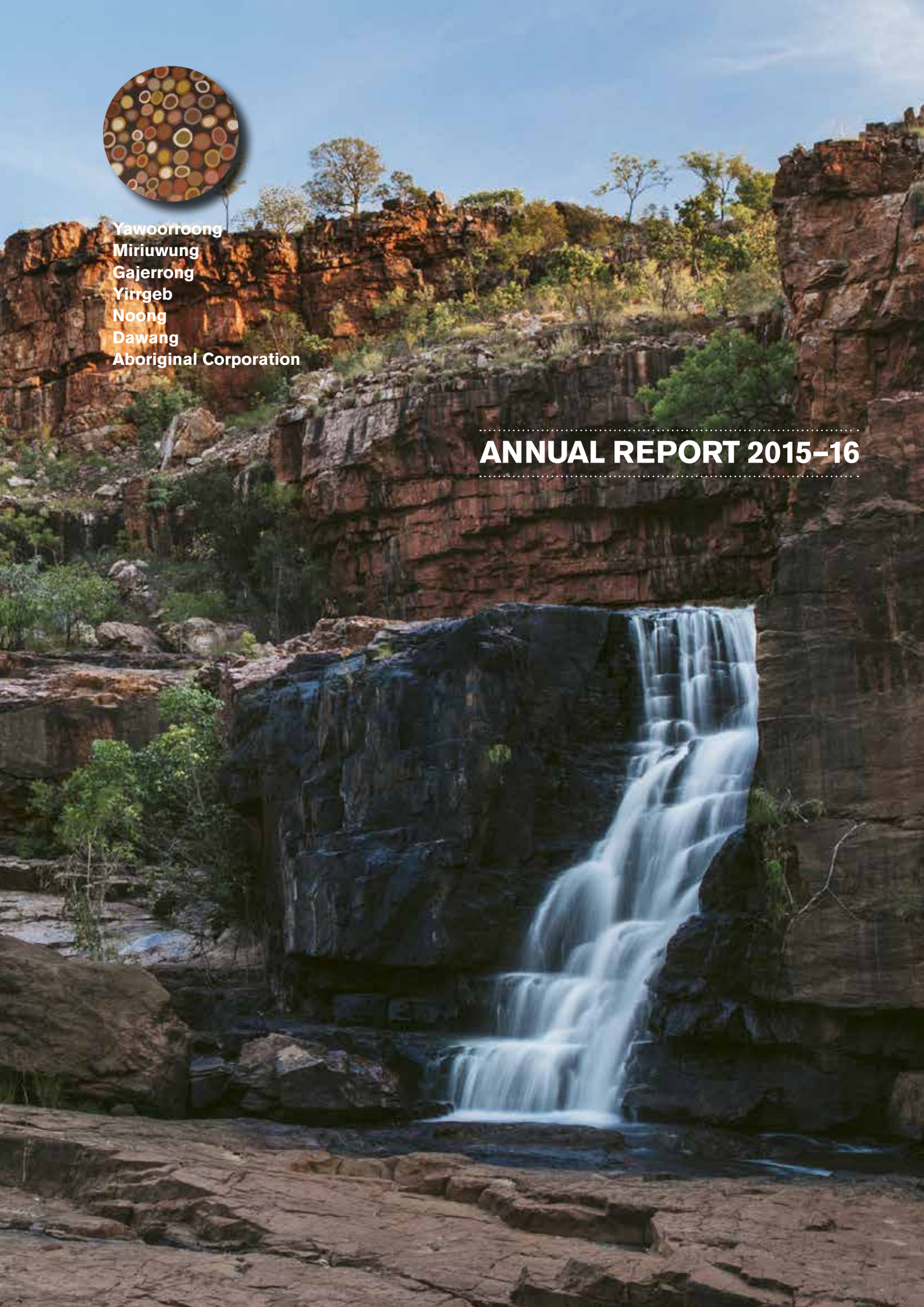
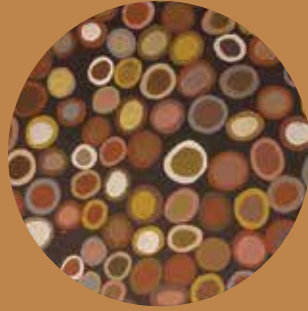


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'This is stony country—when I walk across this country where the creeks and the floodwaters have been there are lots of rocks and little stones. Lots of these stones are beautiful coloured ones. We call them gerany.'

This [original] painting also tells another story. It is a corroboree story given to the artist by her father describing the boundary of the stony Miriwung country as well as a representation of her traditional country at WoorrooWoorrem. The artist walked this country when she was a child learning culture from her parents. As this story was given to the artist she passes it on to her children and grandchildren.

