



Financial Report



Able Australia Services
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General information

The financial statements cover Able Australia Services (Able) as a standalone entity at the end of, or during, the year. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Able Australia Services functional and presentation currency.

Able Australia Services is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

413 Canterbury Road
Surrey Hills VIC 3127

A description of the nature of the organisation's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 21 October 2024. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

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Directors' report
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The Directors of Able Australia Services present their report on the organisation for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

Directors

The names of the directors in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

Jennifer Smith (Chairperson)
Monica (Meg) Downie (Deputy Chair)
John Rowan (Treasurer)
Dr Prue Morgan
Rosemary Marks
John McKenna
Shane (Harry) Smith (Appointed 19th February 2024)
Peter Reilly (Resigned 9th November 2023)

All directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Business Strategies and objectives

The year ending 30 June 2024 was again a challenging one for the disability sector, and Able was no exception. NDIS pricing, planned services growth, and compliance costs all remained challenging. Growth under NDIS is particularly difficult due to the increasingly competitive market, NDIS funding constraints, limited access to a trained and experienced workforce, a lack of suitable residential properties, high levels of residential vacancies in aging housing stock, and low client referral conversion rates.

Initiatives aligned with our Strategic Plan for 2022-2025 are well underway and contributed positively to the organisation during 2023/2024, except for the growth-focused initiatives. Successful initiatives include workforce optimisation, sector pricing alignment, and motor vehicle fleet reduction. Able's ongoing initiatives ensure we remain well-positioned for future growth.

While the end-of-year financial result was in deficit, this was in line with expectations.

Principal activity

The organisation principally provided services to adults with physical, intellectual and sensory disabilities and to their families and carers during the course of the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

Activities included the operations of a series of long term residential options, day services, support coordination, behaviour support, community services and transport.

"In-home" and other community -based respite care, emergency care and a support service to members of this group who live in the community was provided. Programmes offered were diverse and included training in the use of technology, recommencement of the biennial deafblind camp and exposure to a variety of activities which enhance independent living and access to recreation.

The organisation represents the interests of people with deafblindness and operates a centre of excellence for deafblindness.

All these activities assist the organisation to achieve its short and long term objectives and strategies.

Performance measurement

The organisation currently measures its performance including:

- Key Performance Indicators set in the Strategic Plan such as
 - Number of new and existing people supported.
 - Client and employee feedback.
 - Number, demographic and skills of staff and volunteers.
 - Efficiency of service delivery aligned to funding requirements.
 - Number of incidents and complaints and effective reporting.
 - Financial performance and internal benchmarking.
 - Total service hours delivered.
- Yearly review and re interpretation of Strategic Plan.

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Operating Result

The operating loss from ordinary activities amounted to \$1,886,123 [2023: \$3,970,897].

Dividends

The organisation is limited by guarantee and therefore does not have share capital. In compliance with the Constitution of the organisation, no dividend was declared.

Review of Operations

A review of the operations of the organisation during the financial year and the results of those operations found that the organisation during the year performed at a deficit of \$1,886,123.

During the year ended 30 June 2024 funding was provided by the National Disability Insurance Agency, Department of Communities (Queensland), Department of Health and Aging (Commonwealth), Transport Accident Commission and fundraising from the public, including bequests, philanthropic trusts and donations.

Income growth, compared to the previous financial year was derived from small growth in Day Services, Supported Independent Living and Specialist Disability Accommodation (SDA) Management. SDA Management is a new service, partnering with landlords to manage their SDA properties.

The Directors are confident that with the key initiatives currently underway and careful cost controls and continuous monitoring, the organisation's financial position should be maintained for the long term.

Significant changes in state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the organisation during the financial year.

Environmental issues

The organisation's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

Information on directors

Peter Reilly Treasurer until 28th June 2021 - Chairperson since 28th June 2021 to 5th June 2023 - Director since November 2012 - Resignation of Peter Reilly with effect from 9th November 2023

Qualifications: Bachelor of Business Accounting; Associate - the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Registered Tax agent since 1976, Associate of the Institute of Company Directors
Experience: Peter has more than 40 years' experience as a senior executive and has demonstrated success in a range of areas including general management, building high performance teams, developing and implementing financial and business plans, directing public companies and ensuring funding requirements are met in high growth organisations. Peter is a Director of Melba Opera Trust, Director of The Australian Ballet, Chairman of Scotchmans Hill Pty Ltd and Executive Director of Lifeview Residential Care Group.

Committee Membership: Finance, Audit, Investment & Risk Committee

Meg Downie Deputy Chairperson since November 2018, Director since July 2016

Qualifications: Bachelor of Business; Fellow of the Institute of Public Administration (Vic)
Experience: Meg is the Director of the Infrastructure, Government and Healthcare Industry Group at KPMG where she has been managing the strategic growth and market positioning of its government business for a number of years and brings a wealth of expertise and knowledge to Able Australia. Prior to KPMG, she spent 16 years with the Commonwealth and Victorian Public Services where she specialised in organisational re-structuring and a range of human resource management functions.

