## **Chester High Conviction Fund**

ARSN 620 091 858

# Annual Financial Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2025

The Responsible Entity of Chester High Conviction Fund is Copia Investment Partners Ltd (ABN 22 092 872 056) (AFSL 229 316).

The registered office of the Responsible Entity is North Tower, Level 47, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

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### **Directors' report**

The Directors of Copia Investment Partners Ltd, the Responsible Entity of Chester High Conviction Fund (the Trust), present their report together with the annual general purpose financial report of the Trust for the year ended 30 June 2025.

The Trust is an Australian Registered Managed Investment Scheme. Copia Investment Partners Ltd, the Responsible Entity of the Trust, is incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The registered office of the Responsible Entity is North Tower, Level 47, 80 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

#### **Directors**

The following persons held office as Directors of Copia Investment Partners Ltd during the year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

Bruce Robert Loveday Director
Samuel Baird Hobill Cole Director
Sally Anne McDow Director

Michael Voskresensky Alternate Director (Appointed 30 June 2025, Ceased 1 July 2025)

#### Principal activities and material changes in the state of affairs

On 1 July 2024, the first units were issued for Class C and Class I.

The Asset Manager of the Trust is Chester Asset Management Pty Ltd (the Asset Manager).

The principal activity of the Trust during the year was to invest in accordance with the provisions of the Trust's governing documents. The investment strategy of the Trust is:

Trust name	Investment strategy
Chester High Conviction Fund	The Trust invests in the Australian Securities Exchange listed
	securities and cash deposits.

During the year the Trust's custodian changed from Citigroup to State Street Global Advisors.

There were no other material changes in the nature of the Trust's activities or to the state of affairs of the Trust during the year.

#### Operating and financial review

The results of the operations of the Trust for the year include the distributions paid and payable on a cents per unit (CPU) basis. The CPU represents the distribution paid by the Trust to unitholders for each individual unit held in the Trust.

The results of the Trust were as follows:

	2025	2024
For the year ended 30 June	\$'000	\$'000
Net profit/(loss) for the year attributable to unitholders	135,861	43,482
Distributions paid and payable	83,996	32,099

	Class A		Class B	
For the year ended 30 June	2025	2024	2025	2024
Distributions paid and payable (CPU)	14.57	9.05	13.79	4.18

### **Directors' report (continued)**

		Class C		Class I
For the year ended 30 June	2025	2024	2025	2024
Distributions paid and payable (CPU)	5.83	_	7.80	

#### Material events after the balance date

At the date of this financial report, no matter or circumstance has arisen that has affected, or may significantly affect the Trust's operations, the results of those operations or the Trust's state of affairs in future financial years, which has not already been reflected in this report.

#### Likely developments and expected results

At the time the Directors approved this report, they were not aware of any developments likely to have a significant effect upon the operations or the result of the Trust in subsequent financial years, which have not been adequately dealt with in this report or in the financial report.

The Trust will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the governing documents of the Trust and in accordance with the provisions of the Trust's Constitution.

Further information on likely developments in the operations of the Trust and the expected results of those operations have not been included in this report because the Responsible Entity believes it would be likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the Trust.

#### Indemnification and insurance of directors and officers

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Trust in regards to insurance cover provided to the officers of Copia Investment Partners Ltd. So long as the officers of Copia Investment Partners Ltd act in accordance with the Trust's Constitution and the Corporations Act 2001, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Trust against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Trust. The auditors of the Trust are in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Trust.

## Fees paid to and interests held in the Trust by the Responsible Entity or its related entities

Fees paid to the Responsible Entity and its related entities out of the Trust's assets during the year are disclosed in note 10 to the financial statements.

No fees were paid out of Trust assets to the Directors of the Responsible Entity during the year.

Interests in the Trust held by the Responsible Entity or its related entities as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in note 10 to the financial statements.

#### Interests in the Trust

The movement in units on issue in the Trust during the year is disclosed in note 2 to the financial statements.

#### Value of Trust assets

The value of the Trust's assets and liabilities is disclosed in the statement of financial position and derived using the basis set out in note 1.2 to the financial statements.

#### Environmental regulation and performance

The operations of the Trust are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under a Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

### **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

Unless otherwise stated, monetary amounts contained in this report and the financial report have been rounded to the nearest \$1,000 under the option available to the Trust under Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Corporations Instrument 2016/191.

#### **Auditor's independence declaration**

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 6.

#### **Authorisation**

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Responsible Entity.

