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## Appendix 4D Half year ended 31 December 2022

## RESULTS FOR ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE MARKET

In thousands of Australian dollars	1H22		1H23		Variance
Revenues from ordinary activities	\$95,177	to	\$133,953	Up	40.7%
Profit before tax and non-controlling interests	\$943	to	\$3,756	Up	>100%
Profit after tax attributable to members	\$501	to	\$3,029	Up	>100%

Dividends (distributions)	Amount per security	Franked amount per security
Interim ordinary dividend	0.5 cents	0.5 cents
Special dividend	0.5 cents	0.5 cents
Previous corresponding period – Interim ordinary dividend	0.5 cents	0.5 cents
Previous corresponding period - Special dividend	0.0 cents	0.0 cents
Record date for determining entitlements to dividend	3 March 2023	
Payment date of interim dividend	17 March 2023	
Dividend Reinvestment Plan		_
Plan active	No	
Discount	N/A	
Pricing period	N/A	
Last DRP election date	N/A	
Net tangible assets per share	31 Dec 2022 4.57 cents	30 June 2022 3.71 cents

Results are extracted from the attached Half Year Financial Report for the six months ended 31 December 2022 which was subject to an independent review.

For explanation and commentary on the results refer to the Directors' Report in the attached Half Year Financial Report.



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HALF-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

# CENTREPOINT ALLIANCE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES Half-Year Financial Report 31 December 2022

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## CENTREPOINT ALLIANCE LIMITED AND ITS CONTROLLED ENTITIES Directors' Report 31 December 2022

The Directors present their report for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

### **Directors**

The Directors of Centrepoint Alliance Limited (the Company or the Parent Entity) at any time during or since the end of the half-year are:

Alan Fisher (Chair and Non-Executive Director)
Alexander Beard (Non-Executive Director)
Georg Chmiel (Non-Executive Director)
Martin Pretty (Non-Executive Director)
Simon Swanson (Non-Executive Director)

## **Company Secretary**

Kim Clark

## **Operating and Financial Review**

#### **Principal Activities**

Centrepoint Alliance Limited and its controlled entities (the Group) operate in the financial services industry within Australia and provide a range of financial advice and licensee support services (including licensing, systems, compliance, training and technical advice) as well as investment solutions to financial advisers, accountants and their clients across Australia, plus mortgage aggregation services to mortgage brokers.

#### **Operating Review**

The Group achieved strong earnings growth compared to the prior corresponding period. This showcases the sustainable commercial impact and operational leverage from the well-managed ClearView Advice acquisition in November 2021. The Group reached several key milestones arising from the acquisition of the ClearView Advice business. These include the efficient integration of the two licensee businesses that are now operating with a consistent operating model, uniform pricing, improved service levels, increasing adviser satisfaction and strong adviser retention.

The scale of operations and improved financial performance has created a solid platform, enabling management to focus on initiatives that will drive future growth. Operating highlights for the half-year include:

**Financial:** Strong financial performance benefiting from scale following the ClearView Advice acquisition, combined with organic adviser growth, margin improvements, disciplined cost management and a low level of adviser claims.

Financial highlights for the first half 2023 financial year include gross revenue up \$38.8m (+41% on prior comparative period ('PCP')), gross profit from contracts with customers up 17% (+\$2.3m) on PCP, EBITDA (excluding LTI, one-off costs & asset sale) of \$3.8m up \$1.3m on PCP, PBT of \$3.8m up \$2.8m on PCP mainly due to \$1.5m received through asset sales (Ventura sale) and \$1.3m increased EBITDA.

The Business has benefited from a low level of adviser claims during the period with only \$66k in remediation payments which is an all-time low. Lower levels of claims are the result of quality advice in the network, coupled with the cumulative impact of regulatory change and a focus on risk and compliance.

**Integration**: Achieving a uniform and efficient operating model has been a key priority for the Group. At the time of the Clearview acquisition, the Group was operating with differential pricing for licensee services. This pricing has now been harmonised, with one consistent and competitive pricing model for all advisers.

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#### **Operating Review (cont.)**

Standardisation of advice technology has also been completed. XPlan, the core system used by licensed advisers across the Group, is now standardised with consistent features, functionality templates and software wizards. Service and support teams have been aligned to the standard operating model and technology systems.

**Service levels and adviser satisfaction**: A key differentiator of the Business is that all licensee services are provided to advisers through an in-house service model. This enables a high level of control over the quality of service provided. All services are logged and tracked using Salesforce. Service levels have consistently improved over the last 12 months and in the first half 2023 financial year returned to pre-acquisition levels with all enquiries being resolved within 1.3 days on average.

In addition to measuring service levels, monitoring adviser satisfaction through Net Promotor Score (NPS) was introduced in August 2022. With an ongoing focus on service NPS has increased from +13 in August 2022 to +24 in December 2022.

**Adviser Recruitment:** Centrepoint Alliance is now number three in the market, with 511 licensed advisers. In the first half the Group appointed 33 new licensed advisers and the pipeline remains strong.

In the first half, the Group recruited an additional eight self-licensed firms, and finished the first half with 194 self-licensed firms representing 771 advisers using Centrepoint Alliance Services. This takes the total footprint of advisers to 1,282, or 8% of the total advice market of approximately 15,900 advisers.

There is significant opportunity for further growth as Centrepoint Alliance has firmly established itself as the market leader for attracting quality firms looking for a new licensee.

Strategic initiatives: The Business continues to make progress on a range of strategic initiatives.

