

**AUSTRALIAN COMMUNICATIONS CONSUMER
ACTION NETWORK LIMITED
(ACCAN)**

A.B.N. 42 133 719 678

Annual Financial Report

**For The Year Ended
30 June 2016**

Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited
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Financial Report
For the year ended 30 June 2016

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Directors' Report

Your Directors present their report together with the financial report of Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited ('the Company') for the financial year ended 30 June 2016 and the independent auditor's report thereon.

Directors

The Directors of the Company at any time during or since the end of the financial year are:

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Qualifications and Experience</i> |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Johanna Plante Chairperson | Business Advisor & Project Manager, Deaf Community SA Convenor, 2016 National Auslan Conference Volunteer Coordinator, TafeSA ETD Programme Bachelor of Engineering (First Class Honours) Director since 10 November 2010 Deputy Chairperson from 9 December 2010 to 31 October 2012 Appointed Chairperson on 31 October 2012 |
| Harriet Raiche Deputy Chairperson | Adjunct Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of NSW Solicitor, Supreme Court of NSW Board Member, Australian Privacy Foundation Director, Internet Society of Australia Asia Pacific Representative, At-Large Advisory Committee Executive, ICANN BA and LLM, George Washington University, Washington DC LLB, Faculty of Law, UNSW Deputy Chair, ACCAN from 5 August 2008 to 10 November 2010 Director since 9 November 2011 Appointed Deputy Chairperson on 31 October 2012 |
| Dean Barton-Smith AM Director | Chief Executive Officer, Deaf Children Australia Member, National Disability Insurance Scheme Independent Advisory Council National Leader, National Mental Health Commission Founder/Principal, Barton-Smith Enterprises Efficere Sports International, Associate Director Masters in Marketing Degree (Monash University) Fellow Australian Institute of Management (FAIM), Associate Fellow Australian Marketing Institute (AFAMI), Certified Practising Marketer (CPM) Director since 20 February 2013 |
| Sandra Milligan Director | Managing Director, Carnival Learning Pty Ltd BSc, BEd(Hons), MEd Fellow Australian Institute of Company Directors Research Associate, Assessment Research Centre, University of Melbourne Board member of the Australian Council for Educational Research Member, ACER Foundation Advisory Board Director since 31 October 2012 |

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Directors' Report

Directors (continued)

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Qualifications and Experience</i> |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Ryan Sengara Director | Director, Department of Health, Government of Western Australia Sole Trader, Ryan Dean Sonny Sengara Master of Arts (Honours) Bachelor of Commerce Certified Professional, Australian Computer Society Director since 31 October 2012 |
| Nigel Waters Director | Principal, Pacific Privacy Consulting Former deputy Australian Privacy Commissioner Committee member, Australian Privacy Foundation and Privacy International Life member, Electronic Frontiers Australia Member, CHOICE – Australian Consumers Association Masters degrees from the University of Cambridge, University of Pennsylvania and University of Technology Sydney Director since 31 October 2012 |
| Michael West Director | Chief Executive Officer, Guwaali Consulting Director, NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce Member, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Group to the Board Headspace (National Youth Mental Health Foundation) Member, Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council Member, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Group Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) Former Co-Chair, National Sorry Day Committee (NSDC) Former, Delegate of National Congress of Australia's First Peoples Director since 24 October 2013 |
| Victoria Rubensohn AM Director | Consumer Director, Communications Compliance Ltd Independent Reviewer, Advertising Standards Bureau Principal, Omni Media Director, Media Access Australia Director, Communications Law Centre Associate Member, Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia- LEADR Consumer Member, Code Authority, ADMA Member, Australian Institute of Company Directors Master of Arts (Government) and Master of Human Rights, Sydney University LLB, University of NSW Director since 17 September 2014 |
| Chris Dodds Director | Senior Policy Officer, Energy and Water Ombudsman of NSW Chairperson, Telstra's Low Income Assessment Committee – Representative of ACOSS Member, Telstra CEO-Consumer Roundtable Consumer Member, Advisory Committee for Communications Compliance Ltd Director since 2 September 2015 |

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Directors (continued)

| <i>Name</i> | <i>Qualifications and Experience</i> |
|------------------------------|---|
| Leonard Bytheway Director | Principal Consultant, BTW Consulting MBA, Grad Dip Spec Ed, B.Ed, Dip Teach, MAICD Churchill Fellow Vice President Churchill Fellows Association of QLD Member Deaf Services QLD Director from 15 October 2008 to 10 November 2010 Treasurer from 4 November 2009 to 10 November 2010 Director since 31 October 2012 to 2 September 2015 |

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Company Secretary

Ms Yuriko Hoshi was appointed to the position of Company Secretary in October 2013. She is a member of CPA Australia and has a Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Accounting.

