



Established in 1957 and incorporated in 1988, the National Parks Association of NSW (NPA) is a member-based, not-for-profit conservation organisation dedicated to protecting nature through community action. Incorporation is held under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009* [NSW] (registration Y00789-26). NPA is listed on the Australian Business Register (ABN 67 694 961 955) and is registered for GST purposes.

NPA is a registered charity under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 [Cth], and is endorsed by the Australian Taxation Office to access income tax exemption, GST concessions and the fringe benefit tax rebate. It is listed as a deductible gift recipient under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 [Cth], and holds a fundraising authority under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 [NSW].

Registration status is publicly listed on the Australian Business Register, the ACNC Register, and the Service NSW Public Register at:

<http://www.abr.business.gov.au> <http://www.acnc.gov.au/> <https://www.onegov.nsw.gov.au/publicregister/#/publicregister/categories>

For more information about NPA's structure, and to access a copy of its governing rules, please visit:

<https://npansw.org/what-we-do/our-structure/>

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# Financial report

## for the year ended 30 June 2023

The Executive members of the National Parks Association of NSW Inc. ('the Association') hereby present their financial report for the financial year I July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

The financial report includes financial statements for the Association and its controlled entity, Natural Areas Pty Ltd. Throughout the report, the consolidated entity is referred to as 'the Group'.

The address of the Association's registered office and principal business is Suite 1.08, 55 Miller Street, Pyrmont NSW 2009.

#### **Executive members & meetings**

Executive members who held office during the 2023 financial year are set out below, together with the positions they held and the number of meetings they attended. If a member held office for only part of the period, this is indicated in the Notes.

Name	Position	Meet	Meetings	
		Α	Е	
Grahame Douglas	President '	10	10	
Peter Wilson	Vice President <sup>2</sup>	4	6	
George Pund	Secretary <sup>3</sup>	6	7	
lan Donovan	Acting Secretary <sup>4</sup>	10	10	
Ross McDonnell	Treasurer <sup>1</sup>	8	10	
Brian Everingham	Acting Vice President <sup>5</sup>	9	10	
Sam Garrett-Jones	Executive member <sup>6</sup>	I	3	
Jonathon Howard	Executive member <sup>1</sup>	9	10	
Jane Judd	Executive member <sup>7</sup>	7	7	
Ted Woodley	Executive member '	10	10	
Helen Wilson	Executive member <sup>8</sup>	6	6	

#### Notes

- A. Meetings attended
- E. Meetings eligible to attend (excludes meetings for which the member was granted leave of absence)
- I. Position held for entire period I Jul 2022 to date of report
- 2. Position held I Jul 2022 to 16 Feb 2023
- 3. Position held 24 Nov 2022 to date of report
- 4. Position held I Jul 2021 to 24 Nov 2022, then member to date of report
- 5. Position held 27 Apr 2023 to date of report, member from I Jul 2022
- 6. Position held I Jul 2022 to 13 Oct 2022
- 7. Position held 24 Nov 2022 to date of report
- 8. Position held 2 Feb 2023 to date of report

### **Operating result**

The consolidated surplus of the Group for the 2023 financial year amounted to \$87,675 (2022: \$105,585 deficit).

The Association is very appreciative of funds provided by the NSW Government through its Environmental Trust (\$64,553).

The Association sincerely thanks all its members, volunteers, donors and supporters for their time, knowledge, talents and generosity, the contribution of which is essential for the Association's work to continue.

#### **Principal activities**

The Association is a member-based, not-for-profit conservation organisation and registered charity dedicated to protecting nature through community action. Consistent with its governing rules, the Association:

- Advocates for nature through its ongoing campaigns for a secure reserve system and effective landscape conservation. Its work is driven by informed and evidence-based input to legislation and policy, environmental planning and public land management.
- **Connects people with nature** through its unrivalled community program of bushwalks, field surveys, bush regeneration and nature study. Its nature-based activities enrich people's lives and help to arouse a deeper appreciation and care for nature.
- **Supports and enables community action** through its network of member groups. The remarkable talents, experience and enthusiasm of its members is central to its work in advancing the natural environment.

Current directions and priorities for the Association's activities are set out in the NPA Strategy, available at <a href="https://npansw.org.au/what-we-do/our-goals/">https://npansw.org.au/what-we-do/our-goals/</a>

#### Significant changes in state of affairs

No significant change in the nature of the Group's activities occurred during the year.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Executive members.

