



Annual Report 2017

Alice Springs Community
Financial Services Limited

ABN 97 122 893 449

Alice Springs **Community Bank**[®] Branch

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Chairperson's report

For year ending 30 June 2017

I'm really excited to present this year's Annual Report and share with you the achievements for the 2016/17 financial year. It has been a year full of new developments and change.

Nearly 10 years ago a small group of community members came together to create the Alice Springs **Community Bank**[®] Company. As we look forward to celebrating our 10th birthday, we can all feel proud of our achievements. Past and present Board members have put a lot of effort into growing our business, contributing to its success today. We remain proud supporters of the local community, giving back \$205,838 to community groups and organisations over the past eight years, assisting them to achieve their goals. We are excited to see what's in store for the next 10 years.

Our Branch Manager, Renee DeMarco has been with the **Community Bank**[®] branch for eight of those 10 years. Renee and her team have been instrumental in shaping the business. Their hard work and dedication continues to expand and strengthen our footprint within the local community. The Board is delighted to congratulate Renee and her team on their significant achievements this year.

A key area of focus for the Board in the last 12 months has been strategy. We focussed our efforts on how we can enhance and grow the business while remaining competitive in a challenging and increasingly regulated market. We recognise one of our biggest challenges is reaching out and attracting potential customers and referrers. In June 2017, we celebrated our relocation of the branch to Yeperenye Shopping Centre. We considered this move would help introduce the **Community Bank**[®] branch to new audiences, build relationships and cement our reputation for excellence in customer service and as supporters of the local community. This exposure perfectly positions us to achieve our goals and we are pleased to announce we are already experiencing growth.

The end of financial year provided a welcome announcement. We have generated a profit for the past three years, in contrast to losses incurred in previous years. As a result of our strengthened performance and prospects, our profit or loss statement for 2016/17 and our balance sheet at 30 June 2017 recognises a deferred tax asset and income tax credit (\$355,605) that had accumulated during the years when our business incurred losses. This is an accounting entry only but signifies we are continuing to improve our financial position. The impact of this adjustment to our accounts is that our profit for 2016/17 after the income tax credit is taken into account was \$402,641. Unfortunately, our financial position continues to mean we are unable to pay a dividend to our shareholders.

I would like to acknowledge each of the Directors for their commitment. Their contribution as volunteers is substantial, time consuming and is vital to ensuring our success. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Jocelyn Davies who, after four years as our valued Treasurer, has decided to take a step back and hand over the responsibility. Jocelyn's dedication to the Treasurer role has not gone unnoticed and the Board recognises Jocelyn for her tireless efforts and for the many personal hours she has given to the business and the local community.

I also would like to acknowledge the lead role that Dalton Dupuy and Jocelyn Davies played in the relocation of the branch.

We welcome two new members to the Board, Joy Taylor and Romeo Mutsago. Romeo steps into the role of Treasurer and Joy Taylor has taken on the role of Deputy Chairperson.

On behalf of the Board, we would like to thank our shareholders, customers and dedicated staff for their loyalty and for the continued opportunity to service our community. I encourage everyone to get behind our **Community Bank**[®] branch. If you haven't already had the opportunity to, please visit the new branch and say "hello" to our friendly team. If you currently bank elsewhere, I encourage you to consider moving your banking needs to our **Community Bank**[®] branch. As you can see we offer more than banking and financial services. We care deeply about our customers, our team and our local community. By banking with us you are supporting us to reinvest our profits in the local community.

Whilst we have had a successful year and have made good progress, the Board recognises there is much to do. We look forward to the year ahead and are excited about our ability to further improve our business and our capacity to give back to the local community.



Aimee Austin
Chairperson

Manager's report

For year ending 30 June 2017

Welcome to the 10th Annual Report of the Alice Springs **Community Bank**[®] Branch. It is a pleasure to work at the branch and be a part of celebrating our 10th birthday this year, especially after our exciting move to the Yeperenye Shopping Centre. We are absolutely loving the new location and the branch is growing day by day.

Staying connected to our customers, shareholders and stakeholders continues to be our main focus. It provides our point of difference and enables us to keep our customer engagement at a high level and create our exceptional customer results on a daily basis.

The Alice Springs **Community Bank**[®] Branch is one of the three Northern Territory branches to have exceeded our lending growth target for 2016/17, with an overall growth against plan of 119.3% in lending. The insurance sales are continuing to grow, with 98% achieved for this financial year. Within our personal lending LoanSure protection we have achieved great results with 106%. This is thanks to the great achievements of the staff.

We are focused on the success of our customers and our community for the long-term and we are intent on growing the business's profitability.

I would like to thank our staff and Board Directors for their total commitment to the success of the Alice Springs **Community Bank**[®] Branch. We said farewell to our Customer Relationship Manager Peter Nichols earlier this year and it was sad to see him go. We wish him all the best for the future.

Thank you to our many shareholders, as without your ongoing commitment and support there would be no **Community Bank**[®] branch.

A big welcome to all of our new customers, and thank you to our existing **Community Bank**[®] branch customers for your ongoing support. We hope you can all continue to advocate the **Community Bank**[®] branch so we can continue to strengthen the branch.

Choose a bank where you know you make a difference. The change begins with your choice. Be the change!

We are so much **Bigger than a bank**.



Renee DeMarco
Branch Manager

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank report

For year ending 30 June 2017

As we approach 20 years since the first **Community Bank**[®] branch opened its doors, it's timely to reflect on the role of our network's 70,000-strong shareholders and its army of nearly 2,000 passionate local Directors.

As a group of people you are a powerful force that continues to influence change both locally and nationally.

United for a shared purpose in your communities, you are making big things happen beyond the delivery of great banking products and services; you're creating jobs, helping businesses to thrive, solving problems and achieving outcomes that will make your communities better places to live and do business.

Amongst other things, you are providing hundreds of thousands of people in communities around Australia with new opportunities to:

- Play sport in new **Community Bank**[®] funded centres.
- Continue their education thanks to a **Community Bank**[®] scholarship.
- Seek treatment in hospitals closer to home with equipment funded through a **Community Bank**[®] grant.
- Reap the environmental benefits of **Community Bank**[®] funded solar panels and LED lighting, and
- Access mental health services for teenage children with a service supported by a local **Community Bank**[®] branch.