The restructure of Investment Management is underway with the completion of the sale of the Ventura Funds to Russell Investment Management Limited. The focus for the future is to develop a range of managed portfolios distributed on external platforms. Significant work has been completed establishing the appropriate governance and selecting platform providers. Ventura is now operating with an independent Board following the appointment of two non-executive directors.

Lending as a Service was launched and is in the early stages of commercialisation. The recruitment of inhouse brokers has been completed, and agreements with pilot advice firms have been executed with positive feedback from advisers and clients. The focus is now on engaging with more advice firms to build volume and scale. Rising interest rates and the general need for refinancing is anticipated to drive further demand.

Acquisitions remain a priority for the Group, and significant work has been undertaken during the period to identify potential targets. When considering potential licensee acquisition targets our focus is on adviser quality, low claims risk, comparable fee structures, realisable synergies, and cultural alignment.

In addition to licensee acquisition opportunities, the Business is focused on acquiring capability and revenue adjacencies with other services being provided to advisers.

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#### **Financial Performance and Position**

The Group delivered a net profit before tax of \$3.8m for the half-year period (net profit before tax of \$0.9m for the prior comparative period). This is principally the result of a gross profit increase of \$3.9m offset by an expense increase of \$1.1m.

	31 Dec 2022 \$'000	31 Dec 2021 \$'000
Gross profit from contracts with customers Gross profit Expenses Profit before tax Income tax expense Net profit after tax	16,083 18,023 (14,267) 3,756 (727) 3,029	13,791 14,081 (13,138) 943 (442) 501

Gross profit from contracts with customers increased by \$2.3m compared to the prior comparable period. This increase primarily reflects an increase in authorised representative fee revenue generated from acquiring ClearView Advice on 1 November 2021 and increased partner program sponsorship revenue. The acquisition generated \$5.2m in revenue for the six months to 31 December 2022 (\$1.7m at 31 December 2021). This was partially offset by reduced investment margin revenue as a result of run-off of platform margin of \$0.9m and the sale of the Ventura Funds business to Russell Investment Management Limited for \$1.5m resulting in a \$0.2m cessation of revenue.

The expense increase of \$1.1m is primarily a result of \$0.8m in employment costs due to additional headcount from the ClearView Advice acquisition. There was a \$0.3m increase in depreciation and amortisation expense primarily from the amortisation of identifiable intangibles associated with the Clearview Advice acquisition.

As at 31 December 2022 the Group held net assets of \$29.6m (30 June 2022: \$28.3m) and net tangible assets of \$9.0m (30 June 2022: \$6.6m) representing net tangible assets per share of 4.57 cents (30 June 2022: 3.71 cents).

The Group's net assets increased by \$1.3m during the reporting period, primarily due to \$3.0m profit after tax for the period (which incorporates \$1.5m from sale of the Ventura Funds business to Russell Investment Management Limited). This was partially offset by a fully franked ordinary dividend of \$2.0m paid on 29 September 2022.

The Group held \$15.4m in cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December 2022 (30 June 2022: \$14.7m). Cash movement during the period consisted primarily of net \$1.4m in cash from operations¹ (\$3.8m in receipts from operations less \$2.4m in other working capital movements), \$1.5m from sale of the Ventura Funds business to Russell Investment Management Limited, and \$0.2m interest and loan proceeds. Cash payments during the period included \$2.0m in dividends paid to shareholders, \$0.3m repayment of lease liabilities and \$0.1m in claims paid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Difference in cash from operations of \$1.4m and Net profit before tax (excluding sale of the Ventura Funds business) of \$2.3m is due to \$0.9m in FY22 commissions for Matrix Planning Solutions Limited and ClearView Financial Advice Pty Limited paid to advisers in the current reporting period.

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#### **Dividends**

On 22 February 2023, the Directors of Centrepoint Alliance Limited declared an interim fully franked ordinary dividend of 0.5 cents per share in respect of the results for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 and a fully franked special dividend of 0.5 cents per share in respect of the sale of Ventura Funds business to Russell Investment Management Limited. The total dividend declared was \$1,958,818.90 with 3 March 2023 as the record date and 17 March 2023 as the payment date.

On 8 August 2022, the Directors of Centrepoint Alliance Limited declared a fully franked ordinary dividend of 1.0 cent per share in relation to the results for the year ended 30 June 2022. The total dividend declared was \$1,958,818.89 with 15 September 2022 as the record date and 29 September 2022 as the payment date.

## **Events Subsequent to the Balance Sheet Date**

Other than the dividend in Note 12, there are no other matters or events which have arisen subsequent to end of the half-year which have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent financial years.

## Rounding

The Company is a company of the kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 dated 24 March 2016. In accordance with that Instrument, amounts in the financial report are presented in Australian dollars and have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

## **Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration**

The lead auditor's Independence Declaration is set out on page 6 and forms part of the Directors' Report for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

Alan Fisher

Chair

22 February 2023





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## DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE BY TIM AMAN TO THE DIRECTORS OF CENTREPOINT ALLIANCE LIMITED

As lead auditor for the review of Centrepoint Alliance Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 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* in relation to the review; and
- 2. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Centrepoint Alliance Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.

