

### AUSTRALIAN PREMIER FINANCE HOLDINGS LIMITED

#### ACN 099 912 04

## NOTICE OF 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING EXPLANATORY STATEMENT PROXY FORM

TIME: 10:00am AEDT

DATE: Thursday, 26 November 2015

PLACE: Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000

This Notice of Meeting should be read in its entirety. If Shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting. Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice of Meeting please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on (+61 2) 8072 1400.

# Notice of Annual General Meeting (setting out the proposed Resolutions) Explanatory Statement (explaining the proposed Resolutions) Glossary Proxy Form Attached

#### TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING AND HOW TO VOTE

#### **VENUE**

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders to which this Notice of Meeting relates will be at 10:00am AEDT on the 26 November 2015 at Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

#### YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

The business of the Annual General Meeting affects your shareholding and your vote is important.

#### **VOTING IN PERSON**

To vote in person, attend the Annual General Meeting on the date and at the place set out above.

#### **VOTING BY PROXY**

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and either:

- (a) deliver the proxy form:
  - (a) by hand to Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000; or
  - (b) by post to PO Box A2621, Sydney NSW 1235; or
- (b) by facsimile to +61 2 9283 1970,

so that it is received not later than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting.

Proxy Forms received later than this time will be invalid.

#### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Australian Premier Finance Holdings Limited (ACN 099 912 04) will be held at 10:00am AEDT on the 26 November 2015 at Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

The Explanatory Statement to this Notice of Meeting provides additional information on matters to be considered at the Annual General Meeting. The Explanatory Statement forms part of this Notice of Meeting.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001* (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders of the Company 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Terms and abbreviations used in this Notice of Meeting and Explanatory Statement are defined in the Glossary.

#### **AGENDA**

#### **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

#### **Financial Statements and Reports**

"To receive and to consider the Annual Financial Report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' Report, the Remuneration Report and the Auditor's Report for that financial year."

Note: This item of ordinary business is for discussion only and is not a resolution.

However, pursuant to the Corporations Act, Shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity at the Meeting to ask questions about, or make comments in relation to, each of the aforementioned reports during consideration of these items.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

#### Part A: Remuneration Report

#### 1. RESOLUTION 1 - ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as a **non-binding resolution**:

"That, for the purpose of Section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for the adoption of the remuneration report as contained in the Company's annual financial report for the financial year ended 30 June 2015."

**Note:** The vote on this Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company.

**Voting exclusion statement:** In accordance with the Corporations Act, the Company will disregard any votes cast on Resolution 1 by or on behalf of a member of the Company's key management personnel (including the Directors), whose remuneration details are included in the Remuneration Report (**KMP**), or any of that person's Closely Related Parties (such as close family members and any controlled companies of those persons) (collectively referred to as **Restricted Voter**). However, the Company need not disregard a vote if:

- (a) It is cast by a person as a proxy appointed in writing that specifies how the proxy is to vote on Resolution 1; and
- (b) It is not cast on behalf of a Restricted Voter.

If you appoint the person chairing the meeting and you are not a Restricted Voter, by marking the box on, and submitting, the Proxy Form you authorise the person chairing the meeting (**the Chair**) to exercise the proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a KMP, and you will be taken to have directed the Chair to vote in accordance with his or her stated intention to vote in favour of Resolution 1. If you do not want your vote exercised in favour of Resolution 1, you should direct the person chairing the meeting to vote "against", or to abstain from voting on, this Resolution.

#### Part B: Election of Directors

#### 2. RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF MR KENNETH ALLEN AS DIRECTOR

To consider and, if thought fit, to pass, with or without amendment, the following resolution as an **ordinary resolution**:

"That Mr Kenneth Allen, a Director who retires by rotation in accordance with the Company's Constitution, and being eligible offers himself for re-election, is re-elected as a Director of the Company."

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

In accordance with section 250S of the Corporations Act, the Shareholders are invited to ask questions about, or make comments in relation to, the management of the Company and to raise any other business that may be brought forward at the Meeting in accordance with the Constitution of the Company and the Corporations Act.

Dated: 23 October 2015

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Andrew Whitten
Company Secretary

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared for the information of the Shareholders in connection with the business to be conducted at the Annual General Meeting to be held at 10:00am AEDT on 26 November 2015 at Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

The purpose of this Explanatory Statement is to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions in the Notice of Meeting.

If you are in any doubt about what to do in relation to the Resolutions contemplated in the Notice of Meeting and this Explanatory Statement, it is recommended that you seek advice from an accountant, solicitor or other professional advisor.

Full details of the business to be considered at the Annual General Meeting are set out below.

#### **AGENDA**

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Constitution, the business of the Annual General Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the Annual Financial Report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2015 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Director's Report, the Remuneration Report and the Auditor's Report.

In accordance with the amendments to the Corporations Act, the Company is no longer required to provide a hard copy of the Company's Annual Financial Report to Shareholders unless a Shareholder has specifically elected to receive a printed copy. These amendments may result in reducing the Company's printing costs.

Whilst the Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's Annual Financial Report unless specifically requested to do so, Shareholders may view the Company Annual Financial Report on its website at www.apfc.com.au.