In fact, since the model's inception your investment in local communities exceeds \$165 million and that figure continues to grow every year. This amount excludes the significant co-investment on key projects that many companies have obtained from Government and other parties.

Nationally our voices are increasingly being heard, and our collaborative approach recognised and celebrated.

Representing us all at a recent forum at Canberra's Parliament House, Bendigo Bank's Managing Director and Chairman reinforced the significance of the **Community Bank**[®] model's achievements and called for regulatory change that would help us compete in a crowded and ever-evolving banking sector. Just two months later, the Federal Government announced a levy on Australia's biggest banks that is set to re-level the playing field as we've regularly advocated for.

But for us this is more than a levy. The Turnbull Government's announcement recognises the importance of customers having access to a robust, competitive and customer-focused banking sector. On this note Bendigo Bank was recently recognised as the banking provider of choice in the annual Mozo People's Choice Awards. Better yet, out of 110 banking providers nationally, we were the only bank recognised in all eight banking categories – and were rated the leading bank in six of those eight categories.

This is an extraordinary achievement for you and our bank. Not only does it demonstrate that, in the eyes of our customers, we are doing something right – it very clearly outlines that together we can continue to achieve results.

As we've long known, the more successful our customers are, the stronger our communities become. In this regard the **Community Bank**[®] model enables these outcomes for customers and communities, as increasingly recognised by more and more Australians.

So thank you for your investment in your local **Community Bank**[®] company, for your ongoing contribution and support, tireless advocacy and continued commitment to building strong local communities. Without this, our **Community Bank**[®] branches would be just another bank.



Robert Musgrove
Executive Engagement Innovation

Directors' report

For the financial year ended 30 June 2017

Your directors submit the financial statements of the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2017.

Directors

The names and details of the company's directors who held office during or since the end of the financial year:

Aimee Yvonne Austin

Chairperson

Occupation: HR Practitioner

Qualifications, experience and expertise: People and Culture Manager with significant experience working in NFP organisations, providing strategic advice in HR Management, governance and risk management. Masters in Human Resource Management (specialising in Industrial Relations), Bachelor of Science (majoring in Microbiology and Biological Sciences).

Special responsibilities: Human Resources and Business Development & Marketing Committees.

Interest in shares: Nil

Teneil Rose O'Connell

Secretary

Occupation: Youth Engagement

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Enrolled - Advanced Diploma of Business, Cert IV in Training and Assessment, Cert III in Business Administration, 5 years' experience in Administration Roles.

Special responsibilities: Secretary/Public Officer.

Interest in shares: Nil

Sarah Jocelyn Davies

Treasurer

Occupation: Research (retired)

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Research scientist (PhD, Geography), formerly CSIRO (environmental management, community development). Member Governing Committee & Treasurer Arid Lands Environment Centre Inc; Chair Alice Springs Water Advisory Committee; member Australian Institute of Company Directors; member, The Rangeland Society Publication Committee.

Special responsibilities: Treasurer, Audit & Finance and Premises Lease Committees.

Interest in shares: 2,500

Howard Dalton Dupuy

Director

Occupation: Forensic Biologist - semi retired

Qualifications, experience and expertise: NSW Department of Health Aids Coordinator from 1989-2003. Gym owner 1984 - 1989; Agricultural scientist/manager 1975-1984. Rotary Club of Alice Springs; Board Member Steiner School Alice Springs 2006-2009.

Special responsibilities: Business Development and Marketing Committee.

Interest in shares: 500

Directors' report (continued)

Directors (continued)

Roger Paul Ahwah

Director

Occupation: Engineer

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Bachelor of Computer Science. Engineering Manager. Senior Systems Engineer Manager. Past President of Rotary Club. Past Rotary Assistant Governor - District 9500.

Special responsibilities: Business Development and Marketing Committee.

Interest in shares: Nil

Nicole Ruth Walsh

Director

Occupation: Marketing Manager

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Marketing and Sponsorship Manager for Yeperenye Pty Ltd Alice Springs. Nicole's role includes promotions, events, developing overall marketing strategies, communication, retail development, community engagement, overseeing of security and car parking services, retail leasing and more. Recently appointed to the Tourism Events and Promotions Committee run by the Alice Springs Town Council December 2016. Recently appointed to the Regional Economic Development Committee July 2016. Nicole has been on the NT Hockey Board since December 2016. Nominated for the Telstra Business Women Awards 2016 and 2017. Alice Springs Chamber of Commerce Committee member 2015/16.

Special responsibilities: Business Development and Marketing Committee.

Interest in shares: Nil

Ruth Elvin

Director

Occupation: Senior Manager, Programs

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Bachelor of Arts/Law, Master of Arts (Political Science), Master of Laws (Intellectual Property). Senior programs and research manager with public sector and not-for-profit organisations. Past President and current Director Alice Springs Art Foundation.

Special responsibilities: Human Resources and Workplace Health & Safety Committee.

Interest in shares: 500

Elizabeth Joy Taylor

Director (Appointed 31 October 2016)

Occupation: Company Director, Centred in Choice Pty Ltd, Consultant

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Centred in Choice Pty Ltd. Company Director Consultant in business development, business planning and strategic planning, preparing grant and tender applications, project management and resource development (print, radio and multi-media), work-based training and mentoring, and professional writing and editing.

Graduate Diploma in Education, University of SA. BA Joint Honours Economics and Agricultural Economics, Nottingham University, UK. Advanced Diploma in Community Sector Management. Cert II Broadcasting (Radio). Cert IV Assessment and Workplace Training. Cert IV in Marketing. Cert IV in Community Services and Health (Community Development). Cert IV in Information Technology. Cert IV in First Line Management.

Special responsibilities: Business Development and Marketing Committee.

