

**HEAR HEAR FOR BHUTAN (ACN 631 097 731)**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE PERIOD FROM INCORPORATION ON 18 JANUARY  
2019 TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2019**

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## CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

### 1. Establishment of HHfB as a Charity

Following a strategy workshop in October and a meeting of subscribers in December 2018, Hear Hear for Bhutan (HHfB) was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee on 18 January 2019, with Peter Friedland, Karen Parfitt and Diana Rigg and myself as directors. John Campbell and John Ralph were appointed directors on 19 February 2019. We were granted registration as a health promotion charity by the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission and have been endorsed a Deductible Gift Recipient by the Australian Taxation Office effective 10 March 2019. Our objectives, as set out in our constitution, are listed in the Directors' report in this document.

### 2. Achievements to September 2019

#### 2.1 Working in Bhutan

Since HHfB's incorporation, directors have visited Bhutan on 4 occasions: March - H Wildy; May - H Wildy, D Rigg and K Parfitt; September - H Wildy and K Parfitt; December - D Rigg. Prior to 2019 the following visits were made: 2013 April - H Wildy; 2014 April - H Wildy; 2018 April - H Wildy; 2018 June - H Wildy, K Parfitt and P Friedland; 2018 September- H Wildy, D Rigg and K Parfitt. All travel, visa and accommodation expenses were covered by individuals.

Since HHfB's incorporation, directors have met with the following senior officials of Bhutan: Minister for Health in March, May and September 2019; Minister for Education in March and September; regular meetings with senior officials of the Ministry for Health and the Ministry for Education. The HHfB Chair and founder H Wildy has also met with a member of the Bhutanese Royal Family during each visit in 2019 and 2018. Prior to 2019, similar meetings were conducted with senior government officials, as well as professionals in both Health and Education.

During these interactions with three levels of Bhutanese society – Royal Family, government and professions – the evolving aims of HHfB have been pursued, the achievements from which are described in the next section of this report.

It is important to draw attention to the voluntary work undertaken by all directors of HHfB, and the significant donations of equipment and intellectual property involved in the following achievements in Bhutan.

#### 2.2 Health

Wangsel Institute for the Deaf: the hearing of all 106 students, aged from 6 to 32 years, has been assessed to identify level of hearing impairment. Donated hearing aids were fitted for 22 students as well as bone conductors for 3 students with atresia. A small group of students are post-lingually deafened and another group are developing speech:

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all 134 students are supported by an oral program at Wangsel. HHfB continues to monitor hearing, maintain hearing aids and assist in planning to meet the existing and emerging needs of the students.

HHfB's ENT specialist Professor Peter Friedland is registered on the register of medical and/or health professional under the Bhutan Medical and Health Council.

JDWNRH is the national referral hospital located in Bhutan's capital city Thimphu. At JDWNRH, HHfB fitted bone conductors for two babies with atresia and developed a support program for parents. HHfB continues to monitor the development of the hearing and wellbeing of these two babies and their families.

Capacity building: HHfB sought and was granted a 12-month A\$60,000 scholarship in Australia for one of the 5 Bhutanese ENT specialists to develop surgical skills and to learn of contemporary medical practices and attitudes.

### **2.3 Literacy**

For all students, including hearing impaired students, to benefit from a rich learning experience and a wide range of educational opportunities and career choices, literacy is critical, especially reading and writing. English is the medium of instruction, government and business in Bhutan, although Dzonkha is the national language which is typically spoken at home and informally.

A confluence of events occurred in March 2019 that led to the introduction by HHfB of a modern approach to literacy: the Royal Education Council, the organisation responsible for all curriculum development, was planning to review the primary English curriculum in 2019; a gap was identified, namely the explicit teaching of phonics; the PISA-D results were announced indicating the decline in the literacy of 15 year-olds, and a reduction of Bhutan's standing relative to other developing countries; and simultaneously the trialling in three lighthouse schools of the Structured Synthetic Phonics materials donated by one of the Directors of HHfB. As a result, HHfB has designed teaching materials for all English language teachers in the first 4 years of schooling, and in December will train the lead teachers in preparation for introduction of a comprehensive phonics program into Bhutan's primary English curriculum beginning in 2020.

