Annual Report 2023

Promontory District Finance Group Limited

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OUR VISION

We exist to provide a broad banking service in our community and use our profits to strengthen our community

OUR MISSION

- Operate a successful Community Bank
- Investing profits in diverse activities to strengthen our community
- Working co-operatively with the Promontory District Community to achieve these goals.

ACCOUNTANT

Duesburys Gippsland 76 Main Street Foster Vic 3960

AUDITOR

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Chair's Report

2022 - 2023

This is the 24th Annual Chair's report for the Promontory District Finance Group Limited (PDFG) and next year we will be celebrating Community Bank Toora & District's 25 years of operation. It is also my third Chair's report.

This has been an astounding year for our business. Our Branch Manager, Joel Anderson, and his team have managed to improve our loans book and our deposit book beyond any other year's results. Joel and our Customer Relationship Manager, Kate McKenzie, are to be acknowledged and congratulated on the way in which they have capitalised on the loan opportunities that have presented over the second half of this financial year. The Customer Relationship Officers and Customer Service Officers have been proactive in acquiring new deposit customers and the care and service they have displayed is the major reason for this success.

The team's success has delivered a profit of \$694,174. The Board and our Contributors say a sincere 'thank you' to our Branch Manager and his Team.

Through the Grants program, the Scholarship program and the Sponsorship program we have again distributed the profits from our Community Bank with a total for the financial year of \$167,658. This year we offered two Scholarships and two Bursaries. Funds for the Grants program were increased this year and we distributed \$120,000 to the local community. And finally, the Sponsorship program budget was also increased and this year we were able to sponsor more events and awards for organisations in our community.

The Chair of the Board and our Administration Officer attended the first Bendigo and Adelaide Bank State conference since the isolation of COVID. It was a pleasure to rub shoulders with volunteer Directors from other Community Banks and to hear what Bendigo Bank has in store for coming years.

Over this financial year we have gained some new people to our team and to the Board, we have also lost some members from both groups. Trudy Heiser retired after sixteen years mainly located in the Toora branch. We miss her contribution to our Community Bank. Chelsea Lancaster played a major role in helping to keep the business afloat over the last couple of years and she has decided to take up a new challenge in a different direction. We miss her too.

The loss of one of the first Directors for PDFG was a blow we all felt when Irene Spooner passed away in November 2022. Irene held the position of Treasurer for her entire tenure with the Board totaling 23 years. We acknowledge Irene's significant contribution over many years.

We welcomed a new Director to our volunteer Board in Sue Pilkington; Sue is the past Chair of South Gippsland Hospital and a safety and risk consultant covering a range of industry sectors. I'm grateful to the Directors and Committee members for their on-going support of my position. My thanks also to Jill Throckmorton who still 'finds' things no one else can and who keeps me focused on what's important and what comes next.

The Bendigo Bank Regional staff and the Community Bank support teams were again encouraging and our connection with our Regional Manager, Caitlin Cooper, has been reassuring in a challenging workforce environment. Welshpool Agency is still providing an important service in that district.

I'm continually proud of what our people achieve and I'm still committed to oversee the continual growth of our Community Bank.

Jan Bull Chair PDFG June 2023

THE DIRECTORS



JAN BULL – Chair

Jan and her husband Bob moved from Melbourne to Toora in 2002. They managed a bookstore in Foster from 2006-2016 and fell in love with the spirit that exists in a small country community. Jan is also a Director on the Board of Corner Inlet College and Bob with the local CFA and also as a volunteer driver for the RFDS Patient Transport.

Jan was pleased to be accepted as a Director of the Bank because of the impressive contribution the Community Bank makes to the people of Corner Inlet.

CLIVE WHITE – Deputy Chair

An inaugural Director, Clive lives at Fish Creek and is married with three children.

He has been in practice as a lawyer in the Promontory district for well over thirty years and has been heavily involved in community activities.



Clive believes strongly in the enhancement of the environment and economy of the area.



JOE BUCELLO – Company Secretary

Joe was born in Foster and although he moved away for study and work in the Engineering field, he returned to the district in 1989 with his wife Sandy and young daughter for family life in the country.

Up until 2012 Joe & Sandy developed their supermarket business in Foster and during this time contributed to many local community fund raising activities.

Now with a little more spare time, Joe is keen to continue contributing to the community and support the invaluable work of the Community Bank.

PETER TILLEY – Board Member

Peter lives in Foster with his wife Jacie. Practicing as an accountant, he is aware of the important role that banking, investing and financial services play in the community.

Peter enjoys living in a country town and being part of the endeavour by the local community to make the most of its own future. To this end he is actively involved in the community.



GILLIAN NICOLL – Board Member

Gillian moved from NSW to South Gippsland 25 years ago and has actively volunteered in many local community groups.

She is a partner in a dairy farm business with her husband Graeme at Hoddle and runs her own business which focuses on natural resource management and community engagement.

Gillian values the contribution that the Community Bank makes to the South Gippsland community.







ANDREW OLDROYD – Board Member

Andrew first moved to Fish Creek from Melbourne in 2004 after accepting a new role with Country Fire Authority supporting our local volunteer brigades. He lives with partner Catherine and their 9 year old son Clancy.

He continues to work for CFA across the wider region and is responsible for managing community information and engagement during major emergencies and several planning and project management portfolios.

Andrew is a proud contributor to our local community and is involved in several community organisations. He is a passionate advocate of our Community Bank and the critical role it plays in supporting our community.

STEPHEN PARAGREEN – Board Member

Steve has strong roots in the community having been born and schooled in Foster before starting his working career with the local State Bank of Victoria. He then spent 35 years in real estate running agencies in the local area.

Throughout his working life Steve has been continually involved with local sporting and community groups. Now a part time farmer, Steve strongly supports the Community Banking model and its contribution to the local community.