Interest in shares: 500

Directors' report (continued)

Directors (continued)

Romeo Mutsago

Director (Appointed 23 May 2017)

Occupation: Chartered Accountant - Risk Management

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Risk management; financial reporting; financial management; auditing - external & internal; compliance reviews; performance management review and appraisal.

MBA (financial services); Hon. Bachelor of Accounting Sciences; Bachelor of Accounting Hon.; DBA - current studies.

Professional memberships - CA ANZ; CPA Australia; FCCA - ACCA; CFE - ACFE.

Special responsibilities: Audit & Finance Committee.

Interest in shares: Nil

Elizabeth Bridget May

Director (Resigned 22 November 2016)

Occupation: Administration

Qualifications, experience and expertise: Diploma of Business Management, Cert IV in Tourism. Business owner. Certificate in Effective People Skills. A member of Australian Institute of Company Directors. Member/Volunteer of the not for profit organisation Central Craft. Grants program Manager, Arts NT, Department of Arts and Museums.

Special responsibilities: Audit & Finance Committee.

Interest in shares: 3,500

Directors were in office for this entire year unless otherwise stated.

No directors have material interests in contracts or proposed contracts with the company.

Company Secretary

The company secretary is Teneil Rose O'Connell. Teneil was appointed to the position of secretary on 27 November 2014.

Teneil has several years experience in administration and customer service.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the company during the financial year were facilitating **Community Bank**[®] services under management rights to operate a franchised branch of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

There have been no significant changes in the nature of these activities during the year.

Operating results

Operations have continued to perform in line with expectations. The profit of the company for the financial year after provision for income tax was:

Year ended 30 June 2017 \$	Year ended 30 June 2016 \$
402,641	34,809

Dividends

No dividends were declared or paid for the previous year and the directors recommend that no dividend be paid for the current year.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

In the opinion of the directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the company that occurred during the financial year under review not otherwise disclosed in this report or the financial statements.

Directors' report (continued)

Events since the end of the financial year

There are no matters or circumstances that have arisen since the end of the financial year that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the company, in future years.

Likely developments

The company will continue its policy of facilitating banking services to the community.

Environmental regulation

The company is not subject to any significant environmental regulation.

Directors' benefits

No director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the company, controlled entity or related body corporate with a director, a firm which a director is a member or an entity in which a director has a substantial financial interest.

Indemnification and insurance of directors and officers

The company has indemnified all directors and the manager in respect of liabilities to other persons (other than the company or related body corporate) that may arise from their position as directors or manager of the company except where the liability arises out of conduct involving the lack of good faith.

Disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium is prohibited by the confidentiality clause of the contract of insurance. The company has not provided any insurance for an auditor of the company or a related body corporate.

Directors' meetings

The number of directors' meetings attended by each of the directors of the company during the year were:

	Board Meetings Attended		Committee Meetings Attended			
			Business Development and Marketing		Human Resources and Workplace Health & Safety	
	Eligible	Attended	Eligible	Attended	Eligible	Attended
Aimee Yvonne Austin	11	10	4	4	1	1
Teneil Rose O'Connell	11	10	3	3	1	1
Sarah Jocelyn Davies	11	8	1	1	-	-
Howard Dalton Dupuy	11	4	-	-	-	-
Roger Paul Ahwah	11	9	4	2	-	-
Nicole Ruth Walsh	11	10	4	4	-	-
Ruth Elvin	11	9	-	-	1	1
Elizabeth Joy Taylor*	8	7	4	4	-	-
Romeo Mutsago**	2	2	-	-	-	-
Elizabeth Bridget May***	4	3	-	-	-	-

* - Appointed 31 October 2016

** - Appointed 23 May 2017

*** - Resigned 22 November 2016

Directors' report (continued)

Proceedings on behalf of the company

No person has applied to the Court under section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001 for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the company, or to 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 part of those proceedings.

No proceedings have been brought or intervened in on behalf of the company with leave of the Court under section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001.

Non audit services

The company may decide to employ the auditor on assignments additional to their statutory duties where the auditor's expertise and experience with the company are important. Details of the amounts paid or payable to the auditor (Andrew Frewin Stewart) for audit and non audit services provided during the year are set out in the notes to the accounts.

The board of directors has considered the position and is satisfied that the provision of the non-audit services is compatible with the general standard of independence for auditors imposed by the Corporations Act 2001.

The directors are satisfied that the provision of non-audit services by the auditor, as set out in the notes did not compromise the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 for the following reasons:

- all non-audit services have been reviewed by the board to ensure they do not impact on the impartiality and objectivity of the auditor
- none of the services undermine the general principles relating to auditor independence as set out in APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, including reviewing or auditing the auditor's own work, acting in a management or a decision-making capacity for the company, acting as advocate for the company or jointly sharing economic risk and rewards.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 10.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors at Alice Springs, Northern Territory on 17 September 2017.



**Aimee Yvonne Austin,
Chairperson**

Auditor's independence declaration



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Lead auditor's independence declaration under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* to the directors of Alice Springs Community Financial Services Limited

As lead auditor for the audit of Alice Springs Community Financial Services Limited for the year ended 30 June 2017, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Frewin Stewart', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Andrew Frewin Stewart
61 Bull Street, Bendigo Vic 3550
Dated: 17 September 2017

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Hutchings', with a vertical line extending downwards.