Tim Aman Director

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

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Sydney, 22 February 2023

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the half-year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2021
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue			
Revenue from contracts with customers	4(a)	133,953	95,177
Contractual payments to advisers	4(a)	(117,870)	(81,386)
Gross profit from contracts with customers		16,083	13,791
Interest income	4(b)	145	47
Other revenue	4(c)	1,795	243
Gross Profit		18,023	14,081
Expenses			·
Employee related expenses		(9,007)	(8,217)
Marketing and promotion		(256)	(153)
Travel and accommodation		(153)	(9)
Property costs		(13)	(22)
Low value and variable costs related to property and equipment		(160)	(223)
Subscriptions and licences		(990)	(784)
Professional services		(667)	(1,142)
Client claims		(14)	(1,142)
IT and communication expenses		(410)	(546)
Depreciation and amortisation		(1,036)	(759)
Expected credit loss reversal		19	93
Finance costs		(57)	(48)
Other general and administrative expenses	5	(1,523)	(1,328)
general and dammendance orponees		(14,267)	(13,138)
Profit before tax		3,756	943
Income tax expense		727	442
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Net profit after tax  Total comprehensive profit for the period	F	3,029 3,029	501 501
	-	3,029	301
Net profit attributable to:			
Owners of the parent	_	3,029	501
Net profit for the period	<u> </u>	3,029	501
Total comprehensive profit attributable to:			
Owners of the parent		3,029	501
Total comprehensive profit for the period		3,029	501
Earnings per share for profit attributable to the			
ordinary equity holders of the parent			Cents
Basic earnings per share	6	1.55	0.31
Diluted earnings per share	6	1.41	0.29

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at 31 December 2022

		31 Dec 2022	30 Jun 2022
	Note	\$'000	\$'000
ASSETS			
Current			
Cash and cash equivalents		15,365	14,742
Trade and other receivables		6,562	5,088
Loan receivables	7	131	293
Contract Asset	,	240	87
Other assets		1,730	1,211
Total current assets		24,028	21,421
Non-current		24,020	21,721
Loan receivables	7	90	115
Investments	<b>,</b>	116	116
Other assets		281	280
Property, plant and equipment		354	483
Right-of-use assets		1,061	2,501
Intangible assets and goodwill	9	17,491	17,842
Deferred tax assets	15	5,690	6,558
Total non-current assets		25,083	27,895
TOTAL ASSETS		49,111	49,316
101/12/100210		40,111	40,010
LIABILITIES			
Current			
Trade and other payables		11,974	10,158
Lease liabilities		533	507
Provisions		3,501	5,146
Deferred tax liabilities		280	280
Total current liabilities		16,288	16,091
Non-current			
Lease liabilities		537	2,013
Provisions		431	468
Deferred tax liabilities	15	2,287	2,426
Total non-current liabilities		3,255	4,907
TOTAL LIABILITIES		19,543	20,998
NET ASSETS		29,568	28,318
EQUITY			
Contributed equity	10	47,594	47,594
Reserves	11	3,772	3,551
Accumulated losses		(21,916)	(22,945)
Equity attributable to shareholders		29,450	28,200
Non-controlling interests		118	118
TOTAL EQUITY		29,568	28,318

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows For the half-year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Half year to 31 Dec 2022 \$'000	Half year to 31 Dec 2021 \$'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Cash receipts from customers		145,136	89,895
Cash paid to suppliers and employees		(143,728)	(86,854)
Cash provided by operations		1,408	3,041
Claims and litigation settlements		(66)	(197)
Net cash flows provided by operating activities		1,342	2,844
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Interest received		114	25
Proceeds from sale of investment management rights		1,500	-
Proceeds from interest-bearing loan		-	1,103
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(50)	(132)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	7
Dividends received from investments		3	7
Proceeds from convertible loan		100	120
Payment for acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired	8.1	(115)	68
Net cash flows provided by investing activities		1,552	1,198
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(286)	(319)
Finance costs		(26)	(21)
Dividends paid		(1,959)	(2,922)
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(2,271)	(3,262)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		623	780
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		14,742	11,130
Cash and cash equivalents for the period		15,365	11,910

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the half-year ended 31 December 2022

						Non-	
	Ordinary	Dividend	Other Accumulated		controlling		Total
	shares	reserve	reserves	losses	Total	interests	equity
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2022	47,594	1,986	1,565	(22,945)	28,200	118	28,318
Profit for the period				3,029	3,029	-	3,029
Total comprehensive profit for the period	-	-	-	3,029	3,029	-	3,029
Distribution of profits to dividend reserve	-	2,000	-	(2,000)	-	-	-
Share-based payment	-	-	180	-	180	-	180
Dividends paid	-	(1,959)	-	-	(1,959)	-	(1,959)
Balance at 31 Dec 2022	47,594	2,027	1,745	(21,916)	29,450	118	29,568
Balance at 1 July 2021	34,301	5,888	339	(29,459)	11,069	118	11,187
Profit for the period	-	-	-	501	501	-	501
Total comprehensive profit for the period	-	-	-	501	501	-	501
Transfer of non-vested performance rights from reserves to retained earnings	-	-	(22)	22	-	-	-
Transfer of vested performance rights to share capital	312	-	(312)	-	-	-	-
Issue of share capital	12,981	-	-	-	12,981	-	12,981
Share-based payment	-	-	353	-	353	-	353
Dividends paid	-	(2,922)	-	-	(2,922)	-	(2,922)
Balance at 31 Dec 2021	47,594	2,966	358	(28,936)	21,982	118	22,100

Notes to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements 31 December 2022

## 1. Corporate information

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements of Centrepoint Alliance Limited (the Company or the Parent Entity) and its controlled entities (the Group) for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 22 February 2023.

Centrepoint Alliance Limited is a company limited by shares incorporated in Australia, whose shares are publicly traded on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX:CAF).

The nature of the operations and principal activities of the Group are described in the Directors' Report.

## 2. Summary of significant accounting policies

### **Basis of preparation**

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) 134 *Interim Financial Reporting*. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting*.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at 30 June 2022.

It is recommended that the half-year financial report be considered together with any public announcements made by the Group during the half-year ended 31 December 2022 and up to the date of this report in accordance with the continuous disclosure obligations of the ASX Listing Rules.