IAIN VERNON – Board Member

lain made the tree change from Melbourne to Buffalo with his wife and young daughter in 2011. A keen fisherman and practising accountant, lain is passionate about everything numbers and tax, starting his own business in 2019 in the township of Meeniyan.

lain has been an active member of the CFA in Fish Creek for 10 years, serving as secretary from 2013 to 2018.

TREVOR YONG – Board Member

Trevor moved to Yarram in 2008 and has been practicing as a lawyer in Yarram since that time. He has run his own practice in Yarram since 2013.

Trevor has been a board member of the Yarram and District Health Service between July 2014 to June 2023.

He is also a Legal Officer in the RAAF Specialist Reserves holding the rank of Squadron Leader and volunteers with the Army Cadet Unit in Sale.





SUSAN PILKINGTON – Board Member

Sue and her partner Ken live at Foster North where she now runs her consulting business. She is a former resident of Sandy Point and returned to the area in 2012 after an absence of 25 years.

The Community Bank is such an important part of our community. It not only delivers vital banking services to our rural area, it also invests profits back into the community. She is keen to contribute to its continued success after completing nine years' service on the Board of South Gippsland Hospital.



JILLIAN THROCKMORTON – Admin Officer for PDFG

Jill has an extensive background in administration and started with PDFG Ltd in 2013 to help with the ever growing administration that comes with running a Community Bank branch.

Living 'up in the hills' with her husband Peter and two boys Tom and Michael, Jill helps run the family business and is an active member of the community.

MARKETING COMMITTEE INVITEES



ELISA NUDLEMAN

Elisa moved to Foster nearly 10 years ago with her husband Adam and son Noah, looking to get away from the hustle and bustle of city life and enjoy all that this area has to offer.

Elisa runs her own Human Resources Consultancy and works with many businesses in the Gippsland region. Elisa enjoys getting involved in our community, serving on several committees since moving to the area.



Branch Mangers Report

For year ending 30 June 2023

Another year has passed and Community Bank Toora and Foster have carefully navigated the unpredictable economic environment that has been thrust upon us all, cementing ourselves as the Prom Coast's bank of choice.

My second year as Manager has been as eventful as ever. Having to deal with the rapid rate rises implemented by the Reserve Bank was not something that was even on agenda 18 months ago. Yet we now deal with this current scenario, with our team doing everything they can to ensure our customers are in the best financial position we can offer given our current parameters. The ever-present threat of scams has also been highlighted with a significant number of Australians having had some form of encounter with a scam of some iteration. Through this adversity, our staff have worked tirelessly to try to protect our customers. They are, as a team, the heartbeat of Community Bank Toora and Foster. It is fantastic to work with a team that genuinely cares for its customers and who enjoy working with each other to create the wonderful overall service that Community Bank Toora and Foster can offer.

At a Bendigo Bank regional level, the overall performance of Community Bank Toora and Foster has been outstanding. This again is a testament to the hardworking staff. I am proud to recognise that the Promontory District Finance Group Ltd (PDFG) has been able increase its community expenditure on the back of branch improvement, now having donated over \$1.76 million dollars to the local community – a phenomenal achievement.

From a staffing perspective, we have farewelled some of our most experienced staff, with Trudy Heiser taking the plunge into retirement and Chelsea Lancaster moving to a new industry. While the loss of experience had potential to unsettle our operations, I'm excited by the new additions and progress of our existing staff who have ensured a seamless transition. We have welcomed Katie Fraser, who has over 8 years banking experience and brings a wealth of senior knowledge. We have also welcomed Rachael Francis who also brings over 11 years' experience – another great addition.

Change continues to be a focus for Bendigo Bank, with a transition to modern and secure forms of banking taking place. Customers will be seeing improvements in their technology-based interactions with Bendigo Bank, with more on the horizon. These will continue to improve customer interactions and improve our efficiency in dealing with inquires.

Once again, I would like to thank all of the staff – both local and regionally, as well as the Board for their encouragement and support over the past 12 months. I would also like to extend a warm thank you to the residents of the Prom Coast who have made Bendigo Bank their bank of choice in the last 12 months. It is certainly reassuring that the efforts we are putting in are being recognised by the wider community. I am confident that we are well positioned to approach the next 12 months with continuing uncertainty forecast.

We now look forward to the next year – the challenges it presents and the rewards that it delivers.

Joel Anderson Branch Manager June 2023

THE BRANCH TEAM



JOEL ANDERSON – Branch Manager

Joel joined the Bendigo Bank as Manager of our Toora / Foster branches in September, 2021. Joel brings a wealth of business experience with him having owned a number of successful small business' in the local area.

Joel has completed his MBA studies, further adding to his pedigree. He has approached his Mangers role with the Bendigo Bank with enthusiasm, with the local community bank branches now in a great position to service the local community well into the future. Joel considers himself a boating fanatic as he loves spending time on the water fishing and sightseeing.

Joel also loves his travel having spent time travelling the world. Joel still calls Foster home after all of his travels and is well settled and happily married to Hayley, a local psychologist, with his 2 children attending local schools.

KATE MCKENZIE – Customer Relationship Manager

Kate joined the Bank in June 2016 and has previous experience in the banking Industry working with State Bank, Bank of Melbourne and Macquarie Bank.

Kate has 4 children, with one living at home and enjoys travelling and spending time with her family.





KATIE FRASER – Customer Relationship Officer

Katie lives in Foster with her husband Beau and their 3 young sons. Katie joined us in April of this year after nearly 7 years banking experience at the CBA in Foster.

Most of Katie's spare time revolves around her 3 sons who are very active. They are very involved in the Stingrays football team and the Leongatha little Aths, and anything outdoors.

Katie's enjoys spending time in her veggie garden and making things from her produce.

HAZEL KERRISON-MALE – Customer Service Officer

Hazel joined our team in September 2021 as a trainee after graduating Year 12 from Yarram Secondary College.

