

Pathways to the future

ANNUAL REPORT 2024



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Who we are

Sandybeach Centre is a not for profit community co-operative centre that provides programs and services to the local Bayside community and beyond. The centre's staff and volunteers deliver adult education services, social support and connection programs and exercise/lifestyle programs. We also provide access to our facilities for community groups and local small businesses.

Mission

Sandybeach Centre is an inclusive organisation providing programs and services that enrich the quality of life for our diverse community.

Vision

Sandybeach will be the place to meet, connect, learn and have fun.

Values

Respect, Integrity and Honesty, Care, Collaborative and Inclusive.

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Bunurong and Boowurrung people of the Kulin Nations who are the Traditional Owners of the land on which we connect, create and play.



Our Board



(L-R) Sue Coburn, Stephen Hay, Paula Appelhans, Cameron Gregson, Rajah Ramanathan, Peter Bean, Hilary Buxton Absent: Ian Cochrane

CHAIRPERSON

Rajah Ramanathan

DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

Peter Bean

FINANCE DIRECTOR

Stephen Hay (Retired June 2024)

SECRETARY

Paula Appelhans (Retired December 2024)

GENERAL MEMBERS

Cameron Gregson (Retired October 2024), Sue Coburn, Hilary Buxton, Ian Cochrane (Joined December 2024)

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CEO and Board Chair Report March 2024

It is our great pleasure to provide the combined CEO and Chairperson report for the year 2024.

2024 continued the flavour of the previous year with further challenges and change. A year of frustration compounded by the impacts of cost of living pressures, funding and employment cost increases and reduction in funding across the sector.

However, as in the tradition of Sandybeach the energy and buzz continued as we moved into our 42nd year of operation. The partnership with The Green Boat to explore the current needs and future state for the centre whilst momentarily deferred, shows a strong commitment to our strategic goals of strength and sustainability. This led to some re-organisation in our staffing structure to set the foundation for our future.

Again, it was such a pleasure to see so many familiar faces return to the centre programs, to celebrate, surround the centre with lots of laughter and supportive conversations.

Community Bank Sandringham and Community Enterprise Foundation Bendigo Bank continue their incredible and unwavering support of our transport program and provision of a massive funding of a new EV Bus. We thank Matthew Gallop and his Board for the unwavering support. (See article on page 9)

During the year we continued our participation in a wide variety of community events including a Volunteer Celebratory Dinner, Neighbourhood House Week, Bayside Seniors Festival, R U OK Day and Carers lunches and lots more. The incredible Intergenerational project called PADSIP, in conjunction with RMIT and Sandringham College won the Australian Institute of Intergenerational Practice -2024 Young Persons Program.

Our partnership with Village Zero saw the inaugural Sandy Eco Expo which we look forward to continuing to make it ever bigger and better in 2025. This ensures our strong commitment to sustainability and being an integral and inclusive part of the Sandringham community. Combine this with solar panels, upgrade to our inefficient airconditioners and added extra battery storage in our quest to contribute to a cleaner environment and reduce our operating costs as an organisation.



We love the displays of all great artworks from our participants and have received so much positive feedback from our broader community about the impact this has had in communicating what we do as an organisation and making people feel welcome.

The ongoing success of the centre would not have happened without the extraordinary commitment from our wonderful and dedicated staff, stoic and generous volunteers and commitment of our Board members. We were sorry to farewell directors Stephen Hay, Cameron Gregson and Paula Applehans whose contributions were instrumental in guiding us from the shadows into the light during a particularly challenging year. We are humbled and grateful to work alongside such a committed, dedicated, and passionate team, helping our community thrive.

We are confident that we have turned the financial page and that 2025 will see us embark on a journey that will provide greater stability, growth and enable us to build a stronger foundation as we commence the path that will enable us to become a benchmark for the provision of integrated community services and achieve our aim to become the de-facto 'key community destination' for all of Bayside's residents.

We would like to thank our network of local neighbourhood houses for their continued support and will continue to seek ways for improving the collaborative efforts with our peers. By working together and advocating for the needs of our community, these partnerships will further strengthen our reach and impact and will broaden the scope of support we collectively can provide. We beseech you to join us.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our valued supporters, funders and donors for their generosity and commitment. A special thank you to Bayside Council for their ongoing collaboration and support.

As we professed last year, we have remained resilient and the message remains that Together, united in hope and strengthened by spirit, we will create a better community built on a foundation of compassion, kindness, integrity and care for each other, in harmony, spirit and ethos.

We look forward to embracing the opportunities ahead in 2025.

Chris Hill CEO and Rajah Ramanathan - Chairperson



Strategic Plan 2021-2025 Update

Growth

- Increased joint ventures and collaborations with other local community hubs
 e.g. Neighbourhood House Week,
 Intergenerational programs with Swinburne and Sandringham Secondary College.
- Continued work with Hampton East (Berendale) School.
- Developed our partnership with Sandy Traders on events and promotions.
- Continued support of Brighton Activation Group to support new residents in the New Street Estate.
- Developed Business plan from consultancy work with The Green Boat – start projects to renew/refresh building function.

Quality

- Continued monitoring and showed reduced incidents with mitigation strategies.
- Working from home continued to assist with family and other requirement opportunities.
- Maintained quality review and risk assessment processes across all program areas.
- Reviewed all programs to meet community needs and engaged with participants to assist with design.

Relevance

- Continued participation with other local services and providers e.g. Bayside Cluster Group, Sandbelt Group, Community Development Network, Community House Network Southern and Bayside Council.
- Strengthened our marketing via increased social media and measured engagement.
- Ensured alignment of activities with current Health and Wellbeing initiatives of Bayside council and internal research.

