Annual Financial Report 30 June 2019

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## Directors' report

For the year ended 30 June 2019

The directors present their report to the members of Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Limited ("the "Company" or "AHURI Limited") together with the financial report for the financial year ended 30 June 2019 and the audit report thereon.

## 1. Directors

The name of each person who has been a director of the Company during the year and to the date of this report and the number of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors attended by each director during the year ended 30 June 2019 were:

number of meetings of the Company's Board of Directors attended by each director during the year ended 30 June 2019 were:					
Director		Appointed since 1 July 2018	Ceased since 1 July 2018	Board Meetings eligible to attend	Board Meetings attended
Mr Adrian Harrington (Non Executive Director)	Appointed by the Federal Minister responsible for the housing portfolio	Appointed Chairperson 7 April 2019		3	3
Dr Jeffrey Harmer AO (Non Executive Director)	Appointed by the Federal Minister responsible for the housing portfolio			3	3
Dr Michael Fotheringham (Executive Director)	AHURI Executive Director ex officio Board appointment			3	3
Professor Aleksandar Subic (Non Executive Director) Swinburne University	University Participant appointed by the Board			3	1
Mr Nathan Dal Bon (Non Executive Director) Commonwealth Department of Treasury	Commonwealth Department of Treasury representative appointed by the Board		17 September 2018	-	-
Mr Tony De Domenico OAM (Non Executive Director)	Appointed by the Federal Minister responsible for the housing portfolio		11 December 2018	2	2
Ms Meredith Sussex AM (Non Executive Director)	Appointed by the Federal Minister responsible for the housing portfolio		11 December 2018	2	2
Professor Calum Drummond (Non Executive Director) RMIT	University Participant appointed by the Board		31 December 2018	2	1
Professor Billie Giles-Corti (Non Executive Director) RMIT (Alternate for Professor Calum Drummond)	University Participant appointed by the Board		31 December 2018	-	-
Mr Grahame Searle (Non Executive Director) WA Department of Housing	State/Territory Government representative appointed by the Board		19 February 2019	2	2
Mr Michael Buchan (Non Executive Director) Housing SA	State/Territory Government representative appointed by the Board	27 August 2018		3	3

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Director		Appointed since 1 July 2018	Ceased since 1 July 2018	Board Meetings eligible to attend	Board Meetings attended
Ms Vicki Wilkinson (Non Executive Director) Commonwealth Department of Treasury	Commonwealth Department of Treasury representative appointed by the Board	24 September 2018		3	3
Professor Nicholas Fisk (Non Executive Director) UNSW	University Participant appointed by the Board	1 January 2019		1	1
Ms Helen Nys (Non Executive Director) WA Department of Housing	State/Territory Government representative appointed by the Board	20 February 2019		1	1
Ms Helen Glanville (Non Executive Director)	Appointed by the Federal Minister responsible for the housing portfolio	7 April 2019		-	-
Ms Karen Synon (Non Executive Director)	Appointed by the Federal Minister responsible for the housing portfolio	7 April 2019		-	-

The directors monitor risk management in respect of operations and the financial position of the Company by regular reporting to the Board by the Chair of the Audit, Finance and Risk Management Committee (AFaRM). The number of AFaRM meetings attended by each member of the committee during the year ended 30 June 2019 were:

Committee member	Appointed since 1 July 2018	Ceased since 1 July 2018	AFaRM Meetings eligible to attend	AFaRM Meetings attended
Mr Adrian Harrington (Non Executive Director)			5	5
Dr Jeff Harmer AO(Non Executive Director)	11 December 2018		2	2
Mr Tony De Domenico OAM (Non Executive Director)		11 December 2018	3	3
Ms Meredith Sussex AM (Non Executive Director)		11 December 2018	3	3

## 2. Principal activities and strategic objectives

The Company is a national independent research network with an expert non-for-profit research management company, AHURI Limited, at its centre. As the only organisation in Australia dedicated exclusively to housing, homelessness, cities and related urban research, AHURI is a unique venture. Through our national network of University research partners, we undertake research leading to the advancement of knowledge on key policy and practice issues. AHURI research informs the decision making of all levels of government, non-government sectors (both private and not-for-profit), peak organisations and the community, and stimulates debate in the media and the broader Australian community.

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The Company's mission is to inform and impact better housing, homelessness, cities and related urban outcomes, through the delivery and dissemination of relevant and authoritative research. The Company's strategic priorities are the primary focus of the AHURI Board. The key strategic goals for 2019-20 are:

- Inform and influence cities policy, planning and practice across government, private and non-profit sectors
- Inform and influence housing policy, planning and practice across government, private and non-profit sectors
- Foster engagement across all sectors and stakeholder groups
- Build public and professional understanding and informed dialogue on housing and cities issues
- Enhance national policy and research capability and relevance for better informed outcomes
- · Optimise the value we deliver

AHURI receives income from four main sources. Grants from the Australian and state and territory governments and contributions from university partners for participation in the National Housing Research Program, registrations and sponsorship fees for AHURI conferences and events, and fee for service research projects and other professional services. The funding from Australian governments and university partners enables the Company to make the research reports from the National Housing Research Program free to download from the website. Depending on the arrangement with professional services clients, consultancy reports may also be publicly available on the website.