Hazel enjoys hanging out with her furry best friend Elliot whether that be walking him along the beach or chilling out on the couch watching some tv.

Hazel has recently finished her traineeship and will continue on with us as a Customer Service Officer.





CASSANDRA JOHNS – Trainee Customer Service Officer

Cassie lives in Foster with her partner and dog. Cassie has been part of the team since December 2022.

Cassie's hobbies outside of work are table tennis and Badminton.



MARIE LOWE – Customer Service Officer

Maree lives in Port Franklin with her partner. Maree has four children and five grandchildren which she loves spending her spare time with.

Maree enjoys spending her quite time doing crocheting. Maree is coming up to her 12 month anniversary in October this year.

RACHAEL FRANCIS – Customer Service Officer

Rachael has recently joined the Bendigo Bank team, she brings with her many year of experience in the finance industry.

When not working Rachael is kept busy raising her 2 sons, playing in various local community sports, going camping and adventuring outdoors.



Better banking. Big impact.

It's a win-win when you bank with us.

Banking convenience for you creates support for all. **\$1.76 million and counting!**





Community Bank Toora & District and Foster

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FAREWELLS:

This year past we said farewell to quite a few valued branch team members, all with their own valid and often family driven reasons for moving on. We wish Jo Breen, Chelsea Lancaster, Emily East, Breanna Heal and Annette Aveling every success with the next steps in their careers.

A special mention to Trudy Heiser who retired after 16 years of service to our Board and Community. Trudy was always first to help in branch and is a stalwart in our community. A customer favourite she always got the job done with such efficiency and compassion. We wish you well in retirement Trudy and cannot wait to see your traveling adventures.

From our Sponsorship sub-committee we farewelled Neville Buckland. Neville remained on the sponsorship committee after retiring from 12 years on our Board. We thank Neville for his engagement in our sponsorship committee and wish him well in retirement.

We farewelled a special Director, Irene Spooner, after she passed away late last year. Dedicated for 23 years to Community Bank Toora & Foster and an inaugural Director with Promontory District Finance Group Ltd she was committed to the model of community banking, serving as our Board Treasurer. Irene was held in the highest regard by all who worked alongside her, and on every sub-committee, she was the very spirit of Community Banking.

The Board would like to thank everyone for their solid contribution to the provision of quality banking services to the Corner Inlet District and wish them all well in their new endeavours.





Promontory District Finance Group Ltd

2023 GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The 2023 Toora & Foster Community Bank Grants Program is facilitated by the Bendigo Bank Community Enterprise Foundation using funds from Promontory District Finance Group Ltd (PDFG).

Each year PDFG as Toora & Foster Community Bank, seeks to distribute its funds into as many varied community organisations as possible.

Again we organised a 12 week marketing campaign, each week profiling a recipient in the Mirror and our Facebook page. In turn this supported our much loved local paper with not only content, but also financial support through advertisements each week. A win, win.

We were proud to increase our Scholarship Program to accommodate two deserving locals (details below). Our scholarship program helps keen local students with the often debilitating costs of going to university.

Congratulations to all of the grant and scholarship recipients.

Toora & Foster Community Bank Grants

ORGANISATION

Friends of Toora Swimming Pool Inc Manna Gum Community House Foster Bowls Club Inc South Gippsland Hospital Foster Primary School (Foster Rotary) Prom Coast Film Society (FAMDA) Toora Bowls Club Inc Foster Agricultural & Pastoral Society Inc. Welshpool Golf Club Incorporated Bennison Adult Riding Club Inc Port Welshpool Bowling Club Inc. Yanakie Public Hall Committee

PROJECT GRANT Shade Umbrellas \$4.929.00 \$21,100.00 The Hub at Toora Primary School Fresh Look Underfoot, New Carpet \$7,065.00 Community Centre Safety Cameras \$4,000.00 **BBQ Trailer - Market Stall** \$10.750.00 Bums on (comfy) seats at Fish Creek Hall \$10,000.00 Toora Bowling Club Floor Replacement \$18,611.00 2024 Foster Show Woodchop \$6,500.00 Planting on fairways 8 and 9 \$2,000.00 All Purpose Vehicle \$10,000.00 Irrigation System Upgrade \$17,045.00 Air Conditioning \$8,000.00

Llew Vale Toora & Foster Community Bank Scholarship Program

Harrison Garlick
Megan Kyne
Tayla Stefani
Emily Wilson
Amber Van Dyke

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Foster Show Wood Chop Event

2023 Llew Vale Toora & Foster Community Bank Scholarship Program



Megan Kyne at RMIT, our 2023 first year recipient



Promontory District Finance Group Ltd

Harrison Garlick at UTAS, our 2023 first year recipient



Tayla Stefani at Monash, our 2023 second year recipient

2022 Toora & Foster Community Bank Grants



Projects in the Community





Pearl Park Music Festival

Contributed by the PPMF Committee

The sponsorship from our Toora & Foster Community Bank has helped the organisers of the Pearl Park Music Festival to stage the second - and highly successful - event in Jan 2023.

The event brought together 12 local bands to entertain consistent crowds throughout the day (estimated at 2000), with food stalls benefiting from the hungry crowds, along with market stalls and a Stockyard Gallery exhibition. It demonstrated strong community partnerships and collaboration, with Manna Gum Community House as the lead partner and Rebecca Bone from the Pearl Park Music Festival Committee as the artistic director and event co-founder. Many volunteers supported the event.

From 10am until 10pm there was food, music and dancing for all ages. Free entry made it accessible for all. The Main Street of Foster was closed at one end, and Pearl Park was covered in picnic rugs and camp chairs, and decorated with fairy lights and lanterns for the evening. Children's activities included face painting and art workshops with the Stockyard Gallery.

The Toora & Foster Community Bank also lent their marquee and community eftpos for the day which helped make the volunteers' day so much easier.

Sponsorship remains a vital part of the event in order to pay the musicians and organising team for their expertise and to bring a truly wonderful community celebration to life.