Sustainability

- Partnered with Village Zero to launch the inaugural Sandy Eco Expo, strengthening environmental partnerships and engaging the community in sustainable practices to reduce our collective impact.
- Supported local environmental initiatives and implemented waste reduction activities at the centre.
- Completed operational restructure to align with our business model for the next Strategic Plan.



Serving our Community The Statistics

694 OVER 65'S HOURS

OUTPUT: 486 enrolments

OUTCOME: Continue to enhance the quality of life for a seniors including vulnerable members of our community via social support, connection and other activities

1075 ALL ABILITIES PROGRAM HOURS

OUTPUT: 310 attendances at programs from individuals with various disabilities

OUTCOME: Developing independence, living and lifestyle skills plus social support and connection

189 LIFESTYLE PROGRAM HOURS

OUTPUT: 265 individuals involved in programs including health, exercise and the arts

OUTCOME: Increasing physical and mental health activities, whilst improving social connection

105 COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS

OUTPUT: 105 consultation about developing and improving our programs

OUTCOME: Development of plan for sustainability of Sandybeach and improving/ evaluating our programs to best meet community needs and expectations

24196 ADULT EDUCATION HOURS

OUTPUT: From 362 enrolments

OUTCOME: Assist participants to engage in learning and set foundations for future learning, volunteering and learning

5833 VOLUNTEER HOURS

OUTPUT: From 45 individuals

OUTCOME: Enriching their own lives and those of participants, whilst expanding opportunities for engagement and connection

2000 CARERS SUPPORT PROGRAM HOURS

OUTPUT: 100 carers supported **OUTCOME:** Reducing isolation and community connections via both structure and informal engagement



864 TRANSPORT HOURS

OUTPUT: 18,116 km – equivalent to 397 trips this year OUTCOME: Access to our programs and improve independence



Amazing Boost to our Transport Program

This year, the Community Enterprise Foundation of Bendigo Bank fully funded the purchase, branding, and connection of our electric bus. This is the second largest funded community project for the foundation. We're grateful to Matthew Gallop, Cait Eves from Community Bank Sandringham and Katrina Knight from the Community Enterprise Foundation - Bendigo Bank for their ongoing support. The bus supports our commitment to sustainability and reducing environmental impact, enabling us to transport over 3,000 people each year to our programs and excursions.

At Sandybeach, we know the journey is just as important as the destination. For seniors and vulnerable community members, our bus helps reduce social isolation by offering shared experiences and access to programs that promote physical, mental and emotional wellbeing. The service also bridges the gap for those in Bayside without reliable transport, ensuring they can participate in activities that support their overall health.



Powering a Greener Future

In our continuing commitment to sustainability, Sandybeach Centre has embraced many eco-friendly initiatives. We continue to generate power via our 54 solar panels and 3 storage batteries, which have made a significant impact on our running costs. This has contributed to substantial savings in the operation of our new EV bus, which strongly aligns with our vision for a greener future.

We were grateful for the opportunity to host the first Village Zero Sandy Eco Expo with over 40 partner groups and organisations. The major driver Village Zero co-ordinated an engaging day with hundreds of people attending the centre on the 11 May to learn about and participate in workshops regarding reuse, reduce, recycle and repurpose. Through the latter part of the year we had hosted days with the Council supported Roving Repair workshops and Share and Swap Group, contributing to our efforts to be more environmentally conscious.

Committed to environmental responsibility, we aim to serve our community while fostering long-term sustainability. Our strong ties with Village Zero and all the partner groups, Council, Share and Swap and Repair workshops continues to enhance our involvement in environmental initiatives. Looking ahead, we are excited to host another large Sandy Eco Expo in 2025.



Empowering All Abilities Celebrating Success Stories and Personal Growth



This year we have continued to build on the success of our popular All Abilities programs. Our person centred approach ensures we support each individual in exploring their goals, needs and interests. One of our many success stories is highlighted in this interview with Matthew Harrington.

How did you first hear about Sandybeach Centre?

I first connected with Sandybeach years ago when I was at school. I came here for cooking classes while attending St James College.

What programs are you currently participating in?

I'm currently in Art in Action with Heidi, she's a fantastic teacher.

How has coming to Sandybeach helped you?

The staff and participants are incredibly supportive especially during difficult times and they celebrate happy moments with me too.

What have you learned?

I've gained confidence and developed many new skills and techniques. Through art I've noticed improvements in my fine motor skills and my ability to focus on tasks. I enjoy creating intricate artwork with a touch of humour.

What do you enjoy outside of Sandybeach?

I love staying active, going to the gym and playing All Abilities Cricket. I also enjoy visiting interesting places like the warship in Williamstown, watching action films like Fast and Furious and seeing comedy shows including David Strassman.

Do you have a favourite memory from Sandybeach?

There are too many to choose from!

What are your future goals?