Committee Membership: Chair – People & Engagement Committee
Chair – Client Advisory Committee

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Dr Prue Morgan Director since June 2018

Qualifications: PhD, Master of Applied Science (research), Bachelor of Applied Science (physio), Graduate Diploma Neuroscience

Experience Prue is a Professor of Physiotherapy at Monash University. She is an experienced physiotherapy clinician and academic with more than 30 years of experience in neurological clinical practice, physiotherapy education and research. Prue has assumed many state and national leadership roles in physiotherapy over her career and was awarded the title of Specialist Neurological Physiotherapist in 2008 by the Australian College of Physiotherapists in recognition of her expertise in clinical practice and scholarship. She has particular skills in the management of issues affecting people aging with complex disability and brings her clinical experience to Able Australia.

Committee Membership: Chair - Client Quality & Safeguarding Committee

John Rowan
(Treasurer)

Treasurer since 28th June 2021 - Director since July 2019

Qualifications: Bachelor of Business (Accounting), CPA, Fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia
Experience: John has held a variety of leadership roles in diverse areas including Human Resources Management, Superannuation, Company Secretariat, Fleet Management, Sales & Marketing, Supply Chain and Occupational Health and Safety. John has extensive skills in business development and continuous improvement (kaizen) and has previously served as a longstanding Board Director for a not-for-profit disability organisation.

Committee Membership: Chair - Finance, Audit, Investment & Risk Committee
People & Engagement Committee

Rosemary Marks Director since July 2019

Qualifications: Bachelor of Applied Science Recreation, Master of Social Science Human Services, Graduate Diploma Strategic Foresight

Experience: Ro is an experienced senior policy adviser with a 30-year history of working across the social policy spectrum with state, regional and local governments, statutory authorities and not for profit organisations in Victoria and Western Australia. She has a keen understanding of the aged and disability sectors and is committed to strengthening engagement with Able's clients and employees to ensure quality in policy and service outcomes.

Committee Membership: Client Quality & Safeguarding Committee
Client Advisory Committee

Jennifer Smith Director since July 2019 - Chairperson since 5th June 2023

Qualifications: Bachelor in Computer Science, Information Systems and Accounting, MBA Melbourne Business School, CPA, Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors

Experience: Jenny is a senior executive with diverse experience across the not-for-profit and for profit sectors. She has been in senior roles at Mercy Health for fourteen years and currently holds the position of Executive Director – Strategy, Planning and Major Projects.

Committee Membership: Finance, Audit, Investment & Risk Committee

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John McKenna Director since April 2021

Experience John has over 60 years of living experience having a physical disability. He has been an Empowerment Advocate for over 30 years. As an Empowerment Advocate John has worked with a range of people and their families. He has a thirst to learn from others including gender diversity and culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) people and their experiences.

With extensive experience living with a physical disability John was an Advisor during the establishment of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). He has a special interest in the significance of developing communication that is accessible for all regardless of their ability and was the Chairman of the Internet Industry Association web Accessibility task force and highlighted the issue of inclusive website accessibility.

Today, John operates his own consulting business 'Better Access Consulting' and is an Honorary Justice of the Peace.

Committee Membership: Client Advisory Committee (resigned from Committee in April 2024)
Client Quality & Safeguarding Committee (resigned from Committee in April 2024)

Harry Smith Director since February 2024

Qualifications: Graduate Director program – AICD (GAICD), MBA, Bachelor of Business (Economics), Cert IV TAE

Experience: Harry brings over 25 years of experience as a senior leader in the areas of health and human services, developing and implementing policy and programs to support vulnerable people including homelessness; affordable housing; disability support; family and domestic violence; child, youth & family; and LGBTIQ+ programs.

Harry is driven by his passion for developing meaningful and sustainable change. He increases awareness of the impact of social disadvantage across the broader community by establishing partnerships between the private sector, not-for-profits, government and academia.

Harry is the current Head of Strategic Initiatives at Haven Home Safe, Lectures in Health Leadership as part of Kaplan Business School's MBA program and advises on a range of strategy and leadership development programs across the broader NFP sector. He is also a current Director on the Tenancy Victoria Board.

Committee Membership (Able): Client Quality & Safeguarding Committee

Meetings of directors

During the year, 9 meetings of Board members were held.

Attendees were:

Meetings held (H) and attended (A)	Committee									
	Full Meeting of Directors		Finance, Audit, Investment & Risk		People & Engagement		Client Quality & Safeguarding		Client Advisory	
	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A	H	A
Jennifer Smith	9	8	7	7						
Meg Downie	9	8			2	2			4	2
John Rowan	9	6	7	6	2	2				
Peter Reilly	3	3	3	3						
Dr Prue Morgan	9	7					4	4		
Rosemary Marks	9	7					4	4	4	3
John McKenna	9	5					4	2	4	2
Harry Smith	5	5					1	1		

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Indemnifying officers or auditors

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is, or has been, an officer or auditor of the organisation.

