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These financial statements cover Arnott Opportunities Trust as an individual entity.

The Responsible Entity of Arnott Opportunities Trust is Channel Investment Management Limited (ABN 22 163 234 240, AFSL 439007). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 19, 1 Eagle Street, Brisbane, QLD 4000.

#### **Directors' report**

The directors of Channel Investment Management Limited (ABN 22 163 234 240, AFSL 439007), the Responsible Entity of Arnott Opportunities Trust, present their report together with the financial statements of Arnott Opportunities Trust (the "Fund") for the year ended 30 June 2025.

#### **Principal activities**

The Fund was established on 14 July 2017. The Fund operated as an unregistered managed investment scheme until 27 March 2025. Effective 27 March 2025, the fund was registered as a managed investment schemed with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission.

The Responsible Entity of the Fund is Channel Investment Management Limited (the "Responsible Entity").

On 17 June 2024, Arnott Capital Pty Ltd retired as Trustee of the Fund. Channel Investment Management Limited was appointed as Trustee on the same day. Upon registration of the Fund as a managed investment scheme with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission, Channel Investment Management Limited became considered Responsible Entity of the Fund.

The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 19, 1 Eagle Street, Brisbane, QLD 4000.

The Responsible Entity has appointed Arnott Capital Pty Ltd as the Investment Manager of the Fund (the "Investment Manager").

The Fund pursues an absolute return strategy with an equity bias, targeting positive annual returns through thematic opportunities. It gains exposure through investments in: (1) listed equities; (2) derivatives linked to global equity indices, commodities, fixed income instruments and currencies; (3) fixed income securities; (4) unlisted equity securities; and (5) hybrid securities.

The Fund did not have any employees during the year.

Apart from the registration of the Fund, there were no significant changes in the nature of the Fund's activities during the year.

#### Directors

The following persons held office as Directors of Channel Investment Management Limited during or since the year and up to the date of this report:

Glen Holding Executive Director
Sandra Birkensleigh Non-Executive Chair
Bede King Non-Executive Director
Karen Prentis Non-Executive Director

# Review and results of operations

During the year, the Fund continued to invest in accordance with target asset allocations as set out in the governing documents of the Fund and in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Constitution.

The performance of the Fund, as represented by the results of its operations, was as follows:

The performance of the Fund, according by the recurse of the operations, these accordings	Year ended 30 June 2025	Year ended 30 June 2024
Operating profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unitholders (\$'000)	189	17,030
Founder Class Distribution payable (\$'000) Distribution (cents per unit)	909 3.42	2,363 4.31
Post July 2020 Class Distribution payable (\$'000) Distribution (cents per unit)	370 1.19	1,889 1.72
Main Distribution payable (\$'000) Distribution (cents per unit)	498 3.47	<u> </u>
Class D Distribution payable (\$'000) Distribution (cents per unit)	1,032 1.98	<u>-</u>
Class E Distribution payable (\$'000) Distribution (cents per unit)	99 3.67	- -

#### Directors' report

#### Significant changes in state of affairs

As noted above, the Fund was registered with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission as a registered managed investment scheme effective 27 March 2025

As part of the registration, Class D transitioned from an Information Memorandum to a Product Disclosure Statement. The other unit classes remain closed to new and additional investors, and as such, no updated governing documents were issued for these classes.

Effective 28 March 2025, the Fund's unit pricing changed from monthly to daily for all classes.

Effective 28 March 2025, applications and redemptions are processed daily for Class D, and all other classes will accept daily redemptions.

In the opinion of the Directors of the Responsible Entity, there were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund that occurred during the financial year.

#### Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2025 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

- (i) the operations of the Fund in future financial years;
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years, or
- (iii) the state of affairs of the Fund in future financial years.

#### Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Fund will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the governing documents of the Fund.

The results of the Fund's operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Fund invests. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

#### Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Fund in regard to the insurance cover provided to either the officers of the Responsible Entity or the auditors of the Fund. So long as the officers of Channel Investment Management Limited act in accordance with the Fund's Constitution and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Fund against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the

The auditors of the Fund are in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Fund.

# Fees paid to and interests held in the Fund by the Responsible Entity or its associates

Fees paid to the Responsible Entity and its associates out of Fund property during the year are disclosed in Note 11 of the financial statements.

No fees were paid out of Fund property to the Directors of the Responsible Entity during the year.

There were no interest in the Fund held by the Responsible Entity or its associates at the end of the financial year.

#### Interests in the Fund

The movement in units on issue in the Fund during the year is disclosed in Note 7 to the financial statements.

The value of the Fund's assets and liabilities is disclosed on the statement of financial position and derived using the basis set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

#### **Environmental regulation**

The operations of the Fund are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

#### Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

The Fund is an entity of the kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 and in accordance with that instrument, amounts in the financial statements and Directors' report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise stated.

#### 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 page 5.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Channel Investment Management Limited, the Responsible Entity.

Glen Holding

Director

Channel Investment Management Limited

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Brisbane

23 September 2025



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Auditor's independence declaration to the directors of Channel Investment Management Limited as Responsible Entity for Arnott Opportunities Trust

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial report of Arnott Opportunities Trust for the financial year ended 30 June 2025, I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit;
- b. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit; and
- c. No non-audit services provided that contravene any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Ernst & Young

Rohit Khanna Partner

23 September 2025

# Statement of comprehensive income

	Notes	Year ended 30 June 2025 \$'000	Year ended 30 June 2024 \$'000
Investment income			
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		2,038	1,847
Dividend income		7,318	7,699
Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	5	(1,469)	19,343
Other income		19	10
Total net investment income/(loss)		7,906	28,899
Expenses			
Dividend expense on short sold securities		1,489	1,843
Interest expense		2,723	3,489
Management fees	11	1,845	1,783
Performance fees	11	364	3,210
Professional fees		83	28
Other expenses		1,213	1,516
Total operating expenses		7,717	11,869
Operating profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unitholders		189	17,030
Finance costs attributable to unitholders			
Distributions to unitholders	8	(2,908)	(4,252)
(Increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders	7	2,719	(12,778)
Profit/(loss) for the year		-	-
Other comprehensive income		_	_
Total comprehensive income for the year			_

