

# Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited

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# ANNUAL REPORT 2013

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# Chairman's report

#### For year ending 30 June 2013

As I sit down to compile this report, advice from our Regional Manager Rob Hanley comes through that Queenstown & Districts **Community Bank®** Branch has achieved \$37 million dollars in business. What a fantastic result, thankyou to all involved. Rest assured we now have permanent local banking services that will prove crucial to the economic stability of our region.

We are very privileged to have secured the partnership with the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank via their **Community Bank®** model. Our sponsorship grants to sporting and community groups continue to grow, what a win/win situation. Our towns need activities to keep our communities vibrant and engaged.

Moving forward, your volunteer Board of Directors and our popular branch staff are proud to see the improving results of their hard work over the past seven years and are committed to growing returns on shareholder investments.

In closing we thank everyone for their ongoing support throughout the year.

Yours sincerely,

Phil Evans

Chairman

# Regional Manager's report

#### For year ending 30 June 2013

As the Regional Manager for Bendigo and Adelaide Bank in Tasmania, its gives me great pleasure to report on the achievements of the Queenstown & District **Community Bank®** Branch for the year ended 30 June 2013.

First of all I would like to thank Phil Evans and his Board for their commitment to driving positive community outcomes on the West Coast of Tasmania, as volunteers your dedication and hard work is acknowledged.

To the staff, thank you for your contribution to the growth and development of the branch during the past 12 months and a special thank you to Vicki Bradshaw for taking control of the day-to-day operation of the branch in the absence of a permanent Manager. We will shortly be announcing the appointment of a new Manager for the West Coast.

The branch continues to grow and prosper with positive deposit and lending growth which ensured profitability was maintained in a difficult economic environment resulting in grants and sponsorship to the West Coast community. These contributions are the hallmark and point of difference of the **Community Bank®** model.

To the people of the West Coast we appreciate your support and would encourage those residents who are not supporters of the branch to come on board and enjoy the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank experience on the West Coast.

On behalf of our State Manager Russ Carrick, and our State Support Team in Tasmania we wish the Board and staff every success over the next 12 months.

**Rob Hanley** 

Regional Manager (Tasmania)

# Directors' report

#### For the financial year ended 30 June 2013

Your directors submit the financial statements of the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2013.

#### **Directors**

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

#### **Philip John Evans**

Chairman

Retailer

Phillip is the Managing Director of Charles Evans & Sons Pty Ltd, he is currently a member of Tasmanian Independent Retailers, Rotary Club of Queenstown, Project Queenstown and Queenstown Geopark Committee

Special responsibilities: Chairman Interest in shares: 70,001

#### **Anthony Paul Coulson**

Director

Maintenance Manager

Anthony has a background in mining maintenance and hydraulics. He held a position as maintenance superintendant for 8 years with Barminco mining and for the previous two years have been an engineering workshop manager with the TPW company. Recently acquired a small tourism business conducting underground mine tours at Mt Lyell with the help of wife Tina and son Aaron.

Special responsibilities: Secretary Interest in shares: 19,001

#### **Ronald John Walter Marriott**

Director

**Business Owner** 

Local business owner for many years, including electrical contractor and owner/operator of café. Experienced member of several community groups.

Special responsibilities: Nil Interest in shares: 3,501

#### **Adam James Mansson**

Treasurer

Office Manager

Adam works as an Assistant Manager of Charles Evans & Sons Pty Ltd and holds the position of Vice President of Queenstown Basketball Association. He has vast experience in Business Administration and Accounting.

Special responsibilities: Treasurer Interest in shares: 31,400

#### **Christopher Michael Wapole**

Director

Pharmacist

Christopher has completed two degrees both a Bachelor of Pharmacy and Masters in Administration. He has skills in commercial and corporate strategy, marketing, health service delivery and medication consulting. He is also involved in the Rotary Club of Queenstown.

Special responsibilities: Strategic Planning &

Marketing Director

Interest in shares: 2,000

#### **Simon Francis Dilger**

Director

Self Employed Contractor

Simon is a self employed businessman with 30 years of general small business experience varying in all aspects.

Special responsibilities: Nil Interest in shares: 20,001

## Directors' report (continued)

#### **Directors (continued)**

#### Joanne Francis

Director

Office Administration

Joanne is actively involved in a variety of areas within the community, she is currently the president of Rotary Club of Queenstown and is a life member of several community groups. Joanne is skilled in a diverse range of administration duties.

