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WATCH**
End violence against
Women And Their Children

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Message from the Chair, Natasha Stott Despoja AM



Natasha Stott Despoja AM

It has been five years since Our Watch was established by the Victorian and Commonwealth Governments under the leadership of former Ministers Mary Wooldridge and Julie Collins respectively.

Since 2013, Our Watch has welcomed every State and Territory government, except New South Wales. It is my hope they will join soon and become a part of this collective primary prevention effort.

The 2017-18 year has had many highlights.

We have worked with national sporting codes to embed gender equality; supported workplaces to take action to prevent violence against women; produced tools and resources for primary prevention practitioners; launched *Changing the picture: A national resource to support the prevention of violence against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children*, researched and developed evidence-based social marketing campaigns and rewarded exemplary reporting of violence against women in the Australian media.

In Sydney in September, the third annual Our Watch Awards took place. Media, from all around Australia, celebrated exemplary reporting on the issue of domestic and family violence and sexual assault. Our Watch's partnership with the Walkley Foundation has seen a significant shift in the way stories are told about women's experiences of violence and the role of the media in preventing it.

In February 2018, Our Watch held our annual Federal Parliament House board meeting and briefing event. I was heartened to see continued cross-party support for our work. The then Prime Minister, the Hon. Malcolm Turnbull MP, and the Leader of the Opposition the Hon. Bill Shorten MP addressed a large crowd of Members and Senators about gender equality and the primary prevention of violence against women.

During the year, our organisation has seen a number of changes.

Most notable has been the retirement of former CEO Mary Barry. Mary joined us at a critical time in our development and growth and during her time she dealt with issues such as the need to ensure ongoing funding, an expansion in the number of projects, and massive staff growth in a relatively short period of time.

Mary coined our ‘backbone’ role, backed by our theory of change.

She has helped shape the Board’s vision of an organisation that supports others — but always with an evidence base as its key — and has advanced the work and profile of the primary prevention of violence against women and their children.

With her intelligence and strength of character, Mary helped oversee Our Watch’s transition from its establishment phase to what it is today. I wish her well.

In June, Patty Kinnersly was appointed the new CEO. Patty is the perfect successor. She is a sector specialist, and someone who has been a part of our organisation and family for many years.

Patty is well-known from her time as Director, Practice Leadership at Our Watch. With Patty, the Board is focused on securing the future of the organisation beyond 2020.

Patty is well-placed to help guide this future as we focus on the Council of Australian Government’s Fourth Action Plan.

Our Board has undergone change as well. In February, Dorinda Cox concluded her tenure and we welcomed two new Board Directors, Mariam Veiszadeh and Vicky Welgraven. I thank all Board Directors for their time, energy and expertise.

Finally, I thank Our Watch staff and supporters. I value greatly their commitment, in-depth knowledge and passion for their work.

I also acknowledge the women and men who work each day to keep women and their children safe. Our Watch’s work is part of a greater movement, one that I have been committed to my entire life, and I am always grateful to meet, and work alongside, those dedicated to this cause.

It has been one of the great privileges of my life to chair the Our Watch Board, working with a team of diverse and passionate directors, all committed to changing hearts and minds, behaviours and attitudes to prevent violence against women and their children.

Natasha Stott Despoja AM
Chair, Our Watch

Message from the CEO, Patty Kinnersly



Patty Kinnersly, CEO

I have been at Our Watch since 2015 and was recently appointed to the position of CEO. It is a role I am honoured to fulfil. To begin, I want to acknowledge my predecessor Mary Barry, who was CEO for two and a half years before her retirement from full-time work in June 2018. While I was the Director, Practice Leadership I worked closely with Mary as part of the Senior Executive Team. She led Our Watch through a pivotal period of growth and development. Her contribution to the vision of this organisation has been an important one and I intend to sustain and build on it in the future.

Our Watch was formed by the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments in 2013. Since then, its membership has extended to the Northern Territory, South Australian, Tasmanian, Queensland, the Australian Capital Territory, and the Western Australian Governments. The only state left to join is New South Wales and I am committed to engaging with them over the next 12 months.

As of writing, Our Watch is working hard to contribute to the Council of Australian Government's Fourth Action Plan under the *National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children 2010 – 2022*. Our Watch will advocate for a strong primary prevention focus in conjunction with response and early intervention work. Primary prevention centres on whole-of-population initiatives that address the underlying drivers of violence. It is only with long-term commitment, cooperation and funding at all three levels including primary prevention that Australia can hope to end all forms of violence against women and their children.

Our Watch continues its important work as a backbone organisation building partnerships across the nation, inspiring change, mobilising effort and helping other organisations to connect and share knowledge. Campaigns and projects continue, including the social marketing campaign for young people, *The Line*, the National Media Engagement Project, Workplace Equality and Respect, Sports Engagement and Respectful Relationships Education.

