



**GOONAWARRA**  
NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

ABN: 17 827 193 183  
INC: A0021512T

# Annual Report

## 2022-2023





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# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc would like to acknowledge the Gunung-Willam-Balluk people of the Wurundjeri tribe on whose land we meet and operate, and we pay our respects to their elders – past, present, and emerging.

We want to acknowledge our major sponsors, the Department of Families, Fairness & Housing and Hume City Council (HCC), for their continued financial support. Together with Comazor Alliance, Melbourne Magistrates' Court, and Sunbury and Cobaw Community Health, our programs have remained sponsored and enable the House to provide for the needs of our community.

A special thank you to Karen Washfold from the NorthWest Neighbourhood House Network, Neighbourhood Houses Victoria, Hume City Mayor Joseph Haweil, and Hume City's Jacksons Creek ward councillors Cr Jack Medcraft and Cr Jarrod Bell for their support of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House throughout the last year.

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House would like to thank our state and federal Members of Parliament for their ongoing support — Josh Bull MP, Sam Rae MP. We would also like to acknowledge the Goonawarra & Sunbury communities for their contributions and donations received throughout the year, despite the pressures many in our communities have faced.

And finally, we extend our gratitude to everyone who has participated in activities and programs this year; we appreciate your support and valued contributions to our community organisation.

# FUNDING SOURCES

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- Department of Health and Human Services – Neighbourhood House Coordination
- Hume City Council – Operations
- Comazor Alliance – Girls Circle
- Melbourne Magistrates' Court – Boyz Drop In
- Hume Community Grant – Chatty Café
- Playgroup Victoria – PALS Inclusive Playgroup
- Safe & Equal, 16 Days of Activism – Juno workshops for women over 50
- Sunbury & Bulla Neighbourhood Fund (West Gate Tunnel Project) – Share the Love Festival
- Inger Rice Foundation – Playgroup Facilitator Training
- Federal Volunteer Grant – Food Parcel pickup and garden beds



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# OUR PROFILE

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Goonawarra is located two kilometres south of Sunbury.

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House was a long-sought-after facility; after lobbying the then Shire of Bulla, the House opened in April 1990.

The House is located within the Goonawarra Community Hub. Our neighbours include Goonawarra Medical Centre, Sunningdale Avenue Children's Centre, Goonawarra Primary School, local shops and the Goonawarra Community Hall.

Today the Neighbourhood House is primarily funded through the Department of Families, Fairness & Housing, whose funding supports our four staff and operational costs. Funding is also provided by Hume City to help facilitate programs for the local community and through application to non-government organisations, state and federal grants.

The Goonawarra Neighbourhood House is a not for profit organisation that offers a range of programs as dictated by the needs of our community. Goonawarra Neighbourhood House offers over 20 programs, including childcare, pro-social activities, recreational courses, learning and development courses and space for community groups.

## VISION & MISSION

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### **Vision**

A strong, vibrant community that embraces its diversity and empowers all to achieve their potential.

### **Mission**

The Goonawarra Neighbourhood House will facilitate opportunities for community strengthening by engaging dynamically with the community to ensure a service that is responsive to the local needs and issues.

# CHAIR'S REPORT

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## ***Andrew Gould***

What a remarkable year!

Isabella Rosinsky joined us as House Manager at the start of July 2022 and done a terrific job. She hit the ground running and has overhauled Goonawarra NH with lots of new programs, new energy, and new attitudes – not to mention, money from grants to help us keep the opportunities flowing.

In addition to all the money from grants that we've applied for, we were stoked to hear back in November that Josh Bull MP was able to secure \$100,000 of extra funding on behalf of the Victorian Labor Government. This will allow us to deliver more programs, allowing us to provide more services for our community.

I'd like to thank Josh, along with our federal member Sam Rae MP, Hume City Mayor Joseph Haweil, and Hume City's Jacksons Creek ward councillors Cr Jack Medcraft and Cr Jarrod Bell for their support.

Earlier this year we sadly said goodbye to Susan Burke and Sandy Jinnette, who were stalwarts of the Goonawarra NH community. I would like to thank them both for their collective many years of service.

We have welcomed Sonja Labus as Finance Officer and Tara DeBono as Playgroup Facilitator. It's been great to have them onboard and their contributions have been very impressive so far.

Our new website went live in March. Stef at Picton Parrot did a great job setting that up for us. Importantly, we have more control over it and can make changes to it much faster than our old website allowed for.

We've also set up Social Planet alongside our new website so we can take online bookings with payments for the programs that we run. As part of this, all programs are listed on our website and will allow you to sign up with minimal effort.