Special responsibilities: Sponsorship

Interest in shares: 1,101

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

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

#### **Company Secretary**

The company secretary is Anthony Paul Coulson. Anthony was appointed to the position of secretary on 1 July 2010 upon resignation of Christine Burns. Anthony has held a position as maintenance superintendant for 8 years with Barminco mining and has recently acquired a small tourism business conducting underground mine tours at Mt Lyell with the help of wife Tina and son Aaron.

#### **Principal Activities**

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

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

#### **Operating Results**

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

Year ended 30 June 2013 \$	Year ended 30 June 2012 \$
12,415	148,433

#### **Remuneration Report**

All directors perform their duties solely in a voluntary capacity and do not receive or expect any form of income.

Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited has accepted the **Community Bank®** Directors' Privileges package. The package is available to all directors who can elect to avail themselves of the beneifts based on their personal banking with the Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited® branch. There is no requirement to own Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited shares and there is no qualification period to qualify to utilise the benefits. The package mirrors the benefits currently available to Bendigo and Adelaide Bank shareholders. No directors elected to avail themselves of the package during the period under review.

## Directors' report (continued)

#### **Dividends**

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

#### **Significant Changes in the State of Affairs**

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

#### Matters Subsequent to the End of the Financial Year

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

#### **Likely Developments**

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

#### **Environmental Regulation**

The company is not subject to any significant environmental regulation.

#### **Directors' Benefits**

No director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the company, controlled entity or related body corporate with a director, a firm which a director is a member or an entity in which a director has a substantial financial interest except as disclosed in note 20 to the financial statements. This statement excludes a benefit included in the aggregate amount of emoluments received or due and receivable by directors shown in the company's accounts, or the fixed salary of a full-time employee of the company, controlled entity or related body corporate.

#### **Indemnification and Insurance of Directors and Officers**

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

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

## Directors' report (continued)

#### **Directors' Meetings**

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

Director	Number of Board Meetings	
Director	Eligible	Attended
Philip John Evans	9	9
Adam James Mansson	9	9
Anthony Paul Coulson	9	9
Christopher Michael Wapole	9	9
Ronald John Walter Marriott	9	9
Simon Francis Dilger	9	7
Joanne Francis	9	8

#### **Non Audit Services**

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

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

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

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

#### **Auditors' Independence Declaration**

A copy of the auditors' independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 8.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors at Queenstown, Tasmania on the 16th of September 2013.

Philip John Evans,

Chairman

# Auditor's independence declaration



Lead auditor's independence declaration under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 to the directors of Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited

I declare, that to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2013 there have been no contraventions of:

- the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit
- any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

David Hutchings Andrew Frewin Stewart 61 Bull Street, Bendigo Vic 3550

Dated: 16 September 2013



# Financial statements

# Statement of Comprehensive Income for the Year Ended 30 June 2013

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
Revenues from ordinary activities	4	408,430	463,061
Employee benefits expense		(214,244)	(203,319)
Charitable donations, sponsorship, advertising and promotion		(12,419)	(17,267)
Occupancy and associated costs		(26,244)	(26,909)
Systems costs		(20,644)	(21,647)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	5	(26,848)	(28,946)
General administration expenses		(87,113)	(88,735)
Profit before income tax credit		20,918	76,238
Income tax credit/(expense)	6	(8,503)	72,195
Profit after income tax credit/(expense)		12,415	148,433
Total comprehensive income for the year		12,415	148,433
Earnings per share (cents per share)		С	c
- basic for profit for the year	22	2	21