The Company's key activities are research management, research capacity building, research consulting, conference and event management, and evidence-informed policy development. The Company currently:

- Provides a major influence and focus on national policy discussions on housing and homelessness and the future
  of Australian cities, and conducts leading research into major issues for Australian housing and urban policy
- Undertakes a series of capacity building measures that develop the skills and resources of policy makers, practitioners and researchers in the housing, homelessness, cities and urban communities in Australia
- Convenes and hosts the biennial National Housing Conference, the biennial National Homelessness Conference, and a range of evidence informed forums, one-day conferences, workshops and other events
- Delivers the National Housing Research Program, to ensure our research activity addresses the policy priorities of state, territory and the Australian governments, through a portfolio of priority-based Inquiries and research projects.
- Publishes and disseminates more than 20 new research reports each year as well as hosting a research library of more than 500 major reports, up-to-date analyses of current policy issues and an ongoing stream of news and commentary through the AHURI website
- Provides a range of professional services that draw on our expert staff as well as on our network of more than 400 researchers though our university partners

The annual AHURI Limited Operating Plan ensures the Company's capacity to monitor progress against the strategic goals and the associated annual operating budget. A key feature of the plan is the inclusion of a number of indicators (both quantitative data and qualitative assessment) to measure progress for each strategic goal.

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

#### 3. Key achievements

In conjunction with Homelessness Australia, the Company convened the National Homelessness Conference in August 2018 in Melbourne. The conference was an outstanding success with over 1,220 registrations from all sectors. In addition to the 21 research contracts totalling \$2,732,970 awarded to the university participants in the National Housing Research Program 2019 Funding Round, the Company also awarded a further 3 projects totalling \$228,411 for the 2019 cities research program. After 16 years at Level 1, 114 Flinders Street Melbourne the Company relocated the head office to Level 12, 460 Bourke Street Melbourne in June 2019. The new office is a larger floor space to accommodate additional staff and more suitable meeting areas to host research inquiry panels, stakeholder roundtables and AHURI Limited Board meetings.

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## 4. Operating and financial results

A summary of revenues and expenses is set out below:	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Total revenue	6,419,977	7,291,529
Total expenses	(6,888,676)	(6,968,848)
Net surplus/ (deficit) for the year ended 30 June	(468,699)	322,681

The net deficit for the 2019 financial year of \$468,699 is \$131,301 better than the planned 2019 deficit of \$600,000. The AHURI operating result varies year to year due to the timing of payments under the Funding Agreement for the National Housing Research Program and the Company's related expenditures. Over the life of funding, annual financial plans are set such that funding agreement deficits are offset by surpluses resulting in no net cumulative financial loss to the Company.

The total revenue for the year decreased by \$871,552 mainly due to the decrease in the biennial National Housing Conference revenue of \$928,744. The conference is convened on alternate years with the next conference scheduled for 2019 in Darwin. The decrease in revenue was partly offset mainly by an increase in professional services revenue of \$294,518.

The decrease in revenue resulted in a consequent decrease in expenditure by \$80,172 mainly due to the decrease in expenditure of \$611,582 associated with the above mentioned National Housing Conference, partially offset mainly by an increase in professional services project expenditure of \$692,846 mainly due to \$243,010 related to the increased revenue and \$315.383 for the 2019 cities research program.

In the balance sheet the total equity decreased by the deficit of \$428,699 to \$2,503,899. The cash and cash equivalents increased by \$195,109 to \$7,369,832 which is 84% of AHURI total assets. The current ratio is \$1.43 of current assets for each current liability which, in the opinion of the directors, is more than adequate for the continuing operations.

In the opinion of the directors the Company is able to plan and manage its operational expenditures within the funds currently committed and accordingly the Company continues to operate as a going concern.

#### 5. Dividends

Under the constitution, no dividends are allowed to members of the Company.

## 6. Members' guarantee

Each Member of the Company undertakes to contribute to the Company's property if the Company is wound up while he, she or it is a Member within one year after he, she or it ceases to be a Member, for payment of the Company's debts and liabilities contracted before he, she or it ceased to be a Member and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for an adjustment of the rights of contributors among themselves such amount as may be required not exceeding one hundred dollars.

There were 20 members at 30 June 2019 (2018: 20 members).

## 7. Events subsequent to reporting date

There were no material events subsequent to reporting date.

## 8. Likely developments

The Company's primary focus will be on the continuing delivery of the 2019-21 National Housing Research Program Funding Agreement in support of the policy development and practice of governments, industry and the community sector.

A focus on further business development of professional services and an expanded conference and events program will also continue to be key activities and provide a suite of programs and activities in support of the Company's strategic goals.

The Company is planning for a net deficit of \$150,000 for 2019/2020 that will be directed mainly towards further funding for the cities research program and an increase in the marketing and promotion of the research evidence.

## Directors' report

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## 9. Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

#### Indemnification

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

#### **Insurance premiums**

During the financial year, the Company has paid a premium of \$2,335 (2018: \$2,225) for the insurance of the liabilities of directors and officers of the Company.

The liabilities insured are legal costs that may be incurred in defending civil or criminal proceedings that may be brought against the officers in their capacity as officers of the Company, and any other payments arising from liabilities incurred by the officers in connection with such proceedings. This does not include such liabilities that arise from conduct involving a wilful breach of duty by the officers or the improper use by the officers of their position or of information to gain advantage for themselves or someone else or to cause detriment to the Company. It is not possible to apportion the premium between amounts relating to the insurance against legal costs and those relating to other liabilities.