Grahame Douglas, President Sydney 12 October 2023

Ross McDonnell, Treasurer Sydney 12 October 2023

## **Executive member's declaration**

for the year ended 30 June 2023

The Executive members declare that, in their opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes presented herewith:
  - give a true and fair view of the Group's income, expenditure, state of affairs and fundraising appeals as at 30 June 2023, and
  - (ii) comply with the Australian Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Requirements, and
  - (ii) satisfy the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable, and
- (c) the provisions of the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 [NSW], the regulations under the Act and the conditions attached to the Association's Fundraising Authority have been complied with, and
- (d) the internal controls exercised by the Association are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the Association from any of its fundraising appeals.

Made in accordance with:

- section 60.15, Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022 [Cth], and
- condition 6(3), Fundraising Authority CFN 12368, issued under section 13A, Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 [NSW] (expires 26 August 2025).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Executive members.

Grahame Douglas, President Sydney 12 October 2023

Ross McDonnell, Treasurer Sydney 12 October 2023

# **Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income** for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
		\$	\$
REVENUE	2	1,184,253	873,092
EXPENSES			
Employee benefits expenses	3(a)	(699,633)	(614,713)
Conservation activities		(223,217)	(183,641)
Depreciation	3(b)	(66,817)	(66,967)
Amortisation	3(c)	(10,710)	(9,593)
Activity insurance		(16,343)	(14,256)
Merchandise and fundraising		(15,093)	(19,924)
Direct member support		(34,666)	(53,030)
Journal – Nature NSW		(18,507)	(16,553)
Other expenses		(11,592)	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	_	(1,096,578)	(978,677)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	_	87,675	(105,585)
Income tax expense	l (b)	-	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER INCOME TAX	_	87,675	(105,585)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	_	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	=	87,675	(105,585)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION	_	87,675	(105,585)

# **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

as at 30 June 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
		\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	4	1,671,344	I,658,002
Receivables	5	20,348	23,983
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	_	1,691,692	1,681,985
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, Plant and Equipment	6	26,634	33,724
Right-of-Use Assets	7	62,567	44,559
Intangible Assets	8	33,248	43,958
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	9	122,449	122,241
TOTAL ASSETS	_	1,814,141	1,804,226
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payables and Other Payables	10	33,206	38,484
Employee Benefit Provisions	11	48,388	69,679
Unexpended Grant		32,117	108,706
Lease Liabilities - Current		43,538	44,228
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		157,249	261,097
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Employee Benefit Provisions - Non-Current	П	16,806	14,702
Lease Liabilities - Non-Current		23,984	-
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	_	40,790	14,702
TOTAL LIABILITIES		198,039	275,799
NET ASSETS	_	1,616,102	1,528,427
FOURTY			
<b>EQUITY</b> Retained Surplus Attributable to the Members of the Association		1,616,102	1,528,427
TOTAL EQUITY	_	1,616,102	1,528,427

## **Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity**

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Total Equity
Balance as at I July 2021	1,634,012
(Deficit)/surplus from ordinary activities after tax for the year ended 30 June 2022 Other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2022	(105,585)
Balance as at 30 June 2022	1,528,427
Balance as at I July 2022	1,528,427
Surplus/(deficit) from ordinary activities after tax for the year ended 30 June 2023	87,675
Other comprehensive income for the year ended 30 June 2023	
Balance as at 30 June 2023	1,616,102

## **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows**

for the year ended 30 June 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		\$	\$
Receipts from memberships, donations, grants, sponsorship and other activities other activities		1,135,757	876,746
Interest received		10,042	3,654
Payments to employees and suppliers		(1,078,016)	(899,851)
Net cash provided by operating activities	14	67,783	(19,451)
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES			
Computers and peripherals purchased		(3,388)	(6,687)
Computer software purchased		-	(15,756)
Net proceeds from term deposits maturing greater than 3 months	_	-	468,000
Net cash used in investing activities	-	(3,388)	445,557
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Payment of lease liabilities		(51,053)	(55,871)
Net cash used in financing activities	-	(51,053)	(55,871)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD		13,342	370,235
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	-	I,658,002	1,287,767
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF YEAR	4	1,671,344	1,658,002

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### NOTE I: MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with:

- (a) relevant Australian Accounting Standards published by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB),
- (b) the Simplified Disclosures requirements set out in AASB 1053 Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards,
- (c) Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022 [Cth],
- (d) all requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 [NSW].