Directors' Meetings

The number of Directors' meetings and the number of meetings attended by each of the Directors' of the Company during the financial year are:

| Current Directors | Directors' Meetings | |
|--------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| | Meetings Eligible to Attend | Meetings Attended |
| Johanna Plante | 4 | 4 |
| Harriet Raiche | 4 | 4 |
| Dean Barton-Smith | 4 | 3 |
| Sandra Milligan | 4 | 4 |
| Ryan Sengara | 4 | 3 |
| Nigel Waters | 4 | 3 |
| Michael West | 4 | 4 |
| Victoria Rubensohn | 4 | 4 |
| Chris Dodds | 3 | 3 |
| Leonard Bytheway | 1 | 1 |

Committee Memberships

| Committee | Members' for 2016 | Members' for 2015 |
|----------------------------|--|--|
| Finance & Audit | Sandra Milligan (convenor) Johanna Plante Ryan Sengara | Sandra Milligan (convenor) Johanna Plante Ryan Sengara |
| Membership | Chris Dodds (convenor) Ryan Sengara Nigel Waters | Ryan Sengara (convenor) Nigel Waters |
| Remuneration & Performance | Ryan Sengara (convenor) Johanna Plante | Leonard Bytheway (convenor) Johanna Plante |
| Governance & Constitution | Harriet Raiche (convenor) Victoria Rubensohn Dean Barton-Smith | Harriet Raiche (convenor) Victoria Rubensohn |

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Principal Activities, Objectives and Strategy

The principal activity of the Company during the financial year was to be the peak body that represents all consumers on communications issues including telecommunications, broadband and emerging new services. ACCAN provides a strong unified voice to industry and government as consumers work towards availability, accessibility and affordability of communications services for all Australians. Consumers need ACCAN to promote better consumer protection outcomes ensuring speedy responses to complaints and issues. ACCAN aims to empower consumers so that they are well informed and can make good choices about products and services. As a peak body, ACCAN will activate its broad and diverse membership base to campaign to get a better deal for all communications consumers.

Review of Operations and Performance

The surplus of the Company amounted to \$30,426 (2015: \$127,574).

ACCAN measures its performance via consumer feedback and industry complaint monitoring.

Events Subsequent to Reporting Date

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

Dividends

The Company's Constitution prohibits the payment of dividends to the Members of the Company.

The Company is limited by guarantee and does not issue shares or options to purchase shares.

Significant Changes in State of Affairs

In the opinion of the Directors there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Company that occurred during the year.

Likely Developments

The Company will further develop the level of operations through the receipt of grants and the acquittal of those grants through various programs and projects.

No likely change in the Company's direction is projected.

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Environmental Regulations

The Company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory.

Indemnification of Officers or Auditor

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the Company, other than those expressly allowed by the Corporation Act 2001.

Proceedings on Behalf of the Company

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the Company or intervene in any proceedings to which the Company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Company for all or any part of those proceedings. The Company was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.


Membership Liability

The extent of the liability of any member under the guarantee is a sum not exceeding \$10. The total liability of all members is \$1,230 if the company is wound up.

Auditor's Independence Declaration

The auditor's independence declaration is set out on page 6 and forms part of the Directors' report for the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors



Johanna Plante
Director



Harriet Raiche
Director

Dated this 17th day of August 2016
Sydney, NSW



ASHBY & Co.
CHARTERED
ACCOUNTANTS

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

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the financial year ended 30 June 2016 there has been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