Foster Cricket Club

Contributed by FCC Committee

The Foster Cricket Club, with records dating back to the early 1970's is an enthusiastic young club continuing to progress with its own success as the club continues to thrive as the community grows around it with the support and efforts from volunteers and financial stability coming from members and local business peoples much appreciated sponsorships.

The club, based at the Rec Reserve in Foster competes in the Leongatha and District Cricket Association. Foster currently fields 2 open men's sides, junior teams and in 2022 established 2 open women's sides. With the addition of the Women's cricket sides in 2022 brought great excitement and success to the club as both sides played in the final. This addition to the club changed the dynamic of the community and created a whole new support base for the club which will aid the club into the future.

With continued support from our local Bendigo Bank branches and other loyal sponsors, additions to the amenities within the facilities and equipment could adequately be made to accommodate the changing path of the cricket club and support base to ensure our venue and facilities can cater not just for men's and women's cricket, but a facility fit to accommodate community events going forward into the future.

Projects in the Community





Fish Creek Children's Festival of Stories

Contributed by Fishy Stories Committee

The Toora & Foster Community Bank sponsorship funds were used to develop and support the free activities and infrastructure on the Fish Creek tennis court which we named the Bendigo Bank Village Green. The sponsorship also helped to create credibility for the festival within our local community.

The Bendigo Bank Village Green had eleven (11) marquees of various sizes, it was the destination where children attended workshops with authors, families listened to storytellers bring to life the twelve selected stories from the Fishy Stories Writing Challenge, parents got to purchase the many books from participating authors on offer and explore dedicated tents like the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Author and artist Alison Lester said in officially opening the festival "I haven't seen this many little kids together for such a long time, you're tripping over them".

Fish Creek is a unique destination for children's literature and storytelling. The Fish Creek Children's Festival of Stories will continue this momentum into the planned 2023 Festival - recognising the joy in sparking imaginations.

Toora & District Swimming Pool

Contributed by Friends of the Toora Pool Committee

Toora's public swimming pool has been an important part of the community for over 90 years. The original site was in Muddy Creek north of the highway with a tin shed as the dressing room.

The official opening of the new pool at its current site in Cunningham Street was on 21st November 1970. The Toora community worked very hard holding concerts, raffles and many other events to raise funds for this new pool. For many years the pool had the luxury of heated water courtesy of the Toora milk factory.

In January 2020 the pool celebrated its 50 year anniversary which was attended by many past committee many local residents. To commemorate the anniversary Mr. Neil Everitt wrote the history of the pool in a book titled "A Place to Swim".

It was a great celebration of the strength and commitment of local communities and what can be achieved. The tradition of raising funds for the improvement of the pool continues to this day. With the assistance of grant funding and fundraising the committees over the years have improved the facility to the great aquatic complex that we see today.

Since its inception the Promontory District Finance Group has been extremely generous and supportive of our pool and provided much needed grant funding and sponsorship. Most recently PFDG has provided us with funding for more shade umbrellas at the pool. The Toora pool is a vital facility for our local community for sport, recreation and social interaction. We are very grateful for the support PFDG has given to us in the past and look forward to a longstanding relationship into the future.

Sponsorships

The last twelve months has been an encouraging year for local clubs and organisations.

After the stalling effect of Covid, is was wonderful to see most organisations and events back into full swing, and we are so proud to have been able to help bring these seasons, projects, programs and events into fruition.

For many of these clubs, we are not the largest sponsor, but we would like to think that we are the most consistent and paired with our annual Grants Program, we are one of the largest funding bodies in our district.

As of 30th June 2023, Community Bank Toora & Foster have invested over \$1.76 million back into our community. For two small towns in South Gippsland, that is an amazing figure to be proud of.

List of Clubs and Organisations that we supported within the 22/23 financial year:

Prom Coast Festival – Major Sponsor **Corner Inlet Pony Club** Fish Creek Bowls Club Fish Creek Football Netball Club **Foster Bowling Club** Foster Football Netball Club Foster Golf Club Foster Craft and Produce Market Foster Secondary College – Ska Orcestra Foster Secondary College – Graduation Award Meeniyan Golf Club – Beaumont Plate Meeniyan Football Netball Club Meeniyan Art Gallery - Rising Tide Parkville Youth Detention Centre Bennison Adult Riding Club Corner Inlet Junior Football Club (Stingrays)

FAMDA One Act Play Festival – Major Sponsor Foster Primary School Port Welshpool Bowling Club Sandy Point Easter Art Show Toora Bowling Club Toora Football Netball Club **Toora Swimming Pool** Toora Community Action Team – Light Up Toora Welshpool Golf Club Foster Show – Yellow Brick Road Showbags Fish Creek Carnival It's No Drama – Wild Woods Fish Creek Children's Festival of Stories Foster Cricket Club Welshpool Recreation Centre – Aus Day event Welshpool Table Tennis (through WDAG) **Toora Pear Harvest Day**



Foster Cricket Club - Women's Team

DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your directors present this report to the members of the Promontory District Finance Group Ltd (the company) for the year ended 30th June 2023.

Directors

The names of each person who has been a director during the year and to the date of this report are:

		MEETINGS	MEETINGS
DIRECTORS NAME	Years on Board	Number Eligible To Attend	Number Attended
Janyce Bull (Chair)	3	10	10
Clive White (Deputy Chair) (On leave since 01/02/2023)	24	5	4
Irene Spooner (Treasurer) (Retired 24/11/2022)	24	4	2
Peter Tilley	24	10	8
Joseph Bucello (Secretary & HR Representative)	9	10	7
Gillian Nicoll	5	10	9
Andrew Oldroyd	4	10	9
Stephen Paragreen	3	10	10
lain Vernon (appointed 22/02/2022)	1	10	10
Trevor Yong (appointed 22/02/2022)	1	10	4
Susan Pilkington (appointed 2/5/2023)	0	2	2

Details of directors' qualifications, experience and special responsibilities are set out below and also in the Committee's details.