The half-year financial report has been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for certain financial assets that have been measured at fair value. Where necessary, comparative information has been updated to be consistent with the current reporting period.

For the purposes of preparing the consolidated financial statements, the Group is a for-profit entity. This financial report has been prepared on the 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.

AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements* requires Management to assess the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. In making the assessment, the standard requires that all available information about the future 12 months from the reporting period or date of issue of financial statements, needs to be taken into consideration. Any material uncertainties that cast significant doubt on the capability to continue as a going concern such as scope of the impact on future costs and revenues, need to be disclosed in the financial statements.

Sufficient cash reserves are projected over the next 14 months. Apart from the outflows relating to general operational spend and potential future dividends to shareholders, inflows are projected to increase, factoring in organic business growth and inorganic transactions.

### **Compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards**

The financial report complies with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

## 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont.)

#### Standards issued but not yet effective

The directors anticipate that the application of any new accounting standards not yet effective will have no material impact on the financial statements. A number of amended standards became applicable for the current reporting period which did not have any material impact on the Group.

#### **Business combinations**

The Group applies the acquisition method in accounting for business combinations in accordance with AASB 3 Business Combinations. The consideration transferred by the Group to obtain control of a subsidiary is calculated as the sum of the acquisition date fair values of assets transferred, liabilities incurred, and the equity interests issued by the Group, which includes the fair value of any asset or liability arising from a contingent consideration arrangement. Acquisition costs are expensed as incurred.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired, and the liabilities assumed are recognised at their fair value, except that:

- deferred tax assets or liabilities and assets or liabilities related to employee benefit arrangements are recognised and measured in accordance with AASB 112 Income Taxes and AASB 119 Employee Benefits respectively;
- liabilities or equity instruments related to share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree or share-based payment arrangements of the Group entered into to replace share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree are measured in accordance with AASB 2 Share-based Payment at the acquisition date; and
- assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sale in accordance with AASB 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations, are measured in accordance with that Standard.

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree (if any) over the net of the acquisition date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed. If, after reassessment, the net of the acquisition date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree (if any), the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

With the exception of deferred tax assets and liabilities related to employee benefits, the Group recognises the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed of ClearView Advice at fair value on acquisition date of 1 November 2021. The Group has recorded goodwill on acquisition as the consideration transferred is in excess of the net identifiable assets acquired. The Group does not have any previously held equity interest in ClearView Advice nor has acquired any assets held for sale.

Deferred tax liability is recognised on intangible assets, except goodwill, arising on a business combination based on the difference of the carrying value of the asset on initial recognition in the consolidated accounts and the tax base. As the intangible asset is amortised or impaired, the temporary difference will decrease. The reduction in the deferred tax liability is recognised in profit or loss as a deferred tax credit.

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## 2. Summary of significant accounting policies (cont.)

Changes in fair value of the contingent consideration that qualify as measurement period adjustments are adjusted retrospectively, with corresponding adjustments against assets and liabilities. Measurement period adjustments are adjustments that arise from additional information obtained during the 'measurement period' (which cannot exceed one year from the acquisition date) about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date. If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period, or additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised as of that date. During the period, a business combination has been completed resulting in a retrospective adjustment to the 31 December 2021 and 30 June 2022 receivable and payable balances. Refer to Note 8.2.

#### Change in estimates

Lease classification is made at the inception date and is reassessed only if there is a lease modification. During the period, the estimated lease term has changed due to management's assessment of whether they are reasonably certain to exercise a renewal option for one of its leased spaces, reducing the period from five to three years. As a result, the lease liability was remeasured using a revised discount rate. The relevant carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has similarly been adjusted as a result of the remeasurement of the lease liability. The net impact in the reduction of these amounts have been recognised in profit or loss, totalling \$54k.

### 3. Segment information

Under AASB 8 *Operating Segments*, the Group determines and presents operating segments based on the nature of the products and services provided and the markets in which it operates. The senior executives of the Group are the chief operating decision makers.

Board, corporate finance, company secretarial and other administration functions of the Group not allocated to the below reportable segments are identified as Corporate and Unallocated.

The Group's reportable segments are:

Business segment	Operations
Licensee and advice services	This segment represents the business that provides Australian Financial Services Licensee services to financial advisers and their clients and mortgage broking services.
Fund management and administration	This segment provides investor directed portfolio services and investment management services to financial advisers, accountants and their clients.
Consulting services	This segment represents the business that provides consulting to both self-licensed advisers and licensees.

The corporate and unallocated balances represent corporate finance, company secretarial and other administration functions of the Group that are not considered an operating segment.

The Group operated only in Australia during the half-year. The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies.