In March, Our Watch launched #BecauseWhy, an evidence-based online campaign aimed at parents of young children, that provides tools and resources to help them challenge limiting gender

stereotypes. You can read more about this ground-breaking campaign in the case study below. Research and development continues for other campaigns including *No Excuse for Abuse*, which aims to raise awareness of non-physical forms of abuse and a bystander campaign that promotes taking positive action when confronted with sexism and disrespect towards women. I am looking forward to launching these new campaigns in the near future and I am happy to say that each campaign will be complemented by evidence-based tools and resources for primary prevention practitioners to use in community, sporting, faith-based and education settings.

It has been a year since Our Watch implemented a new and larger staff structure to deliver on commitments under the Third Action Plan of the *National Plan*. I am confident the organisation has an expert and highly competent staff in place. One of my priorities in the coming year will be to ensure staff are supported to do their best work through strong internal communications, professional development and a renewed commitment to Our Watch's core values of passion, respect, openness, collaboration, accountability and evidence.

I want to thank our stakeholders, sponsors, partners and supporters around Australia; my senior executive team, Jilly Charlwood, Lara Fergus, Cara Gleeson, Donna Guille and Kim Henderson, for their hard work, dedication and support as I transitioned to the CEO position; the Our Watch staff for their professionalism and expertise and our Board of Directors for their passion and commitment to this important issue.

I also want to thank our Chair Natasha Stott Despoja AM for her advice, support and encouragement and in particular for her genuine and heartfelt commitment to preventing violence against all women in Australia.

I am honoured to be the new CEO of Our Watch and excited to work with you over the next 12 months. The work of Our Watch is one part of a much greater movement. Our national reach and primary prevention focus bring particular strengths to the field, but we cannot do it alone. Ending violence against women and their children requires generational change with sustained action at all levels of society including individual, community and institutional. Only by working together, can we hope to end violence against women and their children once and for all.

Patty Kinnersly
CEO, Our Watch

Key events

- 1 July 2017** The Government of Western Australian joined Our Watch as a member.
- 29 August 2017** Our Watch and the Domestic Violence Resource Centre Victoria released *Know Your A-Z*, a resource to help everyday Australians prevent violence against women with 26 practical actions to challenge gender stereotypes and promote respect.
- 8 September 2017** Our Watch released *Reflect: Reconciliation Action Plan July 2017 - July 18*. The 'Reflect' Reconciliation Action Plan provides a platform for Our Watch to establish meaningful relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and lay strong foundations for the development of future Reconciliation Action Plans.
- 21 September 2017** The third annual Our Watch Awards took place in Sydney, which recognise and reward exemplary reporting of violence against women. Journalists, industry and media identities gathered for the event hosted by Rove McManus, with speakers including Our Watch Ambassador Tasma Walton and journalist Sandra Sully.
- 19 October 2017** Our Watch in partnership with Dr Philomena Horsley and GLHV@ARCSHS, La Trobe University released an analysis of existing research, *Primary prevention of family violence against people from LGBTI communities*. The report is a comprehensive literature review exploring family violence against people from lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse and intersex (LGBTI) communities.
- 17 November 2017** RMIT University and Our Watch released, *A team effort: Preventing violence against women through sport* which analyses current initiatives and literature and provides 10 key actions that sporting organisations and communities can take to help prevent violence against women.
- 24 November 2017** Our Watch released a *Bystander research snapshot report* summarising results from an online survey about different bystander situations and how bystanders can be supported to take action against sexism, gender discrimination and inequality.
- 25 November 2017** The Australian Football League's (AFL), Jarryn Geary, Rugby Australia's, Chloe Dalton, National Rugby League's (NRL), Sione Mata'utia and Netball Australia's, Caitlin Thwaites called on all Australians to be #MoreThanASpectator as part of a nation-wide online campaign to challenge sexist attitudes and behaviours during the United Nation's 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence.

- 6 December 2017** Our Watch released *Tracking change: Snapshot evaluation findings for The Line campaign 2015 to 2017*. The report provides a summary of key findings from *The Line's* May 2017 evaluation survey of its “You Can’t Undo Violence” campaign with survey data compared to the September 2015 evaluation survey.
- 20 December 2017** Our Watch released *Counting on change: A guide to prevention monitoring*. A guide for policy-makers, researchers, and advocates on measuring population-level progress towards the prevention of violence against women and their children in Australia.
- 13 February 2018** Our Watch hosted an evening event at Parliament House in Canberra with the Parliamentarians Against Family Violence Friendship Group to call on MPs and Senators to take positive bystander action. The Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition addressed the group as well as Our Watch Ambassador Ms Chloe Shorten. Broadcaster Andrew O’Keefe was the MC.
- 21 February 2018** A pilot of Respectful Relationships Education in Primary Schools was launched in South East Queensland. This activity was made possible through funding from The Myer Foundation and the Queensland Department of Education. Its purpose is to give children the skills to reject aggressive behavior and discrimination and to challenge stereotypes.
- 7 March 2018** Our Watch launched the evidence-based #BecauseWhy digital campaign aimed at helping parents challenge limiting gender stereotypes and promote equality when interacting with their children. The campaign includes a series of videos and resources to help parents identify and counter rigid stereotypes in their children’s daily lives. The #BecauseWhy campaign was funded through a partnership between Our Watch and Australian accessory brand, MIMCO.
- Our Watch released an evidence paper, *Challenging gender stereotypes in the early years: the power of parents* that informed the #BecauseWhy campaign. The survey focused on asking parents of children from 0 to 3 years old what they think about gender equality and violence against women.
- 30 May 2018** CEO Ms Mary Barry concluded her appointment at Our Watch, having been with the organisation for two and a half years.
- 1 June 2018** New CEO Ms Patty Kinnersly commenced her appointment with Our Watch.