- Move out of home
- Travel overseas independently it would be amazing to build the confidence to do that
- Attend the Avalon Airshow
- Continue growing my independence



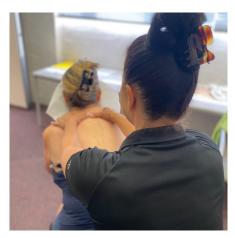
REACH and Carer Support 2024 Highlights

- Garden Lunch Club: A new respite program for REACH and STEP participants, combining independent living skills, arts, crafts and gardening. Lunch preparation was included and the program bridged into afternoon activities, allowing participants to enjoy a full day at the centre.
- Connections: Music and Movement for Wellbeing: With a grant from Bayside Council, we trialled this dance therapy program for seniors with age-related health challenges, including dementia. Based on our learnings, we partnered with Bayside Council's Arts and Culture team to develop an ongoing program tailored to individual needs. Open to both independent participants and those attending with a carer or support worker.
- Intergenerational Program: In Term 3, we partnered with Swinburne University's PADSIP team and Sandringham College for another successful program. Seniors and Year 12 students collaborated on Digital Storytelling projects under the theme Turning Points, supported by Sandringham Lions volunteers, who provided a weekly lunch.

- Young at Heart: Now running year round, this program fosters intergenerational engagement through storytelling and social activities, acting as a feeder program for PADSIP.
- Sandybeach Carers Support Group: Membership grew significantly, with carers increasingly seeing Sandybeach as their key support provider. A grant from Carers Victoria funded two additional events: Massages for Carers (now a regular offering) and a special end of year celebration.
- Strength Training: Now includes a home cooked lunch, creating a social aspect after exercise. The program's long time leader, Angel Parker, sadly passed away in July 2024 after 30 years of dedication to Sandybeach Centre.
- Music Alive: Continues as our most popular REACH program, delivering fantastic entertainment every week.
- Seniors Month: Record attendance this year, with two of our four events selling out: Jazz Beats & Sweet Treats with the Sullivan Family Trio and The Carpenters Tribute Band. A total of 166 additional seniors joined us, many visiting for the first time.



Afternoon Tea Dance



Massages for Carers



Seniors Month



A Pathway to a Brighter Future with REACH



Our REACH Social Support Groups, funded by the Commonwealth Home Support Program, help older adults with age-related health conditions stay connected. We offer a variety of activities tailored to participants' needs and abilities, with many programs also providing much needed respite for carers.

Ruth shares how Sandybeach Centre supported her through challenging times while caring for her husband, helping her find strength, hope and a reason to keep going each day.

How long have you been attending Sandybeach Centre?

I've been attending Sandybeach for seven years since 2018. Now I attend three programs across two days a week.

What programs are you currently attending?

I attend Young at Heart, Music Alive and Friday Social Club. I have also been involved in several PADSIP (Intergenerational) programs, which run for one term each year.

What first brought you to the Centre?

I was caring for my husband Frank, who had dementia and he started attending a Sandybeach music program to give me some respite from my caring role. He enjoyed the program so much.

Due to the demands of my caring role, I was feeling really isolated and needed company and a reason to get out of the house, so I decided to come along to the music program with him. We both loved the music.

How has Sandybeach Centre helped you reach your goals and overcome challenges?

Since joining Sandybeach programs, I feel stronger and more confident. It's helped me come out of my shell, express myself better and positively impact my relationships. My kids now see the real me and call me strong.

Do you have a significant event you remember at Sandybeach?

Not one single event, but I am really enjoying the Young at Heart program led by Lisa Smith. This program stimulates my brain and helps me feel connected to others and the wider world. The group is so supportive of each other.

What is your favourite thing about Sandybeach Centre?

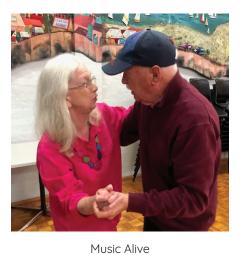
I'm grateful for the amazing staff and volunteers, especially Angel Parker, who passed away in 2024. She made me feel truly cared for and will always be my 'angel.' Also, Tony, our bus driver, who is kind and patient.

I love the variety of programs I attend, each offering something special, from music and stimulating conversations to new friendships with wonderful people.



Capturing Moments







Roving Repairs

All Abilities Expressive Arts



All Abilities Garden Club

Social Club



Kingston Services Expo



Massage for Carers



Music Alive



Social Club



Our Supporters and Funding Partners

We thank the following people, organisations and Government departments who in 2024 provided support to Sandybeach Centre through in-kind contributions, donations and grants. This support has enabled Sandybeach to better meet the needs of our local community. We sincerely appreciate your support.

- BayCISS
- Bayside Council
- Bendigo Bank Foundation
- Brad Rowswell MP
- Brighton Recreation Centre
- Castlefield Community Centre
- Cheltenham Community Centre
- City of Kingston
- Community Bank Sandringham
- David Lewis
- Department of Families Fairness and Housing
- Department of Health
- Department of Social Services

- Deptartment Jobs Skills Industry and Regions
- Hampton Community Centre
- Highett Neighbourhood Community House
- Lions Club Sandringham
- Marshall White Real Estate Sandringham
- Sandringham Lions Club
- Sandringham Secondary College
- Sandy Street Art Project
- Sandy Traders
- Southern Star Coaches
- Swinburne University
- Village Zero
- Zoe Daniels MP

Our Rental Groups

- Bayside Seido Karate
- First Step Solutions

- Share and Swap
- Village Zero





Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care



Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions

Sandringham

Community Bank® Branch

🕑 Bendigo Bank

Australian Government

Department of Social Services





Australian Government Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources



Families, Fairness and Housing

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Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

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Directors' Report For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Your Directors submit the financial statements of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd ("the Co-operative") for the financial period ended 31 December 2024.