## 3. Segment information (cont.)

Half-year to 31 Dec 2022		Funds Management & Administration	Consulting Services	Corporate & Unallocated	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Segment revenue					
Revenue from contracts with customers					
- Authorised representative fees	9,628	-	-	-	9,628
- Advice revenue	119,966	-	-	-	119,966
- Product revenue	86	1,381	-	686	2,153
- Virtual services	1,447	-	61	-	1,508
- Licensing and managed services	535	-	-	(73)	462
- Consulting services	-	-	236	-	236
Contractual payments to advisers					
- Advice revenue paid to advisers	(117,612)	-	-	-	(117,612)
- Fees paid to advisers/fund managers	-	(208)	(50)	-	(258)
Gross profit from contracts with customers	14,050	1,173	247	613	16,083
Interest income	122	17	_	6	145
Other revenue	173	1,502	-	120	1,795
Total segment gross profit	14,345	2,692	247	739	18,023
Other material expenses					
- Interest charges and interest on lease liabilities	(21)	_	(1)	(35)	(57)
- Client claims	(14)	-	-	-	(14)
- Depreciation and amortisation	(379)	_	(101)	(556)	(1,036)
- Expected credit loss reversal	15	4	-	-	19
- Inter-segment expenses*	(7,199)	(214)	-	7,413	-
Total other material expenses	(7,598)	(210)	(102)	6,822	(1,088)
Segment profit/(loss) before tax	4,934	2,353	65	(3,596)	3,756
Income tax (benefit)/expense	(100)	-	(22)	849	727
Segment profit/(loss) after tax	5,034	2,353	87	(4,445)	3,029
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	5,034	2,353	87	(4,445)	3,029
Statement of Financial Position as at 31 Dec 2022					
Total assets	40,514	28,114	1,869	(21,386)	49,111
Total liabilities	(13,020)	(83)	(249)	(6,191)	(19,543)
Net assets	27,494	28,031	1,620	(27,577)	29,568

<sup>\*</sup> Inter-segment expenses represent employee-related costs and other expenses paid centrally, which are allocated to the segments in which they are incurred.

## 3. Segment information (cont.)

Half-year to 31 Dec 2021		Funds Management & Administration	Consulting Services	Corporate & Unallocated	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Segment revenue					
Revenue from contracts with customers					
- Authorised representative fees	6,540	-	-	-	6,540
- Advice revenue	81,371	-	-	-	81,371
- Product revenue	329	4,292	-	286	4,907
- Virtual services	1,351	-	60	-	1,411
- Licensing and managed services	694	-	-	(128)	566
- Consulting services	-	-	392	(10)	382
Contractual payments to advisers					
- Advice revenue paid to advisers	(79,521)	-	-	-	(79,521)
- Fees paid to advisers/fund managers	-	(1,817)	(48)	-	(1,865)
Gross profit from contracts with customers	10,764	2,475	404	148	13,791
Interest income	2	31	-	14	47
Other revenue	128	(5)	-	120	243
Total segment gross profit	10,894	2,501	404	282	14,081
Other material expenses					
- Interest charges and interest on lease liabilities	(20)	-	(3)	(25)	(48)
- Client claims	-	-	-	-	
- Depreciation and amortisation	(122)	-	(111)	(526)	(759)
- Expected credit loss reversal	91	2	-	-	93
- Inter-segment expenses*	(6,790)	(582)	-	7,372	-
Total other material expenses	(6,841)	(580)	(114)	6,821	(714)
Segment profit/(loss) before tax	2,403	1,660	177	(3,297)	943
Income tax expense	287	-	2	153	442
Segment profit/(loss)after tax	2,116	1,660	175	(3,450)	501
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	2,116	1,660	175	(3,450)	501
Statement of Financial Position as at 31 Dec 2021 <sup>1</sup>					
Total assets	32,528	25,067	2,040	(16,344)	43,291
Total liabilities	(14,084)	(816)	(82)	(6,209)	(21,191)
Net assets	18,444	24,251	1,958	(22,553)	22,100

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> During the current reporting period, the Group has restated certain prior period asset and liability balances as a result of finalisation of the ClearView completion accounts at 31 October 2022. The restatement is shown in the Licensee & Advice Services business segment. The correction has no effect on net assets or retained earnings. Refer 8.2.

<sup>\*</sup>Inter-segment expenses represent employee-related costs and other expenses paid centrally, which are allocated to the segments in which they are incurred.

#### 4. Revenue

#### (a) Revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15 Revenue from contracts with customers)

**Authorised representative fees:** On a monthly basis, the financial advisers are billed for AFSL licensing fees in line with the contract between the Group and the adviser. The Group's obligation under this contract is to provide support to advisers and access to one of the Group's AFSLs to enable them to sell financial advice. The fees charged to the adviser are based on a fixed fee structure outlined in the contract with the adviser. Revenue is recognised on a monthly basis as services are provided to the advisers.

During the period, an additional \$0.6m in new adviser contracts with rebate arrangements offered, resulted in the recognition of \$153k revenue (\$240k since commencement of the rebate arrangement). Accordingly, a corresponding contract asset has been recognised in the condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position.

Advice revenue: Advice revenue can be in the form of a commission received from the product provider, or advice fees deducted from a financial product or received directly by the client. The Group receives the full amount of advice revenue from either the product provider or the client and then pays this in full to the adviser unless there is a specific arrangement with the adviser to retain a proportion of commission to satisfy their authorised representative fee or other debts to the Group. Based on the agreement between the Group and the advisers, the advisers act as an authorised representative of the Group, and the Group has the ultimate responsibility with the end customers. The Group is therefore considered the principal in these arrangements. Where the advisers are employed by the Group, advice revenue earned is retained within the Group.

**Product revenue:** The Group earns revenue from its clients through the provision of fund management and portfolio administration services to its clients. Under these arrangements, fees charged are calculated on a fixed percentage of Funds Under Management and Administration (FUMA) as stated in the contract with the client. Revenue is recognised as the service is provided. Also included in product revenue is partner program revenue received from the Group's partners for their participation in the Group's education programs including masterclasses, webinars and the annual conference.

**Virtual services:** The Group provides a menu of third-party services to its adviser network. Services with the greatest take-up are paraplanning and outsourced administration support. Other services include investment research and software. The Group sources third party providers and continually assesses the performance of providers to ensure quality standards are maintained. The Group derives margin from some services by negotiating competitive wholesale fees and sharing these benefits with advisers across its network. Revenue is recognised on a monthly basis as services are provided to the advisers.

