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Laverton & Altona Meadows, Altona and Point Cook

Community Bank® branches of Bendigo Bank

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Chairman's report

For year ending 30 June 2007

As you will see from the attached financial results, this report signifies the progress of our Company in terms of solid growth. Who would have imagined that within seven years of opening the Laverton branch we would have \$180 million in balances with over 15,000 accounts?

As Directors, in partnership with the Bendigo Bank, we offered the community an opportunity to address the concerns created by the withdrawal of banking services.

It is community minded people (our shareholders) who demonstrated through positive actions what could be achieved if the community stood as one.

Effective communication works both ways and we welcome feedback from our shareholders on ways we can improve, or simply to let us know that we are heading in the right direction.

During the past seven years for Laverton, five years for Altona and two years for Point Cook, our branches have developed and are today considered to play a vital role in our community.

I take this opportunity on behalf of the Board of Directors to thank all our staff for the tremendous job they do. Without our competent cheerful staff, we wouldn't be as successful as we are. The Board is confident that by continuing to deliver the high standard of service our customers are now accustomed to, our value within the community will continue to increase.

The last 12 months have been very busy with the launch of the Point Cook branch, Bayside Festival, Christmas by the Lake, assisting with the Altona Beach Market, and the sponsorship of various sporting clubs and community groups.

We are proud to advise that our Company has contributed in excess of \$100,000 to our communities through these activities.

Additionally, we have committed to the "Altona, Altona Meadows, Laverton and Point Cook Community Grants Program" for the second year running. This year our Company contributed \$40,000 together with the Community Enterprise Foundation to community groups, enabling the development and enhancement to our local communities.

We are very proud of our achievements to date and are mindful of the importance you, the shareholders, have played by providing initial start up capital.

Perhaps, just as importantly, you are also a customer and continue to support us by taking up the banking and financial services the branches can offer you, your family and friends.

As our Company expands, it has become increasingly necessary for our Directors to increase their knowledge and skill level to enable us to take the next step with confidence.

Over the past 12 months, Directors have attended a strategic planning meeting, regional conferences, the Bendigo Bank National Conference and Director development programs to increase their knowledge and skills.

Chairman's report continued

The Board of Directors works closely with Bendigo Bank staff. Representatives attend Board meetings from time to time and their input is most helpful and appreciated.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Directors for their contribution and support during the year. Without their support this Company would not run as effectively as it has been.

In order for **Community Bank®** branches to continue to exist in the community, we still need to encourage more people to use our bank branches and to utilise all the services we offer for both personal and business use.

I look forward to meeting with shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

Kind regards

Henry DaSilva

Chairman

Manager's report

For year ending 30 June 2007

Hello to everyone. This is the seventh Annual report I will have written. This year I am writing my report in anticipation of the Annual **Community Bank®** conference in Bendigo next week.

I say anticipation as these yearly get togethers are an excellent reminder of how far we have come. I was certainly reminded of this after attending last year's Annual **Community Bank®** Conference. This was the seventh such conference I have attended and was particularly relevant for our **Community Bank®** Company as our Laverton Youth Foundation was announced by then State Treasurer John Brumby.

At the conference, I was struck by the growth and development evident in the Bendigo Bank staff, many who I only see at these Annual Conferences. Seeing these individuals, some younger, some older, some very senior and many just starting out on their careers, standing up there on stage with John Brumby, it was evident how far they had come as individuals in those six years.

From humble beginnings just over seven years ago, on that cold, wet and windy Laverton winter's night when then Premier Steve Bracks officially opened our first branch, we've opened two more branches. We manage more than 15,000 accounts and have \$180 million in balances under management. Our employee numbers have also grown from five to 17. I know that I personally have developed to a point that would once have been considered out of my comfort zone, and I also know many of our staff have too!

A **Community Bank**® branch obviously operates within a community. I would like to reflect on what our three communities are for a moment.

