

2020-2021

# Community Report Card

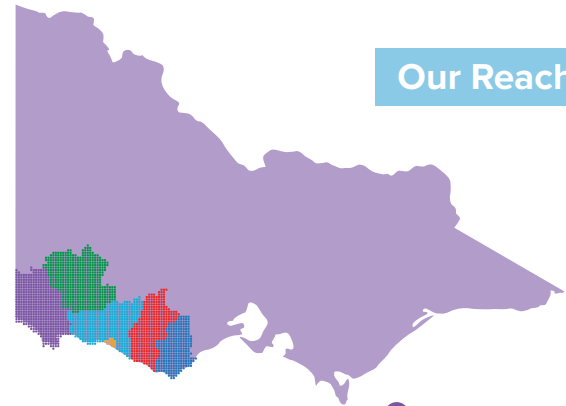


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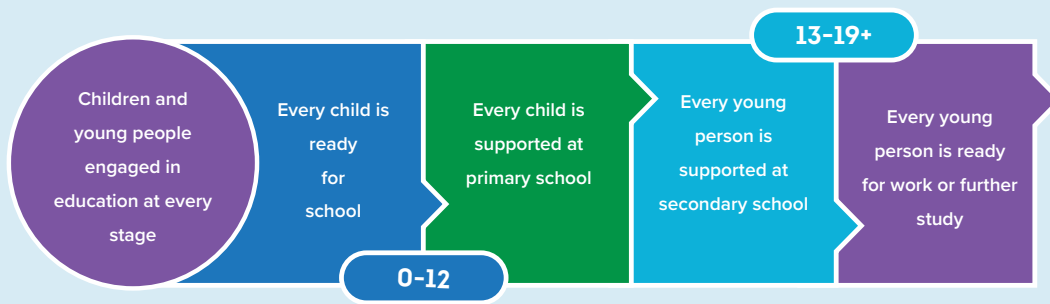
## Our work reaches across the Great South Coast Region of Victoria.

Beyond the Bell's work is a continuum from birth to young adulthood. This approach necessitates innovation at every stage to ensure that children and young people can flourish.

### Our Reach



- Glenelg Shire
- Southern Grampians Shire
- Moyne Shire
- Warrnambool City
- Corangamite Shire
- Colac Otway Shire



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# What is Beyond the Bell:

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Beyond the Bell is a community-led initiative committed to ensuring that all children and young people in south west Victoria are supported and inspired to achieve their full potential.

We believe that education is the key to unlocking life opportunities. Young people in the Great South Coast are less likely to achieve year 12 or equivalent than their metropolitan counterparts. We engage with all sectors across the region to prepare and support our children and young people for school, further education and full-time employment.

Community led work, in collaboration with organisations and agencies, offers innovative solutions to support our children and young people. Place-based program development in each of our six Local Government Areas ensures local solutions are offered

for local problems; regionally led initiatives advocate for large scale systems change. The regional Backbone team support the community driven work and oversee regional initiatives.

Beyond the Bell understand that no single person, organisation, sector or government can accomplish our goal alone; to achieve our vision we must work collectively to change the status quo. Beyond the Bell promotes and facilitates collaborative practice across the Great South Coast and uses the Collective Impact Framework to guide the work.

This 2020-2021 Annual Community Report Card outlines the actions and achievements undertaken by the collective to enable our children and young people to connect to education and engage in their learning.



## OUR PURPOSE

To actively work with communities to enable children and young people in south west Victoria to engage in education and successfully transition through key stages of their learning.

## OUR VISION

All children and young people are connected to education and engaged in their learning.

The Beyond the Bell collective engaged in extensive community consultation to refine our vision and purpose and to sharpen the focus for the next three years, resulting in our new 2021-2023 strategy (see page 16).

## Guiding Principles

- A culture of mutual respect for all people at all times
- Evidence and data based decision making
- Leverage existing assets
- Engage local expertise and community voice
- Elimination of disparities within the Great South Coast
- A culture of continuous improvement

# Message from the Beyond the Bell Chair



On behalf of the Board, it is with great pleasure that I present my report to the community on the results achieved during the 2020-21 year.

We were so excited this year to receive additional funding from the State Government to continue the work of Beyond the Bell for the next three years. We advocated strongly, and with the ongoing support of the Hon. Minister Gayle Tierney, we are ready to take the next chapter of our work.

We reviewed our purpose and strategic direction and believe that we have a more focussed narrative based on delivering better outcomes for children and young people across the region in building their social and emotional wellbeing, addressing their disadvantaged, and strengthening their engagement with learning.

To highlight the year's activity, there are a few key pieces of

work that have been prominent to the organisations value and achieving its purpose.

A year into the Covid-19 pandemic has seen many students studying from home and doing the best they can. Beyond the Bell has focused on seeking out their voices and finding ways to support them through our networks. The Youth Conversations Project has built upon these views and the report was released this year to highlight the experiences of young people across the region.

The Board is excited to see that many other projects are continuing across the region including key signature projects such as Stepping Stones to School, a core component of the Positive Transitions to School Project.

