## **BLUE KNOT FOUNDATION**

# (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) A.B.N 49 072 260 005

FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED

**30 JUNE 2022** 

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## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

I am extremely proud to have been Chair of the Board of the Blue Knot Foundation during 2022 and of our achievements during the year.

Big things are built one brick at a time. Despite the challenges of the last few years, I am proud of the advances and achievements we have made over the last twelve months bringing us closer to our key objective – to advocate for and provide support to people who have experiences of complex trauma.

In October 2021, in recognition of the third anniversary of the National Apology to Victims and Survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse, the Commonwealth Government named Blue Knot Foundation, The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation, and Australian Childhood Foundation as the consortium to establish and run the new *National Centre for Action on Child Sexual Abuse*. The National Centre will give voice to the experiences of victims and survivors of all ages, life stages and communities to drive generational change. The Australian Government has initially invested \$22.5 million over five years to fund the operations of the National Centre.

This is a tremendous accolade for the Blue Knot Foundation. It is also an acknowledgment of our pioneering leadership in the sector.

We are incredibly indebted to, and proud of the work done by our President, Dr Cathy Kezelman, our Deputy CEO Belinda Johnson and the Blue Knot team, who have taken on the work for the National Centre *in addition* to their Blue Knot responsibilities. Thank you.

The second half of this year has been a time of reflection, celebration, and review of Blue Knot's Strategic Plan for 2018-22 with the establishment of our Strategic objectives for the next 3-5 years. Some of us may aspire to some audacious goals, however the theme to 'hasten slowly' must be respected, particularly in the current environment. Indeed, we cannot predict the future with any great certainty, and we must ensure that our ongoing strategic plans are malleable and can be revised along the way.

Blue Knot Foundation also launched a new refreshed, fit for purpose website. The community website provides an easy to navigate accessible hub and pathway to support, and up-to-date information and resources to empower recovery for our community of those affected by complex trauma. It has been developed using trauma informed principles and to meet the needs of people living with disability. Blue Knot has also developed a separate professional community website, where practitioners, service providers and leaders can readily access diverse professional development training options, reflective practice, supervision and consultancy services as well as evidence- informed publications and fact sheets. As our professional community grows, we will be able to provide more practitioners, leaders and services with the tools and skills to support survivors safely and empathically towards recovery.

I say with a degree of consternation that the worst of the COVID-19 crisis is behind us. We have had to deal with significant uncertainty that has changed the working environment. Initially, the uncertainty around isolation rules, and the rapid shift to working from home were big challenges for most organisations, as no-one could predict what was around the corner. Now, managing hybrid workplace, we continue to learn and embed new ways of team connection, sharing values and prioritizing staff wellbeing. Throughout these challenging times, our teams have also responded to increased demand across services delivery, trainings and engagement whilst always maintaining service continuity and excellence. Upholding a positive culture during this time has been a high priority and we have worked hard to listen, communicate openly, reflect, and make adjustments as necessary to ensure the harmony of our workforce is upheld. My sincere thanks to our senior management team for their excellent work engaging the leadership team to conceptualise and maintaining a culture of cohesion and mutual respect.

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

We remain grateful to the Commonwealth Government for their support of our work at Blue Knot. In 2022 we secured ongoing Redress funding for 2023-24 enabling continuing expert support to people with experiences of institutional child sexual abuse inquiring about or applying to the National Redress Scheme. The continuing support from the Department of Health for the Blue Knot Helpline is critical to provide specialist trauma-informed care. Our Helpline itself has never been busier with 92% of callers being survivors, mainly of childhood trauma. In the last 12 months Blue Knot counsellors provided 25,021 occasions of service across all of our channels – phone, webchat, email

Our work in providing evidence-informed resources to survivors of complex trauma and their family members and in building a trauma–informed professional community continues to be highly regarded within the sector. Our Training, Practice and Organisational Change arm of the organization continues to grow steadily building the capacity of diverse leaders, practitioners and staffs from a broad range of sectors and services to deliver services to survivors.

The National Counselling and Referral Service (NCRS) was established to support the work of the Royal Commission into People with Disability with Experiences of Violence, Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation but has become much more. We are undertaking an Evaluation of our Correctional Centre work in partnership with UQ. The team has observed and anecdotally heard of the profound changes inmates are experiencing as a result of the trauma-informed counselling provided by the team.

I would like to thank the Blue Knot Board for their time and contribution throughout the year. Unfortunately, four board members stepped down from the Board during the year. Angela McKenzie Mountain and Terry Kirkpatrick stepped down after 5 years on the Board at the AGM, Angela has continued to support the organisation through the Finance, Audit and Risk committee and Terry Kirkpatrick continued on as Company Secretary; Philippa Bell and Sarah Grafton stepped down for personal reasons. We thank them all very much for their contributions, work and commitment to Blue Knot.