## 10. Environmental regulation

The Company's operations are not subject to any significant environmental regulations under either Commonwealth or State legislation. However, the board believes that the Company has adequate systems in place for the management of its environmental requirements and is not aware of any breach of those environmental requirements as they apply to the Company.

## 11. Lead auditor's independence declaration

The Lead auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 29 and forms part of the directors' report for the financial year ended 30 June 2019.

Directors' report For the year ended 30 June 2019

This report is made out in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Mr Adrian Harrington

Champerson

Dr Michael Fotheringham

**Executive Director** 

Dated at Melbourne this 12th day of September 2019



## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE DIRECTORS OF AUSTRALIAN HOUSING AND URBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

In relation to the independent audit for the year ended 30 June 2019, to the best of my knowledge and belief there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001; and
- (ii) no contraventions of APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.

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Partner

Melbourne

Date: 12 September 2019

## Statement of financial position As at 30 June 2019

	Note	2019	2018
		\$	\$
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	7,369,832	7,174,723
Trade and other receivables	7 _	760,296	558,122
Total current assets	-	8,130,128	7,732,845
Property, plant & equipment	8	686,722	61,323
Intangible assets	9 _	-	24,440
Total non-current assets		686,722	85,763
Total assets	=	8,816,850	7,818,608
Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	10	831,892	271,463
Contracted research funding	11	3,138,079	2,817,347
Employee benefits	12	153,423	118,279
Deferred income	13	1,506,494	899,960
Other liabilities	14	70,938	
Total current liabilities	_	5,700,826	4,107,049
Contracted research funding	11	500,803	533,171
Employee benefits	12	52,602	46,718
Deferred Income	13	-	75,000
Other liabilities	14	58,720	84,072
Total non-current liabilities		612,125	738,961
Total liabilities	_	6,312,951	4,846,010
Net assets	<del>-</del>	2,503,899	2,972,598
Equity			
Reserves	15(a)	1,011,079	1,011,079
Retained surplus	15(b)	1,492,820	1,961,519
Total equity		2,503,899	2,972,598

Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the year ended 30 June 2019

	Note	2019	2018
		\$	\$
Revenue from continuing operations	4	6,419,977	7,291,529
National Housing Research Program research centre		(2.707.026)	(2.629.506)
expenses		(2,707,926) (178,012)	(2,638,506)
Research centre capacity building expenses  Research dissemination and communications expenses  Research stakeholder engagement and project		(646,690)	(428,421) (562,036)
management expenses		(539,882)	(642,370)
National conference expenses		(445,123)	(1,056,705)
Professional Services project expenses		(1,314,639)	(621,793)
Finance and corporate services expenses		(319,253)	(287,022)
Board and governance expenses		(229,211)	(312,142)
General administration expenses		(151,835)	(102,741)
Occupancy expenses	_	(356,105)	(317,112)
Total expenses	_	(6,888,676)	(6,968,848)
Results from operating activities	_	(468,699)	322,681
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year before income tax	-	(468,699)	322,681
Tax expense	3i _	-	-
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	_	(468,699)	322,681
Other comprehensive income Items that will never be reclassified to profit or loss Items that are or may be reclassified to profit or loss	<u>-</u>	- -	- -
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	
Total comprehensive income/ (deficit) for the year attributable to Members of Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Limited		(468,699)	322,681

The notes on pages 12 to 27 are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of changes in equity

For the year ended 30 June 2019

## Attributable to members of the Company

	Note	Reserves \$	Retained surplus \$	Total equity
Balance at 1 July 2017		1,011,079	1,638,838	2,649,917
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		-	322,681	322,681
Other comprehensive income			-	
Total comprehensive income for the year			322,681	322,681
Transfers between reserves	15		-	
			-	
Balance at 30 June 2018		1,011,079	1,961,519	2,972,598
Balance at 1 July 2018		1,011,079	1,961,519	2,972,598
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		-	(468,699)	(468,699)
Other comprehensive income			-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	(468,699)	(468,699)
Transfers between reserves	15		-	
			-	
Balance at 30 June 2019		1,011,079	1,492,820	2,503,899

There are no items of other comprehensive income. Accordingly, there are no items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss.

The notes on pages 12 to 27 are an integral part of these financial statements.

## Statement of cash flows For the year ended 30 June 2019

	Note	2019	2018
		\$	\$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		7,473,078	7,672,002
Payments to suppliers and employees		(6,775,367)	(6,819,550)
Cash generated from operations		697,711	852,452
Interest received		162,489	156,161
Net cash flows from/ (used in) operating activities	23	860,200	1,008,613
Cash flows from investing activities Acquisition of property, plant & equipment and intangible assets  Net cash flows (used in) investing activities	8&9 _	(665,091) (665,091)	(35,399)
Cash flows from financing activities  Net cash flows from financing activities	<u>-</u>	-	<u>-</u>
Net increase/ (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		195,109	973,214
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year		7,174,723	6,201,509
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	6	7,369,832	7,174,723

The notes on pages 12 to 27 are an integral part of these financial statements.

