



# 2021 Corporate Governance Statement

The Board of Felix Group Holdings Ltd ("Felix" or "the Company") is responsible for the governance of the Group and its controlled entities (collectively, "the Group").

The Board has adopted a suite of charters and key corporate governance documents which define the policies and procedures followed by the Group. These documents can be found in the Corporate Governance section of the Group's website.

The policies and procedures were adopted in November 2020 and were effective from the date the Company listed on the ASX, 12 January 2021. The corporate governance policies and practices are reviewed periodically and developed to meet the needs of Felix.

The Group's Corporate Governance Statement references the ASX Corporate Governance Council Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (4<sup>th</sup> Edition) (the "ASX CGPR").

The ASX CGPR are outlined on the following pages with the corresponding section of this Corporate Governance Statement addressing the Group's practices.

This statement provides an outline of the main corporate governance policies and practices the Group had in place during the 2021 financial year and how the Group's frameworks aligns with the ASX CGPR (unless otherwise noted).

This statement has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Group and the information contained herein is correct as of 28 September 2021.

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#### Recommendations **Compliance with Recommendations** Principle 1 – Lay solid foundations for management and oversight 1.1 Roles and responsibilities The Board adopted and approved a Board Charter on 18 of Board and management November 2020. A copy of the Charter is available at https://www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance. The Board is committed to acting in the best interests of the Company, and has established the functions and responsibilities for the Board and those delegated to management in the Charter. 1.2 Appointment Nomination and Remuneration and re-Committee election of Directors responsible for recommending candidates for appointment to the Board. This includes background checks on

nominated candidates to ensure they have the required competence, experience and skill levels required by the business and that candidates are legally eligible to act as Directors. Full background checks, including criminal record and bankruptcy checks were performed on all Directors.

Comprehensive biographical information is provided to shareholders in the notice of meetings to enable them to make an informed decision whether to elect or re-elect a Director.

All directors and senior executives have a written agreement which formalises the terms of their appointment. Each Director executes a letter of appointment which details the terms of their appointment, and expectation of duties relating to the position.

The Group Secretary is accountable to the Board, through the Chair, on all matters to do with the proper functioning of the Board. All Directors have access to the Company Secretary. Their biographical details and qualifications are included in the 2021 Annual Report.

The Group has a diversity policy under which the Board is responsible for setting of measurable objectives for achieving gender diversity and monitoring the Group's process. The Nomination and Remuneration Committee is responsible for the implementation and ongoing management of the policy. A copy of the diversity policy is available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors/coporate-governance">www.felix.net/investors/coporate-governance</a>.

Gender diversity statistics as at 28 September 2021 are outlined in the table below:

	Male	Female
Number of total employees	45	7
Percentage of total employees	87%	13%
Number of senior executives*	3	0
Percentage of senior executives	100%	0%
Number of total Board members	5	1
Percentage of total Board members	83%	17%

\*Direct reports to the CEO

The Group is committed to ensuring equal employment opportunity for all its employees and senior management, based on merit, ability, performance and potential, in a way that contributes to the achievement of its corporate objectives, including diversity.

A review of Board performance is conducted by the Chairperson and Directors on an ongoing basis and through an annual self-assessment process. A Board evaluation process was not conducted during the financial year, given the addition of many Directors part way through the financial year. All Directors have access to continuing education and are provided with the information they need to discharge their responsibilities effectively. The Company

1.3 Written agreement with Directors

1.4 Company Secretary

1.5 Diversity

1.6 Board performance evaluation

1.7 Management performance evaluation

Secretary plays an integral role in supporting the Board by monitoring Board policy and procedures and co-ordinating meeting documentation.

The Board has a process in place for the evaluation of senior executives, which is implemented through the Nomination and Remuneration Committee. Key performance indicators for each executive are monitored on regular basis. A formal assessment of senior executives was not performed during the current financial year as a result of the addition of many Directors part way through the financial year.

## Principle 2 – Structure the Board to be effective and add value

2.1 Nomination Committee

A Nomination & Remuneration Committee has been established with its own charter, available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors/coporate-governance">www.felix.net/investors/coporate-governance</a>.

The committee make up through the period was:

- For the period 1 July 2020 to 28 October 2020 the Board committee was made up of the entire Board, four non-independent Directors.
- 28 October 2020 to 18 November the Board committee was made up of the entire Board, three non-independent Directors.
- 18 November 2020 to 22 January 2021 the Board committee was made up of the Chairman of the Board, who is independent, and two nonindependent Directors.
- 22 January 2021 to 28 September 2021 the Board committee was made up of the Chairman of the Board, who is independent, one independent Director and two non-independent Directors.

