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Annual Report 2025

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Chairperson - Phil Walcott (23/01/2017 -
Master of Arts
Bachelor of Social Science
Diploma of Teaching

Treasurer – Rakapa (Ra) Schwalger (18/02/2021 -
2020 Master of Commerce – UNE Armidale
2018 Graduate Certificate in Accounting – UNE Armidale
2012 Degree in Professional Accounting and Management – Wintec Waikato NZ

Vice Chairperson – Susan (Jane) Clark (3/02/2022 -
Diploma of Professional Counselling (Current)
Netgrrl Web Development (Owner)
Website Developer and Trainer

Board Member – Gavin Connaughton (08/02/2023 – 30/06/2025)
2023 Advanced Diploma Community Sector Management
2019 Diploma Alcohol and Other Drugs - RMIT University
2019/21 Board Member - Drug and Alcohol Services Australia (DASA)
2015 Certified Professional - Australian Human Resources Institute
2013 Bachelor of Business, Human Resources and Management - Edith Cowan University
2006 Diploma Occupational Safety, Health and Training - Swan TAFE
2005 Certificate IV Assessment and Workplace Training - Nationwide Training WA

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Board Member – Frances Paterson-Fleider (21/11/2024 –
Master's Degree in Property Development (Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen)
Post Graduate Diploma in Housing (Heriot Watt University, Edinburgh)
Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD)

Board Member – Shelly Beattie (27/02/2025 –
2023: Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention/Mandatory Reporting
2023: Inclusive Practice for Supervisors – Anglicare-NT
2022: Supervision Story workshop - Anglicare NT
2022: Leadership and Management – Anglicare NT
2022: Working with Cultural Difference - Anglicare NT
2022: Safeguarding Children - Anglicare NT
2022: Indigenous Cultural Awareness - Anglicare NT

Board Member – Jock MacGregor (31/07/2025 –
Diploma of Psychology
Diploma of Community Services (Alcohol, Other Drugs and Mental Health)
Certificate IV in Transport and Logistics
Certificate IV in Leadership and Management

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Chairman's Report 2025

Good afternoon to you all once more, and a very warm welcome.
I wish to acknowledge and recognise the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we meet today, and honour the Central Arrernte leaders, past, present and emerging. I would further like to acknowledge and welcome any Aboriginal person who may be present.

It's been yet another very busy year for the agency. Developing and incorporating the new model into the services we offer has been rewarding, though not without challenges. Like any innovative change, there are lessons to be learned along the way. The adaptation of the new programs has proven to be beneficial to how the agency operates. On behalf of the Board, I would like to congratulate the entire Sandstone team on their dedication to delivering the program and achieving successful outcomes. Under the guidance and stewardship of our CEO, Denise Brooks, who is ably supported by the Assistant EO, Louise Clemson and Program Facilitator, Brad Hartam, the organisation has continued to prosper.

As with all things, change is the only permanence. So too with the current Board composition and roles. I will be standing back as Chairman, effective from the AGM, to sit as an ordinary member. It's been an honour and a privilege to serve in the capacity of Chair for several years, and I wish my replacement every possible success in the role. The agency remains very strong, and I'm sure the to-be-elected Chair will continue to preside over a very robust team of professionals.

Board recruitment is an ongoing process, and we welcome new people to join us. Again, if you or someone you know might be interested, please contact our CEO, Denise, to discuss the opportunity.

Many thanks to my fellow Board members for their diligence and oversight of the organisation. We clearly are a 'family' in so many respects, and it takes all of us to contribute to the good governance of Sandstone.
May I also take the opportunity to wish all of you the best for the upcoming festive season and into 2026.
Sincerely,

Phil Walcott
Chairman

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Treasurer's Report 2025

I am honoured to continue serving on the Sandstone Therapy Centre Board as Treasurer.

Sandstone has once again met all financial obligations and remains in a strong position to meet its commitments into the foreseeable future. Careful stewardship and responsible financial management have ensured stability while supporting the delivery of high-quality services to our community.

I extend my sincere thanks to CEO Denise Brooks for her leadership, and to Louise Clemson for her diligent book-keeping. Their professionalism and efficiency continue to provide Sandstone with a reliable financial foundation.