ASHBY & CO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Anthony Ashby

Anthony Ashby

Partner

Registered Company Auditor # 287837

Dated this 17th day of August 2016
Sydney, NSW

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Statement of Profit or Loss and other Comprehensive Income
For The Year Ended 30 June 2016

| | Note | 2016 \$ | 2015 \$ |
|---|------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Revenue | 2 | <u>2,410,036</u> | <u>2,505,865</u> |
| Employee benefits expenses | 14 | (1,416,446) | (1,313,801) |
| Project and program expenses | | (349,445) | (441,513) |
| Occupancy expenses | | (174,693) | (174,752) |
| Accommodation and travel | | (76,711) | (69,756) |
| Conferences and events | | (74,801) | (79,458) |
| Printing, postage and stationary | | (45,443) | (49,175) |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 3 | (49,114) | (46,654) |
| Training and development | | (59,935) | (58,825) |
| Information technology | | (49,222) | (46,387) |
| Audit, legal and accountancy fees | | (13,767) | (12,000) |
| Marketing and advertising | | (20,961) | (21,355) |
| Loss on disposal of plant and equipment | | - | - |
| Other expenses | 3 | <u>(49,072)</u> | <u>(64,615)</u> |
| Surplus before income tax | | 30,426 | 127,574 |
| Income tax expense | 1(k) | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Surplus after income tax | | <u>30,426</u> | <u>127,574</u> |
| Other comprehensive income | | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | <u><u>30,426</u></u> | <u><u>127,574</u></u> |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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Statement of Financial Position
As At 30 June 2016

| | Note | 2016 \$ | 2015 \$ |
|--------------------------------------|------|------------------|------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 5 | 1,153,072 | 1,090,948 |
| Trade and other receivables | 6 | 2,988 | 16,297 |
| Prepayments | 7 | <u>18,372</u> | <u>20,682</u> |
| TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>1,174,432</u> | <u>1,127,927</u> |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 8 | 71,703 | 106,916 |
| Intangible assets | 9 | <u>6,768</u> | <u>5,689</u> |
| TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS | | <u>78,471</u> | <u>112,605</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | <u>1,252,903</u> | <u>1,240,532</u> |
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | |
| Trade and other payables | 10 | 189,433 | 264,268 |
| Employee benefits | 11 | 149,588 | 143,944 |
| Deferred income | 12 | <u>62,145</u> | <u>21,125</u> |
| TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <u>401,166</u> | <u>429,337</u> |
| NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | |
| Trade and other payables | 10 | - | - |
| Employee benefits | 11 | <u>29,317</u> | <u>19,201</u> |
| TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <u>29,317</u> | <u>19,201</u> |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | | <u>430,483</u> | <u>448,538</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | <u>822,420</u> | <u>791,994</u> |
| EQUITY | | | |
| Retained earnings | | <u>822,420</u> | <u>791,994</u> |
| TOTAL EQUITY | | <u>822,420</u> | <u>791,994</u> |

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Statement of Changes in Equity
For The Year Ended 30 June 2016

| | Retained Earnings | Total |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Balance at 1 July 2012 | 433,166 | 433,166 |
| Surplus for the year | 155,122 | 155,122 |
| Balance at 30 June 2013 | 588,288 | 588,288 |
| Surplus for the year | 76,132 | 76,132 |
| Balance at 30 June 2014 | 664,420 | 664,420 |
| Surplus for the year | 127,574 | 127,574 |
| Balance at 30 June 2015 | 791,994 | 791,994 |
| Surplus for the year | 30,426 | 30,426 |
| Balance at 30 June 2016 | 822,420 | 822,420 |

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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Statement of Cash Flows
For The Year Ended 30 June 2016

| | Note | 2016 \$ | 2015 \$ |
|--|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Cash receipts from customers | | 106,471 | 98,805 |
| Cash receipt of government grants | | 2,525,600 | 2,600,400 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | | (2,584,584) | (2,497,759) |
| Interest received | | <u>29,616</u> | <u>31,379</u> |
| Net cash from operating activities | 13(b) | <u>77,103</u> | <u>232,825</u> |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Acquisition of property, plant and equipment | | (10,715) | (32,583) |
| Acquisition of intangible assets | | <u>(4,264)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net cash used in investing activities | | <u>(14,979)</u> | <u>(32,583)</u> |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | | 62,124 | 200,242 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 1 July | | <u>1,090,948</u> | <u>890,706</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June | 13(a) | <u>1,153,072</u> | <u>1,090,948</u> |

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Notes to the Financial Statements For The Year Ended 30 June 2016

The financial report is for Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited as an individual entity, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited is a company limited by guarantee.

The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2016 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 17 August 2016.

Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

Member Guarantee

ACCAN is a company limited by Members' guarantee under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. The Company is incorporated and domiciled in Australia. If the Company is wound up, the Constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$10 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Company. At 30 June 2016, the total amount that members of the Company are liable to contribute if the Company wound up is \$1,230 (2015: \$1,410).