## Notes to the financial statements

#### 1. Reporting entity

Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Limited (the "Company") is a not-for-profit Company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 5 November 1999 and domiciled in Australia. The address of the Company's registered office is Level 12, 460 Bourke Street, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. The Company manages the financing and conduct of research across universities and research facilities around Australia. Revenue is received from the Australian, State and Territory Governments to support a core research program, the National Housing Research Program. Additional funds are received from participating research institutions and from other sources for contracted research. The current National Housing Research Program Funding Agreement provides funding through to 30 June 2021.

Each Member of the Company undertakes to contribute to the Company's property if the Company is wound up while he, she or it is a Member within one year after he, she or it ceases to be a Member, for payment of the Company's debts and liabilities contracted before he, she or it ceased to be a Member and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for an adjustment of the rights of contributors among themselves such amount as may be required not exceeding one hundred dollars. There were 20 members at 30 June 2019 (2018: 20 members).

## 2. Basis of accounting

## (a) Statement of compliance

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company is not publicly accountable within the definition of public accountability by Appendix A of AASB1053 Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards. This technical notion of publicly accountable is different from the notion of public accountability in the general sense of the term that is often employed in relation to not-for-profit, including public sector entities. These financial statements are Tier 2 general purpose financial statements which have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements (AASBs) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Corporations Act 2001. These financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements.

They were authorised for issue on 12th September 2019.

#### (b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for non-derivative financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss which are measured on each reporting date.

## (c) Functional and presentation currency

These financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

## (d) Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements 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 these estimates.

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

There are no areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements.

#### (e) Going concern

The financial report has been prepared on the going concern basis which assumes continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business.

The Company has cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2019 of \$7,369,832 and its liabilities include deferred income of \$1,506,494 and contracted research funding of \$3,638,882 which will result in cash outflows post 30 June 2019.

The Company receives annual grants from the Federal and State and Territory Governments under a 3 year funding agreement which expires on 30 June 2021. The amounts of which are set out in note 4 for the current and prior year. The Directors are confident, based on the Company's ongoing collaboration with the Federal and State and Territory Governments, that sufficient grant funding will be secured which will ensure the continuity of normal business activities in future years.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 2. Basis of accounting (continued)

## (e) Going concern (continued)

In addition, the Directors are also satisfied that in the event there were changes to the quantum of funding secured in future years, the Company is able to plan and manage its operational expenditures within the capacity of confirmed funding amounts, or to initiate commercial activities to provide additional funding for the Company's future operations.

#### 3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements, and have been applied consistently by the Company.

## (a) Financial instruments

The Company classifies non-derivative financial assets into the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and held to maturity financial assets.

The Company classifies non-derivative financial liabilities into the other financial liabilities category.

## (i) Non-derivative financial assets and financial liabilities – recognition and derecognition

The Company initially recognises loans and receivables on the date that they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised on the trade date.

The Company 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 in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or it neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and does not retain control over the transferred asset. Any interest in such derecognised financial assets that is created or retained by the Company is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

The Company derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire.

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

#### (ii) Non-derivative financial assets – measurement

## Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

A financial asset is classified as at fair value through profit or loss if it is classified as held-for-trading or is designated as such on initial recognition. Directly attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value and changes therein, including any dividend income, are recognised in profit or loss.

## Held-to-maturity financial assets

These assets are initially recognised at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

## Trade and other receivables

Receivables are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such assets are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses (see Note 3(c)(i)).

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash balances and call deposits with original maturities of three months or less from the acquisition date or that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Company in the management of its short-term commitments.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (a) Financial instruments (continued)

#### (iii) Non-derivative financial liabilities - measurement

Non-derivative financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value less any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, these liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Other financial liabilities comprise: trade and other payables, deferred income and contracted research funding.

## (b) Property, plant and equipment

#### (i) Recognition and measurement

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

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. The cost of self-constructed assets includes the following:

- the cost of materials and direct labour;
- any other costs directly attributable to bringing the assets to a working condition for their intended use;
- when the Company has an obligation to remove the assets or restore the site, an estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located; and
- capitalised borrowing costs.

If significant parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Any gains and losses on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment (calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item) is recognised in profit or loss.

## (ii) Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Company. Ongoing repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

#### (iii) Depreciation

Items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated from the date that they are installed and are ready for use, or in respect of internally constructed assets, from the date that the asset is completed and ready for use.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment less their estimated residual values using the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Depreciation is generally recognised in profit or loss, unless the amount is included in the carrying amount of another asset. Leased assets are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives unless it is reasonably certain that the Company will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative years of significant items of property, plant and equipment are as follows:

plant and equipment 3 – 8 years
 leasehold improvements 5 – 10 years

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

## Notes to the financial statements

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (c) Impairment

#### (i) Non-derivative financial assets

A financial asset not classified as at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that it is impaired.

A financial asset is impaired if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event(s) had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably.

Objective evidence that financial assets are impaired includes:

- default or delinquency by a debtor;
- restructuring of an amount due to the Company on terms that the Company would not consider otherwise;
- indications that a debtor or issuer will enter bankruptcy;
- adverse changes in the payment status of borrowers or issuers;
- the disappearance of an active market for a service; or
- observable data indicating that there is measurable decrease in expected cash flows from a group of financial assets.