Proceedings on behalf of the Company

No other person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the organisation or intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or any part of those proceedings.

Members

If the organisation is wound up, the Constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$50 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the organisation.

At 30 June 2024 the number of members was 18 (2023 - 18).

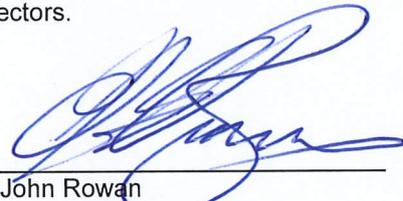
Auditor's independence declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2024 has been received and can be found on page 7 of the directors' report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



Monica Downie
Director (Deputy Chairperson)



John Rowan
Director (Treasurer)

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Auditor's Independence Declaration

To the Directors of Able Australia Services

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, as lead auditor for the audit of Able Australia Services for the year ended 30 June 2024, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



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Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue and Income	3	73,087,890	66,472,635
Expenses			
Employee benefits expense	2	(62,983,879)	(59,262,241)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	2	(2,317,294)	(2,370,503)
Occupancy expenses	2	(88,240)	(82,359)
Telemarketing and mailing expense		(26,574)	(34,230)
House-keeping		(890,348)	(856,867)
Utilities		(706,226)	(698,073)
Transport costs		(989,122)	(969,426)
Agency staff		(427,027)	(581,685)
Other expenses		(6,424,797)	(5,403,669)
Finance costs	2	(120,506)	(184,479)
(Deficit) for the year attributable to the owners of Able Australia Services		(1,886,123)	(3,970,897)
Other comprehensive income for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the owners of Able Australia Services		<u>(1,886,123)</u>	<u>(3,970,897)</u>

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Able Australia Services
Statement of financial position
As at 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	756,156	850,231
Trade and other receivables	6	2,733,275	2,281,901
Prepayments		548,156	852,667
Accrued income	7	729,558	737,946
Portable Long Service Leave - Right to Reimbursement	8	398,857	286,627
Total current assets		<u>5,166,002</u>	<u>5,009,372</u>
Non-current assets			
Financial assets	9	13,540,969	12,393,873
Property, plant & equipment	10	12,460,848	13,678,137
Right-of-use assets	11	762,374	1,385,636
Intangible assets	12	151,514	177,706
Portable Long Service Leave - Right to Reimbursement	8	236,777	104,018
Total non-current assets		<u>27,152,482</u>	<u>27,739,370</u>
Total assets		<u>32,318,484</u>	<u>32,748,742</u>
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	13	5,515,972	3,089,934
Interest bearing loans and borrowings	14	670,894	1,119,905
Lease liabilities	18	366,428	832,184
Provisions - Current	15	7,659,003	7,818,336
Total current liabilities		<u>14,212,297</u>	<u>12,860,359</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	17	515,344	740,394
Provisions - Non-current	16	820,745	491,768
Total non-current liabilities		<u>1,336,089</u>	<u>1,232,162</u>
Total liabilities		<u>15,548,386</u>	<u>14,092,521</u>
Net assets		<u>16,770,098</u>	<u>18,656,221</u>
Members funds			
Reserves		2,069,128	2,069,128
Accumulated surplus		14,700,970	16,587,093
Total members funds		<u>16,770,098</u>	<u>18,656,221</u>

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

Able Australia Services
Statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Capital reserve \$	Accumulated surplus \$	Total members funds \$
Balance at 1 July 2022	2,069,128	20,557,990	22,627,118
(Deficit) for the year	-	(3,970,897)	(3,970,897)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(3,970,897)	(3,970,897)
Balance at 30 June 2023	<u>2,069,128</u>	<u>16,587,093</u>	<u>18,656,221</u>
	Capital reserve \$	Accumulated surplus \$	Total members funds \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	2,069,128	16,587,093	18,656,221
(Deficit) for the year	-	(1,886,123)	(1,886,123)
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(1,886,123)	(1,886,123)
Balance at 30 June 2024	<u>2,069,128</u>	<u>14,700,970</u>	<u>16,770,098</u>

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

Able Australia Services
Statement of cash flows
For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		3,698,601	2,759,391
Receipt of Government grants		67,573,745	62,822,507
Payments to suppliers and employees		(70,472,356)	(67,369,358)
Dividends received		589,705	595,520
Interest received		13,987	17,455
Finance costs		(120,506)	(184,479)
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	19	<u>1,283,176</u>	<u>(1,358,964)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment		204,654	12,951
Payment for property, plant & equipment		(434,018)	(279,442)
Net Cash Flow from Purchase / (Sale) of Investments		255,676	(221,365)
Payments for intangibles		-	(8,800)
Cash receipt from acquisition		-	994,161
Net cash from investing activities		<u>26,312</u>	<u>497,505</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings		235,611	-
Payment of borrowings		(727,181)	(1,022,257)
Lease payments for right-of-use assets		(911,993)	(926,132)
Net cash used in financing activities		<u>(1,403,563)</u>	<u>(1,948,389)</u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(94,075)	(2,809,848)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		<u>850,231</u>	<u>3,660,079</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	5	<u><u>756,156</u></u>	<u><u>850,231</u></u>

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

Note 1. Material accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial report is a general purpose financial report which has been prepared in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission Act 2012, Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures, and complies with other requirements of the law.

