Your Directors submit the financial report of the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2008.

Directors

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

Mr Alan Broadbent Mr Keith Borthwick

Chairman Secretary

Occupation: Motel proprietor/farmer Occupation: Solicitor

Mr David Graham Mr Martin Swanson

Director Director

Occupation: Business proprietor Occupation: Business Proprietor

Mr Eric Underwood Mr David Wadey

Director Director

Occupation: Manager Occupation: Real Estate Agent

Mrs Michele Ripper Ms Sarah Bardsley

Director Director

Occupation: Dance Instructor Occupation: Marketing & Communications Manager

Mrs Anne Hellyer Mr Donald Kube

Director Director

Occupation: Marketing & Communications Manager Occupation: School Camp Project Manager

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

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

Principal activities

The principal activities of the company during the course of the financial year were in providing community banking services under management rights to operate a franchised branch of Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Limited.

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

Operating Results

Operations have continued to perform in line with expectations. The profit of the company for the financial year after provision for income tax was \$56,974 (2007: \$22,299).

Dividends Year Ended 30 June 2008

Cents Per Share \$

Dividends paid in the year 6 27,001

Significant changes in the state of affairs

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

Significant events after the balance date

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

Likely Developments

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

Directors' Benefits

No Director has received or become entitled to receive, during or since the financial year, a benefit because of a contract made by the company, controlled entity or related body corporate with a Director, a firm which a Director is a member or an entity in which a Director has a substantial financial interest.

This statement excludes a benefit included in the aggregate amount of emoluments received or due and receivable by Directors shown in the company's accounts, or the fixed salary of a full-time employee of the company, controlled entity or related body corporate.

Indemnification and Insurance of Directors and Officers

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

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

Directors Meetings

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

Number of Meetings Held:	19
Number of Meetings Attended:	
Mr Alan Broadbent	18
Mr David Graham	15
Mr Eric Underwood	17
Mrs Michele Ripper	18
Mrs Anne Hellyer	12
Mr Keith Borthwick	19
Mr Martin Swanson	18
Mr David Wadey	14
Ms Sarah Bardsley	17
Mr Donald Kube	11

Company Secretary

Keith Borthwick has been the company secretary of Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Ltd for six years. Keith Borthwick has been a legal practitioner for 31 years.

Corporate Governance

The company has implemented various corporate governance practices, which include:

- (a) The establishment of an audit committee. Members of the audit committee are David Graham, Alan Broadbent and Martin Swanson;
- (b) Director approval of operating budgets and monitoring of progress against these budgets;
- (c) Ongoing Director training; and
- (d) Director meetings to discuss performance and strategic plans.

Auditor Independence Declaration

The directors received the following declaration from the auditor of the company:

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

Chartered Accountants



172-176 Mctvor K0 PO Box 30 Bendigo, 3552 Ph. 03 5443 1177 Fax. 03 5444 4344 E-mail:

Auditor's independence Declaration

In relation to our audit of the financial report of Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Ltd for the financial year ended 30 June 2008, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

Warren Sinnott Partner Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty 11 September 2008

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors at Heyfield, Victoria on 11 September 2008.

Alan Broadhent, Chairman

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited, I state that:

In the opinion of the directors:

- (a) the financial statements and notes of the company are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards in Australia and Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) this declaration has been made after receiving the declarations required to be made to the directors in accordance with section 295A of the Corporations Act 2001 for the financial year ending 30 June 2008.

Alan Broadbent, Chairman

Signed at Heyfield, Victoria on 11 September 2008

Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited ABN 96 094 854 949 Income Statement For the year ended 30 June 2008

	<u>Notes</u>	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
Revenue from ordinary activities	2	585,941	496,779
Employee benefits expense	3	(240,802)	(218,185)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	3	(16,585)	(15,606)
Charitable donations and sponsorship		(119,429)	(91,000)
Other expenses from ordinary activities		(131,923)	(137,783)
Profit before income tax expense		77,202	34,205
Income tax expense	4	20,228	11,906
Profit after income tax expense		56,974	22,299
Earnings per share (cents per share) - basic for profit for the year - diluted for profit for the year - dividends paid per share	22 22 21	12.66 12.66 6.00	4.96 4.96 5.00

Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited ABN 96 094 854 949 Balance Sheet As at 30 June 2008

	<u>Notes</u>	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
Current Assets			
Cash assets	6	247,576	223,582
Prepayments		2,236	3,130
Current tax refundable	4	-	2,400
Receivables	7	<u>52,515</u>	43,318
Total Current Assets		302,327	272,430
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	8	244,234	121,748
Intangible assets	9	5,781	7,786
Total Non-Current Assets		250,015	129,534
Total Assets		552,342	401,964
Current Liabilities			
Payables	10	29,764	40,525
Current tax liability	4	11,668	-
Provisions	11	12,121	16,449
Total Current Liabilities		53,553	56,974
Total Liabilities		53,553	56,974
Net Assets		498,789	344,990
Equity			
Share capital	12	450,009	450,009
Asset revaluation reserve	13	123,826	-
Accumulated losses	14	(75,046)	(105,019)
Total Equity		498,789	344,990

Cash Flows From Operating Activities	<u>Notes</u>	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
Cash receipts in the course of operations Cash payments in the course of operations Interest received Income tax paid		614,970 (553,265) 8,690 (6,160)	535,736 (511,099) 9,746 (33,855)
Net cash flows from operating activities	15b	64,235	528
Cash Flows From Investing Activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(13,240)	(6,451)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(13,240)	(6,451)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities			
Dividends paid		(27,001)	(22,500)
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(27,001)	(22,500)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash held		23,994	(28,423)
Add opening cash brought forward		223,582	252,005
Closing cash carried forward	15a	247,576	223,582

Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited ABN 96 094 854 949 Statement of Changes in Equity As at 30 June 2008

	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
SHARE CAPITAL Ordinary shares	-	-
Balance at start of year	450,009	450,009
Issue of share capital		-
Share issue costs		
Balance at end of year	450,009	450,009
RETAINED EARNINGS / (ACCUMULATED LOSSES)		
Balance at start of year	(105,019)	(104,818)
Profit after income tax expense	56,974	22,299
Dividends paid	(27,001)	(22,500)
Balance at end of year	(75,046)	(105,019)

1. Basis of preparation of the Financial Report

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial report is a general purpose financial report, which has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and applicable Australian Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs (except for land and buildings and available-for-sale financial assets that have been measured at fair value) and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the directors on 11 September 2008.

(b) Statement of compliance

The financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards, which include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards ('AIFRS'). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes thereto, complies with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). Australian Accounting Standards that have been recently issued or amended, but are not yet effective, have not been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(c) Significant accounting policies

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted. The accounting policies have been consistently applied and are consistent with those applied in the 30 June 2007 financial statements.

Income tax

Deferred income tax is provided on all temporary differences at the balance sheet date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred income tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, carry-forward of unused tax assets and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry-forward of unused tax assets and unused tax losses can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred income tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred income tax asset to be utilised.

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled.

1. Basis of preparation of the Financial Report (continued)

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are brought to account at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment in value.

Land and buildings are measured at fair value less accumulated depreciation.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset as follows:

Class of fixed assets	<u>Depreciation rate (%)</u>
Plant and equipment	10%
Buildings	2.5%
Furniture and fittings	10%

Impairment

The carrying values of plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

If any such indication exists and where the carrying value exceeds the estimated recoverable amount, the assets or cash-generating units are written down to their recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of plant and equipment is the greater of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

Revaluations

Following initial recognition at cost, land and buildings are carried at a revalued amount which is the fair value at the date of the revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation on buildings and accumulated impairment losses.

Fair value is determined by reference to market based evidence, which is the amount for which the assets could be exchanged between a knowledgeable willing buyer and a knowledgeable willing seller in an arm's length transaction as at the valuation date.

Any revaluation surplus is credited to the asset revaluation reserve included in the equity section of the balance sheet unless it reverses a revaluation decrease of the same asset previously recognised in the income statement.