#### Financial assets measured at amortised cost

The Company considers evidence of impairment for financial assets measured at amortised cost (loans and receivables and cash and cash equivalents) at both a specific asset and collective level. All individually significant assets are assessed for specific impairment. Those found not to be specifically impaired are then collectively assessed for any impairment that has been incurred but not yet identified. Assets that are not individually significant are collectively assessed for impairment by grouping together assets with similar risk characteristics.

In assessing collective impairment the Company uses historical trends of the probability of default, timing of recoveries and the amount of loss incurred, adjusted for management's judgement as to whether current economic and credit conditions are such that the actual losses are likely to be greater or lesser than suggested by historical trends.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured 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 profit or loss and reflected in an allowance account against the assets carrying value. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount. When an event occurring after the impairment was recognised causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease in impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss.

## (ii) Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. Indefinite life intangible assets are tested annually for impairment. An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset cash-generating unit (CGU) exceeds its recoverable amount.

For impairment testing, assets are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or CGUs.

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

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of CGUs are allocated to reduce the carrying amounts of assets in the CGU (or group of CGUs) on a pro rata basis.

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.

## Notes to the financial statements

#### 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (d) Employee benefits

## (i) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit-sharing plans if the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

## (ii) Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss in the periods during which related services are rendered by employees.

#### (iii) Other long-term employee benefits

The Company's net obligation in respect of long-term employee benefits is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. That benefit is discounted to determine its present value. Re-measurements are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

#### (e) Revenue from contracts with customers

The company derives revenue from government funding for National Housing Research Program, university Research Centre funding, professional services, conferences and events and other income. Revenue is recognised as, or when, goods or services are transferred to the customer, and is measured at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company expects to be entitled in exchange for the goods or services.

#### Consideration included in the measurement of revenue

The consideration to be received from customers may include fixed amounts, variable amounts, or both. Where the contract includes a right to variable consideration, the company estimates the amount of variable consideration using the most likely amount approach on a contract-by-contract basis. Variable consideration is included in the measurement of revenue only to the extent that it is highly probable, based on historical experience, that a significant reversal of the cumulative amount recognised will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variability is subsequently resolved.

### Receivables from contracts with customers

A receivable from a contract with a customer represents the company's unconditional right to consideration arising from the transfer of goods or services to the customer (i.e., only the passage of time is required before payment of the consideration is due). Subsequent to initial recognition, receivables from contracts with customers are measured at amortised cost and are tested for impairment.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Amounts disclosed as revenue are net of returns and amounts collected on behalf of third parties.

Revenue is recognised for the major business activities as follows:

## (i) Government funding for National Housing Research Program

Revenue is recognised when the Company has the unconditional right to receive the funding from the Australian State and Territory Governments in accordance with the National Housing Research Program Funding agreement.

Any funding received that has continuing conditions and obligations is recognised initially as deferred income at fair value and when there is reasonable assurance the Company has complied with the conditions and obligations of the funding, it is recognised in the profit or loss.

#### (ii) University Research Centre funding

Revenue is recognised when the Company has the right to receive the funding from the Universities.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

## (iii) Professional services revenue

Revenue is recognised in association with the completion and provision of the contracted report to the contracted client, on a percentage of completion basis, which is measured via costs incurred for the transactions as a percentage of total planned costs.

## (iv) Conferences and events

Revenue and costs are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the event is held, except for marketing related costs which are expensed as incurred.

## (v) Other income

Interest income is recognised on an accrued basis using the effective interest method.

Other revenue is recognised on a percentage completion basis, which is measured via costs incurred for the transactions as a percentage of total planned costs.

## (f) Provisions

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as finance cost.

#### (g) Leases

## (i) Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease

At inception of an arrangement, the Company determines whether such an arrangement is or contains a lease.

At inception or upon reassessment of the arrangement, the Company separates payments and other consideration required by such an arrangement into those for the lease and those for other elements on the basis of their relative fair values. If the Company concludes for a finance lease that it is impracticable to separate the payments reliably, then an asset and a liability are recognised at an amount equal to the fair value of the underlying asset; subsequently the liability is reduced as payments are made and an imputed finance charge on the liability is recognised using the Company's incremental borrowing rate.

## (ii) Leased assets

Assets held by the Company under leases which transfer to the Company substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases. On initial recognition, the leased asset is measured at an amount equal to the lower of its fair value and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Subsequent to initial recognition, the asset is accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy applicable to that asset.

Assets held under other leases are classified as operating leases and are not recognised in the Company's statement of financial position.

## (iii) Lease payments

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease.

#### (h) Finance income and finance costs

Finance income comprises interest income on funds invested. Interest income is recognised as it accrues in profit or loss, using the effective interest method.