The aim of this intervention is to improve the quality of teaching, and enhance the learning, of language across the nation, for all students but particularly for hearing impaired students in specialist schools and mainstream schools. A Memorandum of Understanding between Bhutan's Ministry for Education, the Royal Education Council and HHfB will be formally signed early in 2020.

## **3. Next steps**

### **3.1 Promotion**

The aims for the next 12 months include awareness raising and promotion of HHfB. The website, currently under construction through the pro-bono contribution of students of All Saints College, is being finalised. Social media, such as FaceBook, are

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also being prepared. The first of a series of promotional brochures has been published and will be distributed widely. A communication specialist will work closely with the Board to ensure consistent and appropriate messages and images are conveyed to the public.

Patrons are being identified and sought, in Australia and in Bhutan, as well as partnership arrangements. A launch of HHfB is projected for 2020.

### 3.2 Fund raising

To further the aims of HHfB an application is being prepared to secure funding for equipment and build capacity to identify hearing impairment of young children. HHfB is working closely with Bhutan's Minister for Health whose 5 year term of office has, as its flagship, the introduction of the Thousand Golden Days program. In this initiative, the first years of a child's life are to be monitored to ensure optimal conditions are provided for the achievement of developmental milestones, including immunisation and assessment of hearing. HHfB aims to provide the skills and equipment to assess all babies, and to provide appropriate interventions – technical, educational and social. This is a long term project which HHfB aims to begin in 2020.

In addition, a relationship with a key donor is being sought, to support the ongoing work of HHfB.



Emeritus Professor Helen Wildy  
Chair, *Hear Hear for Bhutan*  
19 January 2020

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### DIRECTORS' ('RESPONSIBLE ENTITIES') REPORT

The directors of Hear Hear for Bhutan, a company limited by guarantee, present their report together with the financial statements of the company for the financial period from the company's incorporation on 18 January 2019 to 30 September 2019 and the Independent Audit Report thereon. The company is a registered charity under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (the ACNC), which defines 'Responsible Entities' as being the directors of the company (hereinafter referred to as directors).

#### Directors

The directors in office at the date of this report are as follows:

- Emeritus Professor Helen Wildy, (BA, BEd, MEd, Grad Dip Ed Admin, PhD) (Founder of HHfB, Director (apptd 18 Jan 2019) and Chair). Dr Wildy recently retired from the position of Dean of the Faculty of Education at The University of Western Australia and was awarded the status of emeritus professor upon doing so. Her experience in leading the Education Faculty, as well as numerous Boards as a member and as Chair, is relevant to Hear Hear for Bhutan (HHfB). Her 50 years of experience as a teacher, leader, and educator at school and tertiary level provide a sound background for her leadership of HHfB, in supporting our objectives in Bhutan particularly in our relationship with its Education Ministry to introduce modern literacy teaching methods to young students of Bhutan.
- Karen Parfitt, BSc PGCE MClin Aud MAudSA CCP (Director - apptd 18 Jan 2019). Ms Parfitt trained as an audiologist at UWA, and worked as a paediatric audiologist with Australian Hearing as well as lecturing in Clinical Audiology with the University of Western Australia. She specialises now in outreach work in remote Aboriginal communities in Western Australia. Ms Parfitt has been providing audiological services on the ground in Bhutan for HHfB and is involved in planning for future audiological work in the country.
- Professor Peter Friedland, (MBBCh, MMed, FCS(SA), FRACS) (Director - apptd 18 Jan 2019). Professor Friedland is an Ear Nose & Throat surgeon with an interest in hearing loss, cochlear implants and chronic ear disease and its surgical rehabilitation. He teaches at the University of Western Australia and Notre Dame University and engages in medical research as a part of a multidisciplinary team at Sir Charles Gardner Hospital in otology and head and neck cancer. He has been involved in several charitable outreach programs in Africa and regularly works in ear clinics in Aboriginal communities in Australia. Professor Friedland's role involves visiting Bhutan to teach local specialists modern appropriate surgical techniques involved in hearing rehabilitation and bone conduction implants for profoundly-deaf young children.
- Diana Rigg, (BA, BEd, CPP-Dyslexia, MEd, M Sp Path) (Director - apptd 18 Jan 2019). Ms Rigg is a speech pathologist with 20 years as a consultant equipping teachers with quality structured synthetic phonics programs to maximise the literacy outcomes for children. Ms Rigg worked for 15 years at in a range of schools before establishing her company PLD Pty Ltd which

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currently employs a staff of 8 creating programs and resources for primary school teachers throughout Australia. Her role is to assist the Bhutanese authorities introduce modern (or structured synthetic phonics) into the teacher training, curriculum and Pre-Primary, Class I, II and III classroom teaching.