## Financial statements (continued)

# Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2013

Current Assets  Cash and cash equivalents  Trade and other receivables  8  Total Current Assets  Non-Current Assets  Property, plant and equipment  9  Intangible assets  10  Deferred tax assets  Total Non-Current Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities  Trade and other payables  12	42,969	
Cash and cash equivalents 7  Trade and other receivables 8  Total Current Assets  Non-Current Assets  Property, plant and equipment 9  Intangible assets 10  Deferred tax assets 11  Total Non-Current Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	42.969	
Trade and other receivables 8  Total Current Assets  Non-Current Assets  Property, plant and equipment 9  Intangible assets 10  Deferred tax assets 11  Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	42.969	
Total Current Assets  Non-Current Assets  Property, plant and equipment 9  Intangible assets 10  Deferred tax assets 11  Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	,	92,481
Non-Current Assets  Property, plant and equipment 9  Intangible assets 10  Deferred tax assets 11  Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	33,605	33,739
Property, plant and equipment 9 Intangible assets 10 Deferred tax assets 11 Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	76,574	126,220
Intangible assets  Deferred tax assets  11  Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities		
Deferred tax assets  Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	152,087	166,698
Total Non-Current Assets  Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	66,913	9,929
Total Assets  LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	128,609	137,112
LIABILITIES  Current Liabilities	347,609	313,739
Current Liabilities	424,183	439,959
Trade and other payables 12		
	2 58,570	52,546
Borrowings 13	}	15,734
Provisions 14	14,404	10,866
Total Current Liabilities	72,974	79,146
Non-Current Liabilities		
Provisions 14	5,584	6,103
Total Non-Current Liabilities	5,584	6,103
Total Liabilities	78,558	85,249
Net Assets	345,625	354,710
Equity		
Issued capital 15	704,453	704,453
Accumulated losses 16	(358,828)	(349,743)
Total Equity	345,625	354,710

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Financial statements (continued)

# Statement of Changes in Equity for the Year Ended 30 June 2013

	Issued Capital \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total Equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2011	704,453	(498,176)	206,277
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	148,433	148,433
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:			
Shares issued during period	-	-	-
Costs of issuing shares	-	-	-
Dividends provided for or paid	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2012	704,453	(349,743)	354,710
Balance at 1 July 2012	704,453	(349,743)	354,710
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	12,415	12,415
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:			
Shares issued during period	-	-	-
Costs of issuing shares	-	-	-
Dividends provided for or paid	-	(21,500)	(21,500)
Balance at 30 June 2013	704,453	(358,828)	345,625

# Financial statements (continued)

# Statement of Cashflows for the Year Ended 30 June 2013

	Note	<b>2013</b> \$	2012 \$
Cash Flows From Operating Activities			
Receipts from customers		448,439	494,741
Payments to suppliers and employees		(394,041)	(475,464)
Interest received		2,545	2,023
Net cash provided by operating activities	17	56,943	21,300
Cash Flows From Investing Activities			
Payment for intangible asset		(69,221)	-
Net cash used in investing activities		(69,221)	-
Cash Flows From Financing Activities			
Repayment of borrowings		(15,734)	(4,821)
Dividends Paid		(21,500)	-
Net cash used in financing activities		(37,234)	(4,821)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(49,512)	16,479
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		92,481	76,002
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	7(a)	42,969	92,481

# Notes to the financial statements

#### For year ended 30 June 2013

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### a) Basis of Preparation

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

#### Compliance with IFRS

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

#### Critical accounting estimates

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

#### Historical cost convention

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

#### Comparative figures

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

#### Adoption of new and amended Accounting Standards

None of the new standards and amendments to standards that are mandatory for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2012 affected any of the amounts recognised in the current period or any prior period and are not likely to affect future periods. Amendments made to AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements effective 1 July 2012 now require the statement of comprehensive income to show the items of comprehensive income grouped into those that are not permitted to be reclassified to profit or loss in a future period and those that may have to be reclassified if certain conditions are met. This amendment has not affected the presentation of the statement of comprehensive income of the company in the current period and is not likely to affect future periods.

The company has not elected to apply any pronouncements before their mandatory operative date in the annual reporting period beginning 1 July 2012.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### a) Basis of Preparation (continued)

Economic dependency - Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited

The company has entered into a franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited that governs the management of the **Community Bank®** branch at Queenstown, Tasmania.

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

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

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

- · advice and assistance in relation to the design, layout and fit out of the Community Bank® branch;
- training for the branch manager and other employees in banking, management systems and interface protocol;
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$  methods and procedures for the sale of products and provision of services;
- security and cash logistic controls;
- · calculation of company revenue and payment of many operating and administrative expenses
- · the formulation and implementation of advertising and promotional programs; and
- · sales techniques and proper customer relations.

#### b) Revenue

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

#### Revenue calculation

The franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited provides for three types of revenue earned by the company. First, the company is entitled to 50% of the monthly gross margin earned by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited on products and services provided through the company that are regarded as "day to day" banking business (ie 'margin business'). This arrangement also means that if the gross margin reflects a loss (that is, the gross margin is a negative amount), the company effectively incurs, and must bear, 50% of that loss.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### b) Revenue (continued)

#### Revenue calculation (continued)

The second source of revenue is commission paid by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited on the other products and services provided through the company (i.e. 'commission business'). The commission is currently payable on various specified products and services, including insurance, financial planning, common fund, Sandhurst Select, superannuation, commercial loan referrals, products referred by Rural Bank, leasing referrals, fixed loans and certain term deposits (>90 days). The amount of commission payable can be varied in accordance with the Franchise Agreement (which, in some cases, permits commissions to be varied at the discretion of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited). This discretion has been exercised on several occasions previously. For example in February 2011 and February 2013 Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited reduced commissions on two core banking products to ensure a more even distribution of income between Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited and its

Community Bank® partners. The revenue share model is subject to regular review to ensure that the interests of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited and Community Bank® companies remain balanced.