**Phyllis Ningamarra, traditional owner and artist of the MG Corporation logo**

Please note: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people should be aware that this report may contain images or names of deceased persons.

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Yawoorroong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgeb Noong Dawang Aboriginal Corporation

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# OVERVIEW

As one of the leading Indigenous organisations in the East Kimberley, MG Corporation receives and manages the entitlements and benefits transferred under the OFA to the MG people, the native title holders of their traditional country in the East Kimberley.

The OFA provides a broad package of measures to create a platform for future partnerships between the MG people, the Government of Western Australia, industry and developers, for the benefit of the wider community and the East Kimberley region.

Using the provisions of the OFA and the relevant ADP, MG Corporation's mission is to build a strong economic and social base for MG people while protecting and enhancing MG culture and heritage.

Through its various trusts, MG Corporation pursues initiatives to guide its growth, development and economic wealth.

MG Corporation supports and facilitates improvements in community health, housing, education, employment and wellbeing in partnerships with State and Federal Governments, non-government and community agencies, and industry.

MG Corporation strives to make sound investments and grow its capacity and workforce to deliver positive outcomes for MG people.

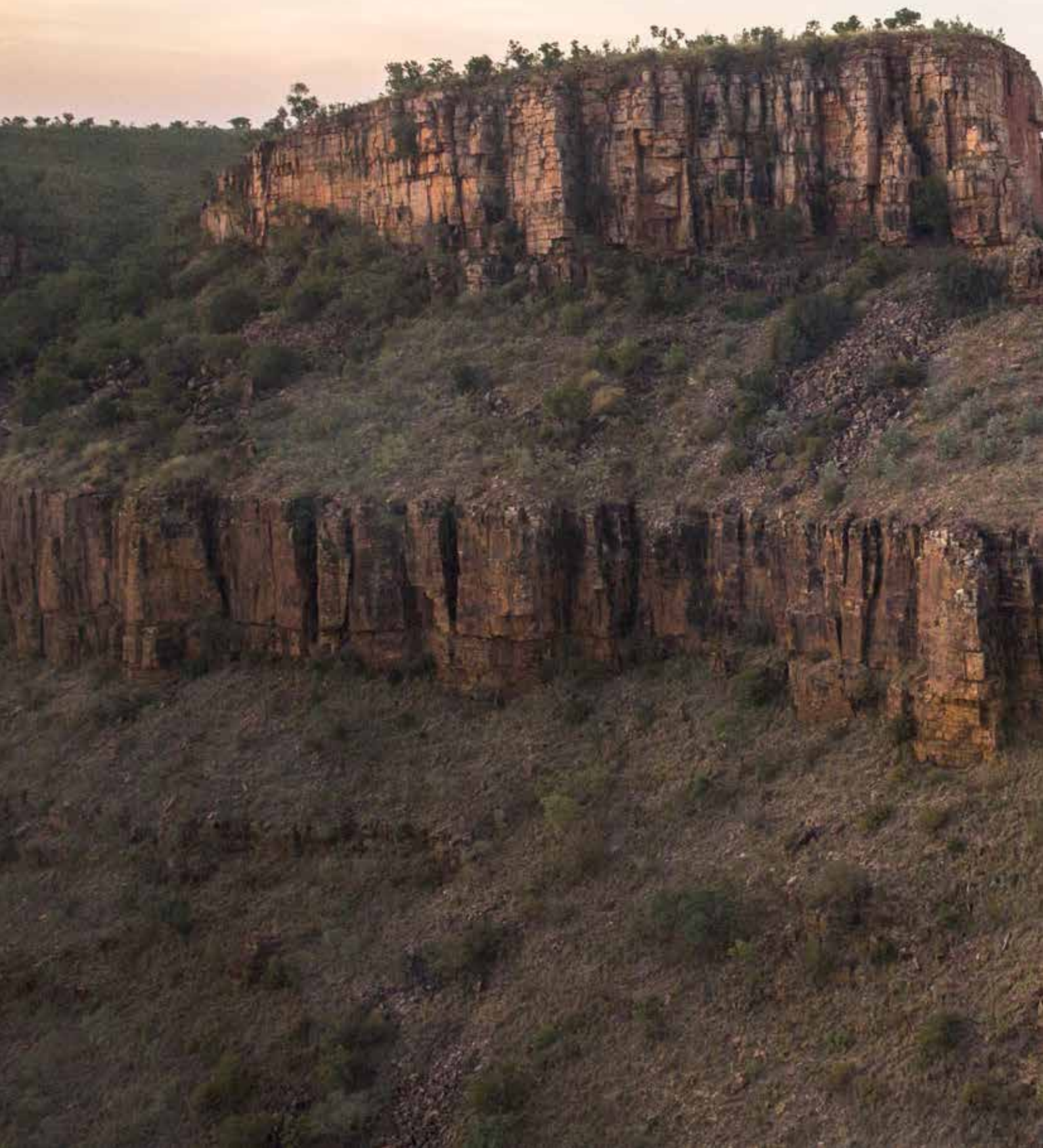






# OUR VISION

**Achieving a healthy, wealthy and culturally strong MG community**







# THEME AREAS

## **COMMUNITY: the way we want to live together**

To promote a healthy and supportive community and deliver culturally appropriate services and facilities that are available and accessible to all residents and members.