Basis of Preparation

In the opinion of the directors, the company is not publicly accountable. The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements (AASBs) adopted by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. The financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis, modified, where applicable by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

The Company has elected to adopt the Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements (established by *AASB 1053 – Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards and AASB 2010-2 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from Reduced Disclosure Requirements*). As a not-for-profit entity, the Company is eligible to apply the Tier 2 reporting requirements that are provided in these standards.

Accounting Policies

The significant accounting policies that have been used in the preparation of these financial statements are summarised below.

(a) Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon the delivery of goods to customers.

Grant revenue is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when the Company obtains control of the grant and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the Company and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably. If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied before it is eligible to receive the contribution, the recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied. When grant revenue is received whereby the Company incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

The Company receives non-reciprocal contributions of assets from the government and other parties for zero or a nominal value. These assets are recognised at fair value on the date of acquisition in the statement of financial position, with a corresponding amount of income recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument.

All revenue is stated net of the amounts of goods and services tax (GST).

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Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(b) Property, Plant and Equipment

Recognition and measurement

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

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

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by Directors to ensure 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.

Plant and equipment that have been contributed at no cost or for nominal cost are valued and recognised at the fair value of the asset at the date it is acquired.

Gains and losses on disposals of property, plant and equipment are determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment. These gains or losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation reserve relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Company and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as incurred.

Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property, plant and equipment. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. Land is not depreciated.

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

| <i>Class of Fixed Asset</i> | <i>Depreciation Rate</i> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Furniture and equipment | 10-25% |
| Leasehold improvements | 33% |

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date.

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Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(c) Intangibles

Website

Expenditure incurred for Websites acquired by the Company have finite lives which are measured at cost, less any accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Website Subsequent expenditure

Subsequent expenditure is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as incurred.

Website Amortisation

Amortisation is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets from the date they are available for use. The estimated useful life for the website is 4 years. Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date.

(d) Leases

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

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that the Company will obtain ownership of the asset. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

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Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(e) Financial Instruments

Initial Recognition and Measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the Company commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transactions costs except where the instrument is classified as at fair value through profit or loss in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and Subsequent Measurement

Finance instruments are subsequently measured at either fair value or amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost. Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value, where available. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- (i) the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- (ii) less principal repayments;
- (iii) plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method; and
- (iv) less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability.

Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in the statement of comprehensive income.

- (i) **Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**
Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are either held for trading for the purpose of short term profit taking, derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.
- (ii) **Loans and receivables**
Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.
- (iii) **Held-to-maturity investments**
Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the Company's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

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Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(e) Financial Instruments (continued)

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

Available-for-sale financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to be disposed of within 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

(v) Financial liabilities

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Fair Value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

Impairment

At the end of each reporting period, the Company assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

De-recognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expires or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability, which is extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

(f) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Company reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an 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 statement of comprehensive income.

Where the future economic benefits of the asset are not primarily dependent upon on the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows and when the Company would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of an asset.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an assets class, the Company estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the class of assets belong.

Where an impairment loss on a revalued asset is identified, this is debited against the revaluation reserve in respect of the same class of asset to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation reserve for that same class of asset.

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Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(g) Post-Employment Benefits and Short-term Employee Benefits

The Company provides post-employment benefits through defined contribution plans.

Defined Contribution Plans

The Company pays fixed contributions into independent entities for individual employees. The Company has no legal or constructive obligations to pay contributions in addition to its fixed contributions, which are recognised as an expense in the period that relevant employee services are received.

Short-Term Employee Benefits

Short-term employee benefits are current liabilities included in employee benefits, measured at the undiscounted amount that the Company expects to pay as a result of the unused entitlement. Annual leave is included in 'other long-term benefit' and discounted when calculating the leave liability as the Company does not expect all annual leave for all employees to be used wholly within 12 months of the end of reporting period. Annual leave liability is still presented as current liability for presentation purposes under *AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements*.

(h) Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

Provisions are measured at the estimated expenditure required to settle the present obligation, based on the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date, including the risks and uncertainties associated with the present obligations. Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required on settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. Provisions are discounted at their present values, where the time value of the money is material.

Any reimbursement that the Company can be virtually certain to collect from a third party with respect to the obligation is recognised as a separate asset. However, this asset may not exceed the amount of the related provision.