The third source of revenue is a proportion of the fees and charges (ie, what are commonly referred to as 'bank fees and charges') charged to customers. This proportion, determined by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited, may vary between products and services and may be amended by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited from time to time.

#### c) Income Tax

#### Current tax

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

#### Deferred tax

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

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

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

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

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### c) Income Tax (continued)

#### Current and deferred tax for the period

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

#### d) Employee Entitlements

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

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

#### e) Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

#### f) Trade Receivables and Payables

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

#### g) Property, Plant and Equipment

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

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

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

- leasehold improvements 40 years

- plant and equipment 2.5 - 40 years

- furniture and fittings 4 - 40 years

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### h) Intangibles

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

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

#### i) Payment Terms

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

#### j) Borrowings

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

#### k) Financial Instruments

#### Recognition and initial measurement

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

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

#### **Derecognition**

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

#### Classification and subsequent measurement

#### (i) Loans and receivables

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

#### (ii) Held-to-maturity investments

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the entity's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### (iii) Financial liabilities

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

#### **Impairment**

At each reporting date, the entity assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### I) Leases

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

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

#### m) Provisions

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

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

#### n) Contributed Equity

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

#### o) Earnings Per Share

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

#### p) Goods and Services Tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the taxation authority. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

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

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

#### Note 2. Financial Risk Management

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

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

#### (i) Market risk

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

#### (ii) Price risk

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

#### (iii) Credit risk

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

#### (iv) Liquidity risk

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

#### (v) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

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

#### (vi) Capital management

The board is managing the growth of the business in line with this requirement. There are no other externally imposed capital requirements, although the nature of the company is such that amounts will be paid in the form of charitable donations and sponsorship. Charitable donations and sponsorship paid for the year ended 30 June 2013 can be seen in the statement of comprehensive income.

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

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

#### Note 2. Financial Risk Management (continued)

#### (vi) Capital management (continued)

The board is managing the growth of the business in line with this requirement. There are no other externally imposed capital requirements, although the nature of the company is such that amounts will be paid in the form of charitable donations and sponsorship. Charitable donations and sponsorship paid for the year ended 30 June 2013 can be seen in the statement of comprehensive income.

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

#### Note 3. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

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

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

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

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

#### **Taxation**

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

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

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

#### Estimation of useful lives of assets

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

The calculations require the use of assumptions.

#### Note 3. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements (continued)

#### Impairment of assets

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

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

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

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

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 4. Revenue from Ordinary Activities		
Operating activities:		
- services commissions	406,097	410,293
Total revenue from operating activities	406,097	410,293
Non-operating activities:		
- interest received	2,333	2,943
- other revenue	-	49,825
Total revenue from non-operating activities	2,333	52,768
Total revenues from ordinary activities	408,430	463,061

Other revenue consists of a contribution by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited to the fit out of the branch premises.

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 5. Expenses			
Depreciation of non-current assets:			
- leasehold improvements		10,837	11,594
- motor vehicles		3,774	3,683
- software		-	1,669
Amortisation of non-current assets:			
- franchise agreement		2,040	2,000
- franchise renewal fee		10,197	10,000
		26,848	28,946
Bad debts		269	389
Note 6. Income Tax Expense/(Credit)  The components of tax expense comprise:  - Current tax		-	
- Movement in deferred tax		(1,974)	(6,360)
- Recoupment of prior year tax loss		10,477	24,400
- Tax losses not previously brought to account now recognised		<u>-</u>	(90,235)
		8,503	(72,195)
The prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax credit as follows:			
Operating profit		20,917	76,239
Prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities at 30%		6,275	22,872
Add tax effect of:			
- non-deductible expenses		2,979	3,600
- timing difference expenses		1,223	(1,340)
- other deductible expenses		-	(732)
		10,477	24,400
Movement in deferred tax	11	(1,974)	(6,360)
Tax losses not previously brought to account now recognised		-	(90,235)
		8,503	(72,195)