**Bruce Robert Loveday** 

**Director** 

Melbourne

24 September 2025



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#### Auditor's Independence Declaration to the Directors of Copia Investment Partners Ltd, as the Responsible Entity for the Chester High Conviction Fund

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial report of Chester High Conviction Fund for the financial year ended 30 June 2025, I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit;
- b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit; and
- c) no non-audit services provided that contravene any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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## Statement of comprehensive income

## For the year ended 30 June

		2025	2024
N	otes	\$'000	\$'000
Income			
Interest income		1,835	1,257
Dividend income		12,630	7,699
Distribution income		1,976	967
Other operating income		21	_
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		132,390	39,820
Net foreign exchange gains/(losses)		18	(313)
Total net income		148,870	49,430
Expenses			
•	10	6,989	3,966
Performance fees	10	2,440	56
Transaction costs		3,041	1,628
Other expenses		539	298
Total expenses		13,009	5,948
Net profit/(loss) for the year attributable to unitholders		135,861	43,482
Finance costs attributable to unitholders			
Distributions to unitholders	3	(83,996)	(32,099)
Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders	2	(51,865)	,
		(51,005)	(11,383)
Net profit/(loss) after finance costs for the year attributable to unitholders		_	_
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year attributable to			
unitholders		_	_

The statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Statement of financial position

#### As at 30 June

		2025	2024
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	11	67,009	38,129
Receivables	4	12,248	5,089
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5	1,013,514	543,053
Total assets		1,092,771	586,271
Liabilities			
Distributions payable		80,494	30,650
Payables	6	19,611	7,241
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unitholders)		100,105	37,891
Net assets attributable to unitholders - Liability	2	992,666	548,380

The statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Statement of changes in unitholder funds

### For the year ended 30 June

The following Trust is multi-class and respectively classifies net assets attributable to unitholders as liability as set out in note 2.

	Notes	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Classification of net assets attributable to unitholders as at 30 June		Liability	Liability
As at 1 July - Opening Balance		548,380	280,356
Applications for units		581,900	335,444
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions		3,125	394
Redemptions of units		(192,604)	(79,197)
Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders - Liability		51,865	11,383
As at 30 June - Closing Balance		992,666	548,380

The statement of changes in unitholder funds should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

### Statement of cash flows

### For the year ended 30 June

		2025	2024
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or			
loss		718,600	346,930
Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		(1,051,176)	(594,074)
Dividends received		12,591	7,974
Interest received		1,739	1,154
Distributions received		1,514	617
Other income received		635	191
Management fees paid		(7,475)	(4,427)
Performance fees paid		(1,879)	(56)
Other expenses paid		(3,349)	(1,640)
Net cash inflows/(outflows) from operating activities	11	(328,800)	(243,331)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from applications by unitholders		581,443	335,108
Payment for redemption by unitholders		(192,736)	(78,839)
Distributions paid		(31,027)	(2,443)
Net cash inflows/(outflows) from financing activities		357,680	253,826
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		28,880	10,495
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		38,129	27,634
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year		67,009	38,129

The statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### Notes to the financial statements

#### 1. Basis of preparation and overarching material accounting policies

These financial statements cover the Chester High Conviction Fund (the Trust) as an individual entity. The Trust is an Australian registered managed investment scheme and was constituted on the below date. The Trust will terminate on the below date unless terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of the Trust's Constitution.

Trust name	Constitution date	Termination date
Chester High Conviction Fund	28 March 2017	27 March 2097

The financial report of the Trust for the year ended 30 June 2025 was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 24 September 2025.

The Directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

The nature of the operating and principal activities of the Trust are described in the Directors' report.

#### 1.1. Basis of preparation

#### **Basis of preparation**

The material accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

The financial report is a general purpose financial report, which has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Accounting Standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

Furthermore, the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trust is expected to generate sufficient funds to enable it to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The Trust is a for-profit entity for the purposes of preparing financial statements.

The statement of financial position is presented on a liquidity basis. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and are not distinguished between current and non-current. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within twelve months, except for financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, and in instances where a Trust treats unitholder funds as a liability, net assets attributable to unitholders. The amounts expected to be recovered or settled beyond twelve months after the end of each reporting period cannot be reliably determined.

Unless stated otherwise, the financial report is presented in Australian dollars and has been prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and liabilities except where otherwise stated.

#### Statement of compliance

The financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

#### New accounting standards and interpretations

AASB 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

AASB 18 was issued in June 2024 and replaces AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*. The new standard introduces new requirements for the statement of comprehensive income, including:

- new categories for the classification of income and expenses into operating, investing and financing categories, and
- presentation of subtotals for "operating profit and "profit before financing and income taxes".

Additional disclosure requirements are introduced for management-defined performance measures and new principles for aggregation and disaggregation of information in the notes and the primary financial statements and the presentation of interest and dividends in the statement of cash flows. The new standard is effective for annual years beginning on or after 1 January 2027 and will apply to the Trust for the financial year ending 30 June 2028.

This new standard is not expected to have an impact on the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses, however there will likely be changes in how the statement of comprehensive income and statement of financial position line items are presented as well as some additional disclosures in the notes to the financial statements. The management is in the process of assessing the impact of the new standard.

