

Annual Report 2017



Cerebral Palsy
ALLIANCE



"It was an incredible experience as I had never seen snow before," says Julian Vaz. "This was the first time I was away from my parents for five days and I learnt a lot from this experience."

– Julian, 15, attended the 2016 Ski Camp with eight other teens. The camp was funded thanks to the generosity of ING DIRECT.

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On the cover: Charlie, three, is photographed with Stacey Wicks, an occupational therapist based at our Allambie Heights Campus.

"Cerebral Palsy Alliance has supported Charlie and us as a family," says Charlie's mother. "Through physio, occupational and speech therapy, along with conductive education and hydrotherapy, he has been encouraged in his development."

President & CEO Report



Paul Masi, President



Rob White, Chief Executive Officer

We must keep abreast of the latest techniques: of paediatric, orthopaedic and neurological medicine, of educational techniques, of medical therapy, and rehabilitative engineering, especially as it applies to electronic and computer science. Lastly, and perhaps the most important of all, we must obtain full economic and social self-sufficiency for the even more severely physically handicapped cerebral palsied person.

– Neil McLeod, who founded The Spastic Centre with his wife Audrie in 1945 in order to assist their daughter, Jennifer, who was born with cerebral palsy in 1938.



As we write this in September, Neil McLeod's words are as important in 2017 as they were when he penned them in 1986. In true *September* style we continue to march forward embracing the new National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), whilst striving to improve and expand upon our services so that clients and their families receive the best possible therapies and services.

During September, the focus of many of our clients, families and staff is on our annual fundraising campaign. *September* was launched in 2010 and has become Australia's leading health and wellness charity event. Since then, it has grown to include over 130,000 participants who have raised \$14,570,300 in Australia alone. It is now a global campaign incorporating seven countries across the world ... what an achievement!

Across our 55 sites in NSW and the ACT we have supported close to 5,000 clients this year. Each client has an individualised plan which we know is essential in achieving the best outcomes. Our clients tell us that it is important we listen to them, understand their individual needs and weave them into how we shape our services.

Review of services

Under the NDIS, service redesign is our key focus – we have introduced new programs to meet the wide spectrum of needs of our clients; for example, we are offering the latest overseas programs such as HABIT-ILE and PEERS.

We are also committed to the ongoing review and adaption of our service offerings for early childhood, older children, youth and adults with the introduction of programs such as GAME and CP Check Up™.

We continue to work with the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) to give constructive feedback on the operation of the scheme and provide a voice for groups whose entitlement remains unclear. In March 2017 we were invited to submit a response to the Productivity Commission and the NDIA Price Control Review; we used these opportunities to advocate firmly

for our clients by highlighting major areas of concern regarding eligibility and pricing of services. We will continue to campaign on behalf of clients to ensure the NDIS rollout is a fair and equitable process.

With a view to significantly growing our services, we responded to the State Government's call for expressions of interest in 2016 for the transfer of services to the non-government sector. In early August 2017 it was announced that Cerebral Palsy Alliance was successful as the service provider to support people with disabilities who currently live in NSW government-run group and respite homes in the Northern Sydney and Northern Beaches regions.

This announcement means that the NSW Government will transfer to Cerebral Palsy Alliance:

- 50 group homes
- 8 centre-based respite homes
- Over 200 clients
- Nearly 600 staff.

These additional homes form part of our overarching growth strategy for the organisation, enabling us to support more people living with disabilities. Once the transfer is complete, Cerebral Palsy Alliance will become the new service provider to the clients accessing these services and also the new employer for the staff who support these clients.

The scheduled completion date for the transfer is 8 March 2018. We look forward to welcoming the transferring Ageing, Disability and Home Care staff and clients to our Cerebral Palsy Alliance community next year.

In line with the State Government's requirement for the devolution of large residential facilities, plans commenced in 2016 for the transition to community housing for our adult clients currently living in Venee Burges Hostel. To date we have secured six of the seven required community housing sites in the Northern Beaches locality and expect to complete this project in June 2019.

The Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Foundation continued to fund the best international research, working towards our goal of improving current interventions, prevention strategies and finding a cure for cerebral palsy. So far, we have awarded almost 300 grants to the value of more than \$32 million, funding the best cerebral palsy researchers worldwide. Our Research Institute staff remain at the forefront of international research with frequent invitations to present at international meetings and conferences.

Major strides have been made in the areas of early detection and intervention of cerebral palsy. *The International Clinical Guidelines for Early Detection and Early Intervention in Cerebral Palsy*, which were written by an international team led by our Professor Iona Novak, were published in *JAMA Paediatrics*, the highest-ranking paediatric journal in the world, published by the American Medical Association.

Encouraging collaboration

The Cerebral Palsy Alliance International Multidisciplinary Prevention and Cure Team for Cerebral Palsy (IMPACT for CP), in association with March of Dimes, the World Health Organisation, the Gates Foundation, the Global Alliance for the Prevention of Prematurity and Stillbirth, and The University of California San Francisco, hosted its 6th Summit in San Francisco in May 2017. This successful Summit focussed on disability following premature birth and brought together some of the world's premier researchers, clinicians and organisations.

The International Cerebral Palsy Genomic Consortium (ICPGC) was established and the inaugural ICPGC Summit was held in South Australia in conjunction with the University of Adelaide, in March 2017. The ICPGC Steering Committee includes six international members with Professor Michael Kruer of Phoenix Children's Hospital as the Chair. The Consortium aims to facilitate a common infrastructure of genomics and clinical data, and data sharing, through the construction of the International CP Genomics Database.

Signing of accommodation services agreement, left to right, Paul Masi, President Cerebral Palsy Alliance; Ray Williams, NSW Minister for Disability Services; Rob White, CEO Cerebral Palsy Alliance.





We are pleased to advise that Professor Alistair McEwan has been appointed to the Chair and is located in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology at the University of Sydney. Professor McEwan is working closely with our Institute's Dr Petra Karlsson and the Remarkable team to progress the technology stream of research.

World Cerebral Palsy Day took a quantum leap in 2017, with participation from individuals and organisations from 90 countries. The day is celebrated with events across the world and has an even larger reach through social media.

As a result of the implementation of the NDIS, the anticipated growth of the disability sector and increased pressures on an appropriately skilled workforce, it is essential that Cerebral Palsy Alliance develops and implements a strategic workforce plan. This plan and associated initiatives will enable the organisation to attract, develop and retain the right workforce to take it into the future.

Over the last 12 months our Registered Training division, Training Alliance, supported 3,500 individuals to complete specialist courses, with a total of almost 10,000 course completions.

Fundraising increase

Cerebral Palsy Alliance's fundraising continued to grow this year with over \$30 million raised to go towards programs that help meet the needs of our clients. We grew our regular giving program and were supported by many loyal organisations and individuals, including a number of generous gifts through wills and bequests.

This year's fundraising has helped to support innovative new programs for clients, provided equipment to clients and enabled the delivery of support programs and improvements to facilities. It also aided our world-leading program of research.

This financial year Cerebral Palsy Alliance's total income was \$98.1 million. Of this, government funding accounted for \$37.7 million and we sincerely thank the Australian Government's Department of Health – Ageing and Aged Care; the NSW State Government's Department of Family and Community Services; Department of Education; Department of Health and Department of Social Services for their ongoing support and partnership.

We are now in year two of our Strategic Plan for 2016-2019, and we are confident we can consolidate our achievements to date and continue to shape our organisation to deliver world-class services and cutting-edge research that will change the future for our clients.

We also acknowledge the dedicated support and commitment of our corporate, foundation, community

and individual donors who not only show generosity through their financial contributions to Cerebral Palsy Alliance, but who also provide meaningful volunteering and advocacy.

Our sincere thanks are extended to The Hon. John Dowd AO QC, Goodwill Ambassador and The Hon. Margaret Reid AO, our ACT patron for their loyalty and guidance over many years.

We thank the Council of Governors of the Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Foundation for their incredible support and commitment throughout the year. We acknowledge our close to 1,100 incredibly talented and dedicated staff, our passionate volunteers – around 460 individuals and 1,650 corporate volunteers who make such a difference in the lives of people living with disability and their families. We thank all members of our Board of Directors who have been so generous and committed in giving their time and expertise to lead the stewardship of our organisation.