During the half year the directors unanimously agreed to bring to account land and buildings at current market value of \$187,500 on the basis of an independent valuation prepared by Central Gippsland Valuations on 21 December 2007.

A revaluation surplus of \$123,826 has been credited to the asset revaluation reserve included in the equity section of the balance sheet.

Any revaluation deficit is recognised in the income statement unless it directly offsets a previous surplus of the same asset in the asset revaluation reserve.

An annual transfer from the asset revaluation reserve is made to retained earnings for the depreciation relating to the revaluation surplus.

1. Basis of preparation of the Financial Report (continued)

Recoverable amount of assets

At each reporting date, the company assesses whether there is any indication that an asset is impaired. Where an indicator of impairment exists, the company makes a formal estimate of the recoverable amount. Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

Goods and services tax

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

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

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

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

Employee Benefits

The provision for employee benefits to wages, salaries and annual leave represents the amount which the company has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees' services provided up to the balance date. The provision has been calculated on undiscounted amounts based on wage and salary rates expected to be paid and includes related on-costs.

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

Intangibles

Establishment costs have been initially recorded at cost and amortised on a straight line basis at a rate of 20% per annum.

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Cash on hand and in banks are stated at nominal value.

For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

Comparative Figures

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

1. Basis of preparation of the Financial Report (continued)

Revenue

Interest and fee revenue is recognised when earned. All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

Receivables and Payables

Receivables and payables are non interest bearing and generally have payment terms of between 30 and 90 days. Receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less a provision for any uncollected debts. Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost that is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not billed to the company.

Interest Bearing Liabilities

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

Provisions

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

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

Contributed Capital

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

2. Revenue from ordinary activities	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
Operating activities - services commissions Total revenue from operating activities	574,660 574,660	485,636 485,636
Non-operating activities: - interest received - other revenue Total revenue from non-operating activities	8,690 2,591 11,281	9,746 1,397 11,143
Total revenue from ordinary activities	585,941_	496,779

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3. Expenses	2008	2007
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Employee benefits expense		
- wages and salaries	203,939	196,522
- superannuation costs	17,580	13,691
- workers' compensation costs	527	470
- other costs	18,756_	7,502
	240,802	218,185
Depreciation of non-current assets:		
- plant and equipment	13,198	12,227
- leasehold improvements	1,382	1,379
Amortisation of non-current assets:		
- intangibles	2,005	2,000
	16,585	15,606
4. Income Tax Expense		
The prime facinitary as arofit before income tay		
The prima facie tax on profit before income tax		
is reconciled to the income tax expense as follows:		
Prima facie tax on profit before income tax at 30%	23,161	10,261
·		
Add / (less) tax effect of:		
- Non-deductible / (other deductible) expenses	(1,863)	1,645
- Prior year overprovision of tax	(1,070)	-
•		
Current income tax expense	20,228	11,906
Income tax expense	20,228	11,906
Tax liabilities	44.000	(0.400)
Current tax payable / (refundable)	11,668	(2,400)
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5. Auditors' Remuneration		
Amounts received or due and receivable by Richmond,		
Sinnott & Delahunty for:		
- Audit or review of the financial report of the company	3,650	3,650
- Addit of Teview of the financial report of the company	0,000	0,000