The financial report of Able Australia Services complies with all Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS) as applicable to not for profit entities. Due to the application of Australian specific provisions contained only within AIFRS, this financial report is not necessarily compliant with International Accounting Standards.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the Company's accounting policies, management is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Judgements made in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements concern depreciation rates. These are reviewed annually by the Company to ensure that assets are being appropriately depreciated

Right of use assets and lease liabilities

In applying AASB 16, the Company has made the following judgements.

In determining the lease term used to ascertain total future lease payments, the Company considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic benefit to exercise an extension option. Renewal options are only considered to be part of the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended. The Company has included renewal periods as part of the lease term for all leases it is reasonably certain will be extended. Where the Company cannot readily determine the interest rate implicit in the lease, it uses its incremental borrowing rate (IBR) to calculate the present value of future lease payments. The IBR is the interest rate that the Company would have to pay to borrow over a similar term of each lease. To determine the IBR, the Company:

- where possible, uses recent third-party financing received as a starting point, adjusted to reflect changes in financing conditions; and
- makes adjustments specific to the lease, e.g. term and security.

Long service leave

Management judgement is applied in determining the following key assumptions used in the calculation of long service leave at reporting date:

- future increases in salaries and wages;
- future on cost rates;
- experience of employee departures and period of service; and
- LSL & Right to Reimbursement Asset.

Property, plant and equipment

Useful lives and residual value of property, plant and equipment are reviewed annually. Judgement is applied in determining the useful lives of property, plant and equipment. Any reassessment of useful lives and residual value in a particular year will affect depreciation and amortisation expense (either increasing or decreasing) from the date of reassessment through to the end of the reassessed useful life for both the current and future years.

Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

Impairment

In assessing impairment, management estimates the recoverable amount of each asset or cash-generating units, based on expected future cash flows and uses an interest rate to discount them. Estimation uncertainty relates to assumptions about future operating results and the determination of a suitable discount rate.

Adoption of new and amended accounting standards

The Company has adopted all of the new or amended accounting standards and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended accounting standards or interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

The accounting policies that are material to the organisation are set out below. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, unless otherwise stated.

Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Where an item of property, plant or equipment is acquired for no or nominal consideration the item's fair value at acquisition date is deemed as its cost.

Property

Buildings are measured at cost less depreciation and impairment losses. Freehold land is measured at cost less impairment.

Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment are measured at cost less depreciation and impairment losses.

At each reporting date, the directors review a number of factors affecting property, plant and equipment, including their carrying values, to determine if these assets, grouped into cash-generating units, may be impaired. If an impairment indicator exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's 'fair value less costs to sell' and 'value in use', is compared to the carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed in the Statement of Profit and Loss as an impairment expense.

Where the future economic benefits of the Company's assets are not primarily dependent on their ability to generate net cash inflows, and if deprived of the asset, the Company would replace the asset's remaining future economic benefits, 'value in use' is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of the asset, rather than by using discounted future cash flows.

Depreciation

Class of Property Plant and Equipment	Depreciation Rate	Method
Buildings	3% - 10%	Straight Line
Freehold improvements	3% - 17%	Straight Line
Leasehold improvements	3% - 17%	Straight Line
Motor vehicles	20% - 23%	Straight Line
Plant & equipment	10%	Straight Line
Computer equipment	33% - 100%	Straight Line

Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments

Recognition, initial measurement and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument, and are measured initially at fair value adjusted by transactions costs, except for those carried at fair value through profit or loss, which are measured initially at fair value. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities are described below

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred. A financial liability is derecognised when it is extinguished, discharged, cancelled or expires.

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets

Except for those trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component and are measured at the transaction price, all financial assets are initially measured at fair value adjusted for transaction costs (where applicable).

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Company takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these financial statements is determined on such a basis.

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments are classified into the following categories upon initial recognition:

- Amortised cost; and
- Fair value through profit or loss (FVPL).

Classifications are determined by both:

- The entities business model for managing the financial asset; and
- The contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets.

All income and expenses relating to financial assets that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs, finance income or other financial items, except for impairment of trade receivables, which is presented within other expenses.