Laverton in particular was in a fairly sorry state six years ago. But look at it now. And if you go further and look at the plans for Laverton and the district, the focus the State Government is placing on the area, with funds and resources, I'm sure you'll agree that things are turning around.

The same can be said for Altona where four years ago there was a 30-40 per cent vacancy rate in the buildings in that precinct. Try and rent a property now - it is a restaurant and dining area rivalling Williamstown.

Of course I'm not suggesting **Community Bank®** branches opening in these areas were the sole reason for their re-birth, but I can say they have been a significant contributing factor.

Of course we look forward to a similar input in the Point Cook area with our latest branch.

Being a **Community Bank®** branch means we are able to get closer to our customers and build strong relationships, Sadly with some 13,000 customers I can't say I know them all, but hopefully everyone of our customers has managed to build a relationship with other staff, whether it be counter staff, or management.

In seven years I have been able to build very strong relationships with many of our customers, both individuals and businesses, and I can confidently say that the vast majority have also grown in the past seven years, and hopefully our banking relationship has helped.

Manager's report continued

Let's not forget our tireless and hard working Board Members, who I must say deserve much acknowledgement and appreciation. Having been involved with these Directors since the beginning, I too have seen them develop, again, not just as individuals but also as a cohesive body and I am probably most aware of the time and effort they contribute. So, as I do every year, thank you.

I should mention our shareholders, however, I hope they come under the customer category too. A sincere thank you for starting this. I hope you feel, on reflection, you have developed and grown, both personally and financially in the past seven years and I again thank you - the things I talk about in this report would not have happened without your valuable input.

Of course I should mention that we offer everything that any other bank can and I must ask my perennial question - "Why isn't everyone in our community banking with their **Community Bank®** branch?"

Being a **Community Bank**® branch means we offer more than just banking services to our community – we offer community benefit assisting in bringing about positive change and development to our areas.

The Laverton Youth Foundation and "Push for Pink" initiative are just two recent examples.

In summary it has been an extremely exciting seven years and I look forward to another exciting year.

John Dawson

Senior Manager

Corporate governance statement

For year ending 30 June 2007

The Board is comprised entirely of non executive independent Directors. The skills experience and composition of the Board is detailed in the Director's report. Details of the Director's shareholdings, their remuneration and any transactions which they have conducted with the Company are included in the Directors Report and Notes to the Financial Statements.

The Board has committed to a high standard of corporate governance, financial reporting and integrity throughout the Company's operations. The following portfolios have been established as subcommittees to assist and advise the Board.

- Corporate Governance
- Audit
- Finance and Asset Management
- Human Resources
- Marketing and Business Development
- Sponsorship and Promotions

Independent professional advice

Directors have the right to seek independent professional advice in the furtherance of their duties as Directors at the Company's expense. Written approval must be obtained from the chairman prior to incurring any expense on behalf of the Company.

Identifying and managing business risks

The Board regularly monitors the operational and financial performance of the Company against budget and other key performance measures. The Board also receives advice on areas of operational and financial risks, and develops strategies in conjunction with management, to mitigate those risks.

Communication with shareholders

The Board of Directors aims to ensue that shareholders, on behalf of whom they act, are informed of all major developments affecting the Company's activities and its state of affairs, including information necessary to assess the performance of the Directors.

Corporate governance statement continued

Communication with shareholders is achieved through the distribution of the following information:

- The annual report distributed to all shareholders
- The Annual General Meeting to obtain shareholder approval for Board action as appropriate
- Announcements on the Bendigo Stock Exchange (BSX) website www.bsx.com.au
- Regular shareholder newsletter.

The Board strives to ensure that Company announcements via the BSX are made in a timely manner, are factual, do not omit material information and are expressed in a clear and objective manner. The Board has appointed the Corporate Governance Committee to be responsible for the disclosure processes of the BSX.

Directors' report

For year ending 30 June 2007

The Directors present their report, together with the financial statements of the Hobson's Bay Community Financial Services Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2007.