We pay special tribute to Mark Bryant OAM who passed away in August and who will be greatly missed. Mark was a Board member for almost 20 years and served as Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee and Vice President of Cerebral Palsy Alliance for many years. Former President and Chair, Marelle Thornton AO has outlined his outstanding contribution on the next page.

Committed to advocating

Many clients outside the initial NDIS trial sites are now entering the second year of the scheme and we are helping them reassess and adjust their plans in order to achieve their life goals. At the same time, many clients are joining the scheme for the first time. In both instances, we are all benefiting from the experiences gained in the trial sites during the trial and the first year of the NDIS rollout. It is heartening to meet clients who have been able to access the services and supports they need to help them pursue their goals. Cerebral Palsy Alliance remains committed to advocating on behalf of clients and their families and also to introducing new and more effective services.

This is an exciting time and we look forward to working in collaboration with all of our stakeholders – clients and families, government, donors, volunteers and staff – to ensure we are building a better and brighter future.

Paul Masi / Rob White

The entire community of Cerebral Palsy Alliance pays tribute to Mark Bryant OAM, Vice-President of Cerebral Palsy Alliance, who lost a short, but courageous battle with cancer on 9 August 2017.

As an Invited Member, Mark was formally elected as a director in December 1997 and served the organisation and its people with distinction until his untimely death.

As a new member of the Board, Mark's boundless knowledge, outstanding professional skills and valuable insights were instantly recognised by all. In quick succession his Board colleagues elected him as our organisation's Vice-President and Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee, member of the Fundraising and Community Relations Committee and as a foundation member of the Nominations and Governance Committee. Mark also became the host Board representative on the Council of Governors of the Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Foundation.

Mark readily accepted these important governance roles and relished every opportunity to serve the organisation and its people. He won the respect and admiration of his Board colleagues and Cerebral Palsy Alliance's executive staff for his passion for our cause, his great integrity and skill, and his generosity with his time.

Mark was an exceptional director and his incisive and searching questions were integral to good information-based decision making. He was always wholly motivated by our organisation's purpose and values and he maintained an unswerving focus on bettering outcomes for people with cerebral palsy and their families.

As a skilled professional, Mark knew well the costs of our every endeavour, but knew better their value in achieving our purpose. His focus always centred on whether the organisation was doing enough for children and adults with cerebral palsy and their families; not whether we could afford to do this or that, but more whether we could afford not to! He was ever true to our vision.

In a spirit of collegiality, Mark encouraged and coached all members of the Board to enhanced levels of financial literacy. He readily shared his knowledge and experience with our executive staff; he mentored, guided and advised without ever crossing boundaries between the roles and responsibilities of Board and management.

All Cerebral Palsy Alliance's management teams held Mark in the highest of regard, both professionally and personally and are ever grateful for his tutelage, support and wise counsel.

Mark was a vital part of transitioning our original name, The Spastic Centre, to the more modern Cerebral Palsy

Alliance in 2011. He was both influential and effective in ensuring the strong financial health of our organisation and in pressing for investment in fundraising that would underwrite the organisation's future and the quality and range of services and supports beyond the NDIS.

Mark was also integral to the success of the Cerebral Palsy Alliance Research Foundation and was personally generous, active and passionate as a campaigner for increased funding for cerebral palsy research, both in Australia and across the globe.

He paid enormous respect to our founders and our organisation's history. In 2016 he selected extracts from our co-founder's book, *Nothing is Impossible*, and prefaced the document as "essential reading for anyone who wants to understand the DNA of Cerebral Palsy Alliance".

Mark's directorship of Cerebral Palsy Alliance over 20 years, and his personal and professional commitment to our organisation will long be remembered and treasured.

His contribution can best be described in the paraphrased words that he wrote of our co-founders, "absolute devotion to people with cerebral palsy and their families; refusal to accept second best; challenging of orthodoxy; commitment to finding the causes of cerebral palsy and improving the lives of those living with it; ability to balance the here and now with the possibilities of the future; willingness to share with others beyond New South Wales and beyond Australia; and amazing energy".

Mark's outstanding contribution to Cerebral Palsy Alliance and his selfless community service were recognised when he was awarded a Medal in the Order of Australia (OAM) on Australia Day in 2009.

Mark Bryant OAM was a truly fine man and his name will stand forever on the Honour Roll of Cerebral Palsy Alliance.

The entire Cerebral Palsy Alliance community extends its deepest sympathy to his wife, Anne, and to his children, Julia and David, and expresses its enduring gratitude to them for sharing Mark with us.

Marelle Thornton AO

Director of Cerebral Palsy Alliance from 1983 to 2014 and President from 1988 to 2014.

Directors' Report

30 June 2017

The Directors present their report together with the financial report of Cerebral Palsy Alliance ('the Company') and the Group, being the Company and its controlled entities, for the year ended 30 June 2017 and the auditor's report thereon.

The Directors of the Company during the year and at the date of this report were:

Paul Masi BEc, MAICD

Paul has been a Director since March 2013. He is the President of Cerebral Palsy Alliance, Chair of the Board of Directors, Chair of the Nominations and Governance Committee, Chair of the Services Committee, and a member of the Finance and Audit Committee.

Paul was Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Austock Group from March 2010 to March 2012. Formerly he was Country Head and Chief Executive Officer of Bank of America Merrill Lynch in Australia.

Paul is Chair of Shaw and Partners, Chair of Greenwich Capital Partners, a Non-executive Director of The Girls and Boys Brigade, and a Non-executive Director of Blue Sky Alternatives Access Fund Ltd.

Zoe Brissett BA Communications (Social Enquiry), Dip. Media and Communications, MAICD

Zoe has been a Director since August 2016. She is a member of the People, Culture and Organisational Development Committee.

Zoe is currently an Advisory Member on the NSW Disability Council and is Marketing Enablement Specialist at Salesforce. Prior to Salesforce, Zoe has six years of experience working in disability policy and research within the non-governmental organisation sector.

Zoe graduated from the University of Technology Sydney in 2011 with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications (Social Inquiry), and has a Diploma in Media and Communications from TAFE (2007).

Zoe is passionate about driving change for people with disability, improving rights, inclusion and awareness, and removing barriers.

Mark Bryant OAM, MA, FCA, MAICD (DECEASED 9 AUGUST 2017)

Mark was a Director from December 1997. He was Vice-President of Cerebral Palsy Alliance, Chairman of the Finance and Audit Committee and a member of the Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing Committee, and the Nominations and Governance Committee.

Andrew Buchanan PSM, MAICD, AIMM

Andrew has been a Director since August 2010. He is Chair of the Research Committee, Chair of the Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing

Committee, and a member of the Ethics Committee.

In 2011, after eight years in the role, Andrew retired as Chair of the Disability Council of NSW, the official disability advisory body to the NSW Government. He has more than 40 years' experience in broadcasting, communications and media, having spent his career at the ABC.

Andrew is the Principal of AB Communicates where he advises on communications and media. He also manages his winery at Queens Pinch Vineyard in Mudgee.

Stuart Comino B Com, Executive MBA, CA

Stuart was appointed as a Director in early September 2017.

Stuart is Chief Financial Officer for Coca-Cola Amatil's (CCA) Australian Beverage Business, having held various positions in finance at a group and operational level over the past 24 years. Prior to his extensive career at CCA, Stuart held various roles at Coopers and Lybrand.

Stuart holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of New South Wales, an Executive MBA from The Australian Graduate School of Management, and is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia.

Stuart has a passion to ensure that people with cerebral palsy have the best possible quality of life through access to the life-changing equipment and services provided by Cerebral Palsy Alliance. He is committed to supporting Cerebral Palsy Alliance achieve its mission, particularly through helping to raise funds for vital research into the cause and prevention of cerebral palsy.

Kathryn Dent MLLR LLB (Hons), GAICD, CAHRI, Accredited Specialist in Employment and Industrial Law (Law Soc of NSW)

Kathryn has been a Director since August 2013. She is Chair of the People, Culture and Organisational Development Committee.

Kathryn was admitted as a lawyer in 1994. She has practised exclusively in workplace relations law for over 20 years.

Kathryn is a Director of People + Culture Strategies, a specialist labour and employment law firm and management consulting business. She has a particular interest in workforce development and human resources management in the disability sector.