## **BUILT ENVIRONMENT: shaping our surroundings**

To plan for the future development of the community and its members in ways which actively value the culture and the character of our community and provide access for all.

## **NATURAL ENVIRONMENT: it begins with each of us**

To ensure that the natural environment is protected for future generations and managed in a culturally sensitive and appropriate manner.

## **ECONOMY: creating our future**

To facilitate a vibrant local economy that enjoys sustainable business development and investment through a skilled and diverse workforce.

## **ORGANISATION: developing our capacity**

To strengthen the capacity of MG Corporation and the MG people to serve and contribute to meeting the needs of the community and members and deliver positive outcomes in partnership with the community, and business and government bodies.

# OUR MISSION

To build a strong economic and social base for the MG people that protects and enhances MG culture and heritage under the provisions of the OFA.





# OUR VALUES

## A STRONG COMMUNITY

MG Corporation will strengthen the capacity and resilience of its community through partnerships with community, business, government and non-government sector groups in pursuing positive social, economic and environmental outcomes.

## EXCELLENCE

The MG Corporation Board of directors and staff will strive for innovation, continuous improvement and long term success in management and leadership practices, strategic planning and the performance of new technology and systems.

## ACCOUNTABILITY

MG Corporation is accountable to its members and will conduct its affairs openly, in consultation with its community and with integrity and honesty, while reflecting the highest level of democratic governance and administration.

## FAIRNESS AND EQUITY

MG Corporation recognises and values the needs of different sectors and groups within its community and works in partnership with volunteers, community agencies and State and Commonwealth Government Departments to ensure needs are addressed in a planned and timely manner.

# CRITICAL PRIORITIES

## ORGANISATIONAL

Develop a strong, sustainable and economically viable MG Corporation focusing on core business.

## ECONOMIC

Develop economic activities and income streams using the organisation's physical and financial capital through the PBCs, the trusts and other partnerships and initiatives.

## SOCIAL

Support and facilitate improvements in MG community through investment in partnership arrangements with local, State and Federal Governments, non-government organisations, industry and community agencies.

## CULTURAL

Protect and enhance MG culture and heritage.



# GLOSSARY

<b>ADP</b>	Aboriginal Development Package
<b>CALM</b>	Conservation and Land Management
<b>CATSI Act</b>	<i>Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006</i>
<b>CFT</b>	Community Foundation Trust
<b>CLA</b>	Community Living Areas
<b>CLM</b>	Conservation and Land Management
<b>Dawang</b>	The country of a local (or estate) group that, together with the other Dawang, comprises the country of the MG people
<b>Dawawang</b>	Members of each Dawang group
<b>Dawang Council</b>	The entity which oversees the operation of MG Corporaiton and its related entities, comprising one representative from each Dawang group
<b>DLT</b>	Dawang Land Trust
<b>DoL</b>	Department of Lands
<b>DPaW</b>	Department of Parks and Wildlife
<b>DPC</b>	Department of Premier and Cabinet
<b>DPM&amp;C</b>	Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet
<b>DRD</b>	Department of Regional Development
<b>DT</b>	Developments Trust
<b>Garralyel</b>	MG senior elders
<b>ILUA</b>	Indigenous Land Use Agreement
<b>JMA</b>	Joint Management Agreement
<b>JMC</b>	Joint Management Committee
<b>KAI</b>	Kimberley Agricultural Investment Pty Ltd
<b>KDC</b>	Kimberley Development Commission
<b>KLC</b>	Kimberley Land Council
<b>MG</b>	Miriuwung and Gajerrong
<b>MG Corporation</b>	Yawoorroong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgeb Noong Dawang Aboriginal Corporation
<b>MGCBM</b>	MGC Building & Maintenance Pty Ltd
<b>OES</b>	Ord Enhancement Scheme
<b>OFA</b>	Ord Final Agreement
<b>OFAT</b>	One Family at a Time education program
<b>OIC</b>	Ord Irrigation Co-operative
<b>ORIC</b>	Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations
<b>OVAHS</b>	Ord Valley Aboriginal Health Service
<b>PBC</b>	Prescribed Body Corporate
<b>R31165</b>	Reserve 31165
<b>TFS</b>	Tropical Forestry Services
<b>WOC</b>	Working on Country
<b>YDRPC</b>	Yoorrooyang Dawang Regional Parks Council



# CHAIRPERSON'S MESSAGE

The past 12 months have seen MG Corporation focus on economic development to build a sustainable economic future for MG people. This has been a slow and, at times, frustrating process with a number of challenges arising.