We thank the Collaborative Table, a group of insightful and passionate community people who are providing strategic advice on how to build the Beyond the Bell model.



Beyond the Bell is proud of its advocacy and championing of place based projects which has led to the generous support from a number of philanthropic foundation grants to assist our children and young people to achieve better educational outcomes. Together, with Backbone funding from Regional Development Victoria, I would like to acknowledge the generous investments of:

- Australian Government Building Better Regions Fund
- State Trustees Australia Foundation;
- The Ian Potter Foundation; and
- the Ross Trust.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the extraordinary work of our Executive Office, Kate Roache who has worked tirelessly with very limited resources to navigate and negotiate with stakeholders during this very tumultuous year. Her dedication and resilience has been exemplary and the Board wishes to express its huge appreciation towards Kate's effort to securing Beyond the Bells purpose and vision.

Furthermore, there has been an enormous number of volunteers providing countless hours over the year and we thank them and appreciate their significant contributions and in particular the local action group members.

I would like to thank all of the Board members, who have provided sector leadership and contributed extensively to the Board's discussions. Their perseverance, willingness to shoulder the responsibility that was needed and the cohesion shown to work for the community has been truly appreciated.

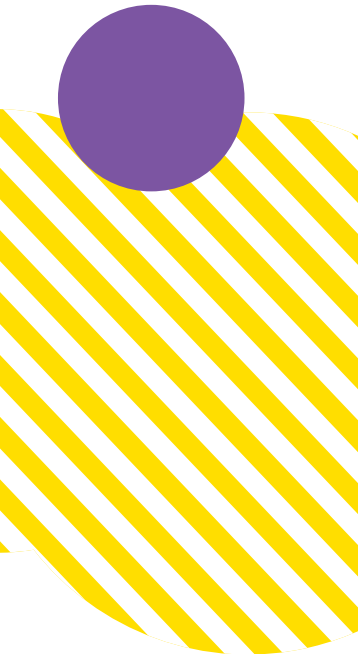
Finally, thanks to our communities for their commitment and willingness to engage in the collective impact journey. In these extraordinary times, the narrative continues.

### **Francis Broekman**

Chair, Beyond the Bell Great South Coast



# Message from the Executive Officer



What an interesting period of time for us all! The pandemic has forced us to think and work differently across the region and our strong, targeted advocacy to secure ongoing Backbone funding during the last 12 months has meant many hours pondering the impact of so many decisions as an individual, and as a collective.

Significant regional work included:

- Refinement of the vision and focus of Beyond the Bell to build our new 2021-2023 Strategy;
- Completion of the Youth Conversations Project; and
- Continued the extensive scale out of the Positive Transitions to School Project - Stepping Stones to School and began the scoping for the School Readiness Campaign in animation form.

Place-based community work included:

- The Glenelg Local Action Group completed Phase One of the

Engagement in Learning Project

- Commitment to the Live4Life initiative in Southern Grampians and Glenelg
- Support for the Mental Health Toolkit review and refinement orchestrated by the Warrnambool Youth Council
- Formed a partnership with Southern Grampians Primary Care Partnership to contribute to backbone support for Hands Up Casterton.

The commitment and work of those in our communities to ensure a better future for children and young people is admirable. Thank-you one and all for your work!

Collaboration with our partners and stakeholders took on a more 'zooming look', yet we were able to maintain connections to deliberate and wrestle with the current context and consider what work may be required into the future to continue to enable our children and young people to have every choice and every chance. Thank-you to all of our partners and stakeholders, without you our work does not come to fruition.



The Regional Backbone Team farewelled Tatiana Resk Wilson in December. Her dedication and commitment to the work ensured communities were connected, projects were scoped and resourced, and the Youth Conversations Project was at a point of near completion.

What Beyond the Bell achieves with minimal Backbone resourcing is a testament to all the volunteers and in-kind contributions we receive from agencies and organisation's engaged in the work, thank-you!

The ongoing commitment of the volunteer Board members is greatly appreciated. They have stayed focused on the long term commitment and work of the organisation. In particular during this period, the additional hours to advocate for ongoing funding were considerable, of which I greatly appreciated.

To each and everyone who has contributed to the work during such challenging times, your time, energy and insights have been greatly appreciated. You have enriched our work to ensure we continue to meet the greatest need in our communities.