Alexandra Lisney BE (Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical)), MIEAUST, GAICD, and Paralympian

Alexandra has been a Director since August 2011. She is a member of the People, Culture and Organisational Development Committee, the Research Committee, the Ethics Committee and the Nominations and Governance Committee.

Alexandra is a Mechanical Engineering graduate from the University of New South Wales and is currently working as a Project Manager at Aver in Sydney.

Alexandra is an Australian representative for para-cycling. She is a previous world champion and bronze medallist from the 2012 London Paralympic Games. She competed in her second Paralympic Games in Rio in 2016.

Robert Miller AM, FAICD, FAMI

Bob has been a Director since May 1999. He is a member of the Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing Committee, the Services Committee, the People, Culture and Organisational Development Committee, and the Finance and Audit Committee. He is also a board representative to the Enterprise Risk Management Committee.

Bob is the Principal of Australia Street Consulting Pty Ltd which advises the automotive industry, advertising agencies and others on marketing. Previously, Bob was General Manager – Marketing, Toyota Australia.

Hiam Sakakini BA Sociology, DIP. Change Management

Hiam has been a Director since June 2017.

Hiam has been working with several Fortune 500 companies over the past 14 years. Her most recent employment has been with Google where she spent 10 years building internal business units and then shifted into the heart of the People and Culture strategy team focussing on navigating change through building stellar leadership teams.

Taking that experience Hiam has co-founded a People and Culture consulting practice, ThinkChangeGrow, and regularly speaks and writes on topics around Women in Business, How to Motivate Millennials and The Future of Work.

Hiam is passionate about helping organisations to thrive through times of change and ambiguity.

Leanne Wallace B App Sc (Hons), MBA, GAICD

Leanne has been a Director since May 2016. She is a member of the Services Committee.

Leanne is a Principal at Nous with a focus on consultancy services for government.

Prior to joining Nous in 2009, Leanne worked for over 30 years in the NSW public sector including being appointed as Deputy Director General, Public Sector Workforce Office with the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet, and Director, Primary and Community Health for NSW Health.

In 2014 Leanne was awarded a National Fellow of the Institute of Public Administration Australia.

Leanne is Chair of the Boards for Jannawi Family Services and Jannawi Connections.

John Warn MAICD AFAIM

John was a Director from April 2016 until his resignation in December 2016.

John has broad business experience in Banking, Investment Banking and Real Estate/Property management in addition to over 20 years of experience in the retail sector. At the time of his resignation he was Regional General Manager at Scentre Group.

Jacqui Wisemantel MAICD

Jacqui has been a Director since November 2014. She is a member of the Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing Committee, and the Finance and Audit Committee.

Jacqui provides specialist advice and services in respect of PR communications strategy, digital concept, brand presence, corporate image, sales portfolio or social currency.

For the past 20 years, Jacqui has worked in the media, marketing and communications sector, specialising in event management, project management and public relations.

Company Secretary

The Company Secretary at the end of the financial year was:

Anthony Cannon BA (Econ), FCIS, CPA, MAICD, M. Mgt, M. Bus Law

Tony has been employed by Cerebral Palsy Alliance since 1988. In 1996 he was appointed Company Secretary to the Board and all Board Committees. Tony is also the General Manager, Compliance.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

The number of Directors' meetings (including meetings of committees of Directors) and number of meetings attended by each of the Directors of the Company during the financial year were:

Board Members	Board of Directors' Meetings		Finance and Audit Committee Meetings		People, Culture & Organisational Development Committee Meetings		Services Committee Meetings		Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing Committee Meetings		Research Committee Meetings		Nominations & Governance Committee Meeting	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Number attended	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Paul Masi	8	7	4	4			4	4					1	1
# Zoe Brissett	8	6			1	0								
*Mark Bryant	8	6	4	4					3	1			1	1
Andrew Buchanan	8	6							3	3	8	7		
Kathryn Dent	8	8			3	3								
Alexandra Lisney	8	5			3	1					8	7		
Bob Miller	8	8	4	3	3	2	4	4	3	3				
Leanne Wallace	8	7					4	4						
**John Warn	3	2												
Jacqui Wisemantel	8	6	4	3			4	4	3	3				

Ms Zoe Brissett was appointed to the Board of Directors in August 2016. ** Mr John Warn resigned from the Board of Directors in December 2016.
 * Mr Mark Bryant deceased 9 August 2017. Ms Hiam Sakakini was appointed to the Board of Directors in June 2017 but in the absence of a Board meeting in June 2017, her first Board meeting was after the end of the financial year. Mr Stuart Comino was appointed to the Board of Directors in early September 2017. His first Board meeting was after the end of financial year.

BOARD COMMITTEES

The agendas for Committee meetings are prepared in conjunction with the Chairs of the relevant Committees. Papers and submissions are distributed to Committee members in advance and each Committee is free to invite members of management or others to attend meetings, or take external advice, when considered appropriate.

The purpose and function of these Board Committees are described below.

Finance and Audit Committee

The Finance and Audit Committee enhances the credibility, objectivity and accountability of the Company by assisting the Board in discharging its responsibilities in relation to financial management, monitoring and controlling risk, internal control systems and reporting financial information.

The Committee also provides a forum for communication between the Board, senior financial management and the external auditors.

People, Culture & Organisational Development Committee

The People, Culture & Organisational Development Committee advises and makes recommendations to the Board on the development, implementation and review of policies in the Human Resources and Industrial Relations areas, including any references from the Board in respect of Human Resources management and Industrial Relations.

Services Committee

The Services Committee reviews, advises and makes recommendations to the Board on the nature and scope of service practice and delivery within Cerebral Palsy Alliance.

The Committee also consults widely with stakeholders through client and family forums about effective service delivery so that issues of duty of care, legal liability and service quality are brought to the Board's attention.

Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing Committee

The Community Relations, Fundraising and Marketing Committee considers matters related to the image and profile of the organisation – its cause and its clients, community and corporate partnerships and programs and opportunities for increasing funds from both existing and new fundraising ventures.

The Committee also advises and makes recommendations on the financial viability, ethics and legal aspects of existing and proposed fundraising and marketing programs.

Research Committee

The Research Committee considers all submissions regarding research in terms of the effective use of organisational resources, applicability to people with cerebral palsy and the alignment to priorities within its research agenda.

Approved research projects are referred to the Ethics Committee for consideration and ethical approval. All recommendations of the Ethics Committee in respect of research proposals are made to the Board.

Nominations and Governance Committee

The Nominations and Governance Committee assists the Board in fulfilling its governance responsibilities for matters of succession planning and appointments to the Board and senior management, formulating Directors' induction programs, assessing Board and Director performance and reviewing and assessing Committee membership.

ETHICS COMMITTEE

Cerebral Palsy Alliance has an Ethics Committee which ensures that appropriate consideration is given to any potential risks, harms and benefits associated with participation in a research study. The Committee may propose changes to the study that will manage or minimise risks and improve the understanding of potential harms and benefits so that participants are able to provide informed consent.

The Ethics Committee is not designated as a Committee of the Board.

GOVERNANCE

The Company and its controlled entities are companies limited by guarantee with the exception of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd which is a proprietary limited company. The Company is governed by Directors who are elected by the members in a general meeting. Any member of the Company is eligible to be elected to the Board, if correctly nominated.

The Constitution limits the number of Directors to a minimum of five and a maximum of 10. Half of the Directors retire each year but may seek re-election.

Resolution requirements for general meetings are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission 2012 Act.

DIRECTOR EDUCATION

The Company has a formal process to educate new Directors about the nature of the organisation, current issues, the corporate strategy and the expectations of the Company concerning performance of Directors.

Directors also have the opportunity to visit Company facilities and meet with management to gain a better understanding of its operations. Directors are given access to continuing education opportunities to update and enhance their skills and knowledge.