Certain amendments to accounting standards have been published that are not mandatory for the 30 June 2025 reporting year and have not been early adopted by the Trust. These amendments are not expected to have a material impact on the Trust in the current or future reporting years and on foreseeable future transactions.

There are no other new accounting standards and interpretations that have been issued, but not yet effective, that are material to the financial statements or have been early adopted for the 30 June 2025 reporting period.

#### Foreign currency

Both the presentation currency and the functional currency of the Trust are Australian dollars.

Transactions in foreign currency are translated into the Trust's functional currency at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated into Australian dollars at the foreign exchange rate ruling at the statement of financial position date.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the historical exchange rate as at the date of the transaction.

Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated to the functional currency using the exchange rate ruling at the date when the fair value was determined.

#### **Comparatives**

Where necessary, comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to any changes in presentation made in this financial report.

#### Rounding of amounts

Unless otherwise stated, monetary amounts contained in this report and the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest \$1,000 under the option available to the Trust under Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Corporations Instrument 2016/191.

#### 1.2. Summary of material accounting policies

#### Investment income and interest expense

Investment income may include net gains or losses from financial instruments. Where applicable, these net gains include all realised and unrealised fair value changes. Any foreign exchange differences, interest, dividends and distributions are recorded as separate line items in the statement of comprehensive income. Where applicable, interest income and interest expense are recognised using the effective interest method, and dividend and distribution income are recognised when the Trust's right to receive payment is established.

The Trust has not applied hedge accounting.

#### **Expenses**

Expenses are recognised on an accrual basis at the fair value of the consideration paid or payable for services rendered.

Expenses may include management fees, operation costs and transaction costs. Expenses may also include performance fees if permitted by the Trust's governing documents. Expenses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### **Taxes**

Under the current legislation, the Trust is not subject to income tax as all assessable income, exempt income and non-assessable income will be attributed to unitholders under the AMIT regime.

Financial instruments at fair value may include unrealised capital gains. Should such a gain be realised, the portion of the gain that is subject to capital gains tax will be attributed so that the Trust is not subject to capital gains tax.

Realised capital losses are not attributed to unitholders but are retained in the Trust to be offset against any realised capital gains. If realised capital gains exceed realised capital losses, the excess is attributed to unitholders.

The benefit of imputation credits and foreign tax paid are passed on to unitholders.

The Trust currently incurs withholding tax on investment income imposed by certain countries. Such income is recorded gross of withholding tax in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### Goods and services (GST)

The Trust qualifies for Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC) at various applicable rates.

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except when the GST incurred on a sale or purchase of assets or services is not payable to or recoverable from the taxation authority, in which case the GST is recognised as part of the revenue or the expense item, or in other expenses, or as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset, as applicable.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the statement of financial position. Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as part of operating cash flows.

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and comprise of cash at bank, cash held with custodian 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 change in value. Cash and cash equivalents are recognised at fair value.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of investment securities at fair value are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as movements in the fair value of these securities form a part of the Trust's income generating activity.

#### **Financial instruments**

#### Classification

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

#### Recognition/derecognition

The Trust recognises financial assets and financial liabilities on the date it becomes party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognises changes in fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

Investments are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the investments has expired or the Trust has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

#### Measurement

At initial recognition, the Trust measures financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value are presented in the statement of comprehensive income. For further details on how the fair values of financial instruments are determined please refer to note 9.

#### Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

#### Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets can be categorised as financial assets - fair value through profit or loss. The classification depends on the definition and the purpose for which the investments were acquired. The classification of investments is determined at initial recognition and evaluated at each reporting date.

Purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the date on which the Trust commits to purchase or sell the asset. A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or a part of a group of similar financial assets) is derecognised where the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired, or the Trust has transferred their rights to receive cash flows from the asset, or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a pass-through arrangement and the Trust has:

- · Transferred substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset; or
- Neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

#### Financial assets measured at amortised cost

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows and its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. The Trust includes in this category short-term non-financing receivables including cash collateral posted on derivative contracts, accrued income and other receivables.

#### Net assets attributable to unitholders

Units issued by the Trust are redeemable for cash at the unitholders' option at any time based on the redemption price. The fair value of redeemable units is measured using the redemption unit price at the reporting date if unitholders were to exercise their right to redeem units in the Trust.

Units are classified as equity when they satisfy the following criteria under AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation (AASB 132):

• the puttable financial instrument entitles the holder to a pro rata share of net assets in the event of the Trust's liquidation;

- the puttable financial instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments and class features are identical;
- the puttable financial instrument does not include any contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset, or to exchange financial instruments with another entity under potentially unfavourable conditions to the Trust, and it is not a contract settled in the Trust's own equity instruments; and
- the total expected cash flows attributable to the puttable financial instrument over the life are based substantially on the profit or loss and cannot be guaranteed.

At 30 June 2025, unitholder funds have been classified as a liability as they did not satisfy all the criteria under AASB 132.

