



# Annual Report

July 2021 – June 2022

## Acknowledgment

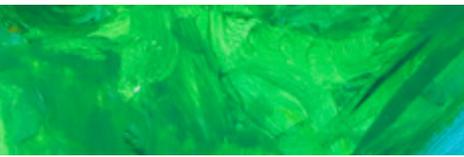
*Watsonia Neighbourhood House acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people as traditional owners of this land and we welcome all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to our centre.*





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# About Watsonia Neighbourhood House

*Watsonia Neighbourhood House* is an Incorporated Association operating within the Banyule local government area since 1991. We are a grass roots community owned and managed organisation operating as a not for profit registered charity.

We welcome people from all walks of life and bring people together to participate, learn and connect to their local community. We create opportunities for individuals and groups to enrich their lives through connections they might not otherwise make.

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

# The vision for Watsonia Neighbourhood House

## Our Vision

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

## Our Mission

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

## Our Core values

The core values that inform our work are:



## Strengths-based community development framework

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

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

## Our Key Strategic Directions and focus areas



### Key direction 1: Building community resilience and connections

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



### Key direction 2: Environmental stewardship

- Embed responsible use of resource and sustainable practices
- Provide education relating to environmentally sustainable practices for the community
- Respecting and promoting traditional custodianship
- Provide opportunities for individuals to connect with nature



### Key direction 3: Organisational capacity and sustainability

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



### Key direction 4: Partnerships

- Establish new strategic partnerships
- Strengthen our existing partnerships



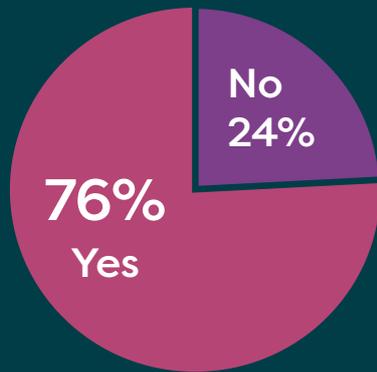
### Key direction 5: Innovation and continuous improvement

- Embed continuous improvement and best practice across the organisation
- Capture, measure and evaluate the impact of our work

# What our Community have told us

In March 2021, we conducted a community consultation to determine community priorities, what community means to our locals and how we can address barriers to participation. We used this feedback to inform our strategic and program planning.

## Have you ever visited Watsonia Neighbourhood House?



## What does community mean to you?

*A sense of belonging.*

*A safe inviting environment sharing similar goals and caring for those around us*

*Being able to join in without pressure.*

*Support.*

*Connection.*

*A safe and friendly place to live.*

*Connecting with others.*

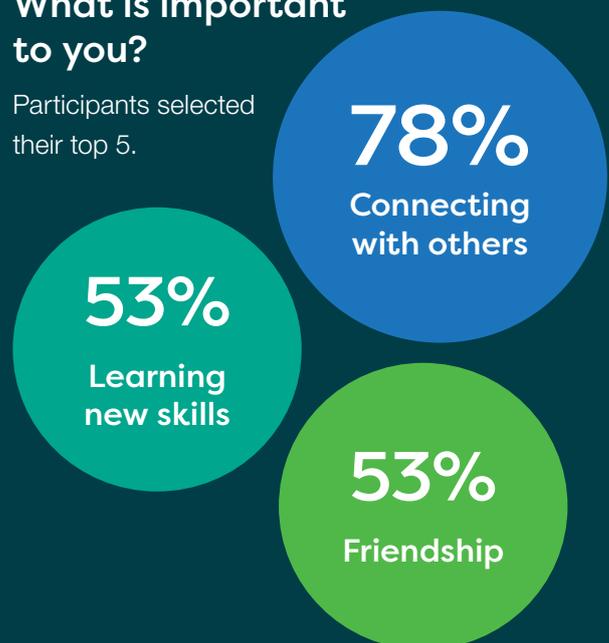
## What do you think are the most important issues in your community?

Participants selected their top 5.



## What is important to you?

Participants selected their top 5.