We have welcomed four new board members - Jillian Harrington, Judith Gullifer, Liza Nadolski and Conrad Staff - ensuring we continue to have a robust Board with professionals with strong industry, sector, policy, and Board experience.

Finally, my deepest thanks to two members of our board who are the backbone of our organisation - our President Dr Cathy Kezelman, and Deputy CEO Belinda Johnson. Their passion is ever-present, and their work is tireless. They have continued to embrace the challenges as they've come, and at the same time ensured that supporting staffing stability, maintaining a strong positive culture, and maintaining consistency of service delivery and positioning in the sector.

Silvio Del Vecchio

Chairman, Blue Knot Foundation

Date: 11/11/2022

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As the Blue Knot team reflects on the last 12 months, we can be truly proud. We have ridden the ongoing roller-coaster of COVID-19 together, unwavering in our commitment to the community we support. Like everyone in this uncertain world we have had our challenges, but we have much to celebrate - achievements not for the sake of achievement but for the express benefit they can yield to survivors of complex trauma throughout Australia.

As you read through the following pages, we hope you enjoy our snapshot into the world of Blue Knot Foundation – a world populated with passionate committed staff who every day help empower recovery for the more than 5 million Australian adults living with the impacts of experiences of violence, abuse, neglect and exploitation. In the following pages you will read about our work, our reach and our impact.

We also know that beyond that, are the many small changes we support in people's lives often in ways we don't even hear about. I am continually blown away by the sentiments expressed in incidental meetings, or when engaging with different stakeholders for other reasons. It is humbling and inspiring to see and hear the difference we can and do make together with our partners, and others who join us in delivering on mission.

This year was especially exciting as Blue Knot Foundation together with Australian Childhood Foundation and The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Healing Foundation won the tender to establish and deliver the National Centre of Action on Child Sexual Abuse. This is initially a 5-year Commonwealth funded initiative with conversations with the States and Territories, corporates and philanthropists underway to secure sustainability for the long haul. The agenda of the National Centre is intimately aligned to that of Blue Knot but focusses specifically on child sexual abuse across the prevention and response domains. Many of the values and principles we enact and embody in Blue Knot resonate with those within the Centre, and the strategic directions are aligned and coherent.

This year also sees us entering a new strategic planning cycle as we come to the end of our 2018-2022 strategic plan. It is affirming to reflect on the plan and map our activities, outputs and outcomes from the last 5 years against the plan. Quite simply, a great deal has been achieved and Blue Knot 2022 is a vastly different organisation from that in 2018 in size, reach and organisational maturity. I would like to thank each and every member of the Blue Knot team for their contribution to a remarkable organisation whose mission to empower recovery for adults with a lived and living experience of complex trauma remains front and centre always.

Dr. Cathy Kezelman AM

President

Date: 11/11/2022

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### 1. Directors and information on directors

#### Philippa Bell - Resigned 22 November 2021

LLB (Hons), BA, Grad Dip (Legal Practice), Grad Dip (Applied Finance and Investment)

Pip is a lawyer with over 15 years of experience across private practice (small and large firms), government and in-house financial institution roles, assisting clients ranging from start-ups through to global brand names with business establishment, capital raising, governance and regulatory matters. She has also provided legal services to cancer patients on a pro bono basis. She currently works in a small, boutique law firm specialising in investment management and financial services regulation. Outside of her work, Pip likes to embark on physical challenges to fundraise for charity and she has raised over \$20,000 for a number of worthy causes through long distance running, walking and ocean swimming.

#### Dr Catherine Kezelman AM

MBBS (Hons)

Special Responsibilities: President

Catherine Kezelman is a medical practitioner, mental health consumer advocate and Blue Knot Foundation President.

Under her stewardship Blue Knot Foundation has grown from a peer support organisation to a leading national organisation combining a prominent consumer voice with that of researchers, academics and clinicians advocating for socio-political change and informed responsiveness to complex trauma. She is a prominent voice in the media and at conferences, as well as author of a memoir chronicling her journey of recovery from child sexual abuse: Innocence Revisited - a tale in parts. She is co-author of many seminal Blue Knot publications, and other peer-reviewed articles.

#### **Belinda Johnson**

B.Bus(Acc), FGIA, FIPA, JP

Special Responsibilities: Deputy CEO

Belinda Johnson is Deputy CEO of Blue Knot Foundation and an Accountant with over 25 years of finance and business experience in a variety of SMEs. Belinda has a strong background in corporate governance, business and finance management, audit and risk and competitive/lean manufacturing and Public Practice. Belinda currently is in Public Practice providing Cloud based financial management solutions to a variety of micros and SME. Belinda holds a Bachelor of Business (Accounting) from UWS and a Certificate in Governance Practice with the Governance Institute of Australia.

