



17 October 2024

Dear Shareholder

Annual General Meeting – Notice of Meeting and Proxies

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting (**Meeting**) of Shareholders of Australian Silica Quartz Group Ltd (ACN 119 699 982) (**Company**) will be held as follows:

Time and date: 11.00am (AWST) on Tuesday, 19 November 2024

Location: Suite 10, 295 Rokeby Road, Subiaco, Western Australia

Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) the Company will not be dispatching physical copies of the Notice of Meeting unless individual shareholders have made a valid election to receive documents in hard copy. Instead, the Notice of Meeting and accompanying explanatory statement (**Meeting Materials**) are being made available to shareholders electronically and can be viewed and downloaded from:

- the Company's website at <https://asqg.com.au/announcements>; and
- the ASX market announcements page under the Company's code "ASQ".

If you have nominated an email address and have elected to receive electronic communications from the Company, you will also receive an email to your nominated email address with a link to an electronic copy of the Notice of Meeting.

Voting at the Meeting or by proxy

Shareholders are encouraged to vote by lodging a proxy form.

Proxy forms can be lodged:

- **Online:** <https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah>
- **By mail:** Automic, GPO Box 5193, Sydney NSW 2001
- **In-person:** Automic, Level 5, 126 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000
- **By email:** meetings@automicgroup.com.au
- **By fax:** +61 2 8583 3040
- **By mobile:** Scan the QR Code on your Proxy Form and follow the prompts

Your proxy voting instruction must be received by 11.00am (AWST) on 17 November 2024 being not less than 48 hours before the commencement of the Meeting. Any proxy voting instructions received after that time will not be valid for the Meeting.

The Meeting Materials should be read in their entirety. If shareholders are in doubt as to how they should vote, they should seek advice from their professional advisers prior to voting.

Authorised for release by:

Sam Middlemas
Chief Executive Officer and Company Secretary



Australian Silica Quartz Group Ltd

ABN 72 119 699 982

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at the offices of the Company, Suite 10, 295 Rokeby Road, Subiaco, Western Australia on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at 11.00am (WST).

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

This Notice 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 any matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary by telephone on (08) 9200 8200.

The Directors have determined pursuant to Regulation 7.11.37 of the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) that the persons eligible to vote at the Meeting are those who are registered Shareholders at 4:00pm (WST) on 17 November 2024.

Shareholders are urged to attend or vote by lodging the proxy form attached to the Notice

BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

AGENDA

1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

To receive and consider the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Director's report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

2. 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 purposes 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 2024.”

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

A voting prohibition statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

3. RESOLUTION 2 – SPILL RESOLUTION

If less than 25% of the votes cast on Resolution 1 are voted against adoption of the Remuneration Report, the Chair will withdraw Resolution 2.

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

“That, for the purposes of section 250V(1) of the Corporations Act and for all other purposes, approval is given for:

- (a) the Company to hold another meeting of Shareholders within 90 days of the date of this Meeting (**Spill Meeting**); and*
- (b) all Vacating Directors to cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting; and*
- (c) resolutions to appoint persons to offices that will be vacated pursuant to (b) to be put to vote at the Spill Meeting.”*

A voting prohibition statement applies to this Resolution. Please see below.

4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR ROBERT NASH

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

“That, for the purpose of clause 14.2 of the Constitution, Listing Rule 14.5 and for all other purposes, Mr Robert Nash, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director.”

5. RESOLUTION 4 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR PENGFEI ZHAO

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

“That, for the purpose of clause 14.2 of the Constitution and for all other purposes, Mr Pengfei Zhao, a Director, retires by rotation, and being eligible, is re-elected as a Director.”

Dated: 12 October 2024

By order of the Board

**Sam Middlemas
Company Secretary**

Voting Prohibition Statements

<p>Resolution 1 – Adoption of Remuneration Report</p>	<p>A vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of either of the following persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a member of the Key Management Personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or (b) a Closely Related Party of such a member. <p>However, a person (the voter) described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; or (b) the voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; and (ii) expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.
<p>Resolution 2 – Spill Resolution</p>	<p>A vote on this Resolution must not be cast (in any capacity) by or on behalf of either of the following persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a member of the Key Management Personnel, details of whose remuneration are included in the Remuneration Report; or (b) a Closely Related Party of such a member. <p>However, a person (the voter) described above may cast a vote on this Resolution as a proxy if the vote is not cast on behalf of a person described above and either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the voter is appointed as a proxy by writing that specifies the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; or (b) the voter is the Chair and the appointment of the Chair as proxy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) does not specify the way the proxy is to vote on this Resolution; and (ii) expressly authorises the Chair to exercise the proxy even though this Resolution is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of the Key Management Personnel.