The audited financial statements for the year have been completed, and I thank our Auditor, Elna of Elna Dry Audit, for her thorough and professional work.

Sandstone remains dedicated to transparency, accountability, and the delivery of effective services to Centralians. Our mission continues to focus on reducing the harmful effects of alcohol, drugs, gambling, and other behaviours that impact the wellbeing of individuals and families in our community.

Rakapa Schwalger

Treasurer

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CEO's Report 2025

Welcome to Sandstone Therapy Centre

As I look back over the last two or three years, the changes that have occurred at the organisation have been huge but to anyone who is unfamiliar with this organisation the changes would hardly rate a mention. Change always brings different perspectives to different people and of consequence the Board has decided to adopt a new communication plan that carries consistent messaging. The plan will be implemented in March 2026 when hopefully we start to hear less of "Yes we used to be Holyoake".

This year we saw the finalisation of the transition to all things Sandstone Therapy Centre. The new branding and the three new programs are now all under copyright. This was the final step in the creation of the Sandstone. The road has been long but well worth the challenges in securing a unique organisation that represents the needs of the Alice Springs Community.

With all of these changes Sandstone still lends itself to ease of access, client privacy and pleasant staff working conditions. The organisation has quality resources and advanced technology including up-to-date security systems to protect Sandstone both internally and externally.

Economically, Sandstone is a very stable organisation with long term recurrent funding. This solid economic platform instils confidence in the Board, Management and staff enabling the best possible quality service delivery to clients and stakeholders.

Sandstone has Board members and senior management who have been with the organisation for many years. This stability provides strong governance, consistent operational performance and continued safe and secure client service.

Lease Agreement with Department of Housing

Sandstone has been operating with a periodic lease for many years however, we were informed by the Department of Housing that the lease would be expiring. Sandstone was resigned to the fact that we may not have a premises as the negotiations with Dept of Housing became difficult. As a last resort MLA Robyn Lambley organised with Minister Steve Edgington who contacted Ruth Lantzke A/Regional Executive Director Delivery and Regional Priorities - Southern Region Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development to have a meeting at Sandstone to discuss the dilemma. Minister Edgington gave an assurance that Sandstone could remain in the fit for purpose premises with a new lease covering 5 years. This was such a relief, and we are very grateful to all concerned.

CEO Succession Plan

Background and Rationale

Sandstone has had stable leadership for over 15 years, which has contributed to our strong reputation, service quality, and consistent operations. It is now timely and responsible to implement a succession plan that ensures continued organisational stability as I approach retirement.

The proposal was shaped by the following priorities:

- Ensuring leadership continuity while proactively planning for an eventual CEO transition
- Retaining CEO-level oversight during a phased handover of day-to-day operational responsibilities
- Building internal leadership capacity by upskilling a trusted and capable team member

- Safeguarding institutional knowledge and sustaining key stakeholder relationships through a stable transition process
- Enabling the current CEO to focus on high-level strategic priorities.

This proposal was accepted by the Board and Sandstone now has Louise Clemson as the Assistant Executive Officer.

Administration

I am very happy to report that Elna Dry Audit completed the audit for 2025 and will continue to do the 2026 audit. Thank you, Elna.

The administration involved in running Sandstone requires a very special expertise. Thank you, Louise.

The Wish List

My 15th wish list was to see the organisation remain at 21 Newland Street. This has been achieved.

My 16th wish list that the Communication Plan and consistent messaging see the end of "Yes we used to be Holyoake".

Membership of Sandstone

Membership of Sandstone is free so for those who are members of Sandstone I thank you for your continued support. For those who are not, please consider becoming a member as Sandstone needs to have members to fulfil the NT Associations Act obligations.

The Board

Lastly, I would like to thank Chairperson Phil Walcott and the Board for ensuring adherence to governance. This consistency to governance is paramount to the success of Sandstone and I thank all members for their individual talent and perspective they bring to the service.

Phil stepped back in September for personal reasons and Jock MacGregor will act as Interim Chairperson until the AGM when all seats will be declared vacant and election will take place.

Sandstone needs more Board members so if you have some time to dedicate to the governance of Sandstone, please let me know.