Notwithstanding that administrative funding for MG Corporation has now ceased, the State Government has not yet met all of its OFA obligations and has also delayed in releasing land to the public which has impeded MG Corporation's ability to optimise the financial and social returns for MG people that were anticipated under the OFA. Accordingly, MG Corporation has focused on reducing administrative and operational costs to ensure that it remains sustainable into the future.

As I discussed last year, MG Corporation is seeking to streamline its operations and has engaged external lawyers to undertake a corporate restructure. Due to the complexity of MG Corporation's corporate structure this process has been lengthy, however it is anticipated that a proposal will be presented early next year and a series of information sessions and consultations will be held with each Dawang group.

Notwithstanding the challenges, MG Corporation has performed well during the reporting period and is in a sound financial position with its investments performing well. The MG building company is operating well and is developing into a competitive entity within the East Kimberley.

The CFT has achieved excellent results and approved a distribution to each Dawang group and allocated funds to the MG Developments Trust to support the ongoing focus on economic development opportunities.

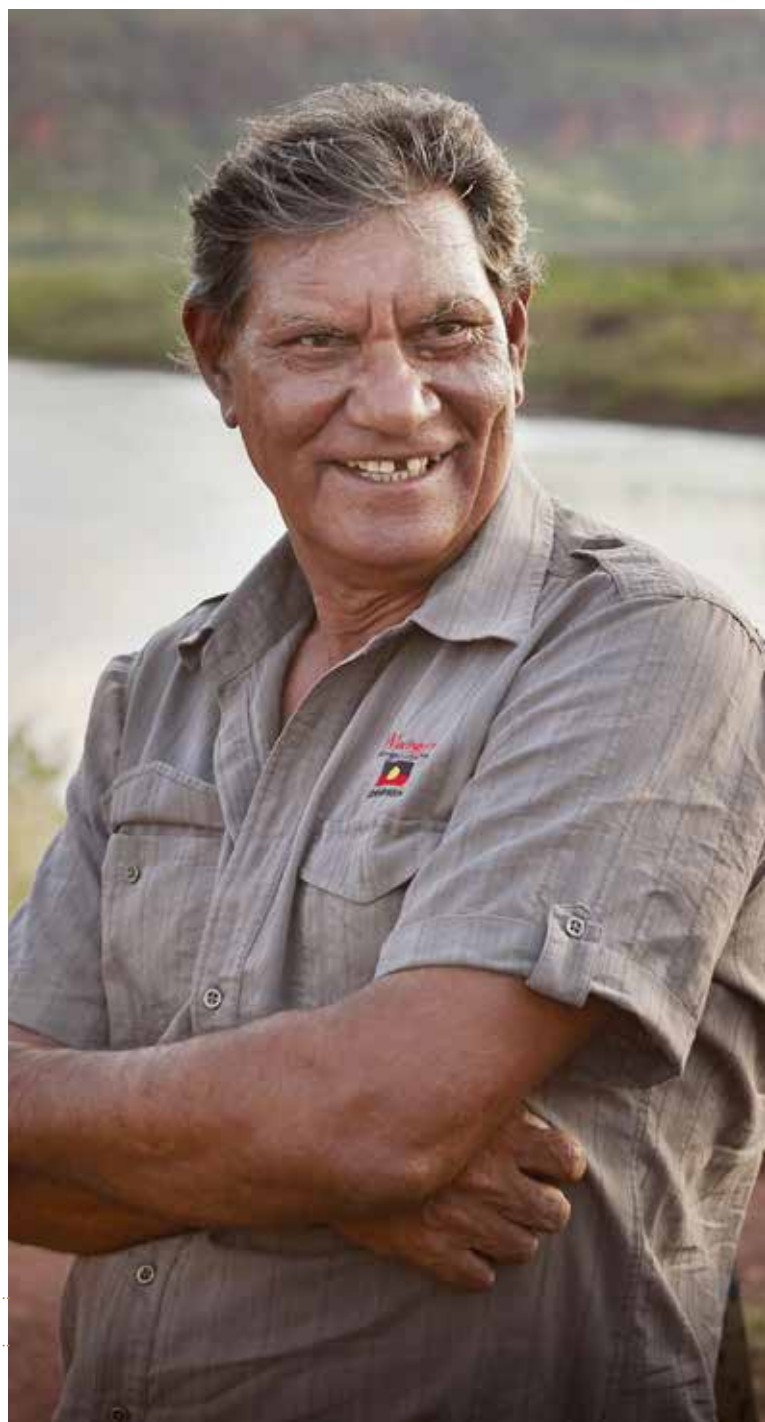
Unfortunately since MG Corporation signed the Knox Plain ADP with KAI in September 2015, problems have arisen between the State Government and KAI. MG Corporation supports KAI's development of Knox Plain and hopes the State Government will resolve the outstanding issues efficiently so that the ADP benefits negotiated may commence.