Directors

The names of Directors at the date of this report and for the full year unless indicated otherwise are:

Rajah Ramanathan Cameron Gregson (resigned 27/10/2024) Peter Bean Sue Coburn Stephen Hay (resigned 26/06/2024) Paula Appelhans (resigned 17/12/2024) Hilary Buxton (appointed 28/02/2024) Ian Cochrane (appointed 17/12/2024)

Principle Activities

The principal activities of the Co-operative during the financial year were the fostering of post-compulsory education, training and employment within the community and better adapting of post-compulsory education and training to community needs.

Operating Result

The loss for the year amounted to \$236,996 (2023: loss \$184,755).

Significant Changes and State of Affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Co-operative other than those referred to in the accounts and notes thereto.

Matters Arising Since the End of the Financial Year

Since the end of the financial year, no matters or circumstances have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Co-operative, the result of its operations or the state of affairs of the Co-operative in future financial years.

Dividends

The Co-operative's Constitution precludes it from paying dividends to its members. Surplus funds are to be applied in the promotion of the Co-operative's objectives.

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Directors' Report (Continued)

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Directors' Benefits

Since the end of the previous financial year no Directors of the Co-operative have received or become entitled to receive a benefit, other than a benefit included in the aggregate amount of emoluments received or due and receivable by Directors as shown in the financial statements.

Directors' & Auditor's Indemnification

The Co-operative has not, during or since the end of the financial year, in respect of any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Co-operative or a related body corporate, indemnified or made any relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability incurred as an officer, including costs and expenses in successfully defending legal proceedings.

All Directors of the Co-operative are covered by a Directors and Officers liability insurance policy. Due to a confidentiality clause in the policy, the Co-operative is unable to disclose the nature of these liabilities and the amount of premiums paid.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 can be found on page 4 following this report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:

Rajah Ramanathan Chair

Dated this 5th day of March 2025

Hilary Buxton Board Member

ABN: 39 853 867 516

Directors' Declaration For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

In the directors' opinion:

- the Co-operative is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. Accordingly, as described in note 1 to the financial statements, the attached special purpose financial statements have been prepared for the purposes of complying with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 requirements to prepare and distribute financial statements to the members of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd.
- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the Accounting Standards as described in note 1 to the financial statements and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the Co-operative's financial position as at 31 December 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Co-operative will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors

On behalf of the directors

Rajah Ramanathan Chair

Dated this 5th day of March 2025

Hilary Buxton Board Member

ABN: 39 853 867 516



Certified Practising Accountant, Authorised Audit Company ABN: 89 154 680 190

Auditor's Independence Declaration

To the Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd,

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012, as lead auditor for the audit of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2024, we declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, there have been:

- i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit, and;
- ii) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Dated at Frankston on the 5th day of March 202

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Continuing Operations			
Revenue Grants revenue Local revenue Total Revenue	3(a) 3(b)	942,653 269,070 1,211,723	915,978 224,962 1,140,940
Less Expenses Advertising and promotion expenses Depreciation and amortisation Employee benefits expenses Grant & program delivery costs Occupancy expenses Office and administration expenses Professional fees Other Expenses Total Expenses		186 45,991 1,202,825 4,502 632 187,118 6,550 915 1,448,719	433 38,802 1,060,579 5,517 603 211,587 5,850 2,324 1,325,695
Operating Profit / (Loss) From Continuing Operations		(236,996)	(184,755)
Other Comprehensive Income			
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		-	-
Total Comprehensive Income / (Loss)		(236,996)	(184,755)

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Statement of Financial Position

As At 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4	115, 102	572,392
Trade and Other Receivables	5	2,056	3,023
Other Assets	6	17,700	13,148
Total Current Assets		134,858	588,563
Non-Current Assets			
Financial Assets	7	2,000	2,000
Property, Plant & Equipment	8	1,318,244	1,257,590
Total Non-Current Assets		1,320,244	1,259,590
Total Assets		1,455,102	1,848,153
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	9	71,599	75,885
Provision for Employee Entitlements	10	117,606	134,233
Other Liabilities	11	44, 384	183,754
Total Current Liabilities		233,589	393,872
Non-Current Liabilities			
Provision for Employee Entitlements	10	18,507	14,278
Total Non-Current Liabilities		18,507	14,278
Total Liabilities		252,096	408,150
Net Assets		1,203,006	1,440,003
Equity			
Issued Capital	12	28	29
Reserves	13	721,233	721,233
Retained Earnings		481,745	718,741
Total Equity		1,203,006	1,440,003

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Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Equity			
Issued Capital			
Balance at the Beginning of the Financial Year		29	30
Issued Capital		-	-
Capital redeemed (membership cancelled)		(1)	(1)
Balance at the End of the Financial Year		28	29
Reserves			
Balance at the Beginning of the Financial Year		721,233	721,233
Other Comprehensive Income		-	-
Balance at the End of the Financial Year		721,233	721,233
Retained Earnings			
Balance at the Beginning of the Financial Year		718,741	903,496
Profit / (Loss) From Continuing Operations		(236,996)	(184,755)
Balance at the End of the Financial Year		481,745	718,741
Total Equity		1,203,006	1,440,003

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities Receipts from donors, funding agencies and other so Payments to suppliers and employees Interest Received Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities	urces 15	1,204,788 (1,563,334) 7,902 (350,644)	1,231,716 (1,235,277) 15,502 11,941
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Payment for property, plant & equipment Net cash provided by / (used in) investing activities		(106,645) (106,645)	(78,641) (78,641)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities Proceeds from issues of shares Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities		(1)	(1)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(457,290)	(66,701)
Cash at the beginning of the year		572,392	639,093
Cash at the end of the year	4	115, 102	572,392

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Note 1: Material Accounting Policy Information

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

New or Amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations Adopted

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

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

Basis of Preparation

In the Directors' opinion, the Co-operative is not a reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements.