DIRECTORS IN OFFICE as at 30th JUNE 2023

DIRECTORS NAME	OCCUPATION	QUALIFICATIONS	EXPERIENCE
Janyce Bull	Volunteer/Retiree	Dip HR Management, Grad Dip HR Development, Accredited Administrator Myers Briggs Typology Indicator, NLP Practitioner	15 years providing services to private and government organisations developing programs in management and interpersonal skills. 10 years local retail 8 years SG Hospital board member Community radio volunteer Contributor to local newspapers and newsletter.
Clive White	Solicitor	B.Juris LLB (Monash) Barrister & Solicitor	44 years in practice
Irene Spooner	Newsagent	-	Worked in / Owned variety of retail businesses
Peter Tilley	Accountant	B.Commerce (Melbourne) Chartered Accountant, Company Auditor	41 years in Public Practice
Joseph Bucello	Self Employed	Bachelor of Electro- Mechanical Engineering	7 years Engineering experience 23 years Retail experience
Stephen Paragreen	Farmer	Licensed Real Estate Agent	6 years banking 35 years Real Estate Agent
Gillian Nicoll	Community Engagement Consultant & Farmer	B.App.Sci (Environmental Science), Grad.Dip (Land Rehabilitation), Diploma of Education	28 years Community Engagement 18 years Farming Involvement in many community groups.
Andrew Oldroyd	Regional Project Coordinator	Various qualification in emergency management and financial services	5 years in the arts 16 years in Emergency Management sector Involvement in many arts and community groups.
lain Vernon	Accountant	BBS, MBA, CPA	15 years experience in corporate accounting. Over 10 years in tax accounting.
Trevor Yong	Solicitor	LL.B – Bachelor of Law, BBSc – Bachelor of Behavioural Science, Grad Dip Bus (Management), Grad Certificate (Military Law)	13 years as a legal practitioner in Gippsland
Susan Pilkington	Self-employed, Director, Consulting Firm	Current enrolled M. App Sci.; Grad Dip Occ, Hazard Management, GAICD, FRMIA, FAIHS, Qualified Mediator.	45 years experience in workplace safety and business risk. Director of South Gippsland Hospital 2014-2023 Board Chair 2017- 2023

Short- and long-term objectives and strategy

The company's short- and long-term objectives are to:

- provide a banking service in Toora and Foster and their surrounds
- provide funding for community organisations and activities

The company's strategy for achieving these objectives includes:

- provision of customer driven banking branches in Toora and Foster
- holding annual grant allocation programs
- having a strong involvement with the community

Principal Activities

The company's principal activity during the year was to manage the Toora Branch and the Foster Branch as a franchise of the Bendigo Bank.

This activity has assisted the company in achieving its objectives by enabling it to:

- provide full banking services to the community
- make grants and sponsorships to the community of \$167,658 (\$79,365 in 2022)

Performance Measures

The company measures performance through the establishment of an annual budget:

- to review it's performance against budget
- to monitor the growth of banking products provided to the customer
- to assess control over the company's income and costs
- to monitor its annual grant program

The performance against these key performance indicators is as follows:

	2023	}	202	2
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Total Banking Book	201.8M	178.4M	163.5M	170.7M
Total Revenues	1,227,514	1,711,183	810,493	832,633
Total Expenses	882,268	1,017,009	818,444	869,610
Net Profit / Loss	345,246	694,174	(7,951)	(36,977)
Grant's & Sponsorship	64,000	167,658	64,000	79,365

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

Audit & Finance Committee

	Number Eligible To Attend	Number Attended
Peter Tilley	3	3
Clive White	3	2
Irene Spooner	1	0
Joe Bucello	3	3
Gillian Nicoll	3	2
Janyce Bull	3	3
lain Vernon	1	1

Corporate Governance Committee

DIRECTORS	MEETINGS	MEETINGS
	Number Eligible To Attend	Number Attended
Joseph Bucello	3	3
Janyce Bull	3	3
Stephen Paragreen	3	3
Susan Pilkington	0	0

Marketing Committee

DIRECTORS	MEETINGS	MEETINGS
	Number Eligible To Attend	Number Attended
Irene Spooner	2	1
Gillian Nicoll	3	3
Stephen Paragreen	3	2
Janyce Bull	3	3
Andrew Oldroyd	3	3
Elisa Nudleman	3	2
Joel Anderson (Branch Manager)	3	2

Grant's Advisory Committee

DIRECTORS	MEETINGS	MEETINGS Number
	Number Eligible To Attend	Attended
Janyce Bull	1	1
Andrew Oldroyd	1	1
lain Vernon	1	1
Joel Anderson (Branch Manager)	1	1

Sponsorship Committee

DIRECTORS	MEETINGS	MEETINGS
	Number Eligible To Attend	Number Attended
Janyce Bull	3	3
Joseph Bucello	2	1
lain Vernon	3	2
Irene Spooner	1	1
Stephen Paragreen	3	3
Susan Pilkington	1	1

DIRECTORS	MEETINGS Number Eligible To Attend	MEETINGS Number Attended
Janyce Bull	1	1
Andrew Oldroyd	1	1
lain Vernon	1	1
Trevor Yong	1	1
Trudy Heiser (Team Member)	1	1

The role of the Board Committees is to study and discuss detailed Board issues and make recommendations to the Board on those issues.

Member's Guarantee

In accordance with the company's constitution, each member is liable to contribute \$10 in the event that the company is wound up. At the 30th June 2023 the number of members was 101.

Auditor's Independence

The auditors' declaration of independence appears on page 43 and forms part of the Directors' report for the year ended 30th June 2023.

Rounding

The company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Class Order 98/100 dated 10 July 1998 and, in accordance with the Class Order, amounts in the financial report and the director's report have been rounded off to the nearest dollar, unless otherwise stated.