## What does Watsonia Neighbourhood House mean to you?

*Watsonia Neighborhood House is a place that offers friendship and opportunities to share interests in a safe supportive community.*

*It's a place where everyone is welcome and can feel as though they belong.*

*I enjoy the friendship and challenges of the sewing group*



## President's report

Welcome to our Annual Report for 2021 to 2022. Please enjoy the photos and highlights in this report — they are a small sample of some of the wonderful community development initiatives that happen here at Watsonia Neighbourhood House.

Watsonia Neighbourhood House celebrated its 30th anniversary this year. We've come a long way since our humble beginnings in a small shop front, and we're very grateful to everyone who has contributed their skills and passions over the past 30 years to make our house the vibrant place it is today.

The Committee of Governance and staff team have recently completed a strategic planning process to identify our strategic objectives for the coming years, and start to put these into action. This work has been informed by your feedback through our recent community survey, and we thank everyone who participated in this process.

One of the key pieces of community feedback we received was the need for greater opportunities to participate in after-hours and weekend activities. Our Watsonia After Dark, and Social Sundays programs have been a roaring success, and have demonstrated that our community is keen re-connect again as we emerge from the challenges of COVID-19.

There has been a great deal of capacity building work done this year, including a

website upgrade, improved internet and wifi throughout the building and garden, and upgrades to our IT environment. We've continued to look after our community through food relief programmes, our popular weekly community lunches, as well as the purchase of a washing machine that is available for community members to use.

We have a very dedicated and collaborative Committee of Governance at Watsonia Neighbourhood House, and I'd like to thank all our Board members for their valuable contribution and support this year. A big congratulations to our Secretary Cheryl, who was recognised with the 2022 Jagajaga Community Volunteer Award from Kate Thwaites MP.

I'd also like to thank and congratulate Lucie and the WNH team for achieving some amazing outcomes this year whilst juggling the significant ongoing impact of COVID-19. Our team has responded with compassion and a big smile for every community member who walks through the front door, and it makes me proud to be involved at Watsonia Neighbourhood House.

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

**Sally O'Meara**  
President

# Manager's report

The past two years have undoubtedly been challenging for all. I'm proud of our staff, volunteers, and organisation as a whole for demonstrating such resilience and being innovative in our support for community. We joyfully reopened our doors to the public after extensive lockdowns ended on 21st October 2021. It was wonderful to welcome our participants back and reconnect with us and each other.

With optimism (and little bit of trepidation) we kicked off semester 1 in 2022 and we noticed an increase in new people looking to join our social groups and activities. In response to community feedback we looked at new ways for locals to participate at our House. We extended our activities into the weekend and evenings and offered some new activities and programs.

Despite the impact of closures to our self-generated income, we have been successful in securing grants from Australia Post, Federal and Victorian state government, and Banyule City Council to support our operations and projects.

We have undertaken improvement works around the House including the renovation of our art room (renamed the Eucalypt Room), installation of a community cupboard (to distribute emergency pantry staples and toiletries), artistic revamp of our car park bollards (with assistance from a group of eager students from Concord School), installation of public art work in community garden (with thanks to our artist, Meg de Young), and new signage in our carpark and front fence. Slowly but surely the outside of our House is reflecting what we do and how it feels on the inside.

I feel very fortunate to work with a fantastic team of paid staff and volunteers. Every one of them bring their unique skills and perspective. Collectively we are making a meaningful and sustaining impact on our local community and I would like to thank all for your efforts and passion.

**Lucie Holden**  
Manager



# Highlights



## Community Cupboard

We responded to an increase in demand for food relief and emergency aid by working in partnership with Greenhills Neighbourhood House to provide direct material aid. We distributed boxes of fresh food, pantry staples, toiletries and household cleaning products to families living in Watsonia. Providing this service during a pandemic and work from home orders was difficult logistically so we responded creatively by installing an accessible community cupboard. The cupboard is made from upcycled materials and installed at the front of our centre (next to our Little Library book share) with easy access from the carpark at all times. Since October, we have distributed over a tonne of food and staples through our Community Cupboard. It is topped up regularly with essential items for those in need, and provides a donation point for locals to swap excess garden produce, seedlings, and seeds. We also distribute art and craft packs, period packs, warm socks and gloves, household items, as well as flyers and information from other local support services.



