



committee for
**frankston and
mornington peninsula**

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The **Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula** acknowledges and pays respect to the Bunurong people, the Traditional Custodians of these lands and waters.

We pay our respects to their Elders past, present, and emerging.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



OVER THE PAST YEAR WE'VE SEEN THE COMMITTEE CONTINUE TO BUILD A STRONG COALITION OF MEMBERS, HOST OUR FIRST FUTURE FORUM AND DEVELOP A NEW AND BOLD STRATEGIC PLAN.

As Chair, I have been delighted to have helped oversee the success we have achieved as the peak advocacy body for our region and the steps we have taken in 2023 and 2024.

Following last year's merger of the *Committee for Mornington Peninsula* and *Committee for Greater Frankston*, the Committee has cemented itself as a powerful advocacy voice alongside local government and the region's leading employers, and education and health providers.

Frankston City Council joined Mornington Peninsula Shire as a local government community partner of the Committee, while we were also thrilled to welcome Peninsula Health, Monash University, Chisholm Institute and South East Water as advocacy partners.

In April, our members put their strategic thinking caps on to help us determine what our Strategic Plan should include. With nearly 200 attendees, a lively panel discussion, and extensive engagement through our workshops, we were proud to deliver our Strategic Plan the following month.

Over the past year the community mourned the tragic passing of the Federal Member for Dunkley, Peta Murphy. Peta's contribution to her community was significant, and the outpouring of love and admiration that followed was fitting for a woman who showed enormous courage her entire life. We will miss her.

Heading into 2025, the Committee is well poised to take our advocacy to the next level. Executing and advocating on our Strategic Plan alongside our key partners and members is just the first step as we continue to influence a better peninsula.

Shannon Smit

President, Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



IN THE COMING DECADES, OUR REGION
FACES SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITIES – AND
WE MUST EMBRACE THEM.

In the first twelve months as a merged entity, the *Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula* has made significant strides in positioning itself as the most powerful advocacy voice for our region.

We've continued to host valuable members forums with key-decision makers from both sides of politics, engaging guest speakers, and opportunities for members to influence our ongoing objectives.

We've also taken our advocacy to the next level – working closely with our community partners including local government – to ensure our voice is as impactful as possible.

The past year has been headlined by:

- The Committee's Future Forum, held in April, with nearly 200 attendees and thought-provoking panels and workshops.
- The launch of the Committee's Strategic Plan 2025-2030.
- Joint advocacy trip to Federal Parliament in Canberra between the Committee and Mornington Peninsula Shire Council.

More than 170 people packed the Frankston Football Club on Tuesday 16 April for the *Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula's Inaugural Future Forum*.

Business leaders, civic leaders, local government, institutions, not-for-profits, and the region's biggest employers came with their eyes firmly set on the peninsula's future.

Led by a panel of representatives from all levels of government and industry leaders, attendees discussed the long-term vision and strategy required for the Mornington Peninsula and Frankston City to respond to the challenges which will be thrown at us over the next twenty years.

The Forum was facilitated by the ABC's Bridget Rollason and keynote speaker, Simon Kuestenmacher, presented significant trends and demographic changes impacting our region.

Joining the Government-led panel was the Minister for Planning, the Hon. Sonya Kirkenny MP; the Federal Member for Flinders, Zoe McKenzie MP; and the Deputy Mayor of the Mornington Peninsula Shire, Cr Antonella Celi.

Issues canvassed at the forum included; diverse housing options around activity centres, better public transport and connectivity, and region-leading infrastructure.

Leaders from industry shared their vision too, including Vice President of CFMP and Searoad Ferries CEO, Matt McDonald; Peninsula Health CEO, Felicity Topp; Woodleigh School Principal, David Baker; Peninsula Hot Springs CEO, Craig Mitchell; and Manager of Strategy at South East Water, Karen Lau.

The workshops that followed were incredibly well-attended and engaging, and the ideas and feedback generated helped influence the development of our Strategic Plan 2025-2030.

The Committee's Strategic Plan 2025–2030 is an ambitious and unshakably proud blueprint for our region – and it's been influenced and shaped by our members.

In 15 years-time, 350,000 people will call our region home, and by 2050, the Victorian Government expects us to build 67,000 new dwellings across Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula.

This growth requires a sustainable and bold plan for our region.

Developed through consultation with members, key stakeholders, and workshops held at our Future Forum in April, the Strategic Plan outlines five key priority areas for public and private investment and support:

1. Homes and livelihoods
2. Better infrastructure; better connectivity
3. Sustainable development
4. Smarter people; healthy communities
5. A thriving local economy and world class destination.

You can view the Strategic Plan and a full list of our advocacy goals at our website.

In June I joined Mornington Peninsula Shire Mayor Cr Simon Brooks on a joint visit to Federal Parliament in Canberra to advocate for more support on housing and the establishment of the Victorian Renewable Energy Terminal in Hastings.

The Committee presented its' new *Strategic Plan*, which outlines key advocacy priorities for the Frankston and Mornington Peninsula region, including tackling our region's housing crisis, better infrastructure, and sustainable development. Many of these priorities are shared with local government.

Together with local government, we met with Ministers and Shadow Ministers thanks to the diligent work of our local Federal MP's – Zoe McKenzie and Jodie Belyea.

Taking our advocacy directly to decision-makers is crucial, and in 2025, the Committee looks forward to continuing to enhance this voice by uniting industry and local government on shared priorities.

Joshua Sinclair

CEO, Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula



WHO WE ARE

THE COMMITTEE FOR FRANKSTON & MORNINGTON PENINSULA (CFMP) IS AN APOLITICAL, NOT-FOR-PROFIT, MEMBER-BASED ORGANISATION THAT IS COMMITTED TO LEADING AND INFLUENCING LONGTERM OUTCOMES AND CONTRIBUTING TO OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES FOR OUR REGION.