This will be my last report as Chair, as I'm hanging up my boots after 3.5 years in the role and will not be a member of our Committee of Management going forward. I wish my successor in the role and the incoming Committee the best of luck. I'm proud of what we've achieved over the last few years and what we've been able to offer the community during that time.





# MANAGER'S REPORT

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*Isabella Rosinsky*

It's been a year of big changes and achievements. With the rapid growth in housing surrounding Goonawarra, we have been working hard to ensure we can cater for the needs of our emerging community.

## **New Website**

At the beginning of 2023 we launched a new website. It heralded a much-needed change in how we share information about our programs. The new website is linked with our booking platform, Social Planet, and enables community members to register and pay online, streamlining our in-house systems. This has assisted us to always keep program information on our website current.

## **Social Planet**

We've introduced a new booking system that also acts as a client management system for the House. This is where we upload all the information about our programs and then link it to the "What's On" page on our website. Now all our participant registrations are kept safely in one place.

## **Grants**

As you will see under our "Funding Sources" we applied for several grants in the past year. This has enabled us to run activities we would otherwise be unable to do. Thank you to all our funding providers for your generosity.

## **Publicity and Promotions**

You may have noticed that we are far more active on social media than we have ever been. This is an important vehicle for raising awareness about our organisation and our programs. We were also fortunate to have an article about our volunteer Maggie in the [Star Weekly](#).

## **New Year Lunch**

We missed the boat for Christmas, so we arranged a New Year lunch to kick off 2023. The event was very well attended by program participants, staff, and Committee members. I used this as an opportunity to introduce some of the upcoming changes and talk about the purpose of the Neighbourhood House.

# MANAGER'S REPORT

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## **The Dining Table**

It's amazing how something as simple as adding a dining table and chairs can make so much difference to how people interact with the House.

When I started out at GNH there was a big empty space beside the kitchen and some awkward bench seating along the walls that nobody sat on. By bringing in a dining table and chairs we have provided a space for the cooking participants to share their meals, for the Chatty Café program to gather, and for the Soup Lunch participants to eat and spend time together.

Sometimes it's just a space where a House user can stop for a coffee and a chat when they've had a tough week. The dining table has made the space much more homely and has turned it into a lively hub for people to gather.

*If food is one common thing that brings people together, then the dining room table is, without a doubt, the home's soul. A place that fuels conversations, strengthens bonds, cements relationships, and weaves memories- the dining table is the heart of a home.*

[Source](#)

## **Share the Love Festival**

In February 2023 we held the Share the Love Festival. It was a hot February day, but we still drew a crowd. The House, the carpark and the Community Centre were buzzing with people meandering through market stalls, food trucks, stage entertainment and children's activities. The highlight of the day was Ozzi Elvis who serenaded us with a bunch of Elvis classics.

The festival was an important strategy to raise awareness of the House and what we do here, and we certainly achieved that. Some of the feedback we received was that parents can't get to a weekday playgroup and would like to attend something on the weekend. This has resulted in us setting up a Saturday Family Playgroup in partnership with Playgroup Victoria. The program is very well attended, particularly by dads.

## **Neighbourhood House Week**

During the week of May 8-14, we offered the community the opportunity to try any of our programs free of charge. We also took this opportunity to launch our Wednesday soup lunch program.

The highlight of the week, however, was the Chatty Café High Tea. The kitchen and dining space was abuzz with the chatter of women and the clinking of teacups while we all enjoyed scones and sandwiches. It was so successful we plan to offer it each year around Mother's Day.

# MANAGER'S REPORT

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## **Chats with a Councillor**

This year introduced Chat's with a Councillor and started off with Cr Jarrod Bell spending some time at the House to talk to community members about their concerns.

The purpose of these chats is to provide an avenue for community members to advocate for themselves. This is an important aspect of Community Development, which is our core business model.

*Community development is a process where community members are supported and empowered by agencies to identify and take collective action on issues which are important to them. It creates stronger and more connected communities.*

*Community development is grounded in principles of empowerment, human rights, inclusion, social justice, self-determination, and collective action.*

*Community development considers community members to be experts in their lives and communities, and values community knowledge and wisdom.*

[Source](#)

## **Food Relief**

What started out as a dozen weekly parcels to provide food relief to Goonawarra locals, has grown to 21 parcels. This is the type of growth we don't want to see but is a direct result of the cost-of-living crisis we are experiencing.