The relationship between the Board and Management is built on mutual respect, informative discussion and support which allows the focus of the organisation to continue to achieve its vision of "*improving quality of life for individuals and families in Central Australia*".

Denise Brooks

CEO

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Annual Review of Operational Plan 2025

Client Service & Activities

Objective 1: *Embed service outcomes, outputs and expectations aimed at facilitating sustained recovery and relapse prevention.*

Group Programs

Sandstone Treatment Framework is based on the National Framework and Drug Treatment 2019-2029 and NT Health Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework 2016-2026. The Principles of Treatment are based on Human Rights, The Right to Health Care and Philosophy of Harm Minimisation while underpinned by evidence-informed best practice.

See attached the Sandstone Methodology

The Sandstone Treatment framework forms the basis of the Sandstone group programs which include:

- *Managing Your Recovery*
- *Supportive Parenting*
- *Pathways to Change*

These programs Managing Your Recovery, Supportive Parenting and Pathways to Change have been imbedded into the Sandstone group program delivery. The Senior Counsellor is satisfied that the current staff are delivering the programs as intended.

See attached pie graph for client sessions 2024-2025.

2019-2020 Client sessions 4483
2020-2021 Client sessions 5589
2021-2022 Client sessions 4748
2022-2023 Client sessions 5242
2023-2024 Client sessions 4958
2024-2025 Client sessions 4757

Sandstone alcohol & drug trends extracted from Redicase (Sandstone electronic client file).

Drug of Choice	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
Methamphetamine	35	25	26	22	31	35
Cannabis	21	12	17	22	30	57
Alcohol	176	247	296	460	323	268

Organisational Profile

Objective 2: *Develop the Sandstone profile in the environment.*

Obsolete. In 2026 a new Communication plan will be introduced to raise aware of Sandstone and the branding.

Partnerships & External Relationships

Objective 3: *Secure mutually beneficial partnerships and external relationships*
Securing mutually beneficial partnerships and external relationships is integral to the continued development of Sandstone. Sandstone's good work is reliant on creating partnerships and external relationships that are culturally sensitive and working towards mutually beneficial outcomes. Sandstone achieves this by working collaborative with other agencies including Aranda House, Alternative to Custody, CAAAPU, BushMob and schools based on the Memorandums of Understanding.
The Senior Counsellor and other counsellors spend much time communicating with teachers, case managers and wellbeing staff to ensure everyone is on the same page with clients and to also take an interest in other agency work to build mutual rapport and foster ongoing benefits. Working relationships are conducted as per Memorandums of Understanding.
All partners and external providers are encouraged to stay involved with Sandstone. Their support is fundamental to the continuation of the organisation.

The Sandstone profile in the Alice Springs community remains constant, thus helping to keep Sandstone in the forefront of community awareness as a place to come when in need of support.

Management & Operations

Objective 4: *Build a solid platform for sustainable growth while maintaining our current strength/position.*

Accreditation is due again in April 2026. This year has seen a huge amount of time and work spent on the Sandstone policies and procedures. They all required rebranded but there have also been many changes that reflect continuous quality improvement in sector. These are now all in place ready to complete our upcoming 5th accreditation process.

An integral part of administering Sandstone is risk management and monitoring legal compliance. Sandstone has a quality Control system which ensures that quality improvement is maintained in accordance with the Australian Service Excellence Standards.

Sandstone has recurrent funding with the Dept of Health AOD until June 2027.
The Community Benefit Fund, which funds Sandplay in Schools, is funded until June 2026. An application was made to the CBF requesting that the funding continue for a further 5 years, but this was declined. There is an opportunity for another application for Sandplay funding which will come up in Jan/Feb 2026.

The financial viability of Sandstone is foremost in the minds of the Board and CEO. There is transparency and accountability which is apparent with financial audits of the organisation. Long-term Board members and administration staff have set a very high standard of financial accountability.

An operational plan is nothing without including strategies to ensure that the workplace protects the safety and wellbeing of staff. Sandstone has increased evidence and strengthened policies to meet accreditation requirements these include policies such as: Manual Handling, Domestic and Family Violence, Psychological Safety and a greater focus on trauma-informed clinical supervision.