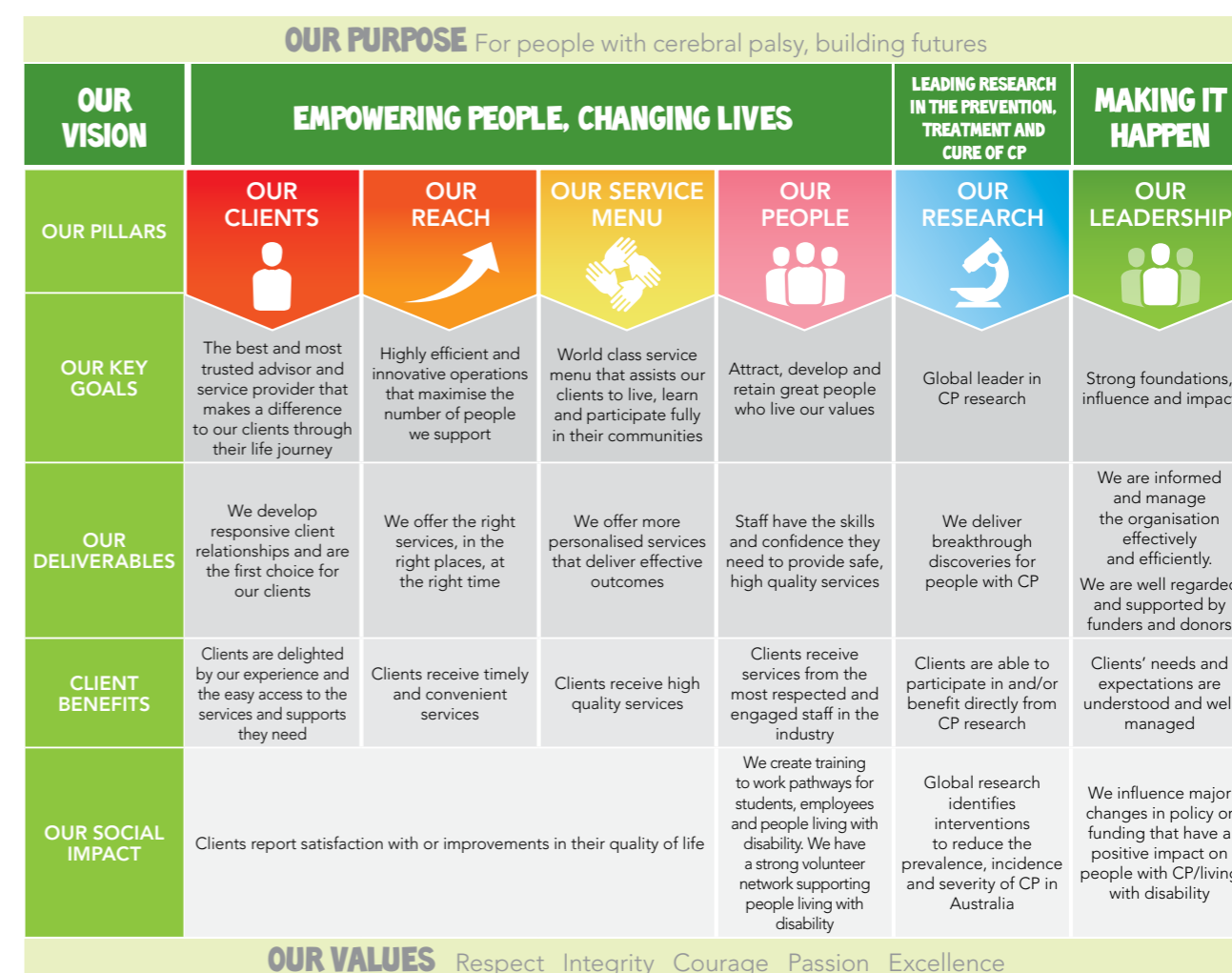
PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The principal activities of the Company and its controlled entities are to provide access to a range of services and facilities to children and adults with cerebral palsy and their families in NSW and the ACT and, where applicable, to people with other disabilities who can benefit from the services.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the activities of the group during the year.

The long-term objective of Cerebral Palsy Alliance is an inclusive society for people with cerebral palsy and their families.

The 2016 – 2019 Strategic Plan articulates the following:



Directors' Report (continued)

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

The surplus of the group for the financial year was \$2,779,000 (2016: deficit of \$1,299,000). The Company and each of its controlled entities are exempt from Income Tax.

STATE OF AFFAIRS

In the opinion of the Directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the group that occurred during the financial year under review that are not otherwise disclosed in this report or the financial statements.

ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

The group's operations are not subject to any significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth or State legislation. The Board believes that the group has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 31 July 2017 the Company was chosen by the NSW Government as the service provider to support people with disabilities currently living in NSW Government operated group homes and respite homes in the Northern Sydney and Northern Beaches regions.

In the first quarter of calendar year 2018, the NSW Government is expected to transfer over 580 employees and the responsibility for providing services to more than 230 clients living in 50 Group homes and 348 clients accessing 8 centre based respite homes.

DIVIDENDS

The Company and its controlled entities are prohibited by their Constitutions from paying dividends to its members.

LIKELY DEVELOPMENTS

With the transition of the disability sector to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) over the next few years, payment for services will transition to being received directly from clients rather than directly from State Government. As a consequence, there will continue to be a focus on the sustainability of service provision given the evolving nature of the NDIS funding model.

The Directors do not believe it likely that there will be any material changes in the operations of the group for the next 12 months.

TAX DEDUCTIBILITY OF DONATIONS

The Company is a deductible gift recipient as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act. Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible in Australia.

DIRECTORS' BENEFITS

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Director received or became entitled to receive remuneration. The Board members of the Company provide their time and expertise on an entirely voluntary basis and receive no fees, salaries or benefits for the work that they undertake on behalf of the Board.

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Since the end of the previous financial year, the Company has not indemnified or made a relevant agreement for indemnifying against a liability of any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Company.

Since the end of the previous financial year, the Company has paid premiums in respect of directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses insurance contracts. These insurance contracts insure against liability (subject to specific exclusions) for persons who are or have been directors or executive officers of the Company.

The Directors have not included details of the nature of the liabilities covered nor the amount of the premium paid in respect of the directors' and officers' liability and legal expenses' insurance contracts, as such disclosure is prohibited under the terms of the contract.

ROUNDING OFF

The Company is an entity to which ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 applies and, accordingly, amounts in the financial statements and Directors' Report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

LEAD AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration is set out on page 32 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2017.

MEMBERS

As at 30 June 2017 there were 292 members (2016: 327 members) of the Company.

In accordance with the Company's Constitution, each member of the Company has a maximum liability of \$20 in the event of the Company being wound up while he/she is a member (or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member) for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Company contracted before he/she ceased to be a member.

There are four categories of members: Members with a Disability; Support Members; Honorary Life Members; Invited Members.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors:



P. Masi
Director
Allambie Heights
27 September 2017



R. Miller
Director
Allambie Heights
27 September 2017



"Indea's now 12. She injured her spinal cord while doing a handstand when she was seven," says her mother, Sherrie Fouracre. "Under the NDIS, her rehab team referred her to the Stuart Centre at Croudace Bay for physio and occupational therapy. She can walk with crutches but uses a wheelchair for distance."

Cerebral Palsy Alliance Directors' Declaration

In the opinion of the directors of Cerebral Palsy Alliance (the Company):

- (a) the consolidated financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 14 to 31 are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:
 - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2017 and of its performance, for the financial year ended on that date; and
 - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirement and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013; the Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991 and the Charitable Collections Act (WA) 1946 and Regulations;
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company and the Group entities identified in Note 24 will be able to meet any obligations or liabilities to which they are or may become subject to by the virtue of the Deed of Cross Guarantee between the Company and those Group entities pursuant to ASIC Corporations (*Wholly owned Companies*) Instrument 2016/785.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:



P. Masi
Director
Allambie Heights
27 September 2017

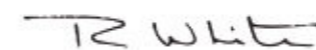


R. Miller
Director
Allambie Heights
27 September 2017

Cerebral Palsy Alliance Declaration By Chief Executive Officer

I, Rob White, Chief Executive Officer of Cerebral Palsy Alliance, declare in my opinion that:

- (a) the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of all income and expenditure of Cerebral Palsy Alliance and its controlled entities with respect to fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2017;
- (b) the consolidated statement of financial position gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeals conducted by the organisation as at 30 June 2017;
- (c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991, the Charitable Collections Act (WA) 1946 and Regulations and the conditions attached to the authority have been complied with for the financial year ended 30 June 2017; and
- (d) the internal controls exercised by Cerebral Palsy Alliance are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the organisation from any of its fundraising appeals.