#### Angela McKenzie - Mountain - Resigned 20 November 2021

BA Acc, CPA, CIMA

Special Responsibilities: Chairperson

Angela is a senior finance professional with over 20 years' experience in commerce. She has experience in reporting to the boards of both small and large corporations, some of which were listed on the stock exchange in Australia and the UK. Angela specialises in Finance, Leadership, Change Management, Governance and Retail. She is currently studying for a Graduate Diploma of Applied Corporate Governance at the Governance Institute Australia.

## **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

#### Terry Kirkpatrick - Resigned 20 November 2021

BA Psychology (Hons), PGrad Dip Psychology, PhD, MAPS Special Responsibilities: Company Secretary 21/11/20 - current

Terry is a registered psychologist with over 30 years clinical experience working in mental health in the public sector, non-government organizations and private practice. Terry is currently appointed by the New South Wales Minister of Health to the Official Visitor Program under the *Mental Health* Act 2007 (NSW). He has researched the impact of trauma and vicarious trauma on emergency service personnel funded by the Australian Research Council. Terry is a member of the Australian Psychological Society and sits on the Advisory Council and Practice Senate as well as serving as the NSW Representative on the National Division of General Practicing Psychologists. He is also a clinical member of the International Association of Applied Psychology. Terry is a survivor of childhood abuse.

## Sarah Gatehouse

PG Dip MGSM, AICD

Special Responsibilities: Chair 1/7/2021- 20/11/2021

Sarah has over 20 years' experience in Human Resources with a post-graduate diploma from Macquarie Graduate School of Management. Her broad generalist experience covers a number of industries both blue and white collar. Most recently she has been responsible for driving meaningful organisational change and transformation which resulted in a significant improvement in culture. Sarah is on the boards of two not for profit organisations who focus on encouraging personal development and success. She has had personal experience in dealing with mental health concerns and values the important work that the Blue Knot Foundation delivers.

## Mia Kwok

B.IntComm;B.Phil(Media)

Special Responsibilities: Deputy Chair 20/11/2021- current

Mia is an experienced media and communications professional with a specialisation in finance and policy. She currently works with the Australian Government in strategic engagement.

Mia was the former Vice President – Equity and Diversity for the Council of Australian Postgraduate Associations (CAPA) and has worked for several advocacy groups for state and federal policy reform. She has also previously written for a number of leading business and finance publications.

#### Silvio Del Vecchio

Bsc, MBA, MAICD

Special Responsibilities: Chair 20/11/2021 - current

Silvio Del Vecchio is a Chairman, Board Member, Director, Investment Executive and Small Business Owner. He has more than 15 years' board level experience across the private and not-for-profit sectors, and with particular experience in the financial services, sport and cosmetic treatment industries.

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Board level highlights include: Chairman of the Professional Rugby League Match Officials Inc (PRLMO) where he negotiated a 4-year Enterprise Bargaining Agreement with the NRL on Referees' pay, conditions and welfare – a significant milestone in the history of the Game; and board member of two Charitable Foundations – Adults Surviving Child Abuse; and The Corrilee Foundation.

In an executive capacity Silvio is currently owner of three very successful clinics in the Laser Clinics Australia network. Previously he was Associate Director, Investment Consultant at Macquarie Group.

Silvio has a Bachelor of Science, a Master of Business Administration, and has completed the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) Course.

#### Liza Nadolski

BA LLB LLM MBA GAICD

Liza develops strategic and risk-conscious capacity for community-focused organisations. Liza was previously General Counsel & Corporate Governance Manager for two paediatric hospitals and Vice-Chair of Australian Doctors International.

Liza focuses on creating conditions that promote true risk management practice in complex environments, enabling organisations to sustain and grow their impact. These conditions are critical to optimising the systems and culture in community-facing organisations so everyone, together and individually, can thrive.

## Jillian Harrington

MAPS, FCCLP, GAICD

Jillian Harrington is a Clinical Psychologist with over 25 years' experience helping and learning from survivors of complex trauma and supporting the work of colleagues through mentoring and supervision.

A graduate and a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, Jillian is an experienced Board Director in both corporate and not-for-profit settings, and has also chaired regional Clinical Governance, Allied Health and Mental Health Advisory Committees. Jillian is a director of the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council (APAC), is currently the national health policy Chair of the Australian Psychological Society's College of Clinical Psychologists and sits on the Board of the Applied Neuroscience Society of Australasia.

Her experience in primary care, and passion for equity in our health system have been recognised with appointment to several national advisory committees including the Medicare Review Taskforce Mental Health Reference Group. Jillian is a member of the International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation, and her training and experience in supporting recovery from complex trauma span a range of different approaches.