## Social Sundays

In response to feedback from our community we developed a programme of activities to deliver on Sundays aimed at improving local community connectedness, and addressing social isolation and loneliness. The Social Sundays activities enabled us to engage with new community members who would otherwise be unable to access our services during traditional operating hours of Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. We ran a range of low cost and free activities that were designed to be family friendly, fun and engaging such as billy cart making, clay art, gardening, passata making, meditation and tai chi, DIY tool box construction and community lunches.



## 30th anniversary celebrations

Watsonia Neighbourhood House was originally located in the Watsonia shop front in Nell Street. With support from Shire of Diamond Valley (which became Banyule City Council in 1994) we found our new home in the old residence next to Aminya Reserve in Lambourn Road. The local residents set to work, transforming the property into a vibrant community meeting space. The centre officially opened its doors on 25th October 1991.

Our plans to have a big celebration were thwarted due to restrictions in social gatherings and instead we went back through our archives and published special memories and records (such as photos, newspaper clippings and personal stories). You can view these on our website [www.watsonianh.org.au](http://www.watsonianh.org.au).



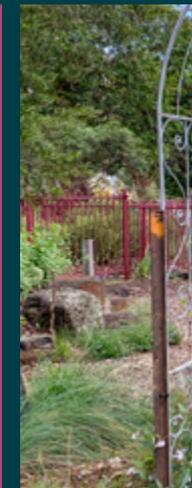
# Highlights



## Watsonia After Dark

We are working in partnership with Banyule City Council and Watsonia Library to deliver Watsonia After Dark, a significant program to reduce gambling harm. Gambling is a key public health issue in our local community with nearly \$41.5 million lost in gaming machines in Banyule. This is the second year of the two year pilot program addressing social isolation as a major contributing factor to problem gambling and gambling harm. In the evening, we have delivered a range of activities designed to promote positive mental health and wellbeing through social inclusion.

“A place you can get involved”



## Community Lunches

“There is no trouble so great or grave that cannot be diminished by a nice cup of tea”.  
Bernard-Paul Heroux

Food sharing is a common occurrence at our centre; be it over a cuppa and biscuit, a BBQ in the community garden, a bowl of soup around the fire pit or lunch in our dining area. People who chat over a cuppa or a shared meal are making social connections with others they may have never met before. Through food sharing we build community and friendships, and reduce loneliness.

Earlier this year we started providing a regular hot meal on Tuesdays at lunchtime. Greenhills Neighbourhood House supply us with food left over from their food relief distribution and our fabulous volunteers Rosie and Therese turn it into a delicious hot meal.



## Neighbourhood House Week 2022

Neighbourhood House Week (NHW) 2022 was from 9 to 15th May. This is an annual national celebration recognising the important contribution over 1,000 neighbourhood houses make in local communities across Australia. Watsonia Neighbourhood House is proud to be one of six in Banyule and 400 in Victoria. This year's theme was 'Building resilience by bringing people together' which recognises the important role we play in building a harmonious, connected and resilient community. After the recent lockdowns we look to rebuild those social connections that many people lost, building even stronger and more resilient communities than before. We hosted a Passata Making Workshop and community lunch, which was attended by Kate Thwaites MP, the Hon Colin Brooks and Banyule Councillor Mark di Pasquale. We would like to thank everyone who came along and celebrated with us.



# Treasurer's Report

The Department of Families, Fairness and Housing and the Banyule City Council allocate recurrent funding to Watsonia Neighbourhood House (WNH) and this enables the House the capability to provide valuable community programs for the local community and surrounding district. We are very grateful to these Government entities and their annual funding. The last three years we have also been most grateful to the support offered by the Victorian State Government and the Australian Federal Government as our operations were again impacted by the Covid19 virus.

WNH generates some of its own income from program fees, group fees and room hire fees. The Covid Virus lockdowns has again impacted the amount received from this area and is below normal year operations.