Rob White
Chief Executive Officer
Allambie Heights
27 September 2017

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

as at 30 June 2017

	NOTE	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	8	5,620	6,121
Trade and other receivables	9	5,369	3,712
Inventories	10	222	261
Investments	11	8,125	6,469
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		19,336	16,563
Investments	11	26,714	24,669
Property, plant and equipment	12	40,641	37,149
Intangible assets	13	25	48
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		67,380	61,866
TOTAL ASSETS		86,716	78,429
LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	14	17,473	15,330
Employee benefits	15	7,077	6,172
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		24,550	21,502
Employee benefits	15	1,241	1,259
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,241	1,259
TOTAL LIABILITIES		25,791	22,761
NET ASSETS		60,925	55,668
EQUITY			
General funds		58,312	55,354
Fair value reserve	16	2,613	314
TOTAL EQUITY		60,925	55,668

The notes on pages 19 to 31 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 30 June 2017

	NOTE	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
Revenue from government funding	4	37,665	55,730
Revenue from fundraising and bequests		32,918	28,144
Revenue from rendering of services		24,238	9,924
Revenue from sale of goods		1,388	1,870
Accommodation expenses		(17,581)	(17,072)
Individual and family support expenses		(25,925)	(25,446)
Employment services expenses		(4,886)	(6,645)
Community access service expenses		(8,258)	(10,159)
Technical services expenses		(1,461)	(2,485)
Community education and information expenses		(7,226)	(7,982)
Research grants and expenses		(5,407)	(4,282)
Fundraising expenses		(9,978)	(11,022)
Cost of goods sold		(422)	(485)
Gross surplus		15,065	10,090
Rental income		45	96
Other expenses	6	(14,221)	(13,693)
Gain/(loss) on sale of property, plant and equipment		283	(198)
Results from operating activities		1,172	(3,705)
Net finance income	7	1,607	2,406
Surplus/(deficit) before income tax		2,779	(1,299)
Income tax expense	2(m)	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year after income tax		2,779	(1,299)
Other comprehensive income/(expense)			
Net change in fair value of other investments	7	2,478	(724)
Total other comprehensive income/(expense), after income tax		2,478	(724)
Total comprehensive income/(expense) for the year		5,257	(2,023)

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Consolidated Statement of Changes In Equity

for the year ended 30 June 2017

	NOTE	General Funds \$'000	Fair Value Reserve \$'000	Total Equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2015		56,331	1,360	57,691
Deficit for the year		(1,299)	-	(1,299)
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>				
Net change in fair value of investments	7	-	(724)	(724)
Total other comprehensive expense for the year		-	(724)	(724)
Total comprehensive expense for the year		(1,299)	(724)	(2,023)
Transfer of loss on sale of investments classified as fair value through other comprehensive income		322	(322)	-
Balance at 30 June 2016		55,354	314	55,668
Balance at 1 July 2016		55,354	314	55,668
Surplus for the year		2,779	-	2,779
<i>Other comprehensive income</i>				
Net change in fair value of investments	7	-	2,478	2,478
Total other comprehensive income for the year		-	2,478	2,478
Total comprehensive income for the year		2,779	2,478	5,257
Transfer of loss on sale of investments classified as fair value through other comprehensive income		179	(179)	-
Balance at 30 June 2017		58,312	2,613	60,925

The notes on pages 19 to 31 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 30 June 2017

	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash receipts in the course of operations	102,911	107,078
Cash payments to suppliers and employees	(97,637)	(102,446)
Net cash from operating activities	5,274	4,632
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	241	232
Distributions from trusts and dividends	1,379	2,190
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	(6,993)	(3,109)
Net purchase of other investments	(1,402)	(1,923)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	1,014	324
Net cash used in investing activities	(5,761)	(2,286)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Financing costs	(14)	(16)
Net cash used in financing activities	(14)	(16)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(501)	2,330
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year	6,121	3,791
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	5,620	6,121

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"We love the facilities and staff," says Kirstie, mother of Avalon, six, who is a regular at Allambie Heights Campus. "Avalon has benefitted from therapies such as hydro, speech, occupational and physio. The early learning program was terrific. It ensured Avalon successfully transitioned to kindergarten."

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

Reporting entity

Cerebral Palsy Alliance (“the Company”) is a company limited by guarantee and is domiciled in Australia. The address of the Company’s registered office is 187 Allambie Road, Allambie Heights, NSW 2100. The consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 30 June 2017 comprise the financial statements of the Company and its controlled entities (together referred to as the “Group”). The Group is a not-for-profit entity.

The principal activities of the Group are to provide access to a range of services and facilities to children and adults with cerebral palsy and their families in NSW, the ACT and, where applicable, to other people with disabilities who can benefit from the services.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 27 September 2017.

a) Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements are Tier 2 general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements (AASB-RDRs) (including Australian interpretations) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and other legislation.

In the opinion of the Directors, having regard to the not-for-profit nature of the Group’s business, the terms used in the prescribed format of the Statement of Comprehensive Income are not appropriate. “Profit or Loss” in the prescribed format of the Statement of Comprehensive Income has been substituted by “Surplus or Deficit”.

b) Basis of measurement

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis except for financial assets that are measured at fair value.

Notes 2b) (ii) and 3 below identify the financial assets and the methods used to measure fair values.

c) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars which is the Group’s functional currency.

The Company is of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors’ Reports) Instrument 2016/191 and in accordance with that instrument, all financial information has been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with AASBs requires management to make judgements,

estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from the estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate was revised and in any future periods affected.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements and by all entities comprised within the Group.

a) Basis of consolidation

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are entities controlled by the Company. Control exists when the Company has the power, directly or indirectly, to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

In assessing control, potential voting rights that presently are exercisable or convertible are taken into account.

The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases.

Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intragroup balances and any unrealised gains and losses or income and expenses arising from intragroup transactions are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements.

b) Financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group has a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The Group has no derivative financial assets or liabilities.

(i) Non-derivative financial liabilities

The Group initially recognises financial liabilities on the date at which it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expire.

The Group has the following non-derivative financial liabilities: trade and other payables. These financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition these financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

(ii) Non-derivative financial assets

The Group initially recognises financial assets on the date at which the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets are initially measured at fair value. The Group subsequently measures financial assets at either fair value or amortised cost.

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred. Any interest in transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Group is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

On initial recognition, the Group classifies its financial assets as subsequently measured at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on its business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets.

Financial assets subsequently measured at amortised cost

A financial asset is subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method and net of any impairment loss, if:

- the asset is held within a business model with an objective to hold assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

Financial assets subsequently measured at amortised cost comprise cash and cash equivalents and trade and other receivables. All changes in value are recognised in surplus or deficit.

Financial assets subsequently measured at fair value

Financial assets other than those classified as financial assets measured at amortised cost are subsequently measured at fair value with all changes in fair value recognised in surplus or deficit, except in the case of some investments, as indicated in the following paragraph.

For investments in equity instruments not held for trading, the Group may elect at initial recognition to recognise subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income. For these instruments, changes in fair value, including realised gains and losses are never reclassified to surplus or deficit. Dividends earned from these investments are recognised in surplus or deficit unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of investment.

In the remainder of these Notes:

- Financial assets whose subsequent changes in fair value are recorded through surplus or deficit are referred to as “Financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit”; and
- Financial assets whose subsequent changes in fair value are recorded through other comprehensive income are referred to as “Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income”.

c) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, with net realisable value being the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and selling expenses.

Cost is based on the first-in first-out principle and includes expenditure incurred in bringing inventories to their existing location and condition.

d) Property, plant and equipment

Recognition and measurement

Items of property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

Parts of an item of property, plant and equipment that have different useful lives are accounted for separately.

The value of in-kind donations is determined by independent valuation at the time of the donation.

Gains or losses on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds of disposal with the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and are recognised net within surplus or deficit.

Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Group and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised.

The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognised in surplus or deficit as incurred.

Depreciation and amortisation

Items of property, plant and equipment, including buildings, leasehold improvements and motor vehicles, but excluding freehold land, are depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. Assets are depreciated from the date of acquisition.