During the reporting period MG Corporation rejected an offer by the State Government to enter into a new ILUA on the grounds that the conditions of the proposed ILUA were not beneficial for the

MG community. MG Corporation subsequently requested that negotiations with the State Government proceed on an equal footing, however the State Government advised MG Corporation that it is not interested in entering into an ILUA regarding the outstanding obligations under the OFA and new areas of interest.

In closing, I extend my thanks to the Board and staff of MG Corporation for their hard work over the past 12 months and I look forward to new challenges and successes in the next 12 months.

**Des Hill**  
Chairperson



Des Hill, Chairperson

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS



## Chairperson - Des Hill

**D**es is currently employed as Chief Executive Officer of Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation. He is a current director of Ord Valley Aboriginal Health Service and Binarri-binya Yarrowoo Aboriginal Corporation, and has served as a director on several Aboriginal corporation boards.

In September 2015, Des was the joint winner (with Robyn Long) of the Person of the Year award at the East Kimberley Aboriginal Achievement Awards.



## Deputy Chairperson - Helen Gerrard

**H**elen is the current deputy chairperson of MG Corporation and is serving her fourth term as an MG director. Helen completed Business Studies (Harthills College, Perth) and an Associate Degree in Community Management (Curtin University, Perth). Helen has been a committee member for Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation, East Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Service and Gawooleng Yawoodeng Aboriginal Corporation.

Over recent years, Helen has been a director for the MG CFT.



## Director - Ahmuth Bin Omar

**A**hmuth Bin Omar has successfully made the transition from alternate to full MG director, following a period of on and off the job governance training at MG Corporation. Ahmuth was appointed as an alternate director in March 2015 and promoted in April 2016.

Ahmuth was educated in Kununurra, Derby, Broome and Darwin. He works full time at Wunan Foundation in the Money Management program.





#### Director – Duck Chulung

**D**onald “Duck” Chulung is a well-known Kununurra businessman and a Gajerrong man. He owns Wannawork Contracting Services, which provides Aboriginal labour hire, and Jangala Civil, which provides plant hire. Both organisations have played a critical role in the Ord East-Kimberley Expansion Project.

Duck was awarded the Aboriginal Person of the Year at the East Kimberley Achievement Awards in 2011.



#### Director – Zainel Bin Busu

**Z**ainel Bin Busu was appointed to the MG Board of directors in December 2015. Born and raised in Kununurra, Zainel completed his secondary education in Kununurra and went on to complete further qualifications in Perth. Zainel is currently employed by Goring Jimbila Contracting and works full time at the Argyle Diamond Mine. He has extensive commercial experience, having previously held positions with KAI, Leightons, Mount Gibson Iron and Rio Tinto.

#### Alternate Director – Daniel Chulung

**D**aniel Chulung is a local businessman who was born and raised in and around Kununurra. Daniel was heavily involved in the Ord East Kimberley Expansion Project through his contracting company Zena’s Contracting, which was engaged to construct critical infrastructure for the expansion project. Daniel is currently employed full time by KAI.



# CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT

## *Garni woora-noonggoorr,*

After 12 months of ongoing negotiations and investigations, MG Corporation continues its efforts to improve the social, cultural and economic well-being of MG people through the benefits arising from its strategic alliances with key stakeholders in the Kimberley. The reporting period has seen a significant number of achievements for the organisation, with expansion in its economic and social activities, continuing financial and operational excellence and ongoing investment in MG people and the Corporation's employees.

### **Economic**

Several projects throughout the reporting period demonstrate key achievements by MG Corporation in terms of its economic management and development:

- Investigation and negotiations to acquire several businesses within the East Kimberley region
- Facilitation of the growth and expansion of MGCBM to improve income and employment opportunities
- Successful negotiations with the State Government for the rights to develop the Ord East Bank
- Very positive discussions regarding the proposed Sea Dragon Project that have identified employment and contract opportunities as the operations develop
- Ongoing discussion with both KAI and TFS for economic opportunities associated with the development of both the Ord West Bank and Mantinea

### **Social**

MG Corporation continues to support social activity as represented by:

- Representing MG people regarding the Empowered Communities model and working closely with local stakeholders to implement robust and meaningful social change in the East Kimberley
- Participating in the implementation and monitoring of the Welfare Debit Card

## **MG people, MG staff**

Again I express my thanks to the Garralyel, the elders of the community who continue to represent MG people through their lore, art and culture.