The Committee provides strategic leadership, advocacy and influence to help attract government support and investment in Frankston and on the Mornington Peninsula.

As the peak advocacy body for the region, CFMP works collaboratively across industry, business, not-for-profits, and local government to influence a better Peninsula.

Our Vision

Our vision is for a region that provides for sustainable development, jobs where residents live, and world class education and health outcomes.

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to lift the prominence of the region in the thinking of government and decision-makers which delivers outcomes that enhance the liveability of our region.

Our Approach

We bring together civic and business leaders across the region who are committed and passionate about this region, and advocate to all levels of government with a collective and united voice.





BOARD MEMBERS



SHANNON SMIT

President

Shannon is Director of SMART Business Solutions, which under her leadership has become the Mornington Peninsula's most awarded accounting firm, with a reputation for working proactively with clients to help them manage their tax obligations and grow their wealth. Shannon has also owned several successful businesses and property developments, so she understands the challenges business owners face.

Shannon's career has spanned global firms in New York, Prague, Amsterdam and Melbourne, before she settled back on the Peninsula and set up SMART Business Solutions in 2007. She wanted to give local business owners access to an advisor with extensive global expertise, without having to travel to the city on weekends, you'll find her organising fundraising events for her children's school or sporting clubs.



MATT MCDONALD

Co Vice-President / Board Member

Matt is CEO of Searoad Ferries, Australia's busiest car and passenger ferry service operating between Queenscliff and Sorrento. Matt has expertise and experience in strategic planning, business development, marketing and communications. Matt holds a Master of Business Administration, is a qualified Marine Biologist and was previously Master on Luxury Super Yachts. Through his time at Searoad Ferries Matt has transformed the once traditional transport business into a flourishing tourism operation which transports over 1,000,000 passengers per year.



CHRIS PROCTER

Treasurer

Chris is the past Chief Executive Officer of Sealite, an international designer and manufacturer of marine and aviation navigation aids. The company is headquartered in Somerville and has manufacturing and office locations in the United States, United Kingdom, and Singapore.

Chris is the lead proponent and landowner of the Mornington Peninsula Technology, Industry and Business Park, a \$405M proposal that is anticipated to create up to 1,100 jobs and generate over \$800M in economic value for the region and Victorian economy.

A Mornington Peninsula resident for more than 20 years, Chris is presently a Business Growth Expert with the Australian Centre for Business Growth at UniSA Business School and holds a Bachelor of Science from Melbourne University and a Master of Marketing.



JACKIE PROSSOR

Secretary

Jackie Prossor is the Director of Prossor Town Planning, a professional planning consultancy specialising in technical planning advice and projects.

Jackie has a Master of Social Science, Planning & Environment and over 20 years of planning experience in both local government and as a private planning consultant. With extensive knowledge of legislation and planning schemes, Jackie is an experienced negotiator for planning outcomes and strategy development.

Highly engaged across the both the Mornington Peninsula and Melbourne business community, Jackie has built a strong professional network, reflective of the success she has delivered for her clients.



ROD EVENDEN

Co-Vice President / Board Member

Rod is a local lawyer and passionate about his community. Rod has decades of experience as a commercial lawyer and is a former partner of White Cleland.

He has a degree in science and a masters of commercial law, and is both an accredited business law specialist and registered Trade Marks attorney.

Rod was the former President of the Committee for Greater Frankston and brings with him a passion and commitment in helping make Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula a great place to live, work and invest.



PIPPA HANSON

Board Member

Pippa Hanson is the CEO of The Sports Injury Clinic, she co-founded the progressive allied health business in 2004, which has now grown to employ over 60 skilled allied health professionals and support staff.

Her educational background includes a Graduate Certificate in Management and a Masters of Business with a specialisation in HR Management. Prior to venturing into entrepreneurship, Pippa's expertise was recognised through her lecturing roles in Business Management and Human Resource Management.

With an extensive 18-year career in the Government sector, Pippa possesses a wealth of experience and insights that have contributed to the success of her business.

Pippa's passion for supporting the community aligns with her role as a prominent business leader, driving both professional growth and positive social impact through The Sports Injury Clinic's operations and engagement with the local area.



TRUDY POOLE

Board Member

Trudy and her husband Russell owned the transport business Tiltaway for 25 years, which ran a fleet of 12 trucks that transported equipment for the construction industry throughout Victoria.

They sold their business six years ago. Trudy is a foundation member of Rotary Peninsula 2.0.

As a result of her deep involvement in many volunteer organisations throughout the community, she was awarded Frankston's Volunteer of the Year in 2016 and Frankston City, Citizen of the Year 2022.



JEROME KEATING

Board Member

Jerome Keating is a Senior Associate at Macpherson Kelley. He commenced his specialisation in Commercial Litigation in 2018, after acquiring a unique depth of knowledge through his experience in government advisory. Jerome's early work for the Office of Public Prosecutions, Supreme Court of Victoria, Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions, and Victoria Police provided him with a useful insight into the intersections between public and private operators.

His experience dealing with government advisory, environment and public health enforcement, complex contractual & development disputes, compulsory acquisition and shareholder/partnership disputes has led to numerous successful client outcomes.

Jerome lives in Mornington and is excited about the vision of the Committee and what it can achieve.



JADE PHELAN

Board Member

Jade is the Chief Executive Officer of the Bays Healthcare Group, an independent not-for-profit healthcare provider based in Mornington and has more than 10 years of senior management experience in the healthcare industry.

Jade's background includes working for ASX listed healthcare operators and, prior to becoming a healthcare professional, spent ten years working for two of the 'Big 4' accounting firms. Jade holds a Master of Business Administration, Bachelor of Business and a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment.

Like healthcare, Jade was drawn to the Committee for Mornington Peninsula to make a difference in people's lives.



PETER BEALE

Board Member

Peter is a Senior Asset Manager with Australian Unity, based in Spring St Melbourne.

Peter works in Healthcare Real Estate Investment and has tertiary qualifications in Town Planning.