Directors

The Directors of the Company at any time during the financial year are:

H Da Silva M S Pernar W M Gray F J Porter

G Inserra B J Cahoon A D Shanahan

R R Quail G J Murdoch M A Boyd

Principal activities

During the year the Company continued to operate the Laverton / Altona Meadows **Community Bank®**Branch, Altona **Community Bank®** Branch and Point Cook Sub Branch with the support of the Bendigo Bank Ltd.

Operating results

The Laverton Branch made a net profit for the year of \$325,660 (2006 \$345,369). The Altona Branch made a net profit for the year of \$90,293. (2006 \$73,236) The Point Cook Branch made a net loss for the year of (\$197,134) (2006 (\$225,830)) The overall net profit of the Company after providing for income tax was \$218,819 (2006 \$192,775).

Dividends

Dividends paid or declared for payment are as follows:

Ordinary dividend paid on 8 December 2006, as recommended

in last year's report \$102,500

The Directors have recommended payment of a dividend of 9 cents per share \$126,282

Review of operations

The net assets of the Company have increased by \$368,819 from 01 July 2006 to \$1,324,431 as at 30 June 2007.

The Company has continued to grow with assets under management now exceeding \$179 million at the date of this report.

Significant changes in state of affairs

On 28 February 2007, 150,000 \$1 shares were issued in a public float to fund the opening of the Point Cook **Community Bank**® Branch. On 1 March, 250,625 bonus shares were issued.

After balance date events

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which 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 subsequent financial years.

Future developments

The Company will continue to work towards its budget targets for the three branches at Laverton, Altona and Point Cook.

Environmental regulations

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

Information on Directors

Mr H DaSilva

Chairperson

Appointed Director 18 February 2000. Original Steering Committee member. He is a local businessman and owner of the local Ray White Real Estate office.

Mr M S Pernar

Secretary

Appointed Director 18 February 2000. Original Steering Committee member. He is into his seventh year as Manager of Laverton Community Centre. Involved in many local groups.

Mr W M Gray

Treasurer

Appointed 18 February 2000. Original Steering Committee member. Ex-naval Officer, local resident who now works for IBM.

Mr G Inserra (OAM)

Appointed Director on 18 February 2000. Original Steering Committee member and local resident. He is also a respected community worker with membership of numerous organisations. Recently awarded OAM.

Mr B J Cahoon

Appointed Director 18 February 2000. Original Steering Committee member. He is a local resident and part owner of the Double C Jeanery, a local institution.

Mr G J Murdoch (OAM)

Appointed Director at 2001 AGM. Retired school principal, Councillor and former Mayor of Hobsons Bay. Recently awarded OAM.

Mr F J Porter

Appointed Director at 2001 AGM. Many years involvement with Hobsons Bay Council. Justice of the Peace.

A D Shanahan

Appointed Director at 2001 AGM. Former clothing store proprietor, former accountant and current member of Rotary.

Mr R R Quail

Appointed 29 November 2005.

Appointed Director at 2005 AGM. I.T. consultant. Business owner for thirteen years. Involvement in community service.

Mr M A Boyd

Appointed 29 November 2005.

Appointed Director at 2005 AGM. Restaurateur. Business owner for eighteen years. Inaugural Chairperson for Hobsons Bay Community Financial Services Ltd.

The Directors and their associates have the following shares in the Company as at the 30 June 2007

Director		Associates	Total	
Henry DaSilva	2,626		2,626	
Wayne Gray	2,626	7,966	10,592	
Denis Shanahan	625		625	
Michael Boyd	2,346		2,346	
Michael Pernar	1,399		1,399	
Robert Quail	450		450	
Frank Porter	4,250	22,688	26,938	
Bruce Cahoon	10,376		10,376	
Joe Inserra	1	6,563	6,564	
Graeme Murdoch	1,250		1,250	

Directors meetings

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated. During the financial year, 11 meetings of Directors were held. Attendances were:

	Eligible to attend	Number attended	
Mr H DaSilva (Chairperson)	11	11	
Mr M S Pernar (Secretary)	11	10	
Mr F J Porter	11	10	
Mr G Inserra	11	11	
Mr B J Cahoon	11	11	
Mr W M Gray (Treasurer)	11	8	
Mr G J Murdoch	11	9	
Mr AD Shanahan	11	11	
Mr R R Quail	11	11	
Mr M A Boyd	11	11	

Portfolio meetings

Meetings commenced in February 07

	Audit Portfolio	Finance Portfolio	Sponsorships and Donations Portfolio	Marketing and Business Development Portfolio	Corporate Governance Portfolio	Human Resources Portfolio	Charitable Trusts Advisory Committee
Total meetings held	3	10	9	10	2	8	2
Henry Da Silva			1	7			
Michael Pernar	3				2		
Wayne Gray	3	10					
Denis Shanahan	3	8		10	2		
Graeme Murdoch			7	6			2
Guiseppe Inserra			8				2
Bruce Cahoon			8				
Frank Porter				8		8	
Michael Boyd				10	2		
Robert Quail			8	7			2

Remuneration report

Total remuneration of Directors	2007	2006
Henry Da Silva	\$3,060.00	\$3,000.00
Michael Pernar	\$3,060.00	\$3,000.00
Wayne Gray	\$3,060.00	\$3,000.00
Frank Porter	\$3,060.00	\$3,000.00
Denis Shanahan	\$2,040.00	\$2,000.00
Graeme Murdoch	\$2,040.00	\$2,000.00
Guiseppe Inserra	\$2,040.00	\$2,000.00
Bruce Cahoon	\$2,040.00	\$2,000.00
Michael Boyd	\$2,040.00	\$700.00
Robert Quail	\$1,040.00	\$700.00

The Chairman, Company Secretary, Treasurer and staffing Director were each paid \$3,060. The other Directors were paid at the rate of \$2,040 per annum. The Company does not pay Directors salaries and there are no performance conditions placed on Director's remuneration. Director's remuneration is set by the shareholders at the AGM.

Directors' and Auditors' insurance and indemnification

The Company has paid premiums to insure the Directors against liabilities for costs and expenses incurred by them in defending any legal proceedings arising out of their conduct while acting in the capacity of a Director of the Company, other than conduct involving a wilful breach of duty in relation to the Company.

The Company has not during or since the end of, the financial year, in respect of any person who is or has been an Auditor of the Company or a related body corporate:

- Indemnified or made any relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability incurred, including costs and expenses in successfully defending legal proceedings, or
- Paid or agreed to pay a premium in respect of a contract insuring against a liability incurred for the costs or expenses to defend legal proceedings.

Audit services

The Company's Auditor has not provided any non audit services during the year.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration as required under Section 307C of the Corporations Act is included on page 14 of the report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Henry DaSilva

Director

Michael Stephen Pernar

Director

Dated 27 September 2007.

Auditor's independence declaration

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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2007 there have been:

- No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- ii. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Armstrong Partners

David Armstrong Armstrong Partners

Melbourne, 28 September 2007

Financial statements

Income statement

For year ending 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Revenues from ordinary activities	2	1,861,390	1,542,014	
Amortisation of franchise fee	3	(8,510)	(24,830)	
Amortisation of leased assets	3	(3,122)	(3,122)	
Depreciation of furniture & equipment	3	(38,394)	(33,516)	
Employment expenses		(640,640)	(593,879)	
Other expenses from ordinary activities		(855,291)	(601,445)	
Total expenses from ordinary activities		(1,545,957)	(1,256,792)	
Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities before income to	ах	315,433	285,222	
Income tax revenue/(expenses) relating to				
ordinary activities	5	(96,614)	(92,447)	
Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after income tax		218,819	192,775	
Profit/(loss) attributable to extraordinary items				
Net profit/(loss) attributable to members		218,819	192,775	
Retained profits/(losses) at the beginning				
of the financial year	2	57,865	(32,410)	
Total available for appropriation/(deficiency)		276,684	160,365	
Dividends recognised as a liability	16	(126,282)	(102,500)	
Retained profits/(deficit) at the end of the				
financial year		150,402	57,865	
Total retained profits/(deficit) at the end of the				
financial year		150,402	57,865	
Overall operations				
Basic & diluted earnings per share (cents per share)	10	15.59	19.23	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Balance sheet