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## 4. Revenue (cont.)

### (a) Revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers) (cont.)

**Licensing and managed services:** On a monthly basis, the Group charges fixed fees for admission to the customised platform (license fees) and technological support provided to the client (managed services). Revenue is recognised on a monthly basis as services are provided.

**Consulting services:** The Group earns revenue from the provision of XPLAN consulting, XPLAN tailoring and configuration and a comprehensive suite of advice delivery services, to meet specific business needs. Enzumo leverages the knowledge of solution specialists to design, develop and deploy customisations to XPLAN sites. Revenue is recognised on an over time basis when the performance obligations are met.

### (b) Interest Income (AASB 9 Financial instruments)

Per AASB 9 *Financial Instruments*, interest income from a financial asset is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount on initial recognition.

#### (c) Other revenue

Other revenue represents other sundry income received by the Group. For the current reporting period, \$1.5m was received for the sale of the investment management rights in relation to the five Ventura funds which were transferred to Russell Investment Management Limited following the satisfaction of several condition precedents (including Unitholder approval).

## 4. Revenue (cont.)

### (a) Revenue from contracts with customers (AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers) (cont.)

	Half-year to 31 Dec 2022	
Not	e \$'000	\$'000
Revenue		
Revenue from contracts with customers 4(a	)	
- Authorised representative fees	9,628	6,540
- Advice revenue	119,966	81,371
- Products revenue	2,153	4,907
- Virtual services	1,508	1,411
- Licensing and managed services	462	566
- Consulting services	236	382
Total revenue from contracts with customers	133,953	95,177
Contractual payments to advisers		
- Advice revenue paid to advisers	(117,612)	(79,521)
- Fees paid to advisers/fund managers	(258)	(1,865)
Total contractual payments to advisers	(117,870)	(81,386)
Gross profit from contracts with customers	16,083	13,791
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Interest income 4(b	145	47
Other revenue 4(c	`	
- Cost recoveries from advisers	67	107
- Other	1,728	136
Total other revenue	1,795	243
Gross profit	18,023	14,081

## 5. Other general and administrative expenses

	Half-year to 31 Dec 2022 \$'000	Half-year to 31 Dec 2021 \$'000
Audit fees	190	239
Directors' fees and expenses	225	195
Insurances	946	797
Entertainment	18	10
Printing and stationery	27	8
Other expenses	117	79
Total other general and administrative expenses	1,523	1,328

## 6. Earnings per share (EPS)

The following reflects the income used in the basic and diluted EPS computations:

	Half-year to 31 Dec 2022	Half-year to 31 Dec 2021
a) Profit used in calculating profit per share		
Net profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company (\$'000)	3,029	501
b) Weighted average number of shares	No. of shares	No. of shares
Weighted average number of ordinary shares	195,881,889	161,917,236
Effect of dilution:		
Performance rights and long-term incentive shares	18,981,899	11,037,723
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (excluding		
reserved shares) adjusted for the effect of dilution	214,863,788	172,954,959
Basic earnings per share (cents)	1.55	0.31
Diluted earnings per share (cents)	1.41	0.29

There have been no other transactions involving ordinary shares or potential ordinary shares that would significantly change the number of ordinary shares or potential ordinary shares outstanding between the reporting date and the date of completion of these financial statements.

#### 7. Loan Receivables

	31 Dec 2022 \$'000	31 Dec 2021 \$'000
Current		
Loan receivables - financial advisers	131	380
Total current loans	131	380
Non-current		
Loan receivables - financial advisers	901	1,018
Expected credit losses	(811)	(795)
Total non-current loans	90	223
Total loans	221	603

## 8. Acquisition of subsidiaries

On 1 November 2021, the Group paid \$3.17m in cash and \$12.98m in escrowed CAF shares to acquire 100% of the ClearView Advice business comprising LaVista Licensee Solutions (LaVista), Matrix Planning Solutions (Matrix) and Clearview Financial Advice (CFA), from Clear Wealth Limited (ASX: CVW). 48 million ordinary, fully paid shares in CAF were issued at \$0.25 per share in accordance with the Share Purchase Agreement. For the purposes of the accounting valuation, the shares were valued at \$0.27 per share being the 30 day VWAP prior to acquisition date, 1 November 2021. A subsequent settlement amount of \$115k was paid to ClearView Wealth Limited on 4 November 2022 upon finalisation of the purchase price adjustment.

CFA and Matrix are mid-sized AFS Licensed dealer groups, together providing traditional dealer group licensing support to a network of 157 advisers at 31 December 2022. LaVista, with a network of 139 advisers across 46 adviser practices, provides outsourced B2B licensee services to self-licensed financial advisers and support services to third party dealer groups.

ClearView Advice benefits from best-in-class technology, having fully integrated key risk indicator monitoring software, which allows for automated compliance monitoring and supervision across all clients under the licensee. With strong management and compliance processes, the existing infrastructure can be scaled to support a larger number of AFSLs and financial advisers and thereby create significant profit uplift through extraction of material synergies.

The transaction provides the combined entity with immediate scale, a strong and effective management team, best of breed technology and processes, and the capability to take a market leading position in the financial advice industry to build a strategically successful and profitable financial advice business. Centrepoint Alliance and ClearView Advice benefit from a close cultural alignment, focusing on high quality, affordable and technology-driven advice services, and the businesses to be combined are viewed as highly complementary.

## 8. Acquisition of subsidiaries (cont.)

### 8.1 Net Cash Flows arising from acquisition of business and consideration transferred

	\$'000
Cash paid in 2021 Equity transferred in 2021 Cash paid in 2022	3,170 12,981 115
Total consideration	16,266

Cash acquired amounted to \$3.2m resulting in net cash inflow of \$68k for the period ended 31 December 2021.

