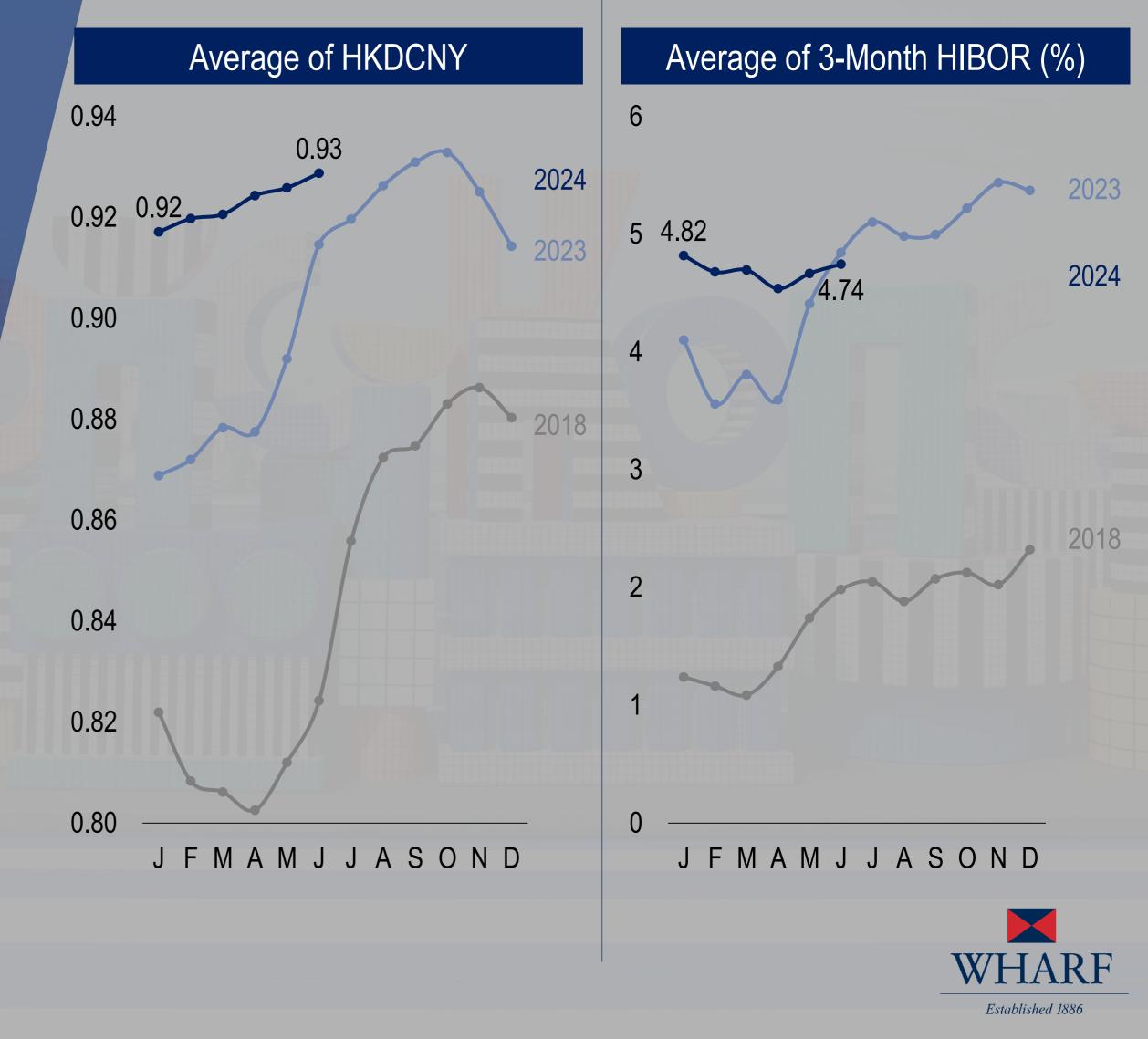








- Strong HKD
  - HK Becomes Uncompetitive to Both Locals & Visitors
- Higher-for-longer US Fed Rates
  - Negative Wealth Effect & Dampens Consumption
- Tight Labour Market
  - Limits Service Sector Upgrade & Expansion