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6. Cash Assets	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
o. Cash Assets	A	A
Cash at bank and on hand	3,318	22,984
Deposits at call	244,258	200,598
·	247,576	223,582
7. Receivables		
Trade debtors	52,515	43,318
8. Property, Plant and Equipment		
Land		
Freehold land at cost	17,500_	17,500
Buildings & improvements		
At cost	55,145	55,145
Revaluation #	123,826	-
Less accumulated depreciation	(9,657)	(8,275)
	169,314	46,870
Plant and equipment	40.045	44.040
At cost	19,015	14,910
Less accumulated depreciation	(4,844) 14,171	(3,044) 11,866
Furniture & Fittings		11,000
At cost	119,435	110,300
Less accumulated depreciation	(76,186)	(64,788)
,	43,249	45,512
	044.004	404 740
Total written down amount	244,234	121,748
# Based on valuation (excluding land) by Central Gippsland Valuations - refer note 1 for more details.		
Movements in carrying amounts		
Building		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	46,870	48,249
Revaluation	123,826	-
Depreciation expense	(1,382)	(1,379)
Carrying amount at end of year	169,314	46,870
Dient and anti-mark		
Plant and equipment Carrying amount at beginning of year	11,866	9,024
Additions	4,105	4,187
Depreciation expense	(1,800)	(1,345)
Carrying amount at end of year	14,171	11,866
Furniture & Fittings	AE 540	E4 420
Carrying amount at beginning of year	45,512 9,135	54,130 2,264
Additions	9,135 (11,398)	(10,882)
Less depreciation expense Carrying amount at end of year	43,249	45,512
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2008

9. Intangible Assets	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
Franchise Fee At cost Less accumulated amortisation	60,000 (54,219) 5,781	60,000 (52,214) 7,786
10. Payables		
Trade creditors Accrued audit fee	27,064 2,700 29,764	37,825 2,700 40,525
11. Provisions		
Employee benefits	12,121	16,449
Number of employees at year end	4	5
12. Share Capital		
Ordinary shares fully paid of \$1 each	450,009	450,009
13. Asset Revaluation Reserve		
Asset revaluatoin reserve #	123,826	
# Based on valuation (excluding land) by Central Gippsland Valuations - refer note 1 for more details.		
14. Retained Earnings/(Accumulated Losses)		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year Dividends paid Profit after income tax Balance at the end of the financial year	(105,019) (27,001) 56,974 (75,046)	(104,818) (22,500) 22,299 (105,019)
15. Cash Flow Statement		
(a) Reconciliation of cash		
Cash assets Deposit at call	3,318 244,258 247,576	22,984 200,598 223,582

15. Cash Flow Statement (continued)	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
(b) Reconciliation of profit after tax to net cash from/(used in) operating activities		
Profit after income tax	56,974	22,299
Non cash items - depreciation - amortisation	14,580 2,005	13,606 2,000
Changes in assets and liabilities - (increase) decrease in receivables / prepayments - increase (decrease) in payables - increase (decrease) in provisions - increase (decrease) in income tax payable / (refundable)	(8,303) (10,761) (4,328) 14,068	(960) (14,065) (403) (21,949)
Net cashflows from operating activities	64,235	528

16. Director and Related Party Disclosures

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

Mr Alan Broadbent

Mr David Graham

Mr Eric Underwood

Mrs Michele Ripper

Mrs Anne Hellyer

Mr Keith Borthwick

Mr Martin Swanson

Mr David Wadey

Ms Sarah Bardsley

Mr Donald Kube

No related party transaction occurred during the year.

No director's fees have been paid as the positions are held on a voluntary basis.

16. Director and Related Party Disclosures (continued)

Directors shareholdings	2008	2007
Mr Alan Broadbent	10,001	10,001
Mr David Graham	5,001	5,001
Mr Eric Underwood	10,000	10,000
Mrs Michele Ripper	1,000	1,000
Mrs Anne Hellyer	-	-
Mr Keith Borthwick	1,001	1,001
Mr Martin Swanson	5,000	5,000
Mr David Wadey	-	-
Ms Sarah Bardsley	10,000	-
Mr Donald Kube	4,000	4,000

Other than the purchase of shares by Sarah Bardsley there was no movement in directors shareholdings during the year. Each share held has a paid up value of \$1 and is fully paid.

17. Subsequent Events

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

18. Contingent Liabilities

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

19. Segment Reporting

The economic entity operates in the financial services sector were it provides banking services to its clients. The economic entity operates in one geographic area being Heyfield and district, Victoria.

20. Corporate Information

Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Ltd is a company limited by shares incorporated in Australia whose shares are publicly traded on the Bendigo Stock Exchange.