- John Ralph, (PhD (UWA), BA, LLB (Syd) (Director - apptd 19 Feb 2019). Dr Ralph is a commercial lawyer who has practised in Western Australia as a partner in a major firm, in a specialist resources practice and over recent years in his own legal firm. He has practised primarily in commercial law in Australia and overseas, and has focussed on assisting clients in the not-for-profit sector and indigenous groups. He brings to the board extensive experience in transactional, regulatory and governance matters.
- John Campbell, FCA (Director (appointed 19 Feb 2019) & Secretary). Mr Campbell was an audit partner at KPMG, chartered accountants, for 15 years until taking a number of roles as company secretary and chief financial officer, and as a non-executive director. He retired from active employment over 10 years ago and currently monitors listed companies for the Australian Shareholders Association and undertakes honorary roles with not-for-profits. His role with HHfB is to be its company secretary and principal accounting officer.

### Principal activities

During the period since incorporation, the principal activities of the company have been to undertake its mission, to improve the life choices of young people of Bhutan, especially those with hearing impairment. We do this by providing high-quality digital hearing aids to students of the Wangsel Institute of the Deaf and by supporting a small oral program at the school. We have also engaged with Bhutanese education authorities to assist in introducing techniques to teach young children the alphabet phonetically which will assist in teaching deaf children to read and speak.

There have been no significant changes in the nature of these activities during the period.

### Objectives

The Company is established to be a charity whose purpose is to advance the health and well-being of Bhutanese people with hearing impairment, and to advance this purpose:

- (a) to provide training and reference material for medical professionals for the diagnosis, treatment and/or management of hearing impairment and to achieve compliance with World Health Organisation standards for detection and treatment of hearing impairment in infants
- (b) to raise money to purchase equipment for hospitals and medical centres for the diagnosis and treatment of hearing impairment
- (c) to assist medical professionals in surgical techniques to rehabilitate hearing
- (d) to provide hearing aids and similar devices for children and adults and training in their prescription and use
- (e) to support the preparation and professional development of teachers in Bhutan so as to improve general literacy and hence life opportunities for hearing impaired young people
- (f) to liaise with health and educational authorities in Bhutan in pursuing these purposes and to monitor their achievement.

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### Directors' meetings

The number of meetings of directors held during the year and the number of meetings attended by each director is as follows:

	Meetings held	Meetings attended
Helen Wildy	4	4
Karen Parfitt	4	3
Peter Friedland	4	3
Diana Rigg	4	4
John Ralph	4	2
John Campbell	4	4

### Contribution in winding up

The Company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a Company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$2 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. At 30 September 2019, the total amount that members of the Company are liable to contribute if the Company wound up is \$12.

### Auditors Independence Declaration

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration as required under s.60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 is included in this financial report and forms part of the Responsible Entities' Report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors



John Campbell  
Director and Secretary  
19 January 2020



DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BY GLYN O'BRIEN TO THE DIRECTORS OF HEAR HEAR FOR BHUTAN

As lead auditor of Hear Hear for Bhutan for the period ended 30 September 2019, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

1. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and Division 60, section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Act 2012 in relation to the audit; and
2. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



Glyn O'Brien

Director

BDO Audit (WA) Pty Ltd

Perth, 19 January 2020

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**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE PERIOD FROM INCORPORATION ON 18 JANUARY 2019 TO 30  
SEPTEMBER 2019**

	Note	2019 \$
<b>INCOME</b>		
Public donations	1	29,752
Donations from related parties	1	17,705
Interest income		1
<b>Total revenue</b>		<u>47,458</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	1	
Accounting and audit		1,295
Board & governance costs		22
Fees & permits		482
Printing & stationery		104
Purchases of hearing aids and accessories		26,675
Travel & accommodation reimbursed to related parties		17,673
		<u>46,251</u>
<b>SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE</b>		1,207
<b>RETAINED EARNINGS</b>		<u><u>1,207</u></u>

There are no comparative figures because this is the first financial period of the company. The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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**BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2019**