### **Kate Roache**

Executive Officer, Beyond the Bell  
Great South Coast



# Priority Areas and Our Work

## SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

- Advocacy for access to services for children and young people
- COVID 19 webpage
- Live4Life initiative: Partnership member
- Mental Health Toolkit (partner with Warrnambool City Council)



## Priority Areas

Our work from 1  
July 2020 -  
30 June 2021

## ENGAGEMENT WITH LEARNING

- Engagement in Learning Glenelg Project
- Youth Conversations Project



## COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE

- Advocacy
- Backbone support – Regional and Hands Up Casterton
- Board Governance
- Community collaboration: Local Action Group/ working groups/ networks/consultations/ forums
- Engagement and collaboration
- with partners and stakeholders
- Independent Review
- Initiatives co-designed
- New 3-year Strategy
- Securing new 3 year funding agreement
- Successful grant seeking
- The Collaborative Table
- Young people's voice – Youth Conversations



## DISADVANTAGED YOUNG PEOPLE

- Positive Transitions to School Project: Stepping Stones to School and School Readiness Campaign



# Regional

## Work and Key Achievements

Regional work and key achievements were significant. They included:

- Advocacy and consultation to secure a new 3 year funding agreement with the State Government for July 1 2021-June 30 2024;
- Youth Conversations Project;
- Positive Transitions to School Project;
- The Collaborative Table;
- 2021-2023 Strategy;
- Engagement and Collaboration;
- Staying connected; and
- an Independent Review for the period 2018-2020.

### In summary:

## YOUTH CONVERSATIONS PROJECT

The Youth Conversations Project began in 2019, with a focus on engaging with young people aged 12-19 years across the six local government areas of south west Victoria. The aim of the project was to learn more about their lived experience in education, employment and their future hopes and aspirations.

### Key achievements:

- Engagement with young people completed.
- Research Report completed.
  - › The report gives voice to 711 young people across our region.
- Commitment to Phase 2 of the project

## Youth Conversations Report: Nine Key Recommendations

The overarching question guiding the Youth Conversations was: what matters to young people living in the Great South Coast region with regards to education, training, employment and community?

The insights from the forums and survey responses formed the 38 learnings in the report and we now have nine recommendations to consider as a collective, as we move into Phase 2 of the project.

### **Strand One: Feeling connected to the community and desirable community attributes.**



1: Strengthen and expand innovative programs linking community engagement and education provision.



2: Identify specific areas of impact created by young people's limited transport and technology access.



3: Strengthen and expand programs to make communities safer and more inclusive places for everyone.

### **Strand Two: Staying in school, pursuing further education and training, imagining a desirable future.**



4: Strengthen careers and pathways advice for young people.



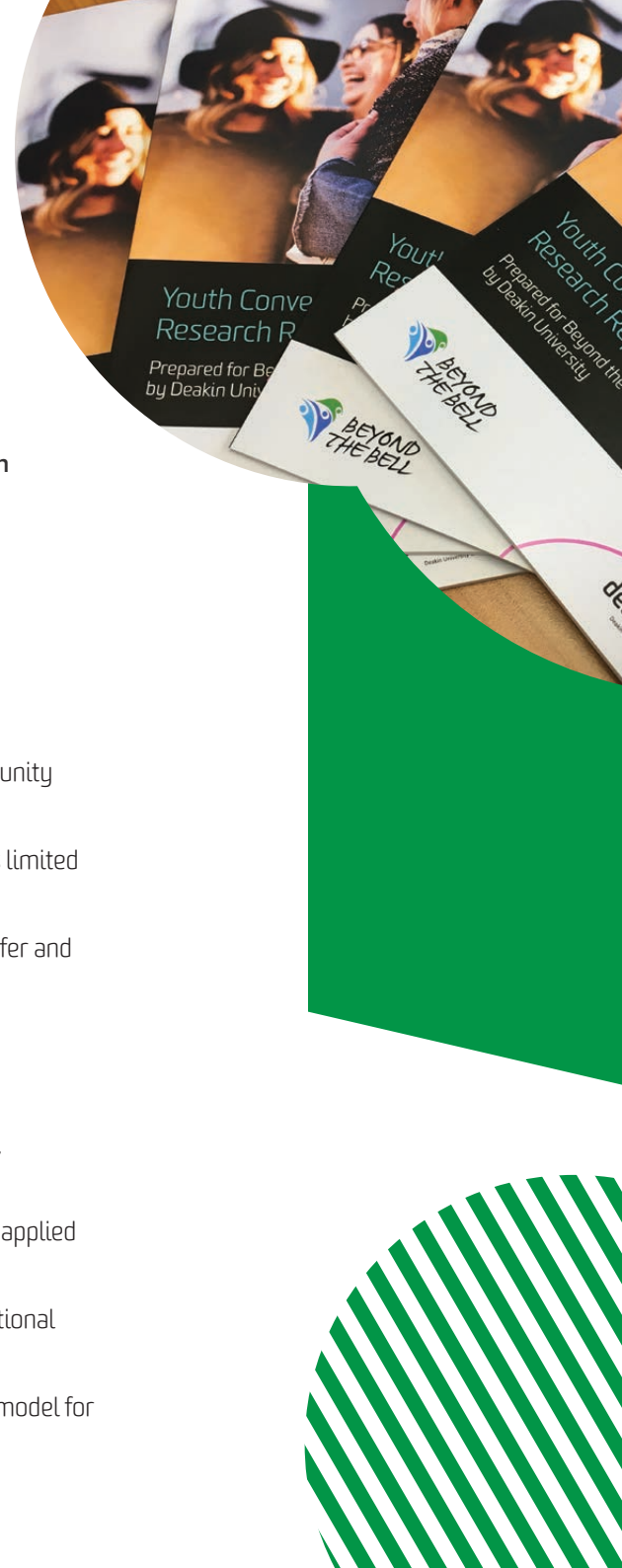
5: Strengthen teachers' and school leaders' understanding of applied and vocational learning approaches and pathways.