These are special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*. The Directors have determined that the accounting policies adopted are appropriate to meet the needs of the members of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements specified by the Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101: *Presentation of Financial Statements*, AASB 107: *Statement of Cash Flows*, AASB 108: *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*, AASB: 1048: *Interpretations of Standards* and AASB 1054: *Australian Additional Disclosures*, as appropriate for not-for-profit oriented entities.

Historical cost convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Co-operative's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in Note 2.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Note 1: Material Accounting Policy Information (Continued)

a) Income Tax

The Co-operative is exempt under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 as a non-profit organisation. As such, no allowance has been made for Income Tax.

b) Comparative Figures

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

c) Cash and Cash Equivalents

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

d) Trade and Other Receivables

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors in the ordinary course of business. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

e) Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are brought to account at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and any impairment in value. The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment is reviewed annually to ensure 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 which will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

The carrying values of plant and equipment are also reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable. If any impairment exists, the assets are written down to their recoverable amount and the loss recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings are depreciated over their useful lives commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Rates of depreciation vary between 2.5% p.a. and 40% p.a.

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).

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

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

g) Trade and Other Payables

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

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Note 1: Material Accounting Policy Information (Continued)

h) Employee Entitlements

Provision is made for the Co-operative's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. 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.

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. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may not satisfy any vesting requirements.

Those cash outflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cash flows.

i) Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Co-operative reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying amount. Any excess of the asset's carrying amount over its recoverable amount is recognised immediately in results from Continuing Operations.

Where the future economic benefits of the asset are not primarily dependent upon the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows and when the Co-operative would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of an asset. Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of a class of asset, the Co-operative estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Where an impairment loss on a revalued asset is identified, this is debited against the revaluation surplus in respect of the same class of asset to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that same class of asset.

j) Current and non-current classification

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

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

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

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Note 1: Material Accounting Policy Information (Continued)

k) Revenue and Other Income

Non-reciprocal grant revenue is recognised in profit or loss when the Co-operative obtains control of the grant, it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the Co-operative and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

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

When grant revenue is received whereby the Co-operative incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

The Co-operative receives non-reciprocal contributions of assets from the government and other parties for zero or a nominal value. These assets are recognised at fair value on the date of acquisition in the statement of financial position, with a corresponding amount of income recognised in profit or loss.

The Co-operative has elected to not apply AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* or AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-profit Entities* at this time.

Interest Income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

Other revenue

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

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

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Note 2: Critical Accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

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

a) Estimation of useful lives of assets

The Co-operative determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment and finite life intangible assets. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

b) Impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets

The Co-operative assesses impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Co-operative and to the particular asset that may lead to impairment. If an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. This involves fair value less costs of disposal or value-in-use calculations, which incorporate a number of key estimates and assumptions.

c) Employee benefits provision

As discussed in Note 1, the liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
Note 3: Revenue		
a. Grants revenue Grants revenue consists of the following: Adult, Community and Further Education Victorian DHHS and Federal Dept of Health City of Bayside Other grants income	230, 835 493, 208 70, 806 147, 804 942, 653	308,034 474,910 67,520 65,514 915,978
b. Local revenue Local revenue consists of the following: Course Fees Fundraising and Donations Interest Rent Sundries	235,965 1,121 7,902 13,038 11,044 269,070	194,921 777 15,502 12,443 1,319 224,962
Note 4: Cash and Cash Equivalents		
CURRENT Cash at Bank Petty Cash	114, 802 300 115, 102	572,092 300 572,392

Current liabilities of the Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd not recorded in the financial statements of the Co-operative were:

Scholarship Fund bank account balance of \$4,375 as at 31 December 2024 (2023: \$4,375) Building Fund bank account balance of \$3,760 as at 31 December 2024 (2023: \$3,460).

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
Note 5: Trade and Other Receivables		
CURRENT Trade Receivables	2,056	3,023 3,023

Provision for impairment of trade receivables

The Co-operative has assessed impairment indicators within its trade debtors' population. Current trade receivables are generally on 30 day terms. These receivables are assessed for recoverability and a provision for impairment is recognised when there is objective evidence that an individual trade receivable is impaired. These amounts (if any) have been included in other expense items. There is a Provision for Doubtful Debts at 31 December 2024 of \$Nil (31 December 2023: \$Nil).

Note 6: Other Assets

CURRENT Prepayments		17,700 17,700	13,148 13,148
Note 7: Financial Assets			
Sandringham Community Bank Shares		2,000	2,000 2,000
Note 8: Property, Plant & Equipment			
LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS: Land and Buildings (at Valuation) Less Accumulated Depreciation	Note 8(v)	1,320,000 (208,757) 1,111,243	1,320,000 (198,857) 1,121,143
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT: Plant and Equipment (at Valuation) Less Accumulated Depreciation		449,700 (337,680) 112,020	444,855 (308,408) 136,447
MOTOR VEHICLES: Motor Vehicles (at Cost) Less Accumulated Depreciation		141,759 (46,778) 94,981	95,345
Total Property, Plant & Equipment		1,318,244	1,257,590

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Note 8: Property, Plant & Equipment (Continued)

Movements in Carrying Amounts	Land and Buildings	Plant and Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
Balance at 1 January 2023	1, 131,043	86,708	-	1,217,751
Additions		77,351	-	77,351
Disposals	-	1,290	-	1,290
Depreciation Expense	(9,900)	(28,902)	-	(38,802)
Balance at 31 December 2023	1,121,143	136,447	-	1,257,590
Additions	-	4,845	101,800	106,645
Disposals	-	_	-	-
Depreciation Expense	(9,900)	(29,272)	(6,819)	(45,991)
Carrying amount at 31 December 2024	1,111,243	112,020	94,981	1,318,244

(i) Land and Buildings was revalued in 2008 with an increase of \$564,453 based on an independent valuation.