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 7. Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash at bank and on hand	42,969	92,481
The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cashflows as follows:		
Note 7.(a) Reconciliation of cash		
Cash at bank and on hand	42,969	92,481
Note 8. Trade and Other Receivables		
Trade receivables	28,091	29,369
Other receivables and accruals	2,033	1,086
Prepayments	3,481	3,284
	33,605	33,739
Note 9. Property, Plant and Equipment  Leasehold improvements		
At cost	200,150	200,150
Additions	-	
Disposals	-	
Less accumulated depreciation	(59,005)	(48,168
	141,145	151,982
Motor vehicles		
At cost	30,111	30,111
Additions	-	
Disposals	-	
Less accumulated depreciation	(19,169)	(15,395
	10,942	14,716
Software		
At cost	8,345	8,345
Additions	-	
Disposals	-	
Less accumulated depreciation	(8,345)	(8,345
	-	

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 9. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)		
Plant and equipment		
At cost	6,350	6,350
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Less accumulated depreciation	(6,350)	(6,350)
	-	-
Total written down amount	152,087	166,698
Movements in carrying amounts:		
Leasehold improvements		
Carrying amount at beginning	152,314	165,496
Less: depreciation expense	(11,169)	(13,182)
Carrying amount at end	141,145	152,314
Motor vehicles		
Carrying amount at beginning	14,716	18,480
Less: depreciation expense	(3,774)	(3,764)
Carrying amount at end	10,942	14,716
Software		
Carrying amount at beginning	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	-	(332)
Carrying amount at end	-	(332)
Total written down amount	152,087	166,698
Note 10. Intangible Assets		
Franchise fee		
At cost	21,537	10,000
Less: accumulated amortisation	(10,385)	(8,345)
	11,152	1,655
Renewal processing fee		
At cost	107,684	50,000
Less: accumulated amortisation	(51,923)	(41,726)
	55,761	8,274
Total written down amount	66,913	9,929

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 11. Tax		
Non-Current:		
Deferred tax assets		
- accruals	1,328	-
- employee provisions	5,996	5,414
- tax losses carried forward	121,535	132,012
	128,859	137,426
Deferred tax liability		
- accruals	(250)	314
- deductible prepayments	-	-
	(250)	314
Net deferred tax asset	128,609	137,112
Movement in deferred tax charged to statement of comprehensive income	(1,974)	(72,195)
Note 12. Trade and Other Payables  Trade creditors	17,847	23,274
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	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 15. Contributed Equity		
716,660 Ordinary shares fully paid (2012: 716,660)	716,660	716,660
Less: equity raising expenses	(12,207)	(12,207)
	704,453	704,453

#### Rights attached to shares

#### (a) Voting rights

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

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

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

#### (b) Dividends

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

#### (c) Transfer

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

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

#### **Prohibited shareholding interest**

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

In summary, a person has a prohibited shareholding interest if they control or own 10% or more of the shares in the company (the "10% limit").

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

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

#### Note 15. Contributed Equity (continued)

#### **Prohibited shareholding interest (continued)**

Net cashflows provided by operating activities

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

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

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 16. Accumulated Losses		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	(349,743)	(498,176)
Net profit from ordinary activities after income tax	12,415	148,433
Dividends Paid	(21,500)	-
Balance at the end of the financial year	(358,828)	(349,743)
Note 17. Statement of Cashflows		
Reconciliation of profit from ordinary activities after tax to net cash provided by operating activities		
Profit from ordinary activities after income tax	12,415	148,433
Non cash items:		
- depreciation	14,611	16,946
- amortisation	12,237	12,000
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
- increase/(decrease) in receivables	134	(2,086)
- increase/(decrease) in payables	8,503	(87,803)
- (increase)/decrease in other assets	6,024	(72,195)
- increase in provisions	3,019	6,005

56.943

21,300

2012

	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 18. Leases		
Finance lease commitments		
Payable - minimum lease payments		
- not later than 12 months	-	15,734
- between 12 months and 5 years	-	-
Minimum lease payments	-	15,734
Less future finance charges	-	-
Present value of minimum lease payments	-	15,734
The finance lease of the motor vehicle, which commenced in June 2008, is a		
5-year lease with monthly instalments and a final balloon payment of \$11,000		
due June 2013. As at 30 June 2013 the finance lease has been completely		
paid off.		
Operating lease commitments		
Non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the		
financial statements		
Payable - minimum lease payments		
- not later than 12 months	14,400	14,400
- between 12 months and 5 years	43,200	57,600
- greater than 5 years	-	-
	57,600	72,000

The branch premises lease is a non-cancellable lease with a five-year term, with rent payable monthly in advance. The lease has 2 additional 5 year options available.

