



Annual Report

July 2022 – June 2023



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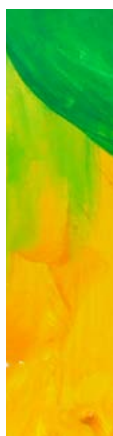
Watsonia Neighbourhood House acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as traditional owners of this land and we welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to our centre.





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About Watsonia Neighbourhood House

Watsonia Neighbourhood House has been bringing local people together since 1990. We are a grassroots, not-for-profit incorporated association and registered charity. We build capacity in our community by providing resources, services, safe spaces and opportunities that empower individuals and groups, enhance skills and knowledge, foster community engagement and participation, provide support and advocacy, and create a sense of belonging.

We deliver inclusive social, educational and support activities to families and people of all ages, as well as vulnerable and disadvantaged groups. We also provide food relief, free tax preparation service, free child car restraint fittings, a volunteer program, weekly community lunches, daily drop-in sessions, access to free Wi-Fi and laundry facilities, device/tablet loaning and referral pathways to other professional supports. We have a community garden that is open to the public all year round.

Watsonia Neighbourhood House is governed by a volunteer Committee of Governance and run by paid staff with assistance from volunteers.

The vision for Watsonia Neighbourhood House

Our Vision

An inclusive, connected community that works together to create a healthier, fairer and more sustainable future.

Our Mission

Watsonia Neighbourhood House is a safe, welcoming and inclusive community where strengths are cultivated, lifelong learning and sharing is fostered, and people are empowered to thrive.

Our Core values

The core values that inform our work are:



Strengths-based community development framework

We operate on a strengths-based community development model of practice. We bring people together, harness existing strengths and develop our community's capacity to identify and address common issues and priorities. We support our community to be resilient and connected through social, educational, recreational and support activities.

Community development is about enabling communities to identify and address their own needs. It starts from the assumption that communities have existing strengths and assets that make them part of the solution. Community development practice is about doing with, rather than doing for.

Our Key Strategic Directions and focus areas



Key direction 1: Building community resilience and connections

- Create opportunities for community participation and connection
 - Provide skills development and capacity building opportunities
 - Support health and well being
 - Encourage greater inclusion and social cohesion in our community
 - Empower community to address issues and priorities
 - Create a safe and welcoming place
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Key direction 2: Environmental stewardship

- Embed responsible use of resource and sustainable practices
 - Provide education relating to environmentally sustainable practices for the community
 - Respecting and promoting traditional custodianship
 - Provide opportunities for individuals to connect with nature
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Key direction 3: Organisational capacity and sustainability

- Be a responsible and equitable employer, providing a satisfying working environment
 - Formalise professional development and succession planning for the sustainability of the organisation
 - Encourage a positive and inclusive organisational culture
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Key direction 4: Partnerships

- Establish new strategic partnerships
 - Strengthen our existing partnerships
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Key direction 5: Innovation and continuous improvement

- Embed continuous improvement and best practice across the organisation
 - Capture, measure and evaluate the impact of our work
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What our Community have told us

In November 2022, we conducted a consultation to determine community priorities, find out what community means to our locals and how we can address barriers to participation. We used this feedback to inform our strategic and program planning.

What activities are important to you?

73% Connecting with others

66% Learning new skills

53% Creativity, art and culture

47% Friendship

What would make it easier for you to participate?

44% A wider variety of programs

40% More one off events

36% Open in the evenings

34% Open at the weekend

What are important issues in our community?

65% Health and well being

60% Loneliness/social isolation

55% Sustainability/climate action

38% Food security

27% Family violence

What are the most important services provided by WNH?

63% Education and life skills

63% Social inclusion activities

57% Community pantry /food relief

55% Health and wellbeing activities

What does Watsonia Neighbourhood House mean to you?

So important to me for friendship, walking, and well-being.

Great place for the community to meet, learn and help others.

Helps me learn new skills and hobbies in an affordable manner and helps me feel part of the community. I get out of the house and meet new people while also learning new skills.

It's important to have a safe place for people to gather and be together – community spaces for are essential for the health and well-being of the community, we are not meant to be alone. It brings people together.