As at 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Current assets				
Cash assets	6	927,132	664,169	
Receivables	7	173,838	150,107	
Other	8	10,008	8,019	
Total current assets		1,110,978	822,295	
Non-current assets				
Property, furniture and equipment	9	756,502	798,018	
Deferred tax asset	11	37,798	38,219	
Intangible assets	12	55,000	7,677	
Total non-current assets		849,300	843,914	
Total assets		1,960,278	1,666,209	
Current liabilities				
Payables	13	135,785	117,232	
Interest-bearing liabilities	14	-	6,948	
Tax liabilities	15	(6,141)	(19,875)	
Provisions	16	189,172	160,431	
Total current liabilities		318,816	264,736	
Non-current liabilities				
Provisions	16	89,360	79,305	
Interest-bearing liabilities	14	208,805	221,408	
Tax liabilities	15	18,866	18,866	
Total non-current liabilities		317,031	319,579	
Total liabilities		635,847	584,315	
Net assets		1,324,431	1,081,894	
Equity				
Issued capital	17	1,130,008	980,008	
Retained profits/(accumulated losses)		150,402	57,865	
Revaluation reserve		44,021	44,021	
Total equity		1,324,431	1,081,894	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Statement of cash flows

As at 30 June 2007

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Cash flows from operating activities				
Receipts from Bendigo Bank Limited		1,772,250	1,476,573	
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,396,522)	(998,252)	
Payments to share holders		(99,712)	(80,772)	
Interest received		29,706	29,744	
Interest and other costs of finance		(72,900)	(82,332)	
Income tax paid		(108,514)	(164,577)	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	2	124,308	180,384	
Cash flow from investing activities				
Purchases of property, plant & equipment		-	(37,034)	
Payment of other debtor		-	40,026	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		-	2,992	
Cash flow from financing activities				
Proceeds of issue of shares		150,000	-	
Repayment of borrowings		(11,345)	(10,862)	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		138,655	(10,862)	
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		262,963	172,514	
Cash at the beginning of the year		664,169	491,655	
Cash at the end of the year	1	927,132	664,169	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Financial statements continued

Statement of cash flows

As at 30 June 2007

Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	

Note 1. Reconciliation of cash

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

Cash at the end of the year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the balance sheet as follows:

	927,132	664,169	
Cash on hand	690	292	
Term deposits	628,016	451,569	
Shares offer account	5,341	(200)	
Cash at bank	293,085	212,508	

Note 2. Reconciliation of net cash provided by/ used in operating activities to net profit

Operating profit/(loss) after income tax	218,819	192,775	
Depreciation	38,394	33,516	
Amortisation of franchise fee	(47,323)	24,830	
Amortisation of leased assets	3,122	3,122	
Increase/(decrease) in provision for dividends	(99,712)	(80,771)	
Increase/(decrease) in future income tax benefit	421	(8,000)	
Increase/(decrease) in provision for income tax	(12,321)	(64,130)	
Changes in assets and liabilities net of effects of			
purchases and disposals of controlled entities:			
(Increase) decrease in trade and term debtors	(23,731)	(29,140)	
(Increase) decrease in prepayments	(1,989)	3,964	
Increase (decrease) in trade creditors and accruals	(11,891)	77,187	
Increase (decrease) in other creditors	30,444	-	
Increase (decrease) in lease liabilities	(8,204)	5,456	
Increase (decrease) in employee entitlements	12,223	32,680	
Increase (decrease) in sundry provisions	26,056	(11,105)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	124,308	180,384	

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

For year ending 30 June 2007

Note 1. Statement of accounting policies

The significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are:

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards, including Australian Accounting Interpretations, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Company in the preparation of the financial report. These accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

The Company has prepared the financial statements in accordance with all International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) in their entirety.