#### **Judith Gullifer**

BPsych (Hons), PhD, MAPS

Professor Judith Gullifer is a registered psychologist with a background in professional counselling in rural and remote Australia. She manages a small virtual, part-time practice, mentoring and coaching leaders.

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She has held various positions with the Australian Psychological Society, having been appointed to the Board of Directors in 2016 for her expertise in working in Regional, Rural and Remote Australia. She was a founding member of the Rural, Regional and Remote Advisory Group to the National Board of Directors and the Convener of the Australian Psychological Society Rural and Remote Interest Group. In January of 2017 Judith became the Executive Manager and Head of the Australian Psychological Society's Training Institute where she oversaw the professional education and training of psychologists and other cognate professions.

Judith currently holds the position of Director of Education in the School of Psychological Sciences and the Turner Institute for Brain and Mental Health at Monash University. Judith has spent over a decade dedicated to psychology education and research in the higher education sector being active in the teaching and supervision of psychology undergraduate and postgraduate students.

#### Conrad G. Staff

The Honourable Conrad Staff is a Senior Consultant to McNally's and has been since his retirement as a Judge with the New South Wales Industrial Relations Commission and Court in 2015.

Conrad was a partner at Jones Staff & Co prior to accepting an appointment as a Judge of the Commission, which was a recognition and acknowledgment of his expertise and knowledge of employment and industrial law in New South Wales.

Conrad is an Accredited Specialist in Industrial and Employment law and practiced exclusively in those areas as a solicitor

#### 2. Objectives

The Foundation's short term objectives are:

- to empower recovery and build resilience for Australian adults who experience the impacts of complex trauma;
- to provide support, education and resources for the families and communities of adult Survivors of complex trauma;
- c. to develop and disseminate best practice and research evidence around complex trauma;
- d. to build national workforce capacity around complex trauma treatment, traumainformed practice and managing vicarious trauma;
- e. to drive innovation in complex trauma policy, practice and service delivery;
- to embed trauma-informed policy, practice and systems change within organisations and the community;
- g. to distribute regular communications to:
  - i. disseminate current research and articles of interest to Survivors and those who support them personally and professionally;
  - ii. inform Company members of forthcoming events, workshops, seminars and conferences; and
  - iii. report previous Company meetings/events to members unable to attend;

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- to deliver training programs, workshops, conferences and other services to a variety of personnel and practitioners for Survivors, supporters, professionals and other personnel;
- i. to provide a national network for Survivors of complex trauma throughout Australia;
- j. to run an interactive, comprehensive, state of the art website to help the Company achieve its objects; and
- k. to operate a telephone service to help achieve the objects of the Company.

The longer term objective is to build a trauma-informed world, based on growing awareness of trauma, including of complex trauma.

#### 3. Strategy for achieving the objective

To achieve its stated objectives, the Foundation has adopted a community providing information and support for anyone who is affected by complex trauma. Complex trauma is repeated, ongoing, and often extreme interpersonal trauma (between people) – violence, abuse, neglect or exploitation experienced as a child, young person and adult. This is through helplines, resources, training, practice and organisational support, advocacy and awareness.

#### 4. Performance measures

The Foundation measures its performance through the use of both quantitative and qualitative measures such as reach on helplines, fact sheet and publication downloads and purchases, number of trainings, visits to website, awareness campaigns, social media analytics, media reach across traditional platforms, success of fundraising campaigns, feedback from our survivors, the number of survivor and carer workshops that are run through the year.

## 5. Principal activities

The principal activities of the Foundation during the financial year were the operation of a foundation offering support to adult survivors of complex trauma.

## 6. Review of operations

## Operating revenue

The Foundation's revenue for the financial year was \$8,184,006 (2021: \$7,294,761).

## Operating result

The operating surplus for the financial year was \$687,648 (2021: \$853,939).

#### Significant changes in state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Foundation's principal activities during the financial year.

## 7. Events after the reporting date

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2022 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Foundation's operations, the results of those operations, or the Foundation's state of affairs in future financial years.

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#### 8. Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Foundation will continue to actively support adult survivors of complex trauma. Likely developments in the operations of the Foundation and the expected results of those operations in future financial years have not been included in this report as the inclusion of such information is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the Foundation.

## 9. Environment regulation

The Foundation's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

## 10. Foundation secretary

At the date of this report, the position of Foundation Secretary was held by Terry Kirkpatrick.

#### 11. President

At the date of this report, the position of President was held by Dr. Cathy Kezelman.

#### 12. Meetings of directors

During the financial year 2021/2022, 5 face-to-face meetings of Directors were held. These meetings occurred on 24 July 2021, 11 September 2021, 20 November 2021, 12 February 2022 and 7 May 2022.