Case study - #BecauseWhy

In March 2016, Our Watch established a partnership with Australian accessory brand MIMCO. By 2018, MIMCO had raised \$500,000 for Our Watch to fund the research, development and implementation of #BecauseWhy, an evidence-based online campaign for parents of young children to help them challenge limiting gender stereotypes.

Violence against women begins with inequality, disrespect and sexist attitudes. Our Watch's national framework, *Change the story*, identifies that adherence to rigid and stereotypical constructions of masculinity and femininity is a key driver of violence against women. Challenging problematic attitudes requires prevention strategies that reach everyone in our community, and strategies that work to change the social norms that drive this violence.

With MIMCO's funding support Our Watch completed research looking at gender stereotypes in early years. This included a literature review, a survey of over 800 parents and the development of a discussion paper on early childhood and parenting.

The research showed that parents want their children to have equal access to opportunities regardless of their gender. However, while parents want to challenge limiting gender stereotypes, many found it difficult to recognise where and how these stereotypes affect children.

Based on these research findings, Our Watch developed an online suite of resources to help parents guide their children to learn, explore and develop all the skills they are interested in without the limitations that come with gender stereotypes. While children see gender stereotypes all around them, research shows that parents and families are the most powerful influence of young children's understanding of gender.

#BecauseWhy empowers families to encourage children to develop positive personal identities and respectful relationships that are not constrained by gender stereotypes. The campaign supports parents to question and challenge stereotypical constructions of gender roles, and to help children explore their interests and realise their full potential.

You can see the campaign website here <https://www.ourwatch.org.au/because-why/home>

Patrons

Patron-in-Chief: His Excellency General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd)

Patron: The Honourable Quentin Bryce AD CVO

Governance

On 30 June 2018, the Board of Directors comprise:

Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AM	Chair	(appointed 5 June 2013)
Dr Phil Lambert PSM	Deputy Chair	(appointed 5 June 2013)
Ms Kerry Chikarovski	Director	(appointed 19 June 2015)
Mr Jeremy Donovan	Director	(appointed 27 June 2017)
Ms Sherryl Garbutt	Director	(appointed 15 July 2015)
Ms Caroline Gurney	Director	(appointed 4 June 2015)
Lieutenant General David Morrison AO (Retd)	Director	(appointed 10 Nov 2015)
Dr Anastasia Powell	Director	(appointed 1 June 2016)
Ms Mariam Veiszadeh	Director	(appointed 28 November 2017)
Ms Vicky Welgraven	Director	(appointed 15 March 2018)

Five committees report to the board:

Appointments Committee	chaired by Ms Stott Despoja	(established 23 August 2013)
Communications Committee	chaired by Ms Gurney	(established 20 October 2014)
Engagement Committee	chaired by Ms Stott Despoja	(established 22 April 2016)
Finance and Risk Committee	chaired by Dr Lambert	(established 21 June 2013)
Public Fund Committee	chaired by Ms Stott Despoja	(established 23 November 2016)

The Member Representatives of Our Watch are:

Cath Halbert - Commonwealth	(appointed 11 July 2018)
Emily Lee-Ack - Victoria	(appointed 3 September 2018)
Jane Lloyd - Northern Territory	(appointed February 2018)
Fiona Mort - South Australia	(appointed August 2014)
Mandy Clarke - Tasmania	(appointed 2 November 2017)
Barbara Shaw - Queensland	(appointed January 2016)
Jo Wood - Australian Capital Territory	(appointed October 2016)
Tanya Elson - Western Australia	(appointed 23 August 2018)

Ambassadors

On 30 June 2018, Our Watch ambassadors are:

Mr Arman Abrahamzadeh
Ms Rosie Batty
Mr Tarang Chawla
Mr Alan Cransberg
Ms Khadija Gbla
Ms Rachel Kayrooz
Ms Drisana Levitzke-Gray
Ms Sue Salthouse
Dr Ann O'Neill
Mr Charlie Pickering
Ms Rebecca Poulson
Ms Chloe Shorten
Ms Lucy Turnbull AO
Ms Tasma Walton
Ms Julia Zemiro

Operations

The offices of Our Watch are located in Melbourne, Victoria.