Sandstone completed an interim strategic plan in July 2025. A new operational plan has been prepared to reflect new strategies that have been put in place to reflect changes, but the main one will be to prepare a new Communication Plan which will include relevant and consistent messaging. The organisation will be very focused on recognition of the Sandplay name and branding.

Denise Brooks
CEO

Governance (Reviewed by Sandstone Board Chairperson)

Objective 5: *To build a solid governance ethos.*

The Sandstone Board is committed to their fiduciary duty, acting in the best interest of Sandstone.
Ongoing quality management of Sandstone ensures appropriate internal accountability mechanisms to monitor organisational performance. The policy framework guides work, implements plans and ensures Sandstone meets obligations.
The Sandstone Board is satisfied that the organisation has met governance expectations in the following responsibilities:
Constitutional: Sandstone observes the aims and rules of its constitution.
Financial: Sandstone has a set of financial policies and procedures to prevent fraud or mismanagement of funds to ensure accountability to our members for the use of organisational funds, funding body grants and to donors for the funds they have provided.
The CEO has presented to a minimum of four Board meetings, financials to show solvency. Board Treasurer has shown due diligence and taken all reasonable steps to prevent foreseeable loss. The annual financial statement has been completed and presented to the board for inclusion in this annual report.
Legal: There is a set of legal policies and procedures in place to ensure probity; Sandstone operates within the law and honours all contracts. This responsibility includes honouring Department of Health service contracts, adhering to Industrial relations, Anti-Discrimination legislation, Occupational Health and Safety, Working with Children, Police checks and Privacy.
Compliance: The Board complies with all Laws, Regulations and Standards relevant to Sandstone. The Board executes strategic compliance; this concept covers all policies, rules, internal and external controls to which the organisation must conform. The activities of Sandstone are in full accordance with the rules applied to its processes.
Sandstone has competent staff; many with long term tenure, who work with well-resourced program delivery and administration.
The Board has conducted internal governance training to ensure all members are aware of their responsibility to Sandstone.
The Board has also conducted a review of governance and operational practices and is satisfied with Board procedures.
The governance of Sandstone is implemented with a consistently reviewed constitution, a strategic plan that contains clear direction and an operational plan that will ensure organisational performance meets strategic direction in line with the purpose and values of Sandstone.

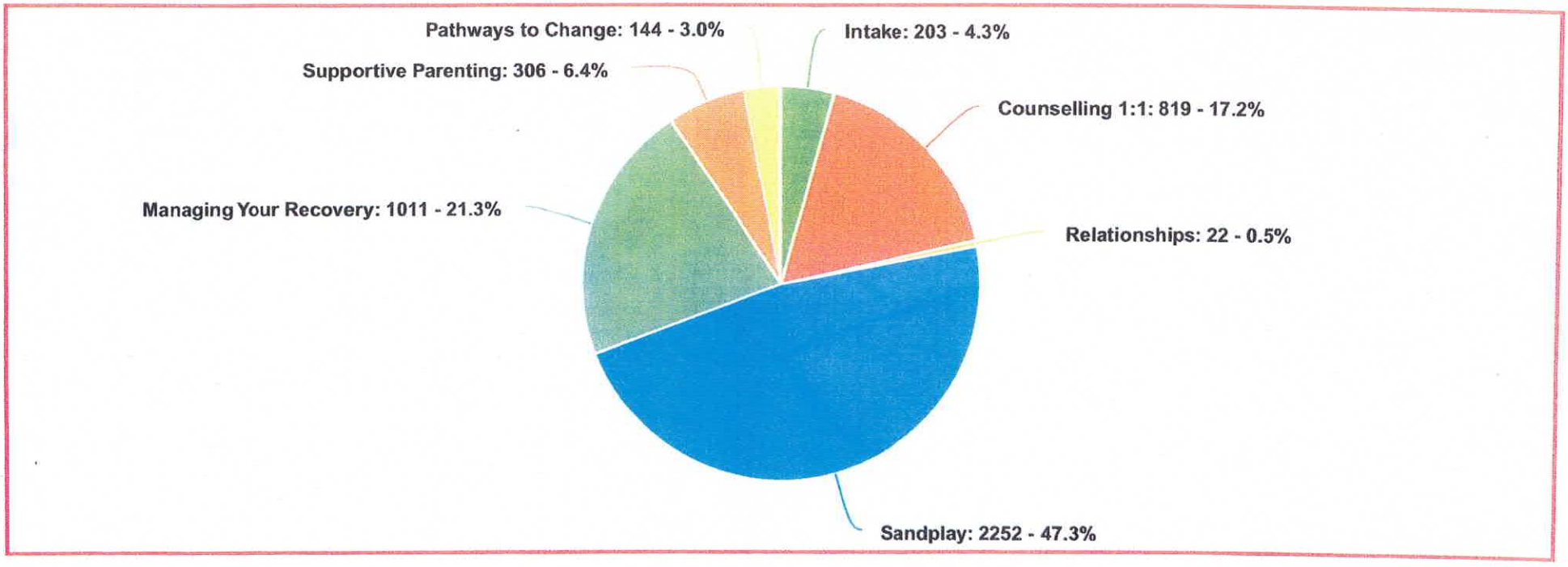
Objective 6: *Build a Board that lives the values of Sandstone, are over 18 years of age, are prepared to further the objects of Sandstone and be a resident of the Northern Territory.*