(ii) Plant and Equipment was revalued in 1999 resulting in an increase of \$92,098. All additions since then are at cost less accumulated depreciation, calculated to write off all items over their useful life. Plant and Equipment and accumulated depreciation were adjusted in 2006 and 2007 after asset counts, giving a net increase in the Asset Revaluation Reserve of \$64,682.

(iii) Items costing less than \$300 have been written off in these accounts.

(iv) The Co-operative has reviewed the carrying values of property, plant and equipment, and consider that they continue to be appropriately measured and reflect the remaining useful life and ongoing economic value to the Co-operative.

(v) As at 31 December 2024, the Directors valued the Land and Buildings at \$2,700,000 on the basis of Council valuation for rating purposes as at 1 July 2024. The Directors resolved not to bring this valuation to account in the books of the Co-operative.

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	2024 \$	2023 \$
Note 9: Trade and Other Payables		
CURRENT Trade Creditors Accrued Expenses GST and PAYG(W) Superannuation Payable Other Payables	6,032 7,276 28,579 29,193 519 71,599	6,192 6,827 33,947 28,269 650 75,885
Note 10: Provision for Employee Entitlements		
CURRENT Employee benefits Annual leave Long service leave Less Current PLSL Receivable	63,523 76,630 (22,547) 117,606	60, 160 94, 059 (19, 986) 134, 233
NON-CURRENT Employee benefits Long service leave Less Non-Current PLSL Receivable	65,389 (46,882) 18,507 136,113	55,663 (41,385) 14,278
Note 11: Other Liabilities		
CURRENT Grants received in advance Fees received in advance Fundraising Insurance Claim Proceeds Received	38,157 1,314 4,913 - 44,384	162, 499 8, 432 4, 913 7, 910 183, 754
Note 12: Share Capital		
ISSUED CAPITAL 29 (2024: 30) fully paid \$1 shares	28	29 29

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5,600

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Note 13: Reserves	2024 \$	2023 \$
Asset Revaluation Reserve	721,233 721,233	721,233

As per Notes 8 (i) and 8 (ii) above, Land and Buildings was revalued in 2008 with an increase of \$564,453 based on an independent valuation. Plant and Equipment was revalued in 1999 resulting in an increase of \$92,098. Plant and Equipment and accumulated depreciation were adjusted in 2006 and 2007 after asset counts, further increasing the Asset Revaluation Reserve by \$64,682.

Note 14: Auditor's Remuneration

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the Co-operative:

Audit services - Shepard Webster & O'Neill Audit Pty Ltd Audit of the financial statements

	6,000	5,600
Note 15: Cash Flow Information		
Reconciliation of Cash Flows from Operating Activities with Operating Profit / (Loss) From Continuing Operations		
Operating Profit / (Loss) From Continuing Operations	(236,996)	(184,755)
Non Cash Flows in Operating Profit: Depreciation	45,991	38,802
Changes in Assets and Liabilities: (Increase)/Decrease in Trade and Other Receivables (Increase)/Decrease in Other Assets Increase/(Decrease) in Trade and Other Payables Increase/(Decrease) in Provision for Employee Entitlements Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities Cash Flows from Operating Activities	967 (4,552) (4,286) (12,398) (139,370) (350,644)	(1,154) 62,424 (4,209) (18,820) <u>119,653</u> <u>11,941</u>

Note 16: Co-operative Details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Co-operative is:

Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd 2 Sims Street SANDRINGHAM VIC 3191

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Note 17: Material Uncertainty of Going Concern

The Co-operative's incurred a net loss of \$236,996 during the year ended 31 December 2024 and, as of that date, the Co-operative's total liabilities exceed its current assets by \$117,238 leading to material uncertainty regarding the organizations ability to continue as a going concern. The aforementioned material uncertainty however is expected to be mitigated as a result of the planned sale of the building, seeking PBI/DGR status to enhance grant income and an operational restructure aimed at cost reduction and improved efficiency.

Note 18: Events after the Reporting Period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Co-operative's operations, the results of those operations, or the Co-operative's state of affairs in future financial years.

There have been no material non-adjusting events after the reporting date, nor has any information been received about conditions at reporting date that have not been included in this report.

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Independent Auditor's Report To The Members Of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd ABN: 39 853 867 516

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd, which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2024, the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report gives a true and fair view of the financial position of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd as at 31 December 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and the requirements of the Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022*.

Basis for Opinion

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

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

Material Uncertainty Related to Going Concern

We draw attention to Note 17 in the financial report, which indicates that the Co-operative incurred a net loss of \$236,996 during the year ended 31 December 2024 and, as of that date, the Associations total liabilities exceeded its current assets by \$117,238.

As stated in Note 17, these events or conditions, along with other matters as set forth in Note 17, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the Co-operative to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012.* As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Directors of the Co-operative are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Co-operative's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2024, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.





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Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors of the Co-operative are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* and for such internal control as the Directors determines 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.