The requests for food relief are unfortunately increasing and we feel duty-bound to respond. Our food parcel provider, Northpoint Centre, has observed the increased need and has made the decision to move one of their distribution points to Goonawarra in 2024. This means more food parcels for the local community.

## **Volunteers and Students**

We are extremely grateful for the support and assistance we receive from our dedicated volunteers. I wish to particularly acknowledge Chris who helps with the Plant and Play playgroup, when she's not assisting in one of the cooking programs; Sharen who assists Gwenda with the kids cooking class; Anna, Mary, Greg, and Julie for helping with food parcel collection and distribution; Maggie for providing digital support to community members; and Amanda and Sara who have also assisted with soup cooking.



# MANAGER'S REPORT

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It's important to also acknowledge our Committee Members who volunteer their time to ensure our organisation is properly governed and supported. They are a team of very intelligent and capable people who have worked hard behind the scenes to get us on track and keep us there.

We've also been fortunate to have students who are studying Community Services at Kangan TAFE. Each term we have had a new student who has worked alongside program participants and contributed to the quality of our services.

## **The Restructure and Sad Farewells**

Early this year the Committee of Management for Goonawarra NH approved plans for an organisational restructure. Our goal as a community organisation is to grow in line with the community we serve. In line with our strategic direction, the committee voted unanimously to refocus our limited resources.

As part of this direction from the committee, we reduced the organisation's administration by moving to new technologies for bookkeeping, payroll, and program bookings; allowing our team more time to deliver more programs for those in the community that need us most.

Sadly, some long-standing members of the Goonawarra NH family opted to take a full redundancy as part of the organisation's restructuring.

We said goodbye to Sandy Jinnette who had a long history in the Occasional Care program and more recently, with playgroup and the kids' programs.

We also said goodbye to Susan Burke who had been with the organisation for almost 30 years. People often associated the House with Susan because she was a key figure in the House for so long. I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank Susan for stepping in as interim Manager after Alfina left. It wasn't an easy task, but she kept the organisation ticking over.

## **New Staff Appointments**

Over the past year we have welcomed Tara DeBono – Playgroup Facilitator and Sonja Labus – Finance Officer. Both are doing a sterling job in their new roles.









# BOYS GROUP

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## ***Carly Lovett***

Over the past financial year, our boys' group, consisting of 8-10-year-olds from diverse backgrounds, including participants with ADHD and autism, has undergone several changes. Our dedicated co-facilitator, Sandy, left us, and during the interim, we welcomed a student placement, Dolly. Additionally, a new team member, Leah, joined our team.

Our program has been filled with a diverse range of engaging activities, emphasizing the importance of inclusion and teamwork. The boys have enthusiastically taken part in outdoor activities that promote physical activity, including sensory play and the collaborative effort of building raised garden beds. Indoors, our boys have delved into their creative sides through clay sculptures, STEM and construction activities, and the sensory joys of the sand pit.

Physical activity has been a priority, with ball games, partner yoga, outdoor group games, and indoor drama and charades, all encouraging teamwork and collaboration. Impulse control games, such as "red light, green light" and "Simon says," have provided a platform for growth. Furthermore, our culinary adventures have included baking cookies, scones, and exploring healthy treats. Highlights of the year have included the introduction of drumming and drama play, with a special focus on charades and group performances.

While we have received positive feedback on our program, the most significant improvements and developments have been observed in the boys' creativity and expression, bolstered by crafts and drama games. These activities have allowed them to explore their imaginations and build confidence in sharing their ideas. The sense of belonging and the reinforcement of teamwork have been integral to our program's value, promoting diversity, tolerance, and inclusion while fostering a strong and supportive environment where these boys can form friendships, sharpen their communication skills, develop effective social skills, boost their self-confidence, and learn valuable problem-solving techniques. Our group provides not only emotional support but also serves as a safe space for sharing thoughts, feelings, and concerns. We have created an environment where the boys can build essential life skills, engage in stress relief, and promote their overall well-being.

# GIRLS GROUP

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## ***Carly Lovett***

In the past financial year, our girls' group witnessed farewells and fresh beginnings, marked by the departure of co-facilitator Sandy and the presence of Dolly, our dedicated student placement during the interim. We also welcomed a valuable addition to our team, Leah.

Our program was a tapestry of engaging activities and discussions designed to empower and educate. The girls delved into their creative side with craft sessions, creating home decorations, jewellery, clay sculptures, and more. Physical activity and teamwork took centre stage, featuring ball games, partner yoga, and visits from dance and drama instructors.