The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of financial position

	Notes	As at 30 June 2025 \$'000	As at 30 June 2024 \$'000
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	9(b)	54,314	57,927
Receivables		537	528
Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold		7,222	-
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	152,123	215,710
Total assets		214,196	274,165
Liabilities			
Payables		1,770	930
Distributions payable	8	2,908	4,252
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased		3,121	4,156
Subscription received in advance		45	898
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	6	63,607	77,033
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unitholders)		71,451	87,269
Net assets attributable to unitholders - liability		142,745	186,896

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of changes in equity

	Year ended 30 June 2025 \$'000	Year ended 30 June 2024 \$'000
Total equity at the beginning of the year	-	-
Comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		
Profit/(loss) for the year Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-
Transactions with unitholders in their capacity as unitholders		
Total equity at the end of the year		

Under Australian Accounting Standards, the net asset attributable to unitholders of the Fund are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the beginning or end of the year. Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders are recognised in the statements of comprehensive income as finance costs attributable to unitholders. Refer to Note 7 for further details.

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# Statement of cash flows

		Year ended 30 June 2025	Year ended 30 June 2024
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Payment for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		(815,158)	(97,791)
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss		866,983	133,486
Dividends received		4,540	2,537
Interest received from financial assets at amortised cost		2,052	1,768
Other income received		65	10
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		44	-
Performance fees paid		(338)	(2,887)
Management fees paid		(1,834)	(1,769)
Dividend expense paid on short sold securities		(1,636)	(1,760)
Interest expense paid		(2,726)	(3,501)
Professional fees paid		(114)	(24)
Other expenses paid		(1,113)	(1,650)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	9(a)	50,765	28,419
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from applications by unitholders		32,519	37.867
Payments for redemptions by unitholders		(75,518)	(54,962)
Distributions paid to unitholders		(2,603)	(34,902)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing activities		(45,602)	(17,095)
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		5,163	11,324
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		57,927	46,641
Effects of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(8,776)	(38)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	9(b)	54,314	57,927
Non-cash operating and financing activities	9(c)	4,314	5,336

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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#### 1 General information

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The Responsible Entity has appointed Arnott Capital Pty Ltd as the Investment Manager of the Fund (the "Investment Manager").

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Directors of the Responsible Entity on 23 September 2025. The Directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

#### 2 Summary of material accounting policies

The principle accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated in the following text.

#### (a) Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") and the *Corporations Act 2001* in Australia. The Funds are for-profit fund for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and liabilities except where otherwise stated.

The statement of financial position is presented on a liquidity basis. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and do not distinguish between current and non-current. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within twelve months, except for investments in financial assets and net assets attributable to unitholders.

The Fund manages financial assets at fair value through profit or loss based on the economic circumstances at any given point in time, as well as to meet any liquidity requirements. As such, it is expected that a portion of the portfolio will be realised within 12 months, however, an estimate of that amount cannot be determined as at balance date.

In the case of net assets attributable to unitholders, the units are redeemed on demand at the unitholder's option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within 12 months cannot be reliably determined.

#### (i) Compliance with IFRS Accounting Standards

The financial statements of the Funds also comply with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

# (ii) New and amended standards adopted for the first time

There are no new standards or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2024 that have a material impact on the amounts recognised in prior years or will affect the current or future years.

#### (iii) Accounting standards, amendments and interpretations issued but not yet effective

A number of new standards, amendments and interpretations have been issued which are effective for annual reporting periods beginning after 1 July 2025, and have not been early adopted by the Fund. With the exception of the below, none of these are expected to have a material impact on the financial statements of the Fund.

AASB 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements ("AASB 18")

AASB 18 was issued in June 2024 and will replace AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements. The new standard introduces new requirements for the statement of comprehensive income, including:

- · new categories for the classification of income and expenses into operating, investing, and financing categories; and
- presentation of subtotals for "operating profit" and "profit before financing and income taxes"

Additional disclosure requirements are introduced for management-defined performance measures and new principles for aggregation and disaggregation of information in the notes and primary financial statements, as well as the presentation of interest and dividends in the statements of cash flows.

#### (a) Basis of preparation (continued)

(iii) Accounting standards, amendments and interpretations issued but not yet effective (continued)

The new standard is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027, and will apply to the Fund for the first time in the financial year ending 30 June 2028.

This new standard is not expected to have an impact on the recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income or expenses, however there will likely be changes in how the statements of comprehensive income and statements of financial position line items are presented, as well as some additional disclosures in the notes to the financial statements. The Responsible Entity is in the process of assessing the impact of the new standard.

#### (iv) Investment entity

The Fund meets the definition of "investment entity" as per AASB 10 Consolidated Financial Statements as the following criteria are met:

- The Fund obtains and manages funds for the purpose of providing investors of the Fund with investment management services;
- The Fund has committed to its investors that its business purpose is to invest funds solely for return from capital appreciation and investment income; and
- The Fund measures and evaluates the performance of their investments on a fair value basis. As such, the Fund does not consolidate any
  entities.

#### (b) Financial instruments

#### (i) Classification

#### · Financial assets

The Fund classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured at fair value through profit or loss; and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Fund classifies its financial assets based on its business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets.

The Fund's portfolio of financial assets is managed and performance is evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with the Fund's documented investment strategy. The Fund's policy is for the Responsible Entity to evaluate the information about these financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information.

For equity securities and derivatives, the contractual cash flows of these instruments do not represent solely payments of principal and interest. Consequently, these investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

For cash and cash equivalents and receivables, these assets are held in order to collect the contractual cash flows. The contractual terms of these assets give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Consequently, these are measured at amortised cost.

# Financial liabilities

The Fund makes short sales in which a borrowed security is sold in anticipation of a decline in the market value of that security, or it may use short sales for various arbitrage transactions. Short sales are held for trading and are consequently classified as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

Derivative contracts that have a negative fair value are presented as liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

For financial liabilities that are not classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, these are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost (due to brokers, distributions payable, subscription received in advance and payables).