No liability is recognised if an outflow of economic resources as a result of present obligation is not probable. Such situations are disclosed as contingent liabilities, unless the outflow of resources is remote in which case no liability is recognised.

(i) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position comprise cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents defined above, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are included within interest-bearing loans and borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

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Note 1 - Statement of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

(j) Goods and Services Tax

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

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

(k) Income Tax

No income tax is payable by the Company for the financial year and subsequent years due to the ATO endorsement as a Charitable Institution. The Company has income tax exempt status under subdivision 50-B of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*. The income tax exempt status is subject to annual self-reviews.

(l) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The Directors evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report 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 Company.

It has not been necessary for the Directors to make any key estimates or judgements in the report.

(m) Economic Dependence & Going Concern

ACCAN is dependent on the Department of Communications and the Arts for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. On 31 August 2012 a multi-year funding Deed was signed. The term of this Deed commences on 31 August 2012 and expires on 30 May 2017.

At the date of this report the Board of Directors have no reason to believe the Federal Government will not continue to support ACCAN beyond the term of the current funding deed, however at the date of this report it is unknown if ACCAN will be successful in securing funding post the current funding deed. Should ACCAN not receive funding support beyond 30 May 2017, it will be unable to continue as a going concern and will wind down operations accordingly.

(n) New Standards and Interpretations

The AASB has issued a number of new standards and amended Accounting Standards that have mandatory application dates for future reporting periods, some of which are relevant to the company. The company has decided not to early adopt any of the new and amended pronouncements. The company's assessment of the new and amended pronouncements that are relevant to the company but applicable in future reporting periods is set out below:

AASB 9 Financial Instruments and associated Amending Standards (applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018).

AASB 16 Leases (applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019).

It is not anticipated that these new standards and amendments will have a significant impact on the Company.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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| | 2016 | 2015 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Note 2 – Revenue | | |
| Revenue from Government Grants and Other Grants | | |
| - Federal Government Grants | 2,296,000 | 2,364,000 |
| - Independent Grants Rolled-In/(Unspent Rolled-Over) | (25,182) | - |
| - Digital Business Kits Rolled-In/(Unspent Rolled-Over) | 10,777 | (10,777) |
| Sitting Fees | 2,759 | 2,255 |
| Interest Revenue | 29,485 | 30,905 |
| Membership Fees | 10,558 | 13,563 |
| Conference Registration | 16,100 | 13,505 |
| Conference Sponsorship | 58,000 | 52,000 |
| Corporate Sponsorship | - | 10,000 |
| Other Revenue | 11,539 | 30,414 |
| Total Revenue | <u>2,410,036</u> | <u>2,505,865</u> |
| Note 3 – Expenses | | |
| Other expenses | | |
| - Board & Committee Expenses | 11,356 | 16,345 |
| - Planning & Policy | 13,316 | 18,744 |
| - Sundry Expenses | 1,637 | 5,699 |
| - Other Office Expenses | 10,005 | 9,902 |
| - Insurance | 11,197 | 12,434 |
| - Repairs & Maintenance | - | 150 |
| - Bank Fees | 1,561 | 1,341 |
| Total Other Expenses | <u>49,072</u> | <u>64,615</u> |
| Depreciation and Amortisation | | |
| - Furniture and Equipment | 25,424 | 19,682 |
| - Leasehold Improvements | 20,505 | 20,392 |
| - Website | 3,185 | 6,580 |
| Total Depreciation and Amortisation | <u>49,114</u> | <u>46,654</u> |
| Rental Expense on Operating Lease | <u>171,138</u> | <u>167,768</u> |
| Note 4 – Auditors Remuneration | | |
| Remuneration of the auditor of the Company for: | | |
| - Audit and Review of the Financial Report | 11,500 | 11,500 |
| - Audit and Review of Financial Acquittal | 500 | 500 |
| Total Auditors Remuneration | <u>12,000</u> | <u>12,000</u> |
| Note 5 – Cash and Cash Equivalents | | |
| Cash on hand | 374 | 467 |
| Cash at bank | <u>1,152,698</u> | <u>1,090,481</u> |
| Total Cash and Cash Equivalents | <u>1,153,072</u> | <u>1,090,948</u> |