Beyond honing physical skills, we invested in the girls' emotional well-being. Discussions on healthy relationships, bullying, and role-playing skills, including assertiveness and boundary-setting, equipped our participants with essential life skills. We also nurtured their culinary talents with baking sessions, from crafting cookies, scones, to healthy treats.

The introduction of Djembe drumming was a highlight, adding rhythm and fun to our program. End-of-term celebrations included exciting party games and fun activities. Positive feedback from our girls highlighted improvements in their confidence, friendships, self-expression, and self-awareness.

Our girls' group is not just about activities; it's a haven of belonging and support. We provide emotional support and a safe space for the girls to share their thoughts, feelings, and concerns. We address critical topics such as self-esteem, body image, bullying, and peer pressure, empowering them with strategies to navigate these challenges. Our structured and supportive environment fosters the development of friendships and essential social skills, promoting effective communication, active listening, and conflict resolution. Furthermore, it contributes to their mental and emotional well-being, reducing the risk of issues like depression and anxiety.

# PLAYGROUPS

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***Tara DeBono***

Throughout the past year, our playgroups have experienced a bustling and dynamic period of growth and transformation. Among these activities, Plant and Play & Sensory Play emerged as the most popular choices among participants. However, we faced unique challenges in organising age-specific groups for babies.

Despite these challenges, our playgroups have fostered a strong sense of community. Numerous families have formed deep connections, frequently engaging in conversations about their children's milestones, weekly experiences, and celebratory moments. It has been heart-warming to witness the bonds that children have formed with their peers, eagerly awaiting the arrival of their friends and displaying excitement at the prospect of reuniting.

Diversity has been a key feature of our sessions, with various family members actively participating, including parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and dedicated caregivers. This inclusivity has allowed us to be an integral part of families' journeys, with parents, grandparents, and caregivers sharing meaningful experiences and milestones involving their children.

Feedback from our participant families has been overwhelmingly positive. They have expressed their enthusiasm for the engaging programs we offer, highlighting their children's anticipation of attending these weekly sessions.

Our garden project faced initial challenges due to unfavourable weather conditions, but it has since flourished. Families have taken great delight in harvesting vegetables and herbs, further deepening their connection to our playgroup community.

As we look forward to the future, we are considering the introduction of casual play and attendance options. Recognising the demands of modern life, many parents and families have conveyed their desire for flexibility. They often have only one or two days off each week and would appreciate the opportunity to attend without the need for a long-term commitment. This flexible approach aims to make our playgroups even more accessible and accommodating for all.



# COOKING GROUPS

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## *Gwenda Griggs and Angela Cook-Lee*

The cooking programs at the House have enjoyed a tremendous surge in popularity this year. Our commitment to culinary education has remained unwavering, particularly evident in the success of our Teens in the Kitchen initiative. This program is designed to impart young individuals with fundamental skills in food handling and cooking. It's heartening to witness these teenagers embarking on their culinary journey, often trying out meals for the very first time.

A particularly noteworthy accomplishment has been our ability to make these culinary endeavours more inclusive. We've successfully catered to the dietary needs of a student who is coeliac, ensuring that they can fully participate in our cooking sessions.

Our Kids in the Kitchen program has experienced such an overwhelming response that we found ourselves with no option but to add a second session. This enthusiasm among our young participants is a testament to the engaging and enjoyable nature of our culinary classes. We owe a debt of gratitude to our dedicated volunteers, Chris and Sharen, who have been invaluable in assisting Gwenda in delivering these classes.

Furthermore, this year marked an exciting addition to our curriculum with the introduction of an introductory class on bread and pasta making. This new offering has provided an opportunity for our participants to explore the art of crafting these beloved staples from scratch. As we move forward, we remain committed to nurturing a love for cooking and empowering individuals of all ages with essential culinary skills.

Our gratitude extends to the Sunbury & Bulla Neighbourhood Fund, whose generous grant has enabled us to continue offering our Eating Well for Seniors program. This program has proven to be a vital resource for seniors in our community who may find themselves in situations where preparing healthy meals for one person can be a challenge. For some, it's their first foray into cooking for themselves, and for others, it's a lifeline for maintaining a balanced diet.

Thanks to the support of the fund, we can keep this program running, ensuring that seniors in our community have access to the knowledge and skills they need to maintain their well-being through nutrition. It's heartening to see the community come together to support such essential initiatives.



# TREASURER'S REPORT

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## **Laura Mackey**

The 2022-2023 financial year saw Goonawarra Neighbourhood House continue the same positive trajectory set by the previous year's committee and House Manager. As our committee and esteemed House Manager Isabella Rosinsky collaborated to put in efficient and effective policies and practices to optimise quality service delivery and long-term sustainability, the house flourished with renewed vigor and life. In this light, I am pleased to be able to present this year's annual financial report on behalf of the Committee of Management.