6: Strengthen community understanding of applied and vocational learning.



7: Develop and advocate for the region's unique place-based model for senior secondary education provision.





### Stand Three: Changes brought about by the pandemic and learnings from them.



8: Support young people, teachers and schools with trauma-sensitive learning approaches.



9: Advocate for sustained region-wide targeted support for young people whose educational progress has been impacted significantly by the pandemic.

The Project Control Group met regularly to ensure the integrity of the project was maintained and to support the project team completing the work.

#### Members included:

- Kathy Sanderson: Brophy Family & Youth Services
- Alistair McCosh: Deakin University
- Carlo Ticchi: Department of Education and Training – Wimmera South West Area
- Tracie Martin: Department of Families, Fairness and Housing
- Anne Murphy: Glenelg and Southern Grampians Local Employment & Learning Network
- Wendy Lever Henderson: South West TAFE
- Karen Walsh: Youth Affairs Council Victoria
- Cassandra Prigg: Youth Representative
- Tatiana Resk Wilson: Beyond the Bell
- Kate Roache: Beyond the Bell



**Project Control Group Members: L-R: Anne Murphy, Kathy Sanderson, Carlo Ticchi, Karen Walsh**

# Positive Transitions to School Project

## This project has two elements:

- Stepping Stones to School; and
- community awareness campaign for school readiness.

The Stepping Stones to School Program aims to improve the transition of vulnerable children between kindergarten and school settings. The community awareness campaign aims to produce a series of short animations bringing to life key attributes of school readiness for children and families to enjoy.

## Key achievements:

### Overall project:

- Baseline Evaluation Report completed
- Regional Strategic Steering Committee met regularly to track the progress of the initiative and support the work as required

## Stepping Stones to Schools:

### Key achievements:

- Continued the scale out in Southern Grampians
- Initiative began in Corangamite
- All children and families referred to the initiative have received support
- Transition/Partnership Networks are being established to suit each Local Government Area (LGA) context. Draft protocols in progress
- Steering committees established for each participating LGA
- Engagement with personnel in the Moyne Shire to discuss the possibilities of introducing the initiative in 2022
- Project tracking and monitoring tools established

## Community awareness campaign for school readiness:

### Key achievements:

- Refinement of concept
- Engagement of Project Worker
- Engagement of animator

# The Collaborative Table

The Collaborative Table met bi-monthly and had extensive focus on finalising the 2021-2023 Strategy and spending time refining the purpose of The Collaborative Table.



Leon  
Carey



Emily  
Falla



Edith  
Farrell



Iain  
Jackson



Janette  
Lowe



Elisia  
Nichol



Kate  
Roache



Karen  
Walsh



Julie  
Drechsler

***Purpose: To bring an informed, diverse, big picture view to the work of Beyond the Bell.***

## **To achieve this The Collaborative Table:**

- Maintain a regional view
- Innovate and work strategically
- Maintain a critical lens with a constructive and solution focussed view
- Act as a sounding board and link for ideas generated by the Board and local communities
- Activate regional initiatives with the Regional Backbone Team

## **The Collaborative Table Principles and Values:**

- We are proactive, responsive and adaptive to the changing needs of our community
- We align Beyond the Bell work with regional priorities
- We collaborate and develop ideas with key stakeholders
- We identify gaps and align with key research projects and initiatives, integrating the evidence in our planning
- We value add rather than duplicating effort
- We are innovative, curious, and flexible
- We challenge the status quo to encourage system change
- We work from a strength-based perspective and celebrate diversity and inclusivity

***Members of The Collaborative Table bring a diverse range of experiences from a variety of context. They share their expertise and practitioner knowledge, independent of their current workplace.***



# 2021-2023 Strategy

The development of the new 3-year Strategy was informed by numerous collaborations in the form of community consultations, feedback from a survey and insights from data sets and learnings from various community groups and networks in regard to the current context of the pandemic.

## OUR FOCUS



### Social and Emotional Wellbeing

- Children and young people are more connected to peers, school and community
- Children and young people have improved opportunities to access strategies and resources to support their social and emotional wellbeing



### Disadvantaged Children and Young People

- Children, young people and families are ready for critical transition stages of learning
- The needs of vulnerable families are understood and responded to
- More young people connect and engage in education and attain Year 12 or equivalent
- Young people are better prepared for transition to post school options of work or further study and training, particularly within the region



### Engagement with Learning

- Families are more connected to and engaged in their child's education
- Children and young people are more connected and engaged in education and learning from the early years to Year 12 or equivalent
- Young people's aspirations are supported through a greater awareness and understanding of the pathways to further study, training and employment post -secondary school, particularly in the region

## OUR APPROACH

Beyond the Bell adopts a collaborative approach to facilitate community driven initiatives.