I extend my appreciation to the Board members for their input and direction to which the organisation operates, especially given that everyone has their own jobs to undertake as well as the role of directors of MG Corporation.

The organisation's staff continue to navigate the complex frameworks within which MG Corporation operates with a resilience to deal with the daily challenges faced. I express my appreciation and respect to all those staff members who work tirelessly and with a sense of humour to achieve MG Corporation's mission, vision and values.

### **Challenges**

After 12 months since the cessation of the State funds to MG Corporation, considerable work continues to be undertaken with limited resources and capacity. The Board and staff continue to minimise costs and focus on economic development so that financial independence can be achieved.

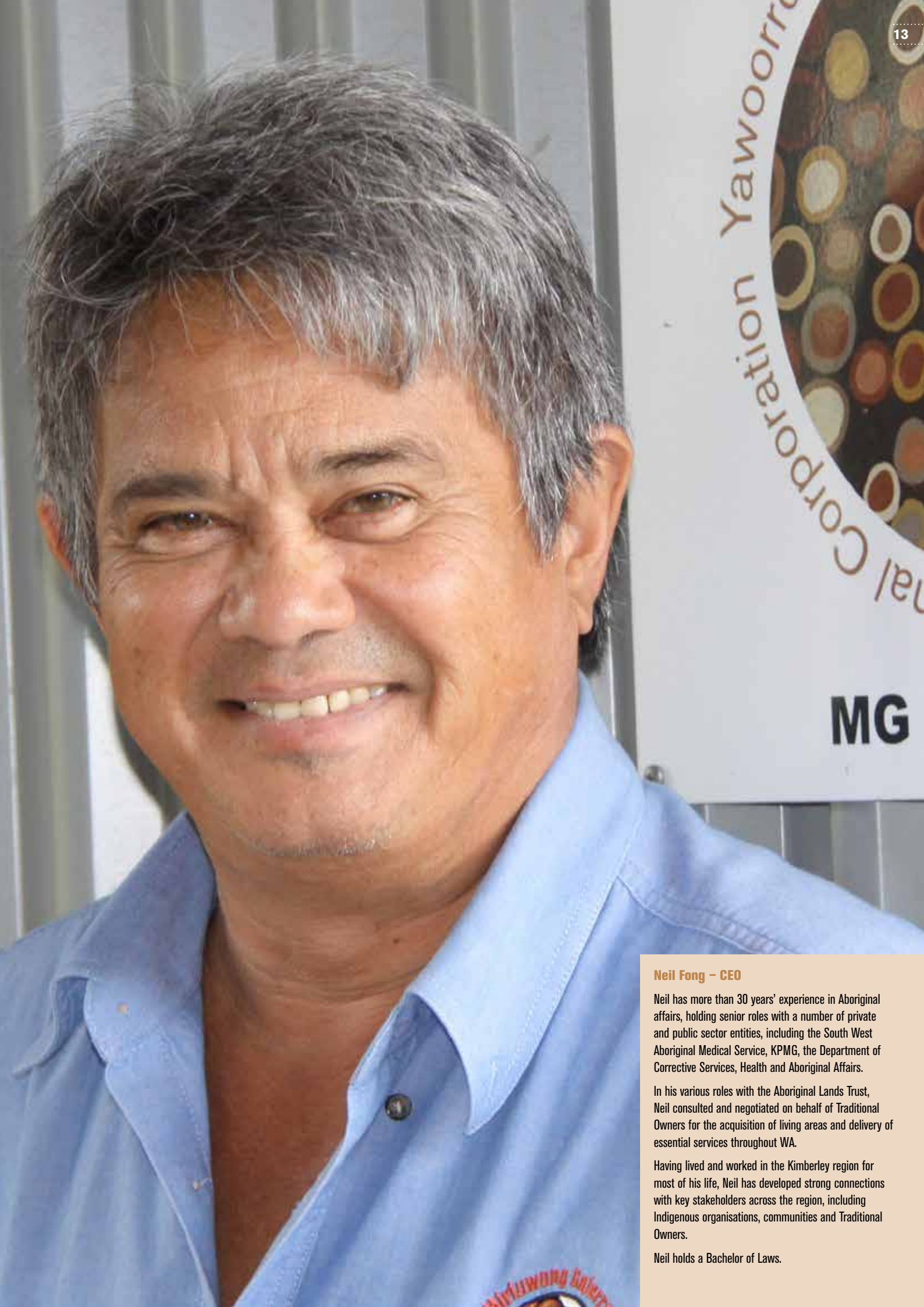
MG Corporation continues to negotiate and undertake development of partnerships with stakeholders to ensure that the organisation is well-placed to move towards self-sufficiency in order to promote the social, cultural and economic wellbeing of MG people for the future.

