

# Notice of Annual General Meeting

**Creswick & District Financial Services Ltd**  
A.B.N. 14 119 315 258  
To be held on  
**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**  
**7.00pm at the Doug Lindsay Recreation Reserve**

## Ordinary Business

### 1. Receipt of Annual Report

To receive the company's Financial Report, the Director's Report and the Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 June 2023.

### 2. Election of Directors

To consider and pass each of the following resolutions as an ordinary resolution.

- (a) That **Wendy McFarlane** be elected as a Director of the company.
- (b) That **Ian Smith** be re-elected as a Director of the company.
- (c) That **Jeff Unmack** be re-elected as a Director of the company.

### 3. Special Resolution

To consider, and if thought fit, approve Creswick & District Financial Services Limited's Mission Statement.

## Attending the meeting

All shareholders may attend the Annual General Meeting.

*Joint holders:* In the case of joint shareholders, all holders may attend the Meeting. If only one holder attends (including by proxy), that shareholder may vote at the Meeting as if that holder were solely entitled to the shares. If more than one joint holder is present (including by proxy), the joint holder whose name appears first in the register may vote.

*Proxy:* If you are unable to attend the Meeting, you are entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote. See the attached Proxy Form for information on appointing a proxy.

*Corporate shareholder:* A corporate shareholder may appoint one or more persons to act as its representative under section 250D of the Corporations Act, but only one representative may exercise the corporate shareholder's powers at any one time. The company requires written evidence of a representative's appointment to be given to the company before the meeting.

## Voting rights

Each shareholder is entitled to one vote.

For the purposes of voting at the Meeting, shares will be taken to be held by the persons who are registered as members as at 3 October 2023.

By order of the Board



**Daryl Clifton**  
Company Secretary  
**3 October 2023**  
Explanatory Notes

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This information has been included to assist you in making an informed decision about the resolutions proposed at the meeting.

## Agenda item 2: Election of Directors

The following information is provided about candidates for election to the Board.

- (a) **Wendy McFarlane having** been appointed by the Board since the last Annual General Meeting, retires by rotation in accordance with the constitution of the company, and being eligible, offers herself for re-election.
- (b) **Ian Smith** retires by rotation in accordance with the constitution of the company, and being eligible, offers himself for re-election.
- (c) **Jeff Unmack** retires by rotation in accordance with the constitution of the company, and being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

*Further information about the candidates.*

**Wendy McFarlane BBUS FCPA:** Wendy was appointed to the Board in April 2023 and is a member of the Business Development Committee. Wendy holds a Bachelor of Business degree majoring in Accounting and is a Fellow of CPA Australia. She has recently retired after 20 years as a Business Director and Company Secretary at an independent school. Prior to working in schools Wendy held various roles in the mining industry. Wendy is now enjoying several voluntary roles in local Creswick organisations and with the Art Gallery of Ballarat.

**Ian Smith:** Ian was appointed to the Board in May 2020 and is a member of the Business Development Committee. Ian is a 5<sup>th</sup> generation farmer and long-time resident of Rocklyn. He is involved in many community groups. Ian has been a member of the CFA for 30 years and is the current Captain of Newlyn/Dean CFA.

**Jeff Unmack:** Jeff was appointed to the Board in 2015 and is a current member of the Business Development Committee. Jeff has been working as a qualified Pharmacist (B.Pharm., M.P.S.) for over 40 years and owns and operates the Creswick Pharmacy and the Clunes Pharmacy.

## Agenda item 3: Special Resolution

The following information is provided about the Special Resolution.

The Board is seeking shareholder approval of a Mission Statement that has been developed for the purpose of supporting Creswick & District Financial Services Limited's (CDFSL's) application for social enterprise accreditation with Social Traders Ltd (ABN 42 132 665 804) (**Social Traders**). Shareholder endorsement will enable CDFSL to achieve social enterprise accreditation with Social Traders and to be formally recognised for the contribution we've made to our community.

The Mission Statement reads as follows:

**Creswick & District Financial Services Limited's mission is to be a substantial, sustainable community-built business that contributes to community prosperity.**

We seek your approval of the Mission Statement which is a requirement for certification by Social Traders. It has three components:

1. Creswick & District Financial Services Limited's commitment to social purpose.
2. Confirmation dividends made by Creswick & District Financial Service Limited are not greater than distributions to the community in any year.
3. Any future changes to the Mission Statement must be through a special resolution of shareholders.

The Board recommends that you consider the Mission Statement and vote in favour of this resolution.