- Focused on the greatest unmet needs across the region
- Guided by young people's voices and lived experiences
- Adaptive and innovative
- Co-designed and place-based
- Informed by evidence and impact reviewed



# Engagement and Collaboration

Beyond the Bell collaborated with over 30 partners and stakeholders. These relationships are vital for the work, as no one organisation can address the issues for children and young people relating to education and attainment.

## Partners/stakeholders included:

- Brophy Family and Youth Services
- Casterton Community Education Stakeholders
- Casterton Memorial Hospital
- Deakin University
- Department of Education and Training – Wimmera South West Area
- Department of Health and Human Services/Department of Families, Fairness and Housing
- Department of Justice and Community Safety
- Glenelg and Southern Grampians Local Learning and Employment Network
- Great South Coast Group
- Great South Coast Regional Partnership
- Hands Up Casterton
- Headspace
- Youth Live4Life
- OzChild
- Portland District Health
- Regional Early Learning Centres
- Regional Schools
- Shire Councils
- South West Primary Care Partnership
- Southern Grampians Glenelg Primary Care Partnership
- Save the Children Australia – Hands On Learning
- South West Healthcare
- South West Local Learning and Employment Network
- South West TAFE
- Southern Grampians Adult Education
- United Way Glenelg
- VicSRC
- Victoria Police
- Wellways
- Western District Health Service
- Youth Affairs Council Victoria

## Staying Connected

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Working across the six local government areas means it is vital to stay connected, especially when the ways of working have changed considerably during the pandemic.

We have:

- facilitated two community consultations
- facilitated a collaborative workshop for the independent review
- contributed to many networks/working group meetings.

We continued to engage via social media and bi-monthly newsletters.

Karen Walsh and  
Helen Bayne



## Independent Review

An independent review of the Beyond the Bell initiative for the period 2018-2020 was conducted in May 2021 and there is much to celebrate.

The value of the organisation was highlighted and included:

- Continuing the focus on educational engagement
- Driving new thinking and new ways of working
- Facilitating connections and collective effort
- Maintaining focus and shared agreement around the need
- Remains highly valued by Great South Coast
- Unique and ambitious in scope and scale.



# LUDOWYK EVALUATION

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## KEY POINTS AND ACTIONS FOR CONTINUAL ORGANISATIONAL GROWTH

**The Board and Executive Officer have identified the following commitments, arising from the learnings from the independent review.**

### COMMUNICATIONS:

- Refine ways of communicating the work of the collective internally and externally

### ENGAGEMENT

- Continue to refine the ways and means of working across the region: community readiness, need, resourcing, reviewing of impact, and longevity in initiatives
- Further enhance and support engagement with stakeholders, especially with schools across the region; adjusting ways of work with need of communities and in light of the current pandemic
- Continue to celebrate the work of the collective
- Along with all six guiding principles, continue to ensure #5: Elimination of disparities within the Great South Coast, is a focus of the work
- Explore backbone support across the region and different ways of thinking how this may look

### MEASURING IMPACT

- Further refinement of ways of working to measure impact and the practicalities for local and regional projects and the collective as a whole

### BUILDING CAPACITY

- Continue to develop ways of building capacity within the collective – collective impact

### ADVOCACY

- Continue to advocate for children and young people and the need for the work to continue long-term



Participants in  
the Independent  
Review Workshop



Carlo Ticchi and  
Alistair McCosh

# In Community

## Work and Key Achievements

Community based initiatives across the region are a place-based response to greatest unmet needs. They are grounded in strong, active partnerships with stakeholders and supported by the regional Beyond the Bell Backbone team.

### Live4Life Glenelg and Southern Grampians

Beyond the Bell are a partner in this initiative – contributing as part of the Partnership Group and supporting to seek funding.

#### Overall:

- 58 adults completed the 14 hours Youth Mental Health First Aid courses
- 25 adults completed the Youth Mental Health First Aid refresher course
- 301 young people completed Junior Teen Mental Health First aid training in their schools.
- 349 young people completed Senior Teen Mental Health First Aid
- 4 community-based Teen Mental Health First Aid instructors trained across Glenelg and Southern Grampians
- Both communities introduced new Youth Development and Engagement Officers in Molly Dennis, Maddy McKinna and Jesse Beavis, all young people from within the community or returned to the community.
- 25 Partners across both regions

### Southern Grampians key achievements

- Delivery of over 270 Mental Health Care packs to the Year 8 cohort across the Shire
- Recruited over 40 crew members from Year 9 and 10 from across all five Secondary Schools in Southern Grampians Shire.
- Formative Evaluation Workshop with Partnership Group held in March 2021
- Crew Reconnect Session with 16 young people in attendance held in March 2021
- Partnership group was successful in becoming a Local Drug Action Team with The Alcohol and Drug Foundation in May 2021
- Celebrated one year anniversary of the Partnership group coming together to support implementation of Live4Life

## Glenelg key achievements

- Recruitment and Induction with over 40 crew members from Year 9 and 10 from across all four Secondary Schools in Glenelg Shire.
- Review and Reflection session held at the end of 2020, identifying the key successes, challenges, and goals to work towards in 2021.
- Local Youth Mental Health First Aid instructor, Nicky Grayson, received her Master Instructor title from Mental Health First Aid Australia.
- Planning workshop with the partnership group held early 2021.
- Commenced the fifth year of implementation, reaching over 12% of community members, including young people, trained in Mental Health First Aid and over 140 young people trained as Crew Members and Youth Mental Health Ambassadors.