### 8.2 Assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition

The following table summarises the recognised amount of assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition.

	ClearView Financial Advice Pty Ltd	LaVista Licensee Solutions Pty Ltd	Matrix Planning Solutions Ltd	Group Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	2,682	207	349	3,238
Trade receivables	43	-	199	242
Prepayments	28	-	41	69
Non-Current Assets				
Other assets	537	-	-	537
Current Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	21	-	185	206
Provisions	350	-	-	350
Net identifiable assets acquired	2,919	207	404	3,530
Net identifiable intangible assets acquired				8,691
Goodwill arising on acquisition				6,652
Deferred tax liability				(2,607)
Net assets acquired	2,919	207	404	16,266

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## 8. Acquisition of subsidiaries (cont.)

### 8.2 Assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition (cont.)

The net assets recognised in the 31 December 2021 and 30 June 2022 financial statements were based on a provisional assessment of the fair values of the assets and liabilities acquired while the Group finalised the completion accounts review with the acquiree. This had not been completed by the date these financial statements were approved for issue by the Board of Directors.

On 31 October 2022, the completion accounts review was completed and there has been a change in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position, for which the below accounts have been retrospectively adjusted:

	30 Jun 2022 \$'000	Adjustment \$'000	Restated 30 Jun 2022 \$'000
Trade and other receivables	5,113	(25)	5,088
Trade and other payables	(10,045)	(113)	(10,158)
Provisions	(5,284)	138	(5,146)
Net Assets	28,318	-	28,318
Accumulated losses	(22,945)	-	(22,945)

The 31 December 2021 and 30 June 2022 comparative information was restated to reflect the adjustment to the provisional amounts. As a result, there was a \$25k decrease in assets and corresponding decrease in liabilities.

The relevant purchase price adjustment of \$115k was settled on 4 November 2022. Refer to Table 8.1 (Net cashflows arising from acquisition of business and consideration transferred).

The key driver for this settlement amount was the resolution of open claim matters, resulting in a reduction in the claims provision at date of completion.

### 9. Intangible assets and goodwill

#### **Key accounting policies**

### Goodwill

Goodwill acquired in a business combination is initially measured at cost, being the excess of the cost of the business combination over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognised at the date of the acquisition. Goodwill is subsequently measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

#### Intangible assets acquired in a business combination

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination and recognised separately from goodwill are recognised initially at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost). Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately.

## 9. Intangible assets and goodwill (cont.)

The useful life of the intangible assets is as follows:

	Useful Life (Years)
Trade name	Indefinite
Network and client lists	11
Software	5

### a) Reconciliation of carrying amounts at the beginning and end of the half-year

	Goodwill \$'000	Software \$'000	Network & Client Lists \$'000	Trade Name \$'000	Total \$'000
Half-year ended 31 December 2022					
At 1 July 2022 net of accumulated amortisation and impairment	8,092	658	8,349	743	17,842
Additions	-	237	-	-	237
Amortisation	-	(157)	(431)	-	(588)
At 31 December 2022 net of accumulated amortisation					
and impairment	8,092	738	7,918	743	17,491
At 31 December 2022					
Cost	8,345	5,532	19,618	743	34,238
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(253)	(4,794)	(11,700)	-	(16,747)
Net carrying value	8,092	738	7,918	743	17,491

	Goodwill \$'000	Software \$'000	Network & Client Lists \$'000	Trade Name \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial year ended 30 June 2022					
At 1 July 2021 net of accumulated amortisation and impairment	1,095	971	917	101	3,084
Additions	6,997	-	8,051	642	15,690
Amortisation	-	(313)	(619)	-	(932)
At 30 June 2022 net of accumulated amortisation					
and impairment	8,092	658	8,349	743	17,842
At 30 June 2022					
Cost	8,345	5,295	19,618	743	34,001
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(253)	(4,637)	(11,269)	-	(16,159)
Net carrying value	8,092	658	8,349	743	17,842

## 10. Contributed equity

		31 Dec 2022 \$'000		30 June 2022 \$'000
	Number of shares	\$'000	Number of shares	\$'000
Ordinary shares (issued and fully paid)				
Balance at start of year	195,881,889	47,594	144,282,969	34,301
Movements during the period:				
- Issue of shares	-	-	51,598,920	13,293
On issue at the end of the period	195,881,889	47,594	195,881,889	47,594
Total contributed equity	195,881,889	47,594	195,881,889	47,594

### 11. Reserves

	31 Dec 2022 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
Employee equity benefits reserve	1,745	1,565
Dividend reserve	2,027	1,986
Total	3,772	3,551

a) Employee equity benefits reserve	31 Dec 2022 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
Balance at start of year	1,565	339
Value of share-based payments provided or which vested during the period	180	1,560
Transfer of non-vested performance rights from reserves to retained earnings	-	(22)
Transfer of vested performance rights to share capital	-	(312)
Balance at the end of the period	1,745	1,565

The employee equity benefits reserve is used to record the value of share-based payments provided to employees, including Key Management Personnel (KMP), as part of their remuneration.

## 11. Reserves (cont.)

b) Dividend reserve	31 Dec 2022 \$'000	30 June 2022 \$'000
Balance at start of year  Dividends paid	1,986 (1,959)	5,888 (3,902)
Distribution of profits to dividend reserve  Balance at the end of the period	2,000 <b>2,027</b>	1,986

The dividend reserve represents profits transferred for payment of potential future dividends.