Borrowing costs that are not directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

## (i) Tax

No income tax expense is charged and no income tax is payable by the Company as the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) has granted the Company an exemption from income tax.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 3. Significant accounting policies (continued)

#### (j) Goods and services tax

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

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the 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 component 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) Intangibles

Software and website development

Software and website development expenditure is capitalised only if development costs can be measured reliably, the product or process is technically and commercially feasible, future economic benefits are probable, and the Company intends to and has sufficient resources to complete development and to use or sell the asset. The expenditure capitalised includes the cost of materials, direct labour and overhead costs that are directly attributable to preparing the asset for its intended use, and capitalised borrowing costs. Other development expenditure is recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Capitalised software and website development costs are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. The assets are amortised on a straight-line basis in profit or loss over their estimated useful lives, from the date that they are available for use. Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each financial year-end and adjusted if appropriate.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods are as follows:

#### Class of asset

#### **Useful life**

Software and website development costs

5 years

## (I) New standards and interpretations issued but not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2019, and have not been applied in preparing these financial statements. None of these is expected to have a significant effect on the financial statements of the Company, except for:

#### AASB 16 Leases

AASB 16 removes the lease classification test for lessees and requires all the leases (including operating leases) to be brought onto the balance sheet. The definition of a lease is also amended and is now the new on/off balance sheet test for lessees. AASB 16 is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019, with early adoption permitted where AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers is adopted at the same time.. On initial application, the assessed impact of the adoption of AASB16 requires an asset and corresponding liability of approximately \$2,019,869 to be recorded.

## AASB 1058 Income for Not-for-Profit Entities

AASB 1058 replaces the income recognition requirements relating to private sector NFP entities, as well as the majority of income recognition requirements relating to public sector NFP entities previously reflected in AASB 1004 Contributions. AASB 1058 establishes principles for NFP entities that apply specifically to transactions where the consideration to acquire an asset is significantly less than fair value principally to enable a NFP entity to further its objectives and to volunteer services received. The accounting guidance applied is driven by whether the agreement is enforceable and contains performance obligations. NFP entities will assess which standard is applicable for each individual agreement. AASB1058 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019, with early adoption permitted. The Company is assessing the potential impact on its financial statements resulting from the application of AASB1058.

## Notes to the financial statements

4.	Revenue		
		2019	2018
F	rom continuing operations	\$	\$
F	Revenue		
Ν	lational Housing Research Program government funding	3,577,752	3,507,600
R	Research centres participants fees revenue	935,530	975,430
Ν	lational Housing Conference revenue	592,067	1,520,811
Е	vent registrations and other revenue	62,148	57,238
Ρ	Professional services revenue	1,059,724	765,206
D	Dissemination revenue	-	288,721
В	Bank interest	190,732	175,523
C	Other	2,024	1,000
	•	6,419,977	7,291,529
e E P a	Expenses  Deficit)/Surplus before income tax includes the following specific expenses: Depreciation and amortisation Plant and equipment (including leasehold improvements) and intangible essets	64,134	117,554
T	otal depreciation and amortisation	64,134	117,554
S	Salaries and wages	1,970,425	1,884,838
		240,778	163,752
C	Office rent and outgoings	,	.00,.02
	mice rent and outgoings nsurance premium	12,209	15,960
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lr I	nsurance premium	12,209	•

## **Defined contribution superannuation plans**

The Company has paid contributions of \$163,382 to defined contributions plans on behalf of employees for the year ended 30 June 2019 (2018: \$157,344).

## 6. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and on hand	625,068	457,327
Deposits at call	6,744,764	6,717,396
	7,369,832	7,174,723

## Bank guarantee

The Company has bank guarantees of \$149,073 (2018: \$52,848) as security deposit for the office lease at Level 1, 114 Flinders Street Melbourne (\$52,848) and Level 12, 460 Bourke Street, Melbourne (\$96,225).

## Term deposits

The Company has 12 term deposit contracts with maturities ranging from 15 to 289 days at an interest rate ranging from 2.11% to 2.76%. All term deposits are recognised as part of cash and cash equivalents as the Company can convert the term deposits to cash on demand at an insignificant cost.

## Notes to the financial statements

7. Trade and other receivables		
	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Trade receivables	260,867	257,160
Accrued interest	86,909	58,667
Conference work in progress	295,298	103,326
Research work in progress	41,176	55,679
Prepayments and other receivables	76,046	83,290
	760,296	558,122

As at 30 June 2019, no trade receivable balances were deemed to be impaired (2018: \$nil).

## 8. Property, plant and equipment and Intangibles

## Property, plant and equipment at cost

Plant and equipment at cost Accumulated depreciation	266,007 (118,566)	152,065 (95,204)
Total plant and equipment	147,441	46,544
Leasehold improvements at cost Accumulated depreciation	611,770 (72,489)	70,938 (56,159)
Total leasehold improvements	539,281	14,779
Total plant and equipment	686,722	61,323

## Movements in carrying amounts

Movements in carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year are as follows

	Plant and Equipment	Leasehold Improvements	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Carrying amount at 1 July 2018	46,544	14,779	61,323
Additions	124,259	540,832	665,091
Disposals	-	-	-
Depreciation	(23,362)	(16,330)	(39,692)
Balance at 30 June 2019	147,441	539,281	686,722

## 9. Intangibles

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Intangibles at cost		
	120,837	120,837
Intangibles and software at cost		
Accumulated amortisation	(120,837)	(96,397)
Total intangibles and software	_	24,440

## Notes to the financial statements

## 9. Intangibles (continued)

## Movements in carrying amounts

Movements in carrying amounts for each class of intangibles between the beginning and the end of the current financial year are as follows

Carrying amount at 1 July 2018 Additions	Intangibles and Software \$ 24,440	Total \$ 24,440
Disposals		
Amortisation	(24,440)	(24,440)
Balance at 30 June 2019	-	
10. Trade and other payables		
	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Accounts payable	475,773	193,454
Other payables and accruals	356,119	78,010
	831,892	271,464
11. Contracted research funding		
Current		
NHRP contracted research funding	3,138,079	2,817,347
	3,138,079	2,817,347
Non-current	<del></del>	
NHRP contracted research funding	500,803	533,171
	500,803	533,171

Contracted research funding is recognised as a liability when the Company enters into agreements for third parties to undertake research such that the Company has no realistic alternative than to fulfil the funding requirements of the research agreement given the contractual obligation to do so and where it has concurrently met its financial obligations under its own grant funding arrangements.

