

# Country Housing Authority Annual Report 2013 - 2014



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## STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

For year ended 30 June 2014 HON BILL MARMION MLA

#### MINISTER FOR HOUSING

In accordance with section 63 of the *Financial Management Act 2006*, we hereby submit for your information and presentation to Parliament, the Annual Report of the Country Housing Authority for the financial year ended 30 June 2014.

The Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the *Financial Management Act 2006*.

Jason Berry

Chairman of Country Housing

Authority

29 August 2014

Donna Lynch

Deputy Chair of Country

**Housing Authority** 

29 August 2014

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

There remains a need for quality housing in rural and remote Western Australia and I am delighted that the Country Housing Authority (the Authority) provides vital support to people seeking appropriate housing options through its home loan program.

The Authority offers unique housing and home improvement funding options to the farmers, pastoralists and employers of rural and remote Western Australia that are unavailable or have limited availability from the major lenders.

The Authority's home loan program added a further 63 approved loans at a value of \$14.2m in 2013-14. The level of lending is expected to increase in 2014-15 and significantly contribute to meeting the housing needs of eligible rural clients residing outside the Perth metropolitan area.

The Authority is self-funded and provides rural customers with financial assistance through its operating activities, placing no demand on the consolidated fund.

The service provided by Keystart Home Loans on behalf of the Authority has been well- accepted and well-delivered in rural communities across Western Australia.

The Country Housing Authority Board meets on a regular basis to provide sound governance direction on the activities and future opportunities of the Authority.

I would like to express appreciation to the Board members for their contribution over the last 12 months as they continue the provision of quality and affordable housing across rural and remote Western Australia.

I would also like to acknowledge the CEO and staff of Keystart Home Loans for their efforts throughout the past year and look forward to an equally successful and productive 2014-15.

Jason Berry

**Country Housing Authority** 

Chairman

#### **OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE**

#### Role

The role of the Authority is to lend for affordable housing in rural and remote Western Australia to farmers, pastoralists, rural businesses and local government, where home loan finance options are otherwise limited.

While the Authority's lending practices may differ from commercial lenders the Authority recognises the need to deliver its service in a sustainable way by minimising risk and maximising delivery to those who require the Authority's services. Its lending philosophy takes into account changing seasonal circumstances in rural and remote Western Australia. The Authority also considers lending for innovative housing solutions including energy efficiency options.

The Authority's clients are farmers, pastoralist and rural businesses (including local government) residing or operating in rural and remote Western Australia.

Housing finance can be used for the placement or erection of a dwelling, additions and alterations to modernise an existing dwelling, including renewable energy systems (farmers only), and the purchase of land on which to erect a dwelling.

#### **Enabling Legislation**

The Authority was established in July 1998, to carry out the functions under the Country Housing Act 1998.

The purpose of the legislation is to facilitate the provision of:

- housing in rural areas for farmers, their employees and retired farmers; and
- adequate and suitable housing in rural areas for persons engaged in certain businesses and occupations.

#### **Responsible Minister**

The Authority is a statutory authority, being directly responsible to the Minister for Housing, Hon Bill Marmion MLA, for the administration of the Country Housing Act 1998.

#### **ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE**

#### Mission

To provide housing loans to Western Australian farmers and rural businesses where finance options are limited.

#### **Organisational Chart**

A Service Level Agreement (SLA) was established in 2009 which prescribes that Keystart Scheme Management Pty Ltd ("Keystart") is to administer the operations of the Authority on its behalf. This SLA remains in place and is reviewed on an annual basis by the Board to ensure it remains effective.

The Chief Finance Officer of the Authority is the Keystart Chief Financial Officer.



#### **Country Housing Authority Board**

The Authority is governed by a Board accountable to the Minister for Housing, and Keystart staff provide the management service. Mr Jason Berry was appointed Chairman of the Board on 26 July 2013 and was paid \$34,231 in 2013-14. Ms Donna Lynch was paid \$25,965 and Mr Ray Colyer was paid \$17,043 in 2013-14. There was no other remuneration paid to Board members during the financial year as the remaining Board members are all public sector employees.

The Country Housing Act 1998 requires up to six board members and is to include three members who are involved in farming, finance, industry, commerce or any other field relevant to the functions of the Authority. The remaining members currently include an officer each from the Departments of Treasury, Commerce and Housing.

Board members bring a broad background of knowledge and experience from professional and business areas, including planning, commerce, finance, the housing industry, local government and farming.

#### **Board Profiles**

#### Mr Jason Berry (Chairman)

Mr Berry has extensive experience as a former partner in a major accounting firm, concentrating on advice to private and public sector clients on development proposals and risk. He is a Chartered Accountant and Chartered Secretary. *Appointed July 2013 to current* 

#### Ms Donna Lynch

Ms Lynch has comprehensive expertise in rural policy development and experience in rural production in Western Australia. *Appointed August 2011 to current* 

#### Ms Diane Blade

Ms Blade has extensive experience in rural and remote housing as the Department of Housing's Regional Manager for the Goldfields region and previously Regional Manager for the Pilbara region. *Appointed September 2011 to June 2014* 

#### Mr John Berry

Mr Berry has been the General Manager of the Risk and Program Management Branch of the Department of Commerce over the last five years. *Appointed February 2012 to March 2014* 

#### Mr Ray Colyer

Mr Colyer has been a small business owner in Western Australia over the last 20 years. *Appointed February 2012 to current* 

#### Dr Kylie Coulson

Dr Coulson has 20 years financial and economic employment experience, including 16 years in the public sector. She is a Certified Practicing Accountant, and a Graduate member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. *Appointed May 2012 to current* 

#### Ms Julie De Jong

Ms Julie De Jong is the Executive Director for the Industry and Innovation Division in the Department of Commerce and has extensive experience in the State's industrial and knowledge based resources management. *Appointed April 2014 to current* 

During 2013-14, the Country Housing Authority Board met on 12 occasions and the Audit Committee met twice.

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	Α	В	Α	В
Jason Berry	12	12	1	1
Donna Lynch	12	10	-	-
Diane Blade	12	11	-	-
John Berry	8	8	1	1
Ray Colyer	12	12	-	-
Kylie Coulson	12	11	2	2
Julie De Jong	3	2	1	1

A = Meetings held during the time the Director was in Office

#### **Functions of the Board**

As a statutory authority, the Board is the Authority's governing body and is responsible for administering the *Country Housing Act 1998*.

#### **Accountability and Independence**

The Country Housing Act 1998 outlines the required standards for board members under the Statutory Corporations (Liability of Directors) Act 1996. Board members acknowledge their position of trust in making decisions that affect the welfare, rights or entitlements of the community and individuals that are serviced by the Authority. Board members act with professional integrity, possess a clear understanding of their public duties and legal responsibilities, act honestly and exercise due care and diligence.

The Board has the independence to determine policies and control the activities of the Authority, subject to the provisions contained within the *Country Housing Act 1998* and other statutes.

Ministerial approval is required for transactions relating to non-commercial assistance, and variations to interest rates.

#### **Contracts with Senior Officers**

Board members do not have an interest in any existing or proposed contract made with the Authority. The Authority does not employ any senior officers. Keystart staff administer the operations of the Authority in accordance with the Service Level Agreement (SLA) that exists between Keystart and the Authority.

