

# **Responsible Investment Policy**

**New World Development Company Limited** 

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1. <u>Introduction</u>

The vision of New World Development Company Limited (the "Company", "Group" or "we") is to build a better society through innovation and sustainable growth. To deliver on this vision, we are committed to ensuring our investment decisions consider social, environmental and economic outcomes aligned to creating shared value for our key stakeholders including investors, partners, customers and the broader community.

This Responsible Investment Policy (the "Policy") is developed with the intention to integrate the Group's environmental, social and governance (ESG) commitments, standards and guidelines within its internal investment decision making processes.

## 2. Scope of Application

All Business Units ("BUs") under the Group are encouraged to refer to the principles of this Policy, where applicable. This Policy applies to the Company's investments, including real estate assets covering the full property lifecycle from land acquisition to project acquisition, as well as new businesses.

## 3. Commitment

The Company is committed to integrating ESG into its investment and divestment decision making by acting:

- Socially and ethically responsible by aligning our investments with our core values. We will focus on investments that support improving the quality of life, health and wellbeing of society through the places we create, the services we provide and where we operate;
- Environmentally sustainable by valuing natural ecosystems, conserving resources, supporting high-performance sustainable buildings, reducing our emissions aligned to science-based targets and contributing towards a climate resilient future; and
- Economically focused by knowing our customer, adopting an enterprise approach to risk management, understanding our markets and balancing both short/long term returns aligned to our core operating business and strategic growth.

The Group commits integrating ESG considerations in our investments via the following measures:

- Identify material ESG risks and opportunities as they evolve.
- Integrate ESG considerations and corporate sustainability objectives into decision making processes across investment, planning, design, development and operations of our assets.
- Embed corporate sustainability objectives and relevant ESG considerations and exclusions into corporate level governance, enterprise risk management,

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business strategies and goals.

- Assess scale of risks and opportunities through due diligence process, based on industry and regulatory standards and protocols, and international best practices where appropriate.
- Develop and implement risk mitigation measures where relevant.
- Demonstrate sustainable business leadership through future planning and capturing relevant opportunities.
- Build understanding and capacity for relevant stakeholders, and demonstrate transparency in decision making.
- Ensure investment decisions are made based on balanced scorecard with senior leadership endorsement.

This Policy is supported by a series of more specific policies, internal implementation guides and tools where necessary to ensure implementation.

# 4. Monitoring and Reporting

Key responsible investment initiatives and risks will be disclosed in the Company's annual reports or sustainability website. Independent assurance will be conducted where relevant.

## 5. Review of Policy

Necessary changes to the Policy due to legislative changes and the emergence of best practices will be proposed to the Group Sustainability Steering Committee<sup>1</sup> by the Group Sustainability Department for review, in any event, at least once every three years, and Sustainability Committee<sup>2</sup> for approval and adoption.

## 6. Enquiries

Please contact Group Sustainability Department via email (<u>sustainability@nwd.com.hk</u>) for enquiries on this Policy.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Group Sustainability Steering Committee: reporting to the Sustainability Committee and comprising senior executives from Group functions and major business units, the Steering Committee drives practical implementation of sustainability initiatives and manages their performance to support the Sustainability Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sustainability Committee: Chaired by Executive Vice-chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, the Sustainability Committee comprises four independent non-executive directors and one executive director and directly oversees and advises on the Company's sustainability strategy, work plans and performance targets to advance ESG leadership.