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HD Lian Huat Group eyes Tatts office

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Listed gaming company Tatts Group is close to selling its office tower in Brisbane's inner-northern suburb of Albion for \$40 million to a Singapore-backed property company.

Lian Huat Group has been named as the lead party to take the asset.

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The **group** has business interests in Singapore, Australia and **China**, covering **property** development and **property** investments, as well as the management of hotels and serviced apartments.

The 10-storey building at 240 Sandgate Road is being quietly marketed by JLL's Seb Turnbull and Geoff McIntyre, who were unavailable for comment on the potential buyer.

Tatts **Group** announced last year it had committed to building a new global headquarters for its 900-strong workforce at Newstead on Brisbane's fringe.

Tatts **Group** chief executive Robbie Cook was unavailable for comment.

However, last year he said the **group** was spread across five properties and that was "far from ideal in terms of efficiency and team building".

Lian Huat **Group**, which is currently building up-scale **commercial residential** apartments in Tianjin, **China**, could join several Asian-backed **property** groups who have started to **buy** into the Brisbane market.

Shayher, R&F Properties and Singapore **group** Aspial have all made **purchases** with **residential** development plays in mind.

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