The Association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under the Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements include all parts of the Association and its constituent branches, as well as its Controlled Entity.

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs. The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

The accounting policies set out below have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### (a) Basis of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the assets, liabilities and results of the parent (National Parks Association of NSW) and its subsidiary (Natural Areas Pty Ltd). A subsidiary is an entity that the parent controls. The parent controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, any intercompany balances, transactions, income and expenses and profit and losses resulting from any intra-group transactions have been eliminated in full. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is obtained.

#### (b) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

#### (c) Inventories on hand

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

#### (d) Revenue

Donations, bequests and membership fee revenue are recognised when received.

Grant revenue is recognised as income when specific performance obligations under an enforceable contract are satisfied. Prior to the performance obligations being satisfied, the grants are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position as a contract liability. If there are no specific performance obligations under an enforceable contract, grant revenue is recognised when received.

Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Interest received is accounted for on an accrual basis.

Revenue subject to GST is stated net of GST.

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised upon despatch of the goods to the customer.

#### (e) Goods and Services Tax ("GST")

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables in the Statement of Financial Position are only inclusive of GST if the transactions relating hereto are subject to GST.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included as a current asset or current liability in the Statement of Financial Position.

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

#### (f) Property, plant and equipment

Land is measured at cost and because it has an unlimited useful life, is not depreciated. Plant and equipment are measured on a cost basis, less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight line (prime cost) method to allocate the cost of property, plant and equipment, net of their residual value, over their estimated useful lives. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the improvement.

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### NOTE I: MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (continued)

#### (f) Property, plant and equipment (continued)

The depreciation rates and methods used for each class of financial asset are as follows:

Class of fixed asset	Depreciation rate
Computer & peripherals	33 %
Equipment & fixtures	15 %

An asset's residual value and useful life are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at each balance date. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit and loss.

#### (g) Right-of-use assets

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost including the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability and depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired term of the lease. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

The Group has elected not to recognise a right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability for leases for which the underlying asset is of low value, or where the term of a new lease is no more than 12 months. Lease payments on these assets are expensed to the profit and loss as incurred.

#### (h) Intangible assets

Computer software is capitalised and amortised over its useful life using the straight-line method. Software is amortised at the rate of 20%.

### (i) Lease liabilities

A lease liability is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the term of the lease. The carrying amount of the lease is remeasured if there is a change in future lease payments, the residual guarantee or the lease term. The remeasurement is an adjustment to the corresponding right-of-use asset or to profit and loss.

#### (j) Employee benefits

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

Contributions are made by the Association to employee superannuation funds and are charged as an expense when incurred.

#### (k) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions are set at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

#### (I) Cash and cash equivalents

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

#### (m) Investments

Listed investments are recognised at fair value. Unlisted investments are recognised at cost, which includes transaction costs.

#### (n) Comparative figures

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

#### (o) Accounts payable and other payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Group during the reporting period that remain unpaid.

### (p) Critical accounting estimates and judgment

Estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial statement are evaluated based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Association.

#### Key estimates - impairment

Impairment of assets is assessed on each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Association that may lead to impairment. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Valuein-use calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

#### Key judgments - doubtful debts provision

Except as disclosed in the financial statements, each debtor has been assessed as to whether or not the full amount is recoverable.

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### NOTE I: MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (continued)

#### (q) Operating segment

The Group operates predominantly in one business and geographical segment with the general purpose of advancing the natural environment. This is pursued by advocating for a secure reserve system and effective landscape conservation, by providing opportunities for the community to experience and learn about nature, and by supporting a network of active member groups. Activities are focused on the land and waters of NSW and adjoining areas.

# (r) New standards & interpretations not yet adopted

There are no known impending new standards that will result in any material changes in relation to the financial statements.

#### (s) Authorised for issue

The financial statements were authorised for issue on 12th October 2023 by the Executive members of the Association.