The accounting policies set out below have been consistently applied to all years presented.

(b) Revenue recognition

Revenues are recognised at fair value of the consideration received net of the amounts of goods and services tax (GST). Exchanges of goods or services of the same nature and value without any cash consideration are not recognised as revenues.

Franchise revenue

Franchise revenue is recognised when the services are provided.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised when it accrues.

(c) Income tax

The charge for current income tax expense is based on the profit for the year adjusted for any non-assessable or disallowed items. It is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or are substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method in respect of temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. No deferred income tax will be recognised from the initial recognition of an asset or liability where there is no effect on accounting or taxable profit or loss.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or liability is settled. Deferred tax is credited in the income statement except where it relates to items that may be credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is adjusted directly against equity.

Deferred income tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Note 1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)

(c) Income tax (continued)

The amount of benefits brought to account or which may be realised in the future is based on the assumption that no adverse change will occur in income taxation legislation, and the anticipation that the Company will derive sufficient future assessable income to enable the benefit to be realised and comply with the conditions of deductibility imposed by the law.

(d) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less where applicable any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Property

Freehold land and buildings are shown at their fair value (being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction), based on a valuation by Landlink Property Group Pty Ltd, independent valuers dated 5 September 2006.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Directors to ensure it is not in excess of the amount recoverable from these assets.

(e) Leases

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the Company are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised, recording an asset and a liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual value.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that ownership of the assets will be obtained or over the term of the lease. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses in the periods in which they are incurred.

(f) Investments

Non-current investments are measured on the cost basis. The carrying amount of investments is reviewed annually by the Directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount of these investments. The recoverable amount is assessed from the quoted market value for shares in listed companies or the underlying net assets for other non-listed corporations. The expected net cash flows from investments have not been discounted to their present value in determining the recoverable amounts.

Dividends are brought to account in the profit and loss account when received.

Note 1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)

(g) Franchise fee

The Franchise Fee is initially recorded at the amount, which the Franchisee paid the Franchisor. The Franchise Fee is amortised on a straight line basis over the life of the agreement which expires on 12 November 2007. The balance is reviewed annually and any balance representing future benefits for which the realisation is considered to be no longer probable is written off.

(h) Employee entitlements

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

The Company contributes to a superannuation fund as required by law. Contributions are charged against income as they are made.

(i) Cash

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in at call deposits with banks or financial institutions and investments in money market instruments maturing within less than two months, net of bank overdrafts.

(j) Comparative figures

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

(k) Payables

Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods, or services received, whether or not billed to the Company. Trade accounts payable are normally settled within 60 days.

(I) Receivables

Trade debtors

The Bendigo Bank Limited is the Company's only trade debtor. Accounts are settled every 30 days and no provision has been made for any portion of the amount due to be doubtful.

(m) 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 Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense.

Note 1: Statement of accounting policies (continued)

(m) Goods and services tax (continued)

Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows rising from investing and financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are classified as operating cash flows.

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Note 2. Revenue		
Operating activities:		
Franchise income	1,831,684	1,512,270
Interest revenue	29,706	29,744
Other operating revenue:		
- Other income	-	-
Total revenue from ordinary activities	1,861,390	1,542,014

Note 3. Profit from ordinary activities

Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax has been determined after:

Charging as expense:			
Amortisation of non-current assets:			
- Franchise fee	8,510	24,830	
- Leased assets	3,122	3,122	
Total amortisation expenses	11,632	27,952	
Bad and doubtful debts	35,703	6,556	
Interest paid	19,451	19,415	
Depreciation of non-current assets:			
- Plant and equipment	38,394	33,516	