The number of meetings of the Foundation's board of directors held during the year ended 30 June 2022 and the number of meetings attended by each Director were:

Director	Board of Directors		
	Meetings eligible to attend	Meetings attended	
Cathy Kezelman	5	5	
Belinda Johnson	5	5	
Angela Mckenzie-Mountain	2	2	
Silvio Del Vecchio	5	5	
Sarah Gatehouse	5	5	
Philippa Bell	3	3	
Terry Kirkpatrtick	2	2	
Mia Kwok	5	4	
Jillian Harrington	3	3	
Judith Gullifer	3	3	
Liza Nadolski	3	3	
Conrad Staff	1	1	

#### 13. Contributions on winding up

The Foundation is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and is a company limited by guarantee. If the Foundation is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$2 towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Foundation. At 30 June 2022, the total amount that members of the Foundation are liable to contribute if the Foundation is wound up is 1,524 (2021: 1,923).

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## 14. Auditor's independence declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2022 has been received and can be found on page 12 of the financial report.

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

For and on behalf of the Board

Silvio Del Vecchio

Chairperson

Date: 11/11/2022



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## BLUE KNOT FOUNDATION A.B.N 49 072 260 005

## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE DIRECTORS OF BLUE KNOT FOUNDATION

As auditor of Blue Knot Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2022, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 and under section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Notfor-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

This declaration is in respect of Blue Knot Foundation during the period.

MGI Sydney Assurance Services Pty Limited

**Chartered Accountants** 

Kimmy Jongue

Director

Sydney, 11 November 2022

## STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022	2021
_		\$	\$
Revenue			1017 110
Government grants	4-	5,872,256	4,947,442
Donations	15	42,362	50,375
Fundraising income	15	2,334	12,545
Workshop income	4	2,060,571	1,170,108
Other	4	206,483	1,114,291
Total Revenue		8,184,006	7,294,761
Expenses			
Expenditure supporting fundraising activities	15	77,558	14,226
Expenditure supporting grant activities		5,830,283	4,780,126
Expenditure supporting Blue Knot Foundation services		242,132	163,695
Expenditure to support workshops		675,159	242,274
Administrative expenses		671,226	1,240,501
Total Expenses		7,496,358	6,440,822
Surplus before income tax		687,648	853,939
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus for the year		687,648	853,939
Surplus attributable to members of the Foundation		687,648	853,939
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Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total other comprehensive income attributable to		-	
members of the Foundation		-	
Total comprehensive income for the year		687,648	853,939
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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

## **AS AT 30 JUNE 2022**

	Note	2022	2021
		\$	\$
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	3,945,359	5,930,507
Trade and other receivables	6	449,746	206,849
Investments		3,460,145	-
Prepayments		77,751	75,321
Total current assets		7,933,001	6,212,677
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	7	225,782	312,121
Right-of-use assets	8	476,929	690,473
Total non-current assets		702,711	1,002,594
Total assets		8,635,712	7,215,271
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	857,338	375,600
Employee benefits	10	360,263	239,653
Lease liabilities	11	225,259	206,722
Contract liabilities		1,300,034	978,895
Total current liabilities		2,742,894	1,800,870
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits	10	31,104	15,077
Lease liabilities	11	305,216	530,474
Total non-current liabilities		336,320	545,551
Total liabilities		3,079,214	2,346,421
Net assets		5,556,498	4,868,850
Equity			
Retained surplus		5,556,498	4,868,850
Total equity		5,556,498	4,868,850

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

2021	Retained surplus	Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2020	4,014,911	4,014,911
Comprehensive income		
Surplus for the year	853,939	853,939
Other comprehensive income for the year		_
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members of the Foundation	853,939	853,939
Balance at 30 June 2021	4,868,850	4,868,850
2022		
Restated balance at 1 July 2021	4,868,850	4,868,850
Comprehensive income		
Surplus for the year	687,648	687,648
Other comprehensive income for the year		
Total comprehensive income for the year		
attributable to the members of the Foundation	5,556,498	5,556,498
Balance at 30 June 2022	5,556,498	5,556,498

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	Note	2022	2021
		\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers and other contributions		9,471,356	7,758,882
Payments to suppliers and employees		(7,375,175)	(6,633,988)
Interest received		4,005	32,905
Interest paid		(29,487)	(36,921)
Net cash generated from operating activities	14	2,070,699	1,120,878
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant & equipment		(11,170)	(94,931)
Payments for investments		(3,908,912)	-
Proceeds from sale of investments		(461)	-
Distributions received		71,395	-
Interest received		22	-
Net cash (used in) investing activities		(3,849,126)	(94,931)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(206,721)	(187,832)
Net cash (used in) financing activities		(206,721)	(187,832)
Net (decrease)/ increase in cash and cash equivalents		(1,985,148)	838,115
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		5,930,507	5,092,392
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	5	3,945,359	5,930,507

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

The financial report covers Blue Knot Foundation ("the Foundation") as an individual entity. Blue Knot Foundation is incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Blue Knot Foundation is a company limited by guarantee.