Signed in accordance with the resolution of the directors made pursuant to s.298(2) of the Corporations Act.

On behalf of the directors:

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Janvce Bull Foster, 22 August 2023

FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

	Note	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
Revenue from ordinary activities	2	1,711,183	832,633
Employee benefits expense Depreciation and amortisation expense Borrowing costs expense Other expenses from ordinary activities Total Expenses	3 3 3	(559,489) (44,367) (7,593) (237,902) (849,351)	(483,436) (39,577) (4,547) (262,685) (790,245)
Profit from ordinary activities		861,832	42,388
Grants & Sponsorship to the Community	3	(167,658)	(79,365)
Profit / (Loss)		694,174	(36,977)
TOTAL CHANGES IN EQUITY		694,174	(36,977)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30TH JUNE, 2023

CURRENT ASSETS \$	33
	33
Cash and cash equivalents 4 1,431,762 772,8	
Trade and other receivables5149,80398,5Other assets78,3139.6	
Other assets 7 8,313 9,6	11
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS 1,589,878 880,9	48
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	
Property, plant and equipment 6 245,469 221,0	70
Intangible assets 8 13,220 39,5	
Right of use of leases 14 136,494 7,3	17
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS 395,183 267,9	75
TOTAL ASSETS1,985,0611,148,9	23
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Trade and other payables 10 82,448 54,1	56
Short-term provisions 11 26,228 42,0	
Lease Commitments 14 29,186 7,3	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES 137,862 103,4	91
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Long-term borrowings 9 155,390 155,3	90
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Lease Commitments 14 107,308 -	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES 263,635 156,0	42
TOTAL LIABILITIES 401,497 259,5	33
	<u> </u>
NET ASSETS	90
EQUITY	.
Retained earnings 1,583,564 889,3	90
TOTAL EQUITY 1,583,564 889,3	90

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

	Retained Earnings \$
Balance at 30 June 2021	926,367
Profit / (Loss)	(36,977)
Balance at 30 June 2022	889,390
Profit / (Loss)	694,174
Balance at 30 June 2023	1,583,564

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	Note	Total 2023 \$ Inflows/ (Outflows)	Total 2022 \$ Inflows/ (Outflows)
Receipts from Bendigo Bank	15(b)	1,799,080	854,718
Receipts from other income		17,881	731
Interest received		11,290	1,486
Interest paid		(7,593)	(4,547)
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,119,978)	<u>(875,070)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		700,680	(22,682)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from plant & equipment Purchase of property, plant and equipment Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		(42,398) (42,398)	26,364 (33,162) (6,798)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	15(a)	658,282	(29,480)
Cash at beginning of year		617,307	646,787
Cash at end of year		1,275,589	617,307

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

NOTE 1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Corporations Act 2001. The company is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

a) <u>Income Tax</u>

On the 27th January 2023 the Community Bank lodged a private ruling request to confirm the exemption from income tax for both the Toora and Foster branches under the Community Services exemption allowed at section 50-10 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. This was granted on the 12th May 2023. (Authorisation Number 1052116531692)

b) <u>Property, Plant & Equipment</u>

Each class of property, plant & equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

c) <u>Depreciation</u>

Assets with a cost in excess of \$1,000, including building and capitalised lease assets but excluding freehold land, are capitalised and depreciation has been provided on depreciable assets so as to allocate their cost over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. Depreciation rates are reviewed on an annual basis. The expected useful lives of non-current assets has not changed from the previous year.

The expected useful lives of non-current assets on which the depreciation charges are based for each class of assets are:

Buildings	40 years
Furniture & Fittings	3 – 13 ¹ / ₃ years
Improvements	40 years
Motor Vehicle	7 – 8 years

d) <u>Leases</u>

The company assesses at contract inception, whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. That is, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

A single recognition and measurement approach are applied to all leases, except for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets. The company recognises liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

(i) Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are recognised at the commencement date of the lease (i.e., the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the estimated useful lives of the assets.

(ii) Lease Liabilities

At the commencement date of the lease, the company recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term or a change in the lease payments.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

(iii) Short term leases and leases of low value assets

The short-term lease recognition exemption is applied to its short-term leases (i.e., those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option). It also applies the lease of low-value assets recognition exemption to leases that are considered to be low value. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low value assets are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

e) <u>Cash</u>

For the purpose of the cash flow statement, cash includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks or financial institutions, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts, which are shown as long-term borrowings in non-current liabilities on the balance sheet, are included in cash balances for cash flow reporting.

f) <u>Revenue</u>

Revenue from operating activities is recognised when it is earned. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

g) <u>Rounding of Amounts</u>

All amounts shown in the Financial Statements are expressed to the nearest dollar.

h) <u>Receivables</u>

All trade debtors are recognised at their face value as they are due for settlement no more than 60 days from the date of recognition. Collectability of trade debtors is reviewed on an on-going basis. Debts, which are known to be uncollectable, are written off. A provision for doubtful debts is raised where some doubt as to collection exists.

i) <u>Trade and Other Creditors</u>

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the end of the financial year, which are unpaid. The normal credit terms are Net 30 days.

j) <u>Comparative Figures</u>

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

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

k) <u>Donations</u>

Donations are recognised as revenue when cash is received.

I) <u>Employee Benefits</u>

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. 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. Those cashflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows.

Sick Leave

A liability is only recognised if it is probable that sick leave expected to be taken in future reporting periods will be greater than entitlements which are expected to accrue in those periods.

m) <u>Goods and Services Tax (GST)</u>

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

n) Intangibles

Goodwill

Goodwill is initially recorded at the amount by which the purchase price for a business exceeds the fair value attributable to its net assets at date of acquisition. It is then amortised over twenty years. Goodwill is also tested annually for impairment and is carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Training prepayment

Training prepayments are amortised over five years.