Voting by proxy

To vote by proxy, please complete and sign the enclosed Proxy Form and return by the time and in accordance with the instructions set out on the Proxy Form.

In accordance with section 249L of the Corporations Act, Shareholders are advised that:

- each Shareholder has a right to appoint a proxy;
- the proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company; and
- a Shareholder who is entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the Shareholder appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the member's votes, then in accordance with section 249X(3) of the Corporations Act, each proxy may exercise one-half of the votes.

Shareholders and their proxies should be aware that:

- if proxy holders vote, they must cast all directed proxies as directed; and
- any directed proxies which are not voted will automatically default to the Chair, who must vote the proxies as directed.

Voting in person

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

You may still attend the Meeting and vote in person even if you have lodged appointed a proxy. If you have previously submitted a Proxy Form, your attendance will not revoke your proxy appointment unless you actually vote at the Meeting for which the proxy is proposed to be used, in which case, the proxy's appointment is deemed to be revoked with respect to voting on that Resolution.

Please bring your personalised Proxy Form with you as it will help you to register your attendance at the Meeting. If you do not bring your Proxy Form with you, you can still attend the Meeting but you will need to verify your identity. You can register from 10.00am on the day of the Meeting.

Should you wish to discuss the matters in this Notice please do not hesitate to contact the Company Secretary on +61 8 9200 8200.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This Explanatory Statement has been prepared to provide information which the Directors believe to be material to Shareholders in deciding whether or not to pass the Resolutions.

1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

In accordance with the Corporations Act, the business of the Meeting will include receipt and consideration of the annual financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 together with the declaration of the Directors, the Directors' report, the Remuneration Report and the auditor's report.

The Company will not provide a hard copy of the Company's annual financial report to Shareholders unless specifically requested to do so. The Company's annual financial report is available on its website at www.asqg.com.au.

2. RESOLUTION 1 – ADOPTION OF REMUNERATION REPORT

2.1 General

The Corporations Act requires that at a listed company's annual general meeting, a resolution that the remuneration report be adopted must be put to the shareholders. However, such a resolution is advisory only and does not bind the company or the directors of the company.

The remuneration report sets out the company's remuneration arrangements for the directors and senior management of the company. The remuneration report is part of the directors' report contained in the annual financial report of the company for a financial year.

The chair of the meeting must allow a reasonable opportunity for its shareholders to ask questions about or make comments on the remuneration report at the annual general meeting.

2.2 Voting consequences

A company is required to put to its shareholders a resolution proposing the calling of another meeting of shareholders to consider the appointment of directors of the company (**Spill Resolution**) if, at consecutive annual general meetings, at least 25% of the votes cast on a remuneration report resolution are voted against adoption of the remuneration report and at the first of those annual general meetings a Spill Resolution was not put to vote. If required, the Spill Resolution must be put to vote at the second of those annual general meetings.

If more than 50% of votes cast are in favour of the Spill Resolution, the company must convene a shareholder meeting (**Spill Meeting**) within 90 days of the second annual general meeting.

All of the directors of the company who were in office when the directors' report (as included in the company's annual financial report for the most recent financial year) was approved, other than the managing director of the company, will cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting but may stand for re-election at the Spill Meeting.

Following the Spill Meeting those persons whose election or re-election as directors of the company is approved will be the directors of the company.

2.3 Previous voting results

At the Company's previous annual general meeting, the votes cast against the remuneration report considered at that annual general meeting were more than 25%. Accordingly, the Spill Resolution will be relevant for this Meeting if at least 25% of the votes cast on this Resolution are voted against adoption of the Remuneration Report. Refer to Resolution 2 and Section 3 for further information.

3. RESOLUTION 2 – SPILL RESOLUTION

If less than 25% of the votes cast on Resolution 1 are voted against adoption of the Remuneration Report, the Chair will withdraw Resolution 2.

3.1 General

The Corporations Act requirements for this Resolution to be put to vote are set out in Section 2.2.

The effect of this Resolution being passed is the Company will be required to hold another meeting of Shareholders within 90 days of the date of this Meeting (**Spill Meeting**) and the Vacating Directors will cease to hold office immediately before the end of the Spill Meeting. The business of the Spill Meeting will be to put to vote resolutions to appoint persons to offices vacated by the Vacating Directors.

In the event a Spill Meeting is required a separate notice of meeting will be distributed to Shareholders with details about those persons who will seek election as directors of the Company at the Spill Meeting.

3.2 Proxy voting restrictions

Shareholders appointing a proxy for this Resolution should note the voting restrictions applying to Resolution 1 apply in the same manner to this Resolution.

4. RESOLUTION 3 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR ROBERT NASH

4.1 General

Listing Rule 14.5 provides that an entity which has directors must hold an election of directors at each annual general meeting.