Negotiations with the State Government continue over finalisation of the OFA commitments as well as other opportunities that are available within the MG determination area. These discussions, however, present many challenges and are not processing quickly.

I am confident that MG Corporation is heading down a positive path and successes are just around the corner and I look forward to seeing MG Corporation as a powerhouse entity in the future.

## *Warany, ngoondengi barrenkoo,*





#### **Neil Fong – CEO**

Neil has more than 30 years' experience in Aboriginal affairs, holding senior roles with a number of private and public sector entities, including the South West Aboriginal Medical Service, KPMG, the Department of Corrective Services, Health and Aboriginal Affairs.

In his various roles with the Aboriginal Lands Trust, Neil consulted and negotiated on behalf of Traditional Owners for the acquisition of living areas and delivery of essential services throughout WA.

Having lived and worked in the Kimberley region for most of his life, Neil has developed strong connections with key stakeholders across the region, including Indigenous organisations, communities and Traditional Owners.

Neil holds a Bachelor of Laws.

# COMPANY SECRETARY REPORT

**MG** Corporation, as a corporation registered under ORIC, must meet certain reporting requirements under the CATSI Act. One of the main responsibilities of the Company Secretary under the CATSI Act and Constitution concerns communication and ensuring that all communications received are passed on to the directors of the relevant entities within 14 days, and ensuring compliance in the lodgement of an Annual General Report, Audited Financial Report and Directors' Report.

MG Corporation has a unique governance structure and there are complex rules setting out the decision-making processes for the Corporation. The MG Board and Dawang Council hold decision making functions in relation to specific matters as set out in the Rule Book, and the Garralyel speak for land and culture in relation to specific matters as set out in the Rule Book.

The Company Secretary maintains a close working relationship with the CEO and directors across the organisation in the preparation and distribution of meeting agendas and notices, timely drafting and circulation of minutes, coordination of annual general meeting requirements, and maintenance of the company register and the member database.

## Jo Langford – Company Secretary

Jo Langford has been the Executive Officer at MG Corporation since 2014. Jo's role is to ensure all the reporting requirements under the CATSI Act are met, the governance of the corporation is adhered to, and decision making is in line with the corporation Rule Book.

Prior to joining MG Corporation, Jo worked as an Executive Officer for a State Sporting Organisation for thirteen years, engaging with private businesses, individual stakeholders, local and state ministers on a regular basis. Strong relationships were built with staff members at the Department of Sport and Recreation in WA, the Australian Institute of Sport and the Australian Sports Commission in Canberra over many years. Jo was instrumental in planning and securing funding, through grants and sponsorship, to stage the biggest equestrian event ever held in Western Australia during 2008, and the event provided a return on investment in excess of \$5.3 million.



## Director appointments

To maintain a strong level of corporate governance within MG Corporation, every effort is made to ensure that the MG Board and Trusts maintain a full complement of directors. A nomination and appointment process has been held during the year and the following appointments were made:

### MG Board

Merle Carter, Henry Park and Ted Hall did not renominate for the Board in November 2015. The Dawang Council representatives approved Des Hill, Helen Gerrard, Zainel Bin Busu, Haelema Ward and Donald Chulung as full directors with Ahmuth Bin Omar and Daniel Chulung as alternate directors. Haelema Ward was later replaced (April 2016) by Ahmuth Bin Omar as a full director.

### Community Foundation Trust

MG directors and independent directors on the CFT remain unchanged. The CFT Board remains as: Helen Gerrard, Chairperson, with Jennifer Wilson and Dora Griffiths as the three MG directors; Yale Bolto, independent director; and Jeff Gooding as the State appointed independent director.

### Developments Trust

Merle Carter resigned from the Developments Trust in November 2015 and, to date, Yale Bolto remains as the independent director. The Developments Trust continues to operate in conjunction with the MG Corporation Board of directors.

### Dawang Land Trust

Carol Hapke, Agnes Armstrong, and Joan Simon remained as MG directors on the Dawang Land Trust, and Yale Bolto continues as the independent director.

### PBC #1 and PBC #4

Carol Hapke, Ted Carlton, Joan Simon and Button Jones remain as directors on the PBCs. Agnes Armstrong stepped down from her directorship in December 2015.



# CORPORATE SERVICES

Under the direction of the CEO, the Community Liaison Coordinator coordinates the day-to-day operations and administration of MG Corporation with a specific focus on MG Corporation's community engagement activities.

The Community Liaison Coordinator works closely with all staff to ensure the strategic objectives of MG Corporation are met.

This role covers a diverse range of responsibilities including front office administration, human resources, information technology, media and communications and specific project work.