#### Indemnification of the Board

During the period ending 30 June 2014, the Authority paid insurance premiums in respect of Directors' and Officers' liability insurance on a claims basis for any past, present or future board member, secretary, executive officer or employee of the Authority.

B = Number of meetings attended

#### **Business Risk**

The Authority has implemented a risk management program in accordance with Treasurer's Instructions 109 and Australia-New Zealand standard AS 4360:1995.

The Authority sources external expert advice on risk management as required on specific issues and procedures, and ensures the risk management processes and procedures are current and incorporated within the operating and Board reporting systems.

The Audit Committee has a specific term of reference addressing risk management and has delegated authority to consider reports and actions associated with these activities.

#### Financial Risk

The Authority manages financial exposure on an ongoing basis, having regard for interest rates, liquidity and credit risks. Monitoring financial ratios against targets and regular reporting to the Board ensures the Authority manages risks associated with finance and treasury activities.

The Authority's customer base is situated in rural and remote areas of Western Australia. Factors such as seasonal conditions and commodity prices can impact on the stability of local economies. The risk associated with this was recognised in the development and management of financial policies. The Authority is not materially exposed to any particular sector or region of the State.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Authority uses the internal audit services of KPMG under a contract signed by the Department of Housing. The contract expired on 30 June 2014. An Audit Committee provides an overview for audit and review in accordance with the internal audit plan.

#### **Organisation Behaviour and Ethics**

The Board of the Authority has adopted a Code of Ethics and Conduct for its members, reflecting a commitment to the highest levels of service and ethical standards.

The Keystart Code of Ethics and Conduct Policy applies to those Keystart staff who administer the operations of the Authority, in accordance with the SLA that exists between Keystart and the Authority.

The Board and Managers of the Authority maintain the highest professional and ethical standards and strive for relationships that are based on fairness, honesty and trust.

#### **Ethical Consumer Compliance Policy**

As a consumer organisation, Keystart has ethical responsibilities and legal obligations in the way it interacts with clients.

This policy is an adjunct to the Code of Ethics and Conduct policy. The Authority, through its contract arrangements, abides by Keystart's Ethical Consumer Compliance policy.

#### **Code of Conduct**

In compliance with the Western Australian Public Sector Code of Ethics, the Authority has adopted Keystart's Code of Ethics and Conduct.

#### **Training and Development**

Training and development is provided to Keystart staff who administer the operations of the Authority in accordance with the SLA that exists between Keystart and the Authority.

#### **Financial Management**

The Authority's comprehensive policy and procedural recommendations on risk management issues, capital adequacy and other financial operations have been implemented.

The Authority has a formalised Loan Risk Management Policy in place. Each application for assistance is considered in that context.

#### **Occupational Health and Safety**

Keystart ensures staff are apprised of occupational health and safety issues and their personal obligations to ensure a safe working environment. No claims were received under occupational health and safety provisions during 2013-14.

#### **Equity and Access**

Keystart provides staffing to administer the operations of the Authority. Keystart is responsible for ensuring adherence to disability service plan requirements. The current premises is accessible to staff and visitors. Keystart premises meet disability access requirements.

The majority of the Authority's customers are country-based and officers conduct business primarily through telecommunications and personal visits.

#### **Customer Complaints**

No formal or informal complaints were received from customers, either directly or through a third party during 2013-14.

As the Authority's customer base grows, the level of complaints will be monitored and, if required, an officer will be designated to handle complaints received. This is reflective of the Authority's commitment to customer satisfaction and delivering a personalised service.

#### Freedom of Information

The *Freedom of Information Act 1992* created a general right of access to documents held by state and local government agencies. The Act requires agencies to make available details about the kind of information they hold and enables persons to ensure that personal information held by Government agencies about them is "accurate, complete, up to date and not misleading".

Records and files held by the Authority cover two main areas: policy and administration files, and property files. This information can be viewed by members of the public upon application to the FOI Coordinator, Department of Housing, 99 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004.

During the 2013-14 reporting period, no applications were received for access to personal information under the Act.

#### Marketing, Promotion and Sponsorship and Advertising

The Authority home loan products were promoted by Keystart, through radio opportunities and exhibits at numerous regional events throughout Western Australia including field days and expos. These exhibits and events provided excellent opportunities for attending representatives and other prospective customers to become aware of the services offered by the Authority. The housing loan products are also promoted on the Keystart website at www.keystart.com.au.

Raising awareness continues to be a large part of the regional marketing to ensure housing assistance is provided throughout rural and remote Western Australia.

Section 175ZE of the *Electoral Act 1907* requires public agencies to report details of expenditure to organisations providing services in relation to advertising, market research, polling, direct mail and media advertising. The Authority has not incurred expenditure of this nature.

#### **Publications**

Application forms for each of the Authority's loan programs are provided including detailed explanatory information and current terms and conditions of the loan, which are updated regularly to ensure accuracy. Application forms can be obtained by calling the Country Housing office on 9338 3180 or toll free on 1800 158 200 for country callers; or by making an online enquiry at www.keystart.com.au.

The Annual Report is available on request from the Authority or via the website www.keystart.com.au.

#### **Record Keeping**

The Department of Housing provides records services for the Authority and compliance with the *State Records Act 2000.* 

#### Sustainability

The Department of Housing has a formulated action plan in accordance with the Sustainability Code of Practice and administers this plan on behalf of the Authority.

#### **Administered Legislation**

The Authority administers the *Country Housing Act 1998* and in the conduct of its business is subject to a wide range of State and Commonwealth statutes.

#### Other Key Legislation Impacting on the Authority's Activities

In the performance of its functions, the Authority has exercised all reasonable care to comply with relevant written laws, as amended from time to time, including:

- Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006 (Cth)
- Auditor General Act 2006
- Disability Services Act 1993
- Electoral Act 1907
- Equal Opportunity Act 1984
- Fair Trading Act 1987/2010
- Financial Management Act 2006
- Freedom of Information Act 1992
- Housing Act 1980
- Industrial Relations Act 1979
- Land Administration Act 1997
- Local Government Act 1995
- Minimum Conditions of Employment Act 1993
- National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009 (Cth)
- Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare Act 1984
- Public Sector Management Act 1994
- State Records Act 2000
- State Supply Commission Act 1991
- Statutory Corporations (Liability of Directors) Act 1996
- Transfer of Land Act 1893

#### **AGENCY PERFORMANCE**

#### **Report on Operations**

#### **VALUES**

The Authority places importance on its values as they shape the way the Authority operates.

**Accountability** – Taking responsibility for actions and outcomes.

**Integrity** – Abiding by company policies to protect clients, staff and the business

**Professionalism** – Working in a team environment to carry out duties in a way that instils confidence in clients and colleagues.

**Loyalty** – Dedication to commitments and obligations in the workplace.

**Confidentiality** – Respecting the privacy principles of the business and the privacy rights of others.

**Commitment to customer service –** Striving to meet the needs of customers in an environment of regular change.

#### **KEY DRIVERS**

The Authority identified the following key drivers and strategic goals as being essential for the effective performance of its functions.

#### **Affordable Housing Loan Products**

• To provide affordable and accessible home loans that meet the needs of the Authority's clients where housing finance options are otherwise limited.

#### **Awareness and Education**

- To develop community awareness of the Authority's role through a Strategic Marketing Plan.
- Use networks effectively to obtain customer feedback and gather market intelligence.