	Note	2019 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	2	21,908
GST recoverable		<u>55</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>21,963</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Amount owing to related party	3	19,756
Trade and other creditors		<u>1,000</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>20,756</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><u>1,207</u></u>

Represented by:

**RETAINED EARNINGS** 1,207

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
FOR THE PERIOD FROM INCORPORATION ON 18 JANUARY 2019 TO 30  
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	<b>2019</b>
	<b>\$</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	
Receipts from donors	47,457
Interest	1
Less: payments to suppliers	- 25,550
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>	<u>21,908</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FOR INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>	-
<b>NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH</b>	21,908
Cash at the beginning of the year	-
<b>Cash at the end of the year</b>	<u><u>21,908</u></u>
<b>Reconciliation to surplus of income over expenditure</b>	
Surplus of income over expenditure	1,207
Less GST recoverable	- 55
Increase in accounts payable	20,756
<b>Net cash flows from operating activities</b>	<u><u>21,908</u></u>

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## NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

### 1. ABOUT THIS REPORT

Hear Hear for Bhutan is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in Australia on 18 January 2019 and domiciled in Australia, with a representative office in Bhutan. It is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission.

The special purpose financial statements of the company have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Accounting Standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

The financial statements are prepared on an accruals basis in Australian dollars. They are based on historical cost. Comparative figures are not provided because the financial statements relate to the company's first financial period after its incorporation.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements specified by the Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB"), the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 'Presentation of Financial Statements', AASB 107 'Statement of Cash Flows', AASB 108 'Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors' and AASB 1048 'Interpretation and Application of Standards', as appropriate for not-for-profit oriented entities.

The directors of the Company have determined that the Company is not a reporting entity

The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### **Significant accounting policies and judgements:**

In applying the Fund's accounting policies, the directors continually evaluate judgements, estimates and assumptions based on experience and other factors, including expectations about future events that may have an impact on the company. All judgements, estimates and assumptions made are believed to be reasonable based on the most current set of circumstances available to the directors. Actual results may differ from the judgements, estimates and assumptions. There were no significant judgements, estimates or assumptions made by the directors in the preparation of these financial statements.

The following specific accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of these financial statements.

#### **Revenue**

The company recognises revenue in accordance with AASB1058 which was effective for reporting periods commencing after 1 January 2019. Donations are recorded as income when an enforceable right of receipt exists. Under accounting standards, the company has a choice as to whether or not it records the value of donated time by volunteers and related parties (being the directors). It has chosen not to do so because of the difficulty in measuring the value of such donated time objectively including the lack of precise

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records of time spent by directors on the affairs of the charity. The company has no employees.

#### **Taxation**

The company is exempt from income tax. Hear Hear for Bhutan has ATO endorsement as a deductible gift recipient, and, accordingly, donations to Hear Hear for Bhutan are tax deductible to Australian donors.

#### **Operating expenses**

Operating expenses are recognised upon utilisation of the service or at the date of their origin.

#### **Inventory**

Inventory purchased is not held for re-sale but rather for consumption through provision of service and therefore expensed on acquisition.

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### **2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, together with other short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. At 30 September 2019, cash and cash equivalents are \$21,908 which comprises of only cash at bank.

### **3. AMOUNT OWING TO RELATED PARTY**

The amount owing to related party is for hearing aids and equipment purchased by a director, Ms Karen Parfitt, prior to the company's incorporation, in respect of the cost of which the board of directors (without Ms Parfitt's participation) has approved as being payable to her in reimbursement of her outlay. It has been decided with Ms Parfitt's agreement that the amount of this debt for hearing aid purchases, being \$26,015 initially and \$19,756 at the end of the period, to be paid to Ms Parfitt by quarterly instalments of 20% of external donations received together 25% of donations in excess of the quarterly budget. An amount of \$6259 was paid to Ms Parfitt during the financial period and the board anticipates that the debt to Ms Parfitt will be discharged during the 2020 financial year. The face value of this liability is considered to be a reasonable approximation of its fair value.

### **4. RELATED PARTIES**

Related parties comprise the directors listed in the directors' report and they comprise the company's key management personnel. No remuneration has been paid to these parties and transactions with them have been the receipt of donations and reimbursement of hearing aid purchases (refer note 3), and travel and accommodation expenses as disclosed in the statement of income and expenditure. For the reasons disclosed in Note 1, the directors have decided not to disclose the estimated value of time contributed to promoting and managing the affairs of the company.