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| | 2016 | 2015 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Note 6 – Trade and Other Receivables | | |
| Trade Receivables | 2,988 | 16,297 |
| Provision for impairment | - | - |
| | <u>2,988</u> | <u>16,297</u> |
| Other Receivables | - | - |
| Total Trade and Other Receivables | <u>2,988</u> | <u>16,297</u> |
| Note 7 – Prepayments | | |
| Prepayments | <u>18,372</u> | <u>20,682</u> |
| Note 8 – Property, Plant and Equipment | | |
| Furniture and equipment – at cost | 170,272 | 192,252 |
| Accumulated depreciation | <u>(110,734)</u> | <u>(118,006)</u> |
| | <u>59,538</u> | <u>74,246</u> |
| Leasehold improvements – at cost | 77,412 | 77,412 |
| Accumulated amortisation | <u>(65,247)</u> | <u>(44,742)</u> |
| | <u>12,165</u> | <u>32,670</u> |
| Total property, plant and equipment | <u>71,703</u> | <u>106,916</u> |

Movements in Carrying Amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

| | Furniture and Equipment | Leasehold Improvements |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Cost or deemed cost | | |
| Balance at 1 July 2015 | 192,252 | 77,412 |
| Acquisitions | 10,715 | - |
| Disposals / Write-Off | <u>(32,695)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Balance at 30 June 2016 | <u>170,272</u> | <u>77,412</u> |
| Depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses | | |
| Balance at 1 July 2015 | 118,006 | 44,742 |
| Depreciation for the year | 25,424 | 20,505 |
| Amortisation for the year | - | - |
| Impairment loss | - | - |
| Disposals / Write-Off | <u>(32,696)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Balance at 30 June 2016 | <u>110,734</u> | <u>65,247</u> |

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Note 8 – Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

| Carrying Amounts | Furniture and Equipment | Leasehold Improvements |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| At 1 July 2015 | 74,246 | 32,670 |
| At 30 June 2016 | 59,538 | 12,165 |
| | 2016 | 2015 |
| | \$ | \$ |

Note 9 – Intangibles

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Website – at cost | 70,375 | 66,111 |
| Accumulated amortisation | (63,607) | (60,422) |
| Total intangibles | 6,768 | 5,689 |

Movements in Carrying Amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for intangibles between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

| Cost | Website |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| | \$ |
| Balance at 1 July 2015 | 66,111 |
| Acquisitions | 4,264 |
| Disposals | - |
| Balance at 30 June 2016 | 70,375 |

Amortisation and impairment losses

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Balance at 1 July 2015 | 60,422 |
| Amortisation for the year | 3,185 |
| Impairment loss | - |
| Disposals | - |
| Balance at 30 June 2016 | 63,607 |

Carrying Amounts

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| At 1 July 2015 | 5,689 |
| At 30 June 2016 | 6,768 |

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| | 2016 | 2015 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Note 10 – Trade and Other Payables | | |
| CURRENT | | |
| Trade payables | 7,172 | 49,381 |
| Other payables | <u>182,261</u> | <u>214,887</u> |
| | <u>189,433</u> | <u>264,268</u> |
| Note 11 – Employee Benefits | | |
| CURRENT | | |
| Liability for annual leave | 109,808 | 107,538 |
| Liability for long service leave | <u>39,780</u> | <u>36,406</u> |
| | <u>149,588</u> | <u>143,944</u> |
| NON-CURRENT | | |
| Liability for long service leave | <u>29,317</u> | <u>19,201</u> |
| Movement in employee benefits | | |
| Opening balance at 1 July 2015 | 163,145 | 129,557 |
| Adjustments | <u>15,760</u> | <u>33,588</u> |
| Closing balance at 30 June 2016 | <u>178,905</u> | <u>163,145</u> |
| Note 12 – Deferred Income | | |
| Membership fees received in advance | 3,145 | 2,125 |
| Conference Sponsorship received in advance | 47,000 | 19,000 |
| Corporate Sponsorship received in advance | <u>12,000</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>62,145</u> | <u>21,125</u> |
| Note 13 – Cash Flow Information | | |
| (a) Reconciliation of cash | | |
| Cash on hand | 374 | 467 |
| Cash at bank | <u>1,152,698</u> | <u>1,090,481</u> |
| Total cash and cash equivalents | <u>1,153,072</u> | <u>1,090,948</u> |
| (b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operating activities | | |
| <i>Cash flows from operating activities</i> | | |
| Profit after income tax for the year | 30,426 | 127,574 |
| Adjustments for: | | |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 49,114 | 46,654 |
| Loss on disposal of intangible assets | | - |
| Change in assets and liabilities: | | |
| Change in trade and other receivables | 13,309 | 1,901 |
| Change in prepayments | 2,310 | (4,442) |
| Change in trade and other payables | (74,836) | 31,365 |
| Change in employee benefits | 15,760 | 33,588 |
| Change in deferred income | <u>41,020</u> | <u>(3,815)</u> |
| Net cash from operating activities | <u>77,103</u> | <u>232,825</u> |