#### **Customer Service**

- To offer a professional service to Authority customers and provide a holistic approach throughout the life of the loan.
- Establish best practice turn-around timeframes and achieve customer satisfaction for both new and existing clients.
- Effective utilisation of the SLA between the Authority and Keystart Loans Ltd.
- To maintain good corporate governance and fiduciary duties and meet compliance obligations
- To adhere to the Authority's lending philosophy and its policies

#### Compliance

- To comply with all relevant legislation, statutes and government policy.
- To maintain good corporate governance and fiduciary duties and meet compliance obligations.
- To stay within government borrowing limits.
- To adhere to the Authority's lending policies.

### **Major products provided by Country Housing Authority**

#### **Housing Finance Access Programme (HFAP)**

HFAP was developed in recognition of affordable housing finance not necessarily being readily available in some country areas of Western Australia compared with availability and access in metropolitan and/or major regional areas.

Assistance is provided to farmers, pastoralists and rural employers, including local government, for housing themselves or their employees. By ensuring that farmers and rural employers have access to housing for themselves, their dependants and their employees, the Authority encourages the sustainment and development of country communities.

Security for HFAP loans is generally in the form of a registered mortgage.

In 2013-14, 63 farmers, pastoralists and businesses were approved assistance under the HFAP, with loan approvals totalling \$14,161,600 excluding RAPS applications.

#### **Rural Area Power Scheme (RAPS)**

In March 2002, the Authority extended assistance to include the installation of renewable energy systems to replace unreliable and high cost diesel generators for the home. During 2013-14 there were no applications for RAPS approved.

#### **Natural Disasters**

The Board approved in late 2011 that, when a natural disaster occurs, the Board will meet to determine the amount of support that the Authority will assist with.

The immediate responsiveness to disaster situations enables the individuals and regional communities to restore services, by providing essential housing to employees and owners of businesses and farming operations.

Applicants are eligible for assistance under this programme if their operations are in or near the area affected by the natural disaster, and the financial assistance must add to, repair or replace housing damaged or destroyed by the natural disaster.

During 2013-14 no assistance was required as a result of natural disaster. This program now sits within the HFAP mentioned above.

#### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES AFFECTING THE AGENCY

#### **Loans Management**

The Authority's programs are funded by borrowings from the Western Australian Treasury Corporation or from internally generated sources.

#### Interest Rates

The standard interest rate moved once during the 2013-14 financial year. Note: the Authority currently operates a standard and grand-fathered rate.

			Pre Oct 2009		ct 2009
Rate start date	Repayment start date	Old rate	New rate	Old Rate	New Rate
13 August 2013	13 September 2013	5.34%	5.08%	6.12%	5.86%

#### **Loan Fees**

The Authority does not charge application or loan management fees, or for lump sum or extra payments on standard loans.

#### **Loans Portfolio**

The Authority's funded loan portfolio of 518 loans is valued at \$67,540,464 at 30 June 2014.

#### **Current and emerging issues**

Technological enhancements to the Authority's software, including electronic records management, administered by Keystart will enable a more streamlined loans processing system and provide improved reporting capabilities in 2014-15 and beyond.

The Authority will continue to provide home loan options for farmers, pastoralists and rural employers who cannot access normal bank finance.

#### **Economic and social trends**

Favourable weather conditions have improved the quality, yield and expected prices of grains during the 2013-14 financial year. Livestock/commodity prices were generally stable across rural Western Australia. Due to an improvement in the economic conditions there has been better access to finance from more traditional sources for the Authority's target clientele.

Migration from rural communities and towns to larger regional centres and/or the metropolitan area continues to have a detrimental economic and social impact on some rural communities.

The economic and social trends occurring throughout rural and remote Western Australia will continue to be monitored during 2014-15.

Areas of regional Western Australia continued to be the source of much of Australia's wealth in the resource sector with a continued slow-down in the 2014-15 financial year.

#### **Changes in Written Law**

There were no changes in any written law that affected the Authority during the financial year.

#### **Likely future developments**

The Authority will continue to monitor the housing needs of rural and remote Western Australians and respond accordingly.



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### To the Parliament of Western Australia

#### **COUNTRY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

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

I have audited the accounts and financial statements of the Country Housing Authority. The financial statements comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2014, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, and Notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### Board's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board is responsible for keeping proper accounts, and the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Treasurer's Instructions, and for such internal control as the Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

As required by the Auditor General Act 2006, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on my audit. The audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those Standards require compliance with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and that the audit be planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Authority's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

#### **Opinion**

In my opinion, the financial statements are based on proper accounts and present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Country Housing Authority at 30 June 2014 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended. They are in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Treasurer's Instructions.

#### **Report on Controls**

I have audited the controls exercised by the Country Housing Authority during the year ended 30 June 2014.

Controls exercised by the Country Housing Authority are those policies and procedures established by the Board to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property, and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with legislative provisions.

#### Board's Responsibility for Controls

The Board is responsible for maintaining an adequate system of internal control to ensure that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of public and other property, and the incurring of liabilities are in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2006 and the Treasurer's Instructions, and other relevant written law.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

As required by the Auditor General Act 2006, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the controls exercised by the Country Housing Authority based on my audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of controls to ensure that the Authority complies with the legislative provisions. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement and include an evaluation of the design and implementation of relevant controls.

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

#### **Opinion**

In my opinion, the controls exercised by the Country Housing Authority are sufficiently adequate to provide reasonable assurance that the receipt, expenditure and investment of money, the acquisition and disposal of property, and the incurring of liabilities have been in accordance with legislative provisions during the year ended 30 June 2014.

#### **Report on the Key Performance Indicators**

I have audited the key performance indicators of the Country Housing Authority for the year ended 30 June 2014.

The key performance indicators are the key effectiveness indicators and the key efficiency indicators that provide information on outcome achievement and service provision.

#### Board's Responsibility for the Key Performance Indicators

The Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the key performance indicators in accordance with the Financial Management Act 2006 and the Treasurer's Instructions and for such controls as the Board determines necessary to ensure that the key performance indicators fairly represent indicated performance.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

As required by the Auditor General Act 2006, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the key performance indicators based on my audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the key performance indicators. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the key performance indicators. In making these risk assessments the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Board's preparation and fair presentation of the key performance indicators in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the relevance and appropriateness of the key performance indicators for measuring the extent of outcome achievement and service provision.

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

#### **Opinion**

In my opinion, the key performance indicators of the Country Housing Authority are relevant and appropriate to assist users to assess the Authority's performance and fairly represent indicated performance for the year ended 30 June 2014.

#### Independence

In conducting this audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of the Auditor General Act 2006 and Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards, and other relevant ethical requirements.

# Matters Relating to the Electronic Publication of the Audited Financial Statements and Key Performance Indicators

This auditor's report relates to the financial statements and key performance indicators of the Country Housing Authority for the year ended 30 June 2014 included on the Authority's website. The Authority's management is responsible for the integrity of the Authority's website. This audit does not provide assurance on the integrity of the Authority's website. The auditor's report refers only to the financial statements and key performance indicators described above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these financial statements or key performance indicators. If users of the financial statements and key performance indicators are concerned with the inherent risks arising from publication on a website, they are advised to refer to the hard copy of the audited financial statements and key performance indicators to confirm the information contained in this website version of the financial statements and key performance indicators.