#### 12. Dividends

On 22 February 2023, the Directors of Centrepoint Alliance Limited declared an interim fully franked ordinary dividend of 0.5 cents per share in respect of the results for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 and a fully franked special dividend of 0.5 cents per share in respect of the sale of Ventura Funds business to Russell Investment Management Limited. The total dividend declared was \$1,958,818.90 with 3 March 2023 as the record date and 17 March 2023 as the payment date.

On 8 August 2022, the Directors of Centrepoint Alliance Limited declared a fully franked ordinary dividend of 1.0 cent per share in relation to the results for the year ended 30 June 2022. The total dividend declared was \$1,958,818.89 with 15 September 2022 as the record date and 29 September 2022 as the payment date.

### 13. Share-based payment plans

There is a total of 19,697,881 performance rights existing at 31 December 2022. 15,000,000 performance rights were issued in previous financial years that have not yet vested, and a further 4,697,881 new performance rights were issued during the period. Total performance rights are comprised of:

- 4,000,000 performance rights from FY 20 LTI offer issued in previous financial years.
- 8,000,000 performance rights from FY 22 LTI offer issued to CEO on 2 November 2021.
- 3,000,000 performance rights from FY 22 LTI offer issued to CFO on 24 December 2021.
- 4,697,881 performance rights from FY 23 LTI offer issued on 16 December 2022.

The fair value of the performance rights issued is calculated as at the date of grant using the Monte Carlo Model. This model takes into account the terms and conditions upon which the performance rights were granted and market-based inputs as at the grant date.

## 14. Contingent liabilities

#### **Client Claims**

The nature of the financial advice business is such that from time to time advice given by the Group or its authorised representatives generates client compensation claims.

Claims continue to arise, and given the variability of settlement amounts, a general provision at 31 December 2022 has been recorded for foreseeable claims based on historical information. The Group also continues to fully provide for known obligations as at 31 December 2022.

#### **Adviser Service Fees**

Under the service arrangements with authorised representatives, customers generally pay an adviser service fee to receive an annual review, together with other services. The Group is assessing whether customers who have paid for these services have been provided with the agreed services.

An assessment of financial advisers employed by the Group (xseedwealth salaried advisers) has been completed, and where customer compensation is probable and can be reliably estimated, a provision was made at 30 June 2018. As at 31 December 2022, the provision balance is \$80k.

The assessment process of identifying customers associated with authorised representatives licensed by the Group's wholly owned subsidiaries – Professional Investment Services (PIS) and Alliance Wealth (AW), commenced in February 2019.

Reviews continue on the licenses to the Group's self-employed advice firms to determine whether any fee for service issues exist. All Professional Investment Services Pty Ltd and Alliance Wealth Pty Ltd practices have been reviewed with 17% identified with a Fee for No Service (FFNS) issue. Refunds of \$0.73m are being paid or are expected to be paid by the practices.

As part of acquiring the ClearView Advice business, a further \$0.2m provision was assumed for the remediation costs payable to advisers' clients.

#### 15. Deferred tax assets and liabilities

The Group has deferred tax assets of \$5.7m as at 31 December 2022 (30 June 2022: \$6.6m). Following a significant improvement in trading conditions, profits of the Group over the last two years and expected profit results in the foreseeable future, at 30 June 2022 the Group reviewed previously unrecognised tax losses and determined that it was now probable that taxable profits will be available against which the tax losses can be utilised. At 31 December 2022 a further assessment was completed, which ensured the Group could continue to recognise a deferred tax asset of \$3.0m for these losses. It was concluded that the Group could not utilise any transferred in losses subject to fractioning, and management has concluded that the recognised transferred in losses amounting to \$4.0m is reasonably expected to be recovered in the financial years FY23 – FY25 after the Group losses have been fully utilised. The Group will assess the utilisation of any further transferred in losses in future reporting periods subject to the results of fraction testing.

## 15. Deferred tax assets and liabilities (cont.)

The Group has deferred tax liabilities of \$2.6m as at 31 December 2022 (30 June 2022: \$2.7m). The recognised deferred tax liabilities on intangible assets arose from the Group's acquisitions. These are not offset against the deferred tax asset as there is no legally enforceable right to offset this with the other deferred tax balances.

## 16. Events subsequent to the balance sheet date

Other than the dividend in Note 12, there are no other matters or events which have arisen subsequent to end of the half-year, which have significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Group, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Group in subsequent financial years.

Directors' Declaration 31 December 2022

In accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Centrepoint Alliance Limited, I state that:

- 1. In the opinion of the Directors:
  - (a) The interim condensed consolidated financial statements and notes of Centrepoint Alliance Limited for the half-year ended 31 December 2022 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
    - i) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
    - ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001;
  - (b) the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as disclosed in Note 2; and
  - (c) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- 2. This declaration has been made after receiving the declarations required to be made to the Directors by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer in accordance with section 303(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001 for the half-year ended 31 December 2022.

On behalf of the Directors:

Alan Fisher

Chair

22 February 2023



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

To the members of Centrepoint Alliance Limited

## Report on the Half-Year Financial Report

#### Conclusion

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of Centrepoint Alliance Limited (the 'Company') and its controlled entities (the 'Group'), which comprises the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2022, the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the half-year ended on that date, and the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the accompanying half-year financial report of the Group does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- (i) Giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and of its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- (ii) Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

#### Basis for conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity. Our responsibilities are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review 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 and the 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 the audit of the annual 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 the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

Responsibility of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



### Auditor's responsibility for the review of the financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 31 December 2022 and its financial performance for the half-year ended on that date and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

**BDO Audit Pty Ltd** 

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Tim Aman Director

Sydney, 22 February 2023