The number of Board Members currently sits at 6.

Phil Walcott

Chairperson

Sandstone Therapy Centre Client Contacts
2024-2025



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STRATEGIC PLAN 2022–2027

Vision
Improved quality of life for individuals and families in Central Australia.

Mission
Sandstone works to empower the Central Australian community to reduce the harmful effects of alcohol, drugs, gambling and other harmful behaviours by providing evidence-based counselling and education programs, and ongoing support.

Purpose
To provide counselling, information and education, free from stigma, discrimination, and social exclusion, for those either directly or indirectly impacted by alcohol, drugs, gambling and other harmful behaviours.

OUR VALUES

Inclusivity	Service for and by people from diverse backgrounds
Integrity	Strong moral and ethical principles
Trust	Safe expression of cultural identity
Empathy	Unconditional positive regard and understanding
Social Justice	Empowering people regardless of background or circumstances

OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Client Services & Activities	Deliver trauma-informed, meaningful support.
Communication	Promote our identity and reach more people.
Partnerships	Collaborate with others to improve outcomes.
People	Build a culturally safe, skilled, and supported workforce.
Operations	Sustain systems and secure our premises.
Governance	Maintain ethical, transparent leadership.

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Is based on:

- National Framework for Alcohol, Tobacco and other Drug Treatment 2019-2029
- NT Health Aboriginal Cultural Security Framework 2016-2026

Principles of Treatment

Human Rights
The Right to Health Care
Philosophy of Harm Minimisation

- Evidence informed
- Culturally responsive
- Holistic and coordinated
- Equitable and accessible
- Person-centred
- Non-stigmatising
- Non-judgemental
- Non-discriminatory

Evidence-Informed Best Practice

- Psychoeducation
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- Stages of Change
- Rational Emotive Therapy
- Motivational intervention
- Harm Minimisation
- Social Learning Theory
- Systems Theory

Program Intervention

- Engagement and Support
- Provide Information and Education
- Peer Based Support
- Reduce AOD Harms
- Ongoing Support and Communication

Sandstone Therapy Centre Incorporated

Special Purpose Financial Report
For The Financial Year Ended 30 June 2025

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

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25 September 2025

Dear Committee Members

Auditor's Independence Declaration to Sandstone Therapy Centre Incorporated

In accordance with section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)*, I am pleased to provide the following declaration of independence to the directors of Sandstone Therapy Centre Incorporated.

As external auditor for the audit of the financial statements of Sandstone Therapy Centre Incorporated for the financial period ended 30 June 2025, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

a) the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (Cth)* in relation to the audit; and
b) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Yours sincerely

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Elna Dry
Registered Company Auditor

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

I have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of Sandstone Therapy Centre Incorporated (the "Entity") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of material accounting policy information and other explanatory information, and the statement by the management committee, as set out on pages 6 to 14.