Subsequent measurement financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if the assets meet the following conditions (and are not designated as FVPL):

- they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial assets and collect its contractual cash flows
- the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding

Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

These are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial. The Company's cash and cash equivalents, trade and most other receivables fall into this category of financial instruments as well as long-term deposit.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL)

Financial assets that are held within a different business model other than 'hold to collect' or 'hold to collect and sell' are categorised at fair value through profit and loss. Further, irrespective of business model financial assets whose contractual cash flows are not solely payments of principal and interest are accounted for at FVPL.

Impairment of financial assets

AASB 9's impairment requirements use forward looking information to recognise expected credit losses - the 'expected credit losses (ECL) model'. Instruments within the scope of the new requirements included loans and other debt-type financial assets measured at amortised cost and trade receivables that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The Company considers a broader range of information when assessing credit risk and measuring expected credit losses, including past events, current conditions, reasonable and supportable forecasts that affect the expected collectability of the future cash flows of the instrument.

In applying this forward-looking approach, a distinction is made between:

- Financial instruments that have not deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition or that have low credit risk ('Stage 1'); and
- Financial instruments that have deteriorated significantly in credit quality since initial recognition and whose credit risk is not low ('Stage 2').

'Stage 3' would cover financial assets that have objective evidence of impairment at the reporting date.

'12-month expected credit losses' are recognised for the first category while 'lifetime expected credit losses' are recognised for the second category.

Measurement of the expected credit losses is determined by a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses over the expected life of the financial instrument.

Trade and other receivables

The Company makes use of a simplified approach in accounting for trade and other receivables records the loss allowance at the amount equal to the expected lifetime credit losses. In using this practical expedient, the Company uses its historical experience, external indicators and forward-looking information to calculate the expected credit losses using a provision matrix. The Company assess impairment of trade receivables on a collective basis as they possess credit risk characteristics based on the days past due.

Classification and measurement of financial liabilities

The Company's financial liabilities include borrowings and trade and other payables.

Financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value, and, where applicable, adjusted for transaction costs unless the Company designated a financial liability at fair value through profit or loss.

Subsequently, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method except for derivatives and financial liabilities designated at FVPL, which are carried subsequently at fair value with gains or losses recognised in profit or loss.

All interest-related charges and, if applicable, changes in an instrument's fair value that are reported in profit or loss are included within finance costs or finance income.

Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Company will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (where the effect of the time value of money is material).

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

Leases

The Company leases various properties, motor vehicles and IT equipment. Rental contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 1 to 5 years, but may have extension options as described below.

Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor. Leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

Assets and liabilities arising from a lease are initially measured on a present value basis. Lease liabilities include the net present value of the following lease payments:

- Fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable
- Variable lease payment that are based on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. If that rate cannot be readily determined, which is generally the case for leases in the Company, the lessee's incremental borrowing rate is used, being the rate that the individual lessee would have to pay to borrow the funds necessary to obtain an asset of similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment with similar terms, security and conditions.

To determine the incremental borrowing rate, the company:

- Where possible, uses recent third-party financing received by the individual lessee as a starting point, adjusted to reflect changes in financing conditions since third party financing was received
- Uses a build-up approach that starts with a risk-free interest rate adjusted for credit risk for leases held by the Company, which does not have recent third party financing, and
- Makes adjustments specific to the lease, e.g. term, country, currency and security.

The Company is exposed to potential future increases in variable lease payments based on an index or rate, which are not included in the lease liability until they take effect. When adjustments to lease payments based on an index or rate take effect, the lease liability is reassessed and adjusted against the right-of-use asset.

Lease payments are allocated between principal and finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period.

Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost comprising the following:

- The amount of the initial measurement of lease liability
- Any lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received
- Any initial direct costs, and
- Restoration costs.

Right-of-use assets are generally depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis. If the company is reasonably certain to exercise a purchase option, the right-of-use asset is depreciated over the underlying asset's useful life.

Payments associated with short-term leases of equipment and vehicles and all leases of low-value assets are recognised on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss. Short-term leases are leases with a lease term of 12 months or less.

Peppercorn leases

Able has 2 peppercorn leases consisting of discounts for the leases of two small offices. The offices are not fully staffed, and if they had to be surrendered, staff could be accommodated elsewhere with minimal expense and interruption to service delivery.

The operations of the business are not reliant on peppercorn leases and their future existence present no threat to the future operations of the business.

Employee benefits

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, and long service leave when it is probable that settlement will be required and they are capable of being measured reliably.

Liabilities recognised in respect of employee benefits expected to be settled within 12 months, are measured at their nominal values using the remuneration rate expected to apply at the time of settlement.

Liabilities recognised in respect of employee benefits which are not expected to be settled within 12 months are measured as the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made by the Company in respect of services provided by employees up to reporting date.