The registered office of the company is:

170 Johnson Street Maffra Victoria 3860

The principal place of business is:

54-56 Temple Street Heyfield Victoria 3858

21. Dividends paid or provided for on ordinary shares	2008 <u>\$</u>	2007 <u>\$</u>
(a) Dividends paid during the year Previous year final	-	_
Franked dividends - 6 cents per share (2007: 5 cents)	27,001	22,500
(b) Dividends proposed and not recognised as a liability Franked dividends - 7 cents per share (2007: 6 cents)	31,501	27,001
(c) Franking credit balance The amount of franking credits available for the subsequent financial year are: - Franking account balance as at the end of the financial year at 30%	19,344	24,756
- Franking credits that will arise from the payment of income tax payable / (refundable) as at the end of the financial year	11,668	(2,400)
	31,012	22,356

The tax rate at which dividends have been franked is 30% (2007: 30%).

22. Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit after income tax by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year.

Diluted earnings per share amounts are calculated by dividing profit after income tax by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year (adjusted for the effects of any dilutive options or preference shares).

The following reflects the income and share data used in the basic and diluted earnings per share computations:

Profit after income tax expense	56,974	22,299
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for basic and diluted earnings per share	450,009	450,009

23. Financial risk management

The Company has exposure to credit risk, liquidity risk and market risk from their use of financial instruments.

This note presents information about the Company's exposure to each of the above risks, their objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk, and the management of capital.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the risk management framework. The Board has established an Audit Committee which reports regularly to the Board. The Audit Committee is assisted in the area of risk management by an internal and external audit function.

(a) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. For the Company it arises from receivables and cash assets.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets as disclosed in the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements. The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk at reporting date was:

	Carrying	Carrying Amount	
	2008	2007	
	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	
Cash assets	247,576	223,582	
Receivables	52,515	43,318	
	300,091	266,900	

The Company's exposure to credit risk is limited to Australia by geographic area. The entire balance of receivables is due from Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

None of the assets of the Company are past due (2007: nil past due) and based on historic default rates, the Company believes that no impairment allowance is necessary in respect of assets not past due.

The Company limits its exposure to credit risk by only investing in liquid securities with Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company ensures it will have enough liquidity to meet its liabilities when due under both normal and stressed conditions. Liquidity management is carried out within the guidelines set by the Board.

Typically, the Company maintains sufficient cash on hand to meet expected operational expenses, including the servicing of financial obligations. This excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters.

23. Financial risk management (continued)

The following are the estimated contractual maturities of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments.

30 June 2008	Carrying amount \$	Contractual cash flows \$	1 year or less \$	over 1 to 5 years \$	more than 5 years \$
Payables	29,764 29,764	(29,764) (29,764)	<u>(29,764)</u> (29,764)		<u>-</u>
30 June 2007					115
Payables	40,525 40,525	(40,525) (40,525)	(40,525) (40,525)		

(c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as interest rates, will affect the Company's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company reviews the exposure to interest rate risk as part of the regular board meetings.

Sensitivity analysis

At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Company's interest bearing financial instruments was:

	Carrying Amount	
	2008	2007
Fixed rate instruments	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Financial assets	244,258	200,598
Financial liabilities	_	
	244,258	200,598
Variable rate instruments		
Financial assets	3,318	22,984
Financial liabilities		
	3,318	22,984

Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments

The Company does not account for any fixed interest rate financial assets or liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Therefore a change in interest rates at the reporting date would not affect profit or loss.

Cash flow sensitivity analysis for variable rate instruments

A change of 100 basis points in interest rates at the reporting date would have no impact on profit or retained earnings. For the analysis performed on the same basis as at 30 June 2007 there was also no impact. As at both dates this assumes all other variables remain constant.

23. Financial risk management (continued)

(d) Net fair values

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

(e) Capital management

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

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

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

The Board is managing the growth of the business in line with this requirement. There are no other externally imposed capital requirements, although the nature of the Company is such that amounts will be paid in the form of charitable donations and sponsorship. Charitable donations and sponsorship paid for the year ended 30 June 2008 can be seen in the Income Statement.