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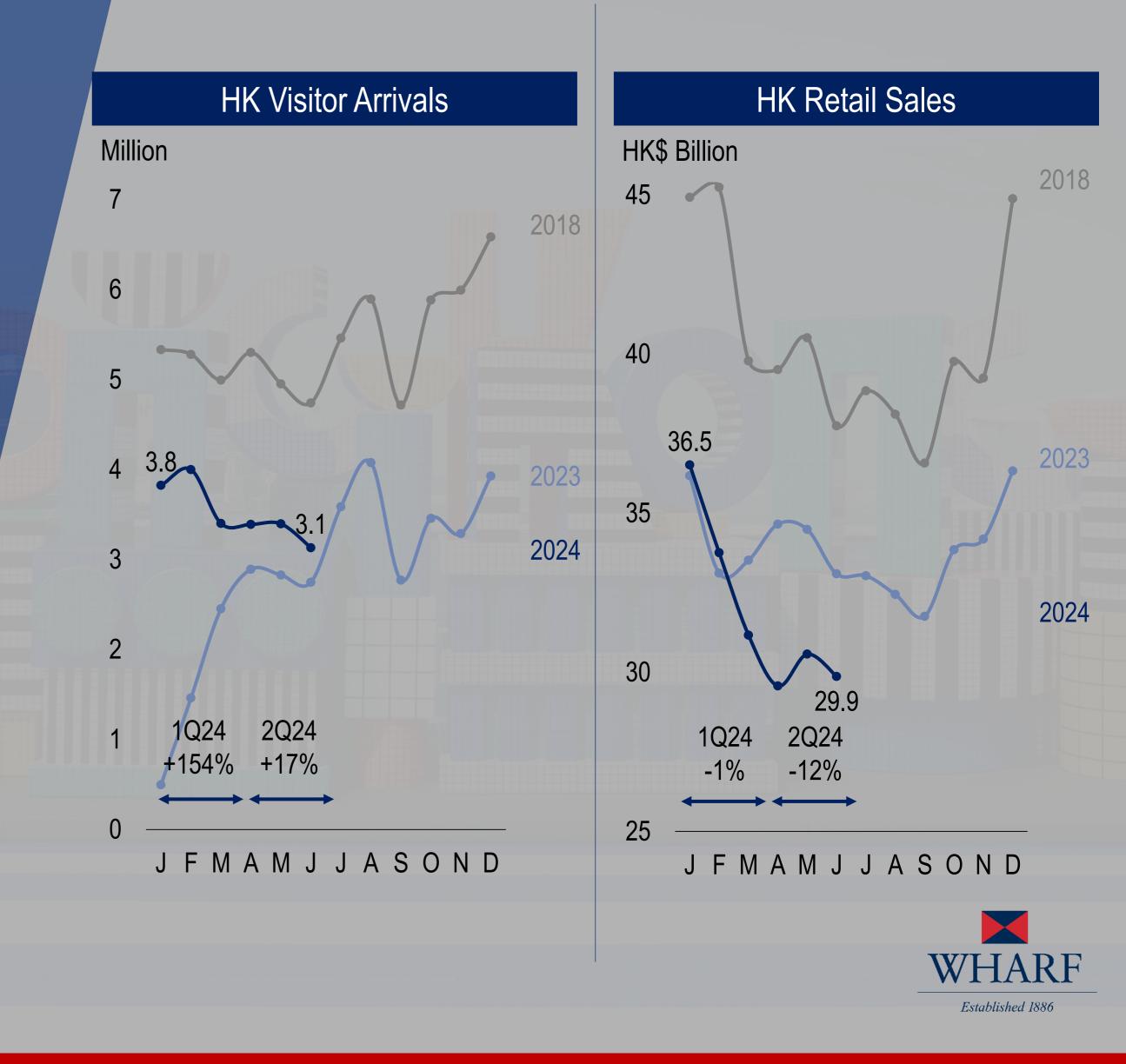




## Gradual Post-pandemic Resurgence

- Slow Visitor Return
  - YoY Growth in 1Q24 Exaggerated by Low Base
  - Pending Effectiveness of Policies to Reboot Industry
- Sales Turned from Recovery to Decline
  - Decline Conspicuous after Watershed in March
  - -7% YoY in 1H24 amid Soft Economy in HK & ML
  - Adapting to Shifting Consumption & Travel Patterns