Throughout this financial year, Goonawarra Neighbourhood House used the services of local business Sntax to ensure best financial practices were embedded within the house and we would like to extend our thanks to the team at Sntax for all of their hard work and support throughout this financial year. As a result of this positive relationship, I am pleased to confirm that Goonawarra Neighbourhood House will continue to work with Sntax throughout the next financial year who will support our new Finance Administration Officer to ensure that our finances are in the best possible situation for the next financial year and future years to come. Furthermore, our successful audit was again completed by Collins & Co. and we thank them once more for their services in this matter.

At June 30th 2023, the Goonawarra Neighbourhood House held a total of \$75,016 in equity including a total cash and cash equivalent of \$142,429 and \$25,225 in fixed assets. Despite a negative in earnings for this financial year, the house is becoming increasingly more active and lively with a number of continued and new programs currently operating. In addition to this, a total of \$175,052 was received in grants from Family Fairness and Housing, City of Hume, Infrastructure related grants and the Communities for Children Hume Brokerage Grant. On behalf of the Committee of Management I would like to extend my heartfelt thank you for each of these contributions which are essential for the continued and quality service delivery provided by Goonawarra Neighbourhood House.



# TREASURER'S REPORT

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We would also like to extend our gratitude to our members, locals in our community and those who were generous enough to provide gifts and donations. This financial year Goonawarra Neighbourhood House was fortunate enough to receive \$16,300 in gifts and donations which went directly towards supporting a number of our programs for both children and adults within the Sunbury area.

In terms of our operating expenses, our highest expense reportable continues to be attributed to staffing and the facilitation of programs and program consumables. Goonawarra Neighbourhood House is proudly operated by dedicated and highly qualified staff members with a strong sense of community and love for the work that they do. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff members employed at Goonawarra Neighbourhood House this financial year for their passion and their commitment, especially Carly Lovett, Isabella Rosinsky, Tara DeBono and Sonja Labus. A special and notable thank you also to Susan Burke and Sandy Jinnette who have dedicated many years of service, passion and love to Goonawarra Neighbourhood House and we wish them well as they move onto the next chapter in their lives.

Finally, on a personal note, I look forward to watching Goonawarra Neighbourhood house continue to expand and grow and can't wait to see what the 2023-2024 financial year brings to both the house and our community.



# Financial Statements

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

ABN 17 827 193 183

For the year ended 30 June 2023

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# Responsible Person's Declaration

**Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.**

**For the year ended 30 June 2023**

**In the opinion of the Committee Members of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.:-**

1. The financial statements and notes of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. are in accordance with the Australian charities and Not-for Profits Commission Act 2012, including:

a) Giving a true and fair view of its financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and

b) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards including the Australian Accounting Interpretations and the Australian Charities and Non-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013; and

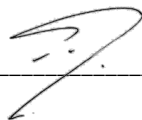
2. In the committee members' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that Goonawarra Neighbourhood House will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed: Andrew Gould - Chair



Dated: 23/10/2023

Signed: Lockie Flenley - Secretary



Dated: 23/10/2023

# Income and Expenditure Statement

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	NOTES	2023	2022
<b>Income</b>			
Revenue from Grants	2	175,052	162,943
Revenue from Program/Classes	3	50,699	14,731
Fundraising and Donations	4	17,611	16,237
Revenue from Other Activities	5	3,738	20,899
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>247,100</b>	<b>214,811</b>
<b>Gross Surplus</b>			
		<b>247,100</b>	<b>214,811</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Program / Class Cost	6	32,310	10,007
Staffing Costs	7	248,449	191,414
Occupancy Costs	8	24,544	14,252
Administration Costs	9	21,205	17,507
Other Expenses	10	409	1,073
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>326,917</b>	<b>234,254</b>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax</b>			
		<b>(79,817)</b>	<b>(19,443)</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>			
		<b>(79,817)</b>	<b>(19,443)</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of Financial Position

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

As at 30 June 2023

	NOTES	30 JUN 2023	30 JUN 2022
<b>Assets</b>			
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	11	142,429	192,244
Trade and Other Receivables	12	2,712	760
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>145,141</b>	<b>193,004</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Fixed Assets	15	25,225	31,456
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>25,225</b>	<b>31,456</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>170,367</b>	<b>224,459</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	13	34,241	14,660
Provisions	14	58,337	44,471
Prepaid Income		2,772	10,275
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>95,350</b>	<b>69,406</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>95,350</b>	<b>69,406</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>75,016</b>	<b>155,053</b>
<b>Member's Funds</b>			
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)		(79,817)	(19,443)
Retained Earnings		154,833	174,496
<b>Total Member's Funds</b>		<b>75,016</b>	<b>155,053</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.