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

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

Chartered Accountants



INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HEYFIELD & DISTRICT COMMUNITY FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

Partners: Kenneth J Richmond Warren J Sinnott Philip P Delahunty Brett A Andrews

SCOPE

The financial report comprises the balance sheet, income statement, statement of changes in equity, cash flow statement, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the directors' declaration for Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited, for the year ended 30 June 2008.

The directors of the company are responsible for preparing a financial report that gives a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the company, and that complies with Accounting Standards in Australia, in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are established to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

Audit approach

We conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the company. Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including compliance with Accounting Standards in Australia, and other mandatory financial reporting requirements in Australia, a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report; and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant account estimates made by the directors.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

We performed procedures to assess whether the substance of business transactions was accurately reflected in the financial report. These and our other procedures did not include consideration or judgement of the appropriateness or reasonableness of the business plans or strategies adopted by the directors and management of the company.

INDEPENDENCE

We are independent of the company, and have met the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Corporations Act 2001.

AUDIT OPINION

In our opinion, the financial report of Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited is in accordance with:

- (a) the Corporations Act 2001 including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (b) other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

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Chartered Accountants

W. J. SINNOTT

Partner Bendigo

Date: 11 September 2008

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

Chartered Accountants



Partners: Kenneth J Richmond Warren J Sinnott Philip P Delahunty Brett A Andrews

11 September 2008

The Directors
Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Ltd
54-56 Temple Street
Heyfield Victoria, 3858

Dear Directors

Auditor's Independence Declaration

In relation to our audit of the financial report of Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited for the year ended 30 June 2008, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 or any applicable code of professional conduct.

Warren Sinnott

Partner

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty

Chartered Accountants



11 September 2008

The Directors
Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Ltd
54-56 Temple Street
HEYFIELD VIC 3858

Partners: Kenneth J Richmond Warren J Sinnott Philip P Delahunty Brett A Andrews

Dear Directors

We have now completed our audit of the financial report of Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited for year ended 30 June 2008. Subject to the Board of Directors adopting the financial report, we are in a position to issue an unqualified audit opinion on the company's financial report.

1. Overview of Audit Approach

Our audit was designed in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards (AUS), which provides for reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature and scope of the audit work performed was designed to achieve our primary goal of supporting the audit opinion on the financial report.

2. Operations

2.1 Income Statement

	30 June 2008	30 June 2007
	\$	\$
Revenue from ordinary activities	585,941	496,779
Salaries & employment benefits expense	(240,802)	(218,185)
Depreciation & amortisation expenses	(16,585)	(15,606)
Charitable donations & sponsorship	(119,429)	(91,000)
Administration and other operating expenses	(131,923)	(137,783)
Operating profit before income tax	77,202	34,205
Income tax expense	20,228	11,906
Operating profit after income tax	56,974	22,299

2.2 Balance Sheet

	30 June 2008 30 June 2	
	\$	\$
Current assets	302,327	272,430
Non-current assets	250,015	129,534
Total assets	552,342	401,964
Total liabilities	53,553	56,974
Shareholders' equity	498,789	344,990

3. Auditing/Accounting Issues

During our audit we noted the following matter that we recommend the directors review prior to future audits being completed.

3.1 Franchise Fee Deductibility

You may be aware that in 2007 Bendigo Bank requested PWC to complete a review of the deductibility of various payments made in relation to establishment and franchise fees paid by Community Banks. We understand this report has been distributed to all Community Banks and recommend this report is reviewed before completion of future taxation returns.

As part of our audit this year we sent a copy of this report to Brett Pund.

4. Summary of Audit Differences

There are no material audit differences that have not been included in the financial report for Heyfield & District Community Financial Services Limited.

5. Other Matters

Our work is not primarily directed towards the discovery of weaknesses or the detection of fraud or other irregularities, other than those that would influence us in forming our audit opinion. We take this opportunity to thank Brett Pund for his assistance in enabling us to complete the annual audit.

Should you have any queries in relation to the above or any other matters please do not hesitate to contact either Stephen Brown or myself.

Yours sincerely

Warren Sinnott

Partner

Richmond Sinnott & Delahunty