He brings insight from both fields to the Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula.

Peter was a Board Member of the Committee for Greater Frankston for the past 3 years and Australian Unity has been a member of both Committees since their inception.

He views the Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula as an opportunity for people to help shape the future of the region through advocating for projects and processes to improve living, working and relaxing in the area.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

We will:

- Demand fairer funding and investment opportunities for our region.
- Continue to advocate for ‘whole of region’ thinking and planning with one collective and united voice.
- Provide high-level and valuable events, roundtables, forums and briefings with senior decision-makers at all levels of government and influence.
- Collaborate with local government on shared advocacy objectives that benefit our members and help deliver good outcomes for the region. This includes political lobbying efforts at State and Federal government.
- Provide benchmarking and detailed analysis of how our region is fairing when compared to other comparable regions, and how the work of the Committee is influencing these outcomes.
- Maintain a quality and extensive CFMP membership base and deliver positive outcomes for members within budget, while improving CFMP’s financial position over time.
- Maintain effective bi-partisan engagement and collaboration at all levels of government with local representatives in our region.
- Partner with schools and education providers and ensure youth in our region are represented in forums, roundtables and policy discussions facilitated by CFMP.

STRATEGIC PLAN 2025-2030

The Committee provides a collective voice for members and partners to advocate for better outcomes for our region.

Following the merger of *Committee for Greater Frankston* with *Committee for Mornington Peninsula* in 2023, this Strategic Plan provides a collective and holistic approach to advocacy efforts for the region. It does this with the collaboration of our members, key community partners, businesses, stakeholders and local government.

The overarching aims of this strategic plan are to:

- Implement actions that are aligned to help deliver better outcomes in our key priority areas.
- Strengthen relationships and collaboration across our membership base to better represent the community's needs and advocacy objectives.
- Provide a meaningful membership experience for our members who seek to make and influence positive change in our region.

We will focus on several key priorities:

- **Homes and livelihoods;** addressing the region's housing crisis by delivering homes and improving socio-economic outcomes.
- **Better connectivity, better infrastructure;** connecting people to hubs, activity centres and services.
- **Sustainable development;** embracing sustainable growth and new energy opportunities.
- **Smarter people, healthy communities;** connecting students to jobs, and providing world class healthcare.
- **A thriving local economy and world class destination;** empowering business and promoting our region to the world.



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

Homes & Livelihoods

BACKGROUND:

- More than 40% of renters are in rental stress.
- Significant shortage of affordable housing.
- Little accommodation for diverse workforce.
- Our region is ranked the fourth worst in the State for rates of homelessness – including for those sleeping rough.

GOAL:

To encourage more diverse housing options and better use of land to deliver more homes for residents and our workforce.

KEY ACTIONS:

- Advocate for continued private and public investment for diverse housing across the region.
- Advocate for appropriate surplus port-related land to be rezoned residential and increase housing supply close to major roads and public transport.
- Support supply for key worker housing in our region that assists industry in finding accommodation for their staff.
- Advocate for greater support from Government to ensure our region receives our fair share and is eligible for funding that reflects our region's challenges.
- Advocate for a reduction in regulation and planning barriers which prevent appropriate developments increasing housing supply; including reductions in land tax, government levies, and unnecessary planning restrictions or delays.

Better Infrastructure;

Better Connectivity

BACKGROUND:

- 82% of the Mornington Peninsula Shire is not serviced by public transport.
- The Stony Point line = Metro's least reliable line.
- 3% of residents use public transport – that's the lowest in Melbourne. The state average is 15%.

GOAL:

Secure funding and bi-partisan support for better local infrastructure. This includes improved public transport and road networks which enhance the liveability of our region.

KEY ACTIONS:

- Advocate for better rail beyond Frankston, including a new business case that re-assesses the upgrade of the rail line to Hastings and Mornington.
- Advocate for better bus connections across the peninsula, including more frequent services that connect townships to activity centres, employees to employers, and students to educators.
- Advocate for major projects which enhance connectivity, reduce congestion, increase productivity and improve road safety.
- Advocate for direct express rail services between Frankston and the city during AM/PM peak hour.
- Advocate for better ferry connections.
- Call for improvements to basic services.
- Advocate for significant funding for key projects within Frankston's Activity Centre.

Sustainable Development

BACKGROUND:

- Lack of available industrial land has led to economic and job losses.
- Port-related activities remain uncertain.
- Environmental assets, like recycled water and the green wedge, are under resourced. This leads to a loss of our competitive edge.

GOAL:

To encourage and create new and sustainable jobs and bring future-focused industries to our region.

KEY ACTIONS:

- Advocate for surplus port-related land to be made available for broader industrial and commercial uses to support local industry, encourage investment and create local jobs.
- Support and endorse the establishment of the Victorian Renewable Energy Terminal at the Port of Hastings, and further green-port related net-zero industries.
- Encourage investment in clean energy industries that provide an ongoing economic, social and environmental benefits to our region.
- Collaborate with partners and government to advocate for a Mornington Peninsula Recycled Water Scheme that supports agriculture, our green wedge, food security and climate change resilience.
- Collaborate with local government and stakeholders to identify land suitable for industry in Frankston City to create new and sustainable jobs near Carrum Downs Industrial Estate.

Smarter People; Healthy Communities

BACKGROUND:

- Rosebud Hospital is in need of a major redevelopment.
- Only 17.2% of residents have attained a bachelor's degree. State average is 24.3%.
- More than 27% of the community is over 65 years of age.

GOAL:

To promote and advocate for equitable access to first-class health and education services in our region.

KEY ACTIONS:

- Seek government funding and support for significant investment into TAFE and training in Western Port and on the Southern Peninsula.
- Advocate for significant investments in local trade and job-ready courses which provide better pathways to students and local industry.
- Advocate for fairer funding of schools based on need and improving schooling engagement.
- Advocate for a major redevelopment of Rosebud Hospital – including an expanded emergency department, new operating theatres, a teaching and training precinct, and contemporary medical services.
- Partner with government and stakeholders to encourage private investment into the existing Frankston Health and Education precincts.
- Partner with government and advocate for significant infrastructure investments with improve healthy lifestyles, including active transport links and trails.