# Statement of Changes in Reserves

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Equity</b>		
Opening Balance	155,053	174,496
<b>Increases</b>		
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)	(79,817)	(19,443)
Adjustments in Retained Earnings	(220)	-
<b>Total Increases</b>	<b>(80,037)</b>	<b>(19,443)</b>
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>75,016</b>	<b>155,053</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of Cash Flows

## Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. For the year ended 30 June 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Cash Flow Statement</b>		
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Receipts from customers	245,922	214,376
Payments to suppliers and employees	(294,553)	(234,280)
Interest received	1,178	215
<b>Net Cash from operating activities</b>	<b>(47,453)</b>	<b>(19,689)</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Purchases of Computer Equipment	(1,453)	(8,513)
Purchases of Furniture & Fittings	(909)	-
Purchases of Office Equipment	-	-
<b>Net Cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(2,362)</b>	<b>(8,513)</b>
<b>Cash at the end of the financial year</b>		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(49,815)	(28,202)
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	192,244	220,226
<b>Cash at the end of the financial year</b>	<b>142,429</b>	<b>192,024</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. For the year ended 30 June 2023

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial report is a special purpose report that has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, applicable Australian Accounting Standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

The financial report covers Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. as an individual entity. Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc. is an Association incorporated in Victoria under the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets

#### b) Revenue

Revenue comprises income from occasional childcare, programs, room hire, government grants and other activities. Revenue from other activities is shown in Note 6.

Revenue is measured by reference to the fair value of consideration received or receivable by the Association for services provided.

Revenue is recognised when the amount of revenue can be measured reliably, collection is probable, the costs incurred or to be incurred can be measured reliably, and when the criteria for each of the Association's different activities have been met. Details of the activity-specific recognition criteria are described below.

#### Government Grants

A number of the Association's programs are supported by grants received from the government.

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

Where a grant is received on the condition that specified services are delivered to the grantor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction. Revenue is recognised as services are performed and at year end a liability is recognised until the service is delivered.

Where a grant may be required to be repaid if certain conditions are not satisfied, a liability is recognised at year end to the extent that conditions remain unsatisfied.

Revenue from a non-reciprocal grant that is not subject to conditions is recognised when the Association obtains control of the funds, economic benefits are probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### Occasional Childcare Income

Fees are charged to parents for professional care of children aged from 3 months to 6 years. As well as activities to stimulate children's imagination and develop their skills. Income is recognised when the fee is paid in the financial year.

#### Programs

Fees are charged for diverse activities and courses for kids and adults of the community. Income is recognised when the fee is paid in the financial year.

**Room Hire**

Fees are charged for private functions on a needs basis for members of the community of Sunbury/Goonawarra and income is recognised when the service is provided.

**Interest Income**

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

**b) Operating Expenses**

Operating expenses are recognised in the profit or loss upon utilisation of the service or at the date of their origin.

**Rent**

As required by Australian Accounting Standards 1058 (AASB 1058), the Committee has elected to recognise the rent from Hume City Council at cost not fair value.

- The organisation has a high dependence on the Lease arrangement with Hume City Council which provides it the right to use the premises at 8 Gullane Drive, Sunbury
- The Lease is with Hume City Council for a value of \$50 plus GST per financial year
- The current Lease commenced on the 15/10/2014 for a 9 year period

**c) Non-current Assets**

Each non-current Asset is carried at cost less, where applicable any accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

**Depreciation**

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated over their useful lives to the Association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciated assets are:

<b>Class of Fixed Asset</b>	<b>Depreciation Rate</b>
Computer Equipment	14%
Furniture & Fittings	20%
Office Equipment	14%

**d) Income Taxes**

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.

**e) Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand.



## **f) Employee benefits**

### **Short-term benefits**

Short-term employee benefits are benefits, other than termination benefits, that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. Examples of such benefits include wages and salaries.

### **Long-term benefits**

The Association's liabilities for annual leave and long service leave are included in other long term benefits as they are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service.

The Association presents employee benefit obligations as current liabilities in the statement of financial position if the Association does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the reporting period, irrespective of when the actual settlement is expected to take place.

