



COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS
\$1.209 million

Company update.

Financially we had a strong year with a sizable profit. Our customer deposits and loans have increased from last year and our total funds under management has risen to \$159 million.

As always, a major factor in the ongoing growth and achievement of the company has been the continued high level of customer service provided by our team at the Leopold **Community Bank**[®] Branch, and for this we commend Craig Taylor and the team for their efforts.

In December 2018 we again paid a fully franked dividend to shareholders of 7 cents per share. This brings the total dividends paid to shareholders to 38 cents per share; with the total returns to shareholders being \$296,442. If you, as a shareholder have changed any of your details please contact us to ensure we have the correct information.

Our grants, sponsorship and donations to local community groups and projects has continued to grow. Since our commencement in 2009 we have provided a total of \$1.209 million in community advertising, grants, sponsorships and donations.

Our challenge remains educating our community on the **Community Bank**[®] model and how the **Community Bank**[®] branch impacts our community. The more business that goes through our branch the more we can contribute back into our wonderful community of Leopold.

An exciting milestone for the company will happen on 3 April 2019. The Leopold **Community Bank**[®] Branch at Gateway Plaza will be 10 years old. Please keep an eye out for the upcoming celebrations and please get involved. We acknowledge our shareholders, because without your support the Leopold **Community Bank**[®] Branch would not be in existence today.

A copy of the full Annual Report is available by contacting bendigoleopold@gmail.com or drop into the branch at Gateway Plaza.

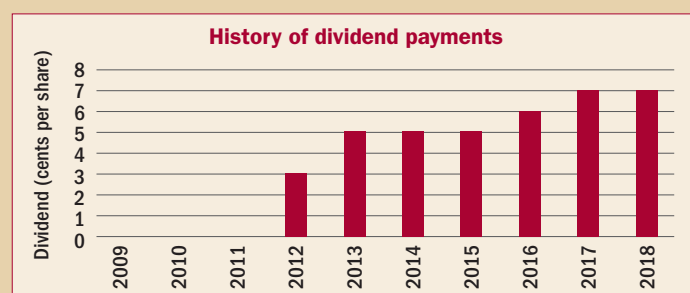
We wish you and your family a safe holiday season which is filled with cherished memories.

Lily Reinert
Chairperson



Shares now available.

We currently have shares available for purchase. To register your interest please contact the Company Secretary on 0418 348 562, email bendigoleopold@gmail.com or drop into the branch for further information.



Branch achievement.

The Leopold **Community Bank**[®] Branch was recently awarded top 12 branch across Victoria and Tasmania. This is the highest achievement the branch has received in its nine years of operation. A huge congratulations must be given to the staff; Steve Smiljanic, Jacqui Ludmon, Mua Alatupe, Robyn Collier, Janelle Coles and Christina Eden; led by our Branch Manager Craig Taylor.



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Directors: Lily Reinert, Paul Madden, Bronwyn Shearer, Bob Reinert, Janet McIntosh, Gabrielle Jennings, John Leach, Dennis More.

New Directors.

Throughout the year we welcomed two new Directors – Gabrielle Jennings and Dennis More.

Gabrielle joined the Board in August 2018. She was raised in Ocean Grove and has lived and travelled throughout Victoria, the Northern Territory and Cape York Peninsula working in international education, community programs, disability services and indigenous employment. She now resides in Leopold with her husband and two young sons, managing their family plumbing business. She looks forward to supporting a healthy, connected and culturally diverse community in Leopold.

Dennis joined the Board in September 2018 and brings a wealth of business experience to the Board. Starting his working life as an electrician, Dennis has been self-employed in various businesses across Geelong over the past 40 years. He is an active member of many community organisations including his donation of land for use for the Leopold Angling and Aquatic Club.

Gabrielle and Dennis joined Lily Reinert (Chairperson), Paul Madden (Treasurer), Bronwyn Shearer (Company Secretary) and Directors; Janet McIntosh, Bob Reinert and John Leach as the 2018/19 Board of Leopold Community Enterprises Limited.

The Board is looking for skilled people, interested in volunteering their time to be part of the Board. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming involved please contact the Company Secretary on bendigoleopold@gmail.com or drop into the Leopold **Community Bank**® Branch at Gateway Plaza.

Update on community projects.

Supporting our community organisations to better provide services to our local Leopold community is the goal of the community grants and investments programs. The Board is proud to provide an overview of the community projects funding over the 2017/18 financial year.

1st Eastern Park Scout Group	Purchase LPG cylinder cabinet
Allanvale Kindergarten	Purchase synthetic grass and cubby house
Barwon Health Kids Appeal	Donation to Kids Appeal in lieu of Easter Egg Hunt
Boomerang Bags	Material support for the program
Cottage by the Sea	Support local Leopold children in the REEF graduation camp
Encompass	Pumpkin Fair sponsorship
FC Leopold (Soccer)	Second year of sponsorship to a new soccer side in Leopold
Leopold Community and Learning Centre	Major Sponsor and stickers for Community Watch project
Leopold Combined Football Netball and Cricket Clubs	Fit out for the new Sports Pavilion
Leopold Cricket Club	Annual sponsorship
Leopold Hall	Maintenance of supper room, toilet floor and blinds and update signage
Leopold Lions Club	Purchase laptop to create the Leopold Local and donation to 3-choir event
Leopold Men's Shed	Donation towards Men's Shed Day
Leopold Senior Citizens	Purchase of two sets of lawn bowls
Leopold Sportsman's Club – Bowls Section	Purchase new indoor bowls mats, shade sails, scoreboards and annual sponsorship
Lumen Christi Catholic Church	Donation to support the annual Christmas dinner for the community
West Coast Soarers	Toilet for model aeroplane group

2018/19 Community Grants.

At the December AGM, the following grants were given. We look forward to seeing the implementation of these projects and see how they are improving the local services that Leopold has to offer the community.

Allanvale Pre-school	\$6,433 to purchase a storage unit and additional educational resources
Club Italia	\$4,560 to purchase and install a continuous flow hot water service
Geelong Try Boys Brigade	\$1,400 to purchase a self-propelled lawn mower
Leopold Kindergarten	\$5,791 to upgrade outdoor equipment
Leopold Men's Shed	\$5,000 to purchase new tools and replace outdated ones
Leopold Playgroup	\$5,000 to purchase a range of new play equipment and storage tubs
Leopold Primary School	\$25,000 to enhance, replace and extend the existing play equipment
Lions Club of Leopold	\$2,530 to purchase and install a reverse cycle air conditioner
St Vincent DePaul	\$1,000 to assist in providing Christmas hampers to families in need in Leopold

Leopold Community Bank® Branch

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