#### Use of estimates

The Trust may hold financial instruments for which quoted market prices are readily available. The Trust may also hold certain financial instruments, for example unquoted securities, that are fair valued using valuation techniques. Where valuation techniques (for example, pricing models) are used to determine fair values, they are validated and periodically reviewed by experienced personnel of the Responsible Entity, independent of the area that created them.

Models use observable data, to the extent practicable. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations require management to make estimates. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments. Models are calibrated by back testing to actual transactions to ensure that outputs are reliable.

#### 2. Net assets attributable to unitholders

As stipulated in the Trust's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Trust and does not extend to a right to the underlying assets of the Trust.

The number of separate classes of units in the below listed Trust is as follows:

Trust Separate classes of units
Chester High Conviction Fund Four

Each unit in the Trust has the same rights, preferences and restrictions attaching to it as all other units of the Trust.

Applications received for units in the Trust are recorded net of any entry fees payable prior to the issue of units in the Trust. Redemptions from the Trust are recorded gross of any exit fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed.

Income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unitholders. Where unitholder funds are classified as a liability, movements in net assets attributable to unitholders are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as finance costs.

#### Terms and conditions on units

Each unit issued confers upon the unitholder an equal interest in the Trust, and is of equal value per class. A unit does not confer any interest in any particular asset or investment of the Trust. Unitholders have various rights under the Constitution and the Corporations Act 2001, including the right to:

- have their units redeemed;
- receive income distributions:
- attend and vote at meetings of unitholders; and
- participate in the termination and winding up of the Trust.

The rights, obligations and restrictions attached to each unit are identical in all respects.

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unitholders during the year were as follows:

### 2. Net assets attributable to unitholders (continued)

		Class A		Class B
Net assets attributable to unitholders	No. '000	\$'000	No. '000	\$'000
Classification of net assets attributable to unitholders as at 30 June	Liability	Liability	Liability	Liability
unitholders as at 30 June				_
As at 1 July 2024 - Opening Balance	345,601	519,659	26,204	28,721
Applications for units	202,457	327,696	7,195	8,342
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions	2,081	3,125	- , . <del>-</del>	
Redemptions of units	(105,482)	(169,053)	(9,432)	(11,713)
Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders	, ,	, ,	, ,	, ,
- Liability	_	43,795	_	2,350
As at 30 June 2025 - Closing Balance	444,657	725,222	23,967	27,700
		Class C		Class I
Net assets attributable to unitholders	No. '000	\$'000	No. '000	\$'000
Classification of net assets attributable to unitholders as at 30 June	Liability	Liability	Liability	Liability
As at 1 July 2024 - Opening Balance	_			
As at 1 only 2024 - Opening Balance	_			
Applications for units	1,170	1,292	220,850	244,570
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions	_	_	_	_
Redemptions of units	(140)	(150)	(10,158)	(11,688)
Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders				
- Liability		36	_	5,684
As at 30 June 2025 - Closing Balance	1,030	1,178	210,692	238,566
		Class A		Class B
Net assets attributable to unitholders	No. '000	\$'000	No. '000	\$'000
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Classification of net assets attributable to				
unitholders as at 30 June	Liability	Liability	Liability	Liability
As at 1 July 2023 - Opening Balance	192,814	280,356	_	_
Applications for units	204,608	304,894	26,886	30,550
Units issued upon reinvestment of distributions	267	394		_
Redemptions of units	(52,088)	(78,423)	(682)	(774)
Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders				
- Liability		12,438		(1,055)
As at 30 June 2024 - Closing Balance	345,601	519,659	26,204	28,721
			2025	2024
			\$'000	\$'000
Total net assets attributable to unitholders			992,666	548,380
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On 1 July 2024, the first units were issued for Class C and Class I.

#### 2. Net assets attributable to unitholders (continued)

#### Capital risk management

The Trust considers its unitholder funds as capital. The amount of unitholder funds can change significantly as the Trust is subject to applications and redemptions at the discretion of unitholders. Applications and redemptions are reviewed relative to the liquidity of the Trust's underlying assets by the Responsible Entity. Under the terms of the Trust's Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust a redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unitholders.

#### 3. Distributions to unitholders

In accordance with the Trust's Constitution, the Trust distributes income adjusted for amounts determined by the Responsible Entity to unitholders by cash or reinvestment. Where unitholder funds are classified as a liability, these distributions are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as finance costs.

The distributions for the year are presented below in dollars (\$'000) and cents per unit (CPU) for each class.