The Company has commenced making contributions for eligible employees to the portable long service leave schemes in Queensland, Victoria, and the ACT. These schemes impose levies of 1.35%, 1.65%, and 1.2% respectively, payable to the relevant authorities. Contributions to Queensland's scheme are made under the Community Services Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act 2020, to the Portable Long Service Leave Authority. Contributions to Victoria's scheme are made under the Long Service Benefits Portability Act 2018, to the Portable Long Service Leave Authority. Contributions to the ACT's scheme are made under the Long Service Leave (Portable Schemes) Act 2009, to the ACT Long Service Leave Authority.

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

Revenue and Income

Fees for services

Fees for services revenue is recognised over time as performance obligations are satisfied, which is as the services are provided. Fees received in advance of services being performed are recognised as contract liabilities.

Grant funding revenue with sufficiently specific and enforceable performance obligations

Grant funds received by the Company that have sufficiently specific and enforceable performance obligations, in accordance with AASB 15, are recognised as a contract liability on receipt and are recognised as revenue, over time, as the Company satisfies its performance obligations.

Grant funding income without sufficiently specific and enforceable performance obligations

Grant funds received by the Company that do not have sufficiently specific and enforceable performance obligations are recognised as income on receipt of the funds.

Donations, fundraising, wills and bequests

Donations, fundraising, wills and bequest income is recognised when the Company gains control of the funds and when the funds provided do not give rise to an obligation.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

Dividend income

Dividend income is recognized when the right to receive a dividend has been established

Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except:

- where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority, it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense; or
- for receivables and payables which are recognised inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables. Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a net basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

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Note 1. Material accounting policies (continued)

Going Concern

The financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes continuity of normal business operations and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business.

As at and for the year ended 30 June 2024 the Company reported a deficit of \$1,886,123 and cash inflows from operating activities of \$1,283,176 and a deficiency in current assets of \$8,835,906.

At the date of this report and having considered the operating result and deficiency in current assets, the directors are confident that the Company will be able to continue as a going concern due to the following factors;

- Included in non-current assets are highly liquid financial assets with a market value at 30 June 2024 of \$13,540,969.
- Included in current liabilities at 30 June 2024 are employee provisions of \$7,659,003, the majority of which will not require a cash outflow within the next 12 months.
- The Company has committed to a strategy to grow its operations and improve operating performance which anticipates a return to an operating surplus position within 2 years. The actual results for the 2025 year to date are tracking to plan.

The financial report does not include adjustments relating to the recoverability and classification of recorded asset amounts nor to the amounts and classification of liabilities that might be necessary should the Company not continue as a going concern.

Note 2. Deficit for the year

Deficit for the year has been arrived at after charging the following expenses:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Borrowing costs - other	51,521	83,428
Interest expense on leases	68,985	101,051
Finance costs	<u>120,506</u>	<u>184,479</u>
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	1,446,655	1,426,853
Amortisation of intangible assets	26,192	25,606
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	844,447	918,044
	<u>2,317,294</u>	<u>2,370,503</u>
Employee benefits - wage and salaries	57,186,633	54,005,031
Employee benefits - superannuation contributions	5,797,246	5,257,210
Employee benefits expense	<u>62,983,879</u>	<u>59,262,241</u>
Rental expense for short-term and low-value leases	88,240	82,359

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Note 3. Revenue and Income

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
<i>Revenue recognised over time:</i>		
Federal and State Government funding	66,816,096	61,558,616
Other revenue including fees, training courses etc	3,464,973	3,188,437
Other grants	96,458	20,000
	<u>70,377,527</u>	<u>64,767,053</u>
<i>Other income:</i>		
Fundraising	535,002	540,543
Wills & bequests	168,898	13,471
Interest received	13,987	17,455
Dividends received	589,705	595,520
Gain on sale of property, plant and equipment	-	36,541
Fair value movement of financial assets at FVPL	1,402,771	502,052
	<u>2,710,363</u>	<u>1,705,582</u>
Revenue and Income	<u>73,087,890</u>	<u>66,472,635</u>

Note 4. Auditor's remuneration

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Remuneration of the auditor of the Company		
Auditing the financial report	<u>56,300</u>	<u>53,700</u>
Agreed Upon Procedures	15,000	-
Preparation of the Financial Statements	5,700	5,500
Payroll Review Services	-	65,000
	<u>20,700</u>	<u>70,500</u>

Note 5. Cash and cash equivalents

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash on hand	27,079	9,749
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>729,077</u>	<u>840,482</u>
	<u>756,156</u>	<u>850,231</u>

Note 6. Trade and other receivables

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade receivables	2,347,043	1,924,543
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	(25,000)	(102,062)
	<u>2,322,043</u>	<u>1,822,481</u>
Other receivables	<u>411,232</u>	<u>459,420</u>
	<u>2,733,275</u>	<u>2,281,901</u>

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Note 6. Trade and other receivables (continued)

The average credit period on rendering of services is 30 days. No interest is charged on trade receivables. An allowance has been made for estimated irrecoverable trade receivable amounts arising from rendering of services determined by reference to past default experience.