The secret to making a net operating profit has really been due to the successful submission writing by our very competent staff. Lucie Holden, Beth Ware and Stephanie Dallas have implemented successful submissions that include Australia Post Community Grant, Banyule Community Grant – minor capital works, Banyule Equipment Grant and Jagajaga Stronger Communities Grants and several other minor grants. The additional income in these areas certainly ensured a net operating profit. Well done to all concerned!

WNH has recorded a net operating profit for six out of the last seven years. This provides the stability required to continually implement our community programs and to implement the projects that we have already received income for. We have a high figure

in the Grants in Advance section of the balance sheet but this will be expended in the near future.

WNH was able to record a similar surplus to last year with a recorded surplus of \$7,813. The higher income from grants and less expenditure than anticipated in various areas has enabled the House to make a surplus again.

I would also like to thank the Staff again that have worked through some challenging times again and kept the House operating and providing community support that is so desperately needed.

I would like to thank the Board members for being a cohesive and supportive group that hopefully provides sound governance to the House.

I would like to thank Lucie Holden for her excellent leadership and continued valuable input into financial operations and budget preparation. I would also like to thank Evan Butterworth for the supply of monthly and annual financial figures.

I would like to wish Stephanie Dallas every success in her new management position and thank her most valued contribution to Watsonia Neighbourhood House.

In conclusion, Watsonia Neighbourhood House remains in a strong, stable financial position with substantial equity in reserve.



**Bob Reagan**  
Treasurer

# Balance sheet

as at 30 June 2022

	NOTE	2022 \$	2021 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	181,899	148,765
Accounts receivable and other debtors	4	14,931	4,643
<b>Total current assets</b>		196,830	153,407
<b>Non-current assets</b>			
Property, plant, equipment	5	-	-
Accounts receivable and other debtors	6	-	-
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		-	-
<b>Total assets</b>		196,830	153,407
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade creditors and other payables	7	75,853	40,784
Employee entitlements	8	18,389	17,064
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		94,242	57,849
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
Employee entitlements	8	12,856	13,639
Long-term borrowings	9	-	-
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		12,856	13,639
<b>Total liabilities</b>		107,098	71,488
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		89,732	81,919
<b>Equity</b>			
Retained surplus		89,732	81,919
<b>Net worth</b>		89,732	81,919

*The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements*

# Income statement

as at 30 June 2022

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
DHS NHCP Funding	89,596	86,909
City of Banyule — Neighbourhood House	31,000	31,058
Program Specific Grants	90,783	40,539
Fees Income	4,845	4,177
Group Income	2,411	926
Room Hire	18,610	11,370
Donations	295	523
Membership Fees	260	230
Interest Income	207	207
Covid Response Grants & Income	30,400	102,456
Other Grants	-	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>268,407</b>	<b>278,395</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>268,407</b>	<b>278,395</b>
<b>EXPENSE</b>		
Advertising & Marketing	1,784	1,943
Auditing	1,500	-
Annual Leave & LSL Accrual	3,346	8,531
Bank Fees	287	271
Bookkeeping Fees	6,000	6,000
Computer Expenses	4,643	1,980
Course & Group Resources	881	85
Depreciation	-	-
Electricity, Gas & Water	2,527	2,072
Food Relief Provided	7,723	4,051
House Maintenance	2,641	663
House Supplies	3,439	953
Insurance	1,237	1,012
Office Supplies	3,302	1,838
Project Specific Expenses	12,003	52,201
Staff & Volunteer Expenses	1,715	546
Staff Training	1,500	681
Subscriptions	756	600
Superannuation	17,414	14,126
Telephone & Internet	1,988	2,001
Wages & Salaries	184,353	170,287
Workers Compensation	1,555	1,412
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>260,594</b>	<b>271,252</b>
<b>Surplus / ( deficit ) for the year</b>	<b>7,813</b>	<b>7,143</b>

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# Statement of changes in equity

as at 30 June 2022

	RETAINED SURPLUS \$	TOTAL \$
Balance at 1 July 2020	74,776	74,776
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	7,144	7,144
<b>Balance at 30 June 2021</b>	<b>81,919</b>	<b>81,919</b>
Balance at 1 July 2021	81,919	81,919
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	7,813	7,813
<b>Balance at 30 June 2022</b>	<b>89,732</b>	<b>89,732</b>