Franchise fees

Franchise fees are amortised over the period covered by the franchise. At present this is for five years.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2023

o) <u>Going Concern</u>

The financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis as there are no material uncertainties, events or conditions that bring into question the ability of the entity to continue as a going concern.

p) <u>Community Enterprise Foundation (CEF)</u>

The company has traditionally funded its annual community grant program via contributions to the Community Enterprise Foundation. At the 30th June 2023 the balance of the funds held by the CEF in respect of the company was \$22,011. (\$3,224 at the 30th June 2022).

q) <u>New and Amended Accounting Statements</u>

There are no new standards applicable this financial year.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 2. REVENUE

	2023 \$	2022 \$
Operating activities	Ψ	Ψ
Franchise margin income	1,513,533	616,600
Trailer Product Commission	56,661	62,528
Upfront Product Commission	21,547	27,999
Market development fund	42,500	52,500
Fee income	49,314	47,094
Interest	18,080	2,245
Other Income	9,548	17,908
Training Incentives	-	5,759
Total revenue	1,711,183	832,633

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 3. PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

a) Expenses	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
Employee benefits expense		
Wages	492,670	405,507
Workcover	917	1,162
Superannuation - SG	49,005	39,061
Fringe benefits tax	-	313
Other employment expenses	16,897	37,293
Total employee entitlements	559,489	483,336
Borrowing cost expense		
Contributors interest	7,593	4,547
Total borrowing costs	7,593	4,547
Depreciation of non-current assets		
Buildings and improvements	5,236	5,236
Furniture and fittings	12,763	5,693
Motor vehicles	-	2,280
Total depreciation	17,999	13,209
Amentication of non-current accete		
Amortisation of non-current assets Franchise fee	26,368	26,368
Total amortisation	26,368	26,368
Total amortisation	20,300	20,000
Bad debts written off	6	175
Audit Fees	4,100	4,000
Grants & Sponsorship	167,658	79,365

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
Cash at bank	993,715	339,626
Term Deposits	375,874	372,289
Term deposit (overdraft security)	43,964	42,964
Term deposit (rent security)	18,209	17,954
	1,431,762	772,833

A bank guarantee covering 6 months rent for the Foster sub-branch building is secured against the term deposit as per the lease agreement with J & S Bucello Superannuation Pty Ltd.

NOTE 5. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
CURRENT Accrued income Income share from Bendigo Bank	7,667 142,136	9,210 89,294
TOTAL CURRENT RECEIVABLES	149,803	98,504

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 6. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT

	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
Land at cost	27,524	27,524
Buildings and improvements at cost Less accumulated depreciation	209,427 (70,841) 138,586	209,427 (65,605) 143,822
Furniture and fittings at cost Less accumulated depreciation	280,512 (201,153) 79,359	238,115 (188,391) 49,724
Total property, plant and equipment	245,469	221,070

(a) Movements in carrying amounts

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

	Land \$	Buildings & Imp'ts \$	Furniture & Fittings \$	Total \$
Balance at beginning of year Additions	27,524	143,822	49,724 42,398	221,070 42,398
Disposals	-	-		42,390
Depreciation expense	-	(5,236)	(12,763)	(17,999)
Carrying amount at end of year	27,524	138,586	79,359	245,469

NOTE 7. OTHER ASSETS

	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
Prepaid Expenses Total other assets	<u> </u>	9,611

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	lotal	lotal
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Franchise fee	131,838	131,838
Less accumulated amortisation	(118,618)	(92,250)
Total intangible assets	13,220	39,588

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NOTE 9. BORROWINGS

	Note	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
NON-CURRENT			
Bank overdraft secured	15	155,390	155,390
Total non-current		155,390	155,390

a) Total current and non-current secured liabilites:

b) The bank overdraft and loans are secured by a registered first mortgage over the freehold property and the contributions made by supporters of the Company which are held by the Bendigo Bank.

c) The carrying amounts of non-current assets and contributions pledged as security are:

Land	27,524	27,524
Buildings and improvements	138,586	143,822
Contributions from supporters	111,426	112,426
Bank Deposits	43,964	42,964
	321,500	326,736
		CONTRACTOR DE LA CONTRACT

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Total 2023	Total 2022
CURRENT	\$	\$
	45 700	47.007
GST payable	45,730	17,367
Accrued wages	20,492	11,278
Accrued Expenses	4,545	4,434
Credit Card	783	136
Trade payables	2,065	15,227
PAYG withholding payable	8,534	5,714
Superannuation Payable	299	-
Total trade and other payables	82,448	54,156
NOTE 11. PROVISIONS	Total	Total
	2023 \$	2022 \$

CURRENT		
Annual leave	12,221	28,386
Long service leave	14,007	13,632
Total current employee entitlements	26,228	42,018

NON-CORRENT		
Long service leave	937	652
Total non-current employee entitlements	937	652

All annual leave and unconditional vested long service leave representing 7+ years of continuous service is disclosed in accordance with AASB 101, as a current liability even where the company does not expect to settle the liability within 12 months as it will not have the unconditional right to defer the settlement of the entitlement should an employee request. It is measured at:

- a) nominal value under AASB 119 where a component of this current liability is expected to fall due within 12 months after the end of the period; and
- b) present value under AASB 119 where the entity does not expect to settle a component of this current liability within 12 months.

Long Service Leave representing less than 7 years of continuous service is:

- a) disclosed in accordance with AASB 101 as a non-current liability; and
- b) measured at present value under AASB 119 as the entity does not expect to settle this non-current liability within 12 months.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 12. COMMITMENTS FOR EXPENDITURE

(a) Capital Commitments

There were no capital commitments at 30th June 2023.

NOTE 13. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

There were no contingent assets or liabilities at 30th June 2023.