Note 7. Accrued income

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
NDIA income	729,558	579,124
Other income	-	158,822
	<u>729,558</u>	<u>737,946</u>

Note 8. Portable Long Service Leave - Right to Reimbursement

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Portable Long Service Leave - Right to Reimbursement - Current	398,857	286,627
Portable Long Service Leave - Right to Reimbursement - Non-Current	236,777	104,018
	<u>635,634</u>	<u>390,645</u>

Note 9. Financial assets

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Financial assets at FVTPL	<u>13,540,969</u>	<u>12,393,873</u>

Financial assets consist of investments in equity instruments.

The listed ordinary shares have been valued based on their quoted market prices in active markets.

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Note 10. Property, plant & equipment

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Land and Buildings - Freehold land at Cost	2,903,222	2,903,222
Buildings - at cost	9,921,638	10,187,438
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,879,025)</u>	<u>(2,701,922)</u>
	7,042,613	7,485,516
Leasehold improvements - at cost	1,459,966	1,459,966
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(565,940)</u>	<u>(463,673)</u>
	894,026	996,293
Plant and equipment - at cost	3,434,085	3,090,560
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,592,684)</u>	<u>(2,260,847)</u>
	841,401	829,713
Motor vehicles - at cost	3,379,813	3,565,790
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,656,511)</u>	<u>(2,102,397)</u>
	723,302	1,463,393
Capital Work in Progress - at cost	56,284	-
Total Property, Plant & Equipment	<u>12,460,848</u>	<u>13,678,137</u>

(a) Movement in Carrying Amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant & equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year

	Freehold Land \$	Buildings \$	Freehold & Leasehold Improvement \$	Plant and Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Capital WIP \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2023	2,903,222	7,485,516	996,293	829,713	1,463,393	-	13,678,137
Additions	-	6,316	-	371,420	-	56,284	434,020
Disposals	-	(148,023)	-	(7,456)	(49,175)	-	(204,654)
Depreciation expense	-	(301,196)	(102,267)	(352,276)	(690,916)	-	(1,446,655)
Balance at 30 June 2024	<u>2,903,222</u>	<u>7,042,613</u>	<u>894,026</u>	<u>841,401</u>	<u>723,302</u>	<u>56,284</u>	<u>12,460,848</u>

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Note 11. Right-of-use asset

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Property	3,726,837	3,760,282
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(2,969,330)</u>	<u>(2,477,740)</u>
	<u>757,507</u>	<u>1,282,542</u>
Vehicles	34,395	72,503
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(29,528)</u>	<u>(33,860)</u>
	4,867	38,643
IT Equipment – right-of-use	-	385,944
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>-</u>	<u>(321,493)</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>64,451</u>
	<u>762,374</u>	<u>1,385,636</u>

The organisation leases vehicles, properties and IT Equipment under agreements of between 1 to 9 years with, in some cases, options to extend. The leases have various escalation clauses. On renewal, the terms of the leases are renegotiated.

Note 12. Intangible assets

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Software - at cost	261,926	261,926
Less: Accumulated amortisation	<u>(110,412)</u>	<u>(84,220)</u>
Total Software	<u>151,514</u>	<u>177,706</u>

(a) Movements in carrying amounts

	2024	2023
Balance at 1 July	177,706	194,512
Amortisation	(26,192)	(25,606)
Additions	-	8,800
Balance 30 June	<u>151,514</u>	<u>177,706</u>

Note 13. Trade and other payables

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Trade payables	1,929,575	1,502,198
Sundry creditors and accrued expenses	3,138,022	1,263,655
Contract liabilities	<u>448,375</u>	<u>324,081</u>
	<u>5,515,972</u>	<u>3,089,934</u>

The average credit period on purchases of goods is 30 days. No interest is charged on trade payables. The Company has financial risk management policies in place to ensure that all payables are paid within the credit timeframe.

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Note 14. Interest bearing loans and borrowings

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Corporate Credit Card	35,863	-
Bank Loan – Secured	251,158	8,851
Nissan Finance Loan	383,873	1,111,054
	<u>670,894</u>	<u>1,119,905</u>

(a) The carrying amounts of non-current assets pledged as security are:

Motor vehicles purchased with finance	1,463,393	1,463,393
Freehold land and buildings	2,903,222	10,388,737

(b) The Secured bank loan is a rolling financing facility with an interest rate based on BBSW plus a margin that reflects both market risk and credit risk. The facility has a limit of \$1,289,657 and expires in 2034.