President's report

Welcome to the Watsonia Neighbourhood House Annual Report for 2022 to 2023.

This year, following significant consultation between Banyule City Council and local neighbourhood houses, we were pleased to sign on to a new Partnership Framework. We consulted with Council on the Resilient Banyule, and Urban Food Strategies, and we took part in the Watsonia Town Square Consultation Group. We also collaborated with Banyule Youth Services.

Our team have reviewed the results of our latest community survey to ensure that our current strategic plan continues to align with community priorities. We thank everyone who participated in this process, and — as always — we were pleased to hear such great feedback about what our neighbourhood house means to you.

Another measure of our work is the annual Community Value Report, administered by Neighbourhood Houses Victoria. I encourage you to look at some of the data included in this annual report. This data demonstrates our exceptional value for money, which is important to our stakeholders and funding bodies.

A key focus this year has been a review of our governing policies, particularly aligning these with the updated Child Safe Standards introduced in 2022. Watsonia Neighbourhood House is committed to protecting children and young people from harm and abuse.

We have a very collaborative Committee of Governance at Watsonia Neighbourhood House, and I'd like to thank all our Committee members for their valuable contributions this year. We thanked Kath Creagh for her service this year, and we welcomed new board members Gina Wittingslow and Callum Shaw. We also recently welcomed Elizabeth Townson.

I'd also like to thank the Rotary Club of Bundoora who are valued supporters of our food relief program. Their regular support makes life easier for the amazing volunteers who operate our weekly community lunch.

My sincere thanks to Lucie and the WNH team for their wonderful work this year. The team works tirelessly behind the scenes to create opportunities for our community to enrich their lives through connections they might not otherwise make. Sometimes, it seems like activities and events 'just happen' — but of course, this is only possible because the team puts such careful thought and thorough planning into everything they deliver. Congratulations on another fantastic year!

Finally, thank you to our partners for your continued support this year. Your contribution has enormous impact on the lives of people in our community.

Sally O'Meara

President





Manager's report

This year we embarked on a journey of renewal, reconnecting with our local community, upgrading our community spaces, forging stronger partnerships, and introducing innovative programs.

I am very proud of Watsonia Neighbourhood House's adaptability and responsiveness to the changing needs of the community. By actively engaging with the community through our daily conversations and personal interactions, as well as more formal processes such as our feedback forms, annual community consultations, and program evaluations, we stay informed about the challenges and priorities of local people. We are then able to respond effectively through our programs, supports and services.

Our commitment to inclusivity has been enhanced with our staff undergoing specialised training in Aboriginal Cultural Awareness, LGBTIQ+ inclusion, and disability inclusion. We are proud to share that our commitment to creating a welcoming environment for all has resulted in us becoming an accredited Carer Friendly House.

As a small organisation, collaboration is a significant factor in our successes in building a connected and resilient community. We proactively form and maintain strong,

reciprocal partnerships with other local community groups, as well as all levels of government, support services and local businesses. We combine our resources and expertise strategically, leveraging significant value and collective positive impact to the community. Through partnerships we broaden our reach in the community, deepen our impact, and work innovatively. As an advocate for community interests, especially for our most vulnerable and disadvantaged people, we engage with Banyule City Council and have input into policies and strategies that impact our local community.

Our dedicated team of volunteer gardeners continue to nurture our green spaces with love and care. These outdoor areas have become vibrant hubs of communal activity, serving as the backdrop for shared meals, life skills workshops, food production, and recreational pursuits. Our garden is open to the public and a lovely spot to sit and enjoy the local bird life.

As we reflect upon the achievements of this year, I feel gratitude for the support of our community and partners. We will continue to build upon our successes and strengthen community connections.

Lucie Holden
Manager

Highlights

The Nook

In Spring 2022 we undertook some capital works and upgraded an under-utilised outdoor space into “The Nook.” We transformed an uneven and unsightly spot by removing an old shed and creating a wheelchair accessible gathering area with decking and built-in seating. The Nook has become a popular space to sit and quietly enjoy our native community garden.



