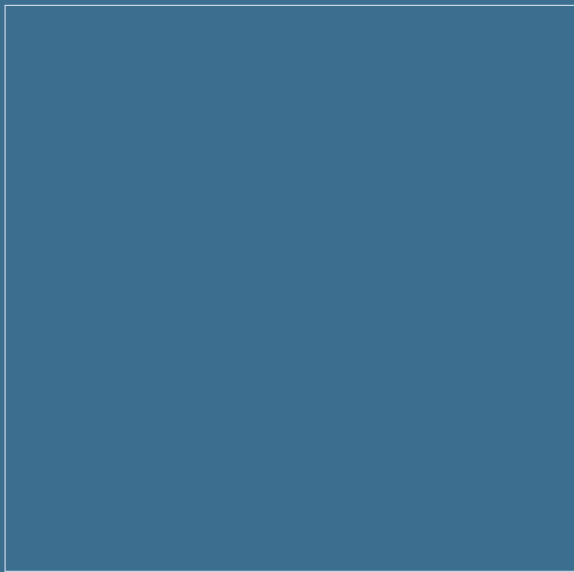


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Blackburn District Financial  
Services Limited  
ABN 67 106 202 304

Blackburn South **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch

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# Chairman's report

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For year ending 30 June 2009

Dear fellow shareholders,

During 2008 the world economy deteriorated as the U.S. sub-prime mortgage crisis unravelled disclosing a pernicious impact on global financial markets and the wider general economy.

Against this international backdrop, the Australian economy has managed to maintain a reasonable level of activity aided by Federal Govt stimulus packages.

Our **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch has had a year of mixed fortunes, as I detailed at our mid year meeting. The greatest impact of the global financial crisis hit Blackburn South **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> Branch from February through to May of 2009.

Despite the financial crisis we have grown throughout the year with our banking book now well over \$100 million.

We have been able to make a small profit this year, which will be used to strengthen our balance sheet. We are not in a position to return a dividend this year.

Community grants and sponsorships have again been made available through the Marketing Development Fund provided to us by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd. We continue to build strong relationships with community groups, schools, and clubs. Our sponsorship/ grants policy is to give preference to groups or clubs who bank with us.

In mid August Mr Barry Friswell resigned as our Bank Manager, ever popular with our customers and staff, Barry will be missed and we wish him well in his future endeavours.

I am pleased to announce that Mr Peter Grierson has joined us as Bank Manager. Peter commenced with us in late August and comes to us with much banking experience, having spent over 20 years working with other banking corporations.

I thank my fellow Directors, staff and Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd support team for their constant efforts during the most trying of financial times. The Board are confident that the 2009/2010 financial year will bring more growth and a return to stronger profits.

Yours Sincerely



**Damian Ahearne FAICD**

**Chairman**

# Directors' report

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For year ending 30 June 2009

Your Directors submit the financial report of the Company for the financial year ended 30 June 2009.

## Directors

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

### **Damian Ahearne**

Chairman

Age: 50

Retailer & Company Director

### **Stephen Wayne Yeates**

Secretary

Age: 54

Product Compliance Consultant

### **Phillip Anthony Barresi**

Director

Age: 53

Employer Association Director

### **Noel Richard Moller**

Director

Age: 78

Retired Company Director

### **Thomas Gouloupoulos**

Director

Age: 55

Pharmacist

### **Andrew Stephen Munroe**

Director

Age: 45

Telecommunications Engineer

### **Reginald James Jarvis**

Director

Age: 60

Retired Postal Manager

### **Lawrence Campbell Findlay**

Director (Appointed 30 April 2009)

Age: 66

Retired Company Director

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

No Directors have material interests in contracts or proposed contracts with the Company unless outlined in note 17.

## Company Secretary

The Company Secretary is Stephen Yeates. Stephen was appointed to the position of Secretary on 4 September 2003.

## Principal activities

The principal activities of the Company during the course of the financial year were in facilitating **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> services under management rights to operate a franchised branch of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

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

# Directors' report continued

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## Operating results

The recent global financial crisis has adversely impacted the stability of the international financial system. The current global financial crisis presents a challenge for all financial institutions, including Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd and in turn Blackburn District Financial Services Limited. The duration and extent of the global financial crisis is still largely unknown and continuation of these conditions could adversely affect the ongoing financial performance or financial condition of the Company's business as a franchisee of a **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch.

The profit of the Company for the financial year after provision for income tax was:

Year ended 30 June 2009 \$	Year ended 30 June 2008 \$
16,848	59,142

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## Remuneration report

### (a) Remuneration of Directors

All Directors of the Company are on a voluntary basis, therefore no remuneration guidelines have been prepared.