#### (ii) Recognition/derecognition

The Fund recognises financial assets and financial liabilities on the date it becomes party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognises changes in fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

Financial assets are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the liabilities are discharged, cancelled or expired.

#### (b) Financial instruments (continued)

#### (iii) Measurement

At initial recognition, the Fund measures financial assets and financial liabilities at their fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the statement of comprehensive income.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they arise. Dividend expenses on short sales of securities, which have been classified at fair value through profit or loss, are presented as a separate line on the statement of comprehensive income.

For financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost, they are initially measured at fair value including directly attributable costs and are subsequently measured according to their classification.

#### (iv) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance on financial assets at amortised cost (cash, due from broker and receivables) at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Fund shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses. Significant financial difficulties of the counter party, probability that the counter party will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that the asset is credit impaired. If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the net carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due. Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

The expected credit loss ("ECL") approach is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Funds expect to receive. The shortfall is then discounted at an approximation to the asset's original effective interest rate.

The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in the statements of comprehensive income within other expenses. When a trade receivable for which an impairment allowance had been recognised becomes uncollectible in a subsequent period, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against other expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

#### (v) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. At the end of the reporting period, there are no financial assets or liabilities offset in the statement of financial position.

# (c) Derivatives and hedging activities

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into, and they are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at the end of each reporting period. The gain or loss on remeasurement to fair value is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. The Fund does not apply hedge accounting.

#### (d) Net assets attributable to unitholders

Units are redeemable at the unitholders' option, however, applications and redemptions may be suspended by the Responsible Entity if it is in the best interests of the unitholders.

Effective 28 March 2025, the units can be put back to the Fund on a daily basis for cash based on the redemption price, which is equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value attributable to the unitholders. Prior to 28 March 2025, units could be put back to the Fund on a monthly basis.

The units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the reporting date if the holder exercises the right to put the units back to the Fund. This amount represents the expected cash flows on redemption of these units.

Units are classified as equity when they satisfy the following criteria under AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation:

- the puttable financial instrument entitles the holder to a pro-rata share of net assets in the event of the Funds'
- the puttable financial instrument is in the class of instruments that is subordinate to all other classes of instruments and class features are identical;
- the puttable financial instrument does not include any contractual obligations to deliver cash or another financial asset, or to exchange
- financial instruments with another entity under potentially unfavourable conditions to the Funds, and is not a contract settled in the Funds' own equity instruments; and
- · the total expected cash flows attributable to the puttable financial instrument over the life are based substantially on the profit or loss.

As this is a multi-class fund, units are classified as financial liabilities as they do not meet the equity requirements in accordance with AASB 132 Financial Instruments: Presentation.

#### (e) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of investment securities are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as movements in the fair value of these securities represent the Fund's main income generating activity.

#### (f) Investment income

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss for all financial statements at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest income on assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in the net gains/(losses) on financial instruments. Other changes in fair value for such instruments are recorded in accordance with the policies described in Note 2(b) to the financial statements.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and of allocating the interest income or interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts throughout the expected life of the financial instrument, or a shorter period where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Fund estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument (for example, prepayment options) but does not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees paid or received between the parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, including transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

Dividend income is recognised on the ex-dividend date with any related foreign withholding tax recorded as an expense. The Fund currently incurs withholding tax imposed by certain countries on investment income. Such income is recorded gross of withholding tax in the statement of comprehensive income.

Trust distributions are recognised on an entitlements basis.

#### (g) Expenses

All expenses, including Responsible Entity's fees and custodian fees, are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on an accrual basis.

#### (h) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Fund is not liable to pay income tax since the Responsible Entity elected the AMIT regime and intends that unitholders will be attributed income of the Fund.

#### (i) Distributions

The Fund may distribute its distributable income, in accordance with the Fund's Constitution, to unitholders by cash or reinvestment. The units in the Fund are classified as a liability in accordance with AASB 132 *Financial Instruments - Presentation,* thus, the Fund distributions to unitholders are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income as a finance cost attributable to unitholders.

# (j) Increase/decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders

Income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unitholders. Movements in net assets attributable to unitholders are recognised in profit or loss as finance costs attributable to unitholders.

# (k) Foreign currency

#### (i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Funds' financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (the 'functional currency'). This is the Australian dollar, which reflects the currency of the economy in which the Funds compete for funds and are regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Funds' presentation currency.

# (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translations at year end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when fair value was determined. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported in the statement of comprehensive income on a net basis within net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

#### (I) Due from/to brokers

Amounts due from/to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet delivered by the end of the year. Trades are recorded on trade date, and for equities normally settled within three business days. A provision for impairment of amounts due from brokers is established when there is objective evidence that the Fund will not be able to collect all amounts due from the relevant broker. Indicators that the amount due from brokers is impaired include significant financial difficulties of the broker, probability that the broker will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation and default in payments. These amounts are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### (m) Receivables

Receivables may include amounts for dividends and interest. Dividends are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Interest is accrued at the end of each reporting period from the time of last payment in accordance with the policy set out in Note 2(e) above. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

#### (n) Payables

Payables include liabilities and accrued expenses owed by the Fund, which are unpaid as at the end of the reporting period.

As the Fund has a contractual obligation to distribute its distributable income, a separate distribution payable is recognised in the statement of financial position as at the end of each reporting period where this amount remains unpaid as at the end of the reporting period.

#### (o) Applications and redemptions

Applications received for units in the Fund are recorded net of any entry fees payable prior to the issue of units in the Fund. Redemptions from the Fund are recorded gross of any exit fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed.

#### (p) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

The GST incurred on the costs of various services provided to the Fund by third parties such as custodial services have been passed onto the Fund. The Fund qualifies for Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC) at a rate of 55% or 75%; hence custodial fees and other expenses have been recognised in profit or loss net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Accounts payable are inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the balance sheet. Cash flows relating to GST are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis.

# (q) Use of estimates and judgements

The Funds make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

For the majority of the Funds' financial instruments, quoted market prices are readily available. However, certain financial instruments, for example over-the-counter derivatives or unquoted securities, are fair valued using valuation techniques. Where valuation techniques (for example, pricing models) are used to determine fair values, they are validated and periodically reviewed by experienced personnel of the Responsible Entity, independent of the area that created them.