The Constitution sets out the requirements for determining which Directors are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting. Clause 14.2 of the Constitution provides that one-third of the Directors must retire from office at each annual general meeting or, if their number is not a multiple of 3, then the number nearest one-third (rounded upwards in case of doubt). In determining the number of Directors to retire, no account is to be taken of a Director who has been appointed as an addition to the Board throughout the year and who is facing election at the annual general meeting, or the Managing Director.

The Company currently has four Non-Executive Directors. Accordingly, two Directors are required to retire by rotation at this Meeting.

A Director who retires in accordance with clause 14.2 and Listing Rule 14.5 is eligible for re-election.

Non-Executive Chairman Mr Robert Nash was last elected as a Director at the Annual General Meeting held on 24 November 2022. It has been agreed that Mr

Nash will retire at this Meeting and being eligible, seek re-election pursuant to Resolution 3.

4.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

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Mr Nash is a lawyer by profession and currently practices as a barrister at Francis Burt Chambers. He is Chairman of the WA Racing Penalties Appeals Tribunal, and until his retirement in 2018, he was the Head of WA Navy Legal Panel. He has served as a council member of the Law Society of Western Australia for 10 years, a Convenor of the Law Society Education Committee and as a member of the Ethics and Professional Conduct Committees.

Mr Nash joined the Board before the Company listed in 2008. He was appointed Chairman in August 2013.

Mr Nash has not held any other listed company directorships in the last 3 years.

Mr Nash has acknowledged to the Company that he will have sufficient time to fulfil his responsibilities as a Director.

4.3 Independence

If re-elected, the Board considers that Mr Nash is an independent director. The Board has considered Mr Nash's length of service as a Director and is of the view that it does not compromise Mr Nash's capacity to bring an independent judgement to bear on issues before the Board and to act in the best interests of the Company and its security holders generally. On this basis, the Board has classified Mr Nash as an independent director.

4.4 Board recommendation

The Board considers that Mr Nash's legal and corporate experience and experience within the Company itself is integral to the Company and that Mr Nash will continue to be instrumental in the growth of the Company at an important stage of development. Accordingly, the Board (with Mr Nash abstaining) recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 3.

4.5 Technical information required by Listing Rule 14.1A

If this Resolution is passed, Mr Nash will be re-elected to the Board as an independent Director.

If this Resolution is not passed, Mr Nash will not continue in their role as an independent Director. The Company may seek nominations or otherwise identify suitably qualified candidates to join the Company. As an additional consequence, this may detract from the Board and Company's ability to execute on its strategic vision.

5. RESOLUTION 4 – RE-ELECTION OF DIRECTOR – MR PENGFEI ZHAO

5.1 General

The Constitution sets out the requirements for determining which Directors are to retire by rotation at an annual general meeting. Refer to Section 4.1 for a summary of clause 14.2 of the Constitution.

Non-Executive Director, Mr Pengfei Zhao was last elected as a Director at the Annual General Meeting held on 24 November 2022. It has been agreed that Mr Pengfei Zhao will also retire at this Meeting and being eligible, seek re-election pursuant to Resolution 4.

5.2 Qualifications and other material directorships

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Mr Zhao has been the director of HD Mining & Investments Pty Ltd (HD Mining), a substantial Shareholder of the Company, in charge of financial planning and control, mineral titles and project evaluation for the last 10 years. HD Mining is a substantial shareholder and joint venture partner of the Company.

Mr Zhao is also a manager and director of several proprietary companies with involvement in the areas of mineral exploration, international trading and investment.

Mr Zhao has not held any other listed company directorships in the last 3 years.

Mr Zhao has acknowledged to the Company that he will have sufficient time to fulfil his responsibilities as a Director.

5.3 Independence

If re-elected the Board considers that Mr Zhao is not an independent director, due to his relationship with the Company's substantial shareholder, HD Mining and Investments Pty Ltd.

5.4 Board recommendation

The Board considers that Mr Zhao's financial and mining experience, his deep knowledge of the Company's business, and his relationship with HD Mining is integral to the Company and that Mr Zhao will be instrumental in the growth of the Company at an important stage of development. Accordingly, the Board (with Mr Zhao abstaining) recommends that Shareholders vote in favour of Resolution 4.

5.5 Technical information required by Listing Rule 14.1A

If this Resolution is passed, Mr Zhao will be re-elected to the Board as a Non-Executive Director.

If this Resolution is not passed, Mr Zhao will not continue in their role as Non-Executive Director. The Company may seek nominations or otherwise identify suitably qualified candidates to join the Company. As an additional consequence, this may detract from the Board and Company's ability to execute on its strategic vision.

GLOSSARY

\$ means Australian dollars.

ASIC means the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

ASX means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by ASX Limited, as the context requires.

Board means the current board of directors of the Company.

Business Day means Monday to Friday inclusive, except New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and any other day that ASX declares is not a business day.

