

Results for announcement to the market

Financial Results	% movement	31 December 2023 \$'000	31 December 2022 \$'000
Revenue from ordinary activities	-57%	2,404	5,596
Profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	-61%	1,301	3,329
Net profit for the period attributable to members	-61%	1301	3,329

Dividends	Amount per Ordinary Security	Franked amount per Security
2023 interim dividend*	\$0.0050	\$0.0050
2022 interim dividend	\$0.0050	\$0.0050

Record date for determining entitlements to the 2023 interim dividend	10 January 2024
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Net Tangible Asset Backing	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary security	\$1.277	\$1.22

Other explanatory notes
*Dividend - the company declared a 0.5 cent (\$0.005) 100% franked dividend on 3 January 2024 for the quarterly period ended 31 December 2023.

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 2023

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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 2023 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 \$1,773,000 (2022: \$4,574,000) and profit after tax for the half-year was \$1,355,000 (2022: \$3,329,000).

EARNINGS PER SHARE

The basic and diluted profit per share is 4.08 cents (2022: 9.82 cents).

DIVIDENDS

During the half-year the Company announced dividends payable for the June 2023 quarter of 0.50 cents per ordinary share (2022: 0.50 cents per ordinary share) and for the September 2023 quarter 0.50 cents per ordinary share (2022: 0.50 cents per ordinary share). The total dividends paid to shareholders were \$332,718 (2022: \$338,227). 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 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

Half year ended 31 December 2022:

Date of ASX announcement	Date of Payment	Dividend Declared	Dividend Amount
20 July 2022	12 August 2022	0.5 cents	\$169,844
13 October 2022	4 November 2022	0.5 cents	\$169,058
			\$338,902

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Directors' report (continued)

DIVIDENDS (continued)

Subsequent to 31 December 2023, the Company announced a dividend payable for the December 2023 quarter of 0.5 cents per ordinary share. The dividend was declared and announced to the ASX on 3 January 2024 and was paid out on 2 February 2024.

On 6 February 2024 the Company lodged a Bonus Issue Prospectus with ASIC and ASX, for a pro-rata bonus issue of one free option to acquire a share in the capital of the Company for every one share held by shareholders.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

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

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN STATE OF AFFAIRS

In the opinion of the directors, there were no significant 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 significant 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

23 February 2024

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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 2023, 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.

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Glyn O'Brien
Director

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Perth

23 February 2024

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Katana Capital Limited
Statement of comprehensive income
For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Half-year ended	
		31 December 2023 \$'000	31 December 2022 \$'000
Revenue			
Dividends and distribution income		481	493
Investment income	2	1,843	5,093
Interest		80	2
Other income		53	8
Total net investment income		2,457	5,596
Expenses			
Management fees		(215)	(217)
Performance fees		(67)	(410)
Legal and professional		(89)	(94)
Directors' fees and expenses		(159)	(155)
Administration		(79)	(69)
Investment transaction costs		(75)	(76)
Total expenses		(684)	(1,021)
Profit before income tax expense		1,773	4,575
Income tax expense		(418)	(1,246)
Net profit for the half-year attributable to shareholders of the Company		1,355	3,329
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the half-year attributable to shareholders of the Company		1,355	3,329
Basic and diluted earnings per share (cents per share)		4.08	9.82

The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Katana Capital Limited
Statement of financial position
As at 31 December 2023

	Note	31 December 2023 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	2,800	10,689
Receivables	4	22	45
Prepaid insurance		51	32
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	39,884	32,658
Total current assets		42,757	43,424
Total assets		42,757	43,424
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	7	145	1,408
Total current liabilities		145	1,408
Non-current liabilities			
Deferred tax liabilities	6	742	413
Total non-current liabilities		742	413
Total liabilities		887	1,821
Net assets		41,870	41,603
Equity			
Issued capital	8	34,134	34,889
Reserves	9	7,736	6,714
Total equity		41,870	41,603

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

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Statement of changes in equity
For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Issued capital	Profits reserve	Accumulated losses	Total
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2022		35,503	3,098	-	38,601
Profit for the half-year		-	-	3,329	3,329
Buy-back of shares	8	(194)	-	-	(194)
Dividends provided for or paid		-	(339)	-	(339)
Balance at 31 December 2022		35,309	2,759	3,329	41,397
Balance at 1 July 2023		34,889	6,714	-	41,603
Profit for the half-year		-	-	1,355	1,355
Buy-back of shares		(755)	-	-	(755)
Dividends provided for or paid		-	(333)	-	(333)
Balance at 31 December 2023		34,134	6,381	1,355	41,870

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

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Statement of cash flow
For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Half-year ended	
		31 December 2023 \$'000	31 December 2022 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Proceeds on sale of financial assets		16,356	24,320
Payments for purchases of financial assets		(22,063)	(19,967)
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,258)	(759)
Interest Received		80	2
Dividends and distributions received		504	634
Tax paid		(444)	(676)
Other revenue		24	25
Net cash inflow from operating activities		(6,801)	3,579
Cash flows from financing activities			
Payments for shares bought back		(755)	(194)
Dividends paid		(333)	(339)
Net cash outflow from financing activities		(1,088)	(533)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(7,889)	3,046
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half-year	3	10,689	7,142
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the half-year		2,800	10,188

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

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1. Corporate information

The financial report of Katana Capital Limited (the "Company") for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Katana Capital Limited on 23 February 2024.