Glenelg Partnership Group members



Participants from Youth Mental Health First Aid training in Southern Grampians

## Stepping Stones to School (SS2S) - Glenelg

- 22 children have received SS2S support in the last 12 months
- The Transition To School Network met once per term with strong representation from kinder and Foundation teachers. The Glenelg Shire Early Years Team Leader steers the group.
- The SS2S Glenelg steering group met once per team with strong participation from Government Primary School Principals, Glenelg Shire Early Years, Maternal Child Health, Catholic Primary School Foundation teachers, and the local Indigenous community through a Koorie Engagement Support Officer
- Glenelg was part of the planning for the combined SS2S regional steering groups professional development session planned for August 2021.

Picture Supplied from The Hamilton and Alexandra College, Year 8 Students



# Engagement in Learning Project - Glenelg

This project, driven by the Beyond the Bell Glenelg Local Action Group, aims to determine the influences on primary school students becoming disengaged in education, how it can present in young people, the impact on their learning and to identify effective strategies to address early disengagement.

Phase One of the project included examining current research and hearing from teachers, principals, and others working in and with the local schools, with particular emphasis on primary and early secondary school.

## Key Achievements – Phase One:

Completion of the:

- Engagement in Learning Final Report
- Early Disengagement Issues Paper
- Scoping of Phase 2: this will include hearing from students and families.
- The Final Report and Issues Paper are available on the website - Our work - Glenelg.

## Members of the Project Control Group



Julie  
Drechsler



Lee  
Gibbons



Anne  
Murphy



Leanne  
Nelson



Tiana  
Richardson



Jane  
Ruge



Carol  
Stewart



Rowena  
Wylie



# Hands Up Casterton

Beyond the Bell formalised the partnership with Southern Grampians Glenelg Primary Care Partnership to support the Hands Up Casterton initiative.

Using a community driven approach, Hands Up Casterton brings together community, local agencies and business to work together to ensure that children and young people in Casterton are thriving.

With the community based systems dynamics approach, the community have worked together to develop a shared understanding of the local issues and identify actions to drive change.

Restructuring strategic support mechanisms has resulted in the formation of a Hands Up Casterton Strategic group enabling alignment of efforts towards a shared goal. An additional operational network of local champions and action leaders will share experience, develop solutions to barriers and identify collaborative action. Beyond the Bell has played a significant role contributing to the strategic direction bringing knowledge, experience and connections to the group.

In 2021-2022 Hands up Casterton will focus on building the foundations and enablers for change including a strong focus on community connection, identifying champions, capacity building and understanding community needs.



Molly  
Dennis



# Our plans for 2021-2022



## Our plans for 2021-2022 include:

- Respond to the needs of our children and young people, especially in light of the impacts of the pandemic
- Youth Conversations Phase 2 scoping with young people
- Continue the scale out of Stepping Stones to School initiative to other local government areas
- Complete and launch the school readiness campaign animation
- Continue to provide Backbone support for initiatives across the region
- Continue to refine our measuring impact work
- Develop a capacity building plan to include a suite of collaborative learning opportunities
- Phase 2: Engagement in Learning Glenelg project

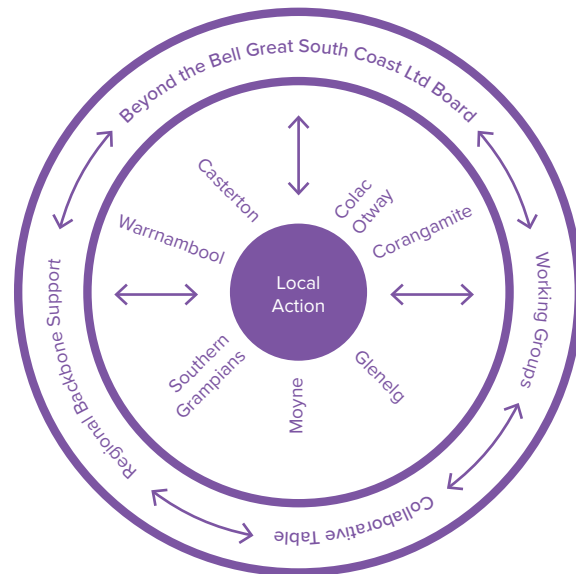


# Our Governance



## 2020/2021 Board of Directors

A voluntary Board has responsibility for the governance of Beyond the Bell, helping to provide strategic oversight for the initiative and ensure legislative compliance. The Board met bi-monthly, with additional sub-committees as required.