Our Watch manages the following websites and social media channels:

- Our Watch website (ourwatch.org.au)
- *The Line* website (theline.org.au)
- Because Why website (ourwatch.org.au/because-why/home/)
- Our Watch Facebook (facebook.com/ourwatchaus)
- *The Line* Facebook (facebook.com/theline)
- Our Watch Twitter (twitter.com/OurWatchAus)
- Our Watch LinkedIn (linkedin.com/company/our-watch)
- Our Watch Instagram (instagram.com/ourwatch)
- *The Line* Instagram (instagram.com/theline_au)
- Our Watch YouTube (youtube.com/channel/UCe8Cl5vsMrCBT128OkzZhEQ)
- *The Line* YouTube (youtube.com/channel/UCxsetKcfyLIVJck0G-ISyeA)

Charitable status

Our organisation was registered with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) on 5 June 2013 with the former name being Foundation to Prevent Violence Against Women and their Children and is regulated by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC). The organisation changed its name to Our Watch Limited in October 2014.

Our Watch Limited received endorsement as a deductible gift recipient under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 on 17 April 2015.

Our Watch Limited received fundraising licenses in all states in 2018.

Partnerships

In the 2017-18 financial year Our Watch continued a partnership with Australian accessory brand MIMCO to prevent violence against women and their children before it starts, by challenging gender inequality and restrictive gender stereotypes. The commitment involves MIMCO releasing seasonal capsule collections with 100% of all profits going towards the research, development and implementation of the evidence-based campaign #BecauseWhy. The online campaign provides tools and resources that promote positive ways in which parents of young children can foster equality.

Our Watch also continued a partnership between *The Line* campaign and the AFL Players' Association, with Marcus Bontempelli, Sabrina Fredrick-Traub and Chelsea Randall as Ambassadors. Additional Ambassadors were also appointed from a variety of backgrounds to expand *The Line's* reach and engagement with new audiences. *The Line's* new Ambassadors include Indigenous musician Tia Gostelow, Rugby Union players Chloe Dalton and Allan Alaalatoa and Professional BMX biker Brandon Te-Hiko.

In the 2017-18 financial year Our Watch partnered with Colin Biggers & Paisley Lawyers. To have access to the expertise of such a leading provider of legal services is invaluable and is supporting Our Watch in achieving our vision of an Australia free of violence against women and their children.

Our people

On 30 June 2018, the Senior Executive Team comprise:

Patty Kinnersly – Chief Executive Officer

Jilly Charlwood – Director, Marketing and Communications

Cara Gleeson – Director, Practice Leadership

Donna Guille – Director, Corporate Services

Kim Henderson – Director, Policy and Evaluation

Contributions

Our Watch gratefully acknowledges pro-bono and in-kind support from Colin Biggers & Paisley for the provision of meeting rooms.

Financial position: Audited statements

Our Watch Limited
ABN 60 164 123 844
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Directors' report

30 June 2018

The Directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the entity for the year ended 30 June 2018.

Directors

The following persons were Directors of the entity during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AM

Dr Phil Lambert PSM

Ms Kerry Chikarovski

Ms Sheryl Garbutt

Ms Caroline Gurney

Lt-Gen David Morrison AO (retired)

Dr Anastasia Powell

Mr Jeremy Paul Donovan

Ms Mariam Veiszadeh (appointed 28 November 2017)

Ms Vicky Lee Welgraven (appointed 15 March 2018)

Information on Directors

Name: **Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AM** (Director since 5 June 2013)

Title: Chair and Chair of the Appointments Committee and Engagement Committee

Experience and expertise:

- Former Australia's Ambassador for Women and Girls 2013 – 2016
- Member, Referendum Council and Honorary Research Fellow, University of Adelaide
- Former Deputy Chair, beyondblue and non-executive Director, The Burnet Institute (2008 -2013)
- Director of Carrie Bickmore's Beanies 4 Brain Cancer Foundation
- Director of ANU Council
- Leader of the Australian Democrats (2001-2002) and Senator in the Federal Parliament of Australia (1995 - 2008)
- 5050 by 2030 Advisory Council – Member
- FIFA 2023 World Cup Bid Steering Committee

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- VicHealth – Ambassador
- ActionAid Arise Leadership Circle
- Ovarian Cancer Australia – Ambassador
- Board Member, Global Women's Institute (The George Washington University)

Name: **Dr Phil Lambert PSM** (Director since 5 June 2013)

Title: Deputy Chair and Chair of Finance and Risk Committee

Experience and expertise:

- Former General Manager Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority
- Director of Australian Government Financial Literacy Board
- White Ribbon Ambassador
- Recipient of the Public Service Medal in the 2012 Queen's Birthday Honours for his contribution to leadership in education and work in the community to prevent violence against women and girls
- Board Member and NSW State President of the Australian College of Educators
- Adjunct Professor and Chair of Education and Social Work Advisory Board of University of Sydney
- National Rugby League – reviewing education programs regarding wellbeing, leadership and reading

Name: **Ms Kerry Chikarovski** (Director since 19 June 2015)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- Director of NSW Rugby Union
- Ambassador of YWCA NSW, Australian Indigenous Education Foundation and Eggtober Foundation
- Director of NSW Waratahs Rugby Union
- Chair of NSW Women's Rugby and Road Safety Education
- Board Member of Adopt Change and Humpty Dumpty Foundation
- Leader of the Opposition of New South Wales (1998-2002) and member of the New South Wales Parliament for Lane Cove (1991-2003)