### (b) Remuneration of Area and Branch Managers

The Board is responsible for the determination of remuneration packages and policies applicable to the Branch Manager and all the staff. The Branch Manager is invited to the Board meetings as required to discuss performance and remuneration packages.

The Board's policy in respect of the Branch Manager is to maintain remuneration at parity within the **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> network and local market rates for comparable roles.

There are no executives who are directly accountable and responsible for the strategic direction and operational management of the entity. This is wholly a Board role.

There are therefore no Specified Executives.

## Dividends

No dividends were declared or paid for the previous year but capital was returned to shareholders at \$0.09 per share. The Directors recommend that no dividends be paid from the small profit for the current year. Instead, the current year profit is to be used to strengthen the Company's balance sheet.

## 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 report.

## 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.

# Directors' report continued

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## 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 17 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' meetings

The number of Directors' meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the year were:

	<b>Number of Board meetings eligible to attend</b>	<b>Number attended</b>
Damian Ahearne	11	10
Stephen Wayne Yeates	11	11
Phillip Anthony Barresi	11	9
Noel Richard Moller	11	11
Thomas Goulopoulos	11	9
Andrew Stephen Munroe	11	11
Reginald James Jarvis	11	9
Lawrence Campbell Findlay (Appointed 30 April 2009)	3	3

# Directors' report continued

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## **Non audit services**

The Company has employed 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 Professional Statement F1, 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.

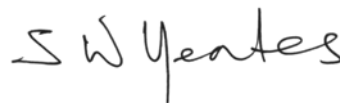
## **Auditors' independence declaration**

A copy of the Auditors' independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 7.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors at Blackburn South, Victoria on 29 September 2009.



**Damian Ahearne**  
**Chairman**



**Stephen Wayne Yeates**  
**Secretary**

# Auditor's independence declaration

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## **Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 to the directors of Blackburn District Financial Services Limited**

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2009 there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the review; and
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

**David Hutchings**  
Auditor

**Andrew Frewin & Stewart**  
Bendigo, Victoria

Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September 2009



# Financial statements

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## Income statement For year ending 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Revenues from ordinary activities	3	540,278	509,206
Salaries and employee benefits expense		(306,148)	(264,172)
Advertising and promotion expenses		(39,826)	(23,831)
Occupancy and associated costs		(44,408)	(45,070)
Systems costs		(18,724)	(11,276)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	4	(24,119)	(24,472)
Finance costs	4	(1,322)	-
General administration expenses		(78,628)	(61,164)
<b>Profit before income tax expense</b>		<b>27,103</b>	<b>79,220</b>
Income tax expense	5	(10,255)	(20,078)
<b>Profit for the period</b>		<b>16,848</b>	<b>59,142</b>
<b>Profit attributable to members of the entity</b>		<b>16,848</b>	<b>59,142</b>
<b>Earnings per share (cents per share)</b>		<b>¢</b>	<b>¢</b>
- based on profit for the year	18	2.56	9.00

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Financial statements continued

### Balance sheet As at 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Current assets</b>			
Cash assets	6	53,639	134,523
Trade and other receivables	7	49,779	48,968
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>103,418</b>	<b>183,491</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	8	150,171	158,372
Intangible assets	9	65,617	9,000
Deferred tax assets	10	83,629	93,884
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>299,417</b>	<b>261,256</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>402,835</b>	<b>444,747</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	11	22,515	33,336
Provisions	12	30,668	23,305
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>53,183</b>	<b>56,641</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Provisions	12	8,912	5,083
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>8,912</b>	<b>5,083</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>62,095</b>	<b>61,724</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>340,740</b>	<b>383,023</b>
<b>Equity</b>			
Contributed equity	13	569,992	629,123
Accumulated losses	14	(229,252)	(246,100)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>340,740</b>	<b>383,023</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Financial statements continued

### Statement of cash flows As at 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from customers		535,394	482,496
Payments to suppliers and employees		(487,363)	(399,534)
Interest received		4,073	2,004
Interest paid		(1,322)	-
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>50,782</b>	<b>84,966</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(3,673)	(1,250)
Payments for intangible assets		(68,862)	-
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>(72,535)</b>	<b>(1,250)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Return of capital		(59,131)	-
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>(59,131)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash held</b>		<b>(80,884)</b>	<b>83,716</b>
Cash at the beginning of the financial year		134,523	50,807
<b>Cash at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>6(a)</b>	<b>53,639</b>	<b>134,523</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Financial statements continued

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### Statement of changes in equity As at 30 June 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Total equity at the beginning of the period		383,023	323,881
Net profit for the period		16,848	59,142
Net income/expense recognised directly in equity		-	-
<b>Total income and expense recognised by the entity for the year</b>		<b>16,848</b>	<b>59,142</b>
Return of capital		(59,131)	-
Shares issued during period		-	-
Costs of issuing shares		-	-
<b>Total equity at the end of the period</b>		<b>340,740</b>	<b>383,023</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

# Notes to the financial statements

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For year ending 30 June 2009

## Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies

### **Basis of preparation**

This general purpose financial report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Act 2001.