Chair means the chair of the Meeting.

Closely Related Party of a member of the Key Management Personnel means:

- (a) a spouse or child of the member;
- (b) a child of the member's spouse;
- (c) a dependent of the member or the member's spouse;
- (d) anyone else who is one of the member's family and may be expected to influence the member, or be influenced by the member, in the member's dealing with the entity;
- (e) a company the member controls; or
- (f) a person prescribed by the Corporations Regulations 2001 (Cth) for the purposes of the definition of 'closely related party' in the Corporations Act.

Company means Australian Silica Quartz Group Limited (ABN 72 119 699 982).

Constitution means the Company's constitution.

Corporations Act means the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

Directors means the current directors of the Company.

Explanatory Statement means the explanatory statement accompanying the Notice.

Key Management Personnel has the same meaning as in the accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board and means those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of the consolidated entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company, or if the Company is part of a consolidated entity, of an entity within the consolidated group.

Listing Rules means the Listing Rules of ASX.

Managing Director means the managing director of the Company who may, in accordance with the Listing Rules, continue to hold office indefinitely without being re-elected to the office.

Meeting means the meeting convened by the Notice.

Notice means this notice of meeting including the Explanatory Statement and the Proxy Form.

Option means an option to acquire a Share.

Proxy Form means the proxy form accompanying the Notice.

Remuneration Report means the remuneration report set out in the Director's report section of the Company's annual financial report for the year ended 30 June 2024.

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

Section means a section of the Explanatory Statement.

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

Shareholder means a registered holder of a Share.

Vacating Directors means the Directors who were directors of the Company when the resolution to make the directors' report considered at the last annual general meeting of the Company was passed, other than the Managing Director at that time.

WST means Western Standard Time as observed in Perth, Western Australia.

Your proxy voting instruction must be received by **11.00am (AWST) on Sunday, 17 November 2024**, being **not later than 48 hours** before the commencement of the Meeting. Any Proxy Voting instructions received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled Meeting.

SUBMIT YOUR PROXY

Complete the form overleaf in accordance with the instructions set out below.

YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS

The name and address shown above is as it appears on the Company's share register. If this information is incorrect, and you have an Issuer Sponsored holding, you can update your address through the investor portal: <https://investor.automic.com.au/#/home> Shareholders sponsored by a broker should advise their broker of any changes.

STEP 1 – APPOINT A PROXY

If you wish to appoint someone other than the Chair of the Meeting as your proxy, please write the name of that Individual or body corporate. A proxy need not be a Shareholder of the Company. Otherwise if you leave this box blank, the Chair of the Meeting will be appointed as your proxy by default.

DEFAULT TO THE CHAIR OF THE MEETING

Any directed proxies that are not voted on a poll at the Meeting will default to the Chair of the Meeting, who is required to vote these proxies as directed. Any undirected proxies that default to the Chair of the Meeting will be voted according to the instructions set out in this Proxy Voting Form, including where the Resolutions are connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of Key Management Personnel.

STEP 2 - VOTES ON ITEMS OF BUSINESS

You may direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. All your shares will be voted in accordance with such a direction unless you indicate only a portion of voting rights are to be voted on any item by inserting the percentage or number of shares you wish to vote in the appropriate box or boxes. If you do not mark any of the boxes on the items of business, your proxy may vote as he or she chooses. If you mark more than one box on an item your vote on that item will be invalid.

APPOINTMENT OF SECOND PROXY

You may appoint up to two proxies. If you appoint two proxies, you should complete two separate Proxy Voting Forms and specify the percentage or number each proxy may exercise. If you do not specify a percentage or number, each proxy may exercise half the votes. You must return both Proxy Voting Forms together. If you require an additional Proxy Voting Form, contact Automic Registry Services.

SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the Shareholder must sign.

Joint holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all Shareholders should sign.

Power of attorney: If you have not already lodged the power of attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the power of attorney to this Proxy Voting Form when you return it.

Companies: To be signed in accordance with your Constitution. Please sign in the appropriate box which indicates the office held by you.

Email Address: Please provide your email address in the space provided.

By providing your email address, you elect to receive all communications despatched by the Company electronically (where legally permissible) such as a Notice of Meeting, Proxy Voting Form and Annual Report via email.

CORPORATE REPRESENTATIVES

If a representative of the corporation is to attend the Meeting the appropriate 'Appointment of Corporate Representative' should be produced prior to admission. A form may be obtained from the Company's share registry online at <https://automicgroup.com.au>.

Lodging your Proxy Voting Form:

Online

Use your computer or smartphone to appoint a proxy at <https://investor.automic.com.au/#/loginsah> or scan the QR code below using your smartphone

Login & Click on 'Meetings'. Use the Holder Number as shown at the top of this Proxy Voting Form.



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