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	Notes	2023	2022
NOTE 2: REVENUE		\$	\$
Revenue from contracts with customers			
Member fees and subscriptions		184,997	192,029
Merchandise and event sales		39,706	31,064
Commonwealth government grant - project		-	13,172
State government grant - project		113,163	160,752
Local government grant - project		10,385	-
Total revenue from contracts with customers		348,251	397,017
Donations		560,757	443,780
Bequests		253,084	28,391
Interest earned		22,161	3,654
Other revenue		-	250
Total revenue		1,184,253	873,092
Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers:			
Revenue sources			
Non-government-funded activities		224,703	223,093
Government grant-funded activities		123,548	173,924
Total		348,251	397,017
lotai		540,251	377,017
NOTE 3: EXPENSES			
(a) Employee benefits expenses			
Salaries & wages		594,263	508,195
Superannuation		100,752	101,679
Insurance		4,192	4,839
Other expenses		426	-
Total employee benefits expenses		699,633	614,713
(b) Depreciation			
Depreciation – equipment and fixtures		6,958	7,233
Depreciation – computers and peripherals		3,520	3,886
Depreciation – right-of-use buildings		53,399	53,899
Depreciation – right-of-use office equipment		2,940	1,949
Total depreciation		66,817	66,967
(c) Amortisation			
(c) Amortisation		10 710	0 502
Amortisation - software		10,710	9,593
Total amortisation		10,710	9,593

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	Notes	2023	2022
NOTE 4: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		\$	\$
Cash on hand		-	145
Cash at bank		371,596	359,939
Cash at bank - Branches		76,041	74,222
Short-term bank term deposits	16	1,223,707	1,223,696
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents		1,671,344	I,658,002
NOTE 5: RECEIVABLES (Current)			
Bank guarantee security bond		19,278	18,425
Sundry debtors		١,070	5,558
Total Receivables		20,348	23,983
NOTE 6: PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT			
Property (land)	19	10,133	10,133
Computers and peripherals		31,436	28,048
Less: accumulated depreciation		(24,387)	(20,867)
Subtotal		7,049	7,181
Equipment and fixtures		48,219	48,219
Less: accumulated depreciation		(38,767)	(31,809)
Subtotal		9,452	16,410
Total property, plant and equipment		26,634	33,724
NOTE 7: RIGHT-OF-USE (ROU) ASSETS			
Right-of-use buildings		74,347	53,999
Less: accumulated depreciation		(21,591)	(22,191)
Subtotal		52,756	31,808
Right-of-use equipment		14,700	14,700
Less: accumulated depreciation		(4,889)	(1,949)
Subtotal		9,811	12,751
Total right-of-use assets		62,567	44,559
NOTE 8: INTANGIBLE ASSETS			
Software			
Software at cost		53,55 I	53,551
Less: accumulated amortisation		(20,303)	(9,593)
Total Intangible Assets		33,248	43,958

## **Notes to the consolidated financial statements** for the year ended 30 June 2023

### NOTE 9: MOVEMENTS IN CARRYING VALUES OF NON-CURRENT ASSETS

	Land	Computers & Peripherals	Equipment & Fixtures	ROU- Buildings	ROU- Equipment	Intangible Assets	Total
Carrying amount at 01/07/2022	10,133	7,181	16,410	31,808	12,751	43,958	122,241
Add: Additions	-	3,388	-	74,347	-	-	77,735
Less: Loss on disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Depreciation	-	3,520	6,958	53,399	2,940	10,710	77,527
Carrying amount at 30/6/2023	10,133	7,049	9,452	52,756	9,811	33,248	122,449

## NOTE 10: ACCOUNTS PAYABLES AND OTHER PAYABLES

Total	33,206	38,484
Other payables	18,233	16,896
Australian Taxation Office	2,833	3,518
Accounts payable	12,140	18,070
Current		

## NOTE II: EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROVISIONS

Total current	48,388	69,679
Time in lieu accrued and unused	I,195	-
Long service leave liability	-	16,030
Annual leave liability	47,193	53,649
Current		

Non-Current		
Long service leave liability	16,806	14,702
Total non-current	16,806	14,702
Total employee benefit provisions	65,194	84,381

#### Analysis of total employee benefit provisions:

Balance at beginning of year	84,381	63,970
(Decrease)/increase in employee benefits provisions balances	(19,187)	20,411
Balance at end of year	65,194	84,381

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## NOTE 12: EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE

Up to the approval date of this financial report, the Group is not aware of any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature not otherwise dealt with in the report or financial statements that has significantly affected, or may affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent years.