NOTE 14. RIGHT OF USE OF ASSETS AND RELATED LIABILITIES

(a) Right of use assets

Right-of-use assets are measured at amounts equal to the present value of enforceable future payments on the adoption date, adjusted for lease incentives, make-good provisions, and initial direct costs.

The company derecognises right-of-use assets at the termination of the lease period or when no future economic benefits are expected to be derived from the use of the underlying asset.

(b) Lease Commitments

Commitments in relation to operating leases contracted for at the reporting date:

	Within 1 year		2 to 5 years	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Automated Teller Machines	-	-	-	-
Foster Building	29,186	7,317	107,308	-
Total Lease Commitments (including GST)	29,186	7,317	107,308	
(c) Carrying Amounts		Total	Total	
		2023	2022	
		\$	\$	
Leased Land and Buildings				
Carrying amount at beginning of the year		157,441	91,695	
Less accumulated depreciation and impairment		(20,947)	(84,378)	
		136,494	7,317	
Leases Propery Plant and Equipment				
Carrying amount at beginning of the year		7,317	2,126	
Plus lease renewal		157,441	1,105	
Less accumulated depreciation and impairment		(28,264)	(3,231)	
		136,494	-	
Total written down amount		136,494	7,317	

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 15. CASH FLOW INFORMATION

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statements of cash flows reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

	Total 2023 \$	Total 2022 \$
Cash at bank	993,715	339,626
Term deposit	438,047	433,207
Bank overdrafts	(155,390)	(155,390)
Credit Cards	(783)	(136)
	1,275,589	617,307

(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit from ordinary activities

	Total 2023	Total 2022
Profit / (Loss) after income tax	694,174	(36,977)
Non-cash flows in profit / (Loss)		
Depreciation and amortisation	44,367	39,577
Profit on sale of assets	-	(5,771)
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(51,299)	(44,429)
(Increase)/decrease in prepayments	1,298	(744)
Increase/(decrease) in employee entitlements	(15,505)	13,820
Increase/(decrease) in payables	27,645	11,842
Cash flows from / (used in) operations	700,680	(22,682)

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 16. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

(a) Interest rate risk

The economic entity's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates and the effective weighted average interest rates on those financial assets and financial liabilities, is as follows:

	Weighted		Floating			d Interest	Rate Matu	uring	Non-int	erest
	Effective Inter	rest Rate	Rat	te	Within	1 year	1 to 5	years	Beari	ng
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
	%	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets										
Cash & Cash Equivalen	ts 0.36	0.20	993,715	339,626	394,083	390,243	-	-	43,964	42,964
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	142,136	89,294
Total Financial Assets			993,715	339,626	394,083	390,243	-	-	186,100	132,258
Financial Liabilities										
Bank Overdraft Secured	- t	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	155,390	155,390
Total Financial Liabilit	ies		-	-	-	-		-	155,390	155,390

NOTE 17. SUPERANNUATION

- (i) The company contributes to the employees' chosen superannuation fund as required under the Choice of Fund legislation;
- (ii) The amount of total contributions made by the Company during the financial year to these Superannuation Funds was as follows:

	Total	Total
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
The Bendigo Superannuation Plan	5,273	10,910
Other Funds	43,732	28,151
	49,005	39,061

(iii) Contributions are paid in accordance with the Superannuation Guarantee Scheme.

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

NOTE 18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Total	Total
2023	2022
\$	\$

Responsible Persons

The Members of the Board during the year were:

Mrs. Janyce Bull (Chair) Mrs. Irene Spooner (Retired 24/11/2022) Mr. Clive White (On leave since 01/02/2023) Mr. Peter Tilley Mr. Joseph Bucello Mrs. Gillian Nicoll Mr. Andrew Oldroyd Mr Stephen Paragreen Mr Iain Vernon Mr Trevor Yong Ms Susan Pilkington (Appointed 02/05/2023)

Key Management Personnel Remuneration

The total remuneration paid to key management personnel is:

Nil

Nil

Transactions with Responsible Persons and their Related Parties

Mr P. Tilley is an accountant of Duesburys Gippsland and a member of the Board. His firm receives remuneration for accountancy services provided to the Community Bank and not for his role on the Board.

The total amount invoiced by Duesburys Gippsland for the year ended 30th June, 2023 was \$24,849. (\$22,385 in 2022)

There were no other transactions with responsible persons or their related parties.

NOTE 19. COMPANY DETAILS

The registered office of the company is: Promontory District Finance Group Limited 48 Stanley Street Toora Vic 3962

DIRECTORS DECLARATION

The directors of the company declare that:

In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

In the directors' opinion, the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, and:

- (a) comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30th June 2023 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the company.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

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JAN BULC Director

GILLIAN NICOLL

Director

Dated the 22nd day of August, 2023 Foster, Victoria.

L J McKenzie BCom, CA Principal REGISTERED COMPANY AUDITORS INTERNAL AUDITORS CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS



AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001

TO THE DIRECTORS OF PROMONTORY DISTRICT FINANCE GROUP LTD

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2023 there has been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor's independence requirements as set out in 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.

CARDELL ASSURANCE & AUDIT

Lyndal J. McKenzie Registered Company Auditor 3A Billson Street WONTHAGGI VIC 3995

21 August 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF PROMONTORY DISTRICT FINANCE GROUP LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Promontory District Finance Group Limited, which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2023 the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Promontory District Finance Group Limited is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report" section of our report.

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

Independence

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 Standard 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 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 report.

Responsibilities of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and for such internal control 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 relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operation, 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 Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of the users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism through the audit. The audit involves us:

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- Identifying and assessing the risk of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or
 error, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, obtaining audit evidence that
 is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material
 misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve
 collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control.
- Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control.
- Evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Concluding on the appropriateness of directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based
 on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that
 may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a
 material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related
 disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our
 conclusions are based on audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future
 events or conditions may cause the entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report presents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, where applicable, related safeguards.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information provided in the company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2023 other than the financial report and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion there.

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

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

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