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ASSISTANT AUDITOR GENERAL FINANCIAL AUDIT Delegate of the Auditor General for Western Australia Perth, Western Australia 29 August 2014

#### **COUNTRY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

#### CERTIFICATION OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2014

We hereby certify that the key performance indicators are based on proper records, are relevant and appropriate for assisting users to assess the Country Housing Authority's performance, and fairly represent the performance of the Country Housing Authority for the financial year ended 30 June 2014.

Jason Berry

Chairperson of the Accountable

Authority

29 August 2014

Donna Lynch

Deputy Chairperson of the Accountable Authority

29 August 2014

#### **PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

#### **GOVERNMENT GOAL**

To ensure that regional Western Australia is strong and vibrant.

#### **OUTCOME**

Access to residential housing in rural areas for eligible clients.

The Authority achieves this outcome by providing housing loans directly and via facilitation and housing incentives services.

#### **EFFECTIVENESS INDICATOR**

The percentage of eligible applicants who are assisted and the total number of eligible applicants.

	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Eligible Applicants b/f	8	13	6	6
Plus Eligible Applications received	93	91	102	67
Less Eligible Applications withdrawn	18	28	10	6
Net applications assessed	83	76	98	67
Number of clients assisted	70	70	92	63
Eligible applicants c/f	13	6	6	4
Actual % assisted	84	92	94	94
Target % assisted	87	87	87	87

#### **EFFICIENCY INDICATOR**

#### Service 1: Housing Loan provision and facilitation

Efficiency indicator: The average cost in each year in administering housing loans.

	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Average cost of loan administered	\$2,539	\$1,549	\$1,888	\$1,749	\$1,967	\$1,667

The 2013/14 average cost of loan administration is \$1,667 per annualized active loan, which is lower than prior year due to a lower number of approved loans in the current year, and therefore lower origination costs.

#### **Service 2: Housing Incentives**

Efficiency indicator: The average cost in each year in administering housing incentives.

	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14
Average cost of housing incentives administered	\$131	\$106	\$254	\$492	\$Nil	\$Nil

During the current financial period, there were no housing incentive grants as the program ceased in 2012/13.

#### **CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2014

The accompanying financial statements of the Country Housing Authority have been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the Financial Management Act 2006 from proper accounts and records to present fairly the financial transactions for the financial year ended 30 June 2014 and the financial position as at 30 June 2014.

At the date of signing we are not aware of any circumstances which would render any particulars included in the financial statements misleading or inaccurate.

Jason Berry

Chairperson of the Accountable

Authority

29 August 2014

Donna Lynch

Deputy Chairperson of the Accountable

Authority

29 August 2014

John Vojkovich Chief Finance Officer

29 August 2014

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## STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

		2014	2013
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
INCOME			
Revenue			
Interest Revenue	5	3,744	3,930
Total Income		3,744	3,930
EXPENSES			
Board member fees	6	77	52
Supplies and services	7	6	22
Depreciation expense	8	17	46
Administration expense	9	899	1,035
Finance costs	10	1,572	1,630
Other expenses	11	1	49
Total expenses		2,572	2,834
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		1,172	1,096_
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Items not reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Total other comprehensive income		-	
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		1,172	1,096

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

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

## **AS AT 30 JUNE 2014**

		2014	2013
	Note	<b>\$</b> ′000	<b>\$</b> ′000
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	20	963	574
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	12	50	50
Receivables	13	570	528
Loans and advances	14 _	10,924	8,427
Total Current Assets	_	12,507	9,579
Non-Current Assets			
Loans and advances	14	56,595	58,534
Furniture and office equipment	15	9	26
Total Non-Current Assets	_	56,604	58,560
TOTAL ASSETS	_	69,111	68,139
TOTAL ASSETS	_	09,111	06,139
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Payables	16	269	276
Amounts due to Treasurer	17	40	38
Borrowings	18 _	43,572	42,569
Total Current Liabilities	_	43,881	42,883
Non-Current Liabilities			
Amounts due to Treasurer	17	1,520	1,546
Borrowings	18	659	731
Total Non-Current Liabilities	_	2,179	2,277
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	46,060	45,160
NET ASSETS	_	23,051	22,979
EQUITY		_	
Contributed equity	19	13,000	13,000
Retained earnings	19 _	10,051	9,979
TOTAL EQUITY	_	23,051	22,979

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

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

	Contributed Equity \$'000	Retained Earnings \$'000	Total Equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2012 Total comprehensive income for the	13,000	8,883	21,883
period	-	1,096	1,096
Distribution to the Treasurer	-	-	-
Balance as at 30 June 2013	13,000	9,979	22,979
Balance at 1 July 2013	13,000	9,979	22,979
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	1,172	1,172
Distribution to the Treasurer	-	(1,100)	(1,100)
Balance as at 30 June 2014	13,000	10,051	23,051

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

## **STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2014

		2014	2013
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts			
Interest Received		3,772	3,956
Loan repayments received		10,244	7,962
Payments			
Finance costs		(1,528)	(1,689)
Supplies and services		(1,083)	(1,422)
New loans advanced		(10,809)	(11,146)
Net cash used in operating activities	20(c) _	596	(2,339)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from borrowings		3,500	3,000
Repayment of borrowings		(2,607)	(1,104)
Net cash provided by financing activities	_	893	1,896
	_		
CASH FLOWS FROM STATE GOVERNMENT			
Distribution to the Treasurer	_	(1,100)	
Net cash provided by State Government	_	(1,100)	
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		389	(443)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		624	1,067
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENT ASSETS			
AT THE END OF PERIOD	20(a)	1,013	624
	_		

The Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Australian Accounting Standards

#### General

The financial statements of the Country Housing Authority ('Authority') for the year ended 30 June 2014 have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards.

The Authority has adopted any applicable new and revised Australian Accounting Standards from their operative dates.

#### Early adoption of standards

The Authority cannot early adopt an Australian Accounting Standard unless specifically permitted by TI 1101 Application of Australian Accounting Standards and Other Pronouncements. No Australian Accounting Standards that have been issued or amended but not operative have been early adopted by the Authority for the annual reporting period ended 30 June 2014.

#### 2. Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) General statement

The Authority is a not-for-profit reporting entity that prepares general purpose financial statements in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the Framework, Statements of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the AASB as applied by the Treasurer's instructions. Several of these are modified by the Treasurer's instructions to vary application, disclosure, format and wording.

The Financial Management Act and the Treasurer's instructions are legislative provisions governing the preparation of financial statements and take precedence over Accounting Standards, the Framework, Statements of Accounting Concepts and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

Where modification is required and has had a material or significant financial effect upon the reported results, details of that modification and the resulting financial effect are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

#### (b) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting using the historical cost convention.

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements have been consistently applied throughout all periods presented unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars (\$'000).

The judgements that have been made in the process of applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are included at Note 3 'Judgements made by management in applying accounting policies'.

The key assumptions made concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are included at Note 4 'Key sources of estimation uncertainty'.

#### (c) Reporting Entity

The reporting entity comprises the Authority.

#### (d) Initial application of an Australian Accounting Standard

The Authority has applied the following Australian Accounting Standards effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 July 2013 that impacted on the Authority.

#### • AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement

AASB 13 establishes a single source of guidance under Australian Accounting Standards for all fair value measurements. AASB 13 does not change when an entity is required to use fair value, but rather provides guidance on how to measure fair value under Australian Accounting Standards. AASB 13 defines fair value as an exit price. As a result of the guidance in AASB 13, the Authority re-assessed its policies for measuring fair values, in particular, its valuation inputs such as non-performance risk for fair value measurement of liabilities. AASB 13 also requires additional disclosures.