The qualifications of all members are set out in the FY21 Annual Report (Directors' Report).

The Group was listed on the ASX on 12 January 2021.

The skills, knowledge and experience set out in the table below have been identified as those that are required for the effective management of the Group.

Skill	No of Directors (6)
CEO & Executive	5
Leadership	3
Audit, Finance, Risk	4
Contracting Industry	3
Software/ SaaS	3
Customer/ Marketing	2
M&A	3
International	4
Listed	3
Growth/ Innovation	4

2.3 Board independence and length of service

The Group currently has six Directors, of which three are independent Non-executive Directors. The Board is chaired by Michael Bushby, an independent Non-executive Director.

2.2 Board skills matrix

		Details of the skills and length of service of each Director are set out in the FY2021 Annual Report (Directors' Report).
	2.4 Board composition	The Board is not currently compliant as it has equal independent and non-independent Directors.
		The three non-independent founder Directors are, Michael Trusler and Mike Davis due to being current or recent executives of the business, and George Rolleston, a significant shareholder and long term Director.
	2.5 Chair independence	The decision as to whether a Director is independent is made by the Board.  The Chair, Michael Bushby, is an independent Non-
	2.6 Induction and professional development.	executive Director.  Each new Board member has been afforded the opportunity to meet with existing Board members, relevant senior executives and managers. All Board members are expected to maintain the skills required to discharge their respective roles. Where appropriate, specific updates to changes in regulations and standards will be communicated to the Directors as part of formal meetings of the Board or sub-committees.
	Principle 3 – Instil a culture o	f acting lawfully, ethically and responsibly
	3.1 Values	<ol> <li>Provide the solution</li> <li>Deliver the result</li> <li>Respect the past</li> <li>Create the future</li> </ol>
	3.2 Code of conduct	The Group has a Code of Conduct for Directors, senior executives and employees, which set out the fundamental principles of business conduct expected by the Group. The Code of Conduct, as it relates to Directors, is contained within the Charter, available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/corporate-governance">www.felix.net/corporate-governance</a> .
	3.3 Whistleblower policy	The Board has adopted a Whistleblower policy to ensure concerns regarding unacceptable conduct including breaches of the Group's code of conduct can be raised on a confidential basis, without fear of reprisal, or discriminatory treatment.
		Under the Group's policy, any material breaches are to be reported to the Chairman and the Company Secretary of the Board.
	3.4 Anti-bribery and	A copy of the Whistleblower Policy is available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance">www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance</a> .  The Board has a zero-tolerance approach to any acts of
	corruption policy	bribery and corruption and is committed to ensuring Directors and employees are acting professionally, fairly and with integrity in all business dealings.
		Under the Group's policy, any material breaches are to be reported to the Chairman and the Company Secretary of the Board.
		A copy of the Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption Policy is available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance">www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance</a> .

#### 4.1 Audit committee

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- 22 January 2021 to 14 July 2021 the Board committee was made up of two independent Directors and two non-independent Directors.
- 14 July 2021 to 23 September 2021 the Board committee was chaired by an independent, Director and made up of a further three Directors, two independent Directors and one non-independent Director.
- 23 September 2021 to 28 September 2021 the Board committee was chaired by an independent, Director and made up of a further two nonindependent Directors.

The qualifications of all members are set out in the FY21 Annual Report (Directors' Report).

The Group was listed on the ASX on 12 January 2021. The Board has received the declaration from the CEO and CFO required under section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001 in respect of the 2021 financial report.

To verify the integrity of periodic corporate reports to the market which are not audited or reviewed by an external auditor, all corporate reports are, at a minimum, reviewed prior to release by the CEO, CFO and a Director, usually the Chairman. In addition, the review of all market sensitive releases is a permanent Board meeting agenda item.

## Principle 5 – Make timely and balanced disclosure

5.1 Disclosure policy

The Group has adopted a formal Market Disclosure policy, of which is available to view www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance. The policy describes the key obligations of the Board and senior management to ensure the Group's compliance with its disclosure requirements as well as guidelines for the determination of what information and events trigger reporting requirements. The Board has overall responsibility for the establishment, implementation and supervision of the Company's continuous disclosure process, it has delegated this authority to the Company Secretary.