	2007 \$	2006 \$
Note 4. Auditors' remuneration		
Remuneration of the Auditor of the Company for:		
Audit Services	9,102	11,040
Other services	nil	nil
	9,102	11,040

Note 5. Income tax

The prima facie tax payable on operating profit is reconciled to the income tax provided in the accounts as follows:

Operating profit/(loss) before income tax	315,433	285,222
Prima facie income tax payable on operating profit/(Loss) @ 30%	94,630	85,567
Add:		
Tax effect of:		
Fine	-	-
Amortisation of franchise fee	2,553	7,449
Capital works deduction	(569)	(569)
Income tax expense/(revenue) attributable to ordinary activities	96,614	92,447

Note 6. Cash assets

Bank accounts:

	927,132	664,169
- Cash on hand	690	292
- Term deposits	628,016	451,569
- Share offer account	5,341	(200)
- Cash at bank	293,085	212,508

Note 7. Receivables

Current

Trade debtors	173,838	150,107	

	2007	2006
	\$	\$
Note 8. Other assets		
Current		
Prepayments	10,008	8,019
Other debtors	-	-
	10,008	8,019
Note 9. Property, furniture and equipmen	nt	
Land and buildings:	ic	
- At cost	429,000	429,000
	429,000	429,000
Furniture and equipment:		
- At cost	552,383	552,383
- Less accumulated depreciation	(225,045)	(186,651)
	327,338	365,732
Leased assets:		
- At cost	15,615	15,615
- Less accumulated amortisation	(15,451)	(12,329)
	164	3,286
	756,502	798,018
Note 10. Earnings per share		
Earnings used to calculate basic EPS	218,819	192,775
Number of ordinary shares used to calculate basic EPS	1,403,133	1,002,508
Note 11. Deferred tax assets		
Deferred Tax asset	(37,798)	(38,219)
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The deferred tax asset is made up of the following estimated tax benefits:		
The deferred tax asset is made up of the following	(37,798)	(38,219)

	2007 \$	2006 \$
Note 12. Intangibles		
Franchise fee:		
- At cost	60,000	124,151
- Less accumulated amortisation	(5,000)	(116,474)
	55,000	7,677
Note 13. Payables		
Unsecured:		
- Trade creditors	85,941	97,832
- Other creditors and accruals	49,844	19,400
- Other creditors and accruals Total current liabilities	49,844 135,785	19,400 117,232
Total current liabilities Note 14. Interest-bearing liabilities Current		
		117,232
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Total current liabilities Note 14. Interest-bearing liabilities Current Lease liability Non-current Lease liability		117,232 6,948
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	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Note 15. Tax liabilities				
Current				
Current tax liability		(36,709)	(24,388)	
GST payable		23,240	4,513	
Amounts withheld from salary and wages		7,328	-	
		(6,141)	(19,875)	
Non-current				
Deferred tax liability		18,866	18,866	
Note 16. Provisions				
Dividend	22	129,240	102,667	
Employee entitlements		59,932	57,764	
		189,172	160,431	
Non-current				
Employee entitlements		89,360	79,305	
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Note 17. Issued capital

Number of employees at end of year

Aggregate employee entitlements liability

1,403,133 ordinary shares	1,130,008	980,008

149,292

13

137,069

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(2006 1,002,508 ordinary shares)

Ordinary shares participate in dividends and the proceeds on winding up of the Company in proportion to the number of shares held.

At shareholder meetings each member is entitled to one vote either when a poll is called, or otherwise each shareholder has one vote on a show of hands.