### **Compliance with IFRS**

Australian Accounting Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). These financial statements and notes comply with IFRS.

### **Historical cost convention**

The financial report has been prepared under the historical cost conventions 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.

### **Revenue**

Interest and fee revenue is recognised when earned. All revenue is stated net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST). 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.

### **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 for 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 ATO are classified as operation cash flows.

# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **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 tax 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 a liability (or asset) to the extent that it is unpaid (or refundable).

#### Deferred tax

Deferred tax is accounted for using the comprehensive 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/consolidated entity intends to settle its tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

#### Current and deferred tax for the period

Current and deferred tax is recognised as an expense or income in the income statement, 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.

# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **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.

### **Intangibles**

The cost of the Company's franchise fee has been recorded at cost and is amortised on a straight line basis at a rate of 20% per annum.

### **Cash**

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.

### **Comparative figures**

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

### **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

# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **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.

There are no estimates or assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

### **Payment terms**

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

### **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.

### **Borrowings**

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

### **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 transactions costs where the instrument.

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.



# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **Financial instruments (continued)**

#### 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 income statement.

### **Leases**

Leases of fixed assets where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership that is transferred to entities in the entity 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.

# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **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 or 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.

### **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.

### **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.

## 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 Ltd.

# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 2. Financial risk management (continued)

### **(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 Ltd mitigates this risk significantly.

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

Interest-bearing assets are held with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd 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 Ltd mitigates this risk significantly.

### **(vi) Capital management**

The Board's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to sustain future development of the Company. The Board of Directors monitor the return on capital and the level of dividends to shareholders. Capital is represented by total equity as recorded in the Balance Sheet.

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%.

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 2009 can be seen in the Income Statement.

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

## Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Note 3. Revenue from ordinary activities</b>		
<b>Operating activities:</b>		
- services commissions	536,204	506,870
<b>Total revenue from operating activities</b>	<b>536,204</b>	<b>506,870</b>
<b>Non-operating activities:</b>		
- interest received	4,073	2,335
<b>Total revenue from non-operating activities</b>	<b>4,073</b>	<b>2,335</b>
<b>Total revenues from ordinary activities</b>	<b>540,277</b>	<b>509,206</b>

## Note 4. Expenses

<b>Depreciation of non-current assets:</b>		
- plant and equipment	3,397	3,786
- leasehold improvements	8,477	8,686
<b>Amortisation of non-current assets:</b>		
- franchise agreement	12,245	12,000
	<b>24,119</b>	<b>24,472</b>
<b>Finance costs:</b>		
- interest paid	<b>1,322</b>	-
<b>Bad debts</b>	<b>1,135</b>	<b>68</b>

## Note 5. Income tax expense

The prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities before income tax is reconciled to the income tax expense as follows:

Operating profit	27,103	79,220
Prima facie tax on profit from ordinary activities at 30%	8,131	23,766

## Notes to the financial statements continued

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
Note 5. Income tax expense (continued)			
Add tax effect of:			
- non-deductible expenses		3,673	7,313
- timing difference expenses		2,461	209
- other deductible expenses		(1,673)	(1,673)
Current tax payable		12,592	29,615
Movement in deferred tax	10	(2,337)	(9,537)
		<b>10,255</b>	<b>20,078</b>

### Note 6. Cash assets

Cash at bank and on hand		53,639	63,932
Term deposits		-	70,591
		<b>53,639</b>	<b>134,523</b>

The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cashflows as follows:

#### 6(a) Reconciliation of cash

Cash at bank and on hand		53,639	63,932
Term deposit		-	70,591
		<b>53,639</b>	<b>134,523</b>

### Note 7. Trade and other receivables

Trade debtors		46,452	48,638
Accrued income		-	330
Prepayments		3,327	-
		<b>49,779</b>	<b>48,968</b>

## Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Note 8. Property, plant and equipment</b>		
<b>Leasehold improvements</b>		
At cost	182,170	178,497
Less accumulated depreciation	(54,406)	(45,928)
	<b>127,764</b>	<b>132,569</b>
<b>Plant and equipment</b>		
At cost	38,566	38,566
Less accumulated depreciation	(17,563)	(14,345)
	<b>21,003</b>	<b>24,221</b>
<b>Office furniture and fittings</b>		
At cost	2,404	2,404
Less accumulated depreciation	(1,000)	(822)
	<b>1,404</b>	<b>1,582</b>
<b>Total written down amount</b>	<b>150,171</b>	<b>158,372</b>
<b>Movements in carrying amounts:</b>		
<b>Leasehold improvements</b>		
Carrying amount at beginning	132,569	141,255
Additions	3,674	-
Disposals	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	(8,479)	(8,686)
<b>Carrying amount at end</b>	<b>127,764</b>	<b>132,569</b>
<b>Plant and equipment</b>		
Carrying amount at beginning	24,221	26,557
Additions	-	1,250
Disposals	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	(3,218)	(3,586)
<b>Carrying amount at end</b>	<b>21,003</b>	<b>24,221</b>

## Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
Note 8. Property, plant and equipment (continued)		
<b>Office furniture and fittings</b>		
Carrying amount at beginning	1,582	1,782
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Less: depreciation expense	(178)	(200)
<b>Carrying amount at end</b>	<b>1,404</b>	<b>1,582</b>
<b>Total written down amount</b>	<b>150,171</b>	<b>158,372</b>

## Note 9. Intangible assets

<b>Franchise fee</b>		
At cost	71,477	60,000
Less: accumulated amortisation	(60,541)	(51,000)
<b>Franchise renewal fee</b>		
At cost	57,385	-
Less: accumulated amortisation	(2,704)	-
	<b>65,617</b>	<b>9,000</b>

## Note 10. Deferred tax

<b>Deferred tax asset</b>		
• Opening balance	93,884	113,962
Recoupment of prior years tax losses	(12,592)	(29,615)
Deferred tax on provisions	2,337	9,537
• <b>Closing balance</b>	<b>83,629</b>	<b>93,884</b>

## Note 11. Trade and other payables

Trade creditors	19,957	30,016
Other creditors & accruals	2,558	3,320
	<b>22,515</b>	<b>33,336</b>

## Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Note 12. Provisions</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
<b>Provision for annual leave</b>	<b>30,668</b>	<b>23,305</b>
<b>Non-current</b>		
<b>Provision for long service leave</b>	<b>8,912</b>	<b>5,083</b>
<b>Number of employees at year end</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>

## Note 13. Contributed equity

657,010 Ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each (2008: 657,010)	657,010	657,010
Less: return of capital (9 cents per share)	(59,131)	-
	<b>597,879</b>	<b>657,010</b>
Less: equity raising expenses	(27,887)	(27,887)
	<b>569,992</b>	<b>629,123</b>

### Rights attached to shares

#### (a) Voting rights

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

On a show of hands or a poll, each shareholder 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 shareholder and has also been appointed as proxy for another shareholder) that person may only exercise one vote on a show of hands. On a poll, that person may exercise one vote as a shareholder and one vote for each other shareholder that person represents as duly appointed attorney, corporate representative or proxy.

The purpose of giving each shareholder 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 shareholders of the community who have contributed to the establishment and ongoing operation of the **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> branch have the same ability to influence the operation of the Company.



# Notes to the financial statements continued

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## Note 13. Contributed equity (continued)

### **Rights attached to shares (continued)**

#### (b) Dividends

Generally, dividends are payable to shareholders 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 Ltd 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.

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 shareholder has a prohibited shareholding interest, it must serve a notice requiring the shareholder (or the shareholder'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, shareholders acknowledge and recognise that the exercise of the powers given to the Board may cause considerable disadvantage to individual shareholders, but that such a result may be necessary to enforce the prohibition.