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

The Directors of the Co-operative are responsible for overseeing the Co-operative's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Co-operative's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Co-operative's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Co-operative to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



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We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Dated at Frankston on the 5th day of March 2025

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To the Board of Directors Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd ABN: 39 853 867 516

The additional financial data presented in the following pages is in accordance with the books and records of the operative which have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the Co-operative for the y ended 31 December 2024. It will be appreciated that our audit did not cover all details of the additional financial d Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on such financial data and no warranty of accuracy or reliability is giv Neither the company nor any member or employee of the firm undertakes responsibility in any way whatsoever to person in respect of such data, including any errors or omissions therein however caused.

Dated at Frankston on the 5th of March 2025

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David A Szepfalusy Director

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Scholarship Fund Financial Report

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash at bank on 1 January 2024	4,375	4,375
Donations received	-	-
Payments made	-	-
Cash at bank on 31 December 2024	4,375	4,375

Late in 2003, the Australian Tax Office gave approval for tax deductibility to donors of \$2 or more to a fund established by the Directors of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd to support vulnerable people accessing educational programs.

The above statement reflects the transactions of the fund from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

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Building Fund Financial Report

For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash at bank on 1 January 2024	3,460	3,260
Donations received	300	200
Payments made	-	-
Cash at bank on 31 December 2024	3,760	3,460

Late in 2003, the Australian Tax Office gave approval for tax deductibility to donors of \$2 or more to a fund established by the Directors of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd to assist the Centre in acquiring and developing it's premises.

The above statement reflects the transactions of the fund from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.



Mr David Szepfalusy C/- Shepard Webster & O'Neill Audit Pty Ltd Level 1, 31 Beach Street FRANKSTON VIC 3199

Dear David,

Re: SANDYBEACH COMMUNITY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audit of the financial report of Sandybeach Community Co-operative Society Ltd ("the Co-operative") for the year ended 31 December 2024, for the purpose of you expressing an opinion as to whether the financial report is, in all material respects, presented fairly in accordance with Accounting Standards in Australia and Australian Accounting Interpretations (and, when appropriate, relevant statutory and other requirements).

We acknowledge our responsibility for ensuring the financial report is in accordance with Accounting Standards and Australian Accounting Interpretations, and *Cooperatives National Law (Victoria)* and Regulations and *Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and Regulations, and confirm that the financial report is free of material misstatements, including omissions.

We confirm to the best of our knowledge and belief, the following representation made to you during your audit.

- 1. We have made available to you:
- (a) All financial records and related data, other information, explanations and assistance necessary for the conduct of the audit; and
- 2. There:
- (a) has been no fraud, error or non-compliance with laws and regulations involving management or employees who have a significant role in the internal control structure;
- (b) has been no fraud, error or non-compliance with laws and regulations that could have a material effect on the financial report; and



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- (c) have been no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices that could have a material effect on the financial report
- 3. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of internal control to prevent and detect error. We have established and maintained an adequate internal control structure to facilitate the preparation of reliable financial reports, and adequate financial records have been maintained. There are no material transactions that have not been properly recorded in the accounting records underlying the financial report.
- 4. We believe the effects of those uncorrected financial report misstatements aggregated by the auditor during the audit are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial report taken as a whole.
- We have no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying values, or classifications, or assets and liabilities.
- The Co-operative has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial report in the event of noncompliance.
- Except as disclosed in notes to the financial statements, no events have occurred subsequent to the reporting period end that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in, the financial report.
- 8. We have disclosed to the auditor all significant facts related to any frauds or suspected frauds known to management that may affect the Co-operative.
- There are no violations or possible violations of laws or regulations whose effects should be considered for disclosure in the financial report or as a basis for recording an expense.
- There were no defaults of principal, interest, sinking fund or redemption provisions with respect to any borrowings, credit arrangements or any breach of covenant of a related deed or agreements.
- 11. Except as reflected in the Statement of Financial Position there were no agreements under which any of the liabilities of the Co-operative had been subordinated to any other of its liabilities, nor were any receivables owned by the Co-operative subordinated to any other liabilities to the debtor companies.



- 12. The following have been properly recorded or disclosed in the financial report:
 - Related party transactions and related amounts receivable or payable, including sales, purchases, loans, transfers, leasing arrangements and guarantees (written or oral);
 - Arrangements involving restrictions on cash balances, compensating balances and line-of-credit or similar arrangements;
 - Material liabilities or contingent liabilities or assets including those arising under derivative financial instruments;
 - Unasserted claims or assessments that our lawyer has advised us are probable of assertion;
 - e. Losses arising from the fulfilment of, or an inability to fulfil, any sale commitments or as a result of purchase commitments for inventory quantities in excess of normal requirements or at prices in excess of prevailing market prices.

Assets:

- All known assets of the Co-operative at reporting period end were recorded in the books of account as at that date.
- 14. Amounts receivable at 31 December 2024 were comprised of:

Trade Debtors	\$2,056
Less: Provision for Doubtful Debts	<u>(\$ 0)</u>
	\$2,056

In our opinion, \$Nil provision for doubtful debts is considered adequate.

- 15. All insurable assets and risks are adequately covered by insurance.
- 16. The additions to fixed assets accounts, as recorded in the books, represent the cost of the additional facilities or additions or improvements to existing facilities or replacements thereof. All units of property which have been replaced, sold, dismantled or otherwise disposed of, or which are permanently unusable, have been removed from the fixed assets accounts. Adequate provision determined in a manner consistent with that of the preceding year, has been made to write off depreciable assets over their useful lives having regard both to the current year's



provisions and the accumulated amount provided to date. No circum*s*tances have arisen which render adherence to the existing basis of depreciation misleading or inappropriate.