David Hutchings
Lead Auditor

Financial statements

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income for the year ended 30 June 2017

	Notes	2017 \$	2016 \$
Revenue from ordinary activities	4	676,116	649,877
Employee benefits expense		(317,419)	(312,296)
Charitable donations, sponsorship, advertising and promotion		(19,248)	(50,708)
Occupancy and associated costs		(132,550)	(95,643)
Systems costs		(20,009)	(21,029)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	5	(34,906)	(35,068)
Finance costs	5	(25)	(14)
General administration expenses		(104,923)	(100,310)
Profit before income tax credit		47,036	34,809
Income tax credit	6	355,605	-
Profit after income tax credit		402,641	34,809
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the ordinary shareholders of the company:		402,641	34,809
Earnings per share		¢	¢
Basic earnings per share	22	46.96	4.06

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements (continued)

Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2017

	Notes	2017 \$	2016 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	156	127
Trade and other receivables	8	70,821	69,685
Total Current Assets		70,977	69,812
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	9	258,882	26,061
Intangible assets	10	2,308	16,152
Deferred tax assets	11	355,605	-
Total Non-Current Assets		616,795	42,213
Total Assets		687,772	112,025
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	12	322,096	58,367
Borrowings	13	521,846	616,101
Provisions	14	38,935	36,502
Total Current Liabilities		882,877	710,970
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provisions	14	3,543	2,344
Total Non-Current Liabilities		3,543	2,344
Total Liabilities		886,420	713,314
Net Liabilities		(198,648)	(601,289)
Equity			
Issued capital	15	839,034	839,034
Accumulated losses	16	(1,037,682)	(1,440,323)
Total Equity		(198,648)	(601,289)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements (continued)

Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 30 June 2017

	Issued capital \$	Accumulated losses \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2015	839,034	(1,475,132)	(636,098)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	34,809	34,809
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:			
Shares issued during period	-	-	-
Costs of issuing shares	-	-	-
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2016	839,034	(1,440,323)	(601,289)
Balance at 1 July 2016	839,034	(1,440,323)	(601,289)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	402,641	402,641
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:			
Shares issued during period	-	-	-
Costs of issuing shares	-	-	-
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2017	839,034	(1,037,682)	(198,648)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements (continued)

Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 30 June 2017

	Notes	2017 \$	2016 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		736,661	714,528
Payments to suppliers and employees		(626,269)	(615,309)
Interest paid		(25)	(14)
Net cash provided by operating activities	17	110,367	99,205
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(2,239)	(2,405)
Payments for intangible assets		(13,844)	(13,844)
Net cash used in investing activities		(16,083)	(16,249)
Net increase in cash held		94,284	82,956
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		(615,974)	(698,930)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	7(a)	(521,690)	(615,974)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

For year ended 30 June 2017

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standard Boards and the Corporations Act 2001. The company is a for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

Compliance with IFRS

These financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company's accounting policies. These areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexities, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in note 3.

Historical cost convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention on an accruals basis as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

Comparative figures

Where required by Australian Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Application of new and amended accounting standards

There are a number of amendments to accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that became mandatorily effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2016, and are therefore relevant for the current financial year.

None of these amendments to accounting standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) materially affected any of the amounts recognised in the current period or any prior period and are not likely to affect future periods.

There are also a number of accounting standards and interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that become effective in future accounting periods.

The company has elected not to apply any accounting standards or interpretations before their mandatory operative date for the annual reporting period beginning 1 July 2016. These future accounting standards and interpretations therefore have no impact on amounts recognised in the current period or any prior period.

Only AASB 16 Leases, effective for the annual reporting period beginning on or after 1 January 2019 is likely to impact the company. This revised standard will require the branch lease to be capitalised.

Economic dependency - Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited

The company has entered into a franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited that governs the management of the **Community Bank**[®] branch at Alice Springs, Northern Territory.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

a) Basis of preparation (continued)

Economic dependency - Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited (continued)

The branch operates as a franchise of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, using the name “Bendigo Bank” and the logo and system of operations of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited. The company manages the **Community Bank**[®] branch on behalf of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited. However all transactions with customers conducted through the **Community Bank**[®] branch are effectively conducted between the customers and Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

All deposits are made with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, and all personal and investment products are products of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, with the company facilitating the provision of those products. All loans, leases or hire purchase transactions, issues of new credit or debit cards, temporary or bridging finance and any other transaction that involves creating a new debt, or increasing or changing the terms of an existing debt owed to Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, must be approved by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited. All credit transactions are made with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, and all credit products are products of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

The company promotes and sells the products and services, but is not a party to the transaction.

The credit risk (i.e. the risk that a customer will not make repayments) is for the relevant Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited entity to bear as long as the company has complied with the appropriate procedures and relevant obligations and has not exercised a discretion in granting or extending credit.

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited provides significant assistance in establishing and maintaining the **Community Bank**[®] branch franchise operations. It also continues to provide ongoing management and operational support and other assistance and guidance in relation to all aspects of the franchise operation, including advice in relation to:

- design, layout and fit out of the **Community Bank**[®] branch
- training for the branch manager and other employees in banking, management systems and interface protocol
- methods and procedures for the sale of products and provision of services
- security and cash logistic controls
- calculation of company revenue and payment of many operating and administrative expenses
- the formulation and implementation of advertising and promotional programs
- sales techniques and proper customer relations.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the company in the preparation of the financial statements. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

b) Revenue

Revenue is recognised when the amount of revenue can be reliably measured, it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the company and any specific criteria have been met. Interest and fee revenue is recognised when earned. The gain or loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment is recognised on a net basis and is classified as income rather than revenue. All revenue is stated net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Revenue calculation

The franchise agreement provides that three forms of revenue may be earned by the company – margin, commission and fee income. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited decides the form of revenue the company earns on different types of products and services.

The revenue earned by the company is dependent on the business that it generates. It may also be affected by other factors, such as economic and local conditions, for example, interest rates.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

b) Revenue (continued)

Core banking products

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited has identified some Bendigo Bank Group products and services as 'core banking products'. It may change the products and services which are identified as core banking products by giving the company at least 30 days' notice. Core banking products currently include Bendigo Bank branded home loans, term deposits and at call deposits.

Margin

Margin is arrived at through the following calculation:

- Interest paid by customers on loans less interest paid to customers on deposits
- plus any deposit returns i.e. interest return applied by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited for a deposit,
- minus any costs of funds i.e. interest applied by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited to fund a loan.

Margin is paid on all core banking products. A funds transfer pricing model is used for the method of calculation of the cost of funds, deposit return and margin.

The company is entitled to a share of the margin earned by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited (i.e. income adjusted for Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited's interest expense and interest income return). However, if this reflects a loss, the company incurs a share of that loss.