Source: Census and Statistics Department, Hong Kong Tourism Board



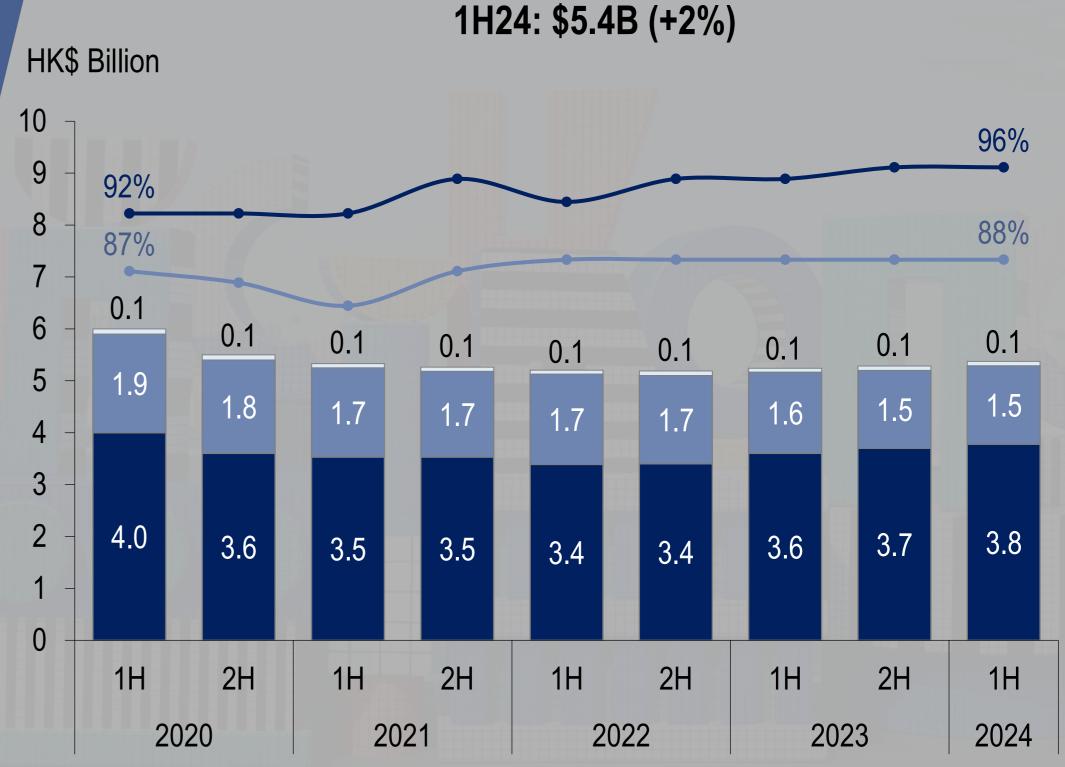




## Stable Demand Despite Weak Market

- Stable Mall & Office Occupancies
- Retail (70% of HKIP Revenue) Saw Spot Rent Stabilising – T/O Rent Affected by HK Retail Sales
- Smart Cost Management to Protect OP

