Belfast Community Enterprises Limited

ABN 65 161 382 832

Half-year Financial Report - 31 December 2023

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Directors' report 31 December 2023

The directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the company for the half-year ended 31 December 2023.

Directors

The following persons were directors of the company during the whole of the financial half-year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Damian John Gleeson Nicole Louise Dwyer Margaret Donne Leutton Thomas Newton Adele Lee Brown (Appointed 7 July 2023) Peter John Langley (Resigned 7 July 2023) Melissa Anne McDonald (Resigned 7 July 2023)

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company during the financial half-year was facilitating Community Bank services under management rights of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited (Bendigo Bank).

Review of operations

The profit for the company after providing for income tax amounted to \$135,635 (31 December 2022: \$169,596).

Operations have continued to perform in line with expectations.

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) increased the cash rate by 2.25% during the previous period from 0.85% to 3.10% at 31 December 2022. Since then the cash rate has increased by 1.25% to 4.35% as at 31 December 2023. The increased cash rate has had a direct impact on the revenue received by the company, increasing the net interest margin income received under the revenue share arrangement the company has with Bendigo Bank.

While the cash rate has increased, from 1 July 2023 Bendigo Bank updated the Funds Transfer Pricing (FTP) base rate on certain deposits which has impacted the income earned on these products.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the company during the financial half-year.

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial half-year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the company's operations, the results of those operations, or the company's state of affairs in future financial years.

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 immediately after this directors' report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 306(3)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

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Damian John Gleeson Chair

8 March 2024



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Lead auditor's independence declaration under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* to the Directors of Belfast Community Enterprises Limited

We declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, for the half-year ended 31 December 2023 there have been no contraventions of:

- i. the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review
- ii. any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

Andrew Frewin Stewart 61 Bull Street, Bendigo Vic 3550 Dated: 8 March 2024

Joshua Griffin Lead Auditor

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Revenue from contracts with customers	2	515,765	562,319
Other revenue		13,526	5,200
Finance revenue		10,272	1,629
Total revenue		539,563	569,148
Employee benefits expense		(235,250)	(228,986)
Advertising and marketing costs		(7,265)	(8,061)
Occupancy and associated costs Systems costs		(4,103) (13,294)	(8,207) (13,207)
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(30,567)	(30,383)
Finance costs		(10,808)	(11,458)
General administration expenses		(30,705)	(23,481)
Total expenses before community contributions and income tax		(331,992)	(323,783)
Profit before community contributions and income tax expense		207,571	245,365
Charitable donations, sponsorships and grants expense		(25,492)	(17,554)
Profit before income tax expense		182,079	227,811
Income tax expense		(46,444)	(58,215)
Profit after income tax expense for the half-year		135,635	169,596
Other comprehensive income for the half-year, net of tax			
Total comprehensive income for the half-year		135,635	169,596
		Cents	Cents
Basic earnings per share		14.47	18.09
Diluted earnings per share		14.47	18.09
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Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Statement of financial position As at 31 December 2023

	31-Dec-23 \$	30-Jun-23 \$
Assets		
Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Trade and other receivables Total current assets	1,018,231 94,404 1,112,635	916,998 89,774 1,006,772
Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets Intangibles Deferred tax assets Total non-current assets	168,558 311,226 32,365 40,497 552,646	161,492 320,075 42,555 39,637 563,759
Total assets	1,665,281	1,570,531
Liabilities		
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Lease liabilities Current tax liabilities Employee benefits Total current liabilities	70,036 45,343 64,886 18,261 198,526	54,005 24,980 26,239 11,398 116,622
Non-current liabilities Lease liabilities Employee benefits Provisions Total non-current liabilities	390,565 5,227 15,309 411,101	420,605 4,583 14,835 440,023
Total liabilities	609,627	556,645
Net assets	1,055,654	1,013,886
Equity Issued capital Retained earnings	898,316 157,338	898,316 115,570
Total equity	1,055,654	1,013,886

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Statement of changes in equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	lssued capital \$	Retained earnings \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2022		898,316	58,710	957,026
Profit after income tax expense Other comprehensive income, net of tax Total comprehensive income		- - 	169,596 169,596	169,596 - 169,596
<i>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</i> Dividends provided for or paid	3		(46,934)	(46,934)
Balance at 31 December 2022		898,316	181,372	1,079,688

Balance at 1 July 2023		898,316	115,570	1,013,886
Profit after income tax expense Other comprehensive income, net of tax Total comprehensive income		- - 	135,635 - 135,635	135,635 - 135,635
<i>Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:</i> Dividends provided for or paid	3		(93,867)	(93,867)
Balance at 31 December 2023		898,316	157,338	1,055,654

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Statement of cash flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Cash flows from operating activities Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST) Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST) Interest received Interest and other finance costs paid Income taxes paid		577,223 (335,238) 10,272 - (8,657)	570,732 (315,757) 1,629 (15) (8,787)
Net cash from operating activities		243,600	247,802
Cash flows from investing activities Payments for property, plant and equipment Payments for intangible assets Net cash used in investing activities		(12,481) (13,184) (25,665)	(13,184) (13,184)
Cash flows from financing activities Dividends paid Repayment of lease liabilities	3	(93,867) (22,835)	(46,934) (22,168)
Net cash used in financing activities		(116,702)	(69,102)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial half-year		101,233 916,998	165,516 855,603
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial half-year		1,018,231	1,021,119

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Notes to the financial statements 31 December 2023

Note 1. Material accounting policy information

These general purpose financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2023 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting' and the *Corporations Act 2001*. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'.

These general purpose financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, these financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 and any public announcements made by the company during the period.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period, unless otherwise stated.

Note 2. Revenue from contracts with customers

	31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Margin income	450,275	496,572
Fee income	25,927	27,704
Commission income	39,563	38,043
Revenue from contracts with customers	515,765	562,319

Disaggregation of revenue

All revenue from contracts with customers has been recognised at a point in time during the half-year.

Note 3. Dividends

The following dividends were provided for and paid to shareholders during the financial half-year as presented in the Statement of changes in equity and Statement of cash flows.

	31-Dec-23 \$	31-Dec-22 \$
Fully franked dividend of 10 cents per share (31-Dec-22: 5 cents)	93,867	46,934

The tax rate at which dividends have been franked is 25%.

Note 4. Contingent assets and liabilities

There were no contingent assets or liabilities at the date of this report.

Note 5. Related party transactions

There were no transactions with related parties during the current and previous financial half-year.

Note 6. Events after the reporting date

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2023 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the company's operations, the results of those operations, or the company's state of affairs in future financial years.

Belfast Community Enterprises Limited Directors' declaration 31 December 2023

In the directors' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the *Corporations Act 2001*, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting', the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and of its performance for the financial half-year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 303(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

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Damian John Gleeson Chair

8 March 2024



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Independent auditor's review report to the Directors of Belfast Community Enterprises Limited

Report on the half-year financial report

Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Belfast Community Enterprises Limited (the company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2023, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of Belfast Community Enterprises Limited does not present fairly, in all material respects, the company's financial position at 31 December 2023, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and Accounting Standard AASB 134: Interim Financial Reporting and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for Conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410: *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity.* Our responsibilities are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report* section of our report. 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 (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001* which has been given to the directors of the company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

Responsibility of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the half-year financial report in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the of the half-year financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud error.



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Auditor's responsibility for the review of the financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the half-year financial report does not present fairly, in all material respects in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2023 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Joshua Griffin Lead Auditor

Andrew Frewin Stewart 61 Bull Street, Bendigo VIC 3550 Dated: 8 March 2024