## **g) Deferred Income**

The liability for deferred income is the unutilised amounts of grants received on the condition that specified services are delivered or conditions are fulfilled. The services are usually provided or the conditions usually fulfilled within 12 months of receipt of the grant. Where the amount received is in respect of services to be provided over a period that exceeds 12 months after the reporting date or the conditions will only be satisfied more than 12 months after the reporting date, the liability is discounted and presented as non-current.

## **h) Goods and services tax (GST)**

Revenues and expenses are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST components of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

## **i) Economic dependence**

The Association is dependent upon the ongoing receipt of Government grants and use of Hume City Council Facilities to ensure the ongoing continuance of its programs.

At the date of this report, management has no reason to believe that this financial support will not continue.

## **j) Significant management judgement in applying accounting policies**

When preparing the financial statements, management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

## **k) Related Party Transactions**

The Committee Members act in an honorary capacity and are not paid for their services as Committee Members.

There were no transactions with related parties during the 2023 year.

### Estimation uncertainty

Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses has been provided. Actual results may be substantially different.

	2023	2022
<b>2. Revenue from Grants</b>		
City of Hume	42,119	33,679
Communities for Children Hume Brokerage Grant	-	1,330
Family, Fairness & Housing	131,205	125,434
Grant Funding	1,500	-
Infrastructure	-	2,500
Volunteers Grant	228	-
<b>Total Revenue from Grants</b>	<b>175,052</b>	<b>162,943</b>
	2023	2022

### 3. Revenue from Program/Classes

Health Communities: Festival Income	20,724	-
Membership Fees	300	-
Participation/Class Fees	10,399	10,066
Playgroup Victoria	2,756	-
Rental Income	16,520	4,665
<b>Total Revenue from Program/Classes</b>	<b>50,699</b>	<b>14,731</b>
	2023	2022

### 4. Fundraising and Donations

Fundraising	1,311	313
Gifts & Donations Income	16,300	15,925
<b>Total Fundraising and Donations</b>	<b>17,611</b>	<b>16,237</b>
	2023	2022

### 5. Revenue from Other Activities

Cleaning Fee	50	-
Food Parcels	1,268	-
Interest Income	1,178	215
Miscellaneous Income	40	134
PSB	1,180	550
Square Service Charges	22	-
Vic Gov Covid Fund	-	20,000
<b>Total Revenue from Other Activities</b>	<b>3,738</b>	<b>20,899</b>

	2023	2022
<b>6. Program / Class Cost</b>		
Advertising	2,514	1,466
Course Refund	91	270
Festival Expense	10,741	541
Fundraising Expenses	528	-
Program Consumables	10,713	2,836
Program Facilitator / Tutor	6,249	3,741
Program Material / Equipment	1,074	1,017
Program Room Hire	400	136
<b>Total Program / Class Cost</b>	<b>32,310</b>	<b>10,007</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>

**7. Staffing Costs**

Allowances	1,071	585
Annual Leave	8,066	(5,995)
Consultants	1,180	1,034
Gross Wages	207,987	183,367
LSL	1,675	(8,456)
Portal Long Service Leave Payment	3,902	2,656
Staff Amenities	185	198
Super	21,209	15,743
Time in Lieu Exp	-	(663)
Training	1,305	-
Volunteer Costs	276	-
Workcover	1,592	2,944
<b>Total Staffing Costs</b>	<b>248,449</b>	<b>191,414</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>

**8. Occupancy Costs**

Cleaning	7,892	2,153
Insurance	3,118	2,030
Office Furniture & Equipment	1,088	369
Office Supplies	716	103
Photocopier	1,698	2,105
Postage and Delivery	143	131
Printing & Reproduction	(18)	18
Projects	1,117	-
Rent	50	100
Repairs	155	119
Software Expense	5,869	3,963
Telephone & Internet	985	1,661

Utilities	1,731	1,500
<b>Total Occupancy Costs</b>	<b>24,544</b>	<b>14,252</b>
	2023	2022

### 9. Administration Costs

Audit/ Bookkeeping Fees	9,325	5,400
Bad Debts (Hardship)	-	300
Bank Service/Merchant Charges	616	518
Board Expenses	143	781
Depreciation	8,592	8,072
Membership/Subscription	2,428	2,436
Square Fees	100	-
<b>Total Administration Costs</b>	<b>21,205</b>	<b>17,507</b>
	2023	2022

### 10. Other Expenses

Gifts & Donations	338	783
Other Expense	71	290
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>1,073</b>
	2023	2022