Depreciation is calculated on the depreciable amount, which is the cost of the asset, or other amount substituted for cost, less its residual value.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

d) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Depreciation rates used for each class of asset are as follows:

Buildings	4%
Crown Land Improvements	4%
Plant and Equipment	15-25%
Motor Vehicles	15-20%

Depreciation of an asset under construction begins from the date the asset is ready for use.

The residual value, the useful life and the depreciation method applied to an asset are reassessed at the reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

e) Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired by the Group that have finite useful lives are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is recognised in surplus or deficit as incurred.

Amortisation

Amortisation is calculated on the cost of the asset, or another amount substituted for cost, less its residual value.

Amortisation is recognised in surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the intangible assets from the date they are available for use. The estimated useful life of computer software for the current and comparative years is three years.

Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year-end and adjusted if appropriate.

f) Leased assets

All of the Group's leases are operating leases and neither the leased assets nor the future obligation to pay rentals are recognised in the Group's statement of financial position.

g) Employee benefits

Defined contribution superannuation plans

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. The Group's obligations for contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an expense in surplus or deficit when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in future payments is available.

Short-term benefits

Short-term employee benefits are expensed as the service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount to be paid if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay an amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the amount can be measured reliably.

Long-term service benefits

The Group's net obligation in respect of long-term service benefits is the amount of future benefits that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using expected future increases in wages and salary rates including related on-costs and expected settlement dates and is discounted to determine its present value. The discount rate is the yield at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds that have maturity dates approximating the terms of the Group's obligations.

h) Revenue and income

Government funding, fundraising and bequests

Revenue from non-reciprocal grants and donations is recognised when the Group obtains control of the asset or the right to receive it; it is probable that the economic benefits from the asset will flow to the Group; and the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably.

Grants or donations which are reciprocal in nature (those which have to be returned if the Group fails to deliver specified services or fulfil specified conditions) are initially recognised as deferred revenue (liability), with revenue recognised as the services are performed or the conditions are fulfilled.

Revenue from bequests of shares or other property is recognised at fair value, being the market value of the asset received at the date on which the Group becomes legally entitled to the asset.

Rendering of services

Revenue from rendering of services is recognised in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at reporting date. The stage of completion is assessed by reference to work performed.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of returns, trade discounts or volume rebates. Revenue is recognised when persuasive evidence exists, usually in the form of an executed sales agreement, that the significant risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred to the buyer, recovery of the consideration is probable, the associated costs and possible return of goods can be estimated reliably, there is no continuing management involvement with the goods, and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably. If it is probable that discounts will be granted and the amounts can be measured reliably, the discounts are recognised as a reduction of revenue as the sales are recognised.

Financial income

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested, distributions from trusts, dividends, gains or losses on disposal of financial assets and changes in fair value of financial assets.

Interest income is recognised as it accrues in surplus or deficit, using the effective interest rate method. Dividends and distributions from trusts are recognised on the date that the Group's right to receive payment is established.

Rental income

Rental income is recognised in surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the terms of the lease.

i) In-kind donations

No monetary value has been attributed to the valuable services provided by the many volunteer workers.

The Group also receives donations in the form of in-kind goods and services. The value of goods and services received that can be quantified, and is considered material, is recognised at fair value in the financial statements. In the current year, the Group received goods in kind such as items donated for raffles and services in kind such as grounds maintenance and professional services. No monetary value has been attributed to these goods and services as they are not considered material to the Group.

j) Goods and services tax

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

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

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

k) Impairment

(i) Financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost

A financial asset at amortised cost is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether it is impaired. A financial asset at amortised cost is impaired if objective evidence indicates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset and that the loss event has had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably. Objective evidence that these financial assets are impaired can

include default or delinquency by a debtor, restructuring of an amount due to the Group on terms that the Group would not consider otherwise, or indications that a debtor or issuer will enter bankruptcy.

The Group considers evidence of impairment for trade and other receivables at both specific asset and collective levels. All individually significant receivables are assessed for specific impairment. Any found not to be specifically impaired are then collectively assessed for any impairment that has been incurred but not yet identified. This collective assessment groups together receivables with similar risk characteristics, and considers historical trends of default; the timing of recoveries; and the amount of losses incurred, adjusted for management's judgement about current economic and credit conditions.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. Losses are recognised in surplus or deficit and also reflected in an allowance account against the asset. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount. When a subsequent event causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease is reversed through surplus or deficit.

Financial assets at fair value

Impairment assessment is not required to be carried out for financial assets at fair value when the requirements of AASB 9 are applied, as all changes in fair value are either recognised in surplus or deficit or other comprehensive income (depending upon the classification).

(ii) Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's non-financial assets, other than inventories (see Note 2c), are reviewed at each reporting date for any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. As the future economic benefits of the asset are not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows and when the entity would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of the asset. Depreciated replacement cost is defined as the current replacement cost of an asset less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation calculated to reflect the already consumed or expired economic benefits of the asset.

Impairment losses are recognised in surplus or deficit.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(ii) Non-financial assets (continued)

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

l) Expenses

Operating lease payments

The Group has entered into leases of land, properties, motor vehicles and IT equipment as disclosed in Note 18.

The Group has determined that all the risks and rewards of ownership of these premises, vehicles and equipment remain with the lessor and has therefore classified the leases as operating leases.

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Financial expenses

Financial expenses represent interest relating to interest-bearing liabilities and bank overdraft fees. Financial expenses are recognised using the effective interest rate method.

m) Income Tax

No income tax is payable by the Group as Section 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 exempts recognised Charitable Institutions from Income Tax.

Cerebral Palsy Alliance and its controlled entities are deductible gift recipients as defined in the Income Tax Assessment Act.

n) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2016, and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. These include AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with customers*; AASB1058 *Income of Not-For-Profit Entities*; and AASB 16 *Leases*, which become mandatory for the Group's 2020 consolidated financial statements.

The Group does not plan to early adopt the above named standards and the extent of the impact of these standards is currently being assessed.

3. DETERMINATION OF FAIR VALUES

A number of the Group's accounting policies and disclosures require the determination of fair value, for both financial and non-financial assets and liabilities. Fair values have been determined for measurement and/or disclosure purposes based on the following methods.

Financial assets at fair value

The fair value of these financial assets is determined by reference to their quoted closing bid price or net asset value at the reporting date.

Non-derivative financial liabilities

Fair value, which is determined for disclosure purposes, is calculated based on the present value of future principal and interest cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest at the reporting date.

Trade and other receivables

The fair value of trade and other receivables is estimated as the present value of future cash flows, discounted at the market rate of interest at the reporting date.

When applicable, further information about the assumptions made in determining fair values is disclosed in the notes specific to that asset or liability.

	CONSOLIDATED	
	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
4. GOVERNMENT FUNDING		
The following government support is included under Government funding:		
Commonwealth Government	2,711	4,808
NSW Government	34,954	50,922
Total government funding	37,665	55,730
5. REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS		
Audit services		
Auditors of the Company - KPMG Australia		
Audit of the financial report	136	134
Other regulatory audit services	12	11
	148	145
Other services		
Auditors of the Company - KPMG Australia		
Other assurance services	-	-
6. OTHER EXPENSES		
Other expenses relate to items which have not been allocated to specific functions and include the following items:		
Wages and salaries	6,192	5,664
Depreciation	1,061	1,057
IT Equipment and leasing	1,147	941
Insurance	497	457

Total expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income include defined contribution superannuation expense of \$4,844,000 (2016: \$5,042,000) and rental expense on operating leases of \$1,656,000 (2016: \$1,935,000).

	CONSOLIDATED	
	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
7. FINANCE INCOME AND FINANCE COSTS		
Recognised in surplus or deficit		
Interest income – Short-term cash deposits	132	128
Interest income – Investments	109	104
Dividend and trust distribution income	1,380	2,190
Total finance income	1,621	2,422
Finance costs – borrowing costs	(14)	(16)
Net finance income recognised in surplus or deficit	1,607	2,406
Recognised in other comprehensive income		
Net change in fair value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	2,478	(724)
Finance income recognised in other comprehensive income	2,478	(724)
8. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash at bank and in hand	750	3,053
Short-term bank deposits	4,870	3,068
Total cash and cash equivalents	5,620	6,121

The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents as at 30 June 2017 and 2016 was equal to their fair value.