A Thriving Local Economy & World class Destination

BACKGROUND:

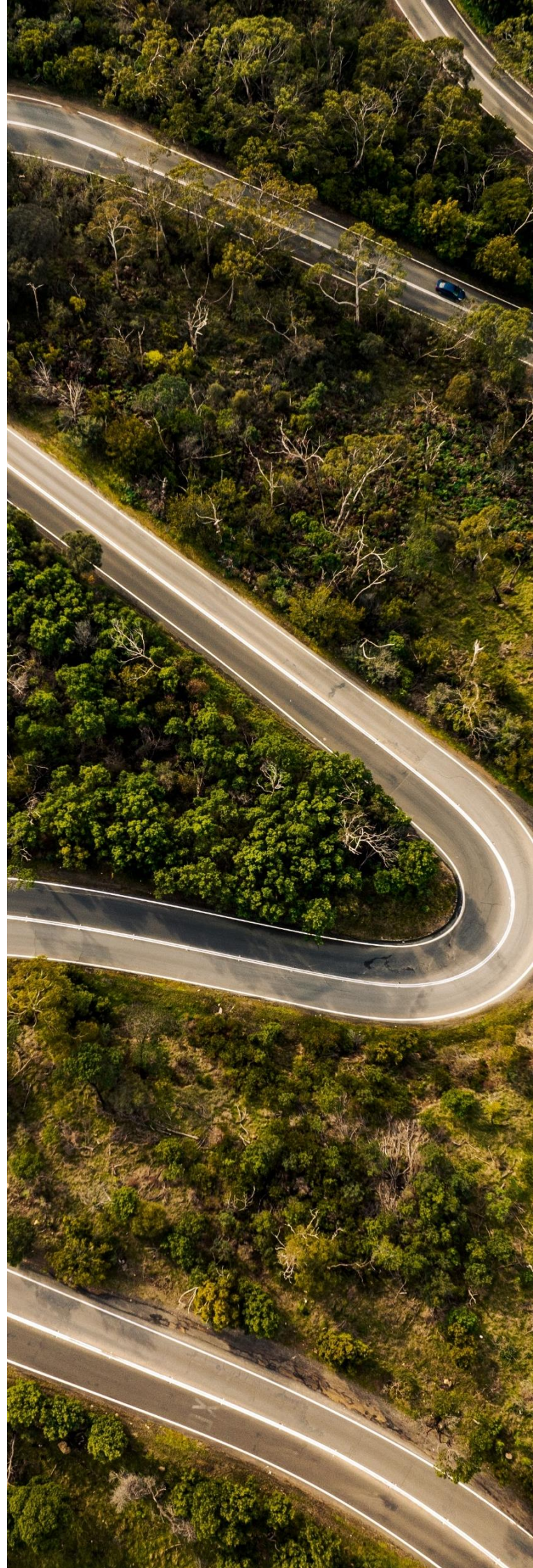
- Businesses in our region pay more – including \$150m more in payroll tax and 50% more in stamp duty compared to comparable regions of Victoria.
- Business is ineligible for many funding opportunities due to our metropolitan designation. There's no nuance from government or recognition of our unique challenges.

GOAL:

Leverage the Peninsula's status as a world-class destination to foster economic growth through fairer government funding and incentives.

KEY ACTIONS:

- Advocate for the region to receive equitable taxing arrangements which reflect our unique characteristics.
- Advocate to all levels of government to provide incentives for businesses who offer accommodation for their workforce.
- Call for the realignment of the Department of Immigration's regional designation to allow the Mornington Peninsula LGA to be considered regional for the purposes of working holiday visas.
- Advocate for a flagship regional conference and exhibition centre with accommodation facilities, which would attract nationally significant events, conferences and exhibitions.
- Seek funding that supports the Arts and Cultural designations within our region.
- Partner with the Regional Tourism Board and local government to elevate the profile of the region and attract greater economic investment.



PROGRESS REPORT 2023-2024

Guiding Principles

- The Committee has continued to meet with Ministers, Shadow ministers, and key-decision makers to demand fairer funding and investment opportunities for our region.
- CFMP, leading a coalition of partners and members, continues to advocate as a 'whole of region' approach with both Frankston City Council and Mornington Peninsula Shire.
- The Committee hosted high-level and valuable events in the past year, with Ministers, Shadow Ministers, Party leaders and key-decision makers. Our headlining event for 2024 was the Committee's Future Forum in April.
- The Committee has collaborated with local government on shared advocacy objectives, including a joint advocacy visit to Federal Parliament in Canberra. We also welcome Frankston City Council as a Community Partner, joining the Mornington Peninsula Shire.
- The Committee has grown its' member base to more than 80 and improved its financial position significantly in the past year.
- CFMP continues to maintain effective bi-partisan engagement support at all levels of government, and with all of our local MP's and councillors.

Strategic Objectives

Homes & Livelihoods

- Made a submission to the Victorian Government's Plan for Victoria
- Made a submission to the Mornington Peninsula Shire's Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme.
- Made a submission to the Planning Panels Victoria – FMAC Structure Plan / C160fran
- CFMP met with the Minister for Housing, the Hon. Harriet Shing, to discuss the Government's Housing Statement.
- CFMP met with the Federal Minister for Housing, the Hon. Julie Collins and her office at Federal Parliament in Canberra.
- CFMP facilitated a briefing on crisis accommodation support, conducted by Fusion Mornington Peninsula. Fusion were provided free Committee membership for 12 months.

Better Infrastructure; better connectivity

- Made a joint submission with Mornington Peninsula Shire to the Federal Government's Infrastructure Investment Program Independent Review.
- CFMP welcomed the Federal Coalition's funding commitment of \$900 million for improvements to the Frankston line extension towards Langwarrin.