Application of AASB 13 has not materially impacted the fair value measurements of the Authority. Additional disclosures where required, and a fair value hierarchy, is provided in Note 24.

## (e) New accounting standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have been recently issued or amended but are not yet effective and have not been adopted by the Authority for the annual reporting period ending 30 June 2014, are outlined in the table below:

Reference	Title	Summary	Application date of standard	Impact on Authority financial report	Application date for Authority
AASB 9	Financial Instruments	AASB 9 includes requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets. It was further amended by AASB 2010-7 to reflect amendments to the accounting for financial liabilities. These requirements improve and simplify the approach for classification and measurement of financial assets compared with the requirements of AASB 139.	1 January 2017	The Authority has not yet assessed the impact of the amendment.	1 July 2017
AASB 1031	Materiality	This Standard is an interim standard that cross-references to other Standards and the Framework (issued December 2013) that contain guidance on materiality. AASB 1031 will be withdrawn when references to AASB 1031 in all Standards and Interpretations have been removed.	1 July 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority	1 July 2014
AASB 1055	Budgetary Reporting	This Standard specifies budgetary disclosure requirements for the whole of government, General Government Sector (CGS) and not-for-profit entities within CGS of each government. AASB 2013-1 removes the requirements relating to the disclosure of budgetary information from AASB 1049 (without substantive amendment). All budgetary reporting requirements applicable to public sector entities are now located in a single, topic-based, Standard AASB 1055 Budgetary Reporting	1 July 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority	1 July 2014
AASB 2009- 11	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9	AASB 2009-11 makes amendments to various Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, arising from the issuance of AASB 9 Financial Instruments.  AASB 2009-11 was modified by AASB 2010-7.	1 January 2015	The Authority has not yet assessed the impact of the amendment.	1 July 2015

Reference	Title	Summary	Application date of standard	Impact on Authority financial report	Application date for Authority
AASB 2010-7	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from AASB 9	This Standard makes amendments to various Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations.  These amendments arise from the issuance of AASB 9 Financial Instruments.	1 January 2015	The Authority has not yet assessed the impact of the amendment.	1 July 2015
AASB 2012-3	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Offsetting Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities	This Standard adds application guidance to AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation to address inconsistencies identified in applying some of the offsetting criteria of AASB 132, including clarifying the meaning of "currently has a legal enforceable right of set-off" and that some gross settlement systems may be considered equivalent to net settlement.	1 January 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority	1 July 2014
AASB 2013-1	Amendments to AASB 1049 – Relocation of Budgetary Reporting Requirements	This Standard removes the requirements relating to the disclosure of budgetary information from AASB 1049 (without substantive amendment). All budgetary reporting requirements applicable to public sector entities are now located in a single, topic-based, Standard AASB 1055 Budgetary Reporting	1 July 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014
AASB 2013-3	Amendments to AASB 136 – Recoverable Amount Disclosures for Non-Financial Assets	This Standard amends the disclosure requirements in AASB 136 Impairment of Assets. The amendments include the requirement to disclose additional information about the fair value measurement when the recoverable of impaired assets is based on fair value less costs of disposal.	1 January 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014
AASB 2013-4	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Novation of Derivatives and Continuation of Hedge Accounting [AASB 139]	This Standard amends AASB 139 to permit the continuation of hedge accounting in specified circumstances where a derivative, which has been designated as a hedging instrument, is novated from one counterparty to a central counterparty as a consequence of laws or regulations.	1 January 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014

Reference	Title	Summary	Application date of standard	Impact on Authority financial report	Application date for Authority
AASB 2013-9	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Conceptual Framework,	This Standard contains three main parts and makes amendments to a number of Standards and Interpretations.			
	Materiality and Financial Instruments	Part B makes amendments to particular Australian Accounting Standards to delete references to AASB 1031 and also makes minor editorial amendments to various other standards.	1 January 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014
		Part C makes amendments to a number of Australian Accounting Standards, including incorporating Chapter 6 Hedge Accounting into AASB 9 Financial Instruments.	1 January 2015	The Authority has not yet assessed the impact of these amendments.	1 July 2015
AASB 2014-1	Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards	This Standard comprises Parts A-E:-  Part A makes various amendments to Australian Accounting Standards arising from the issuance by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010-12 Cycle and Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2011-13 Cycle.	1 July 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014
		Part B makes amendments to AASB 119 Employee Benefits.	1 July 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014
		Part C makes amendments to particular Australian Accounting Standards to delete their references to AASB 1031s.	1 July 2014	There is no material impact on the Authority.	1 July 2014
		Part D makes amendments to AASB 1 First-time Adoption of Australian Accounting Standards.	1 January 2016	The Authority has not yet assessed the impact of these amendments.	1 July 2016
		Part E defers the application date of AASB 9 Financial Instruments and various consequential amendments.	1 January 2015	The Authority has not yet assessed the impact of these amendments.	1 July 2015

#### (f) Income

#### Revenue Recognition

Revenue recognised is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable. Revenue is recognised for the major business activities as follows:

#### (i) Interest

Revenue is recognised as the interest accrues using the effective interest rate method.

#### (ii) Grants And Other Contributions Revenue

Revenue is recognised at fair value when the Authority obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions, usually when cash is received.

#### (g) Property, Plant & Equipment

#### (i) Capitalisation/Expensing Of Assets

Items of plant and equipment costing \$5,000 or more are recognised as assets and the cost of utilising assets is expensed (depreciated) over their useful lives. Items of plant and equipment costing less than \$5,000 are expensed direct to the Statement of Comprehensive Income (other than where they form part of a group of similar items which are significant in total).

#### (ii) Initial Recognition And Measurement

All items of plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost. For items of plant and equipment acquired at no cost or nominal cost, cost is their fair value at the date of acquisition.

#### (iii) Subsequent Measurement

After recognition as an asset, the Authority uses the cost model for all property, plant and equipment and are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

#### (h) Depreciation Of Non-Current Assets

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their estimated useful lives in a manner that reflects the consumption of their future economic benefit.

Depreciation is calculated using the straight line basis, using rates which are reviewed annually. Estimated useful lives for each class of depreciable assets are:

	2014	2013
Furniture and Fittings	4.5 years	4.5 years
Office Equipment	10 years	10 years

#### (i) Impairment Of Assets

Property, plant and equipment are tested for any indication of impairment at the end of each reporting period. Where there is an indication of impairment, the recoverable amount is estimated. Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to the recoverable amount and an impairment loss is recognised.

The risk of impairment is generally limited to circumstances where an asset's depreciation is materially understated, where the replacement cost is falling or where there is a significant change in useful life. Each relevant class of assets is reviewed annually to verify that the accumulated depreciation reflects the level of consumption or expiration of asset's future economic benefits and to evaluate any impairment risk from falling replacement costs.

#### (j) Leases

The Housing Authority, on behalf of the Authority, entered into an operating lease agreement for buildings where the lessor effectively retains all the risks and benefits incident to ownership of the items held under the operating leases. Lease payments are expensed on a straight line basis over the lease term as this is representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the leased property. The lease expired in October 2013 and was not extended.

#### (k) Cash And Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalent (and restricted cash and cash equivalent) assets comprise cash on hand and short-term deposits with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and which are subject to insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts.