		Class A		Class B
	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU
Distributions				
Distributions paid - December 2024	3,050	0.78	228	0.76
Distributions payable - June 2025	61,331	13.79	3,122	13.03
Total distributions - 30 June 2025	64,381	14.57	3,350	13.79
Distributions paid - December 2023	1,449	0.50		_
Distributions payable - June 2024	29,554	8.55	1,096	4.18
Total distributions - 30 June 2024	31,003	9.05	1,096	4.18

		Class C		Class I	
	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU	
Distributions					
Distributions paid - December 2024	_	0.16	224	0.21	
Distributions payable - June 2025	58	5.67	15,983	7.59	
Total distributions - 30 June 2025	58	5.83	16,207	7.80	

	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Total distributions paid and payable - 30 June	83,996	32,099

The component of the final distribution for the year which was unpaid at the reporting date is shown in the statement of financial position.

#### 4. Receivables

Receivables may include GST RITC, application monies, interest, dividends, trust distributions and other income accrued and unsettled trade purchases. They are recognised when the right to receive payment is established and are generally recovered within 30 days. The Trust measures expected credit losses on a 12-month basis. Given the nature of the Trust's receivables and the limited exposure of the Trust to credit risk, no material expected credit losses have been recognised.

All receivables are considered current.

#### 4. Receivables (continued)

As at 30 June	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Applications for units receivable	1,022	565
Distributions receivable	971	510
GST receivable	478	164
Interest receivable	199	103
Other debtors	7	_
Outstanding trade settlements receivable	9,571	3,747
Total receivables	12,248	5,089

#### 5. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

As at 30 June	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Derivatives		
Warrants	_	7
Total derivatives	_	7
Equity securities		
Equity securities	926,972	515,522
Listed unit trusts	86,542	27,524
Total equity securities	1,013,514	543,046
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,013,514	543,053

An overview of the risk exposures and fair value measurements relating to financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in notes 8 and 9 respectively.

#### 6. Payables

Payables represent unsecured non-derivative, non-interest-bearing financial liabilities in respect of goods and services provided to the Trust prior to the end of the financial year. Payables may include redemptions payable, accrued expenses and unsettled purchases of financial instruments which are unpaid by the Trust at the reporting date. Amounts are generally paid within 30 days.

Amounts payable to related entities have no fixed repayment term and are non-interest-bearing.

All payables are considered current.

As at 30 June		2025	2024
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Management and performance fees payable	10	1,691	490
Outstanding trade settlements payable		17,622	6,321
Redemptions of units payable		298	430
Total payables		19,611	7,241

#### 7. Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. As at 30 June 2025 there are no financial assets and financial liabilities that have been offset in the statement of financial position (2024: \$Nil).

#### 8. Financial risk management

#### **Overview**

The Trust's activities can expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, fair value interest rate risk, cash flow interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Trust's overall risk management program focuses on ensuring compliance with the Trust's governing documents and seeks to maximise the returns derived for the level of risk to which the Trust is exposed. The Responsible Entity is responsible for identifying the financial risks that arise from these financial instruments and for ensuring there are mechanisms in place to manage these risks.

The allocation of assets between the various types of financial instruments is determined by the Trust's Asset Manager who manages the Trust's assets to achieve the Trust's investment objectives.

Divergence from target allocations and the composition of the assets is monitored on a regular basis.

#### **Market Risk**

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market factors. Market risk includes (amongst others) three types of risk: interest rate risk (due to fluctuations in interest rates), currency risk (due to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates), and equity price risk (due to fluctuations in market prices).

The Trust is exposed to market risks influencing investment valuations.

#### Price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of an instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices, whether caused by factors specific to an individual investment, its issuer or all factors affecting all instruments traded in the market.

The summarised sensitivity analysis section below sets out how this component of price risk is managed and measured. Investments are classified in the statement of financial position at fair value through profit or loss.

As the majority of the Trust's investments are carried at fair value with fair value changes through profit or loss, changes in market conditions will directly affect net investment income.

The Asset Manager mitigates this price risk through diversification and a rigorous selection of securities and other financial instruments within specified limits as disclosed in the Trust's governing documents. Price risk mainly arises from the possible change in the fair value of the Trust's equity holdings. Price risk sensitivity on the Trust's equity holdings is disclosed in the summarised sensitivity analysis section of this note. The analysis assumes the price of these investments increased/decreased by 10% (2024: 10%).

Daily monitoring of trade restrictions and derivative exposure against limits is undertaken with any breach of these limit restrictions reported in accordance with the Risk Management Framework (RMF).

#### Foreign exchange risk

Trusts that invest in international assets are exposed to foreign exchange risk. Foreign exchange risk is the risk that fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Trust holds both monetary and non monetary assets denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar. The foreign exchange risk relating to non monetary assets and liabilities is a component of price risk.

#### 8. Financial risk management (continued)

Foreign exchange risk arises as the value of monetary securities denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

The table below summarises the Trust's exposure to foreign exchange risk, such as its exposure to the Canadian Dollar (CAD).