## **HKIP Revenue & Occupancy\***



\*Period-end Occupancy Rate (%); Average of All HK Properties



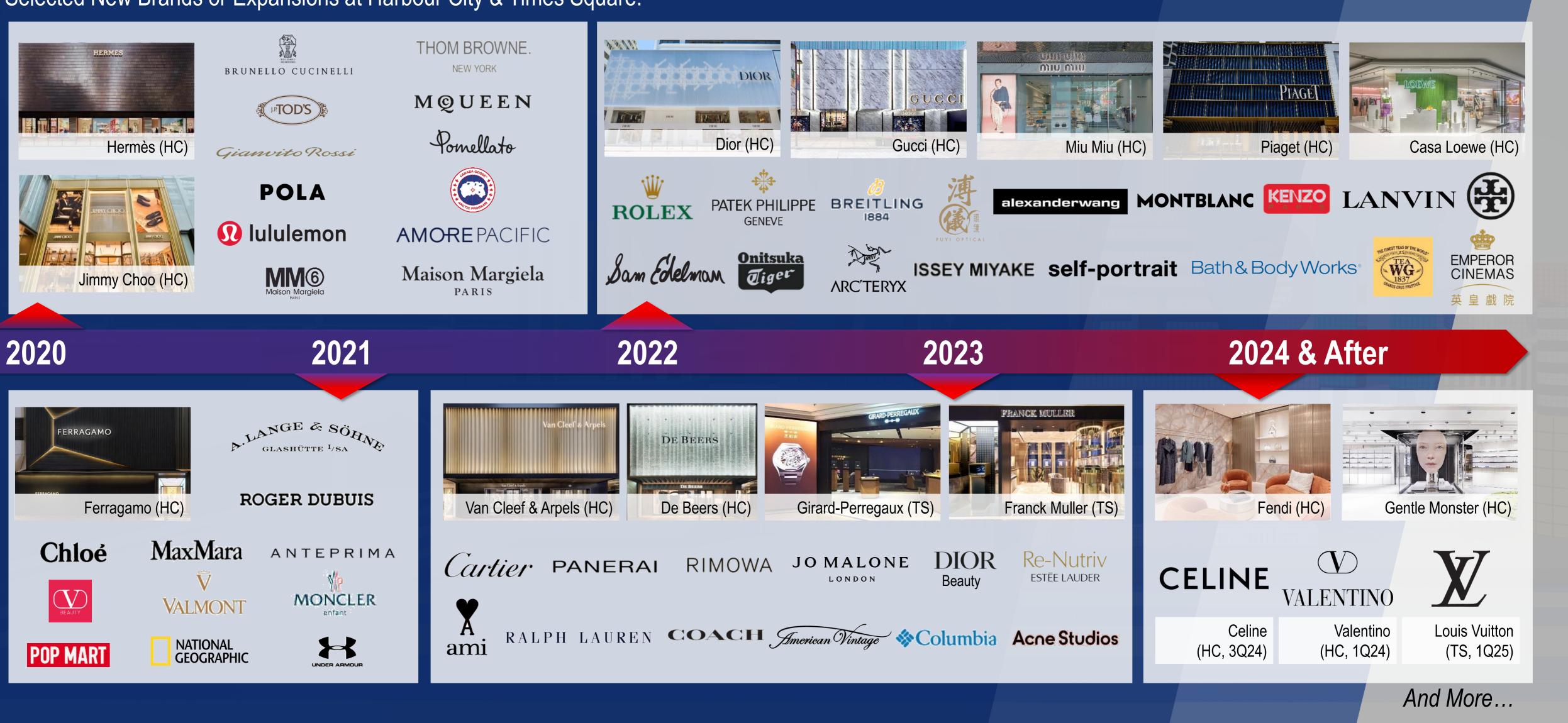






# Global Brands' Confidence

## Selected New Brands or Expansions at Harbour City & Times Square:





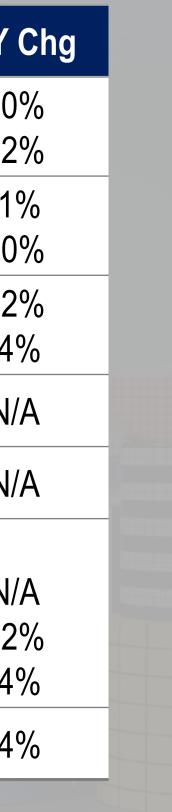


- Revenue & OP Stable
- Continued Pressure from High HIBOR
- Net IP Revaluation Deficit (Non-cash & Unrealised) \$4.4B; **Conservative Cap Rate**
- DPS \$0.64 (65% of Core UNP), -4% from 1H23

HK\$M	1H24	1H23	YoY
Group Revenue	6,501	6,473	+0
- HKIP & Hotel	6,071	5,928	+29
Operating Profit	4,915	4,940	-10
- HKIP & Hotel	4,644	4,629	+0
Underlying Net Profit (UNP)*	3,123	3,059	+2
- HKIP & Hotel	2,989	3,107	-40
Net IP Fair Value Change	(4,426)	(1,133)	N/.
(Loss)/ Profit After IP Fair Value Change	(1,052)	1,805	N/.
(Loss)/ Earnings Per Share (HK\$)			
- Attributable to Shareholders	(0.35)	0.59	N/
- Underlying*	1.03	1.01	+29
- Core Underlying*	0.98	1.02	-40
Dividend Per Share (HK\$)	0.64	0.67	-4°