Note 15. Provisions - Current

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Employee benefits	<u>7,659,003</u>	<u>7,818,336</u>

Note 16. Provisions - Non-Current

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Employee Benefits	<u>820,745</u>	<u>491,768</u>

Note 17. Lease liabilities

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Lease Liabilities		
Current	366,428	832,184
Non-Current	515,344	740,394
	<u>881,772</u>	<u>1,572,578</u>

Future Lease Payments

Future lease payments are due as follows

Current	409,349	968,060
Non-Current	525,083	864,815
	<u>934,432</u>	<u>1,832,875</u>

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Note 19. Commitments (continued)

Note 18. Commitments

(a) Low-value and short-term lease commitments

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Not later than one year	<u>82,521</u>	<u>29,754</u>

The current year amounts relate to short-term and low-value leases of motor vehicles.

(b) Capital expenditure commitments

	2024	2023
Not later than one year	-	269,269

Note 19. Cash flow information

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Reconciliation of cashflow from operations with (deficit)/surplus for the year		
Surplus for the year	<u>(1,886,123)</u>	<u>(3,970,897)</u>

Non-cash flows in profit from ordinary activities:

Depreciation and amortisation	2,317,294	2,370,503
Net (gain) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	(36,541)
(Gain)/loss on fair value through profit or loss on investments	(1,402,771)	(502,052)
Gains on acquisition	-	(40,017)
Employee costs associated with acquisition	-	(8,503)
	<u>914,523</u>	<u>1,783,390</u>

Changes in assets and liabilities

(Increase)/Decrease in assets:		
Trade receivables	(470,272)	(943,042)
Other assets	312,896	1,505,133
Increase/(Decrease) in liabilities:		
Trade payables	2,487,494	(341,940)
Provisions	(75,342)	608,392
Net cash from / (used in) operations	<u>1,283,176</u>	<u>(1,358,964)</u>

Note 20. Remuneration of directors

Compensation

All Able Australia Services Directors served in an honorary capacity.

Note 21. Company details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Company is:

Able Australia Services
413 Canterbury Road
Surrey Hills Victoria 3127

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Note 22. Company details (continued)

If the organisation is wound up, the Constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$50 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the organisation.

At 30 June 2024 the number of members was 18 (2023 - 18).

Note 22. Contingent liabilities

No contingent liabilities exist as at 30 June 2024.

Government capital funding

Government funding has been utilised for the purchase of non-current assets. If certain events occur, for example Able ceasing to use these non-current assets for the provision of facilities for people with disabilities, the government may be entitled to repayments. The Department of Health and Human Services claims such entitlements in relation to four Able properties.

The Directors do not consider that a liability needs to be recognised in respect of the claim given Able's continued use of the funds for the purpose for which they were provided in provision of facilities for people with disabilities. Further, any estimate of payments that would occur should this situation arise cannot be measured at reporting date.

Note 23. Related party transactions

Able's related parties include its Key Management Personnel as described below.

Unless otherwise stated, none of the transactions incorporate special terms and conditions and no guarantees were given or received. Outstanding balances are usually settled in cash.

Key management of Able are the members of the Executive Leadership Team. Key Management Personnel remuneration includes the following expenses:

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Total Key Management Personnel remuneration	<u>1,507,904</u>	<u>1,421,473</u>

Note 24. Events after the reporting period

Business combinations:

After the end of the most recent financial year, Able Australia Services and Mosaic Support Services in Tasmania announced their intention to merge effective Monday 2 December 2024, subject to final board approvals from both parties. The two organisations have been actively exploring strategic mergers to support growth, innovation, and sustainability, recognising that scale will be important in the future, particularly given the funding challenges facing the sector.

As at the date of signing these financial statements, it is deemed that no business combination event has occurred and no impact on the financial statements at year end. The two organisations have independent boards and management up until a deed of sale is entered into, which is expected to occur on 2 December 2024.

Discontinued Operations:

On Tuesday 30 April 2024, Able Australia Services announced its intention to transition out of aged care and community services in South East Queensland, due to inadequate funding from state and federal governments. These programs have been operating at a loss of more than \$2.2 million since 2018 and have continued to run at a loss due to insufficient funding and increased costs.

Operations and funding arrangements for the aged care and community services in South East Queensland have officially ceased on the 30th September 2024.

**Able Australia Services
Directors' declaration
30 June 2024**

The directors declare that:

- In the director's opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable: and
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the Able Australia Services's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- In the directors' opinion, the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012, including compliance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures, and giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Company;

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to s.60.15 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission Regulation 2022 (Cth).

On behalf of the Directors



Monica Downie
Director (Deputy Chairperson)



John Rowan
Director (Treasurer)

21 October 2024
Melbourne

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Able Australia Services

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Able Australia Services (the "Registered Entity"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the financial report of Able Australia Services has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- a giving a true and fair view of the Registered Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b complying with Australian Accounting Standards AASB 1060 *General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022*.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Registered Entity in accordance with 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 our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Registered Entity's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the financial report

The Directors of the Registered Entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – *AASB 1060 General Purpose Financial Statements - Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* and the ACNC Act, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Registered Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Registered Entity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for overseeing the Registered Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Registered Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Registered Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Registered Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



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Melbourne, 21 October 2024

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