Food Sharing

Food sharing is the heartbeat of our commitment to fostering social inclusion and addressing food insecurity. In collaboration with Greenhills Neighbourhood House and the Banyule Food Collective, we distribute food donations through our Community Cupboard and food parcels. However, our impact transcends the tangible act of delivering sustenance; it resonates in the laughter and camaraderie that grace our weekly community lunches. These lunches, prepared by volunteers, provide social connections over a shared hot meal. This year alone, we've served over 800 hot meals and shared many birthday cakes, celebrating milestones in the lives of our valued community members. For us, food sharing is about building a community where people connect and develop meaningful friendships.



Our Team

This year marked both farewells and warm welcomes within our team. We said sad goodbyes to team members Stephanie Dallas and Beth Ware, two talented women who contributed significantly to our community. Stephanie is taking next steps in her career as the Manager at Allwood Neighbourhood House in Hurstbridge. Meanwhile, Beth is putting the finishing touches on her master's degree in Occupational Therapy. We wish them great success on their chosen career paths.

In the spirit of continuity and growth, we extend a warm welcome to our new team members, Kylie Loy and Tassia Moniz. Tassia has already taken the reins in developing our workshops and activities, steering our program in new directions. Our program has never been busier with sell-out sessions in our popular life skills and sustainable living workshops. Kylie has lent her creativity to our online presence and the development of promotional materials, breathing new life into our communications and social media.

Together, with the our manager, Lucie Holden, and the tireless dedication of our fabulous volunteers, our team is working towards the shared vision of building an inclusive community where individuals feel not only supported but deeply connected.



Highlights

Celebrations

We've got a lot to celebrate here at Watsonia Neighbourhood House.

To celebrate Neighbourhood House Week 2023, we screened a festival of short films titled "Fantastic Flicks" in partnership with Focus on Ability Film Festival and VALID. This event showcased stories that challenge perceptions about the lives and abilities of people with disability.

On International Women's Day, we organised an outdoor screening of the empowering documentary "Embrace". Our community garden at dusk under the gum trees, created a magical atmosphere which we shared with women from our community.

For International Day of People with Disability we partnered with the Banyule Darebin Peer Action Group and invited several authors from the anthology 'Growing up Disabled in Australia' to talk about their work and share their thoughts on inclusion and belonging. The event was introduced by Kate Thwaites MP, federal member for Jagajaga.



Banyule Charity Knitting Group

The Banyule Charity Knitting group meets at Watsonia Neighbourhood House once a month and provides knitted garments and blankets to a range of charities including Aussies Knitting for War Affected Kids. In August, there was a big push to get items ready for shipping to Syria in time for winter. The group rose to the challenge and were able to make a generous donation of jumpers, hats and mittens within a few weeks. Other charities the group supports include St Mary's House of Welcome (in Brunswick), Treasured Babies who request very small delicate knitted items, and Vinnies Soup Van.





Banyule Darebin Peer Action Group

The Banyule Darebin Peer Action Group is facilitated by VALID (peak advocacy organisation representing adults with intellectual disability) in partnership with Watsonia Neighbourhood House and Jika Jika Community Centre. We've organised and facilitated peer-led projects, and creating supportive spaces for individuals to share their experiences and insights. Our monthly meetings not only foster a sense of connection but have also become platforms for collective problem-solving, decision making, and sharing.

In March, we hosted a visit by Tania McInnes and Jethro Hepton from Advocacy WA, a community not-for-profit Western Australian agency, providing individual, systemic, and project-based advocacy services for people living in the Southwest of WA. We had a great discussion about the peer action group model and our partnership with VALID.

Airwaves Access is an ongoing project that produces podcasts that focuses on topics that matter to people with lived experience of disability and gives a voice to leaders in the community. The podcasts are broadcast on Plenty Valley FM and streamed by VALID. This year topics included local government's role in community access with an interview of Cr Elizabeth Nealy (Mayor of Banyule City Council), Why Stories Matter with input from VALID's online writers group, Patients' Rights with an interview of Wendy Benson from Australian Patients Association, and Inclusive Sports with an interview with members of the Northern Falcons Football Club.