Sustainable Development

- Made a submission to the Port of Hastings Port Development Strategy
- CFMP called for the Environmental Effects Statement (EES) process for the Renewable Energy Terminal at the Port of Hastings to recommence.
- CFMP have maintained a positive relationship and dialogue with the Western Port Biosphere, Port of Hastings, and offshore wind proponents in relation to the State-significant project.

Smarter people; healthy communities

- Peninsula Health, Monash University, Chisholm Institute, FMPLLEN, Flinders Christian College joined the Committee in the past year.
- CFMP continues to publicly advocate for an upgrade to Rosebud Hospital.
- CFMP – in partnership with Peninsula Health – provided a briefing to our members on the redevelopment of Frankston Hospital.

A Thriving Local Economy & World Class Destination

- CFMP facilitated a roundtable discussion with the Shadow Minister for Small & Family Business, the Hon. Sussan Ley.
- CFMP facilitated an employment and workplace forum with the Shadow Minister for workplace and employment relations, Senator the Hon. Michaelia Cash.
- In partnership with CFMP, NAB business banking Mornington provided an economic briefing for members.

ADVOCACY & MEMBERSHIP

The Committee's advocacy efforts – combined with a valuable and growing membership base – has significantly improved in the past 12 months.

Engaging events, valuable roundtables, and member briefings have ensured the Committee is the peak advocacy body for Frankston and the Mornington Peninsula.

July 2023

- 12/07 – CFMP Members Breakfast at Sages Cottage, Baxter.
- 18/07 – CFMP Evening Drinks with Mornington Peninsula Shire Councillors at Crittenden Estate, Dromana.

August 2023

- 11/08 – First joint meeting of merged *Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula* board.

MPs line up to support 'bipartisan' lobby group

September 2023

- 05/09 – CFMP Members Breakfast at Mercetta, Mornington with Small and Family Business Ombudsman, Bruce Billson.
- 15/09 – Tourism Roundtable with the Minister for Tourism, the Hon. Steve Dimopoulos MP.



October 2023

- 05/10 – CFMP Members Briefing by NAB Business Banking Mornington and Senior Economist Brody Viney.
- 06/10 – CFMP CEO toured Hydrogen Export Supply Chain ship at Port of Hastings.
- 08/10 – Featured comments in Herald Sun article about Frankston train line extension.
- 24/10 – CFMP Members Lunch & Board Private meeting with the Victorian Leader of the Opposition, John Pesutto MP.



November 2023

- 01/11 – CFMP Members Roundtable with the Shadow Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, Senator Michaelia Cash.
- 09/11 – CFMP Members Briefing with the Federal Member for Dunkley, Peta Murphy MP.



- 5/11 – CFMP CEO attended the Mornington Peninsula Shire Business Excellence Awards.
- 17/11 – CFMP CEO appeared on ABC Radio Melbourne's Drive with Ali Moore to discuss the Frankston Rail extension.
- 28/11 – CFMP Annual General Meeting held.

December 2023

- 04/12 – CFMP acknowledged the passing of local Federal MP, Peta Murphy.

January 2024

- 30/01 – CFMP Briefing from the Minister for Housing, the Hon. Harriet Shing MP.

February 2024

- 01/02 – CFMP Members Breakfast Briefing from Fusion Mornington Peninsula and the two major party federal candidates for the Dunkley by-election.



- 01/02 – Comments featured in Herald Sun article discussing the major issues facing Dunkley in the March by-election.

Transport, housing crucial to Dunkley win

EXCLUSIVE Jade Gallberger

More affordable housing for healthcare workers and better public transport access are the top priorities in Dunkley ahead of the by-election, the Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula says. The advocacy body is calling for upgrades to the Stony Point railline, after Labor used \$225m in funding for works that An-

thony Albanese pledged between Frankston and Baxter. But Treasurer Jim Chalmers, who visited the electorate on Wednesday, defended the project cancellation saying the government needed to get "value for money" from investments. Committee CEO Josh Sinclair said Dunkley was a great place to live and work, but "ongoing challenges" were impacting "livability, health outcomes, and education op-

portunities. Mr Sinclair urged both major parties to work with local and state government to encourage young doctors, nurses and healthcare workers to live in affordable accommodation in Frankston. "A Key Worker Housing initiative in Dunkley would ensure the soon to be redeveloped Frankston Hospital and other health services have the staff we need," he said. "A lack of supply and

gentrification of many parts of Dunkley mean many long-term locals are being priced out of the area. That's not what Frankston is about." Mr Sinclair, an ALP member, said the committee was disappointed when \$225m for the Frankston to Baxter rail project was scrapped because residents wanted better rail. Labor holds the seat on a 6.3 per cent margin. The by-election will be held on March 2.

- 02/02 – CFMP CEO appeared on ABC Radio Melbourne's Drive with Ali Moore to discuss the Frankston rail extension commitment by the federal Coalition.
- 21/02 – CFMP CEO appeared on panel during ABC Melbourne's live broadcast in Frankston ahead of Dunkley by-election.

March 2024

- 15/03 – CFMP Members & Small Business Roundtable with the Shadow Minister for Small and Family Business, Sussan Ley MP.

April 2024

- 16/04 – CFMP Future Forum held with more than 170 people attending. This was 2024's flagship event for the Committee. Guests included the Minister for Planning, the Hon. Sonya Kilkenny MP; and demographer Simon Kuestenmacher.



- 17/04 – CFMP CEO comments featured in Herald Sun article regarding housing on the Mornington Peninsula.

May 2024

- 09/05 – CFMP Members Briefing with Peninsula Health on the Frankston Hospital Redevelopment, held at Frankston RSL.



- 15/05 – Post-budget digital event facilitated by NAB Business Banking Mornington for CFMP members.