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Name: **Ms Sherryl Garbutt** (Director since 15 July 2015)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- Former Chair of Northern Region Family Violence Network and Victorian Children's Council
- Former Chair of Victorian Children's Council
- Member of the Parliament of Victoria Greensborough (1989 - 1992) and Bundoora (1992 - 2006), Minister for Women's Affairs(1999 - 2001), Minister for Conservation and Environment (1999 - 2002), Minister for Community Services (2002 - 2006) and Minister for Children (2005-2006)

Name: **Ms Caroline Gurney** (Director since 4 June 2015)

Title: Director and Chair of Communications Committee

Experience and expertise:

- Managing Director & Head of Marketing & Corporate Communications, UBS Australasia
- Deputy Chief Communication, UBS Australasia
- Director of UBS Australia Foundation
- Board Member of Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust
- School Governor of Ascham Council
- Ambassador to Australian Indigenous Education Foundation

Name: **Lt-Gen David Morrison AO (retired)** (Director since 10 November 2015)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- Australian of the Year 2016
- Former Chief of Army
- Patron of The Tara Costigan Foundation
- Chair of the Diversity Council Australia

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Name: **Dr Anastasia Powell** (Director since 1 June 2016)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- Senior Research Fellow, Justice & Legal Studies, RMIT University
- PhD (Criminology, University of Melbourne), specialising in primary prevention, policy and legal reform addressing violence against women
- Co-Convenor of GeVARA (Gendered Violence and Abuse Research Alliance), and an Associate of CASR (Centre for Applied Social Research), at RMIT University

Name: **Mr Jeremy Paul Donovan** (Director since 27 June 2017)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- Director of Aboriginal Art Association of Australia Ltd and Walking With Wisdom Pty Ltd

Name: **Ms Mariam Veiszadeh** (Director since 28 November 2017)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- Ambassador Welcome to Australia
- Ambassador Participate Australia

Name: **Ms Vicky Lee Welgraven** (Director since 15 March 2018)

Title: Director

Experience and expertise:

- White Ribbon Advocate
- Member of the Premier Council for Women in South Australia, Zonta Club Para Districts 23 and UN Women Australia
- Board Member of Reconciliation SA

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- SA Health Representative for Stop Racism Taskforce
- Strategic Agency Representative for Reconciliation South Australia of the Adelaide City Council Reconciliation Committee

Principal activities

The principal activities of the entity are to promote the prevention of emotional abuse, sexual abuse and physical abuse, specifically, the prevention of violence against women and their children. The entity's principal activity will be carried out through the following activities:

- raising awareness and engaging the community in taking action to prevent violence against women and their children;
- driving a broad-based change in attitudes that condone or excuse violence against women and their children and promoting respect between women and men, including young people and children;
- working with communities in which women and their children can be especially vulnerable to violence, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities, and women and children with disabilities;
- protecting children through preventing violence against women, recognising the linkages between violence against women and child safety and wellbeing;
- building a platform to bring together and support existing best practice primary prevention and other community organisations to collaborate in reducing violence against women and their children; and
- establishing an innovative and sustainable company.

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

Objectives

The entity's short-term objectives are to:

- Build the national movement for the prevention of violence against women and their children.
- Engage media to increase quality reporting of violence against women and their children and build awareness of the impacts of gender stereotyping and inequality.
- Encourage discussion with young people and provide guidance and tools regarding respectful relationships and gender equality.

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- Recognise our First Nations and learn from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander elders and leaders about ways of supporting safe and healthy relationships, families and communities.
- Commence a long-term bystander and community information program to encourage and equip individuals and groups in our community and workplaces to speak out and take action to prevent violence against women and their children.
- Identify successful local or regional primary prevention projects and strategies that may be applied more broadly across the country.
- Evaluate Australia's progress on the prevention of violence against women and their children against international and research benchmarks.
- Foster collaboration and shared learning across sectors and across the country.
- Build a sustainable, respected and effective organisation.

The entity's long-term objectives are to provide national leadership to help create an Australia where women and their children live free from all forms of violence.

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The entity's strategy for achieving its objectives is set out in the Five Year Strategic Plan released in September 2014, which may be viewed at www.ourwatch.org.au.

Meetings of Directors

The number of meetings of the entity's Board of Directors ('the Board') held during the year ended 30 June 2018, and the number of meetings attended by each Director were:

	Full Board	
	Held	Attended
Ms Natasha Stott Despoja AM	6	5
Dr Phil Lambert PSM	6	6
Ms Kerry Chikarovski	6	4
Ms Sheryl Garbutt	6	6
Ms Caroline Gurney	6	6
Lt-Gen David Morrison AO (retired)	6	5
Dr Anastasia Powell	6	6
Mr Jeremy Paul Donovan	6	3
Ms Mariam Veiszadeh (appointed 28 November 2017)	3	2
Ms Vicky Lee Welgraven (appointed 15 March 2018)	1	1

Held: represents the number of meetings held during the time the Director held office.