## Notes to the financial statements continued

	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Note 14. Accumulated losses</b>		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	(246,100)	(305,242)
Net profit from ordinary activities after income tax	16,848	59,142
<b>Balance at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>(229,252)</b>	<b>(246,100)</b>

## Note 15. Statement of cash flows

Reconciliation of profit from ordinary activities after tax to net cash provided by operating activities

Profit from ordinary activities after income tax	16,848	59,142
<b>Non cash items:</b>		
- depreciation	11,874	12,472
- amortisation	12,245	12,000
<b>Changes in assets and liabilities:</b>		
- (increase)/decrease in receivables	(811)	(24,705)
- (increase)/decrease in other assets	10,255	20,078
- increase/(decrease) in payables	(10,821)	(5,987)
- increase/(decrease) in provisions	11,192	11,966
<b>Net cash flows provided by operating activities</b>	<b>50,782</b>	<b>84,966</b>

## Note 16. Auditors' remuneration

Amounts received or due and receivable by the Auditor of the Company for:

- audit & review services	3,200	3,500
- non audit services	5,981	2,284
	<b>9,181</b>	<b>5,784</b>

# Notes to the financial statements continued

## Note 17. Director and related party disclosures

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

Damian Ahearne  
Stephen Wayne Yeates  
Phillip Anthony Barresi  
Noel Richard Moller  
Thomas Goulopoulos  
Andrew Stephen Munroe  
Reginald James Jarvis  
Lawrence Campbell Findlay (Appointed 30 April 2009)

With the exception of Stephen Yeates no Director or related entity has entered into a material contract with the Company. No Directors' fees have been paid as the positions are held on a voluntary basis.

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Transactions with related parties:</b>		
<b>Stephen Yeates, in the capacity as a partner of Compliance Services</b>		
<b>Asia-Pacific, undertakes Company Secretary services to the value of</b>	<b>6,600</b>	<b>1,100</b>
<b>Directors' shareholdings</b>		
Damian Ahearne	6,501	6,501
Stephen Wayne Yeates	3,001	3,001
Phillip Anthony Barresi	5,001	5,001
Noel Richard Moller	5,001	5,001
Thomas Goulopoulos	5,001	5,001
Andrew Stephen Munroe	2,001	2,001
Reginald James Jarvis	501	501
Lawrence Campbell Findlay (Appointed 30 April 2009)	6,000	-

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

## Notes to the financial statements continued

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	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Note 18. Earnings per share</b>		
(a) Profit attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company used in calculating earnings per share	16,848	59,142

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	2009 Number	2008 Number
(b) Weighted average number of ordinary shares used as the denominator in calculating basic earnings per share	657,010	657,010

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### Note 19. 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 20. Contingent liabilities

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

### Note 21. Segment reporting

The economic entity operates in the service sector where it facilitates **Community Bank**<sup>®</sup> services pursuant to a franchise agreement with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd. The economic entity operates in one geographic area being Blackburn and surrounding district, Victoria.

### Note 22. Registered office/principal place of business

The registered office and principal place of business is:

Registered office	Principal place of business
1/134 Canterbury Road, Blackburn South VIC 3130	1/134 Canterbury Road, Blackburn South VIC 3130

# Notes to the financial statements continued

## Note 23. 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.

### Interest rate risk

Financial instrument	Floating interest rate		Fixed interest rate maturing in						Non interest bearing		Weighted average effective interest rate	
			1 year or less		Over 1 to 5 years		Over 5 years					
	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%	%
<b>Financial assets</b>												
Cash assets	53,639	63,932	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.05	0.05
At call account	-	70,591	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.88
Receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,779	48,968	N/A	N/A
<b>Financial liabilities</b>												
Payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22,515	33,336	N/A	N/A

# Directors' declaration

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In accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Blackburn District Financial Services Limited, we state that:

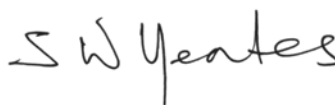
In the opinion of the Directors:

- (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 2009 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 AASB174 Related Party Disclosures and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

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



**Damian Ahearne**  
**Chairman**



**Stephen Wayne Yeates**  
**Secretary**

Signed on 29 September 2009.

# Independent audit report

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Blackburn District Financial Services Limited

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Blackburn District Financial Services Limited, which comprise the balance sheet as at 30 June 2009, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

### Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Act 2001. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair 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 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 report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies 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 fair 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 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

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## Independence

In conducting our audit we have met 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. In addition to our audit of the financial report and the remuneration disclosures, we were engaged to undertake the services disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The provision of these services has not impaired our independence.

## Auditor's Opinion on the Financial Report

In our opinion:

- 1) The financial report of Blackburn District Financial Services 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 2009 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended and;
  - (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001 and;
- 2) The financial statements and notes also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1

## Report on the Remuneration Report

We have audited the Remuneration Report included in the directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2009. 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 Blackburn District Financial Services Limited for the year ended 30 June 2009, complies with section 300A if the Corporations Act 2001.



**DAVID HUTCHINGS**  
**ANDREW FREWIN & STEWART**  
61-65 Bull Street, Bendigo, 3550

Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September 2009





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