No resolution is required for this item, but Shareholders will be given the opportunity to ask questions and to make comments on the management and performance of the Company.

In addition, in accordance with section 250T of the Corporations Act, a representative of the Company's auditor for the year ended 30 June 2015, PKF(NS) Audit & Assurance Limited Partnership (**PKF**), will be in attendance to respond to any questions raised in relation to PKF or the Auditor's Report.

More specifically, Shareholders may ask PKF questions at the Meeting in relation to the following matters:

- the conduct of the audit;
- the independence of Lawler Partners in relation to the conduct of the audit; and
- the accounting policies adopted by the Company for the preparation of the financial statements.

Shareholders may submit written questions to PKF in relation to the above items. Any written questions to PKF must be submitted to the Company by no later than 5.00pm on the fifth Business Day before the date of the Meeting.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

#### Part A: Remuneration Report

#### **RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT**

In accordance with section 250R(2) of the Corporations Act, the Company is required to present to its Shareholders the Remuneration Report as disclosed in the Company's 2015 Annual Report.

The vote on the Resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company. The Remuneration Report is set out in the Company's 2015 Annual Report and is also available on the Company's website at www.apfc.com.au.

However, if at least 25% of the votes cast are against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting (subject of this Notice of Meeting), and then again at the 2016 Annual General Meeting (2016 AGM), the Company will be required to put to the vote a resolution (Spill Resolution) at the 2016 AGM to approve the calling of a further meeting (Spill Meeting). If more than 50% of Shareholders vote in favour of the Spill Resolution, the Company must convene the Spill Meeting within 90 days of the 2016 AGM. All of the Directors who were in office when the 2016 Directors' Report was approved, other than the Managing Director, will (if desired) need to stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

The Remuneration Report explains the Board's policies in relation to the nature and level of remuneration paid to KMPs (including Directors) and sets out remuneration details, service agreements and the details of any share-based compensation.

#### Voting

Note that a voting exclusion applies to Resolution 1 in the terms set out in the Notice of Meeting. In particular, the Directors and other Restricted Voters must not vote on this Resolution and must not cast a vote as proxy, unless the appointment gives a direction on how to vote, or the proxy is given to the Chair and you submit the Proxy Form, authorising the Chair to exercise the proxy even though Resolution 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a KMP and that in doing so you will be taken to have directed him to vote in accordance with his stated intention to vote in favour of Resolution 1.

Shareholders are urged to read carefully the Proxy Form and to provide a direction to the proxy on how to vote on this Resolution.

#### Part B: Election of Directors

#### RESOLUTION 2 - RE-ELECTION OF MR KENNETH ALLEN AS DIRECTOR

The Company's Constitution requires that if the Company has 3 or more Directors, a third (or the number of Directors nearest to one third) of those Directors must retire at each AGM, provided always that no Director (except a Managing Director) shall hold office for a period in excess of 3 years or until the third AGM following his or her appointment, whichever is the longer, without submitting himself or herself for re-election.

A Director who retires by rotation under clause 20.2 of the Company's Constitution is eligible for re-election pursuant to clause 20.3 of the Company's Constitution. As the longest serving Director since last election, Mr Allen has retired by rotation and seeks re-election.

Background details for Mr Allen are set out below:

Kenneth is the founder of the Group. Ken has been a Group director of numerous companies since June 1970. He has been a licensed Motor Dealer for more than 30 years and a specialist in motor vehicle finance. Ken is Australian born and educated in Sydney with tertiary qualifications in Management and Marketing.

He has been a Justice of the Peace for 30 years and active member of Rotary International. He is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Williamtown and team leader of Group Study Exchange (Adult Professional) team to Philippines in 2004. He is presently a member of the Rotary Club of Newcastle. Ken is also Chairman of the Credit Committee of the Group.

#### **Directors' recommendation**

The Directors (excluding Mr Allen) unanimously recommend that Shareholders vote for Resolution 2.

#### **ENQUIRIES**

Shareholders are asked to contact Mr Andrew Whitten, Company Secretary, on (+61 2) 8072 1400 if they have any queries in respect of the matters set out in these documents.

#### **GLOSSARY**

**AEDT** means Australian Eastern Daylight Time as observed in Sydney, New South Wales.

**Annual Report** or **Annual Financial Report** means the 2015 Annual Report to Shareholders for the period ended 30 June 2015 as lodged by the Company with NSX on 4 September 2015.

**Annual General Meeting** or **AGM** means an Annual General Meeting of the Company and, unless otherwise indicated, means the meeting of the Company's members convened by this Notice of Meeting.

**ASIC** means Australian Securities and Investment Commission.

**Auditor's Report** means the Auditors report of PKF dated 3 September 2015 and included in the Annual Report of the Company for the period ended 30 June 2015.

**Board** means the current board of Directors of the Company.

Business Day means a day on which trading takes place on the stock market of NSX.

**Company** means Australian Premier Finance Holdings Limited (ACN 099 912 04) care of Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

**Corporations Act** means the *Corporations Act* 2001 (Cth) as amended or replaced from time to time.

**Director** means a current director of the Company.

**Directors' Report** means the report of Directors as included in the Annual Report of the Company for the period ended 30 June 2015.