Valuation techniques use observable data, to the extent practicable. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations require management to make estimates. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

For certain other financial instruments, including receivables, amounts due from/to brokers and payables, the carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

#### (r) Rounding of amounts

The Funds are entities of the kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 and in accordance with that instrument, amounts in the financial statement and Directors' report have been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars unless otherwise stated.

#### (s) Comparative revisions

Comparative information has been revised where appropriate to enhance comparability. Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation in the current period.

#### 3 Financial risk management

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including price risk, foreign exchange risk, and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Fund's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Fund's financial performance. The general risk factors set out in the Information Memorandum apply to the Fund and risks specific to this Fund are set out below. These risks do not purport to be an exhaustive or complete explanation of all the risks associated with an investment in the Fund.

All securities investments present a risk of loss of capital. The maximum loss of capital on long equity and debt securities is limited to the fair value of those positions. On equities sold short, the maximum loss of capital can be unlimited. The maximum loss of capital on long futures and forward currency contracts is limited to the notional contract values of those positions.

The management of these risks is carried out by the Investment Manager under policies approved by the Board of Directors of the Responsible Entity (the "Board"). The Board provides written principles for overall risk management, as well as written policies covering specific areas, such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, the use of derivative financial instruments and non-derivative financial instruments and the investment of excess liquidity.

The Fund uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods are explained below.

The Fund's overall market positions are monitored on a periodic basis, at least monthly, by the Fund's Investment Manager. Compliance with the Fund's investment guideline is also monitored on an ongoing basis by the Investment Manager.

Throughout the period, the Fund invested in equity swaps, options, convertible note, equity securities and exchange traded funds. In undertaking equity swaps, the Fund does not have an interest in the underlying securities, however the swap positions provides the Fund with exposure to the movement in the underlying holding.

These contracts are traded through a broker. The Fund provides the broker a certain amount of "margin" for each trade and the broker provides the "loan to value" (LVR) component. These contracts are reset on a notes basis and at that date, cash will be moved from or to the Fund. This cash movement will based on the realised gain/loss of the underlying securities within the swap, and dividend income or expenses, any interest income or expense, and commissions that must be paid.

#### (a) Market risk

#### (i) Price risk

The Fund is exposed to equity securities and derivative price risk. This arises from investments held by the Fund for which prices in the future are uncertain. Where non-monetary financial instruments are denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar, the price in the future will also fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Responsible Entity mitigates price risk through diversification and a careful selection of securities and other financial instruments within specified limits set by the Board.

At 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2024, the fair value of equities and related derivatives exposed to price risk were as follows:

	As at	As at
	30 June	30 June
	2025	2024
	Fair value	Fair value
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		
Australian equity securities	108,742	171,262
Foreign equity securities	43,337	44,203
Foreign currency derivatives	44	245
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	152,123	215,710
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		
Australian equity securities	25,273	55,830
Foreign equity securities	38,334	21,192
Foreign currency derivatives	-	11
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	63,607	77,033

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (i) Price risk (continued)

The table at Note 3(d) summarises the sensitivities of the Fund's assets and liabilities to price risk. The analysis is based on the reasonably possible shift that the investment portfolio in which the Fund invests move by +/- 10% (2024: +/-10%).

For investments in international assets, a rise in the Australian dollar relative to other currencies, may negatively impact investment values and returns. The Fund will have exposure to fluctuations in currency exchange rates where it invests directly or indirectly in securities denominated in currencies other than Australian dollars. This will apply directly to foreign securities listed on any foreign public securities exchanges and, indirectly, to Australian Stock Exchange (ASX) securities and Cboe Australia listed securities that conduct their primary economic activities in countries other than Australia.

#### (ii) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Fund has assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar, the Fund's functional and presentation currency. The Fund is therefore exposed to foreign exchange risk as the value of the monetary and non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in other currencies fluctuate due to exchange rates.

No more than 10% of net asset value will be invested in securities denominated in a currency other than Australian dollar without being fully hedged - whether that be through matching long and short positions denominated in the same currency or buying currency swaps.

The table below summarises in Australian dollars the Fund's financial assets and liabilities, monetary and non-monetary, which are denominated in a currency other than the Australian dollar.

30 June 2025	GBP British Pound \$'000	JPY Japanese Yen \$'000	USD US Dollar \$'000	CAD Canadian Dollar \$'000	EUR Euro \$'000	All other foreign currencies \$'000
Monetary	0.050	(00.4)	(400)	404	242	(0.045)
Cash and cash equivalents Receivables	2,050	(284)	(108)	481	618	(2,915)
Due from brokers - receivable	88	-	-	1	1	45
for securities sold	1,381	2,987	_	1,420	747	_
Due to brokers - payable for	1,001	2,001		1,420		
securities purchased	_	-	-	-	-	(385)
Payables	-	(67)	(21)	-	-	(11)
Total monetary	3,519	2,636	(129)	1,902	1,366	(3,266)
<b>Non-monetary</b> Financial assets at fair value						
through profit or loss Financial liabilities at fair value	44	13,311	20,567	5,928	-	3,531
through profit or loss	-	(13,486)	(24,849)	_	-	_
Total non-monetary	44	(175)	(4,282)	5,928	-	3,531
Net exposure before forward currency contracts	3,563	2,461	(4,411)	7,830	1.366	265
currency contracts	3,303	2,401	(4,411)	7,000	1,500	203
Net exposure from the forward currency contracts	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net exposure after forward currency contracts	3,563	2,461	(4,411)	7,830	1,366	265

# (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

30 June 2024	GBP British Pound \$'000	JPY Japanese Yen \$'000	USD US Dollar \$'000	CAD Canadian Dollar \$'000	EUR Euro \$'000	All other foreign currencies \$'000
Monetary Cash and cash equivalents Receivables	(54) -	238	239	(77)	434	141 67
Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold Payables	-	4,956	16,971 (4)	- -	-	274 (30)
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased  Total monetary	(127) (181)	(34,905) (29,711)	(8,440) 8,766	(1,647) (1,724)	- 434	452
Non-monetary Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Financial liabilities at fair value	-	34,874	9,328	-	-	-
through profit or loss	-	(4,710)	(16,236)	-	-	-
Total non-monetary	-	30,164	(6,908)	-	-	-
Net exposure from forward currency contracts	(181)	453	1,858	(1,724)	434	452
Net exposure from forward currency contracts	-					
Net exposure after forward currency contracts	(181)	453	1,858	(1,724)	434	452

The table at Note 3(d) summarises the sensitivities of the Fund's monetary assets and liabilities to foreign exchange risk. The analysis is based on the reasonable possible shift that the Australian dollar weakened and strengthened by 10% (2024: 10%) against the material foreign currencies to which the Fund is exposed.