	CONSOLIDATED	
	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
9. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Current		
Trade receivables	1,873	840
Other receivables	2,542	2,250
Prepaid expenses	954	622
Total trade and other receivables	5,369	3,712
The carrying amount of trade and other receivables as at 30 June 2017 and 2016 was equal to their fair value. Trade receivables are shown net of an allowance for impairment losses of \$56,000 (2016: \$19,000).		
The movement in the allowance for impairment of trade receivables during the year was as follows:		
Balance at 1 July	19	19
Impairment loss for the year	37	-
Balance at 30 June	56	19
10. INVENTORIES		
Non-manufacturing stores	222	261
11. INVESTMENTS		
Current		
Financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit	8,125	6,469
Total current investments	8,125	6,469
Non-Current		
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	26,714	24,669
Total non-current investments	26,714	24,669

12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	Freehold Land	Buildings	Crown Land Improvements	Plant and Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Capital Works in Progress	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cost							
At 1 July 2016	4,322	37,080	1,719	4,404	4,991	9	52,525
Acquisitions	5,604	39	-	11	837	502	6,993
Transfers	-	-	-	277	-	(277)	-
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(1,578)	-	(1,578)
At 30 June 2017	9,926	37,119	1,719	4,692	4,250	234	57,940
Depreciation and impairment losses							
At 1 July 2016	-	8,721	1,368	3,013	2,274	-	15,376
Depreciation charge for the year	-	1,483	19	445	823	-	2,770
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(847)	-	(847)
At 30 June 2017	-	10,204	1,387	3,458	2,250	-	17,299
Carrying amounts							
At 1 July 2016	4,322	28,359	351	1,391	2,717	9	37,149
At 30 June 2017	9,926	26,915	332	1,234	2,000	234	40,641

CONSOLIDATED

2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
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13. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Computer Software

Cost

At 1 July	729	1,945
Acquisitions	-	-
Disposals	(669)	(1,216)
At 30 June	60	729

Accumulated amortisation

At 1 July	681	1,346
Amortisation charge for the year	17	215
Disposals	(663)	(880)
At 30 June	35	681

Carrying amount

At 1 July	48	599
At 30 June	25	48

The amortisation charge is included within the other expenses in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

	CONSOLIDATED	
	2017 \$'000	2016 \$'000
14. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
Current		
Trade payables	1,623	2,661
Government funding received in advance	10,603	6,695
Other creditors and accruals	3,249	4,182
Deferred revenue	1,998	1,792
Total trade and other payables - current	17,473	15,330
The carrying amount of trade and other payables as at 30 June 2017 and 2016 was equal to the fair value.		
15. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		
Current		
Salaries and wages accrued	2,001	845
Provision for redundancy	100	339
Liability for annual leave	2,526	2,737
Liability for long service leave	2,450	2,251
Total employee benefits - current	7,077	6,172
Non-Current		
Liability for long service leave	1,241	1,259
16. FAIR VALUE RESERVE		
The fair value reserve records the cumulative net changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.		
17. FINANCING FACILITIES		
The Group has access to a bank overdraft (unused as at the reporting date) of \$500,000 (2016: \$500,000). The bank overdraft facility is secured by a floating charge over the assets of the Group. The Group has access to a borrowing facility of \$5,500,000 (2016: \$5,500,000) secured by managed funds held within the investment portfolio (unused at date of reporting).		
18. OPERATING LEASES		
Leases as lessee		
Future operating lease commitments not provided for in the financial statements and payable:		
- not later than one year	684	1,105
- later than one year but not later than five years	471	546
- later than five years	67	80
Total operating leases	1,222	1,731

18. OPERATING LEASES (continued)

The leases cover:

Type	Term
Properties	0 - 60 Months
Improvement to Crown Land	50 Years
Wheelchair-accessible Motor Vehicles	60 Months
IT Equipment	36 - 60 Months

None of the leases include contingent rentals. All include options to renew.

Long-term lease of land

On 1 December 2006, the Group entered into a long-term operating lease of land at Allambie Heights with the State of New South Wales (the 'lessor'). The lease term is 50 years with an option to renew for a further 40 years. Under the terms of the lease, the Group pays a nominal rent. The fair value of the lease rental of \$910,000 (2016: \$893,000) has been recognised as an expense in surplus or deficit. However, this is offset by a contribution income from the lessor of the same amount which is also recognised in surplus or deficit. Accordingly, there is no net impact on the net surplus or deficit for the current or previous years.

19. CAPITAL AND OTHER EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS

As at 30 June 2017 the group had made contractual capital commitments and other expenditure commitments of \$nil (2016: \$nil) which had been contracted for as at that date but not recognised as liabilities.

20. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Directors are of the opinion that provisions are not required in respect of the following contingent liabilities as the probability of an outflow of resources is remote or the amount is not capable of reliable measurement.

Bank guarantees

As at 30 June 2017, the group has bank guarantees amounting to \$145,000 (2016: \$177,000) in connection with certain properties on operating lease. As at 30 June 2017, the bank guarantee facility of the group has a maximum limit of \$200,000 (2016: \$200,000) of which \$55,000 (2016: \$23,000) was unused as at the reporting date.

The bank guarantee is secured by a floating charge over the assets of the group.

Contingencies – litigation

The group has been involved in various claims incidental to the ordinary course of business. Where considered appropriate, legal advice has been obtained. The group does not consider that the outcome of any such claims known to exist at the date of this report, either individually or in aggregate, is likely to have a material effect on its operations or financial position. The directors are of the opinion that provisions are not required in respect of any matters as it is not probable that a future sacrifice of economic benefits will be required, or the amount is not capable of reliable measurement.

Deed of Cross Guarantee

Under the terms of the deed of cross guarantee entered into in accordance with *ASIC Corporations (Wholly owned Companies) Instrument 2016/785* the Company has undertaken to meet any shortfall which might arise on the winding up of the controlled entities which are party to the deed (refer Note 24). As at the date of this report the controlled entities are not in liquidation nor is there any indication that the controlled entities will be wound up.

21. RELATED PARTY INFORMATION**Directors' compensation**

The Directors act in an honorary capacity and receive no compensation for their services as Directors.

	CONSOLIDATED	
	2017 \$	2016 \$
Key management personnel compensation		
The key management personnel compensation is as follows:		
Short-term benefits	2,705,036	2,583,153
Long-term benefits	29,437	100,569
	2,734,473	2,683,722

Payments to defined contribution superannuation funds in respect of key management personnel amounted to \$192,000 (2016: \$224,000). These have been classified under short-term benefits.

22. MEMBERS' GUARANTEE

In accordance with the Company's Constitution each member of the Company has a maximum liability of \$20 in the event of the Company being wound up while he/she is a member (or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member) for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Company contracted before he/she ceased to be a member. As at 30 June 2017 there were 292 members (2016: 327).

23. COMPANY DETAILS

Cerebral Palsy Alliance and its controlled entities are incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The companies are limited by guarantee and exempted under Section 150 (1) of the Corporations Act 2001 from using the word "Limited" with the exception of The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd.

24. CONSOLIDATED ENTITIES/DEED OF CROSS GUARANTEE

Particulars in relation to controlled entities all of which are incorporated in Australia:

Ultimate parent entity

Cerebral Palsy Alliance

Subsidiaries subject to Deed of Cross Guarantee

Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Accommodation South
Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Accommodation North
Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Accommodation Hunter
Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Therapy Services
Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Casual Relief Services
(Previously – Community Access Services)
Cerebral Palsy Alliance – Venee Burges House
The Cerebral Palsy Institute
The CP Institute
United Cerebral Palsy Australia
The Australian Cerebral Palsy Register
The Australian CP Register
The CP Foundation
International CP Foundation
CP Research Foundation

Subsidiary not subject to Deed of Cross Guarantee

The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd

The Cerebral Palsy Foundation Pty Ltd acts as the trustee for The Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

Each subsidiary is wholly owned.

Pursuant to *ASIC Corporations (Wholly owned Companies) Instrument 2016/785*, the wholly-owned subsidiaries listed above are relieved from the ACNC requirements for preparation, audit and lodgement of financial reports, and directors' reports.