June 2024

- 20/06 – CFMP Community Partners and Corporate Gold Members Breakfast Briefing on Strategic Plan 2025-2030, held at Tully's, Mornington.

- 26/06 – Joint advocacy trip to Canberra between CFMP CEO and Mornington Peninsula Shire Mayor, Cr Simon Brooks. Meetings were held with the offices of the Minister for Environment, the Hon. Tana Plibersek MP; and the Minister for Housing, the Hon. Julie Collins MP.



Lobbying for peninsula in Canberra

Keith Platt
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THE Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula and Mornington Peninsula Shire Council president Jodie Belyea last week to lobby federal politicians about homelessness, housing and the use of land near the Port of Hastings.

The committee's CEO Josh Sinclair, shire mayor Cr Simon Brooks and advocacy communications and engagement manager Randal Mathieson met in Canberra to express their shared concerns.

The shire is a "community member" of the committee and Brooks and Mathieson extended their Canberra visit by two days to join a delegation from the Greater South East Melbourne (GSEM) for more meetings with ministers and their staff.

This face-to-face advocacy is really important as it enables us to explore direct funding sources from the federal government and push for a more equitable distribution of federal funds to state government to the local government," Brooks told *The News*.

"These meetings also give us the opportunity to directly influence key national decision makers and keep our main priorities front of mind."

Brooks thanked Dunkley MP, Jodie Belyea (Labour) and Flinders MP Zoe McKenzie (Liberal) for their help in arranging meetings with ministers and their staff.

Sinclair said the committee "presented" MPs with a strategic plan that outlined "key advocacy priorities for the Frankston and Mornington Peninsula region, including tackling our region's housing crisis, better infrastructure and sustainable development". "Some of these priorities are shared with local government."

The committee will launch its strategic plan in full to its members on 18 July at Hastings.

Sinclair said meetings had been held with Environment Minister Tanya Plibersek's office and chief of staff and Housing Minister Julie Collins' office and her senior adviser. "It also briefly met with Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Budget McKenzie and Victorian Senator, Jane Hume."

Talks about housing and localisation surplus port-zoned land near Hastings for housing to help the state government meet its target of providing 67,000 new homes for Frankston and the peninsula.

The MPs and their staff had been told of the need for more crisis accommodation and places for "key workers" to live.

Sinclair said the committee had told Plibersek's staff that it was a terminal

to build offshore wind turbines at Hastings in the "controversy as attracting further green and clean energy industries and high-tech precincts ... [by] Western Port".

"Certainty is what the community, stakeholders and business are after when it comes to long term, game-changing projects like the (peninsula) and the committee is comfortable that the process is now progressing in the right direction after some initial uncertainty," he said.

Brooks described the meetings with MPs and their staff as "very constructive and (in a small way) have several positive leads and actions to follow up to help address these pressing issues".



COMMITTEE for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula CEO Josh Sinclair, Mornington Shire mayor Simon Brooks, and Dunkley MP Jodie Belyea meet with the office of housing minister Julie Collins. Picture: Supplied

Committee completes Canberra trip

AN advocacy group representing the Frankston and Mornington Peninsula regions has travelled to Canberra to present its vision to federal politicians.

The Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula visited the nation's capital last week. The committee's CEO Josh Sinclair joined Mornington Shire mayor Simon Brooks and the Shire's advocacy manager Randal Mathieson to meet with Dunkley MP Jodie Belyea and Flinders MP Zoe McKenzie, whose offices are in Frankston and Somerville respectively. It also says it held meetings with the offices of environment minister Tanya Plibersek and housing minister Julie Collins, and "briefly met" with opposition MPs Bridget McKenzie and Jane Hume.

The committee presented its strategic plan to MPs. The plan will be presented to committee members on 18 July.

In a statement to committee members, CEO Josh Sinclair said that housing was at the top of the priority list. "The discussion around housing

and homelessness centred around a number of advocacy initiatives, including unlocking surplus port-zoned land near Hastings for residential purposes to assist the Victorian Government in meeting their 67,000 new homes target for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula," he said.

Sinclair said that the committee also discussed "providing more support for crisis accommodation across our region, workforce accommodation issues and key worker accommodation across Frankston and Mornington Peninsula and across different industries, getting our fair share from state government under the Big Housing Build, and being included in programs that would assist our region including the Regional Workers Accommodation Fund and revenue generated from the short-stay levy."

"Discussions with the minister for environment's office focussed around the current proposal for the Victorian Renewable Energy Terminal to be established at the Port of Hastings," Sinclair said.

- The Committee and Mayor were acknowledged by the Speaker in the House of Representatives following a day of productive meetings with Ministers, Shadow Ministers and the Members for Flinders and Dunkley – Zoe McKenzie MP and Jodie Belyea MP.



- 28/06 – CFMP CEO attended a consultation session with tourism and hospitality businesses facilitated by the Mornington Peninsula Regional Tourism Board, Shadow Minister for Tourism, Sam Groth MP; and Shadow Minister for Planning; James Newbury MP.

FEEDBACK

"Thank you CFMP for hosting this informative event. Brody's presentation was very insightful to gauge the current and forecast climate of the national and global economy."

- **Cr Antonella Celi on the NAB Business Banking Briefing hosted in October, 2023.**

"We had a great lunch with the Committee and discussed the regions' future challenges and opportunities."

- **John Pesutto MP, Leader of the Victorian Opposition.**

"So much energy, dedication and insight in the room today! It's really exciting to imagine what we might achieve, in and for our region, through effective collaboration.

- **Cr Claire Harvey – Future Forum.**

"An inspiring morning... For the FMP to live up to its full potential, it will require 'co-effort' across government, industry and business."

- **Jodie Belyea MP – Future Forum.**

"A fascinating moment for reflection and debate."

- **Zoe McKenzie MP – Future Forum.**

"Fabulous. The demographic data was sobering. We need to do things differently, and we need to respond with a united voice. With some amazing people in the room, we've got to be able to work together to achieve this."