\*Excl. IP Revaluation Deficit and Exceptional Items



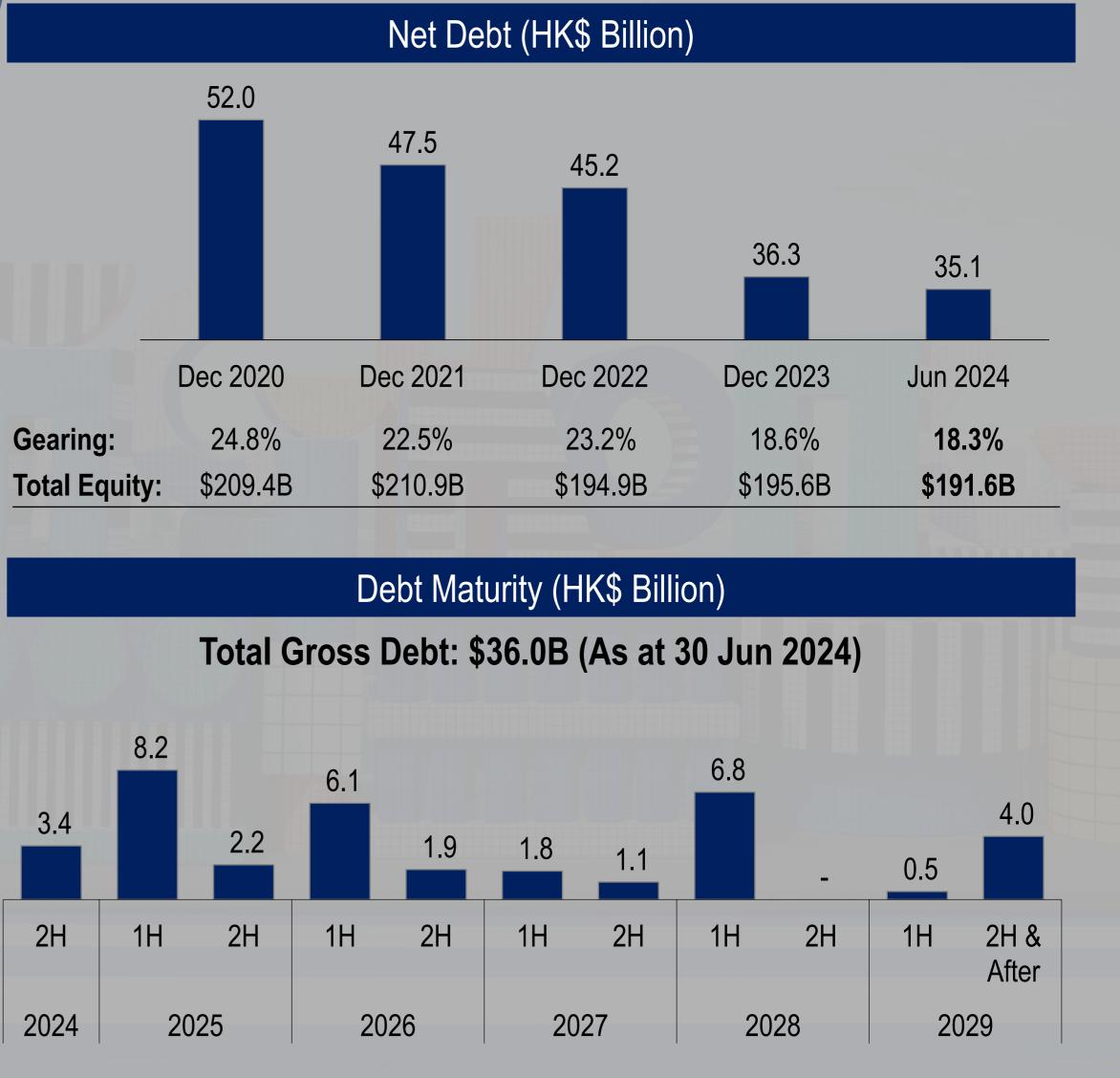






## Proactive Debt Management

- Moody's A2 Rating; Stable Outlook
- Net Debt Down to \$35.1B (Lowest since Listing); Gearing 18.3%
- Interest Cost 5.7% p.a., -0.6 ppt HoH
- 89% on Floating
- Interest Cover Improved to 4.7x









# Harbour City

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# Unique Drawing Power

- Retail Rent Stabilising on Retailers' Long-term Confidence
  - Continuous Expansion & New Flagships of Top Brands
  - Local/Tourist Events & Promotion Boost Retail Sentiment
- Office Rent Continues to Adjust Align with Market
  - Weak Demand, w/ Insurance Co. Remaining Key Driver

HC Revenue Breakdown 1H24: \$4.6B (+5%) HK\$ Billion 10 97% 9 8 90% 88% 7 6 86% 5 0.1 0.1 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.1 0.3 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.5 0.6 0.4 4 0.2 1.1 1.4 1.2 1.1 1.3 1.2 1.2 1.2 1.3 3 2 2.9 2.7 2.8 2.5 2.8 2.6 2.5 2.5 2.5 0 2H2H2H 1H 1H 1H 2H 1H **1H** 2024 2020 2021 2022 2023

\*Period-end Occupancy Rate (%)