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 and its subsidiary are for-profit entities.

2. Investment income

	Half-year ended	
	31 December 2023 \$'000	31 December 2022 \$'000
Realised gains on investments held for trading	1,254	448
Unrealised gains on investments held for trading	589	4,645
Total income	1,843	5,093

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3. Current assets - Cash and cash equivalents

	31 December 2023 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
Cash at banks	2,800	10,689

4. Current assets - Receivables

	As at 31 December 2023 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
Other receivables	22	45

There are no receivables past due or impaired.

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

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

	31 December 2023 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
Investments in listed equities	39,884	32,257
Investment in listed unit trusts	-	401
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	39,884	32,658

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

6. Non-current assets - Deferred tax liabilities (net)

	31 December 2023 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
Investments and unsettled shares	-	97
Provisions	-	200
Other	-	2
Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	-	(299)
Net deferred tax assets	-	-
Investments and unsettled shares	745	702
Dividends receivable	(3)	10
Set-off of deferred tax liabilities pursuant to set-off provisions	-	(299)
Net deferred tax liabilities	742	413

7. Current liabilities - payables

	31 December 2023	30 June 2023
	<u>\$'000</u>	<u>\$'000</u>
Trades payable	-	322
Management fees	128	127
Performance fees payable	-	571
Other payables	17	22
	<u>145</u>	<u>1,042</u>

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

8. Issued capital

	As at 31 December 2023		As at 30 June 2023	
	<u>No. of shares</u>	<u>\$'000</u>	<u>No. of shares</u>	<u>\$'000</u>
Issued and paid up capital - Ordinary				
shares	<u>32,788,014</u>	<u>34,314</u>	33,460,417	34,889

(a) Movements in ordinary share capital:

Half-year ended 31 December 2022

	<u>No. of shares</u>	<u>\$'000</u>
Opening balance - 1 July	34,027,927	35,503
Shares bought back from shareholders, net of Dividend Re-investment Plan	(184,516)	(194)

Half-year ended 31 December 2023

Opening balance - 1 July	33,460,417	34,889
Shares bought back from shareholders, net of Dividend Re-investment Plan	(672,403)	(755)
Closing balance - 31 December	32,788,014	34,134

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

During the period from 1 July 2023 to 31 December 2023, 672,403 shares were bought back on market and were subsequently cancelled. The shares were acquired at an average price of \$1.12 with the price ranging from \$1.09 to \$1.14 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 \$41,870,000 at 31 December 2023 (30 June 2023: \$41,603,000), 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.

9. Accumulated Losses and Reserves

(a) Profit reserve

The profit reserve is made up of amounts allocated from retained earnings that are preserved for future dividend payments.

Movement in profit reserve were as follows:

	As at 31 December 2023 \$'000	31 December 2022 \$'000
Opening balance	6,714	3,098
Dividends paid	(333)	(339)
Balance at the end of the period	6,381	2,759

(b) Retained earnings

Movements in the retained earnings were as follows:

	As at 31 December 2023 \$'000	31 December 2022 \$'000
Balance at the beginning of the year	-	-
Transfer to profits reserve	-	-
Profits for the period	1,355	3,329
Balance at the end of the period	1,355	3,329

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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.

Transactions between the Parent Company and related parties noted above 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 \$22,550 (2022: \$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 Group 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 2023 and 30 June 2023.

	31 December 2023			
	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Investment in listed equities	39,884	-	-	39,884
Total	39,884	-	-	39,884
	30 June 2023			
	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Investment in listed equities	32,257	-	-	32,257
Investment in unit trusts	401	-	-	401
Total	32,658	-	-	32,658

11. Financial Risk Management (continued)

(a) Fair value measurements (continued)

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 Group 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 significant 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 significantly or may significantly 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 3 January 2024, the Company announced a 0.5 cent per share dividend and was paid on 2 February 2024.

On 6 February 2024 the Company lodged a Bonus Issue Prospectus with ASIC and ASX, for a pro-rata bonus issue of one free option to acquire a share in the capital of the Company for every one share held by shareholders.

14. Commitments and contingencies

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

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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 2023 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date of the 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 2023.

On behalf of the Board
Katana Capital Limited



Dalton Gooding
Chairman
23 February 2024
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 2023, 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, a summary of significant accounting policies 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 2023 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 2023 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 (WA) Pty Ltd

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Glyn O'Brien

Director

Perth, 23 February 2024