## 12. Employee benefits

Current	2019 \$	2018 \$
Annual Leave	96,550	76,002
Long Service Leave	56,873	42,277
	153,423	118,279
Non-current		
Long Service Leave	52,602	46,718
	52,602	46,718

## Notes to the financial statements

13. Deferred income		
	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Current		
Deferred participants fees income	524,051	463,363
Deferred conference income	963,299	342,668
Deferred professional services income	19,144	93,929
	1,506,494	899,960
Non-Current		
Deferred conference income	-	75,000
	<del>-</del>	75,000

The deferred income balance includes amounts invoiced by the Company in respect of 2018 projects, income for events to be held in future years and income in advance for work not yet completed on professional services research projects.

## 14. Other liabilities

Current		
Make good provision	70,938	-
	70,938	_
Non-Current		
Make good provision	-	70,938
Straight-line lease provision	58,720	13,134
	58,720	84,072
15. Reserves and retained surplus		
(a) Reserves		
Economic dependency reserve (i)	660,000	660,000
Other programs reserve (ii)	351,079	351,079
	1,011,079	1,011,079
Movements:		
Balance 1 July	1,011,079	1,011,079
Transferred (to)/from retained surplus	<del>_</del>	
Balance 30 June	1,011,079	1,011,079
(b) Retained Surplus  Movements in retained surplus were as follows:		
Balance 1 July	1,961,519	1,638,838
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	(468,699)	322,681
Transferred (to)/from reserves	(122,000) -	,
Balance 30 June	1,492,820	1,961,519

## Notes to the financial statements

#### 15. Reserves and retained surplus (continued)

#### (c) Nature and purpose of reserves

#### (i) Economic dependency reserve

In the event that the Company were to discontinue operations the directors have estimated that it would take up to six months to close the office and deregister the Company. Therefore, it is appropriate that the Company maintains 'liquid funds' of approximately six months' worth of non-research expenditure to adequately meet wind down and closure costs. Such costs relate to managing projects, staff, insurance, office rental (and related costs such as telephone etc.). The directors have also allowed for on-going Board activity until the Company is closed. The directors review the economic dependency reserve on a periodic basis.

#### (ii) Other programs reserve

These reserves relate to project specific retained surpluses.

#### 16. Remuneration of auditor

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Audit and review of financial statements	21,000	26,600
Compliance testing – agreed upon procedures	6,215	7,800
Grant acquittal	1,000	3,400
Total remuneration	28,215	37,800

## 17. Operating leases

#### Leases as lessee

At the end of the reporting period, the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are payable as follows:

## Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

Within one year	105,737	132,951
Between one and five years	788,101	56,062
More than five years		
	893,838	189,013

The above commitments relate to a non-cancellable operating lease over the Company's premises at Level 1, 114 Flinders Street Melbourne and Level 12, 460 Bourke Street, Melbourne and the lease of a printer/photocopier.

The Company leases its offices under non-cancellable operating leases expiring in September 2019 for 114 Flinders Street and February 2024 for 460 Bourke Street. The leases have varying terms, escalation clauses and renewal rights. On renewal, the terms of the 460 Bourke Street lease are renegotiated. The lease for 114 Flinders Street will not be renewed.

During the year \$179,097 was recognised as an expense in profit or loss in respect of operating leases (2018: \$122,764).

#### 18. Commitments and contingencies

No commitments or contingencies exist as at 30 June 2019.

## Notes to the financial statements

#### 19. Economic dependency

During the financial year ended 30 June 2019, approximately 56% (2018: 48%) of the Company's revenue from continuing operations was sourced from the National Housing Research Program (NHRP). The NHRP is a multilateral funding agreement between the Company, the Federal Government and numerous State and Territory Governments.

#### 20. Capital management

The Company's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to maintain member, and creditor confidence and to sustain future development of the organisation. The board of directors seeks to preserve sufficient capital, consisting of retained surpluses and reserves, to enable the Company to continue its various research programs. The Company has no externally imposed capital requirements.

## 21. Related parties

#### (a) Key director and management personnel compensation

Key directors and management personnel compensation are set out below:

	2019	2018
Short-term benefits	\$	\$
Key director and management personnel	770,982	757,348
	770,982	757,348

## (b) Key director and management personnel transactions

A number of key directors and management personnel, or their related parties, hold positions in other entities that result in them having control or joint control over the financial or operating policies of these entities.

A number of these entities transacted with the Company during the year. The terms and conditions of the transactions with key management personnel and their related parties were no more favourable than those available, or which might reasonably be expected to be available, on similar transactions to non-key management personnel related entities on an arm's length basis.