#### As at 30 June 2025

	AUD A\$'000	CAD A\$'000	Total A\$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	67,009	<del>-</del>	67,009
Receivables	12,248	_	12,248
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	1,013,514	_	1,013,514
Total assets	1,092,771	_	1,092,771
Liabilities			
Distributions payable	80,494	_	80,494
Payables	19,611	_	19,611
Total liabilities	100,105	_	100,105
	200 000		222.222
Net assets attributable to unitholders	992,666		992,666
As at 30 June 2024			
	AUD	CAD	Total
	A\$'000	A\$'000	A\$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	38,129	_	38,129
Receivables	5,089	_	5,089
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	528,760	14,293	543,053
Total assets	571,978	14,293	586,271
Liabilities			
Distributions payable	30,650		30,650
Payables	7,241		7,241
Total liabilities	37,891	_	37,891
Net assets attributable to unitholders	534,087	14,293	548,380

The table in the summarised sensitivity analysis section of this note summarises the sensitivities of the Trust's financial instruments to foreign exchange risk. The analysis is based on the assumption that the Australian dollar weakened or strengthened by 10% (2024: 10%) against the material foreign currencies to which the Trust is exposed.

#### Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Interest rate risk is not considered to be a significant risk to the Trust as the majority of the Trust's financial instruments are non-interest bearing with only cash and cash equivalents being directly subject to interest rate risk.

#### 8. Financial risk management (continued)

#### Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Trust's net profit and net assets attributable to unitholders to applicable market risks. The possible movements in the risk variables have been determined based on management's best estimate, having regard to a number of factors, including historical levels of changes in interest rates, foreign exchange rates and market prices. However, actual movements in the risk variables may be greater or less than anticipated due to a number of factors, including unusually large market shocks resulting from changes in the performance of the economies, markets and securities in which the Trust invests. As a result, historic variations in risk variables are not a definitive indicator of future variations in the risk variables.

Impact on net profit/Net assets attributable to
unitholders

	Price :	Price risk		nange risk
	-10%	-10% +10%		+10%
			CAD	CAD
	A\$'000	A\$'000	A\$'000	A\$'000
30 June 2025	(101,351)	101,351	_	_
30 June 2024	(54,305)	54,305	(1,299)	1,588

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause financial loss to the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The Trust aims to ensure that at all times it has appropriate credit risk management policies and practices in place and that the Board and senior management are appropriately informed of the Trust's credit risks.

Credit risk primarily arises from cash and cash equivalents and deposits with banks and financial institutions. Cash at bank is held with financial institutions with credit ratings of at least AA-.

Credit risk is not considered to be a significant risk to the Trust as the Trust does not hold any direct investments in debt securities or have significant receivables.

#### Concentrations of risk

Concentrations of risk arise when a number of financial instruments are entered into with the same counterparty, or where a number of counterparties are engaged in similar business activities, or activities in the same geographical region, or have similar economic conditions. These similarities would cause the counterparties' liabilities to meet the contractual obligations to be similarly affected by certain changes in the risk variables.

The concentrations of risk are monitored by the Investment Manager to ensure they are within acceptable limits by reducing the exposures or by other means as deemed appropriate.

Concentrations of risk are managed by industry sector.

Based on the concentrations of risk that are managed by industry sector, the following investments can be analysed by the industry sector as at 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2024.

#### 8. Financial risk management (continued)

As at 30 June	2025	2024
	%	%
Communication Services	1.74	5.33
Consumer Staples	6.18	5.68
Energy	6.98	9.74
Financials	8.97	7.94
Health Care	17.24	15.75
Industrials	7.57	18.23
Materials	25.03	22.42
Real Estate	12.30	7.36
Information Technology	4.72	_
Other	9.27	7.55
Total	100.00	100.00

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Trust will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet cash commitments associated with financial instruments. This may result from either the inability to sell financial assets at their fair values, a counterparty failing on repayment of a contractual obligation, or the inability to generate cash inflows as anticipated.

The Trust aims to ensure that it has sufficient liquidity to meet its obligations on a short term, medium term and long term basis. In the current and preceding year, all payables have no fixed repayment term. The current balance of amounts payable to related entities will be repaid in full within 1 year of the reporting date.

The Trust's governing documents allow for redemptions of units. The Trust is therefore exposed to a liquidity risk of meeting unitholders' redemptions at any time.

This risk is controlled through the Trust's investment in financial instruments, which under normal market conditions are readily convertible to cash. In addition, the Trust maintains sufficient cash and cash equivalents to meet normal operating requirements.

The Trust's investments are considered to be readily realisable.

The investment management process includes the consideration of liquidity, both in terms of market quality and cash flow. In asset construction, securities/investments are only purchased that meet investment criteria and this includes the assessment of saleability in different market conditions. Before entering into a transaction, consideration is given to (not limited to):

- whether the purpose of the investment is consistent with the investment strategy of the Trust;
- the ease of selling the security should market conditions change unfavourably;
- whether there are sufficient assets to cover the underlying liabilities of that transaction; and
- the overall liquidity level for the Trust.