#### (I) Receivables

Receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount less an allowance for any uncollectible amounts (i.e. impairment). The collectability of receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis and any receivables identified as uncollectible are written-off. The allowance for uncollectible amounts (doubtful debts) is raised when there is objective evidence that the Authority will not be able to collect its debts. The carrying amount is equivalent to fair value as it is due for settlement within 30 days.

#### (m) Payables

Payables are recognised as the amounts payable when the Authority becomes obliged to make future payments as a result of a purchase of assets or services. The carrying amount is equivalent to fair value, as they are generally settled within 30 days.

#### (n) Borrowings

All loans payable are initially recognised at cost, being the fair value of the net proceeds received. Subsequent measurement is at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

#### (o) Amounts Due To The Treasurer

The amount due to the Treasurer is in respect of a former loan to the Industrial & Commercial Employees Housing Authority (ICEHA). ICEHA was amalgamated with the Rural Housing Authority to establish the Country Housing Authority on 1 July 1998. The outstanding amount due to the Treasurer is interest free and is repayable in monthly instalments.

The amount was initially recognised at fair value of the net proceeds received. Subsequent measurement is at fair value.

#### Fair Value

The fair value of the financial liabilities traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the statement of financial position date. If the market for a financial liability is not active, the Authority establishes fair value by using valuation techniques, such as discounted cash flow analysis.

## 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## (p) Financial Instruments

The Authority has two categories of financial instruments:

- (i) Loans And Receivables
- (ii) Non-Trading Financial Liabilities (borrowings, payables and amounts due to the Treasurer)

Initial recognition and measurement of financial instruments is at fair value which normally equates to the transaction cost or the face value. Subsequent measurement of borrowings is at amortised cost using the effective interest method, whilst measurement of the amounts due to the Treasurer is at fair value.

The fair value of short-term receivables and payables is the transaction cost or the face value because there is no interest rate applicable and subsequent measurement is not required as the effect of discounting is not material.

#### (q) Loans And Advances

Loans and advances are initially measured at fair value. Loans and advances are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition, over the period to maturity.

The Authority assesses at each balance sheet date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset is considered to be impaired if objective evidence indicates that one or more events have had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset. The main objective evidence is when the loan is in arrears.

Individually significant financial assets are tested for impairment on an individual basis. The remaining financial assets are assessed collectively in groups that share similar credit risk characteristics.

All impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

In the case of loans and advances, a provision for impairment is made when there is objective evidence that the loan will not be collectable. When a receivable is impaired, the Authority reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flow discounted at the original effective interest rate of the instrument and continues unwinding the discount as interest income.

The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income within 'Provision for Impairment of Loans and Advances'. When a loan or advance is uncollectable, it is written off against the allowance account for loans and advances. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against 'Provision for Impairment of Loans and Advances' in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Where possible, the Authority seeks to restructure loans rather than to take possession of collateral. This may involve extending or suspending payment arrangements while the borrower experiences financial difficulty. Management continuously reviews renegotiated loans to ensure that all criteria are met and that future payments are likely to occur. The loans continue to be subject to an individual or collective impairment assessment, calculated using the loan's original effective interest rate.

## 2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (r) Provisions

Provisions are liabilities of uncertain timing and amount and are recognised where there is a present legal, equitable or constructive obligation as a result of a past event and when the outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is probable and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation. Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period.

#### (s) Comparative Figures

Comparative figures are, where appropriate, reclassified to be comparable with the figures presented in the current financial year.

## (t) Fair Value Measurement

The Authority measures financial instruments, such as amounts due to the Treasurer, at fair value at each balance sheet date. Also, fair values of loans and receivables and borrowings measured at amortised cost are disclosed in Note 24. In accordance with the transitional provisions, comparatives have not been presented.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible to by the Authority. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Authority uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

#### (u) Distributions of Surplus

Distributions of surplus to the Treasurer are made in accordance with the *Country Housing Act 1998*. They are disclosed as Cash Flows From State Government in the Statement of Cash Flows.

## 3. Judgements Made By Management In Applying Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements about the application of accounting policies that have a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The Authority evaluates these judgements regularly.

## **Operating Lease Commitments**

The Authority has entered into a lease for buildings for branch office accommodation. The lease is of a temporary nature and it has been determined that the lessor retains substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership. Accordingly, this lease has been classified as an operating lease. The lease expired in October 2013 and was not extended.

## 4. Key Sources Of Estimation Uncertainty

The Authority makes key estimates and assumptions concerning the future. These estimates and assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

## **Impairment Of Loans And Advances**

The Authority determines whether loans and advances are impaired on an ongoing basis. This requires an estimation of the value of the future cash flows. The policy for the assessment of impairment of loans and advances is disclosed in Note 2(q).

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
5. Interest Revenue		
Interest on Bank account	29	33
Interest on Loans and Advances	3,715	3,897
	3,744	3,930
6. Board Member Fees and Employee Benefits Expenses		
Board Member Fees	71	48
Superannuation - defined contribution plans	6	4
	77	52

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
7. Supplies And Services		
Accommodation expense	6	22
	6	22
8. Depreciation Expense		
Furniture and office equipment	17	46
	17	46
9. Administration Expense		
Administration fee *	898	1,033
Bank Fees	1	2
	899	1,035
* The Authority has a contractual agreement whereby Authority for a fee .	Keystart Loans Ltd m	anages the
10. Finance Costs		
Interest Expense	1,559	1,722
Fair value adjustment on amounts due to the Treasurer	13	(92)
	1,572	1,630
11. Other Expenses		

36

(35)

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44

49

External Audit fees (a)

Other\*

<sup>\*</sup> The amount recorded in 2014 includes a GST refund claim on sublet costs for lease of Level 2, 28 Kings Park Road, West Perth

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
12. Restricted Cash And Cash Equivalents		
Restricted Cash	50	50
	50	50
13. Receivables		
Debtors	60	-
Interest receiveables	510	528
	570	528
14. Loans And Advances		
Current		
Loans	10,960	8,463
Provision for impairment of loans	(36)	(36)
	10,924	8,427
Non-current		
Loans	56,595	58,534
	67,519	66,961

The Authority has formal processes in place to assess the credit worthiness of its clients including credit checks with credit reporting agencies. Fully performing receivables are considered to be of good quality when taking into consideration the security being held against the outstanding amount.

Receivables that are past due, but not impaired are not considered to be at significant risk, as in excess of \$575,000 (2013: \$484,000) in collateral security is held under mortgage to secure these advances. The total amount past due as at 30 June 2014 is \$8,091 (2013: \$5,495) on a loan totalling \$453,349 (2013: \$429,830).

At the end of the current financial period, there were two restructured loans on the Safety Net Scheme with amounts past due totalling \$4,861 (2013: \$2,136) with a total loan amount of \$455,276 (2013: \$27,671). This scheme is offered to clients who require assistance because of changes in their financial situation. In most cases, assistance is granted for short terms of up to six months.

## 14. Loans and Advances (continued)

## (a) Collateral Held

Collateral is in the form of registered first mortgages over residential properties in Western Australia purchased with the proceeds of loans from the Authority. The parties granting the mortgage must be the same as the borrowers of the Authority.