Commission

Commission is a fee paid for products and services sold. It may be paid on the initial sale or on an ongoing basis. Commission is payable on the sale of an insurance product such as home contents. Examples of products and services on which ongoing commissions are paid include leasing and Sandhurst Trustees Limited products.

Fee income

Fee income is a share of what is commonly referred to as 'bank fees and charges' charged to customers by Bendigo Bank Group entities including fees for loan applications and account transactions.

Discretionary financial contributions

In addition to margin, commission and fee income, and separate from the franchise agreement, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited has also made discretionary financial payments to the company. These are referred to by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited as a "Market Development Fund" (MDF).

The amount has been based on the volume of business attributed to a branch. The purpose of the discretionary payments is to assist with local market development activities, including community sponsorships and donations.

The Business Development and Marketing Committee aims to expend the MDF income consistent with this purpose.

The payments from Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited are discretionary and Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited may change the amount or stop making them at any time.

Ability to change financial return

Under the franchise agreement, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited may change the form and amount of financial return that the company receives. The reasons it may make a change include changes in industry or economic conditions or changes in the way Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited earns revenue.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

b) Revenue (continued)

Ability to change financial return (continued)

The change may be to the method of calculation of margin, the amount of margin, commission and fee income or a change of a margin to a commission or vice versa. This may affect the amount of revenue the company receives on a particular product or service. The effect of the change on the revenue earned by the company is entirely dependent on the change.

If Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited makes a change to the margin or commission on core banking products and services, it must not reduce the margin and commission the company receives on core banking products and services Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited attributes to the company to less than 50% (on an aggregate basis) of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited's margin at that time. For other products and services, there is no restriction on the change Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited may make.

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited must give the company 30 days' notice before it changes the products and services on which margin, commission or fee income is paid, the method of calculation of margin and the amount of margin, commission or fee income.

Monitoring and changing financial return

Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited monitors the distribution of financial return between **Community Bank**[®] companies and Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited on an ongoing basis.

Overall, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited has made it clear that the **Community Bank**[®] model is based on the principle of shared reward for shared effort. In particular, in relation to core banking products and services, the aim is to achieve an equal share of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited's margin.

c) Income tax

Current tax

Current tax is calculated by reference to the amount of income taxes payable or recoverable in respect of the taxable profit or loss for the period. It is calculated using tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. Current tax for current and prior periods is recognised as a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method on temporary differences arising from differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax base of those items.

In principle, deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that sufficient taxable amounts will be available against which deductible temporary differences or unused tax losses and tax offsets can be utilised. However, deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences giving rise to them arise from the initial recognition of assets and liabilities (other than as a result of a business combination) which affects neither taxable income nor accounting profit. Furthermore, a deferred tax liability is not recognised in relation to taxable temporary differences arising from goodwill.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period(s) when the asset and liability giving rise to them are realised or settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by reporting date. The measurement of deferred tax liabilities reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the consolidated entity expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

c) Income tax (continued)

Deferred tax (continued)

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax and when the balances relate to taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the company entity intends to settle its tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

Current and deferred tax for the period

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense or income in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, except when it relates to items credited or debited to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised directly in equity, or where it arises from initial accounting for a business combination, in which case it is taken into account in the determination of goodwill or excess.

d) Employee entitlements

Provision is made for the company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits.

The company contributes to a defined contribution plan. Contributions to employee superannuation funds are charged against income as incurred.

e) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the Balance Sheet.

f) Trade receivables and payables

Receivables are carried at their amounts due. The collectability of debts is assessed at balance date and specific provision is made for any doubtful accounts. Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost that is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the company.

g) Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment, leasehold improvements and equipment under finance lease are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the item. In the event that settlement of all or part of the purchase consideration is deferred, cost is determined by discounting the amounts payable in the future to their present value as at the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is provided on property, plant and equipment, including freehold buildings but excluding land. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the net cost of each asset over its expected useful life to its estimated residual value. Leasehold improvements are depreciated at the rate equivalent to the available building allowance using the straight line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each annual reporting period.

The following estimated useful lives are used in the calculation of depreciation:

- leasehold improvements 10 years
- plant and equipment 2.5 - 40 years

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

h) Intangibles

The franchise fee paid to Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited has been recorded at cost and is amortised on a straight line basis over the life of the franchise agreement.

The renewal processing fee paid to Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited when renewing the franchise agreement has also been recorded at cost and is amortised on a straight line basis over the life of the franchise agreement.

i) Payment terms

Receivables and payables are non interest bearing and generally have payment terms of between 30 and 90 days.

j) Borrowings

All loans are initially measured at the principal amount. Interest is recognised as an expense as it accrues.

k) Financial instruments

Recognition and initial measurement

Financial instruments, incorporating financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Financial instruments are classified and measured as set out below.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset.

Classification and subsequent measurement

(i) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

(ii) Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Impairment

At each reporting date, the entity assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

l) Leases

Leases of fixed assets where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership are transferred to the company are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

l) Leases (continued)

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term. Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred. Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

m) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the economic entity has a legal, equitable or constructive obligation to make a future sacrifice of economic benefits to other entities as a result of past transactions or other past events, it is probable that a future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

A provision for dividends is not recognised as a liability unless the dividends are declared, determined or publicly recommended on or before the reporting date.

n) Contributed equity

Ordinary shares are recognised at the fair value of the consideration received by the company. Any transaction costs arising on the issue of ordinary shares are recognised directly in equity as a reduction of the share proceeds received.

o) Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the company, excluding any costs of servicing equity other than ordinary shares, by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year, adjusted for bonus elements in ordinary shares issued during the year.

p) 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. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the Balance Sheet. Cash flows are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis.

The GST components of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority are classified as operating cash flows.

Note 2. Financial risk management

The company's activities expose it to a limited variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The company's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the entity. The entity does not use derivative instruments.

Risk management is carried out directly by the board of directors.

(i) Market risk

The company has no exposure to any transactions denominated in a currency other than Australian dollars.