Under the terms of its Constitution, the Trust has the ability to manage liquidity risk by delaying redemptions to unitholders, if necessary, until the funds are available to pay them.

#### Maturity analysis for financial liabilities

Financial liabilities of the Trust comprise trade and other payables and distributions payable. Trade and other payables and distributions payable have no contractual maturities but are typically settled within 30 days.

#### 9. Fair value measurement

All financial assets and financial liabilities included in the statement of financial position are carried at fair value.

In accordance with AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement the Trust is required to disclose fair value measurements by level using the fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2); and
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (level 3).

#### Fair value in an active market (level 1)

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets are based on their quoted market prices at the reporting date without any deduction for estimated future selling costs. Financial assets are priced at current bid prices at the reporting date, while financial liabilities are priced at current offer prices.

The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Trust is the current bid price; the appropriate quoted market price for financial liabilities is the current asking price.

#### Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (level 2 and level 3)

The fair values of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market are determined using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of other substantially similar instruments, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate used is a market rate at the reporting date applicable for an instrument with similar terms and conditions. For other pricing models, inputs are based on market data at the end of the reporting period.

Investments classified within level 3 have significant unobservable inputs, as they are infrequently traded. Level 3 instruments include certain convertible notes, preference shares and unlisted equities. As observable prices are not available for these securities, the Trust has used valuation techniques to derive fair value.

Level 3 instruments could include securities that are in an inactive/illiquid market and are valued using models and internal data. Level 3 investments may be adjusted to reflect illiquidity and/or restrictions, however, the adjustments are not based on available market information. Level 3 instruments also include those that have a stale price that is, where the pricing for a particular security has remained static for a period of time.

Level 3 valuations are reviewed quarterly by the relevant management. The management considers the appropriateness of the valuation inputs, methods and techniques used in the valuations. The valuation inputs are generally sourced from independent third party pricing sources without adjustment such as stock exchanges, pricing agencies and/or fund managers. Where the inputs are considered stale, unobservable and proprietary of from an inactive market, they are categorised as level 3. The Trust's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels at the end of the reporting period.

Where a valuation model technique is used, the Trust considers other liquidity, credit and market risk factors and adjusts the model as deemed necessary. There have been no changes to the valuation techniques used for financial instruments classified as levels 2 and 3.

The tables below set out the Trust's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss according to the fair value hierarchy.

#### 9. Fair value measurement (continued)

As at 30 June	2025	2024
Financial assets	\$'000	\$'000
Level 1 financial assets		
Listed equities	926,972	515,522
Listed unit trusts	86,542	27,524
Warrants	_	7
Total level 1 financial assets	1,013,514	543,053

Transfers between levels of fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred at the reporting date.

The following table presents the movement in level 3 instruments as at the reporting date by class of financial instrument.

#### As at 30 June 2025

	Opening balance	Purchases	Sales	Transfers into level	Transfers out of level 3	Gains/ (losses) recognised in profit or loss	Closing balance	Gains/(losses) included in the statement of comprehensive income for financial assets/ liabilities held at year-end
Convertible								
notes	_	_	_	_	<del>_</del>	_	_	_
Unlisted								
equities	_	_			_	_	_	_
Total	_							_

#### As at 30 June 2024

	Opening balance	Purchases	Sales	Transfers into level 3	Transfers out of level 3	Gains/ (losses) recognised in profit or loss	Closing balance	Gains/(losses) included in the statement of comprehensive income for financial assets/ liabilities held at year-end
Convertible notes	1,638	_	(1,300)	_	_	(338)	_	(338)
Unlisted equities	1,875	_	_	_	(1,875)	_	_	_
Total	3,513	_	(1,300)	_	(1,875)	(338)	_	(338)

There are no gains/(losses) recognised in profit or loss for the year ended 30 June 2025 (2024: \$338,000).

#### 10. Related party transactions

#### **Responsible Entity**

The Responsible Entity of the Trust is Copia Investment Partners Ltd.

#### 10. Related party transactions (continued)

#### Key management personnel

#### **Directors**

Key management personnel includes persons who were Directors of Copia Investment Partners Ltd at any time during the financial year and up to the date of the report as follows:

Bruce Robert Loveday Director Samuel Baird Hobill Cole Director Sally Anne McDow Director

Michael Voskresensky Alternate Director (Appointed 30 June 2025, Ceased 1 July 2025)

#### Other key management personnel

The Responsible Entity is considered to be the key management personnel with authority for the strategic direction and management of the Trust.

#### Key management personnel unitholdings

At 30 June 2025 key management personnel held units in the Trust:

	2025	2024
As at 30 June	No.	No.
Key management personnel unitholdings	2,995,147	3,036,845

#### Key management personnel compensation

No amount was paid by the Trust directly to the Directors of the Responsible Entity.

Compensation is paid to the Responsible Entity in the form of fees and is disclosed below.