- **Kristy Kendall, Toorak College – Future Forum.**

"Thank you for an informative and productive event. It proved the value of the Committee to anyone who may have doubted it."

- **Christine Richards, former Chair of Committee for Greater Frankston – Future Forum.**

"As a resident and business owner, I want to see a strong and effective advocacy group that is above politics. It's clear the Committee is in good hands and well placed to attract investment and attention for our region."

- **Ben Manning, Resolute Painting and Projects.**



Annual Financial Report

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula

ABN 23 974 421 078

For the year ended 30 June 2024

Prepared by SMART BUSINESS SOLUTIONS

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Compilation Report

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

Compilation report to Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula.

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula, which comprise the asset and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2024, income and expenditure statement, the statement of cash flows, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1.

The Responsibility of the Committee Member's

The committee of Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the basis of accounting used is appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the partners we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315 *Compilation of Financial Information*.

We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants*.

Independence

We are not independent of Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula because the firm holds a membership in the Association. I am also the director of Smart Business Solutions, and President of the Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula.

SMART Business Solutions

Shannon Smit

Dated: / /

Committee's Report

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

Committee's Report

Your committee members submit the financial report of Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

Committee Members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Committee Member	Position	Date Started	Date Departed
Shannon Smit	President	13th March 2019	
Matthew McDonald	Co-Vice-President	13th March 2019	
Rod Evenden	Co-Vice-President	19th September 2023	
Chris Procter	Treasurer	13th March 2019	
Jackie Prossor	Secretary	13th March 2019	
Jade Phelan	Non Executive Director	4th February 2022	
Jerome Keating	Non Executive Director	7th March 2023	
Pippa Hanson	Non Executive Director	19th September 2023	
Trudy Poole	Non Executive Director	19th September 2023	
Peter Beale	Non Executive Director	19th September 2023	

Meetings of Committee Members

During the financial year, a number of committee meetings were held. Attendances by each of committee member during the year were as follows:

Committee Members Name	Number Eligible to Attend	Number Attended
Shannon Smit	12	11
Matthew McDonald	12	8
Rod Evenden	9	7
Chris Procter	12	12
Jackie Prossor	12	10
Jade Phelan	12	9
Jerome Keating	12	9
Pippa Hanson	9	6
Trudy Poole	9	7
Peter Beale	9	7

Principal Activities

The purpose of the Association is to be an independent, member-based organisation committed to leading and influencing long-term outcomes and contributing to the strategic objectives for the Greater Frankston and broader Mornington Peninsula.

The Association works beyond electoral cycles and partisan politics with the aim of enhancing the social, economic and environmental sustainability to improve living standards, growth and sustainability of the region.

To achieve the purpose is achieved through the following principle activities;

1. Working with Local, State, and Federal Government to support the Mornington Peninsula's future positive image, growth, and development;
2. Encouraging the raising of the profile of the Mornington Peninsula as desirable place to work, open and grow business and live;
3. Advocating for and assisting in the economic growth in the Mornington Peninsula region by improving access to investment opportunities and employment;
4. Improving regional connectivity, including public transport, facilities and infrastructure to encourage increase in workforce by attracting more employable residence;
5. Seeking to shape policy to ensure the future prosperity of the Mornington Peninsula;
6. Bringing together community business and government to develop a vision for the Mornington Peninsula;
7. Facilitating implementation of agreed objectives.

Merger of the Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula

In September 2023, the Committee for Greater Frankston merged with the Committee for Mornington Peninsula to enhance advocacy efforts in our region. The Committee for Frankston & Mornington Peninsula has become the peak advocacy body for the region and has continued to grow members, develop a new Strategic Plan, and has this year participated in advocacy visits to the highest decision-makers in the country.

Operating Result

The surplus after providing for income tax for the financial year amounted to \$54,237

Going Concern

This financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis which contemplates continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and settlement of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. The ability of the association to continue to operate as a going concern is dependent upon the ability of the association to generate sufficient cash flows from operations to meet its liabilities. The members of the association believe that the going concern assumption is appropriate.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee on:

Shannon Smit (President)

Date / /

Chris Procter (Treasurer)

Date / /

Income and Expenditure Statement

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

	NOTES	2024	2023
Income			
Memberships	2	240,100	96,459
Event Income	3	4,218	177
Total Income		244,318	96,636
Gross Surplus			
		244,318	96,636
Expenditure			
Administration Expenses	4	7,039	2,877
Campaigns & Advocacy	5	40	994
Corporate Costs	6	7,203	5,047
Event Hosting	7	23,357	4,854
Executive Services	8	133,087	65,182
Marketing & Promotion	9	16,555	7,234
Occupancy Expenses	10	865	308
Training & Professional Development		1,695	-
Interest Expense - ATO		1	-
Stripe Fees (no GST)		240	-
Total Expenditure		190,082	86,495
Current Year Surplus/ (Deficit) Before Income Tax Adjustments		54,237	10,142
Current Year Surplus/(Deficit) Before Income Tax		54,237	10,142
Net Current Year Surplus After Income Tax		54,237	10,142

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Assets and Liabilities Statement

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula As at 30 June 2024

	NOTES	30 JUNE 2024	30 JUNE 2023
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents		210,833	167,426
Trade and Other Receivables	11	25,410	11,165
Total Current Assets		236,243	178,591
Non-Current Assets			
Plant and Equipment	12	1,730	2,595
Total Non-Current Assets		1,730	2,595
Total Assets		237,974	181,186
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and Other Payables	13	5,646	6,522
GST Payable		8,675	8,696
Employee Entitlements		3,047	(401)
Total Current Liabilities		17,368	14,817
Total Liabilities		17,368	14,817
Net Assets		220,605	166,369
Member's Funds			
Capital Reserve		220,605	166,369
Total Member's Funds		220,605	166,369

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements. These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements are special purpose financial statements prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historic costs and do not take into account changing money values or, except where stated specifically, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

Income Tax

The Committee believes that the Association should be exempt from income tax as a Community Service organisation in accordance with Section 50-10 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. Should this not be the case the Committee believes that the income of the Association would not be assessable on the basis of the Mutuality Principle.