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| | 2016 | 2015 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Note 14 – Employee Remuneration | | |
| (a) Employee Benefits Expenses | | |
| Expenses recognised for employee benefits are analysed below. | | |
| Wages and salaries | 1,271,517 | 1,161,570 |
| Superannuation – defined contributions plan | 118,800 | 108,739 |
| Workers compensation insurance | 8,791 | 8,405 |
| Employee benefit provisions | 15,759 | 33,588 |
| Recruitment related costs | 1,579 | 1,499 |
| | <u>1,416,446</u> | <u>1,313,801</u> |

Note 15 – Operating Leases

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

Payable – minimum lease payments

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| - Less than one year | 169,293 | 177,185 |
| - Between one and five years | 7,096 | 192,963 |
| | <u>176,389</u> | <u>370,148</u> |

The company leases office and office equipment under operating leases. The leases typically run for a period between three to five years, with an option to renew the lease after that date. Lease payments are reviewed every year for changes in the consumer price index.

During the year an amount of \$171,138 was recognised as an expense in the statement of comprehensive income in respect of operating leases (2015: \$167,768).

Note 16 – Contingent Liabilities

A contingent liability exists for a secured bank guarantee for \$42,698 (2015: \$42,698) in favour of the company's office lease.

Note 17 – Related Party Transactions

The Company's related parties include its Directors' and key management personnel described below.

Unless otherwise stated, none of the transactions incorporate special terms and conditions and no guarantees were given or received. Outstanding balances are usually settled in cash.

(a) Directors' compensation

The Directors act in an honorary capacity and receive no compensation for their services. During the year travel expenses totalling \$32,907 (2015: \$27,890) were incurred in fulfilling their role.

(b) Key management personnel

The names and positions of those having authority for planning, directing and controlling the Company's activities, directly or indirectly (other than Directors), are:

- Teresa Corbin, Chief Executive Officer
- Narelle Clark, Director of Operations - Deputy Chief Executive Officer
- Yuriko Hoshi, Business Manager
- Una Lawrence, Director of Policy

During the year key management personnel remuneration totalled \$565,101 (2015: \$549,771).

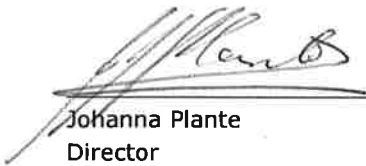
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Directors' Declaration

In the opinion of the Directors of the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited ("the Company"):

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 7 to 22, are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012; including
 - (a) Giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2016 and of the performance, for the year ended on that date; and
 - (b) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.
2. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors



Johanna Plante
Director



Harriet Raiche
Director

Dated this 17th day of August 2016
Sydney, NSW



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited A.B.N. 42 133 719 678

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2016 and the statement of comprehensive income, 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 Directors' declaration.

This audit report has also been prepared for the members of the Company in pursuant to Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC).

Directors Responsibility for the Financial Report

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Company's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We performed the procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report gives a true and fair view, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the ACNC, a true and fair view which is consistent with our understanding of the Company's financial position and of its performance.

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

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of
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Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with applicable independence requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion the financial report of the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network Limited 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 Company's financial position as at 30 June 2016 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.

Economic Dependence Regarding Continuation as a Going Concern

Without modifying our opinion, we wish to draw your attention to the matter described in Note 1 (m) to the financial statements which indicates the possible existence of a material uncertainty that may cast doubt about the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Should a new funding agreement not be executed when the existing agreement expires, the company will not be able in the future to continue as a going concern, and may be required to realise its assets and extinguish its liabilities other than in the normal course of business and at amounts different from those stated in the financial report.

ASHBY & CO CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Anthony Ashby

Partner

Registered Company Auditor # 287837

Dated this 17th day of August 2016
Sydney, NSW

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