#### (iii) Interest rate risk

The Fund's interest bearing financial assets expose it to risks associated with the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on its financial position and cash flows.

The Fund's main interest rate exposure arises from its cash and cash equivalents.

The table below summarises the Fund's exposure to interest rate risk at the end of the year.

	Floating interest		Non-interest	
	rate	Fixed interest rate	bearing	Total
As at 30 June 2025	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	54,314	-	-	54,314
Receivables	-	-	537	537
Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold	-	-	7,222	7,222
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	152,123	152,123
Total financial assets	54,314	-	159,882	214,196
Financial liabilities				
Distributions payable	-	-	2,908	2,908
Payables	-	-	1,770	1,770
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased	-	-	3,121	3,121
Subscription received in advance	-	-	45	45
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	63,607	63,607
Total financial liabilities		-	71,451	71,451
Net exposure	54,314	-	88,431	142,745

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (iii) Interest rate risk (continued)

As at 30 June 2024	Floating interest rate \$'000	Fixed interest rate \$'000	Non-interest bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	57,927	-	-	57,927
Receivables	-	-	528	528
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		-	215,710	215,710
Total Financial Assets	57,927	-	216,238	274,165
Financial Liabilities Distributions payable Payables Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased Subscription received in advance Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss Total Financial Liabilities	- - - - -	- - - - -	4,252 930 4,156 898 77,033 87,269	4,252 930 4,156 898 77,033 87,269
Net exposure	57,927	-	128,969	186,896

The table at Note 3(b) summarises the impact of an increase/decrease in interest rates on the Fund's operating profit/(loss) and net assets attributable to unitholders through changes in fair value or changes in future cash flows. The analysis is based on the assumption that the interest rates changed by +/- 100 basis points ("bps") (2024: +/- 100 basis points) from the year end rates with all other variables held constant.

#### (b) Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's operating profit/(loss) and net assets attributable to unitholders to market risks. The reasonably possible movements in the risk variables have been determined based on management's best estimate, having regard to a number of factors, including historical levels of changes in the historical correlation of the Fund's investments with the relevant benchmark and market volatility. However, actual movements in the risk variables may be greater or less than anticipated due to a number of factors, including unusually large market movements resulting from changes in the performance of and/or correlation between the performances of the economies, markets and securities in which the Fund invests. As a result, historic variations in risk variables should not be used to predict future variances in the risk variables.

variables.						
		Impact on operatin	g profit/(loss) / net	assets attributable	to unitholders	
	Price	risk	• , ,	Foreign exchar	nge risk	
	+10%	-10%	+10%	-10%	+10%	-10%
			GBP	)	JPY	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2025	8,852	(8,852)	356	(356)	246	(246)
As at 30 June 2024	13,868	(13,868)	(18)	18	45	(45)
			Foreign exch	ange risk		
	+10%	-10%	+10%	-10%	+10%	-10%
	US	D	CAD	1	EUR	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2025	(441)	441	783	(783)	137	(137)
As at 30 June 2024	186	(186)	(172)	172	43	(43)
			Foreign exch	ange risk	Interest rat	e risk
			+10%	-10%		
			All other foreign	currencies	+100 bps	-100 bps
			\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2025			27	(27)	543	(543)
As at 30 June 2024			45	(45)	579	(579)

#### (c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation.

Credit risk primarily arises from cash and cash equivalents. The Fund is also exposed to counterparty credit risk on futures contracts, amounts due from brokers and other receivables.

For this reason, the Fund engages with counterparties believed to exhibit suitable creditworthiness at the time of execution. In addition, such transactions are appropriately documented; this may include provision for credit protection measures.

#### (i) Cash and cash equivalents

The exposure to credit risk for cash and cash equivalents is low as deposits are held with financial institutions with a minimum credit rating of A- as determined by Standard and Poor's.

#### (ii) Settlement of securities transactions

All transactions in listed securities are settled/paid for upon delivery using approved brokers. The risk of default is considered low, as delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made once purchase on the securities have been received by the broker. The trade will fail if either party fails to meet its obligations.

#### (iii) Maximum exposure to credit risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk before any credit enhancements at the end of each reporting period is the carrying amount of the financial assets. None of these assets are impaired nor past due but not impaired.

#### (d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund may not be able to generate sufficient cash resources to settle its obligations in full as they fall due or can only do so on terms that are materially disadvantageous.

Effective 28 March 2025, the fund is exposed to daily cash redemptions of redeemable units. Prior to 28 March 2025, the Fund was exposed to monthly cash redemptions of redeemable units. It, therefore, primarily holds investments that are traded in an active market and can be readily disposed. Only a limited proportion of its assets are held in investments not actively traded on a stock exchange.

The majority of the Fund's listed securities are considered readily realisable, as they are listed on the ASX and Cboe Australia.

In order to manage the Fund's overall liquidity, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unitholders.