Cash on Hand

Cash on hand includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Accounts Receivable and Other Debtors

Accounts receivable and other debtors include amounts due from members as well as amounts receivable from donors. Receivables expected to be collected within 12 months of the end of the reporting period are classified as current assets. All other receivables are classified as non-current assets.

Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

Grant and donation income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

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

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the assets and liabilities statement.

Accounts Payable and Other Payables

Accounts payable and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the association during the reporting period that remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability.

	2024	2023
2. Membership Income		
Memberships (205)	44,000	-
Memberships - Corporate Members	90,500	33,000
Memberships - Corporate Gold Members	83,600	46,900
Memberships - Not for Profit Members	9,350	5,850
Memberships - Small Business Members	12,650	10,709
Total Membership Income	240,100	96,459
	2024	2023
3. Event Income		
Event Income	4,218	177
Total Event Income	4,218	177
	2024	2023
4. Administration Expenses		
Administration	111	-
Administration - Communications - Phone/Internet	1,468	-
Administration - Office Expenses	250	527
Administration - Printing & Stationery	131	-
Administration - Subscriptions (Xero, Zoom, Survery Monkey)	3,317	860
Administration - Website Development & Maintenance (Synergy 8)	1,761	1,490
Total Administration Expenses	7,039	2,877
	2024	2023
5. Campaigns & Advocacy		
Campaigns & Advocacy	40	994
Total Campaigns & Advocacy	40	994
	2024	2023
6. Corporate Costs		
Corporate Costs - Bad Debts	550	3,000
Corporate Costs - Bank Fees	51	29
Corporate Costs - C4MP Meeting expenses	129	-
Corporate Costs - Filing Fees	29	61

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Corporate Costs - Insurance - PI & Workcover	5,773	1,259
Corporate Costs - Stripe Fees	671	697
Total Corporate Costs	7,203	5,047
	2024	2023

7. Event Hosting Expenses

Event Hosting	20,818	4,163
Event Hosting - Breakfasts	1,488	159
Event Hosting - Networking	1,051	-
Event Hosting - Workshops	-	532
Total Event Hosting Expenses	23,357	4,854
	2024	2023

8. Executive Services

Executive Services	918	-
Executive Services - Executive Officer Salary	115,192	58,235
Executive Services - Motor Vehicle Expenses	689	-
Executive Services - Allowance - Telephone & Internet	454	108
Executive Services - Travel - National	3,163	812
Executive Services - Superannuation	12,671	6,027
Total Executive Services	133,087	65,182
	2024	2023

9. Marketing & Promotion Expenses

Marketing & Promotion	16,555	33
Marketing & Promotion - Advertising	-	542
Marketing & Promotion - Contractors - Communications & PR	-	6,659
Total Marketing & Promotion Expenses	16,555	7,234
	2024	2023

10. Occupancy Expenses

Occupancy - Depreciation	865	308
Total Occupancy Expenses	865	308
	2024	2023

11. Trade and Other Receivables

Trade Receivables		
Accounts Receivable	25,410	11,165
Total Trade Receivables	25,410	11,165
Total Trade and Other Receivables	25,410	11,165

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

	2024	2023
12. Plant & Equipment		
Computer Equipment	2,903	2,903
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Computer Equipment	(1,173)	(308)
Total Plant & Equipment	1,730	2,595
	2024	2023
13. Trade and Other Payable		
Accounts Payable	3,190	(436)
PAYG Withholdings Payable	2,456	1,792
Sundry Creditors	-	5,166
Total Trade and Other Payable	5,646	6,522

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

Movements in Equity

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Equity		
Opening Balance	166,369	156,227
Increases		
Profit for the Period	54,237	10,142
Total Increases	54,237	10,142
Total Equity	220,605	166,369

Statement of Cash Flows - Direct Method

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2024	2023
Operating Activities		
Receipts From Members	246,465	114,630
Cash Receipts From Other Operating Activities	4,630	270
Cash Payments From Other Operating Activities	(207,687)	(93,611)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	43,408	21,289
Investing Activities		
Payment for Property, Plant and Equipment	-	(2,903)
Other Cash Items From Investing Activities		
New Stripe AUD	(15,180)	-
New Stripe AUD	15,180	-
Total Other Cash Items From Investing Activities	-	-
Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities	-	(2,903)
Net Cash Flows	43,408	18,386
Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	167,426	149,040
Cash and Cash Equivalents	43,408	18,386
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	210,833	167,426
Net change in cash for period	43,408	18,386

True and Fair Position

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

Annual Statements Give True and Fair View of Financial Position and Performance of the Association

We, Shannon Smit - President, and Chris Procter - Treasurer, being members of the committee of Committee for Mornington Peninsula, certify that –

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of Committee for Mornington Peninsula during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2023.

Signed:

Shannon Smit (President)

Dated: / /

Signed:

Chris Procter (Treasurer)

Dated: / /

Auditor's Report

Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula For the year ended 30 June 2024

Independent Auditors Report to the members of the Association

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula (the association), which comprises the committee's report, the assets and liabilities statement as at 30 June 2024, the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, cash flow statement, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the certification by members of the committee on the annual statements giving a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the association.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of Committee for Mornington Peninsula is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and has determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the [insert name of applicable state/territory Act] and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's 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 association'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 association'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.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects (or gives a true and fair view –refer to the applicable state/territory Act), the financial position of Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula as at 30 June 2024 and (of) its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the [insert name of applicable state/territory Act].

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Committee for Frankston and Mornington Peninsula to meet the requirements of the [insert name of applicable state/territory Act]. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Auditor's signature: [insert name]

Auditor's address: [insert address]

Dated: / /