### 11. Cash & Cash Equivalents

Auspost Load & Go	277	-
Goonawarra Neighbourhood-LSL	53,608	52,443
Goonawarra Neighbourhood House	87,876	139,500
House Petty Cash	-	200
Petty Cash House	-	100
Statement Account - debit card	669	-
<b>Total Cash &amp; Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>142,429</b>	<b>192,244</b>
	2023	2022

### 12. Trade and Other Receivables

Accounts Receivable	2,712	760
<b>Total Trade and Other Receivables</b>	<b>2,712</b>	<b>760</b>
	2023	2022

### 13. Trade and Other Payables

Accounts Payable	2,069	-
Accrued Expense	5,553	355
ATO Debt	-	10,159
Bonds for House Hire (to be refunded)	-	399
GST	4,124	10



PAYG Payable	9,726	-
Superannuation Payable	12,770	3,737
<b>Total Trade and Other Payables</b>	<b>34,241</b>	<b>14,660</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>

**14. Provisions**

Provision for Annual Leave	19,185	11,119
Provision for LSL	39,152	33,352
<b>Total Provisions</b>	<b>58,337</b>	<b>44,471</b>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>

**15. Fixed Assets**

Office Equipment	315	315
Accumulated Depreciation - Office Equipment	(118)	(73)
Computer Equipment	9,845	8,393
Accumulated Depreciation - Computer Equipment	(3,237)	(1,921)
Furniture & Fittings	36,661	35,752
Accumulated Depreciation - Furniture & Fittings	(18,241)	(11,010)
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>25,225</b>	<b>31,456</b>

# Depreciation Schedule

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc.

For the year ended 30 June 2023

NAME	COST	OPENING VALUE	PURCHASES	DISPOSALS	DEPRECIATION	CLOSING VALUE
<b>Computer Equipment</b>						
Laptop 1	1,872	1,444	-	-	269	1,175
Laptop 2	1,872	1,444	-	-	269	1,175
Laptop 3	1,162	896	-	-	167	729
Laptop 4	1,162	896	-	-	167	729
Laptop 5	1,162	896	-	-	167	729
Laptop 6	1,162	896	-	-	167	729
Wifi Mesh System	545	-	545	-	33	512
iPads x 2	907	-	907	-	77	830
<b>Total Computer Equipment</b>	<b>9,845</b>	<b>6,472</b>	<b>1,453</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,316</b>	<b>6,608</b>
<b>Furniture &amp; Fittings</b>						
2 x Samsung TV,s + Mounts	1,525	987	-	-	305	682
Airconditioning as per renovations	18,560	12,013	-	-	3,713	8,300
Bosch Hob	1,070	693	-	-	214	479
Defib	2,148	1,793	-	-	430	1,363
Dishwasher	716	464	-	-	143	320
F & P oven	1,341	868	-	-	268	600
Oven	1,000	647	-	-	200	447
Rangehood	2,182	1,412	-	-	436	976
Reception Workstation & Manager's Office Furniture	6,365	5,319	-	-	1,274	4,045
Refrigerator	845	547	-	-	169	378
Stacker Chairs x 10	909	-	909	-	78	831
<b>Total Furniture &amp; Fittings</b>	<b>36,661</b>	<b>24,742</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,231</b>	<b>18,420</b>
<b>Office Equipment</b>						
Utility cupboard	315	242	-	-	45	197
<b>Total Office Equipment</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>197</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>46,821</b>	<b>31,456</b>	<b>2,362</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,592</b>	<b>25,225</b>



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## AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE MEMBERS OF GOONAWARRA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC A.B.N. 17 827 193 183

In accordance with the requirements of section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2023 there have been:

- i. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the review; and
- ii. No contravention of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

**Frederik Ryk Ludolf Eksteen CA**  
**ASIC Auditor Registration Number 421448**

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**Dated this 23rd day of October 2023**



**GOONAWARRA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC**  
**A.B.N. 17 827 193 183**  
**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS**

**Opinion**

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc (the Association), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2023, and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the statement by the members of the Board.

In my opinion, the financial report of the Association is in accordance with *the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and *the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*, including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2023 and of its performance for the year ended; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards as per Note 1, *the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and *the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*.

**Basis for Opinion**

I 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 our report. I am independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled our 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.

**Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution**

I draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Goonawarra Neighbourhood House Inc to meet the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission Act 2012* and *the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

**Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Report**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the applicable legislation and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.





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## **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 our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error 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 Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. 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 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 registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the responsible entities.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the responsible entities 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 registered entity's ability 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 my 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 a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal controls that I identify during my audit.

**Auditor:** Frederik Ryk Ludolf Eksteen

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**Signature:**

**Date:** 23 October 2023

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