	Notes	2023	2022
NOTE 13: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS		\$	\$

#### (a) Payments to Executive members

There were no payments or benefits received by Executive members for acting as an Executive member (other than reimbursements of reasonable out-of-pocket-expenses)

#### (b) Key management personnel compensation

The aggregate compensation paid or payable to key management personnel of the Group during the reporting period is as follows:

# Total key management personnel compensation paid or payable

#### (c) Other related party transactions

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 30 June 2023 (2022: nil).

## NOTE 14: CASH FLOW RECONCILIATION

#### Reconciliation of net cash flow from operating activities

Surplus/(deficit) for the year	87,675	(105,585)
Non-cash flows in current year surplus:		
Amortisation	10,710	9,593
Depreciation	66,817	66,967
Stock provision	-	(1,960)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Decrease/ (increase) in accounts receivable	3,635	6,560
Decrease/ (increase) in inventories on hand	-	1,960
Increase/ (decrease) in accounts payable	(5,278)	(5,261)
Increase/ (decrease) in unexpended grants	(76,589)	(12,136)
Increase/ (decrease) employee benefit provisions	(19,187)	20,411
Net cash flow from operating activities	67,783	(19,451)

### NOTE 15: REMUNERATION OF THE AUDITOR

## During the financial year the following fees were paid or

Total remuneration paid or payable for the year	12,000	6,000
Audit of project acquittal financials	6,000	-
Audit of the Group's annual financial statements	6,000	6,000
payable for services provided by the auditor of the Group:		

127,175

114,754

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## NOTE 16: FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's financial instruments and the policies associated with the risks of carrying these are summarised below.

### A. MARKET RISK

#### (i) Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates and the effective weighted average interest rates on those financial assets and financial liabilities is as follows:

	Note	Floating interest rate	Non-interest bearing	Total
	Hote	\$	\$	\$
2023		Ŧ	Ŧ	Ŧ
Financial assets				
Cash & cash equivalents	4	763,707	447,637	1,203,344
Term deposits maturing later than 3 months	4	468,000	-	468,000
Receivables	5	19,278	1,070	20,348
Total financial assets		1,250,985	448,707	1,691,692
Total financial liabilities			198,039	198,039
2022				
Financial assets				
Cash & cash equivalents	4	862,411	335,591	1,198,002
Term deposits maturing later than 3 months	4	460,000	-	460,000
Receivables	5	19,009	4,974	23,983
Total financial assets		1,341,420	340,565	1,681,985
Total financial liabilities			275,799	275,799

#### (ii) Price risk

The Group does not own shares in listed companies and thus there is no price risk.

### **B. CREDIT RISK**

Exposure to credit risk relating to financial assets arises from the potential non-performance by counterparties of contract obligations that could lead to a financial loss by the Group. The Group does not have any material credit risk exposures as its major sources of revenue are membership fees, bequests, donations and grants for specific projects. Credit risk related to banks and other financial institutions is managed by the Executive.

### C. LIQUIDITY RISK

Liquidity risk arises from the possibility that the Group might encounter difficulty in settling its debts or otherwise meeting its obligations in relation to financial liabilities. The Group manages this risk through the following mechanisms:

- planning and monitoring cash flow requirements
- maintaining a reputable credit profile
- managing credit risk related to financial assets
- only investing surplus funds with major financial institutions
- planning and managing the maturity dates of the financial assets and liabilities.

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**Expenses** 

## NOTE 17: CHARITABLE FUNDRAISING APPEALS

The following statement relating to fundraising appeals during the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 is prepared in accordance with Fundraising Authority CFN 12368 (expiry date 26 August 2025) issued under the *Charitable Fundraising Act* 1991 [NSW] in the name of the Association.

#### 1. Manner in which net surplus from fundraising activities was applied - Condition 6(2)(c):

Fundraising activities were applied in accordance with the objectives of the Association as contained within its Constitution. Funds were applied to many areas over the year including marine conservation; citizen science; Forests for All; Great Koala National Park; Protect our Parks; Regional Forest Agreements; connectivity conservation and national park expansion proposals. In addition, conservation education workshops and forums were held throughout NSW.

#### 2. Appeals involving traders - Condition 6(2)(d): NIL

#### 3. Additional information required by the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (NSW)

	2023 \$
Income from fundraising:	
Appeals	671,719
Other fundraising events	39,706
Total fundraising receipts	711,425
Less: Direct cost of fundraising	(15,093)
Fundraising income	696,332

This fundraising income was applied to fund the following expenses incurred by the Association during the reporting period to advance the Association's constitutional objectives.