**Dollar** or "\$" means Australian dollars.

**Explanatory Statement** means the explanatory statement accompanying this Notice of Meeting.

**Meeting** means the meeting of the Company's members convened by this Notice of Meeting.

**Notice of Meeting** or **Notice of Annual General Meeting** means this notice of annual general meeting dated 23 October 2015 including the Explanatory Statement.

**NSX** means the National Stock Exchange of Australia Limited (ACN 000 902 063) and the financial market of which it operates of Level 2, 117 Scott Street, Newcastle, NSW 2000.

**NSX Listing Rules** means the official listing rules of the NSX and any other rules of the NSX which are applicable while the Company is admitted to the official list of the NSX, as amended or replaced from time to time, except to the extent of any express written waiver by the NSX.

PKF means PKF(NS) Audit &Assurance Limited Partnership (ABN 91 850 861 839).

**Proxy Form** means the proxy forma attached to this Notice of Meeting.

**Remuneration Report** means the remuneration report as set out in the Company's 2015 Annual Report and is also available on the Company's website at www.apfc.com.au.

**Restricted Voter** means a member of the Company's key management personnel (including the Directors) details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report and any of that person's Closely Related Parties (such as close family members and any controlled companies of those persons).

**Resolutions** means the resolutions set out in this Notice of Meeting, or any one of them, as the context requires.

**Share** means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a holder of a Share.

**Spill Meeting** means the meeting that will be convened within 90 days of the 2016 AGM if a threshold of votes are cast against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting and the 2016 AGM.

**Spill Resolution** means the resolution required to be put to Shareholders at the 2016 AGM if a threshold of votes are cast against the adoption of the Remuneration Report at the Meeting and the 2016 AGM.

## Australian Premier Finance Holdings Limited ACN 099 912 04

#### **Proxy Form**

STEP 1: APF	POINT A PROXY TO VOTE ON YOUR BEH	ALF					
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Please read carefully and follow the instructions overleaf.

#### How to complete this Proxy Form

For your proxy vote to be effective, your completed Proxy Form must be received at least 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting.

#### Step 1: Appointing a proxy

If you are entitled to attend and vote at the meeting, you may appoint a proxy to attend the meeting and vote on your behalf. A proxy can be an individual or a body corporate and need not be a shareholder. You may select the Chairman of the meeting as your proxy.

**Appointing a second proxy:** If you are entitled to cast two or more votes, you may appoint up to two persons as proxies to attend the Meeting and vote on a poll. If you wish to appoint a second proxy, an additional Voting Form may be obtained by telephoning the Company's registered office or you may copy this form and return them both together. If you appoint two proxies, you must specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy may exercise. If no percentage is specified, each proxy may exercise half of your votes. Fractions of votes will be disregarded.

**Default to the Chairman of the meeting:** Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the meeting will automatically default to the Chairman of the meeting, who is required to vote those proxies as directed.

Additional Proxy Forms: You can obtain additional Proxy Forms by telephoning the Company or you may copy this Form. Please lodge both Proxy Forms together.

#### Step 2: Voting directions

You may direct your proxy how to vote by placing a mark (\*) in one of the boxes opposite each item of business. All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions. If you mark the "Abstain" box for an item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on that item. If you mark more than one box for an item, your vote on that item will be invalid.

**Voting a portion of your holding:** You may indicate that only a portion of your voting rights are to be voted on any item by inserting a percentage or the number of securities you wish to vote in the appropriate box or boxes. The total of votes cast, or the percentage for or against, an item must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%.

No directions: If you do not mark any of the boxes on a given item, your proxy may vote as he or she chooses.

**Lodging your Proxy Form**: This Proxy Form must be received by the Company at least 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Form received after that time will not be effective for the meeting. You can return this Proxy Form (and any Power of Attorney under which it is signed):

- by post to PO Box A2621, Sydney South NSW 1235;
- by facsimile to (+61 2) 9283 1970; or
- by hand delivery to Level 5, 137-139 Bathurst Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

#### Step 3: Signing instructions

Individual: The Proxy Form must be signed by the shareholder personally or by Power of Attorney (see below).

Joint holding: The Proxy Form must be signed by each of the joint shareholders personally or by Power of Attorney (see below).

**Power of Attorney:** To sign under Power of Attorney, you must have already lodged the Power of Attorney with the Company. If you have not previously lodged that document, please attach a certified copy of the Power of Attorney to this Proxy Form when you return it.

**Companies:** For a corporate shareholder, if the company has a sole director who is also the sole company secretary, that person must sign this Proxy Form. If the company does not have a company secretary (under section 204A of the Corporations Act 2001), its sole director must sign this Proxy Form. Otherwise, a director must sign jointly with either another director or a company secretary in accordance with section 127 of the Corporations Act 2001. Please indicate the office held by signing in the appropriate place.

Corporate representative: If a representative of a corporate shareholder or proxy is to attend the meeting, the appropriate Certificate of appointment of Corporate Representative must be produced before the meeting. A form of the certificate may be obtained by telephoning the Company.