	Note	2007 \$	2006 \$	
Note 18. Related parties				
The following payments were made to related parties of the financial year. All transactions are on normal com- terms unless otherwise stated.	Ü			
Bannister Glen Pty Ltd, of which Mr H. Da Silva is a Di rental of the Altona premises. Bannister Glen Pty Ltd complied with a repayment schedule with the Company	has not			
the amount owed towards the fitout of the premises.		37,887	31,046	
So 'n' So's Pty Ltd for office catering of which				
Mr Michael Boyd is a Director		1,648	684	
Sanctuary Lakes Corporate Wear for the provision of s	ponsorship			
materials in which Mr Bruce Cahoon is the proprietor.		6,340	7,308	
Note 19. Dividends				
Provision for fully franked ordinary dividend of				
1,403,133 @ 9 cents per share (2006: 1,002,508				
@ 10 cents per share)	17	126,282	102,500	
Unclaimed Dividends		2,958	167	
		129,240	102,667	

Note 20. Segment information

The Company operates predominantly in the financial services sector within Australia.

Directors' declaration

The Directors of the Company declare that:

- 1. The financial statements, notes and cashflow statement.
 - (a) comply with Accounting Standards and the Corporations Law; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2007 and performance for the year ended on that date of the Company
- 2. The Chairman and Treasurer have each declared that:
 - a) the financial records of the Company for the financial year have been properly maintained in accordance with section 286 of the Corporation Act 2001;
 - b) the financial statements and notes for the financial year comply with the Accounting Standards; and
 - c) the financial statements and notes for the financial year give true and fair view.
- 3. In the Directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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

Henry DaSilva

Director

Michael Stephen Pernar

Director

Dated 27 September 2007.

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

HOBSON'S BAY COMMUNITY FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD A. B. N. 39 091 661 166 INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF HOBSON'S BAY COMMUNITY FINANCIAL ERVICES LTD

Scope

We have audited the financial report of Hobson's Bay Community Financial Services Ltd which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2007, the income statement and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the director's declaration of the company.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Corporations Act 2001*. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free form material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In Note 1, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101: Presentation of Financial Statements, that compliance with the Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies with IFRS.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making these risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the company's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

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Auditor's Opinion on the financial report

In our opinion:

- a. the financial report of Hobson's Bay Community Financial Services Ltd is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30th June 2007 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
 - complying with the Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001.
- the financial report also complies with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 1.

Auditor's opinion on AASB 124 remuneration disclosures contained in the Directors report

In our opinion, the remuneration disclosures that are contained in the remuneration report in the Directors' report comply with Australian Accounting Standard AASB 124 Related Party Disclosures.

Armstrong Partners

David Armstrong

Partner

Chartered Accountants

Melbourne, 28 September 2007

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Substantial shareholders

Twe	nty largest shareholders	Ordinary shares	
1.	Altona Sports Club	118,750	
2.	Tino Ballan	60,550	
3.	Fairlie Family Superannuation Fund	59,063	
4.	Alfred William Pelns	56,250	
5.	LJD Carpet Cleaning Super Fund	40,938	
6.	Donald John Hallam	31,875	
7.	Laverton Community Centre	26,250	
8.	Frank Porter	22,688	
9.	Felicity Reid	20,625	
10.	Schembri Corporate Investments	20,000	
11.	Olive May Dawson	19,688	
12.	J & A Belani	19,688	
13.	J Belani Pty Ltd	19,688	
14.	Alexander Boicos	18,750	
15.	KA BE Engineering & Design Super Fund	15,000	
16.	Vivienne Marie Avison	13,125	
17.	Laverton Medical centre	13,125	
18.	Isobel Oldfield	13,125	
19.	Gary Avison	13,125	
20.	J & G Tullio	12,525	

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Distribution of shareholders

The number of shareholders by size of holding is:

Ordinary shares		
Number of Numl	Number of	
holders	shares	
287	139,439	
190	401,463	
25	174,529	
24	568,952	
1	118,750	
527	1,403,133	
	Number of holders 287 190 25 24	Number of holders Number of shares 287 139,439 190 401,463 25 174,529 24 568,952 1 118,750

There are 109 shareholders holding less than a marketable parcel of shares (500).

Location of share register

The share register is located at :

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