Shortfall between the fundraising income and the expenses:	(307,630)
Total Expenses	(1,003,962)
Other expenses	(11,595)
Journal - Nature NSW	(18,507)
Direct membership service and support	(34,667)
Activity insurance	(16,343)
Conservation activities	(223,217)
Employee benefits expenses	(699,633)

### This shortfall was covered by the income from other sources:

Member donations	142,122
State government grant - project	113,163
Local government grant - project	10,385
Member fees and subscriptions	184,997
Interest earned	22,161
Total income from other sources	472,828

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	Notes	2023	2022
NOTE 18: CONTINGENT LIABILITY		\$	\$
Commonwealth Bank Guarantee relating to office lease		10,973	18,425
Snowy 2.0 legal action potential legal costs claimable by NSV Government (limited by a Protective Costs Order)	4	20,000	-
Total contingent Liability		30,973	18,425

## NOTE 19: INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARY

The Association has 100% ownership of Natural Areas Pty Ltd. This company owns land at Cromer, NSW which it maintains under a conservation agreement with the NSW Minister for the Environment under section 69B of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974.

Summarised Financial Position		
Current assets	76,449	75,584
Non-current assets - Property (land)	10,133	10,133
Current liabilities	-	(475)
Net Assets	86,582	85,242
Summarised Financial Performance		
Revenue	I,849	4,63 l
Expense	(509)	(4,469)
Net Surplus/(Loss) after tax	1,340	162

## NOTE 20: MEMBERS' GUARANTEE

The Association is incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW). Under section 90 of the Association's Constitution, the liability of a member to contribute to the payments of the debts and liabilities of the Association or the cost, charges and expenses of the winding up of the Association is limited to the amount, if any, unpaid by the member in respect of membership of the Association. As at 30 June 2023, the number of members was 3,752 (2022: 3,803).

## Auditor's declaration of independence

for the year ended 30 June 2023

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## **AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

#### **UNDER SECTION 60-40 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CHARITIES AND NOT-FOR-PROFITS COMMISSION ACT 2012**

### TO NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION OF NSW INC. (ABN 67 694 961 955)

I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that during the year ended 30th June 2023, there have been no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Date 21 St September 2023 Murray Kicherdson

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## Auditor's report to members

for the year ended 30 June 2023

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS

### NATIONAL PARKS ASSOCIATION OF NSW INC

#### ABN 67 694 961 955

#### Opinion

I have audited the financial report of National Parks Association of NSW INC, which comprises the statement of financial position as at the 30th June 2023 and 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 responsible entities declaration.

In my opinion, the financial report of the National Parks Association of NSW INC has been prepared in accordance with Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012 including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the registered entity's financial position as at 30th June 2023 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Regulation 2022.

In accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 [NSW] I report that the Association's records:

- (a) have been properly kept, and
- (b) give a true and fair view of the association's affairs as at 30th June 2023 and results for the year ended thereon.

In accordance with the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 [NSW] I report:

- (a) the accounts show a true and fair view of the financial results of fundraising appeals for the year ended 30th June 2023, and
- (b) the accounts and associated records have been properly kept during that year in accordance with the Act and Regulations.
- (c) that the money received as a result of fundraising appeals conducted during the year has been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the Act and Regulations.
- (d) in my opinion the National Parks Association of NSW Inc. is able to pay its debts as when due and payable.

## Auditor's report to members

for the year ended 30 June 2023

#### **Basis for opinion**

I have conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of my report. I am independent of the registered entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that is relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.

#### Information other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report thereon

The responsible entities are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the registered entity's annual report for the year ended 30th June 2023, but does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon.

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

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

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

#### Responsibilities of responsible entities for the Financial Report

The responsible entities of the registered entity are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the ACNC Act, and for such internal control as the responsible entities 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, responsible entities are responsible for assessing the registered entity'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 responsible entities either intends to liquidate the registered entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The responsible entities are responsible for overseeing the registered entity's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

My 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 my 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 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 the financial report.

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

# Auditor's report to members

for the year ended 30 June 2023

I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than 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 registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by responsible entities.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the responsible entity's use of the going concern basis of
  accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists to
  continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw
  attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such
  disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My 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 registered entity 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 the manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with the responsible entities regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

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Dated 19/10/2023