In my opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Entity is in accordance with Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (the "ACNC Act"), including:

(i) giving a true and fair view of the Entity's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and its financial performance for the year then ended; and
(ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and Division 60 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022.*

Basis for Opinion

I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. My responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of my report. I am independent of the Entity in accordance with ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Australia. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution and Use

I draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the Entity to meet the financial reporting requirements of the ACNC Act. My report is intended solely for the Members and the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission* (ACNC) and should not be distributed or used by parties other than the Members and the ACNC. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. My opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED (continued)

Other Information

The Management Committee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the detailed income statement for the year ended 30 June 2025, as set out on pages 15 and 16.

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

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

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

Responsibilities of Management and the Management Committee for the Financial Report

Management of the Entity is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and has determined that the basis of preparation and accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the ACNC Act and the needs of the Members. Management's responsibility also includes such internal control as management determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, management is responsible for assessing the ability of the Entity to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intend to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The management committee is responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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

ELNA DRY AUDIT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If I conclude that a material uncertainty exists, I am required to draw attention in my auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify my opinion. My conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of my auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I communicate with management and the management committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

EDry

E Dry
Registered Company Auditor

Alice Springs, 25 / 09 / 2025.

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

STATEMENT BY THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

As detailed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Association is not a reporting entity because in the opinion of the directors there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, this "special purpose financial report" has been prepared to satisfy the directors' reporting requirements under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.*

The management committee declares that:

a) the accompanying financial report as set out on pages 7-14, being a special purpose financial statement, is drawn up so as to present fairly the state of affairs of the Association as at 30 June 2025 and the result of the Association for the year ended on that date;

b) the accounts of the Association have been properly prepared and are in accordance with the books of accounts of the Association;

c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable; and

d) the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* .

The management committee also confirms that:

a) the name of each committee member of the Association during the relevant financial year were:

Phillip Walcott	Gavin Connaughton (resigned 30 June 2025)
Susan Jane Clark	Frances Paterson-Fleider (appointed 30 January 2025)
Rakapa Schwalger	Shelly Beattie (appointed 24 April 2025)

b) the principal activities of the Association during the relevant financial year were the provision of alcohol and other drug counselling services.

c) the net surplus of the Association for the relevant year is $90,338 (2024 : $37,151).

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2022.*

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Chairperson Chief Executive Officer

Alice Springs, 25/ 09 / 2025.

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	2025 $	2024 $
Grants	1,194,546	1,129,095
Client fees	8,624	14,497
Other income	20,501	24,432
Total income	1,223,670	1,168,023
Employee benefits expense	977,367	907,387
Operating expenses	132,612	198,199
Repairs & maintenance expenses	9,766	6,685
Depreciation & amortisation expenses	13,587	18,601
Total expenditure	1,133,333	1,130,872
Operating surplus	90,338	37,151
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	90,338	37,151

Notes to the financial statements are included on the attached pages.

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025 $	2024 $
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash	2	362,052	281,639
Short Term Investments	3	399,230	384,667
Accounts Receivable	4	10	3,914
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		761,292	670,221
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	5	40,466	51,414
Right-of-use assets	6	7,037	16,425
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		47,503	67,839
TOTAL ASSETS		808,795	738,060
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors and accruals	7	50,866	61,273
Lease liability	8	3,223	4,940
Provision for Annual Leave		75,981	86,417
Provision for Long Service Leave		58,203	60,578
		188,273	213,208
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Lease liability	8	5,806	14,720
Provision for Long Service Leave		53,581	39,335
		59,387	54,055
TOTAL LIABILITIES		247,660	267,263
NET ASSETS		561,135	470,797
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Reserves		111,785	99,913
Accumulated funds		449,350	370,884
		561,135	470,797

Notes to the financial statements are included on the attached pages.