The terms and conditions associated with the use of collateral are such that should a borrower breach the terms and conditions of their mortgage, the Authority has the facility to recover all or part of the outstanding exposure by exercising its rights under the mortgage, including the power of sale and; exercising any rights available under law.

## (b) Interest Rate Risk

Refer to note 24 for an analysis of the Authority's exposure to interest rate risk in relation to loans and advances. A summarised analysis of the sensitivity of the loans and advances to interest rate risk is illustrated in note 24.

Reconciliation of changes in the allowance for impairment of receivables.

			2014 \$'000		2013 \$'000
Balance at start of year			36		36
Amounts written off during the year		_	-		<u>-</u>
Balance at end of year		=	36		36
Fair value of collateral obtained in of the exercising of rights under th		es	67,555		66,996
Aged Analysis - Past Due Loans (\$000's)					
	0-30	31-60	61-90	91+	
2014	days	days	days	days	Total
Loans past due	-	-	453	-	453
2013					
Loans past due	-	430	-	-	430

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
15. Furniture and Office Equipment		
At cost	26	224
Accumulated depreciation	(17)	(198)
	9	26
Furniture and Office Equipment reconciliation		
Carrying amount at the start of the year Additions	26	72
Depreciation	(17)	(46)
Carrying amount at the end of the year	9	26

The depreciation of the capitalised costs of the office fit-out at Level 2, 28 Kings Park Road, West Perth was based upon the term of the leased premises. The lease expired in October 2013.

# **16. Payables Current**

Administration expenses	183	168
Provision for onerous contracts	-	12
Subsidies to local government	50	50
GST payable	-	2
Audit Fees	36	44
Total payables	269	276

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
17. Amounts Due To The Treasurer		
Current		
Amount due to the Treasurer	40	38
Non-current		
Amount due to the Treasurer	1,520	1,546
Total due to Treasurer	1,560	1,584
18. Borrowings		
Current		
WATC fixed interest loans	72	69
WATC variable interestloans	43,500	42,500
	43,572	42,569
Non Current		
WATC fixed interest rate	659	731
	659	731

None of the assets of the Authority have been pledged as security for the borrowings. Refer to note 24 for an analysis of the Authority's risk exposure.

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
19. Equity		
Contributed Equity		
Balance at the start of the year	13,000	13,000
Balance at the end of the year	13,000	13,000

The Authority was established on 1 July 1998 by the amalgamation of the former Rural Housing Authority and the Industrial and Commercial Employees Housing Authority. The fair value of assets and liabilities transferred has been recognised as an injection of equity totalling \$13,000,000 by the State government.

## **Retained Earnings**

Balance at the start of the year	9,979	8,883
Distribution to Treasurer	(1,100)	-
Result for the period	1,172	1,096
Balance at the end of the year	10,051	9,979

#### 20. Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows

## (a) Cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Cash Flow Statement is reconciled to the related items in the Balance Sheet as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents	963	574
Restricted Cash	50	50
	1,013	624

## (b) Non-Cash Financing And Investing Activities

During the year there were no assets/liabilities transferred from other government agencies not reflected in the Statement of Cash Flows

# 20. Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows (continued)

# (c) Reconciliation of Profit From Ordinary Activities To Net Cash Flows Used in Operating Activities

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
Profit from ordinary activities	1,172	1,096
Non-cash items:		
Depreciation expense	17	46
Fair Value adjustment for the Amount due to the Treasurer	13	(92)
Amount due to the freasurer	13	(32)
Provision for onerous contracts	-	12
Decrease//increase) in assets:		
Decrease/(increase) in assets:	(42)	3
Receivables	(42)	
Loans and Advances	(557)	(3,210)
(Decrease)/increase in liabilities:		
Payables	(7)	(194)
Net cash used in operating activities	596	(2,339)

2014	2013
\$'000	\$'000

#### 21. Commitments

Loans approved but not yet fully		
funded	6,665	7,551

## Lease Commitments at the reporting date but not recognised as liabilities, payable:

Within 1 year	-	55
Later than 1 year and not later		
than 5 years	-	-
Later than 5 years		
		55

#### Office Accommodation

A five year lease commenced on 1 November 2009 over the premises located at Level 2, 28 Kings Park Road West Perth. The lease term expired on 31 October 2013 and was not extended.

## 22. Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

The Authority has no contingent liabilities or assets.

#### 23. Events Occurring after the Balance Sheet Date

No event after the reporting date has occurred which would cause the financial statements to be misleading or affect the Authority as a going concern.

#### 24. Financial Instruments

#### (a) Financial Risk Management Objectives And Policies

Financial instruments held by the Authority are cash and cash equivalents, loans, receivables, payables and borrowings. The Authority has limited exposure to financial risk. The Authority's overall risk management program focuses on managing the risks identified below.

## (i) Credit Risk

Credit risk arises when there is the possibility of the Authority's customers defaulting on their contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Authority. The Authority only approves loans to applicants with a satisfactory credit history, sufficient income to service their commitments and adequate security to secure their loan

#### (ii) Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk arises from the financial liabilities of the Authority and the Authority's subsequent ability to meet its obligations to repay its financial liabilities as and when they fall due. The Authority's objective is to drawdown funds from Western Australian Treasury Corporation (WATC) loan facilities on a as required basis in order to maintain sufficient funds to meet the day to day operations of the Authority and to meet loan drawdown requests and settlements of customers. The Authority has appropriate procedures in place to manage cash flows by monitoring cash levels on a daily basis to ensure that sufficient funds are available to meet its commitments.

#### (iii) Market Risk

Market risk arises from adverse movements in interest rates, foreign-exchange rates, or equity prices. The Authority does not trade in foreign currency and is not materially exposed to other price risks. The Authority's borrowings are all obtained through the Western Australian Treasury Corporation (WATC) and are a combination of variable and fixed rates with varying maturities. The risk is managed by WATC through portfolio diversification and variation in maturity dates. Other than detailed in the Interest rate sensitivity analysis table at Note 24(c), the Authority has limited exposure to interest rate risk because it has no borrowings other than Treasurer's advance (non-interest bearing) and WATC borrowings. Changes in official lending rates are passed onto customers once approved by the Board and the Minister.

## (b) Categories Of Financial Instruments

In addition to cash, the carrying amount and fair values of each of the following categories of financial assets and liabilities, including their levels in the fair value hierarchy, at the balance sheet date are as follows:

	Ca	errying amount \$'000	t			/alue )00	
	Loans & Receivables	Non-trading Financial Liabilities	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Financial assets	Receivables	Liabilities	10101	2000.2	2010.2		- IOtal
Cash and cash equivalents	1,013	-	1,013				
Loans and							
advances	67,519		67,519				
	68,532	-	68,532				
Financial liabilities							
Payables	-	269	269				
Borrowings	-	44,231	44,231		44,398		44,398
Amounts due to							
the Treasurer	<u>-</u>	1,560	1,560		1,560		1,560
	-	46,060	46,060				

The Authority has not disclosed fair values for financial instruments such as loans and receivables and payables, because their carrying amounts are a reasonable approximation of fair values.

There were no transfers between Levels 1, 2 or 3 during the period.

## <u>Valuation Technique Using Observable Inputs – Level 2</u>

Financial instruments that have been valued using inputs other than quoted prices as described in Level 1, but which are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. The valuation techniques include the use of the Compound Cash Rate formula or discounted cash flow formula, which takes into consideration known future cash flows (the next coupon date) and an annuity based on the difference between the coupon margin executed against the current trading margin.