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Contribution in winding up

The entity is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a Company limited by guarantee. In the event of the entity being wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$100 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity.

The total amount that members of the entity are liable to contribute if the entity is wound up is \$800 (2017: \$700).

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 is set out immediately after this Directors' report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.



Natasha Stott Despoja AM
Director
12 September 2018

Auditor's Independence Declaration

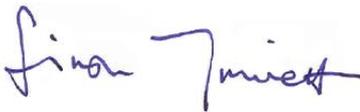
To the Directors of Our Watch Limited

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, as lead auditor for the audit of Our Watch Limited for the year ended 30 June 2018, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- b no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants



S C Trivett
Partner – Audit & Assurance

Melbourne, 12 September 2018

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Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income
For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Revenue			
Contributions revenue	4	7,823,564	6,965,434
Other revenue	5	209,939	196,446
Total revenue		8,033,503	7,161,880
Employee benefits expenses	6	(3,945,890)	(3,293,640)
Directors' fees		(70,980)	(57,500)
Professional fees	7	(2,083,439)	(1,923,734)
Advertising expenses		(940,522)	(1,283,500)
Information technology and communications expenses		(171,438)	(120,601)
Occupancy expenses		(164,753)	(150,814)
Administration expenses		(31,021)	(46,616)
Travel expenses		(143,434)	(100,422)
Depreciation expenses		(128,514)	(90,135)
Other expenses		(109,216)	(129,107)
Surplus/(deficit) before income tax expense		244,296	(34,189)
Income tax expense	2	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) after income tax expense for the year		244,296	(34,189)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		244,296	(34,189)

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Our Watch Limited
Statement of financial position
As at 30 June 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	9,702,494	4,189,485
Receivables and other assets	9	1,088,757	577,825
Total current assets		<u>10,791,251</u>	<u>4,767,310</u>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	10	239,629	248,221
Total non-current assets		<u>239,629</u>	<u>248,221</u>
Total assets		<u>11,030,880</u>	<u>5,015,531</u>
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	974,421	810,070
Employee benefits provisions - current	12	175,917	143,387
Deferred revenue	13	7,493,901	1,933,669
Total current liabilities		<u>8,644,239</u>	<u>2,887,126</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits provisions - non-current	14	37,752	23,812
Total non-current liabilities		<u>37,752</u>	<u>23,812</u>
Total liabilities		<u>8,681,991</u>	<u>2,910,938</u>
Net assets		<u><u>2,348,889</u></u>	<u><u>2,104,593</u></u>
Equity			
Program reserve	15	293,439	310,570
Retained surpluses		<u>2,055,450</u>	<u>1,794,023</u>
Total equity		<u><u>2,348,889</u></u>	<u><u>2,104,593</u></u>

*The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with
the accompanying notes*

Our Watch Limited
Statement of changes in equity
For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Program reserve	Retained surpluses	Total equity
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2016	-	2,138,782	2,138,782
Deficit after income tax expense for the year	-	(34,189)	(34,189)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year	-	(34,189)	(34,189)
Transfer to/(from) reserves	310,570	(310,570)	-
Balance at 30 June 2017	<u>310,570</u>	<u>1,794,023</u>	<u>2,104,593</u>
	Program reserve	Retained surpluses	Total equity
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2017	310,570	1,794,023	2,104,593
Surplus after income tax expense for the year	-	244,296	244,296
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		244,296	244,296
Transfer to/(from) reserves	(17,131)	17,131	-
Balance at 30 June 2018	<u><u>293,439</u></u>	<u><u>2,055,450</u></u>	<u><u>2,348,889</u></u>

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Our Watch Limited
Statement of cash flows
For the year ended 30 June 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Government grants received (inc. GST)		12,827,907	6,658,639
Program contributions received (inc. GST)		775,305	728,797
Donations received		71,915	52,479
Interest received		152,731	46,129
Other receipts from customers		230,717	151,106
Payments to suppliers and employees		<u>(8,481,894)</u>	<u>(6,555,735)</u>
Net cash from operating activities		<u>5,576,681</u>	<u>1,081,415</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment	10	<u>(63,672)</u>	<u>(301)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(63,672)</u>	<u>(301)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Net cash from financing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		5,513,009	1,081,114
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		4,189,485	3,108,371
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	8	<u><u>9,702,494</u></u>	<u><u>4,189,485</u></u>

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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Notes to the financial statements

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Note 1. General information

The financial statements cover Our Watch Limited as an individual entity. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Our Watch Limited's functional and presentation currency.

Our Watch Limited is a not-for-profit unlisted public company limited by guarantee.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of Directors, on 12 September 2018.

Note 2. Significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The entity has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

Going concern

The entity is dependent upon the ongoing receipt of Federal and State government grants and community and corporate donations to ensure the ongoing continuance of its programs. At the date of this report management has no reason to believe that this financial support will not continue.

Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB'), as appropriate for not-for profit oriented entities.

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 entity's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 3.

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Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue

Revenue comprises revenue from government grants, interest and donations.

Government grants

A number of the entity's programs are supported by grants received from the federal and state or territory governments.