(ii) Price risk

The company is not exposed to equity securities price risk as it does not hold investments for sale or at fair value. The company is not exposed to commodity price risk.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 2. Financial risk management (continued)

(iii) Credit risk

The company has no significant concentrations of credit risk. It has policies in place to ensure that customers have an appropriate credit history. The company's franchise agreement limits the company's credit exposure to one financial institution, being Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

(iv) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity management implies maintaining sufficient cash and marketable securities and the availability of funding from credit facilities. The company believes that its sound relationship with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited mitigates this risk significantly.

(v) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

Interest-bearing assets are held with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited and subject to movements in market interest. Interest-rate risk could also arise from long-term borrowings. Borrowings issued at variable rates expose the company to cash flow interest-rate risk. The company believes that its sound relationship with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited mitigates this risk significantly.

(vi) Capital management

The board's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to sustain future development of the company. The board of directors monitor the return on capital and the level of dividends to shareholders. Capital is represented by total equity as recorded in the Balance Sheet.

In accordance with the franchise agreement, in any 12 month period, the funds distributed to shareholders shall not exceed the distribution limit.

The distribution limit is the greater of:

- (a) 20% of the profit or funds of the franchisee otherwise available for distribution to shareholders in that 12 month period; and
- (b) subject to the availability of distributable profits, the relevant rate of return multiplied by the average level of share capital of the franchisee over that 12 month period where the relevant rate of return is equal to the weighted average interest rate on 90 day bank bills over that 12 month period plus 5%.

The board is managing the growth of the business in line with this requirement. There are no other externally imposed capital requirements, although the nature of the company is such that amounts will be paid in the form of charitable donations and sponsorship. Charitable donations and sponsorship paid for the year ended 30 June 2017 can be seen in the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

There were no changes in the company's approach to capital management during the year.

Note 3. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that may have a financial impact on the entity and that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

Management has identified the following critical accounting policies for which significant judgements, estimates and assumptions are made. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions and conditions and may materially affect financial results or the financial position reported in future periods.

Further details of the nature of these assumptions and conditions may be found in the relevant notes to the financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 3. Critical accounting estimates and judgements (continued)

Taxation

Judgement is required in assessing whether deferred tax assets and certain tax liabilities are recognised on the balance sheet. Deferred tax assets, including those arising from un-recouped tax losses, capital losses and temporary differences, are recognised only where it is considered more likely than not that they will be recovered, which is dependent on the generation of sufficient future taxable profits.

Assumptions about the generation of future taxable profits depend on management's estimates of future cash flows. These depend on estimates of future sales volumes, operating costs, capital expenditure, dividends and other capital management transactions. Judgements are also required about the application of income tax legislation.

These judgements and assumptions are subject to risk and uncertainty. There is therefore a possibility that changes in circumstances will alter expectations, which may impact the amount of deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities recognised on the balance sheet and the amount of other tax losses and temporary differences not yet recognised. In such circumstances, some or all of the carrying amount of recognised deferred tax assets and liabilities may require adjustment, resulting in corresponding credit or charge to the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The estimation of the useful lives of assets has been based on historical experience and the condition of the asset is assessed at least once per year and considered against the remaining useful life. Adjustments to useful lives are made when considered necessary.

Impairment of assets

At each reporting date, the company reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets that have an indefinite useful life to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where the asset does not generate cash flows that are independent from other assets, the consolidated entity estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at fair value, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 4. Revenue from ordinary activities		
Operating activities:		
- gross margin	466,145	386,093
- services commissions	103,977	145,557
- fee income	70,539	68,227
- market development fund	35,000	50,000
Total revenue from operating activities	675,661	649,877
Total revenues from ordinary activities	675,661	649,877
Non-operating activities:		
- other revenue (sundry income)	455	-
	455	-
	676,116	649,877

Note 5. Expenses

Depreciation of non-current assets:

- leasehold improvements	19,257	19,734
- plant and equipment	1,805	1,490

Amortisation of non-current assets:

- franchise agreement	2,307	2,307
- franchise renewal fee	11,537	11,537
	34,906	35,068

Finance costs:

- interest paid	25	14
Bad debts	664	540
Loss on disposal of assets	6,315	710

Note 6. Income tax credit

The components of tax credit comprise:

- Movement in deferred tax	(2,390)	(5,367)
- Adjustment to deferred tax to reflect change to tax rate in future periods	-	13,373
- Recoupment of prior year tax losses	15,325	17,821
- Bring into account future income tax benefit from tax losses previously not recognised	(368,540)	-
- Tax losses not brought to account	-	(25,827)
	(355,605)	-

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 6. Income tax credit (continued)			
The prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax credit as follows			
Operating profit		47,036	34,809
Prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities at 27.5% (2016: 28.5%)		12,935	11,307
Add tax effect of:			
- non-deductible expenses		1,737	461
- timing difference expenses		1,186	6,618
- other deductible expenses		(533)	-
		15,325	18,386
Movement in deferred tax		(2,390)	(5,367)
Tax loss offset		-	(565)
Bring into account future income tax benefit from tax losses previously not recognised		(368,540)	-
Adjustment to deferred tax to reflect change of tax rate in future periods		-	13,373
Tax losses not brought to account		-	(25,827)
		(355,605)	-

Note 7. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and on hand		156	127
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Note 7.(a) Reconciliation to cash flow statement

The above figures reconcile to the amount of cash shown in the statement of cash flows at the end of the financial year as follows:

Cash at bank and on hand		156	127
Bank overdraft	13	(521,846)	(616,101)
		(521,690)	(615,974)

Note 8. Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables		57,966	57,394
Prepayments		12,855	12,291
		70,821	69,685

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 9. Property, plant and equipment		
Leasehold improvements		
At cost	258,882	196,340
Less accumulated depreciation	-	(173,863)
	258,882	22,477
Plant and equipment		
At cost	-	9,813
Less accumulated depreciation	-	(6,229)
	-	3,584
Total written down amount	258,882	26,061
Movements in carrying amounts:		
Leasehold improvements		
Carrying amount at beginning	22,477	42,921
Additions	258,882	(986)
Disposals	(3,220)	-
Less: depreciation expense	(19,257)	(19,458)
Carrying amount at end	258,882	22,477
Plant and equipment		
Carrying amount at beginning	3,584	2,669
Additions	1,316	2,405
Disposals	(3,095)	-
Less: depreciation expense	(1,805)	(1,490)
Carrying amount at end	-	3,584
Total written down amount	258,882	26,061