# Times Square

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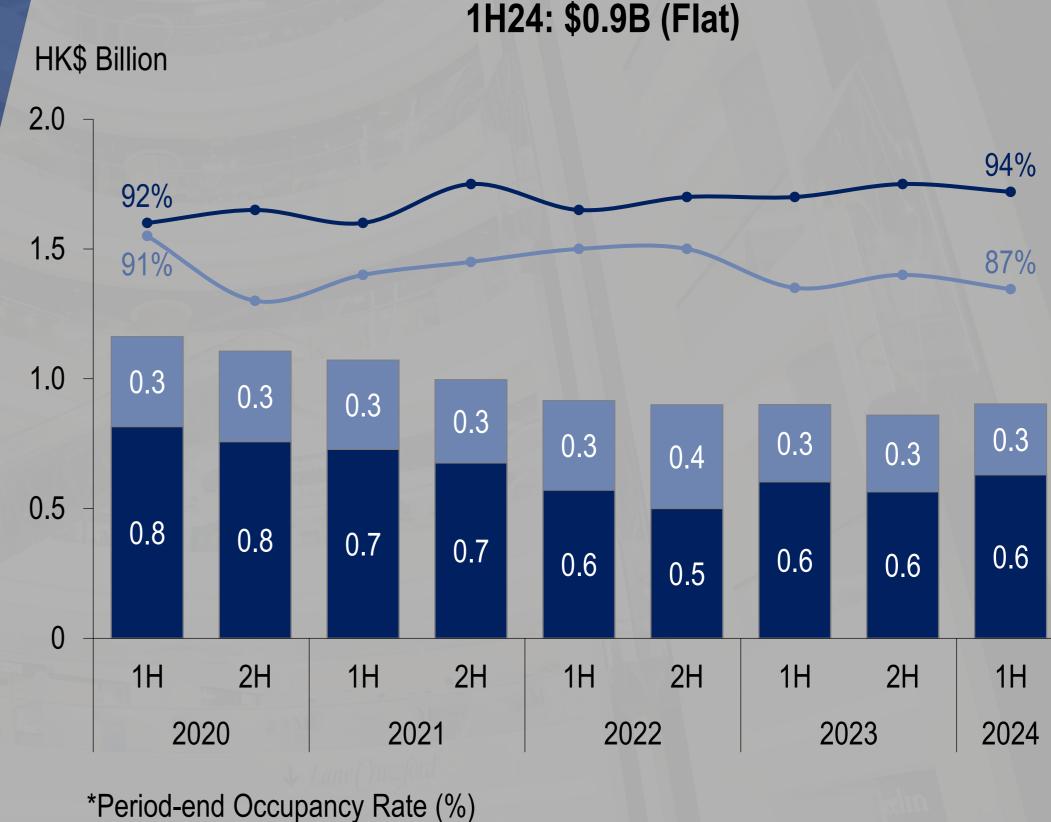
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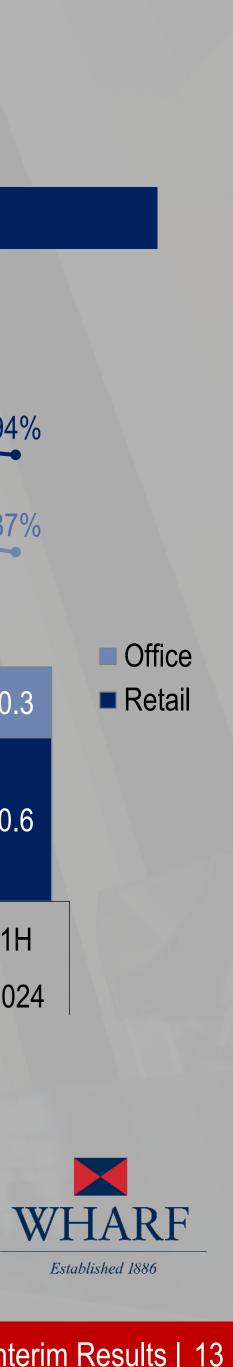


# Redefining Edge Amid Competition

- Stable Retail Occupancy
- Louis Vuitton's Upcoming Duplex to Enrich Luxury Cluster
- Weaker Office Occupancy amid Rising New Supply Nearby
- LEED Platinum Accreditation Adds Tenant Appeal & Value

## TS Revenue Breakdown







## The Murray & Marco Polo Hotels

- Occupancy Steady but Room Rates Retreated from 1H23
- Rising Costs & Talent Shortage Add Challenges
- Marco Polo Hotels: Prime Location Draws Room Demand
  - Prince Hotel's Full Contribution (Fully Reopened Aug 2023)
- The Murray: Creative Strategies to Drive Business





# Outlook



# Gauging Market Trends

- Uncertainties from Global Economic Slowdown & Geopolitical Tensions Continue
- Retail & Hotels Bearing the Brunt of Shifting Consumption Patterns
- Demand to Hopefully Rebuild when Cyclical Factors (Exchange Rate & Interest Rate) Improve