If conditions are attached to a grant which must be satisfied before the entity is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of the grant as revenue is deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

For base funding, revenue is recognised on receipt or when control is obtained. For projects, revenue is recognised in line with the occurrence of expenditure due to specific requirements within funding agreements which specify unspent funds are subject to recall and milestones.

Revenue from a non-reciprocal grant that is not subject to conditions is recognised when the entity obtains control of the funds, economic benefits are probable and the amount can be measured reliably. Where a grant may be required to be repaid if certain conditions are not satisfied, a liability is recognised at year-end to the extent that conditions remain unsatisfied.

Where the entity receives a non-reciprocal contribution of an asset from a government or other party for no or nominal consideration, the asset is recognised at fair value and a corresponding amount of revenue is recognised.

Donations

Donations collected are recognised as revenue when the entity gains control, economic benefits are probable and the amount of the donation can be measured reliably.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses are recognised in profit or loss upon utilisation of the service or at the date of their origin.

Income tax

As the entity is a tax exempt institution in terms of subsection 50-10 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, as amended, it is exempt from paying income tax.

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Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Current and non-current classification

Assets and liabilities are presented in the statement of financial position based on current and non-current classification.

An asset is classified as current when: it is either expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the entity's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting period; or the asset is cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is classified as current when: it is either expected to be settled in the entity's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting period; or there is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other liabilities are classified as non current.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with other short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at cost, less any provision for impairment.

Individually significant receivables are considered for impairment when they are past due or when other objective evidence is received that a specific counterparty will default. Receivables that are not considered to be individually impaired are reviewed for impairment in groups, which are determined by reference to the industry and region of a counterparty and other shared credit risk characteristics. The impairment loss estimate is then based on recent historical counterparty default rates for each identified group.

Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment (comprising fittings, furniture and electronic equipment) is initially recognised at acquisition cost, including any costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by the entity's management.

Plant and equipment is subsequently measured using cost less depreciation and impairment losses.

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Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis to write down the cost less estimated residual value of buildings, plant and other equipment. The following useful lives are applied:

Leasehold improvements	Over the lease term
Plant and equipment	3-15 years

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

Gains or losses arising on the disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the assets and are recognised in profit or loss within other income or other expenses.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the entity prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

Employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and long service leave expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

Other long-term employee benefits

The liability for annual leave and long service leave not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

Defined contribution plans

The entity pays fixed contributions to independent entities in relation to superannuation plans for individual employees. The entity has no legal or constructive obligations to pay contributions in addition to its fixed contributions, which are recognised as an expense in the period that relevant employee services are received.

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Note 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets

Provisions are measured at the estimated expenditure required to settle the present obligation, based on the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date, including the risks and uncertainties associated with the present obligation. Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. Provisions are discounted to their present values, where the time value of money is material.

Any reimbursement that the entity can be virtually certain to collect from a third party with respect to the obligation is recognised as a separate asset. However, this asset may not exceed the amount of the related provision.

No liability is recognised if an outflow of economic resources as a result of present obligation is not probable. Such situations are disclosed as contingent liabilities, unless the outflow of resources is remote in which case no liability is recognised.

Deferred revenue

The liability for deferred revenue is the unutilised amounts of grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled. The services are usually provided or the conditions usually fulfilled within twelve months of receipt of the grant. Where the amount received is in respect of services to be provided over a period that exceeds twelve months after the reporting date or the conditions will only be satisfied more than twelve months after the reporting date, the liability is discounted and presented as non-current.

Goods and Services Tax ('GST') and other similar taxes

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

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

Public Fund

The Public Fund was established under the Our Watch Constitution and is regulated by the Office of the Harm Prevention Charities Register. The Public Fund along with its Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status gives the organisation the ability to accept donations from the public and to issue tax receipts for donations. Revenue for the year ending 30 June 2018 totalled \$71,915 (2017: \$52,479).

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Note 3. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

Estimation uncertainty

Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below. Actual results may be substantially different.

Estimation of useful lives of depreciable assets

Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Uncertainties in these estimates relate to technical obsolescence that may change the utility of certain software and IT equipment.

Employee benefits provision

As discussed in note 2, the liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

Lease make good provision

A provision has been made for the present value of anticipated costs for future restoration of leased premises. The provision includes future cost estimates associated with closure of the premises. The calculation of this provision requires assumptions such as application of closure dates and cost estimates. The provision recognised for each site is periodically reviewed and updated based on the facts and circumstances available at the time. Changes to the estimated future costs for its site are recognised in the statement of financial position by adjusting the asset and the provision. Reductions in the provision that exceed the carrying amount of the asset will be recognised in profit or loss.