The functional and presentation currency of Blue Knot Foundation is Australian dollars.

The financial statements were authorised for issue on the date of the directors' declaration. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial report.

## 1. Basis of Preparation

The directors have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the Foundation is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act). The Foundation is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards applicable to entities reporting under the ACNC Act, the basis of accounting specified by all Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of Accounting Standards AASB 101: *Presentation of Financial Statements*, AASB 107: *Statement of Cash Flows*, AASB 108: *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*, AASB 1048: *Interpretation of Standards*, and AASB 1054: *Australian Additional Disclosures*, which the directors have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with those of previous periods unless stated otherwise.

The Foundation has concluded that the requirements set out in AASB 10 and AASB 128 are not applicable as the initial assessment on its interests in other entities indicated that it does not have any subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures. Hence, the financial statements comply with all the recognition and measurement requirements in Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

#### 2. Significant accounting policies

## a. Revenue recognition

#### Revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Foundation is expected to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. For each contract with a customer, the Foundation: identifies the contract with a customer; identifies the performance obligations in the contract; determines the transaction price which takes into account estimates of variable consideration and the time value of money; allocates the transaction price to the separate performance obligations on the basis of the relative stand-alone selling price of each distinct good or service to be delivered; and recognises revenue when or as each performance obligation is satisfied in a manner that depicts the transfer to the customer of the goods or services promised.

#### 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### a. Revenue recognition (continued)

#### Government grants

Grant revenue is recognised in profit or loss when the Foundation satisfies the performance obligations stated within the funding agreements.

If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied before the Foundation is eligible to retain the contribution, the grant will be recognised in the statement of financial position as a contract liability until those conditions are satisfied.

#### Donations and fundraising income

Donations are recognised when the Foundation obtains controls of the contribution or the right to receive the contribution. Significant confirmed donations are accrued at the balance sheet date when it is probable the donation will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### Workshop income and consulting and supervision services

Where a performance obligation exists or is created, a contract liability is recognised as a related amount of the entitlement in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. The Foundation recognises revenue when or as each performance obligation is satisfied in a manner that depicts the transfer to the customer of the goods or services promised.

## Interest income

Interest revenue is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest method.

#### Other income

Other income is recognised on an accrual basis when the Foundation is entitled to it.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

#### b. Income tax

As the Foundation is a charitable institution, the Foundation is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of *the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* (Cth).

#### c. 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 Foundation'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 Foundation'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.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

#### 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### d. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts.

#### e. Trade receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from donors and any outstanding grant receipts. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets.

Accounts receivable are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. The Foundation applies the simplified approach, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

#### f. Investments

At initial recognition, the Foundation measures a financial asset at its fair value, plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. The investment is subsequently measured at fair value. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value.

Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other gains/(losses). Impairment losses are presented as separate line item in the statement of profit or loss.

#### g. Property, Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost of each item of property, plant and equipment (excluding land) over their expected useful lives as follows:

Furniture and Fittings 5 years

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

An item of property plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit to the company. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit or loss.

An assets carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

#### 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### h. Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities

#### Right-of-use assets

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date net of any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred, and, except where included in the cost of inventories, an estimate of costs expected to be incurred for dismantling and removing the underlying asset, and restoring the site or asset.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever is the shorter. Where the Foundation expects to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the depreciation is over its estimated useful life. Right-of use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

#### Lease liabilities

A lease liability is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the term of the lease, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Foundation's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments comprise of fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option when the exercise of the option is reasonably certain to occur, and any anticipated termination penalties. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Lease liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The carrying amounts are remeasured if there is a change in the following: future lease payments arising from a change in an index or a rate used; residual guarantee; lease term; certainty of a purchase option and termination penalties. When a lease liability is remeasured, an adjustment is made to the corresponding right-of use asset, or to profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is fully written down.

#### i. Trade payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Foundation during the reporting period which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amount being normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

## j. Contract liability

Contract liabilities represent the Foundation's obligation to transfer services to a client that are recognised when a client or related funder pays consideration, or when the Foundation recognises a receivable to reflect the unconditional right to consideration (whichever is earlier), before the Foundation has transferred the services to the client.

Grant related contract liabilities represent funding received in advance of delivery of performance obligations which may be recalled by the Commonwealth at their discretion or used to satisfy future performance obligations under the terms of the grant agreement.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

#### 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### i. Contract liability (continued)

Contract liabilities arising from services represent delivery of performance obligations during the financial year 2022.

Grant revenue is recognised as the performance obligations in the related grant agreements are satisfied, generally over time. The consideration received in advance of providing these services is recognised as a contract liability.