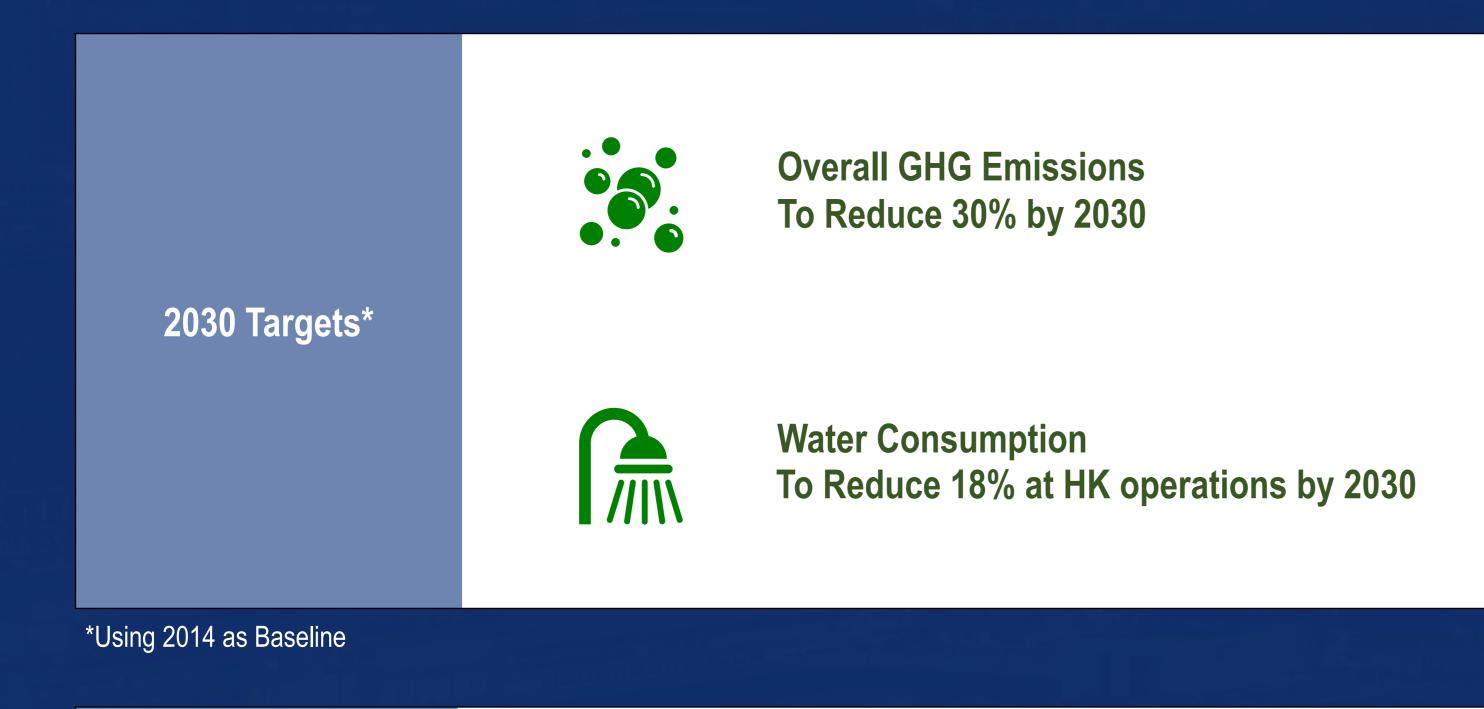




# Sustainability



# 2030 Environmental Targets



2023 Performance On Track with Targets



Total General Refuse Decreased by Over 15% (2019 Baseline)