Note 10. Intangible assets

Franchise fee		
At cost	21,537	21,537
Less: accumulated amortisation	(21,152)	(18,845)
	385	2,692
Renewal processing fee		
At cost	57,684	57,684
Less: accumulated amortisation	(55,761)	(44,224)
	1,923	13,460
Total written down amount	2,308	16,152

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 11. Tax		
Deferred tax assets		
- accruals	743	-
- employee provisions	11,681	-
- tax losses carried forward	343,181	-
	355,605	-
Movement in deferred tax charged to Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income	355,605	-

Note 12. Trade and other payables

Trade creditors	23,886	19,039
Other creditors and accruals	298,210	39,328
	322,096	58,367

Note 13. Borrowings

Bank overdraft	521,846	616,101
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The company has an approved overdraft facility of \$780,000. The bank overdraft has a rolling renewal date and an interest free period. It is secured by a floating charge over the company's assets.

Note 14. Provisions

Current:

Provision for annual leave	20,008	19,581
Provision for long service leave	18,927	16,921
	38,935	36,502

Non-Current:

Provision for long service leave	3,543	2,344
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Note 15. Contributed equity

857,467 ordinary shares fully paid (2016: 857,467)	857,467	857,467
Less: equity raising expenses	(18,433)	(18,433)
	839,034	839,034

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 15. Contributed equity (continued)

Rights attached to shares

(a) Voting rights

Subject to some limited exceptions, each member has the right to vote at a general meeting.

On a show of hands or a poll, each member attending the meeting (whether they are attending the meeting in person or by attorney, corporate representative or proxy) has one vote, regardless of the number of shares held. However, where a person attends a meeting in person and is entitled to vote in more than one capacity (for example, the person is a member and has also been appointed as proxy for another member) that person may only exercise one vote on a show of hands. On a poll, that person may exercise one vote as a member and one vote for each other member that person represents as duly appointed attorney, corporate representative or proxy.

The purpose of giving each member only one vote, regardless of the number of shares held, is to reflect the nature of the company as a community based company, by providing that all members of the community who have contributed to the establishment and ongoing operation of the **Community Bank**[®] branch have the same ability to influence the operation of the company.

(b) Dividends

Generally, dividends are payable to members in proportion to the amount of the share capital paid up on the shares held by them, subject to any special rights and restrictions for the time being attaching to shares. The franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited contains a limit on the level of profits or funds that may be distributed to shareholders. There is also a restriction on the payment of dividends to certain shareholders if they have a prohibited shareholding interest (see below).

(c) Transfer

Generally, ordinary shares are freely transferable. However, the directors have a discretion to refuse to register a transfer of shares.

Subject to the foregoing, shareholders may transfer shares by a proper transfer effected in accordance with the company's constitution and the Corporations Act 2001.

Prohibited shareholding interest

A person must not have a prohibited shareholding interest in the company.

In summary, a person has a prohibited shareholding interest if any of the following applies:

- They control or own 10% or more of the shares in the company (the "10% limit").
- In the opinion of the board they do not have a close connection to the community or communities in which the company predominantly carries on business (the "close connection test").
- Where the person is a shareholder, after the transfer of shares in the company to that person the number of shareholders in the company is (or would be) lower than the base number (the "base number test"). The base number is 336. As at the date of this report, the company had 370 shareholders.

As with voting rights, the purpose of this prohibited shareholding provision is to reflect the community-based nature of the company.

Where a person has a prohibited shareholding interest, the voting and dividend rights attaching to the shares in which the person (and his or her associates) have a prohibited shareholding interest are suspended.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 15. Contributed equity (continued)

Prohibited shareholding interest (continued)

The board has the power to request information from a person who has (or is suspected by the board of having) a legal or beneficial interest in any shares in the company or any voting power in the company, for the purpose of determining whether a person has a prohibited shareholding interest. If the board becomes aware that a member has a prohibited shareholding interest, it must serve a notice requiring the member (or the member's associate) to dispose of the number of shares the board considers necessary to remedy the breach. If a person fails to comply with such a notice within a specified period (that must be between three and six months), the board is authorised to sell the specified shares on behalf of that person. The holder will be entitled to the consideration from the sale of the shares, less any expenses incurred by the board in selling or otherwise dealing with those shares.

In the constitution, members acknowledge and recognise that the exercise of the powers given to the board may cause considerable disadvantage to individual members, but that such a result may be necessary to enforce the prohibition.

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 16. Accumulated losses		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	(1,440,323)	(1,475,132)
Net profit from ordinary activities after income tax	402,641	34,809
Balance at the end of the financial year	(1,037,682)	(1,440,323)

Note 17. Statement of cash flows

Reconciliation of profit from ordinary activities after tax to net cash provided by operating activities

Profit from ordinary activities after income tax	402,641	34,809
Non cash items:		
- depreciation	21,062	21,224
- amortisation	13,844	13,844
- loss on disposal of asset	6,315	710
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
- (increase)/decrease in receivables	(1,136)	(13,286)
- (increase)/decrease in other assets	(355,605)	-
- increase/(decrease) in payables	19,614	18,113
- increase/(decrease) in provisions	3,632	23,791
Net cash flows provided by operating activities	110,367	99,205

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 18. Leases		
Operating lease commitments		
Non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements		
Payable - minimum lease payments:		
- not later than 12 months	32,500	74,676
- between 12 months and 5 years	260,000	-
- greater than 5 years	-	-
	292,500	74,676

The property lease is a non-cancellable lease with a five-year term, with rent payable monthly in advance. The lease begins on 1 July 2017 and has an option for a further term of five years.