#### k. Employee benefits

Provision is made for employee benefits accumulated as a result of employees rendering services up to the reporting date. These benefits include wages and salaries, annual leave and long service leave. The expected payment amounts are not discounted as the impact on the financial statements is deemed immaterial.

#### Short-term obligations

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits and annual and long service leave; expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liability of annual and long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. All other short-term benefit obligations are presented as payables.

## Long-term obligations

The liability for long service leave and annual leave which is not expected to be settled within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period.

#### I. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

#### m. Comparative figures

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

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

#### 2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### n. Economic Dependence

The Foundation is dependent on Federal and State Government Departments ("Departments") for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report, the Board of Directors has no reason to believe the Department will not continue to support the Foundation.

#### o. New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations

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

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

#### 3. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events, management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. The resulting accounting judgements and estimates will seldom equal the related actual results. The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

## Variable lease payments

Variable lease payments made by the Foundation depend on the rates. These are usually in the form of CPI increases in the rent year-on-year per the lease agreement. These have been taken into account in determining the right of use asset and the lease liability over the period of the lease term. The Foundation evaluates any changes to the variable lease payments on account of external factors and takes them into consideration for the determination of the lease liability.

#### Lease term

In determining the lease term, management considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option. Extension options (or periods after termination options) are only included in the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or not terminated).

The assessment is reviewed if a significant event or a significant change in circumstances occurs which affects this assessment and that is within the control of the lessee.

## Plant and equipment

As indicated in Note 2(g) the Foundation reviews the useful life of plant and equipment on annual basis.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

		2022	2021
		\$	\$
4.	Other revenue		
	Consulting and supervision services	283,546	236,775
	Job Saver and Job keeper	157,050	752,300
	Interest income	4,027	32,905
	Membership fees	19,299	16,271
	Merchandise income	9,208	14,679
	Project income	109,250	-
	Distributions received	71,395	-
	Loss on sale of investments	(461)	-
	Unrealised loss on investments	(448,768)	-
	Sundry income	1,937	61,361
		206,483	1,114,291
5.	Cash and cash equivalents		
	Cash on hand	3,673,701	3,911,256
	Term deposits	271,658	2,019,251
		3,945,359	5,930,507
6.	Trade receivables		
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	Trade receivables  Loan receivable	429,721 20,025	206,849
	Loan receivable		
		449,746	206,849
7.	Property, plant and equipment		
	<u>Cost</u>		
	Opening balance	470,000	375,069
	Additions for the year	11,171	94,931
	Closing balance	481,171	470,000

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Accumulated depreciation		
Opening balance	(157,879)	(79,596)
Depreciation charge for the year	(97,510)	(78,283)
Closing balance	(255,389)	(157,879)
Net book value	225,782	312,121
8. Right-of-use assets		
Property & Photocopier	1,064,651	1,064,651
Accumulated amortisation	(374,178)	(374,178)
	690,473	690,473
9. Trade and other payables		
Trade payables	94,478	78,900
GST payables	229,334	121,594
Accrued expenses	451,828	114,173
Other payables	81,698	60,933
	857,338	375,600
10. Employee benefits		
CURRENT		
Provision for annual leave	316,128	204,936
Provision for long service leave	44,135	34,717
<u> </u>	360,263	239,653
NON-CURRENT		
Provision for long service leave	31,104	15,077
<u> </u>	31,104	15,077

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
11. Lease liabilities		
CURRENT		
Photocopier	25,281	24,299
Property	199,988	182,423
	225,259	206,722
NON-CURRENT		
Photocopier	33,137	58,407
Property	272,079	472,067
	305,216	530,474
12. Contract liabilities		
Workshops	775,676	573,615
Grant programs	524,358	405,280
	1,300,034	978,895
13. Auditor's Remuneration		
Remuneration of the auditor of the Foundation, MGI Sydney for:		
- Auditing or reviewing the financial statements	7,000	6,800
- Other services	10,750	12,950
	17,750	19,750

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

#### 14. Cash flow reconciliation

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Net current year surplus	687,648	853,939
Adjusted for:		
Non-cash items:		
Depreciation and amortisation	311,054	291,213
Unrealised loss on investments	448,767	
Distribution and interest income part of investing activities	(71,417)	
Realised loss on investments part of investing activities	461	
Change in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) in trade and other receivables	(242,897)	(146,177)
(Increase) in prepayments	(2,430)	(23,611)
Increase in trade payables and provisions	618,374	148,229
Increase/ (decrease) in other creditors	321,139	(2,715)
Cash flow from operations	2,070,699	1,120,878

## 15. Fundraising activities conducted during the year

Information to be furnished under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW).