- 17. We have considered the requirements of AASB 136 "Impairment of Assets" when assessing the carrying value of assets and in our opinion assets are not impaired except as provided in the financial statements.
- 18. The Co-operative has satisfactory title to all assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset been pledged as collateral, except as disclosed in notes to the financial statements. Carrying values have been adjusted for all items of property, plant and equipment that have been abandoned or are otherwise unusable.
- There were <u>\$17,700</u> prepayments at balance date which represent valid payments for expenses paid during this year, but properly attributable to the next financial year.

Liabilities:

- 20.All known liabilities of the Co-operative at reporting period end were recorded in the books of account as at that date.
- 21. There were no contingent liabilities, including guarantees, at reporting period end, which are not shown in the notes to the financial statements.
- 22. In this context, contingent liabilities include bills and accounts receivable discounted, assigned or sold and which are subject to recourse, endorsements or guarantees, pending lawsuits, unsatisfied judgments or claims, repurchase agreement and, in some cases, uncalled capital on shares held in other companies.
- 23. There were no material commitments for construction or acquisition of property, plant and equipment or to acquire other non-current assets, such as investments or intangibles, other than those disclosed in the financial report.

Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions:

24. In relation to our estimate of accruals and provisions the measurement process and underlying assumptions used for this estimate are appropriate in the context of the adopted Australian Accounting Standards, our application of these processes is consistent, complete and appropriate disclosures have been made in



the financial report, and no subsequent events have occurred which require an adjustment to the estimate made.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The Co-operative determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment and finite life intangible assets. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or nonstrategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

Impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets

The Co-operative assesses impairment of non-financial assets other than goodwill and other indefinite life intangible assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Co-operative and to the particular asset that may lead to impairment. If an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. This involves fair value less costs of disposal or value-in-use calculations, which incorporate a number of key estimates and assumptions.

Employee benefits provision

As discussed in note 1, the liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

Other:

25. We have disclosed to you the identity of the Co-operative's related party relationships and transactions of which we are aware and all related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with AASB124 *Related Party Disclosures*.

Full and adequate disclosure has been made in the financial report of all related party relationships and transactions.

26. AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers: The Co-operative has not adopted this standard, in line with the disclosures under note 1.



- 27. AASB 1058 Income of not-for-profit entities. The Co-operative has not adopted this standard, in line with the disclosures under note 1.
- 28. We have performed calculations in line with AASB 16 Leases, and have determined it's inclusion is not material to the financial statements for 2024. In this assessment, we included all relevant paragraphs in the AASB 16 in determining what constitutes a lease under the new standard.

Events after the reporting period:

29. No matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Co-operative's operations, the results of those operations, or the Co-operative's state of affairs in future financial years.

All events subsequent to the date of the financial report and for which Australian Accounting Standards require adjustment or disclosure have been adjusted or disclosed.

Future cash resources:

30. Based on cash flow forecasts, adequate cash resources will be available to cover the Co-operative requirements for working capital and capital expenditure for at least the next twelve months.

Going concern where there are no material uncertainties:

31. We have made an assessment of the Co-operative's ability to continue as a going concern taking into account all available information about the future, which is at least, but is not limited to, twelve months from the end of the reporting period.

The Co-operative's incurred a net loss of \$236,996 during the year ended 31 December 2024 and, as of that date, the Co-operative's total liabilities exceed its current assets by \$117,238 leading to material uncertainty regarding the organizations ability to continue as a going concern. The aforementioned material uncertainty however is expected to be mitigated as a result of the planned sale of the building, seeking PBI/DGR status to enhance grant income and an operational restructure aimed at cost reduction and improved efficiency.

We confirm that we have not identified any other events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Co-operative's ability to continue as a going concern.



Publication on website:

32. If we publish the financial report on our website, we:

- i. acknowledge if we are responsible for the electronic presentation of the financial report;
- ii. will ensure that the electronic version of the audited financial report and the audit report on the website will be the same as the final signed copy version;
- iii. will clearly differentiate audited and unaudited information on the website and that the absence of appropriate controls to address this issue increases the risk of potential misrepresentation to users;
- iv. have assessed the controls over the security and integrity of the data on the website and that adequate procedures are in place to ensure the integrity of the information published; and
- will not present the audit report on the full financial report with extracts only of the full financial report.

The "Reporting Entity" Concept:

33. We understand that the Directors are responsible for determining whether the Co-operative is a reporting entity. We have informed you that the Co-operative is not a reporting entity and therefore not required to prepare a general purpose financial report. This letter has been prepared on that basis. The Directors are also responsible for determining the basis of accounting used for the preparation and presentation of the special purpose financial report and whether this basis is appropriate to meet the needs of the users. We understand that you will not express an opinion as to whether the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet the users.

We understand that your examination was made in accordance with Australia Auditing Standards and was, therefore, designed primarily for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial report of the Co-operative taken as a whole, and that your tests of the financial records and other auditing procedures were limited to those which you considered necessary for that purpose.

Yours faithfully,

Rajah Ramanathan Chair

Dated this 5th day of March 2025

Hilary Buxton Board Member



Capturing Moments



Chris on the grill



Brad Rosewell MP Auctioning Painting



Ross Guenther, Andrea Lees & Harry Mullany



Valentine's Day Special Live Music Event



Sandy the Christmas Bear



Andrea and Elana



Massages for Carers



Trevor & Andrea at the Eco Expo



Afternoon Tea Dance