5.2 Material market announcements

Under the Group's Market Disclosure policy, all members of the Board will receive material market announcements prior to being released.

4.2 CEO & CFO declaration of financial statements

4.3 Integrity of corporate reports

5.3 Investor presentation disclosures

Under the Group's Market Disclosure policy, all substantive investor analyst presentations will be released on the ASX Market Announcements Platform ahead of such presentations.

# Principle 6 – Respect the rights of security holders

6.1 Publicly available governance information

The Group's website contains extensive information on the Group, its history and business activities and information relevant to investors are set out in the guidelines.

6.2 Investor relations programs

Investors may access copies of ASX announcements, investor presentations, annual reports and the Shareholder Communication Policy at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors">www.felix.net/investors</a>.

6.3 Facilitate participation at meetings of security holders

The Group has implemented an investor relations program and includes the contact details for investor relations on its market releases.

6.4 Resolutions by poll at meetings of security holders

To facilitate participating at meetings, all security holders are provided advance notice of meetings which contain information on how investors could participate in the meeting.

6.5 Electronic communication to and from security holders

The Group is yet to conduct an AGM or EGM as a listed entity. The Group plans to have all substantive resolutions at meetings of security holders decided by poll, rather than a show of hands.

Security holders are afforded the option of being able to receive communications electronically, which is managed through our security registry. The Group also provides email address to enable investors to contact investor relations contacts.

# Principle 7 – Recognise and manage risk

7.1 Risk committee

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The qualifications of all members are set out in the FY21 Annual Report (Directors' Report). The Group was listed on the ASX on 12 January 2021. 7.2 Annual risk review Risks affecting the Group have been regularly monitored and mitigated as part of the ordinary Board review processes as well as through the due diligence process prior to listing. A formal risk management framework will be implemented by the Audit & Risk committee. 7.3 Internal audit The Group, due to its size, does not currently have an internal audit function. It has employed its Chief Financial Officer who has been formally tasked with implementing and improving the current system of controls with regular feedback to the Board. This has been monitored and reviewed throughout the year. 7.4 Environmental and social Material risks associated with the operations of the Group risk management have been identified and a Risk Register is maintained by the Group. The Board does not currently consider the Group to be materially exposed to environmental or social risks. Principle 8 – Remunerate fairly and responsibly 8.1 Remuneration committee A Nomination & Remuneration Committee has been established with its own charter, available www.felix.net/investors/coporate-governance. The committee make up through the period was: For the period 1 July 2020 to 28 October 2020 the Board committee was made up of the entire Board, four non-independent Directors. 28 October 2020 to 18 November the Board committee was made up of the entire Board, three non-independent Directors. 18 November 2020 to 22 January 2021 the Board committee was made up of the Chairman of the Board, who is independent, and two independent Directors. 22 January 2021 to 28 September 2021 the Board committee was made up of the Chairman of the Board, who is independent, one independent Director and two non-independent Directors. The qualifications of all members are set out in the FY21 Annual Report (Directors' Report). The Group was listed on the ASX on 12 January 2021. 8.2 Disclosure of Executive The Group seeks to attract and retain high performing and Non-Executive Director Executives with and appropriate qualifications and experience to add value to the Group and remuneration policy fulfil the roles and responsibilities required. Additional details of the Group's remuneration methodologies are displayed in the FY21 Annual Report. Executive remuneration is to reflect performance and accordingly, remuneration is structured with a fixed

component and performance-based component.

Non-Executive Directors are paid fixed fees for their services in accordance with the Group's Constitution.

The Group provides long term incentives to executives and Directors via its Senior Management Option Plan and Director Option Plan. The Plans are designed to focus on long-term shareholder returns. Under the Plans, participants will be able to exercise their securities subject to vesting conditions being satisfied.

Further details regarding remuneration and share retention policies and the remuneration of Executive and Non-Executive Directors, are set out in the 2021 Annual Report and detailed in the Securities Trading Policy available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance">www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance</a>.

Details of the Group's Senior Management Option Plan and Director Option Plan are set out in the Remuneration Report and included in the FY21 Annual Report.

The Group's Plan agreements prohibit transactions which conflict with the Group's Securities Trading Policy (which prohibits Directors and executives entering into margin lending arrangements or short-term dealings trading in relation to company securities).

A copy of the Securities Trading policy is available at <a href="https://www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance">www.felix.net/investors/corporate-governance</a>.

8.3 Policy on hedging equity incentive schemes