The net surplus from fundraising activities conducted during the financial year was:

Donations revenue	42,362	50,375
Fundraising revenue	2,334	12,545
Less: fundraising expenses	(77,558)	(14,226)
Net Surplus obtained from fundraising appeals	(32,862)	48,694
Ratio of expense to revenue	174%	23%
Ratio of net surplus to revenue	(74)%	77%

#### 16. Related Parties

## (a) Key management personnel disclosures

Any person(s) having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Foundation, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of that Foundation is considered key management personnel.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

The Directors of Blue Knot Foundation during the year were Dr. Cathy Kezelman, Belinda Johnson also Deputy CEO of Blue Knot Foundation, Angela McKenzie-Mountain, Sarah Gatehouse, Philippa Bell, Terry Kirkpatrick, Mia Kwok, Silvio Del Vecchio, Liza Nadolski, Jillian Harrington, Judith Gullifer and Conard G. Staff. Dr. Cathy Kezelman was also the President of Blue Knot Foundation during the year.

Directors are not paid for acting in the capacity of a Board Member. Amounts have been paid to the Directors acting in their capacity as employees of the Foundation.

The totals of benefits paid to the key management personnel of Blue Knot Foundation during the year are as follows:

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Short term employee benefits	575,309	370,278
Long term employee benefits		-
	575,309	370,278

#### (b) The Foundation's main related parties are as follows:

Blue Knot Foundation is a member of the National Centre for Action on Child Sexual Abuse (ABN 41 656 560 057).

#### (c) Transactions with related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

		Balance outstanding
	Sales \$	Owed by the Foundation \$
Expenses to be reimbursed Project income	3,000	20,025
	3.000	<u>20,02</u> 5

#### 17. Events occurring after the reporting date

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2022 that has significantly affected, or may significant affect the Foundation's operations, the results of those operations, or the Foundation's state of affairs in future financial years.

### 18. Contingences

In the opinion of the Directors', the Foundation did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2022 (30 June 2021: Nil).

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

## 19. Foundation details

The registered office and principal place of business is: Level 1, 1 James Place North Sydney, NSW, 2060

## DIRECTORS' DECLARATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

The directors of Blue Knot Foundation declare that, in the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 13 to 26, comply with Australian Accounting Standards and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Blue Knot Foundation as at 30 June 2022 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
- (b) this declaration is signed in accordance with subs 60.15(2) of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 (Cth).
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as when they become due and payable.

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

Silvio Del Vecchio

Chairperson

Date: 11/11/2022

# DECLARATION BY THE PRESIDENT IN RESPECT OF FUNDRAISING APPEALS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

- I, Dr. Catherine Kezelman AM, President of Blue Knot Foundation declare that in my opinion:
  - (a) the financial report gives a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of Blue Knot Foundation with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.
  - (b) the Statement of Financial Position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeal activities as at 30 June 2022.
  - (c) the provisions of the *Charitable Fundraising Act 1991* (NSW) and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with during the period from 1 July 2021 and 30 June 2022.
  - (d) the internal controls exercised by Blue Knot Foundation are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied from any fundraising appeals.

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Dr. Catherine Kezelman AM

President

Date: 11/11/2022



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# INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BLUE KNOT FOUNDATION

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of Blue Knot Foundation ("the Foundation"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2022, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial report, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the director's declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Blue Knot Foundation is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* ("ACNC Act 2012"), including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Foundation's financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Notes 1 and 2, and 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 Foundation in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act) and 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.

## **Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting**

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



#### **Other Information**

The directors of the Foundation are responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report comprises the information included in the Chairman's Report, President's Report and the Director's Report for the year ended 30 June 2022, 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 Foundation are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation as described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the director determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Foundation'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: <a href="http://wwwauasb.gov.au/auditors responsibilities/ar4.pdf">http://wwwauasb.gov.au/auditors responsibilities/ar4.pdf</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



## Report on the requirements of the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 and NSW Charitable Fundraising Regulations 2015

We have audited the financial report as required by Section 24(2) of the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991. The directors of the Foundation are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW) and the NSW Charitable Fundraising Regulations 2015. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, in all material respects:

- a. The financial report of the Foundation is prepared and associated records have been properly kept, during the financial year ended 30 June 2022, in accordance with:
  - sections 20(1), 22(1-2) and 24(1-3) of the NSW Charitable Fundraising Act 1991;
     and
  - ii. sections 10(6) and 11 of the NSW Charitable Fundraising Regulations 2015; and
- b. money received as a result of fundraising appeals activities conducted by the Foundation during the year ended 30 June 2022 has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the above mentioned Act and Regulations.

MGI Sydney Assurance Services

MGI Sydney Assurance Services Pty Limited Chartered Accountants

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Kimmy Jongue Director

Sydney, 11 November 2022