Community Value



We provided in excess of \$860,210 of value to the community for 2022. We improved quality of life through social connection valued at \$475,664. This is based on data provided through the Neighbourhood House Survey 2022.

17 Volunteers supported us with 72 hours each week. Valued at \$152,571



Through our Community Cupboard we distributed food relief and personal care items valued at \$32,978

504 hot meals per month valued at \$60,480



38 free tax returns for low income households

Our House is in active use for 58 hours per week



Our House is used by other groups and organisations for 259 hours per month



230 people visit us each week



We deliver 174 activities per term for over 396 hours



Our volunteer board members spend 22 hours per month on governance



3 part time staff members work a total of 65 hours per week (1.9 FTE)

We delivered 35 community development projects

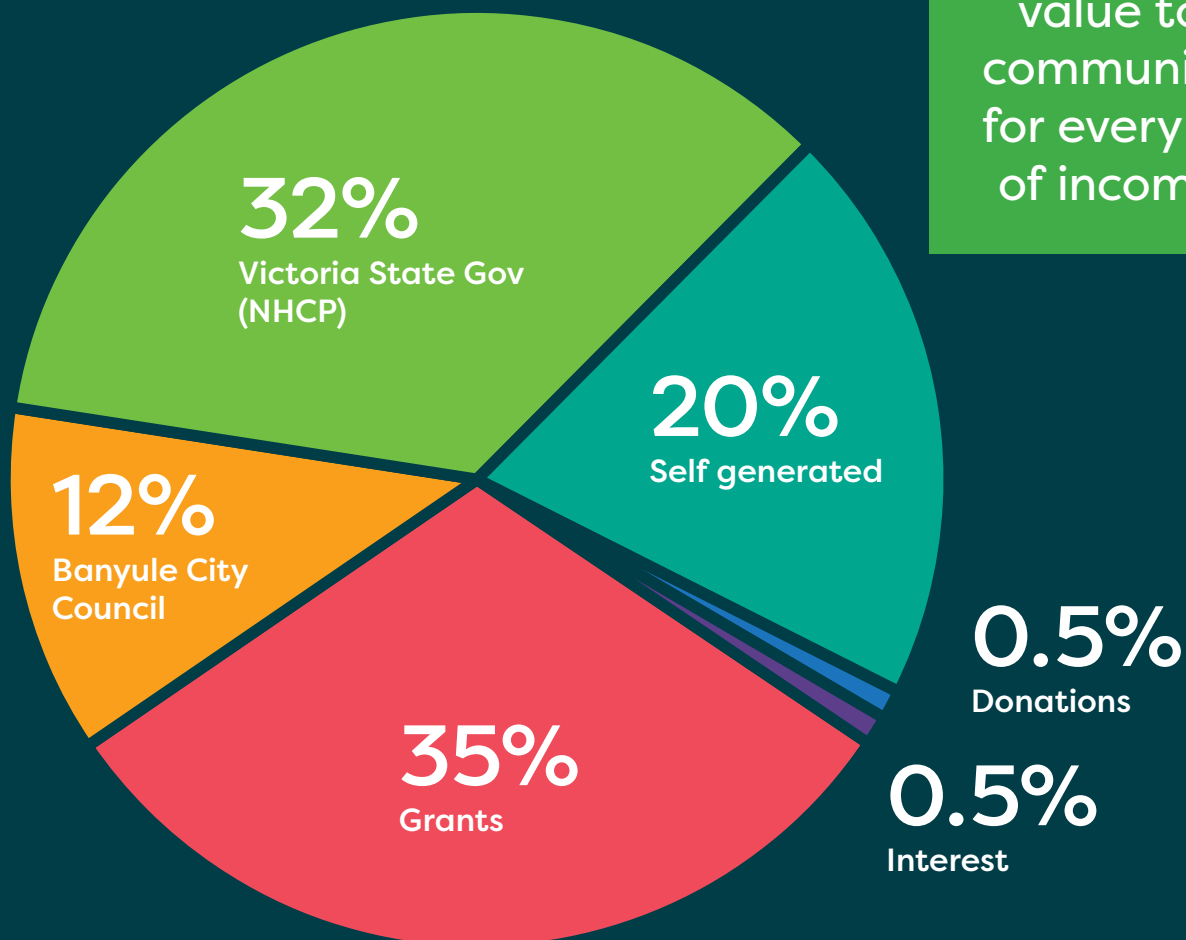


We made 12 funding applications



We provide \$3.20 value to community for every \$1 of income

Income sources



Treasurer's Report

Watsonia Neighbourhood House has recorded a net operating profit for six out of the last eight years. This year was one of those years where we did not make an operating profit and therefore had to use some of our accumulated reserves to complete important projects and restructure our staffing requirements.

This year was a normal year of operation, and for the first time in three years the budget figures were not compromised by health department lockdowns. Our fees income and room hire income returned to much higher levels. Two major project grants gave the total grants operational figure a significant boost. Lucie and the staff successfully implemented the Gambling Harm Prevention Program, and the Nook Project which made wonderful improvements to the House surrounds.

The Department of Families Fairness and Housing and Banyule City Council provided nearly 50% of our total income this year. We continue to be grateful to these two entities for their continuing support which enables us to implement valuable programs. Of course, we are always looking for additional funding as running Neighbourhood Houses costs continue to rise.