**FRANCIS BROEKMAN**  
**CHAIR**  
Brophy Family and Youth Services



**GREG BURGOYNE**  
**COMPANY SECRETARY**  
Glenelg Shire Council



**MICHAEL GRAY**  
**DIRECTOR**  
Victorian Association of Catholic Primary Principals



**ANDREW JEFFERS**  
**DIRECTOR**  
Wannon Water



**ALISTAIR MCCOSH**  
**DIRECTOR**  
Deakin University



**ANNE MURPHY**  
**DIRECTOR**  
Glenelg Southern Grampians LLEN (resigned Oct 2020)



**LEEONA VAN DUYNHOVEN**  
**DIRECTOR**  
South West TAFE (resigned June 2021)



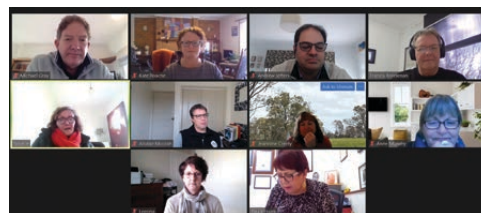
**JEANNINE CREELY**  
**DIRECTOR**  
Brauer College



**EDITH FARRELL**  
**DIRECTOR**  
Glenelg Shire Council



**AILICHE GODDARD**  
**CLEGG DIRECTOR - CASUAL**  
Hycl: Deakin University (began April 2021)



**August Board meeting 2020**

# Our Funds

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This financial year the following funding was received:

- Australian Government Building Better Regions Fund: **\$34,325**: Youth Conversations
- Regional Development Victoria/Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions: **\$165,000**: Beyond the Bell Backbone and Operations
- The Ian Potter Foundation: **\$150,000**: instalment as part of the 3 year agreement for the Positive Transitions to School Project
- State Trustees Australia Foundation: **\$73,000**: Stepping Stones to School Glenelg
- The Ross Trust: **\$40,000**: Beyond the Bell Backbone and Operations
- Anonymous donation: **\$20,000**: allocated to specific school projects
- In kind support was provided by many organisations and agencies.



**2020-2021**



# Financial Statements

# BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

The Directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the company for the year ended 30 June 2021.

### Directors

The following persons were directors of the company during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated;

- Francis Broekman (Chair)
- Michael Gray (Vice Chair)
- Alistair McCosh
- Andrew Jeffers
- Edith Farrell
- Jeannie Creely
- Anne Murphy                      Resigned 30 October 2020
- Leeona Van Duynhoven        Resigned 21 June 2021
- Ailiche Goddard-Clegg        Appointed 28 April 2021

### Objectives

Beyond the Bell is an ambitious, ground breaking initiative seeking to lead a cultural shift in the way communities and service coproviders work to support our young people. Our goals are;

- That all people from conception to adulthood are supported by their family and community to reach their optimal potential
- That all children and young people are supported in efforts to maximise their participation in education
- That all young people are able to make a successful transition into further education, training or full-time employment
- That our community values the critical role parents play in shaping the learning and development of their children
- That our community values education and life-long learning

### Result

The net operating surplus for the year amounted to \$104,112. (2020: deficit \$113,942)

### Events subsequent to balance date

No subsequent events have occurred.

### Environmental issues

The company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory.

### Dividends

No dividends have been declared for the year ended 30 June 2021.

### Indemnifying Officers or Auditor

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the company.

## BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

### **Proceedings against the Company**

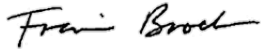
No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the company or intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the company for all or any part of those proceedings. The company was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

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

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on the following page.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 298(2)(a) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Signed on behalf of the Board



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Mr Francis Broekman  
Chair

Date: 19/8/2021



**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION**

**UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001**

**TO THE DIRECTORS OF BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD**

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2021 there has been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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**MCLAREN HUNT**  
**AUDIT AND ASSURANCE**

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**C. J. KOL**  
**PARTNER**

Dated at Warrnambool: 20 August 2021

**BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD.**  
**COMPREHENSIVE INCOME STATEMENT**  
For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Donations	20,000	1,000
Government Grants	246,613	275,492
Interest Income	264	1,049
Membership Income	455	533
Other Revenue	242,444	177,495
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>509,776</b>	<b>455,569</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Accommodation	-	2,667
Advertising	3,484	2,409
Bank Fees	38	-
BtB Collaboration and Community Action	26,545	-
Capacity Building	502	1,429
Catering	636	6,695
Consulting and Accounting Fees	31,544	13,574
Contract - Communication	280	3,909
Contract - Evaluation & Measurement	35,622	13,827
Depreciation	594	595
Donations	20,000	1,200
FRRR Funding	-	11,884
Graphic Design	4,054	-
Insurance	2,387	3,541
LAG Projects	12,910	148,019
Other Expenses	11,314	15,755
SS2S Facilitator	-	56,376
STAF	26,545	42,181
Stepping Stones to School	84,255	-
Subscriptions	7,891	6,797
Travel	1,961	10,798
Wages	135,102	218,421
Workshops	-	9,434
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>405,664</b>	<b>569,511</b>
<b>NET OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>	<b>104,112</b>	<b>(113,942)</b>
<b>COMPREHENSIVE RESULT</b>	<b>104,112</b>	<b>(113,942)</b>

**BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD.**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
As at 31 June 2020

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	\$	\$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	427,647	344,075
Accounts Receivable	-	25,000
Prepayments	28,188	-
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>455,835</u>	<u>369,075</u>
<b>NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Office Equipment	-	594
<b>TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>594</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>455,835</u>	<u>369,669</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Trade and Other Payables	4,548	871
GST Payable	302	2,185
Income in Advance	80,556	100,000
Provision for Annual Leave	3,854	5,367
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<u>89,260</u>	<u>108,423</u>
<b>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Provision for Long Service Leave	2,660	1,443
<b>TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<u>2,660</u>	<u>1,443</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>91,920</u>	<u>109,866</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><b>363,915</b></u>	<u><b>259,803</b></u>
<b>Equity</b>		
Retained Earnings	363,915	259,803
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<u><b>363,915</b></u>	<u><b>259,803</b></u>



## BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD. STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Cash receipts from customers	248,455	179,029
Grants received	246,613	375,492
Interest received	264	1,049
Payments to suppliers and employees	(411,760)	(617,610)
<b>NET CASHFLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>83,572</b>	<b>(62,040)</b>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held	83,572	(62,040)
Cash & cash equivalents held at the start of the year	344,075	406,115
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS HELD AT THE END OF THE YEAR</b>	<b>427,647</b>	<b>344,075</b>

## BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 30 June 2021

	RETAINED EARNINGS \$	TOTAL \$
<b>Balance at 1 July 2019</b>	<b>373,745</b>	<b>373,745</b>
Result for the year	(113,942)	(113,942)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2020</b>	<b>259,803</b>	<b>259,803</b>
Result for the year	104,112	104,112
<b>Balance at 30 June 2021</b>	<b>363,915</b>	<b>363,915</b>

# BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT

For the year ended 30 June 2021

### **Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies**

The directors have prepared the financial report on the basis that the company is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. These financial statements are therefore a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012. The company is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial report have been prepared in accordance with the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards applicable to entities reporting under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the directors have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with those of previous period's unless stated otherwise.

The financial report, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial report are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. The amounts presented in the financial report have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

#### **a. Cash & Cash Equivalents**

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

#### **b. Revenue**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed.

When grant revenue is received whereby the entity incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor; otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

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

Revenue from the rendering of the service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers.

#### **c. Employee benefits**

Provision is made for the association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may not satisfy vesting requirements. Those cash outflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cash flows.

## **BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT**

For the year ended 30 June 2021

### **d. Economic dependency**

Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd. Is dependant on the Department of Education and Training for the majority of its revenue used to operate. At the date of this report the Board of Directors has no reason the believe the Department will not continue to support the entity.

### **e. Entity details**

The registered office of the entity is:  
Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd.  
71 Cliff Street  
Portland VIC 3305

### **f. Member's guarantee**

Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd. Is incorporated under the Corporations Act 2001 and is a company limited by guarantee. If the Entity is would up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute \$10 towards meeting any outstanding obligations of the Entity.

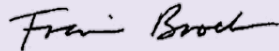
**BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD.**  
**DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION**  
For the year ended 30 June 2021

The directors have determined that the Company is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The directors of the Company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 1-10, present fairly the Company's financial position as at 30 June 2021 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and
2. in the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



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Mr Francis Broekman  
Chair

Date: 20/8/2021

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS OF BEYOND THE BELL GREAT SOUTH COAST LTD.**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd. (the Company), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2021, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd. is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2021 and of its performance for the year then ended; and
- complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

**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* 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.

**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.

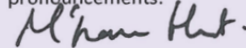
As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

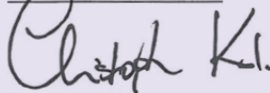
### Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.



**MCLAREN HUNT**

**AUDIT AND ASSURANCE**



**C.J. KOL**

**PARTNER**

Dated at Warrnambool; 20 August 2021



20 August 2021

Mr Francis Broekman  
Chairman of the Board  
Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd  
PO Box 717  
WARRNAMBOOL VIC 3280

Dear Francis,

**Management letter – Financial Audit Year Ended 30 June 2021**

We have completed our financial statement audit of Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd. The purpose of this correspondence is to bring to your attention matters arising from the financial audit of Beyond the Bell Great South Coast Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2021.

The financial audit is designed to enable us to express an opinion on the annual financial statements. It does not constitute a complete examination of all relevant data and was not designed to uncover all processing errors and therefore may not have detected all breaches and irregularities that could have occurred.

We confirm that we did not encounter any specific financial or compliance issues during the course of our audit that we believe should be brought to your attention.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christopher Kol'.

C.J. KOL  
PARTNER

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every choice; every chance***

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