A number of the directors of the Company are also stakeholders of universities and research facilities that have received contracted research funding from the Company. These funding contracts were based on the Company's standard terms and conditions. All potential conflicts of interest were declared and dealt with in accordance with AHURI's Corporate Governance Charter. Board directors representing the Australian Government, State and Territory governments and university participants do not receive any remuneration from Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Limited.

## 22. Financial instruments - risk management

The Company has exposure to the following risks from their use of financial instruments:

- Credit risk
- Liquidity risk
- Market risk

This note presents information about the Company's exposure to each of the above risks, their objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing risk, and the management of capital. The board of directors considers the Company's risk exposure to be low from their use of financial instruments. Further quantitative disclosures are included throughout this financial report.

The Company has a proportion of its total assets in cash at bank and deposits at call.

Management of the Company regularly monitor the returns obtained on interest bearing deposits.

## Notes to the financial statements

### 22. Financial instruments – risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

## Exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of the Company's financial assets represents the maximum credit exposure.

The Company's maximum exposure to credit risk at balance date was as follows:

	Carrying amount		
	2019	2018	
	\$	\$	
Cash and cash equivalents	7,369,832	7,174,723	
Trade receivables	260,867	257,160	
	7,630,699	7,431,883	

## Cash and cash equivalents

The Company limits its exposure to credit risk by only holding cash balances in commercial bank accounts or short term deposits with major banking institutions. Management does not expect any counterparty to fail to meet its obligations.

#### Trade and other receivables

The Company limits its exposure to credit risk by only having receivables from reputable organisations, financial institutions and statutory authorities.

The aging of the Company's trade receivables at the reporting date was:

	Gross	Impairment	Gross	Impairment
	2019	2019	2018	2018
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Not past due	109,824	-	257,160	-
Past due 0-30 days	19,200	-	-	-
Past due 31-120 days	131,843	-	-	-
	260,867	-	257,160	-

#### Market risk

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

## Interest rate risk

The Board monitors movements in interest rates on a regular basis, and ensures that the rate obtained is at market levels. No derivative contracts are used to manage market risk.

## Notes to the financial statements

## 22. Financial instruments – risk management (continued)

## Interest rate risk (continued)

Profile

At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Company's interest-bearing financial instruments is set out in Note 6.

#### Fair value sensitivity analysis for fixed rate instruments

The fixed rate financial asset represents term deposits with less than 12 months maturity at reporting date. There is no material fair value impact on profit or loss.

#### Sensitivity analysis

A reasonably possible change of 1% points in interest rates at the reporting date would have increased (decreased) equity and profit or loss by the amounts shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables remain constant.

	Profit or Los	Profit or Loss / Equity		
	1%	1%		
2019	increase	decrease		
Variable rate instruments	67,311	(67,311)		
	67,311	(67,311)		
2018	-			
Variable rate instruments	67,144	(67,144)		
	67,144	(67,144)		

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Company's reputation.

The Company monitors its cash flow requirements and ensures that it has sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses.

The following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities, including estimated interest payments and excluding the impact of netting agreements.

30 June 2018	Carrying amount \$	Contractual cash flows	12 months or less \$	1-2 years \$	More than 2 years \$
Non-derivative financial liabilities					
Trade and other payables	(271,464)	(271,464)	(271,464)	-	-
Contracted research funding	(3,350,517)	(3,350,517)	(2,817,346)	(533,171)	
	(3,621,981)	(3,621,981)	(3,088,810)	(533,171)	-
30 June 2019 Non-derivative financial liabilities Trade and other payables	(831,892)	(831,892)	(831,892)		
	, ,	, ,	, , ,	(500,000)	-
Contracted research funding	(3,638,882)	(3,638,882)	(3,138,079)	(500,803)	
	(4,470,774)	(4,470,774)	(3,969,971)	(500,803)	-

## Notes to the financial statements

23. Reconciliation of cashflows from operating activities		
	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	(468,699)	322,681
Adjustments for:		
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	899
Depreciation and amortisation	64,134	117,554
Operating surplus/(deficit) before changes in working capital	(404,565)	441,134
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables	(202,176)	404,329
Increase/(Decrease) in trade payables and other accruals	560,428	8,119
Increase/(Decrease) in contracted research funding	288,365	754,911
Increase/(Decrease) in employee benefits	41,028	1,213
Increase/(Decrease) in deferred income	531,534	(545,609)
Increase/(Decrease) in other liabilities	45,586	(55,484)
Net cash from operating activities	860,200	1,008,613

## 24. Subsequent events

There has not arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature likely, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, to affect significantly the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company, in future financial years.

## Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute Limited Directors' Declaration

In the opinion of the directors of Australian Housing and Urban Research Centre Institute Limited ("the Company"):

- (a) the Company is not publicly accountable;
- (b) the financial statements and notes that are set out on pages 8 to 27 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of its performance, for the financial year ended on that date; and
  - (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime and the Corporations Regulations 2001; and
- (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors:

Mr Adrian Harrington

Chairperson

Dr Michael Fotheringham

**Executive Director** 

Dated at Melbourne this 12th day of September 2019



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN HOUSING AND URBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

## Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, "the Company", which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute, is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* 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 also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

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

#### Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN HOUSING AND URBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

## Other Information (Continued)

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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

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



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUSTRALIAN HOUSING AND URBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report (Continued)

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

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

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