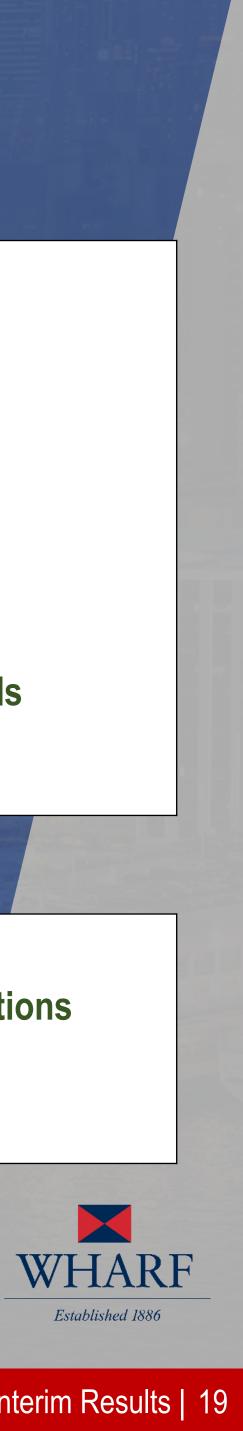




Waste Diversion To Divert Waste Away from Landfills



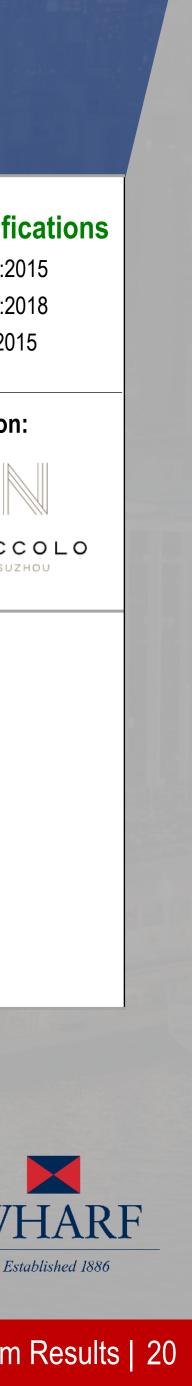
Purchased Electricity of HK Operations Decreased by 8% (2019 Baseline)



# ESG Performances & Recognitions



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# Environmental: Asset Enhancements & Renewable Energy

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\*The Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Scheme was launched in May 2018 It promotes the development of renewable energy (RE) in HK by buying RE from CLP customers at attractive FiT rates and reducing the payback period for RE system installations









# Social: Community Contributions

**Donation**:

3rd Top Donor 2022/2023\* by The Community Chest



What we supported In 2023

## **Top Fund-raiser** in Dress Casual Day 2023\*

With Staff's Support \*The Wharf Group incl. Wharf REIC & Wharf Holdings

## Sponsorship:

Venue & Advertising Space for **120** Charitable Events

Environmental Protection 12%

Social Welfare 44%

Arts & Culture

Education 29%

Healthy Life Óthers 5% 5%

Note: In terms of no. of events



## **Supports Youth Development via:**

- Project WeCan  $\bullet$
- The Wharf Art Scholarship Scheme lacksquare
- Architectural Design Internship Programme





## **Volunteer Activities**

Organized 27 Community Activities with Staff Volunteering  $\bullet$ 





## **Community Care** Healthy & Happy Ageing:

- Bright Senior Ambassador Programme ullet
- "WE Walk For Love" Festive Blessings to Underprivileged ●





# People: Governance, Talent Development & Workplace Safety

## Composition of Board of Directors (12 Board Members as of 30 Jun 24)

Designation	Directors with Ex	ecutive Functions (33	3%)
Age	50-60 (17%)	61-70 (17%)	
Gender	Male (83%)		
Ethnicity	Chinese (92%)		
Length of Service	< 2 Years (17%)	2-5 Years (25%)	
Achievements in 2	023		
Talent Development		Total No. of Trainin <b>125,000+</b> н	ng Hour Offered to Emplo Hours
Anti-corruption Training		<b>1,000+</b> Hours For Board Members	s, Directors & Employees
Gender Diversity		Maintain at a Good	•





# Appendix



# HC/TS/PH Performance

	Harbo	ur City	Times	Square	Plaza Ho	ollywood
1H24 (HK\$M)	Revenue	YoY Chg	Revenue	YoY Chg	Revenue	YoY Chg
Retail	2,883	+7%	630	+4%	225	-3%
Office	1,130	-2%	273	-8%	-	-
Hotels & Club	509	+18%	-	-	-	-
Serviced Apt.	81	+11%	-	-	-	-
Total	4,603	+5%	903	Flat	225	-3%
Valuation* as of 30 Jun 2024	\$15	8.6B	\$46	6.0B	\$8.	.5B
1H24 Avg. Retail Passing Rent (HK\$ psf per Month)	\$3	58	\$1	69	\$7	79
*Incl. Hotels at Valuation as of 30 Jun 2024						
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## Premium Quality Portfolio



The Above Refers to the 6 Key Properties in Hong Kong; Central Portfolio: Incl. Crawford House, Wh \*Valuation of All Hotels are Booked at Cost in Wharf REIC's Balance Sheet







# Overview of Application of Funds

	Major Capita	al & Development E	xpenditure			
HK\$	Incurred in 1H24	To be Incurred in Coming Years				
ΤΠ、Ψ		Committed	Uncommitted	Total		
HKIP	85M	54M	529M	583M		
Singapore IP	1M	_	_	_		
Mainland Properties	37M	163M	363M	526M		
Hotels & Others	11M	14M	-	14M		
Total	134M	231M	892M	1,123M		





# Thank You Stalled Recovery Depressed Property Values



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