#### (i) Maturities of financial liabilities, including futures contracts

The table below analyses the Fund's financial liabilities, including futures contracts, into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the end of the reporting period. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Less than 1	1-6	6-12	
	month	months	months	Total
30 June 2025	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Payables	1,770	-	-	1,770
Distributions payable	2,908	-	-	2,908
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased	3,121	-	-	3,121
Subscription received in advance	45	-	-	45
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	63,607	-	-	63,607
Net assets attributable to unitholders - liability	142,745	-	-	142,745
Contractual cash flows	214,196	-	-	214,196
30 June 2024				
Payables	930	-	-	930
Distribution payables	4,252	-	-	4,252
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased	4,156	-	-	4,156
Subscription received in advance	898	-	-	898
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	77,033	-	-	77,033
Net assets attributable to unitholders - liability	186,896	-	-	186,896
Contractual cash flows	274,165	-	-	274,165

At 30 June 2025, there was cash collateral of \$163,000 (2024: \$309,000) held by Morgan Stanley & Co. International Plc to support performance swaps entered into by the Fund. This amount is included in cash and cash equivalents within the statement of financial position.

#### 4 Fair value measurement

The Fund measures and recognises the following assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis:

Financial assets / liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)

The Fund has no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value hierarchy:

- (a) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);
- (b) inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2); and
- (c) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).
- (i) Fair value in an active market (Level 1)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets is based on their quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs.

The Fund values its investments in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 2 to the financial statements. For the majority of its investments, the Fund relies on information provided by independent pricing services for the valuation of its investments.

The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Fund is the current bid price; the appropriate quoted market price for financial liabilities is the current asking price. When the Fund holds derivatives with offsetting market risks, it uses mid-market prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and applies this bid or asking price to the net open position, as appropriate.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

(ii) Fair value in an inactive or unquoted market (Level 2 and Level 3)

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques. These include the use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of a substantially similar other instrument, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

Where discounted cash flow techniques are used, estimated future cash flows are based on management's best estimates and the discount rate used is a market rate at the end of the reporting period applicable for an instrument with similar terms and conditions.

For other pricing models, inputs are based on market data at the end of the reporting period. Fair values for unquoted equity investments are estimated, if possible, using applicable price/earnings ratios for similar listed companies adjusted to reflect the specific circumstances of the issuer.

The fair value of derivatives that are not exchange traded is estimated at the amount that the Fund would receive or pay to terminate the contract at the end of the reporting period taking into account current market conditions (volatility and appropriate yield curve) and the current creditworthiness of the counterparties. The fair value of a forward contract is determined as a net present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at appropriate market rates as at the valuation date. The fair value of an option contract is determined by applying the Black Scholes option valuation model.

Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds. Valuations are therefore adjusted, where appropriate, to allow for additional factors including liquidity risk and counterparty risk.

#### (a) Recognised fair value measurements

The tables below detail financial instruments measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
At 30 June 2025	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Australian equity securities	107,500	-	1,242	108,742
Foreign equity securities	43,337	-	-	43,337
Foreign futures contracts	-	44	-	44
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	150,837	44	1,242	152,123

# 4 Fair value measurement (continued)

#### (a) Recognised fair value measurements (continued)

At 30 June 2025 Financial liabilities	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss				
Australian equity securities	25,273	-	-	25,273
Foreign equity securities	38,334	-	-	38,334
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	63,607	-	-	63,607
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
At 30 June 2024	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Australian equity securities	169,650	-	1,612	171,262
Foreign equity securities	44,203	-	-	44,203
Foreign futures contracts		245	-	245
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	213,853	245	1,612	215,710
Financial liabilities				
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss				
Australian equity securities	55,830	-	_	55,830
Foreign equity securities	21,192	-	_	21,192
Foreign futures contracts	· -	11	-	11
Total financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	77,022	11	-	77,033

Management's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair valued hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

There were no transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period.

#### (b) Fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)

The following table presents the movement in level 3 financial assets during the reporting period:

	Year ended 30 June	Year ended 30 June
	2025 \$'000	2024 \$'000
Movements in Level 3 assets Opening balance	1,612	1,612
Net change in unrealised gains at fair value through profit or loss Closing balance	(370) 1,242	1,612

# (c) Basis for determining fair value (level 3)

Level 3 financial assets consist of an equity investment in Australian private company which is not actively traded. In absence of readily observable market values, the Responsible Entity determined the fair value of the unlisted equity using the latest share price reported by the investment manager of the investee company, along with consideration whether significant events or circumstances events or circumstances have occurred since last valuation date which would likely to result in a material change in the fair value of the investment.

#### (d) Level 3 fair value measurements unobservable input and sensitivity analysis

Particulars of Level 3 investment including valuation technique is provided below:

Type of investment	Fair value \$'000	Valuation Technique	Unobservable input	Range	Sensitivity
30 June 2025		•	•	•	•
Unlisted equity	1,242	Recent transaction method	Share price	\$10.65	Increase/(decrease) in share price of 10% would increase/(decrease) fair value by \$124,200.
30 June 2024					
Unlisted equity	1,612	Recent transaction method	Share price	\$15.13	Increase/(decrease) in share price of 10% would increase/(decrease) fair value by \$161,000.

# 5 Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

	Year ended 30 June 2025 \$'000	Year ended 30 June 2024 \$'000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		
Net realised gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	985	(12,286)
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4,796	(8)
Net gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	5,781	(12,294)
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss		
Net realised gains/(losses) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(6,528)	21,813
Net unrealised gains/(losses) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(722)	9,824
Net gains/(losses) on financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	(7,250)	31,637
Total net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(1,469)	19,343

# 6 Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

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30 June	30 June
2025	2024
\$'000	\$'000
108,742	171,262
43,337	44,203
44	245
152,123	215,710
25,273	55,830
38,334	21,192
-	11
63,607	77,033
88,516	138,677
	30 June 2025 \$'000 108,742 43,337 44 152,123 25,273 38,334

# 7 Net assets attributable to unitholders

Movements in the net assets attributable to unitholders during the year were as follows:

	Year ended 30 June		Year ended	
			30 Jun	е
	2025	1	2024	
	Units	Amount	Units	Amount
	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000
Founder Class				
Opening balance	33,691	41,089	42,217	46,861
Applications	-	-	397	450
Redemptions	(7,640)	(8,705)	(8,923)	(10,473)
Units issued upon reinvestment of distribution	509	599	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	(569)	_	4,251
Closing balance	26,560	32,414	33,691	41,089
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Post July 2020 Class				
Opening balance	57,525	60,936	50,339	52,071
Applications		<sup>′</sup> 3	2,625	2,965
Redemptions	(26,580)	(28,344)	(15,478)	(16,675)
Series consolidation	•	-	20,040	22,098
Units issued upon reinvestment of distribution	268	299	, <u>-</u>	· -
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	(668)	_	477
Closing balance	31,216	32,226	57,525	60,936
-				
Main				
Opening balance	21,128	26,090	26,782	30,102
Applications			, <u>-</u>	· -
Redemptions	(7,442)	(8,713)	(5,655)	(6,588)
Units issued upon reinvestment of distribution	630	751	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	(307)	_	2,575
Closing balance	14,317	17,822	21,128	26,090

# 7 Net assets attributable to unitholders (continued)

	Year ended 30 June 2025		Year ended 30 June 2024	
	Units '000	Amount \$'000	Units '000	Amount \$'000
Aggregates Series*				
Opening balance Applications	-	-	_	-
Redemptions	-	- -	_	-
Series consolidation	_	_	_	_
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	-	-	-	<u>-</u>
Class D**				
Opening balance	52,367	58,782	58,620	60,344
Applications	26,553	28,712	34,035	36,288
Redemptions	(26,747)	(28,628)	(20,054)	(21,227)
Series consolidation	-	-	(20,234)	(22,098)
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	(1,117)	-	5,475
Closing balance	52,173	57,749	52,367	58,782
Class E***				
Opening balance	_	_	_	-
Applications	4,784	4,649	_	-
Redemptions	(2,070)	(2,056)	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	(58)	-	<u>-</u>
Closing balance	2,714	2,535	-	<u>-</u>
Total				
Opening balance	164,711	186,896	177,958	189,378
Applications	31,341	33,365	37,057	39,703
Redemptions	(70,479)	(76,446)	(50,110)	(54,963)
Series consolidation	-	-	(194)	-
Units issued upon reinvestment of distribution	1,407	1,649	-	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unitholders	400,000	(2,719)	404.744	12,778
Closing balance	126,980	142,745	164,711	186,896

<sup>\*</sup> This class represents an aggregated disclosure of various series of classes of units which were consolidated during the year ended 30 June 2024.

As stipulated within the Fund's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Fund and does not extend to a right to the underlying assets of the Fund. There are five separate classes of units (2024: four) and each unit within the same class has the same rights attaching to it as all other units within the same class.

#### Capital risk management

The Fund considers its net assets attributable to unitholders as capital, notwithstanding net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as a liability. The amount of net assets attributable to unitholders can change significantly on a daily basis.

Founder class, Post July 2020 class, Main class and Class E are closed to new and additional unitholders. Effective 28 March 2025, these classes shifted from monthly to daily redemption requests.

Class D is open to new and additional unitholders. Effective 28 March 2025, Class D shifted from monthly to daily application and redemption requests.

Applications and redemptions are reviewed relative to the liquidity of the Fund's underlying assets. Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust a redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unitholders.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Class D was formerly known as Non Series Class post July 2020, with the class renamed to Class D during the year ended 30 June 2025.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Class E was established during the year ended 30 June 2025, and therefore there is no comparative information for this unit class.

# 8 Distribution to unitholders

The distributions declared during the year were as follows:

Year e	ended	Year e	ended
30 Jun	e 2025	30 June 2024	
\$'000	Cent Per Units	\$'000	Cent Per Units
909	3.42	2,363	4.31
909	3.42	2,363	4.31
370	1.19	1,889	1.72
370	1.19	1,889	1.72
498	3.47	-	-
498	3.47	-	-
1,032	1.98	-	-
1,032	1.98	-	-
99	3.67	-	-
99	3.67	-	-
2,908		4,252	
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<sup>\*</sup> Class D was formerly known as Non Series Class post July 2020, with the class renamed to Class D during the year ended 30 June 2025.

# 9 Reconciliation of profit to net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities

	Year ended	Year ended
	30 June	30 June
	2025	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
(a) Cash flows from operating activities:		
Operating profit/(loss)	189	17,030
Net losses/(gains) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	1,469	(19,343)
Payment for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	(815,158)	(97,791)
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	866,983	133,486
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)	44	-
Dividend income reinvested	(2,665)	(5,336)
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(9)	(105)
Increase/(decrease) in payables	(88)	478
Net cash flows used in operating activities	50,765	28,419
(b) Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank	54,314	57,927
Total cash and cash equivalents	54,314	57,927
(c) Non-cash operating and financing activities:		
The following distribution payments to unitholders were satisfied by the issue of units under the		
distribution reinvestment plan	1,649	-
Dividend income reinvested	2,665	5,336
Total non-cash operating and financing activities	4,314	5,336

<sup>\*\*</sup> Class E was established during the year ended 30 June 2025, and therefore there is no comparative information for this unit class.

#### 10 Remuneration of auditors

During the year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditors of the Fund, Ernst & Young (EY), and its related network firms:

	Year ended 30 June 2025	Year ended 30 June 2024
Ernst & Young	\$	\$
Audit and other assurance services		
Audit of financial statements	17,489	14,000
Review of financials	5,175	
Total remuneration for audit and other assurance services	22,664	14,000

The fees for audit and other assurance services are included within Other expenses within the statement of comprehensive income.

#### 11 Related party transactions

#### (a) Responsible Entity

The Responsible Entity of the Fund is Channel Investment Management Limited (the "Responsible Entity").

On 17 June 2024, Arnott Capital Pty Ltd retired as Trustee of the Fund. Channel Investment Management Limited was appointed as Trustee on the same day. Upon registration of the Fund as a managed investment scheme with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission, Channel Investment Management Limited became considered Responsible Entity of the Fund.

Accordingly, transactions and balances with Channel Investment Management Limited and its related parties disclosed below include only transactions from 17 June 2024 onwards. Transactions with Arnott Capital Pty Ltd and its related parties disclosed below include only transactions from 1 July 2023 to 17 June 2024.

The Responsible Entity has appointed Arnott Capital Pty Ltd as the Investment Manager of the Fund (the "Investment Manager").

Arnott Capital Pty Ltd is the appointed Investment Manager of the Fund ("Investment Manager" or "Arnott Capital").