#### Responsible Entity's fees and other transactions

Under the terms of the Trust's Constitution the Responsible Entity is entitled to receive management fees, calculated by reference to the average daily net assets (excluding net assets attributable to unitholders). For the year ended 30 June 2025 these rates are as follows:

		Fee Rate			
For the year ended 30 June		2025	2024		
Trust name	Class	%	%		
Chester High Conviction Fund	Class A	0.95	0.95		
	Class B	0.60	0.60		
	Class C	0.75	_		
	Class I	0.85	<u> </u>		

These fees are inclusive of GST, net of RITC available to the Trust per annum.

In addition to the management fee, the Responsible Entity is also entitled to receive performance fees for various classes in the Trust. The performance fees are calculated at the below listed benchmark. For the year ended 30 June 2025, in accordance with the Trust's Constitution, the Responsible Entity received performance fees as listed below (inclusive of GST, net of RITC, available to the Trust) per annum.

#### 10. Related party transactions (continued)

			Performance Fees	
For the year ended 30 June			2025	2024
Trust name	Benchmark criteria	Class	%	%
Chester High Conviction Fund	15% on excess performance (after deducting management	Class A	15.00	_
	fees) above the S&P/ASX 300	Class B	15.00	15.00
	Accumulation Index.	Class C	15.00	_

Other classes not shown above are not subject to performance fees.

All related party transactions are conducted on normal commercial terms and conditions. The transactions during the year and amounts payable at year end between the Trust and the Responsible Entity were as follows:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Management fees for the year	6,989,334	3,966,746
Performance fees for the year	2,439,861	55,552
Management fees payable	886,352	489,836
Performance fees payable	804,375	<u> </u>

#### Related party unitholdings

Parties related to the Trust held units in the Trust as follows:

#### 30 June 2025 Unitholder

	No. of units held opening (Units)	No. of units acquired (Units)	No. of units disposed (Units)	No. of units held closing (Units)	Interest held (%)	Distributions paid/payable by the Trust (\$)
Total related party unitholdings	3,036,845	186,666	(228,364)	2,995,147	0.44	436,957
30 June 2024						
Unitholder	No. of units held opening (Units)	No. of units acquired (Units)	No. of units disposed (Units)	No. of units held closing (Units)	Interest held (%)	by the Trust
Total related party unitholdings	3,241,515	26,074	(230,744)	3,036,845	0.82	288,547

## 11. Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflows/(outflows) from operating activities

#### Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflows/(outflows) from operating activities

For the year ended 30 June	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to operating cash flow		<u> </u>
Net profit/(loss) attributable to unitholders	135,861	43,482
Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(132,390)	(39,820)
Net foreign exchange (gains)/losses	(18)	313
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	718,600	346,930
Purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(1,051,176)	(594,074)
Net change in receivables and other assets	(878)	(158)
Net change in payables and other liabilities	1,201	(4)
Net cash inflows/(outflows) from operating activities	(328,800)	(243,331)
As at 30 June	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Cash at bank, on hand and at custodian	67,009	38,129
Total cash and cash equivalents	67,009	38,129
Non-cash investing and financing activities		
For the year ended 30 June	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Reinvestment of unitholder distributions	3,125	394
12. Remuneration of auditor		
For the year ended 30 June	2025	2024
Amounts received or due and receivable by Ernst & Young for:	\$	\$

The cost incurred for auditing the financial report of the Trust is paid directly by the Responsible Entity.

#### 13. Events occurring after the reporting period

Audit and review of the financial report of the Trust

Total remuneration of auditor

No significant events have occurred since the reporting date which would impact on the financial position of the Trust as at 30 June 2025 or on the results and cash flows of the Trust for the year ended on that date.

32,276

32,276

24,503

24,503

#### 14. Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

At balance date the Trust has no contingent assets, liabilities or commitments (30 June 2024: Nil).

#### **Directors' declaration**

In the opinion of the Directors of the Responsible Entity for the Chester High Conviction Fund

- a. the financial statements and notes set out on pages 7 to 27 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - i. complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - ii. giving a true and fair view of the Trust's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date;
- b. the financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in note 1.1, and;
- c. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Trust will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of Directors.

On behalf of the Board of Copia Investment Partners Ltd.

Bruce Robert/Loveday

**Director** 

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24 September 2025



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#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Unitholders of Chester High Conviction Fund

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Chester High Conviction Fund (the "Scheme"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, and the declaration of the directors of Copia Investment Partners Ltd (the directors), the Responsible Entity of the Scheme.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Scheme is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the Scheme's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Scheme in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information is the directors' report accompanying the financial report.

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

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



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

#### Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

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

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Scheme'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 the directors either intend to liquidate the Scheme or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

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

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We 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 our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Scheme's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.



- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Scheme's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Scheme to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

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Brett Kallio Partner Melbourne 24 September 2025

## **Directory**

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