#### Note 19. Auditor's Remuneration

Amounts received or due and receivable by the auditor of the company for:

	8,945	7,798
- non audit services	2,165	2,948
- share registry services	3,180	1,450
- audit and review services	3,600	3,400

#### Note 20. Director and Related Party Disclosures

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

Philip John Evans

Adam James Mansson

**Anthony Paul Coulson** 

Christopher Michael Wapole

Ronald John Walter Marriott

Simon Francis Dilger

Joanne Francis

Director, Philip Evans company Charles Evans & Sons Pty Ltd provided the company with cleaning products and staff amenities during the year of \$189.94 (2012: \$31.92) during the 2013 financial year.

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

Directors Shareholdings	2013	2012	
Philip John Evans	70,001	70,001	
Adam James Mansson	31,400	31,400	
Anthony Paul Coulson	19,001	19,001	
Christopher Michael Wapole	2,000	2,000	
Ronald John Walter Marriott	3,501	3,501	
Simon Francis Dilger	20,000	20,000	
Joanne Francis	1,101	1,101	

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

### Note 21. Key Management Personnel Disclosures

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

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

	<b>2013</b> \$	2012 \$
Note 22. Earnings Per Share		
(a) Profit attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the company used in calculating earnings per share	12,415	148,433
	Number	Number
(b) Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the		
denominator in calculating basic earnings per share	716,660	716,660

#### Note 23. Events Occurring After the Balance Sheet Date

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

#### Note 24. Contingent Liabilities

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

#### Note 25. Segment Reporting

The economic entity operates in the service sector where it facilitates **Community Bank®** services in Queenstown and the surrounding districts of Tasmania pursuant to a franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

#### Note 26. Registered Office/Principal Place of Business

The registered office and principal place of business is:

Registered Office Principal Place of Business

33 Orr Street 33 Orr Street

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#### Note 27. Financial Instruments

#### **Net Fair Values**

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

#### **Credit Risk**

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

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

#### Note 27. Financial Instruments (continued)

#### Interest Rate Risk

		Fixed interest rate maturing in									Weighted average effective interest rate	
	Floating interest rate		1 year or less		Over 1 to 5 years		Over 5 years		Non interest bearing			
Financial instrument	2013 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2012 \$	2013 \$	2012 \$	<b>2013</b> %	2012 %
Financial Assets												
Cash and cash equivalents	42,969	92,481	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.77	3.66
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,091	29,369	N/A	N/A
Financial Liabilities												
Interest bearing liabilities	-	-	-	15,734	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	8.93
Payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,846	23,274	N/A	N/A

# Directors' declaration

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited, we state that:

In the opinion of the directors:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the company are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- (c) the audited remuneration disclosures set out in the remuneration report section of the directors' report comply with Accounting Standard AASB124 Related Party Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

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

Philip John Evans,

Chairman

Signed on the 16th of September 2013.

# Independent audit report



#### Independent auditor's report to the members of Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited

#### Report on the financial report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited, which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2013, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

#### Directors' responsibility for the financial report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Act 2001. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making fair accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In note 1, the directors also state in accordance with the Accounting Standard AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements that the financial statements comply with International Financial Reporting Standards.

#### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These auditing standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on our judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and presentation of the financial report 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. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

Our audit did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by directors or management.

We performed the procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and Australian Accounting Standards, a true and fair view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position and of its performance.

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

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## Independent audit report (continued)

#### Independence

In conducting our audit we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act* 2001. We have given to the directors of the company a written auditor's independence declaration, a copy of which is included in the directors' report.

#### Auditor's opinion on the financial report

In our apinion:

- The financial report of Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 including giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended and complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.
- 2) The financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

#### Report on the remuneration report

We have audited the remuneration report included in the directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2013. The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the remuneration report in accordance with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the remuneration report, based on our audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards.

#### Auditor's opinion

In our opinion, the remuneration report of Queenstown & Districts Finance Limited for the year ended 30 June 2013, complies with section 300A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

David Hutchings
Andrew Frewin Stewart
61 Buil Street Bendigo Vic 3550

Dated: 16 September 2013



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