## liberty community connect

Supporting people to live a life of their choice

# AGM REPORT 2020



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President - Vitay Kaitinis



Treasurer - James Yoo

## The Committee

Secretary - Kim Kyle



Committee Member Paul McCormack



Committee Member Robyn Flegler



Committee Member Damian Scantlebury



Committee Member Sue Burgess

## **OUT VISION** Supporting people to live a life of their choice



The sector has never been under so much scrutiny and to be able meet the ongoing expectations of Liberty's clients and the community, Liberty has continued to review, adapt and evolve its services over the last 12 months.

The unexpected advent of Covid-19 has placed immense pressure on normal business practices. This put significant limitations on the services Liberty was able provide but, through organisational flexibility and the commitment and dedication of staff, Liberty was still able to provide quality services to those in the community most in need.

By necessity, governance and risk management needed to be a major focus during the year with processes reviewed so risks could be proactively managed in an environment of continuous change. Also, a major review of all policies and procedures was undertaken to ensure all compliance requirements were in place and Liberty's level of high quality services maintained. A detailed review of the Constitution was also undertaken to ensure Liberty's ability to meet the future requirements of both the organisation and our clients could keep moving forward.

This year has been like no other, but Liberty has been able to maintain organisational flexibility and to adapt in meeting all challenges and opportunities, while maintaining quality services to our clients in very difficult circumstances.

I am very pleased to present Liberty's 2019/2020 President's Report.

PRESIDENT, VITAY KAITINIS



## How Liberty has Supported our Clients



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<u>Hours in Personal Care</u>

Hours Respite Services

Hours Domestic Assistance

# 16,500+

9,000+

Hours of Group Social

# 3,800+

Hours of Home Maintenance

Hours of Social Support

5,500+



## TREASURER'S REPORT

ANNUAL SUMMARY FROM TREASURER

- JAMES YOO

It is with privilege that I write this year's Treasurer's Report. I present the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 for Liberty Community Connect Inc. The 2020 financial year has been a great period for Liberty.

The last quarter (April 2020 to June 2020) was a rather challenging time for Liberty due to the impact of Covid-19. Jo and the team have worked very hard to ensure that the costs are managed diligently, and services are well provided to our clients.

The 2020 financial year has been a successful year for Liberty. Our net profit increased from \$125,209 in the 2019 financial year to \$149,603, an increase of \$24,394. Total revenue of \$3,154,333 was received in the 2020 financial year. Compared to last year, this is an increase in revenue of \$13,693 and mainly due to an increase in revenue from NDIS, home care packaging and brokerage fees.

The total expense for the year was \$3,004,729 and Liberty has done a great job with managing expenses. Although there was an increase in revenue, compared to last year the total expenses were reduced by \$10,702, with most expenses reducing from the year before. The expenses that recorded an increase compared to last year were:

• Employee Benefits Expenses • Home Maintenance Program • Insurance • Repairs and Maintenance

• Staff Amenities and Training

The expense that saw the highest increase was employee benefits. These include wages and salaries, superannuation contributions, and leave entitlements for our people. Our employee benefits expenses for this year was \$2,407,569 compared to last year \$2,380,957, an increase of \$26,612. The expense represents around 76.32% of total revenue this year, with last year being 75.81% of total revenue. Overall, a net profit of \$149,603 was achieved.

The Balance Sheet is in a strong position. Net assets of \$3,432,431 consist of total assets of \$4,299,807 and a total liability of \$867,466. The total assets of \$3,809,562 includes \$3,780,380 in cash and cash equivalents, of which \$2,542,703 is held in interest bearing term deposits. The total liability of \$867,466 includes deferred income for home care packages of \$387,857, deferred grant of \$194,368 and provisions for long service leave and annual leave of \$179,440. Well done to the team!

TREASURER, JAMES YOO



## LIBERTY COMMUNITY CONNECT INC.

ABN 34 180 958 508

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### **Report on the Financial Report**

I have audited the accompanying financial report of Liberty Community Connect Inc. (the association) which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2020, and the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Cash Flow Statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the statement by members of the committee of the association.

#### Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Associations Incorporation Act 1981. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. | have conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that | 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 judgment, 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 entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

#### Independence

In conducting my audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

#### Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all materials respects, the financial position of Liberty Community Connect Inc. as at 30 June 2020 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

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