It is a condition of the Class Order that the Company and each of the subsidiaries seeking the financial reporting relief (Group Entities) enter into a Deed of

Cross Guarantee. The effect of the Deed is that each Group Entity guarantees to each creditor payment in full of any debt in the event of winding up of any Group Entity under certain provisions of the Corporations Act 2001. If a winding up occurs under other provisions of the Act, each Group Entity will only be liable in the event that after six months any creditor has not been paid in full. The subsidiaries have also given similar guarantees that would apply in the event that the Company was wound up.

The subsidiary which is not subject to the Deed of Cross Guarantee is a dormant entity with no transactions or balances in this entity. Accordingly, the consolidated statement of financial position and consolidated statement of comprehensive income presented on pages 14 and 15 of the financial statements represent the consolidated results of the Group Entities after eliminating all transactions between parties to the Deed of Cross Guarantee.

25. PARENT ENTITY DISCLOSURES

As at, and throughout the financial year ended 30 June 2017 the parent entity of the consolidated entity was Cerebral Palsy Alliance. The parent entity's result, financial position and contingencies were identical to those of the Group.

Parent entity contingencies

The parent entity had the same bank guarantees and contingencies relating to litigation as are disclosed in relation to the Group in Note 20.

The parent entity has entered into a Deed of Cross Guarantee with the effect that the parent entity guarantees debts of its subsidiaries.

Further details of the Deed of Cross Guarantee and the subsidiaries subject to the deed are disclosed in Note 24.

26. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 31 July 2017 the Company was chosen by the NSW Government as the service provider to support people with disabilities currently living in NSW Government operated group homes and respite homes in the Northern Sydney and Northern Beaches regions.

In the first quarter of calendar year 2018, the NSW Government is expected to transfer over 580 employees and the responsibility for providing services to more than 230 clients living in 50 Group homes and to 348 clients accessing 8 centre based respite homes.

27. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

Services are increasingly being provided to fee-paying clients due to the transition of the disability sector to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), and the dependence of the Group upon receiving grants from the Commonwealth and NSW State Departments to ensure the continuance of its services is reducing.



Auditor's Independence Declaration under subdivision 60-C section 60-40 of Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012

To: the Directors of Cerebral Palsy Alliance

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2017 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in 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.

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Daniel Robinson
Partner

Sydney
27 September 2017

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the members of Cerebral Palsy Alliance

Report on the audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the **Financial Report**, of the Cerebral Palsy Alliance (the Group).

In our opinion, the accompanying **Financial Report** of the Group is in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) Act 2012*, and Section 24(2) of the *Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991* and Regulations and with Section 15(1) and 15(2) of the *WA Charitable Collections Act 1946 and Regulations 1947* (collectively the Acts and Regulations) including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2017, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- (ii) complying with *Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements* and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

The **Financial Report** comprises:

- (i) Consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2017.
- (ii) Consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity, and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended.
- (iii) Notes including a summary of significant accounting policies.
- (iv) Directors' declaration.
- (v) Declaration by the Chief Executive Officer in respect of fundraising appeals of the Group.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our unqualified opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

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We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *ACNC Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Other information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Group's annual reporting which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. This includes the Directors' Report. The Directors are responsible for the Other Information.

The Other Information we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report was the Directors' Report.

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. In doing so, we 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.

We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information, and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors are responsible for:

- (i) Preparing the Financial Report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with *Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosures Requirements* and the ACNC.
- (ii) Preparing the Financial Report in accordance with Section 24(2) of the *Charitable Fundraising (NSW) Act 1991* and Regulations and with Section 15(1) and 15(2) of the *WA Charitable Collections Act 1946* and Regulations 1947, the Acts and Regulations.
- (iii) Implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- (iv) Assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- (i) to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- (ii) 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 *Australian Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They 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.

Undertaking an audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*, means exercising professional judgment and maintaining professional skepticism.

Our responsibilities include:

- (i) Identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Report, whether due to fraud or error.
- (ii) Designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining 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. This is because fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- (iii) Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the Audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. This is not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on its effectiveness.
- (iv) Evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- (v) Concluding 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 Group'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 Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- (vi) Evaluating 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.

In addition we have:

- (i) Obtained an understanding of the internal control structure for fundraising appeal activities.
- (ii) Examined on a test basis of evidence supporting compliance with the accounting and associated record keeping requirements for fundraising appeal activities pursuant to the Acts and Regulations.

We have not audited on a continuous basis the accounting records relied upon for reporting on fundraising appeal activities. These do not necessarily reflect accounting adjustments after the event or normal year-end financial adjustments required for the preparation of Financial Report such as accruals, prepayments, provisioning and valuations.

Opinion pursuant to the Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991

In our opinion:

- (i) the Financial Report gives a true and fair view of the Group's financial result of fundraising appeal activities for the financial year ended 30 June 2017;
- (ii) the Financial Report has been properly drawn up, and the associated records have been properly kept for the period from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017, in accordance with the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* and Regulations;
- (iii) money received as a result of fundraising appeal activities conducted during the period from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the *Charitable Fundraising Act (NSW) 1991* and Regulations; and
- (iv) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Group will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Opinion pursuant to the Charitable Collections Act (WA) 1946 and Charitable Collections Regulations (WA) 1947

In our opinion, the Group has complied, in all material respects, with the requirements of the *Charitable Collections Act (WA) 1946* and *Charitable Collections Regulations (WA) 1947* for the year ended 30 June 2017.



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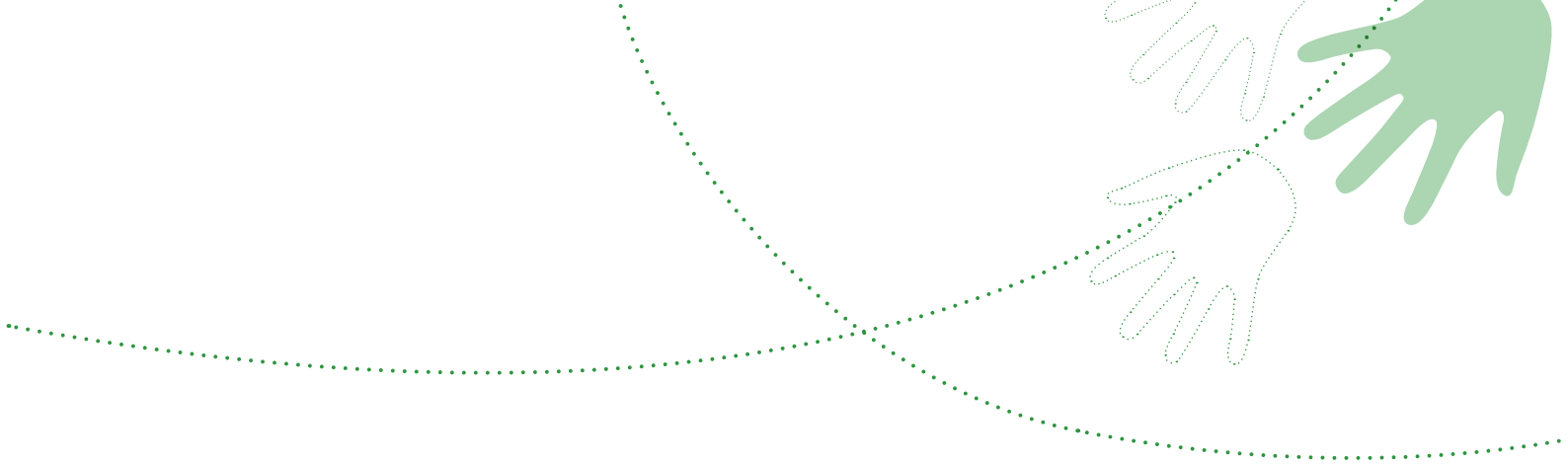


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27 September 2017



Cerebral Palsy Alliance builds futures for children and adults with cerebral palsy in NSW and the ACT. The organisation was founded under the name The Spastic Centre on 30 January 1945 by a concerned group of 25 parents of children with cerebral palsy, led by Neil and Audrie McLeod.

Cerebral Palsy Alliance provides vital supports, services and equipment for close to 5,000 children and adults each year.

Cerebral Palsy Alliance also funds research for cerebral palsy prevention, cure and intervention. We fund the world's best and brightest minds in cerebral palsy research – many here in Australia. Our grants shape the direction of cerebral palsy research, and help build careers dedicated to the prevention and cure of this complex condition.





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