# (b) Key management personnel

# (i) Responsible Entity

The Directors of Channel Investment Management Limited during the financial year are as follows:

Glen Holding Executive Director
Sandra Birkensleigh Non-Executive Chair
Bede King Non-Executive Director
Karen Prentis Non-Executive Director

#### (ii) Investment Manager

The Directors of Arnott Capital Pty Ltd during the financial year are as follows:

#### (iii) Other key management personnel

There were no other persons with responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Fund, directly or indirectly during the financial year.

#### (iv) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel do not receive any remuneration directly from the Funds. They receive remuneration from Channel Investment Management Limited and Arnott Capital Pty Ltd or their related parties, in their capacity as Directors or employees of the Responsible Entity or Investment Manager.

# (v) Key management personnel loan disclosures

The Fund has not made, guaranteed or secured, directly or indirectly, any loans to the key management personnel or their personally related entities at any time during the reporting period.

# (d) Responsible Entity fees

#### (i) Management fees

Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution, the Responsible Entity is entitled to receive management fees. Management fees, calculated by reference to the net asset value ("NAV") of the Fund are as follows:

#### 11 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (d) Responsible Entity (continued)

#### (i) Management fees (continued)

- Post July 2020 Class: 1.50% (plus GST) per annum of the NAV of the Fund referable to Post July 2020 Class units
- Class D: 1.5375% per annum of the NAV of the Fund referable to Class D units
- Class E: 0.00% per annum (plus GST) of the NAV of Class E units until 1 July 2027, then 1.50% (plus GST) of the NAV of Class E units from 1 July 2027.

Founder Class and Main Class are not subject to management fees.

The amount of the above fee can be negotiated or rebated for wholesale clients who invest in Class D.

Effective 28 March 2025, the management fee shifted from being calculated and accrued monthly and paid monthly in arrears to being calculated and accrued daily and paid monthly in arrears. The management fee is accrued in and paid from the assets of the Fund. Out of this management fee, the Responsible Entity will pay the fee that Arnott Capital Pty Ltd is entitled to as Investment Manager.

Normal operating expenses of the Fund (other than the above, abnormal or extraordinary expenses, indirect costs and transaction costs) are accrued in the NAV of the Fund and payable from the assets of the Fund as and when they occur.

#### (ii) Performance fees

Under the terms of the Fund's Constitution, the Responsible Entity is also entitled to a performance fee of 20% (plus GST net of reduced input tax credits) of any increase in the net asset value of the relevant series above the high water mark. This is applicable to investors who subscribe after 31 July 2020. Other investors who subscribe before this period will be charged quarterly performance fee of 25% (plus GST net of reduced input tax credits) of any increase in the net asset value of the Fund above the Fund's high water mark. The performance fee is payable to the Responsible Entity out of the Fund's assets and subsequently paid in full to Arnott Capital. The performance fee is calculated daily against the relevant class of units and paid in arrears at the end of each month.

#### (iii) Application and redemption fees

Under the Fund's Constitution, the Responsible Entity is entitled to be paid out of the assets of the Fund an application fee any time applications are accepted by the Responsible Entity and a Redemption fee upon redemption of units.

#### (iv) Summary of fees incurred and outstanding

The transactions during the year and amounts payable at year end between the Fund, the Responsible Entity, and Arnott Capital Pty Ltd for the period which it acted as Responsible Entity, were as follows:

	Year ended 30 June 2025	Year ended
		30 June
		2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Management fees for the year incurred by the Fund with Channel Investment Management Limited	1,844,665	-
Management fees payable by the Fund to Channel Investment Management Limited at the end of the year	124,223	-
Performance fees for the year incurred by the Fund with Channel Investment Management Limited	364,327	-
Performance fees payable by the Fund to Channel Investment Management Limited at the end of the year	364,327	-
Management fees for the year incurred by the Fund with Arnott Capital Pty Ltd	-	1,768,851
Management fees payable by the Fund to Arnott Capital Pty Ltd at the end of the year	-	156,849
Performance fees for the year incurred by the Fund with Arnott Capital Pty Ltd	-	2,887,257
Performance fees payable by the Fund to Arnott Capital Pty Ltd at the end of the year	-	338,025

# (e) Related party unitholdings

Parties related to the Fund (including Channel Investment Management Limited and Arnott Capital Pty Ltd), their related parties and other schemes managed by Channel Investment Management Limited, do not hold units in the Fund at 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2024 and have not undertaken transactions with the Fund during the year.

#### (f) Investments

As at 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2024, the Fund held no investments in the schemes which are also managed by Channel Investment Management Limited or its related parties.

#### 12 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the reporting period which would have an impact on the financial position of the Fund disclosed in the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025 or on the results and cash flows of the Fund for the period ended on that date.

#### 13 Contingent assets, liabilities and commitments

There are no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2025 (2024: Nil).

#### **Directors' declaration**

In the opinion of the directors of Channel Investment Management Limited, the Responsible Entity of Arnott Opportunities Trust (the "Fund"):

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 6 to 27 are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:
  - (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
- (c) Note 2(a) confirms that the financial statements also comply with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

This declaration made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of Channel Investment Management Limited, the Responsible Entity.

Glen Holding

Director

**Channel Investment Management Limited** 

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# Independent auditor's report to the unitholders of Arnott Opportunities Trust

# Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Arnott Opportunities Trust (the "Trust"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Trust is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a. Giving a true and fair view of the Trust's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its financial performance for the year ended on that date; and
- b. Complying with Australian Accounting Standards 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 Trust 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 our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

# Information other than the financial report and auditor's report thereon

The directors of Channel Investment Management Limited (Responsible Entity) are responsible for the other information. The other information is the directors' report accompanying the financial report.

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

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

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



# Responsibilities of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for the preparation of the 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 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 of the Responsible Entity are responsible for assessing the Trust'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 Trust 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 Trust's internal control.
- ► Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors of the Responsible Entity.
- ▶ Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors of the Responsible Entity of the Trust's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust'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 Trust 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 of the Responsible Entity 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.

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Rohit Khanna

Partner Sydney

23 September 2025