Watsonia Neighbourhood House expenses have risen substantially from last year. This is because we have returned to full operations. However, a few other things have contributed to higher expenses and thus a net operating loss. The House decided to fully implement the Nook project and completing it saw the House having to use some accumulated reserves to supplement the Jagajaga Stronger Community Grant and Banyule Council Capital Works Grant. The finished product made this a very worthwhile outlay.

Like most household budgets our budget has been affected with higher utility and insurance charges. In trying to assist disadvantaged families the food relief and meals provided has risen to much higher levels. Finally, we have had some increases in employment expenses as the normal programs resume and new projects and innovations are implemented.

Income for the year came in at \$287,563 and total expenses came in at \$300,360. This resulted in a net loss of \$12,798 which lowered our accumulated funds from \$89,732 to \$76,935.

Once again, I would like to thank all the Committee members, old and new, for continuing to be a caring, cohesive and supportive group. Thanks to Lucie Holden for her valued leadership and for being so involved in the House finances. The budget preparation Lucie does makes it a much more streamlined operation. I would like to thank Evan Butterworth for providing monthly figures and the annual figures.

I would like to thank Tassia and Kylie for the assistance they provide to Lucie and the House. They have made a valuable contribution to this year's operations.

The House remains in a strong financial position with a reasonably strong equity base.



Bob Reagan

Watsonia Neighbourhood Treasurer
2022-2023

Balance sheet

as at 30 June 2023

	NOTE	2023 \$	2022 \$
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	140,128	181,899
Accounts receivable and other debtors	4	7,088	14,931
Total current assets		147,216	196,830
Non-current assets			
Property, plant, equipment	5	-	-
Accounts receivable and other debtors	6	-	-
Total non-current assets		-	-
Total assets		147,216	196,830
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade creditors and other payables	7	39,683	75,853
Employee entitlements	8	17,643	18,389
Total current liabilities		57,326	94,242
Non-current liabilities			
Employee entitlements	8	12,956	12,856
Long-term borrowings	9	-	-
Total non-current liabilities		12,956	12,856
Total liabilities		70,282	107,098
NET ASSETS		76,935	89,732
Equity			
Retained surplus		76,935	89,732
Net worth		76,935	89,732