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Accumulated funds	Reserves	Total Equity
	$		
Balance at 1 July 2023	328,498	105,148	433,646
Total comprehensive income for the year	37,151	-	37,151
Transfers to long service leave reserve	5,235	(5,235)	-
Balance at 30 June 2024	370,884	99,913	470,797
Total comprehensive income for the year	90,338	-	90,338
Transfers to long service leave reserve	(11,872)	11,872	-
Balance at 30 June 2025	449,350	111,785	561,135

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025 $	2024 $
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Payments to employees		(998,991)	(913,355)
Payments to suppliers		(250,137)	(329,715)
Receipts from clients and other receipts		14,889	15,796
Receipts from recurrent grants		1,314,001	1,242,005
Net cash provided by operating activities	9(a)	79,762	14,731
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		19,093	17,970
Cash received on sale of assets		-	13,181
Cash paid for assets purchased		-	(8,165)
Net cash used in investing activities		19,093	22,986
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Loans repaid		(3,880)	(4,644)
Net cash provided (used) by financing activities		(3,880)	(4,644)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		94,975	33,073
Cash at beginning of the year		666,307	633,234
Cash at end of the year	9(b)	761,282	666,307

Notes to the financial statements are included on the attached pages.

	2025 $	2024 $

1. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Financial Reporting Framework

The association is not a reporting entity because in the opinion of the management committee there are unlikely to exist users of the financial report who are unable to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. Accordingly, this 'special purpose financial report' has been prepared to satisfy the management committee's reporting requirements under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.*

The financial report has been prepared on the basis of historical cost and except where stated, does not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Act 2012* and the basis of accounting, but not the disclosure requirements, specified by all applicable Australian Accounting Standards.

Material Accounting Policy Information

Accounting policies are selected and applied in a manner which ensures that the resultant financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions and other events is reported. The following significant accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation and presentation of the financial report.

Depreciation

Items of property, plant and equipment are depreciated over their estimated useful lives using the diminishing value method. The main rates used are:

Plant and equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	25%
Leasehold improvements	20%

Employee Entitlements

The amount expected to be paid to employees for their pro-rata entitlements to long service and annual leave is accrued annually at current wage rates.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Grants are recognised as revenue in accordance with the measurement and recognition requirements of AASB 1058 and AASB 15. In the absence of 'sufficiently specific' performance obligations per the funding agreement, revenue is recognised at the earlier of when the association receives or becomes entitled to the revenue. Where 'sufficiently specific' performance obligations are noted, the revenue is only recognised when those performance obligations are met.
Revenue from client fees are recognised at the time the service is provided.

	2025 $	2024 $

Revenue from the sale of fixed assets is recognised when the entity has transferred to the buyer the significant risks and rewards of ownership and the amount of revenue can be measured reliably and it is probable that the related economic benefits associated will flow to the entity.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)
Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST. Receivables and payables are recognised inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Income Tax
The association is not subject to income tax.

Long service leave reserve
The association uses a long service leave reserve and an associated separate bank account to assist with cashflow management and to ensure that sufficient cash funds are available to cover the long service leave liability. The cash in the bank account can only be used to pay long service leave, either when taken or when paid out upon termination of an employee.

Leases
In applying AASB 16, for all leases, the association:
a) recognises right-of-use assets and lease liabilities in the statement of financial position;
b) recognises depreciation of right-of-use assets and interest on lease liabilities in the statement of financial position;
c) separates the total amount of cash paid into a principal portion (to reduce the lease liability) and interest.

2. CASH

Unrestricted cash		
ANZ Cheque Account	49,281	80,892
ANZ V2 Account	200,987	99,912
	250,267	180,804
Restricted cash		
ANZ Online Saver - long service leave reserve	111,784	100,835
	362,052	281,639

3. SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS

ANZ Term Deposit	399,230	384,667
	399,230	384,667

4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLES

Trade Accounts Receivables	10	3,914
	10	3,914

	2025 $	2024 $
5. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and equipment	38,579	38,579
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(23,737)	(20,027)
	14,842	18,552
Leasehold improvements	58,682	58,682
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(43,052)	(39,145)
	15,630	19,537
Motor vehicles	32,605	32,605
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(22,611)	(19,280)
	9,994	13,325
TOTAL WRITTEN DOWN VALUE	40,466	51,414
6. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS		
Cost	26,387	44,798
Accumulated depreciation	(19,350)	(28,373)
	7,037	16,425

As at 30 June 2024 the association leased two properties from the Northern Territory Government, being 1 Musgrave Street and 21 Newland Street, Alice Springs. The Musgrave Street lease was cancelled in September 2024 and as at the date of signing this report the continuation of the Newland Street lease was still being negotiated between the association and the Northern Territory Government.

7. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS		
Provision for audit	6,900	6,900
Accounts Payable	34,401	21,768
Salary and wages accrual	3,425	35,666
Superannuation payable	6,122	2,514
Input Tax Credit Control (Paid)	17	-
ANZ Credit Card	-	128
Salary packaging and payroll deductions	-	(8,528)
Payroll deductions payable	-	2,825
	50,866	61,273
8. LEASE LIABILITY		
Analysed as:		
Current	3,223	4,940
Non-current	5,806	14,720
	9,029	19,660

	2025 $	2024 $
8. LEASE LIABILITY (continued)		
Maturity analysis:		
Year 1	3,223	4,940
Year 2 - 5	5,806	14,720
Onward	-	-
	9,029	19,660

Please refer to the footnote to Note 6 above.

9. NOTE TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

a) Reconciliation of operating result for the year to net cash flows from operating activities:		
Comprehensive income for the year	90,338	37,151
Interest received	(19,093)	(17,970)
(Profit)/loss on disposal of assets	-	(4,514)
Depreciation expense	13,587	18,601
(Increase)/decrease in debtors and prepayments	3,904	(3,560)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors and accruals	(10,408)	(11,309)
Increase/(decrease) in provisions	1,434	(3,668)
	79,762	14,731
b) Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents:		
Cash at bank	362,052	281,639
Short term investments	399,230	384,667
	761,282	666,307

10. AUDITOR REMUNERATION

Remuneration of the auditor, Elna Dry Audit, for:		
- audit of the financial statements and acquittal statement		6,600
- non-audit services		300
	-	6,900

SANDSTONE THERAPY CENTRE INCORPORATED

DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	2025 $	2024 $
INCOME		
Grants - State - Operating-Recurrent	896,046	830,595
Grants - CBF Gambling Amelioration	298,500	298,500
Donations	499	500
Client Fees - Commercial	1,154	455
Client Fees - Amity Clients	-	5,547
Blanket Cover - Education	3,400	4,065
Client Fees - Public	4,070	4,430
Interest -Unrestricted	19,093	17,970
Recoupments	909	1,448
Gain on Sale of Non-Current Assets	-	4,514
	1,223,670	1,168,023
EXPENDITURE		
Accountant Fees	6,000	5,400
Accreditation	5,059	1,560
Advertising & Promotion	2,874	2,494
Asset Purchase < $5000	8,446	19,384
Audit Fees	6,950	6,900
Bank Charges	172	317
Board/Governance Expenses	327	296
Holyoake Project	22,770	58,960
Cleaning & Pest Control	3,400	4,569
Program Resources	14,156	14,765
Computer Expenses	10,777	11,258
Lease Interest	766	1,543
Depreciation	13,587	18,601
Employee Support & Supervision Cost	4,338	5,562
Insurance: Association Liability	1,853	1,664
Insurance: Combined Business	5,050	6,068
Legal Feees	3,282	4,309
Membership Fees Paid	2,050	3,420
MV Fuel & Oil	1,353	1,048
MV Repairs & Maintenance	689	4,451
MV Insurance	1,481	726
MV Registration	786	1,499
Off Site Storage	1,137	1,237
Postage, Freight & Courier	246	194
Printing & Stationery	11,264	13,264
Building & Grounds	9,077	2,234
Annual Leave Expenses	68,238	64,872
Long Service Leave Expense	18,157	8,560

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DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	2025 $	2024 $
S & W Recruitment Expenses	460	2,535
S & W Sick Leave Expenses	22,810	17,291
S & W Superannuation	99,753	88,406
S & W Worker's Compensation	21,215	19,191
Salaries & Wages	746,734	706,533
Security Expenses	1,100	7,521
Staff Amenities	693	1,645
Telephone & Fax	3,608	3,798
Training & Development	4,110	14,198
Travel & Accommodation	4,793	837
Utilities	3,772	3,764
	1,133,333	1,130,872
Net surplus (deficit) from operating activities	90,338	37,151
Other comprehensive income	-	-
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	90,338	37,151