#### (c) Financial Instrument Disclosures

The following tables detail the exposure to liquidity risk and interest rate risk as at balance sheet date.

(i) Contractual Maturity Dates - undiscounted cash flows (\$'000)

	Within 1 year	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	3-5 Years	More than 5 Years	Total
2014						
Financial Liabili	ties					
Payables	269	-	-	-	_	269
Borrowings Amounts due to the	43,718	122	122	218	404	44,584
Treasurer	40	42	43	93	2,865	3,083
	44,027	164	165	311	3,269	47,936

	Within 1 year	1-2 Years	2-3 Years	3-5 Years	More than 5 Years	Total
2013						
Financial Liabili	ties					
Payables	276	-	-	-	-	276
Borrowings Amounts due to the	42,775	123	122	234	511	43,765
Treasurer	38	40	41	88	2,912	3,119
	43,089	163	163	322	3,423	47,160

(ii) Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis

	Weighted		-1% cha	inge	+1% char	ige
2014	average interest	Carrying amount \$'000	Profit \$'000	Equity \$'000	Equity \$'000	Equity \$'000
Financial Assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	3.09%	1,013	(10)	(10)	10	10
Loans and advances*	5.47%	67,555	(676)	(676)	676	676
Financial Liabilities		250				
Payables	2 510/	269	425	425	- (425)	- (42E)
Borrowings	3.51%	43,500	435 (251)	435 (251)	(435) 251	(435) 251
		_	(231)	(231)		
	Weighted average interest	Carrying	-1% cl	hange	+1%	change
	rate%	amount	Profit	Equity	Profit	Equity
2013		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial Assets  Cash and cash						
equivalents	4.47%	624	(6)	(6)	6	6
Loans and advances*	5.94%	66,996	(670)	(670)	670	670
Financial Liabilities						
Payables		- 276	-	_	-	-
Borrowings	4.03%	42,500	425	425	(425)	(425)

(251)

(251)

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251

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes adjustments for impairment

#### (iii) Credit Risk Exposure

The Authority's maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date in relation to recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets reported in the Statement of Financial Position.

The Authority's credit risk is spread over a significant number of parties concentrated in the farming and business sector in rural Western Australia. The authority is therefore not materially exposed to any particular individual party.

## (iv) Net Fair Values

	2014		2013	
	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
WATC variable rate loans	43,500	43,568	42,500	42,543
WATC fixed rate loans	731	830	800	899
	44,231	44,398	43,300	43,442

The fair value of current borrowings is determined using the Compound Cash Rate formula or discounted cash flow formula, which takes into consideration known future cash flows (the next coupon date) and an annuity based on the difference between the coupon margin executed against the current trading margin. The fair values, as at 30 June 2014, are approximately 0.38% higher than the carrying amount (2013: 0.33% higher).

## 25. Remuneration of Members of The Accountable Authority and Senior Officers

## (a) Remuneration Of Members Of The Accountable Authority

The numbers of members of the Accountable Authority, whose total of fees, salaries, superannuation and other benefits for the financial year, fall within the following bands are

	2014	2013
\$10,001 - \$20,000	1	3
\$20,001 - \$30,000	1	-
\$30,001 - \$40,000	1	-
	<b>\$</b> ′000	\$'000
Base remuneration and superannuation  Annual leave and long service leave accruals	68	42
Other benefits The total remuneration of	9	10
members of the accountable authority	77	52

The superannuation included here represents the superannuation expense incurred by the Authority in respect of members of the Accountable Authority.

## (b) Remuneration Of Senior Officers

During the financial year, there were no employees as management is provided by Keystart on a cost recovery basis in accordance with contractual arrangements.

## 26. Remuneration Of The Auditor

Remuneration payable to the Auditor General for the financial year is as follows:

	2014 \$'000	2013 \$'000
Auditing the accounts, financial statements and performance indicators	36	44

# 27. Supplementary Financial Information

#### (a) Write Offs

During the year no public property was written off by the Minister.

## (b) Losses Through Theft, Default And Other Causes

There were no losses written off or recovered during the financial year

## 28. Explanatory Statement

This statement provides the details of any significant variations between estimates and actual results for 2014 and between the actual results for 2013 and 2014. Significant variations are considered to be those greater than 10% or \$100,000.

(i) Significant Variances between Actual And Estimate Results For the Current Financial Year

	2014	2014		
	Actual	Estimate	Variance	
	\$'000	<b>\$</b> ′000	\$'000	
Income				
Interest Revenue	3,744	4,211	(467)	(11%)
Expenses				
Board Member fees	77	52	25	48%
Supplies and services	6	42	(36)	(86%)
Administration expense	899	1,032	(133)	(13%)
Finance costs	1,572	1,849	(277)	(15%)
Other expenses	1	132	(131)	(99%)

## **Explanation of variations**

#### **Interest Revenue**

Interest charged to borrowers' accounts was lower in the current year than forecast. This was a result of lower average interest rates and a lower average balance in the mortgage portfolio than expected.

#### **Board Member fees**

The Board Member fees were reviewed in accordance with section 6 of the *Country Housing Act 1998* and reflect increased corporate governance responsibilities.

#### **Supplies and services**

The lease expired on Kings Park premises on 31 October 2013 and the actual make good costs were lower than expected.

## **Administration expense**

The Authority is charged a fee on a unit cost recovery basis. Loan volumes were lower than expected.

## **Finance costs**

Interest charged by WA Treasury Corporation was lower in the current year than forecast. This was a result of lower average cost of funds and a lower average balance for borrowings than expected.

#### Other expenses

Provision for bad debts in the estimate had not materialised in the current financial period. A GST claim on Kings Park premises sublet costs in the actuals was not budgeted for.

## 28. Explanatory Statement (continued)

(ii) Significant Variances Between Current Year Actual And Prior Year Actual

	2014	2013		
	Actual	Actual	Variance	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Income				
Interest Revenue	3,744	3,930	(186)	(5%)
Expenses				
Board Member fees	77	52	25	48%
Supplies and services	6	22	(16)	(73%)
Depreciation	17	46	(29)	(63%)
Administration expense	899	1,035	(136)	(13%)
Other expenses	1	49	(48)	(98%)

## **Explanation of variations**

#### **Interest Revenue**

The average interest charged to borrowers' accounts was lower in the current year compared to the prior year due to lower average interest rates.

#### **Board Member Fees**

The Board Member fees were reviewed in accordance with section 6 of the *Country Housing Act* 1998 and reflect increased corporate governance responsibilities.

## **Supplies and services**

The lease expired on Kings Park premises on 31 October 2013 resulting in lower rent than the previous year.

#### **Depreciation**

Various assets were fully depreciated part way through the year resulting in a lower depreciation figure compared to prior year.

## **Administration expense**

The Authority is charged a fee on a unit cost recovery basis. Loan volumes were lower in the current financial period.

#### Other expenses

Lower than prior year due to a GST claim on Kings Park premises sublet costs.

# **ANNUAL ESTIMATES**

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2015

	2014/15 \$'000
INCOME	<b>\$</b> 666
Revenue	
Interest Revenue	4,348
Total Income	4,348
EXPENSES	
Finance costs	1,967
Administration expense	1,047
Other expenses	61
Board member fees	78
Depreciation expense	3
Supplies and services	-
Grants and subsidies	
Total expenses	3,156
Profit	1,192

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