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

Income statement

as at 30 June 2023

INCOME	2023 \$	2022 \$
DHS NHCP Funding	93,718	89,596
City of Banyule — Neighbourhood House	35,000	31,000
Program Specific Grants	101,268	90,783
Fees Income	16,245	4,845
Group Income	2,205	2,411
Room Hire	36,675	18,610
Donations	1,382	295
Membership Fees	120	260
Interest Income	950	207
Covid Response Grants & Income	0	30,400
Other Grants	-	-
Total Income	287,563	268,407
Gross Profit	287,563	268,407
EXPENSE		
Advertising & Marketing	2,370	1,784
Auditing	1,700	1,500
Annual Leave & LSL Accrual	2,876	3,346
Bank Fees	303	287
Bookkeeping Fees	6,000	6,000
Computer Expenses	5,606	4,643
Course & Group Resources	724	881
Depreciation	-	-
Electricity, Gas & Water	3,053	2,527
Food Relief Provided	3,912	7,723
House Maintenance	717	2,641
House Supplies	1,185	3,439
Insurance	1,879	1,237
Office Supplies	1,143	3,302
Project Specific Expenses	44,052	12,003
Rent Expense	1,600	0
Staff & Volunteer Expenses	1,839	1,715
Staff Training	1,485	1,500
Subscriptions	1,880	756
Superannuation	19,056	17,414
Telephone & Internet	2,088	1,988
Wages & Salaries	194,467	184,353
Workers Compensation	2,425	1,555
Total Expenditure	300,360	260,594
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	-12,798	7,813

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Statement of changes in equity

as at 30 June 2023

	RETAINED SURPLUS \$	TOTAL \$
Balance at 1 July 2021	81,919	81,919
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	7,813	7,813
Balance at 30 June 2022	89,732	89,732
Balance at 1 July 2022	89,732	89,732
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	-12,798	-12,798
Balance at 30 June 2023	76,935	76,935

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Statement of cash flows

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	NOTE	2023 \$	2022 \$
CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from Grants and Other activities		323,116	257,912
Receipts from Interest		950	207
Payments to Suppliers & Employees		- 365,836	- 224,984
Net cash provided by operating activities	10(b)	- 41,770	33,135
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Net purchases from plant and equipment		-	-
Net cash provided by investing activities		-	-
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	-
Repayments of borrowings		-	-
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	-
NET CASH OUTFLOWS (INFLOWS)		- 41,770	33,135
NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		- 41,770	33,135
Cash at beginning of financial year		181,899	148,764
Cash at end of the financial year	10(a)	140,128	181,899

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Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

1. Statement of significant accounting policies

a) Statement of compliance

The committee has determined that the incorporated association is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. The financial report is a special purpose financial report which has been prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with following Australian 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 1031	Materiality
AASB 1048	Interpretation of Standards
AASB 1054	Australian Additional Disclosures

b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical cost and do not take into account changing money values except where specifically stated.

2. Statement of significant accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements.

c) 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.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairments losses. The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the committee members to ensure that it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets' employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets, excluding freehold land is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the association commencing from the time the asset is held ready to use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are:

Buildings	2%
Plant and equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	25%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

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

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains and losses are recognised immediately in profit and loss.

When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

a) Impairment

At each reporting date the committee assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement.

b) Income tax

The association is a not-for-profit organisation and is exempt from income tax under section 50-45 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits, held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities cash within three months.

d) Revenue

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

e) Inventory

Inventory held for sale are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

f) 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). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of an asset or as part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of GST.

g) Trade creditors and other payables

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

h) Grants

Grant revenue is recognised in the income statement when the entity receives the grant, when it is probable that the entity will receive the economic benefits of the grant and the amount can be reliably measured.

If the grant has conditions attached which must be satisfied before the entity is eligible to receive the grant, the recognition of the revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied. Where the entity incurs an obligation to deliver economic value back to the grant contributor, the transaction is considered a reciprocal transaction and the revenue is recognised as a liability in the balance sheet until the required service has been completed, otherwise the income is recognised on receipt.

The entity receives non-reciprocal contributions of assets from the government and other parties for a nominal or zero value. These assets are recognised at their fair value on the date of acquisition in the balance sheet, with an equivalent amount of income recognised in the income statement.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

i) Government Grants

Government grants received are recognised as revenue on a basis to match the recognition of revenue with costs incurred in the project. The design, development and trials that extend over more than one year period and revenue from the government grant has been recognised on a straight line basis over that grant period.

Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023 \$	2022 \$
3. Cash and cash equivalents		
Bendigo Bank	27,382	15,961
Bendigo Debit Mastercard	341	42
Bendigo Savings Acct	111,202	164,614
CBA Bank Account	4	4
Petty Cash	200	200
Cash Drawer	999	1,079
	140,128	181,899
4. Account receivables and other debtors		
Trade Receivables	5,535	13,193
Prepayments	1,553	1,737
Other Receivables	-	-
	7,088	14,931
5. Property, Plant, Equipment		
Furniture & Equipment at cost	26,772	26,772
Less Accumulated Depreciation	- 26,772	- 26,772
Total Office Furniture & Equipment	-	-
6. Account receivables and other debtors		
Other Receivables	-	-
	-	-
7. Trade and other payables		
Trade Creditors	2,238	2,654
Grants in Advance	33,146	59,954
GST Collected	2,409	3,335
GST Paid	- 874	- 1,102
Uncleared Cheques	-	-
Superannuation Payable	-	-
PAYG Withholding Payable	2,764	11,012
	39,683	75,853

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Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023 \$	2022 \$
8. Employee Entitlements		
CURRENT		
Annual leave	17,643	18,389
Total Current Employee Benefits	17,643	18,389
NON-CURRENT		
Long service leave	12,956	12,856
Total Non-current Employee Benefits	12,956	12,856
9. Long term borrowings		
Bank Loans	-	-
	-	-
10. Cash flow information		
Reconciliation of cash		
Cash at the end of financial year as shown in cash flow statement is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position:		
Cash and cash equivalents	140,128	181,899
a)	140,128	181,899
Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to surplus		
Surplus from ordinary activities	- 12,798	7,813
Non-cash flows in profit		
Depreciation	-	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Increase/(decrease) in receivables	7,843	- 10,288
Increase/(decrease) in inventories	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in payables	- 36,815	35,610
Net cash provided by operating activities b)	-41,770	33,135

11. Related parties

There were no related party transactions conducted during the year.

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To the members of Watsonia Neighbourhood House Incorporated.:

Report on the financial report

I have reviewed the accompanying financial report of Watsonia Neighbourhood House Incorporated. (the association) which comprises of the balance sheet as at 30 June 2023, the income statement, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the committee's report.

Committee's responsibility for the financial report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. The committee determines that the internal control is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the financial report based on my review. I have conducted my review in accordance with auditing standard on review engagements ASRE2415 in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the financial report is not presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. As the auditor of the association, ASRE2415 requires that I comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial report.

A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures.

A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable me to obtain assurance that I would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Conclusion

Based on my review, which is not an audit, I have not become aware of any matter that makes me believe that the financial report of the association is not in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards as referred to in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis of accounting and restriction on distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Watsonia Neighbourhood House Incorporated to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. As a result the report may not be suitable for another purpose.



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26th October 2023

Statement by Committee

In the opinion of the Members of the Committee of the Association,

1. The accompanying revenue statement is drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the Association's income for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.
2. The accompanying balance sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs for the Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.
3. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association can meet its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with the resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



Bob Regan
Treasurer



Sally O'Meara
President

Dated this 27 October 2023

Our Supporters

We would like to thank our supporters;



Banyule City Council for lease of our premises, annual funding, access to grants and working in partnership on projects and service delivery.



Victoria State Government for our recurrent Neighbourhood House Coordination Funding and Hon. Colin Brooks MP for his ongoing support.



Federal Government and Kate Thwaites MP for access to grants and her ongoing support.



North East Neighbourhood House Network and Julie Johnston for support, training and opportunities to collaborate with other member houses.



Food Collective through Diamond Valley Community Support, Greenhills Neighbourhood House and Reservoir Neighbourhood House for supporting us to source food and other emergency supplies for our Community Cupboard.



Rotary Club of Bundoora for donations of food and supporting the purchase of a new dishwasher.

Our fabulous team of volunteers who support us with daily tasks such as cleaning, gardening, social group facilitation, and cooking for community meals. Special thanks to our Committee of Governance members (Sally O'Meara, Bob Regan, Cheryl Findlay, Luke Nelson, Gina Wittingslow, Callum Shaw and Elizabeth Townson).



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