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# Statement of cash flows

for the year ended 30 June 2022

	NOTE	2022 \$	2021 \$
<b>CASH FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Receipts from Grants and Other activities		257,912	276,177
Receipts from Interest		207	207
Payments to Suppliers & Employees		- 224,984	- 274,234
Net cash provided by operating activities	10(b)	33,135	2,150
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Net purchases from plant and equipment		-	
Net cash provided by investing activities		-	
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	
Repayments of borrowings		-	
Net cash provided by financing activities		-	
<b>NET CASH OUTFLOWS (INFLOWS)</b>		33,135	2,150
<b>NET INCREASE / (DECREASE) IN CASH HELD</b>			
Cash at beginning of financial year		148,764	146,614
Cash at end of the financial year	10(a)	181,899	148,764

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# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

## 1. Statement of significant accounting policies

### a) Statement of compliance

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

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101	Presentation of Financial Statements
AASB 107	Statement of Cash Flows
AASB 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
AASB 1031	Materiality
AASB 1048	Interpretation of Standards
AASB 1054	Australian Additional Disclosures

### b) Basis of measurement

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

## 2. Statement of significant accounting policies

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

### c) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Plant and equipment

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

#### Depreciation

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

## a) Impairment

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

## b) Income tax

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

## c) Cash and cash equivalents

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

## d) Revenue

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

## e) Inventory

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

## f) Goods and services tax (GST)

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

## g) Trade creditors and other payables

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

## h) Grants

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

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

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

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

## h) Government Grants

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

# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
<b>3. Cash and cash equivalents</b>		
Bendigo Bank	15,961	4,257
Bendigo Visa Debit	42	522
Bendigo Savings Acct	164,614	143,143
CBA Bank Account	4	317
Cash Drawer	1,079	325
Petty Cash	200	200
	181,899	148,765
<b>4. Account receivables and other debtors</b>		
Trade Receivables	13,193	3,564
Prepayments	1,737	1,079
Other Receivables	-	-
	14,931	4,643
<b>5. Property, Plant, Equipment</b>		
Furniture & Equipment at cost	26,772	26,772
Less Accumulated Depreciation	- 26,772	- 26,772
Total Office Furniture & Equipment	-	-
<b>6. Account receivables and other debtors</b>		
Other Receivables	-	-
	-	-
<b>7. Trade and other payables</b>		
Trade Creditors	2,654	2,371
Grants in Advance	59,954	22,500
GST Collected	3,335	2,798
GST Paid	- 1,102	- 3,895
Uncleared Cheques	-	-
Superannuation Payable	-	2,710
PAYG Withholding Payable	11,012	14,300
	75,853	40,784

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# Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 30 June 2022

	2022 \$	2021 \$
<b>8. Employee Entitlements</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Annual leave	18,389	17,064
Total Current Employee Benefits	18,389	17,064
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>		
Long service leave	12,856	13,639
Total Non-current Employee Benefits	12,856	13,639
<b>9. Long term borrowings</b>		
Bank Loans	-	-
	-	-
<b>10. Cash flow information</b>		
Reconciliation of cash		
Cash at the end of financial year as shown in cash flow statement is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position:		
Cash and cash equivalents	181,899	148,765
	a)	181,899
<b>Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities to surplus</b>		
Surplus from ordinary activities	7,813	7,143
<b>Non-cash flows in profit</b>		
Depreciation	-	-
<b>Changes in assets and liabilities:</b>		
Increase/(decrease) in receivables	-10,288	- 2,011
Increase/(decrease) in inventories	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in payables	35,610	-2,982
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	b)	33,135
		2,150

## 11. Related parties

There were no related party transactions conducted during the year.

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To the members of Watsonia Neighbourhood House Incorporated.:

## Report on the financial report

I have reviewed the accompanying financial report of Watsonia Neighbourhood House Incorporated. (the association) which comprises of the balance sheet as at 30 June 2022, the income statement, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the committee's report.

## Committee's responsibility for the financial report

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

## Auditor's responsibility

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

A review of a financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable me to obtain assurance that I would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, I do not express an audit opinion.