Note 4. Contributions revenue

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Government grants	7,046,826	6,184,158
Program contributions	704,823	728,797
Donations	71,915	52,479
	<u>7,823,564</u>	<u>6,965,434</u>

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Note 5. Other revenue

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Interest revenue	152,731	45,340
Other revenue	57,208	151,106
	<u>209,939</u>	<u>196,446</u>

Note 6. Employee benefits expenses

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Wages and salaries	(3,325,689)	(2,696,468)
Recruitment and other employee related costs	(263,449)	(334,347)
Superannuation - defined contribution plans	(310,282)	(254,992)
Employee benefit provisions	(46,470)	(7,833)
	<u>(3,945,890)</u>	<u>(3,293,640)</u>

Note 7. Professional fees

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Accounting and audit fees	(25,100)	(47,553)
Consultancy and contractors' fees	(2,039,329)	(1,865,650)
Legal fees	(19,010)	(10,531)
	<u>(2,083,439)</u>	<u>(1,923,734)</u>

The nature of the business will continue to see engagement of external consultants and project partners to deliver key projects.

Note 8. Cash and cash equivalents

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	2,702,494	1,189,485
Short term deposits	7,000,000	3,000,000
	<u>9,702,494</u>	<u>4,189,485</u>

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Note 9. Receivables and other assets

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Trade receivables	1,058,654	569,109
Accrued income	-	5,711
Bonds	200	200
Prepayments	29,903	2,805
	<u>1,088,757</u>	<u>577,825</u>

Note 10. Property, plant and equipment

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Leasehold improvements - at cost	323,563	267,947
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(164,350)</u>	<u>(83,897)</u>
	159,213	184,050
Plant and equipment - at cost	189,156	173,793
Less: Accumulated depreciation	<u>(108,740)</u>	<u>(109,622)</u>
	80,416	64,171
	<u>239,629</u>	<u>248,221</u>

Note 11. Trade and other payables

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Trade payables	503,917	384,072
GST and PAYG payables	157,527	177,795
Other creditors and accruals	<u>312,977</u>	<u>248,203</u>
	<u>974,421</u>	<u>810,070</u>

All above liabilities are short-term. The carrying values are considered to be a reasonable approximation of the fair value.

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Note 12. Employee benefits provisions - current

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Annual leave	<u>175,917</u>	<u>143,387</u>

Note 13. Deferred revenue

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Deferred revenue	<u>7,493,901</u>	<u>1,933,669</u>

Deferred revenue consists of government grants received in advance for services to be rendered in the future by the entity. Income is recognised over the life of the contract as the service is provided.

Note 14. Employee benefits provisions - non-current

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Long service leave	<u>37,752</u>	<u>23,812</u>

Note 15. Program reserve

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Program reserve	<u>293,439</u>	<u>310,570</u>

Program reserve

The program reserve comprises unspent contributions income received from corporate contributors. This fund accumulates on receipt of project contributions and is depleted upon the distribution of those contributions to carry out project specific expenditure. Contributions received during the year totalled \$707,956 (2017: \$728,797) and unspent funds at year end are \$293,439 (2017: \$310,570).

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Note 16. Auditor remuneration

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Amounts paid / payable to Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd		
Audit and review of financial statements	18,550	18,550
Other assurance services	1,000	4,900
Total auditor's remuneration	<u>19,550</u>	<u>23,450</u>

Note 17. Key management personnel disclosures

Compensation

The aggregate compensation made to Directors and other members of key management personnel of the entity is set out below:

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Total remuneration	<u>835,354</u>	<u>790,967</u>

Note 18. Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities that have been incurred by the entity in relation to the reporting year (2017: none).

Note 19. Commitments

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
<i>Lease commitments - operating</i>		
Committed at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities, payable:		
Within one year	140,964	163,378
One to five years	-	140,964
	<u>140,964</u>	<u>304,342</u>

Lease expense during the period amounted to \$150,297 (2017:\$138,976), representing the minimum lease payments.

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Note 20. Related party transactions

Key management personnel

Disclosures relating to key management personnel are set out in note 17.

Transactions with related parties

The entity's related parties include its key management personnel and related entities. Key management personnel of the entity are the Board of Directors and senior management.

There were no transactions with related parties during the current and previous financial year, only reimbursements.

Note 21. Events after the reporting period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2018 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

Our Watch Limited

Directors' declaration

30 June 2018

In the opinion of the Directors of the entity, the attached financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, and:

- give a true and fair view of its financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- comply with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.



Natasha Stott Despoja AM
Director
12 September 2018

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Our Watch Limited

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Our Watch Limited (the Entity), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2018, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Our Watch Limited has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- a presenting fairly, in all material respects, the Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2018 and of its performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- b complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Information other than the financial report and auditor's report thereon

Those charged with governance are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Entity's Directors' report for the year ended 30 June 2018, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

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

Responsibilities of the Directors for the financial report

The Directors of the Entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*. This responsibility also includes such internal control as the Directors determine necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report to be free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

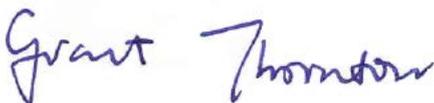
In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

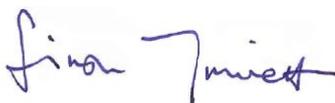
Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



Grant Thornton Audit Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants



S C Trivett
Partner – Audit & Assurance

Melbourne, 12 September 2018

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