### **5. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT**

At its present stage of activities, the company has no financial risks to manage other than the need for fund-raising activities to be adequate to meet its charitable objectives. Subsequent to balance date, the board agreed to make an offer to Bhutanese authorities to fund the printing and other costs of producing teacher packs to facilitate the introduction of sound-based alphabet development in early education at a cost estimated to be \$10,000. As at balance date and subsequently, the directors have made no other firm financial commitments other than those implied in service commitments made to Bhutanese authorities, which are underwritten by the directors concerned.

### **6. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Management controls the capital of the company to ensure that adequate cash flows are generated to fund its programs and that returns from investments are maximised. The

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Board and management ensure that the overall risk management strategy is in line with this objective. The company's capital consists of financial liabilities, supported by financial assets. Management effectively manages the company's capital by assessing the company's financial risk and responding to changes in these risks and in the market.

#### **7. POST-REPORTING DATE EVENTS**

Subsequent to balance date, the board agreed to make an offer to Bhutanese authorities to fund the printing and other costs of producing teacher packs to facilitate the introduction of sound-based alphabet development in early education at a cost estimated to be \$10,000. No other adjusting or significant non-adjusting events have occurred between the reporting date and the date of authorisation.

#### **8. MEMBER'S GUARANTEE**

The company is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a company limited by guarantee. If the company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum \$2 each towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the entity. At 30 September 2019, the total amount that members of the company are liable to contribute if the company wound up is \$12.



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### RESPONSIBLE ENTITIES' DECLARATION

In the opinion of the directors (being the Responsible Entities) of Hear Hear for Bhutan:

- The financial statements and notes of Hear Hear for Bhutan are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:
  - (i). giving a true and fair view of its financial position as at 30 September 2019 and of its performance for the financial period ended on that date; and
  - (ii). complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013; and
- There are reasonable grounds to believe that Hear Hear for Bhutan will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed at Wembley Downs on 19 January 2020 in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Hear Hear for Bhutan who are the Responsible Entities:



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John H M Campbell, Director

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Hear Hear for Bhutan

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Hear Hear for Bhutan (the Company), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 September 2019, the statement of income and expenditure and the statement of cash flows for the period then ended, and notes to the financial report, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion the accompanying financial report of Hear Hear for Bhutan, is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:

- (i) Giving a true and fair view of the Company's financial position as at 30 September 2019 and of its financial performance for the period ended on that date; and
- (ii) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, the Corporations Regulations 2001 and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001, Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 (ACNC Act) and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the Corporations Act 2001, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

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

#### Emphasis of matter - Basis of accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the Corporations Act 2001. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information in the Directors' report for the period ended 30 September 2019, but does not include the financial report and the auditor's report thereon.

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

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

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

#### Responsibilities of the directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

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

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at:

[http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf](http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf)

This description forms part of our auditor's report.



Report on the requirements of the Charitable Collections Act (1946) (WA) and the Charitable Collections Regulations (1947) (WA)

Opinion

In our opinion:

- a) The financial report of Hear Hear for Bhutan has been properly prepared, and the associated records have been properly kept for the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019, in accordance with the requirements of the Charitable Collections Act (1946) (WA) and the Charitable Collections Regulations (1947) (WA); and
- b) Funds received as a result of fundraising activities conducted during the period ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 have been properly accounted for and applied in accordance with the Charitable Collections Act (1946) (WA) and the Charitable Collections Regulations (1947) (WA).

Auditor's Responsibilities

Our procedures include obtaining an understanding of the internal control structure for fundraising appeal activities and examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting compliance with the accounting and associated record keeping requirements for fundraising activities pursuant to the Charitable Collections Act (1946) (WA) and the Charitable Collections Regulations (1947) (WA).

Because of the inherent limitations of any assurance engagement, it is possible that fraud, error or non-compliance may occur and not be detected. An audit is not designed to detect all instances of non-compliance with the requirements described in the abovementioned Acts and Regulations as an audit is not performed continuously throughout the period and the audit procedures performed in respect of compliance with these requirements are undertaken on a test basis. The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

BDO Audit (WA) Pty Ltd

Glyn O'Brien

Director

Perth, 19 January 2020