## Independence

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

## Conclusion

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

- a) giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30 June 2022 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards as referred to in Note 1 to the financial statements.

## Basis of accounting and restriction on distribution

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



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**12<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

## Statement by Committee

In the opinion of the Committee of Governance of Watsonia Neighbourhood House Inc.:

The accompanying revenue statement is drawn up so as to give a true and fair financial view of the Association's income for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

The accompanying balance sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs for the Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association can meet its debts when as they fall due.

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



**Bob Regan**  
Treasurer



**Sally O'Meara**  
President

Dated this 20 October 2022

# Our Supporters

We would like to thank our supporters;



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

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Victoria State Government for our recurrent Neighbourhood House Coordination Funding, access to Business Support Grants and Hon. Colin Brooks MP for his ongoing support.

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**Australian Government**

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

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North East Neighbourhood House Network and Julie Johnston for supporting us to navigate through another challenging year.

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

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Some of the photos in this report were supplied by Paul Dunn Photography and we would like to thank Paul for gifting them to us.

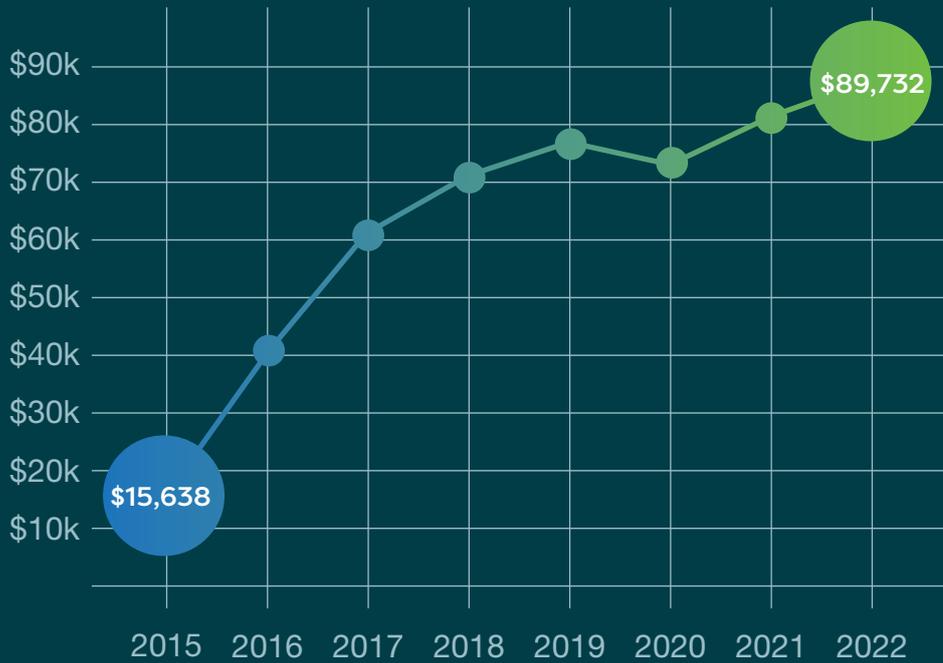
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Our fabulous team of volunteers who support us with daily tasks such as cleaning, gardening, answering the phones and cooking as well as supporting our events, running our groups and workshops. Special thanks to our Committee of Governance members (Sally O'Meara, Bob Regan, Luke Nelson, Kath Creagh and Cheryl Findlay).

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# Snap Shot

Our equity is steadily growing over time



We are receiving more external funding and grants for specific projects and services



# We are delivering essential services to our community



Through our Community Cupboard we have distributed 142.6 kilos of food per month, valued at \$3,280 per month.

We provide an average of 22 hot meals per week (valued at \$924 per month).



We are open to the public for an average of 46 hours per week (except during lock down) and our Community Cupboard, Little Library and Community Garden are open and accessible to the public all the time.



Through our Social Sundays program we ran 15 activities over 5 months with 106 bookings.



Through our Watsonia After Dark program we ran 46 activities with 395 bookings.

We deliver an average of 73 activity hours per week (includes concurrent activities using different rooms).



We are supported by 26 regular local volunteers providing 44 hours per week of support valued at \$75,662 per year.



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