The company is to receive a lessor contribution towards the branch fitout costs as a lease incentive. The lease incentive is presented as part of the lease liabilities and is reversed on a straight line basis over the lease term. The company will also receive a rent-free period of six months.

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Note 19. Auditor's remuneration		
Amounts received or due and receivable by the auditor of the company for:		
- audit and review services	4,200	4,100
- non audit services	3,480	1,902
	7,680	6,002

Note 20. Director and related party disclosures

The names of directors who have held office during the financial year are:

Aimee Yvonne Austin
Teneil Rose O'Connell
Sarah Jocelyn Davies
Howard Dalton Dupuy
Roger Paul Ahwah
Nicole Ruth Walsh
Ruth Elvin
Elizabeth Joy Taylor (Appointed 31 October 2016)
Romeo Mutsago (Appointed 23 May 2017)
Elizabeth Bridget May (Resigned 22 November 2016)

No director or related entity has entered into a material contract with the company. No director's fees have been paid as the positions are held on a voluntary basis.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 20. Director and related party disclosures (continued)

	2017	2016
Directors' Shareholdings		
Aimee Yvonne Austin	-	-
Teneil Rose O'Connell	-	-
Sarah Jocelyn Davies	2,500	2,500
Howard Dalton Dupuy	500	500
Roger Paul Ahwah	-	-
Nicole Ruth Walsh	-	-
Ruth Elvin	500	500
Elizabeth Joy Taylor (Appointed 31 October 2016)	500	500
Romeo Mutsago (Appointed 23 May 2017)	-	-
Elizabeth Bridget May (Resigned 22 November 2016)	3,500	3,500

There was no movement in directors' shareholdings during the year.

Note 21. Key management personnel disclosures

No director of the company receives remuneration for services as a company director or committee member.

There are no executives within the company whose remuneration is required to be disclosed.

	2017 \$	2016 \$
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Note 22. Earnings per share

(a) Profit attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the company used in calculating earnings per share	402,641	34,809
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	Number	Number
(b) Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating basic earnings per share	857,467	857,467

Note 23. Events occurring after the reporting date

There have been no events after the end of the financial year that would materially affect the financial statements.

Note 24. Contingent liabilities and contingent assets

There were no contingent liabilities or contingent assets at the date of this report to affect the financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 25. Segment reporting

The economic entity operates in the service sector where it facilitates **Community Bank®** services in Alice Springs, Northern Territory pursuant to a franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

Note 26. Registered office/Principal place of business

The entity is a company limited by shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The registered office and principal place of business is:

Registered Office

39a Yeperenye Shopping Centre
36-38 Hartley Street
Alice Springs NT 0870

Principal Place of Business

39a Yeperenye Shopping Centre
36-38 Hartley Street
Alice Springs NT 0870

Note 27. Financial instruments

Financial Instrument Composition and Maturity Analysis

The table below reflects the undiscounted contractual settlement terms for all financial instruments, as well as the settlement period for instruments with a fixed period of maturity and interest rate.

Financial instrument	Floating interest		Fixed interest rate maturing in						Non interest bearing		Weighted average	
			1 year or less		Over 1 to 5 years		Over 5 years					
	2017 \$	2016 \$	2017 \$	2016 \$	2017 \$	2016 \$	2017 \$	2016 \$	2017 \$	2016 \$	2017 %	2016 %
Financial assets												
Cash and cash equivalents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	156	127	Nil	Nil
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57,966	57,394	N/A	N/A
Financial liabilities												
Interest bearing liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	521,846	616,101	Nil	Nil
Payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23,886	19,039	N/A	N/A

Net Fair Values

The net fair values of financial assets and liabilities approximate the carrying values as disclosed in the balance sheet. The company does not have any unrecognised financial instruments at the year end.

Credit Risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the balance sheet and notes to the financial statements.

There are no material credit risk exposures to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the economic entity.

Notes to the financial statements (continued)

Note 27. Financial instruments (continued)

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the value of a financial instrument or cash flows associated with the instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. Interest rate risk arises from the interest bearing financial assets and liabilities in place subject to variable interest rates, as outlined above.

Sensitivity Analysis

The company has performed sensitivity analysis relating to its exposure to interest rate risk at balance date. This sensitivity analysis demonstrates the effect on the current year results and equity which could result from a change in interest rates.

As at 30 June 2017, the effect on profit and equity as a result of changes in interest rate, with all other variables remaining constant would be as follows:

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Change in profit/(loss)		
Increase in interest rate by 1%	-	-
Decrease in interest rate by 1%	-	-
Change in equity		
Increase in interest rate by 1%	-	-
Decrease in interest rate by 1%	-	-

Directors' declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Alice Springs Community Financial Services Limited, we state that:

In the opinion of the directors:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the company are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- (c) the audited remuneration disclosures set out in the remuneration report section of the directors' report comply with Accounting Standard AASB124 Related Party Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors.



Aimee Yvonne Austin,
Chairperson

Signed on the 17th of September 2017.

Independent audit report



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Independent auditor's report to the members of Alice Springs Community Financial Services Limited

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Alice Springs Community Financial Services Limited is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards.

What we have audited

Alice Springs Community Financial Services Limited's (the company) financial report comprises the:

- ✓ Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
- ✓ Balance sheet
- ✓ Statement of changes in equity
- ✓ Statement of cash flows
- ✓ Notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes
- ✓ The directors' declaration of the entity.

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.

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (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 audit opinion.

Other information

The company usually prepares an annual report that will include the financial statements, directors' report and declaration and our independence declaration and audit report (the financial report). The annual report may also include "other information" on the entity's operations and financial results and financial position as set out in the financial report, typically in a Chairman's report and Manager's report, and reports covering governance and shareholder matters.

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The directors are responsible for the other information. The annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report.

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

Our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available 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 we identify that a material inconsistency appears to exist when we read the annual report (or become aware that the other information appears to be materially misstated), we will discuss the matter with the directors and where we believe that a material misstatement of the other information exists, we will request management to correct the other information.

Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report so that it gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* 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 company'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 company or cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibility 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. Misstatement can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/home.aspx>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



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Dated: 17 September 2017



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