## Community Profiles

A monthly calendar, allocating times for community visits has been developed. With the cooperation of elders and community leaders, field officers will be able to visit communities regularly and keep profiles updated, impart MG news and provide valuable feedback regarding issues affecting communities.

The collation of community profiles is important information that MG Corporation will have on file should funding opportunities arise.

## Front Office Report

Peter Brown is a Community Liaison Officer located in reception. His diverse range of activities include face to face interaction with the public, fleet management of MG Corporation vehicles and providing administrative support where required. The front office also plays a critical role in providing advice on new policies to members, ensuring they are aware of them and their implications.

Edmond Cox is MG Corporation's Community Liaison Officer who ensures all stakeholders are aware of relevant meetings, keeps our vehicles on the road and provides any additional administrative and meeting support where required.

MG Corporation's recruitment of another Community Liaison Officer is still being finalised.



**Carol Hapke – Community Liaison Coordinator**

Carol is an experienced engagement coordinator having recently held the position of Community Action Plan Coordinator at Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation.

Prior to joining MG Corporation, Carol worked for the Western Australian State Premier, Colin Barnett, as a Community Liaison Officer during the early negotiations in relation to the Ord Stage 2 development.

Carol also has over 5 years of experience as a liaison officer with the Aboriginal Legal Service, which included in-depth consultation with the MG community in relation to the MG native title determinations.

Carol was instrumental in establishing the Gawooleng Yawoodeng Women's Refuge in Kununurra and has experience working as a Child Protection Officer for the Department of Child Protection.

Carol is a local Miriuwung woman who has strong family connections throughout the region. She actively participates in preserving and upholding traditional law and culture and has extensive grass roots community liaison experience, as well as highly developed project management skills.



**Edmond Cox – Community Liaison Officer**

Edmond is an experienced community liaison officer, having worked for MG Corporation or its associated entities for over 6 years.

Edmond has previously worked as a ranger in the East Kimberley region, during which time he facilitated a broad range of consultation activities with various communities.

Edmond has also been involved in delivering wet season programs through MG Services (a former related entity of MG Corporation), which required engaging with Aboriginal people, communities and Indigenous organisations to facilitate service delivery, such as identification registration (e.g. facilitating birth certificate registration).

Having lived and worked in the East Kimberley his entire life, Edmond has developed strong connections with key stakeholders across the region.



**Peter Brown – Community Liaison Officer**

Peter has worked at MG Corporation in various roles for over 3 years and is now a Community Liaison Officer with additional administrative responsibilities.

In addition to his position at MG Corporation, Peter is currently the Chairman of Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation. Prior to holding the role of Chairman, Peter was a director of Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation for 4 years.

Through his roles with Kununurra Waringarri Aboriginal Corporation, Peter has been involved with the Empowered Communities reform initiative as a representative of one of the founding Indigenous organisations. This has provided Peter with the opportunity to further develop his relationships with key stakeholders across the region.

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**MG** Corporation's primary focus throughout the year has been on economic development. Given the cessation of administrative and operational funding under the OFA, the organisation is working towards self-sufficiency in the short term before the long-term objectives of the MG people may be met. With this in mind, MG Corporation has spent the year growing its existing portfolios, investigating commercial prospects regarding its land areas, developing joint venture arrangements with third parties for economic growth and generally capitalising on commercial opportunities in the region.

As ever, MG Corporation must balance its economic objectives with the goals of the MG people; this is particularly the case when dealing with land development, in light of MG people's strong cultural connection to country. No development will take place on any land areas without strong consultation and collaboration with the relevant Dawawang.

## Existing portfolio

Property management responsibilities have continued for the organisation throughout the year in respect of premises at Bandicoot Drive, Pindan

Avenue, Ironwood Drive, Woollybutt Place, Kentia Way and Eucalyptus Close in Kununurra, all of which are let to third parties for a variety of uses including industrial, commercial and residential. MG Corporation's property portfolio has now expanded to include four residential properties in Kurrajong Street, all of which are let to local Aboriginal people.

Investigations have been underway for the potential economic development of land at Yardungarrl, with a number of different industries interested in using the land for a variety of purposes including mining, agriculture and cattle.

MG Corporation, in collaboration with its joint management partner the Department of Water and the Joint Management Committee, is also in the process of negotiating the renewal of a number of pastoral leases within Reserve 31165, as well as investigating opportunities for other development uses for that Reserve in the future.

## Land entitlements under the OFA

In return for the surrender of native title over large parcels of agricultural land in the Ord River Irrigation Area, the OFA grants MG Corporation the right to







Ord River and farms

a proportion of land in those and other areas. Many of these lands have yet to be transferred to MG Corporation by the State Government which is a source of great frustration to the organisation and dishonours the intent of the OFA.

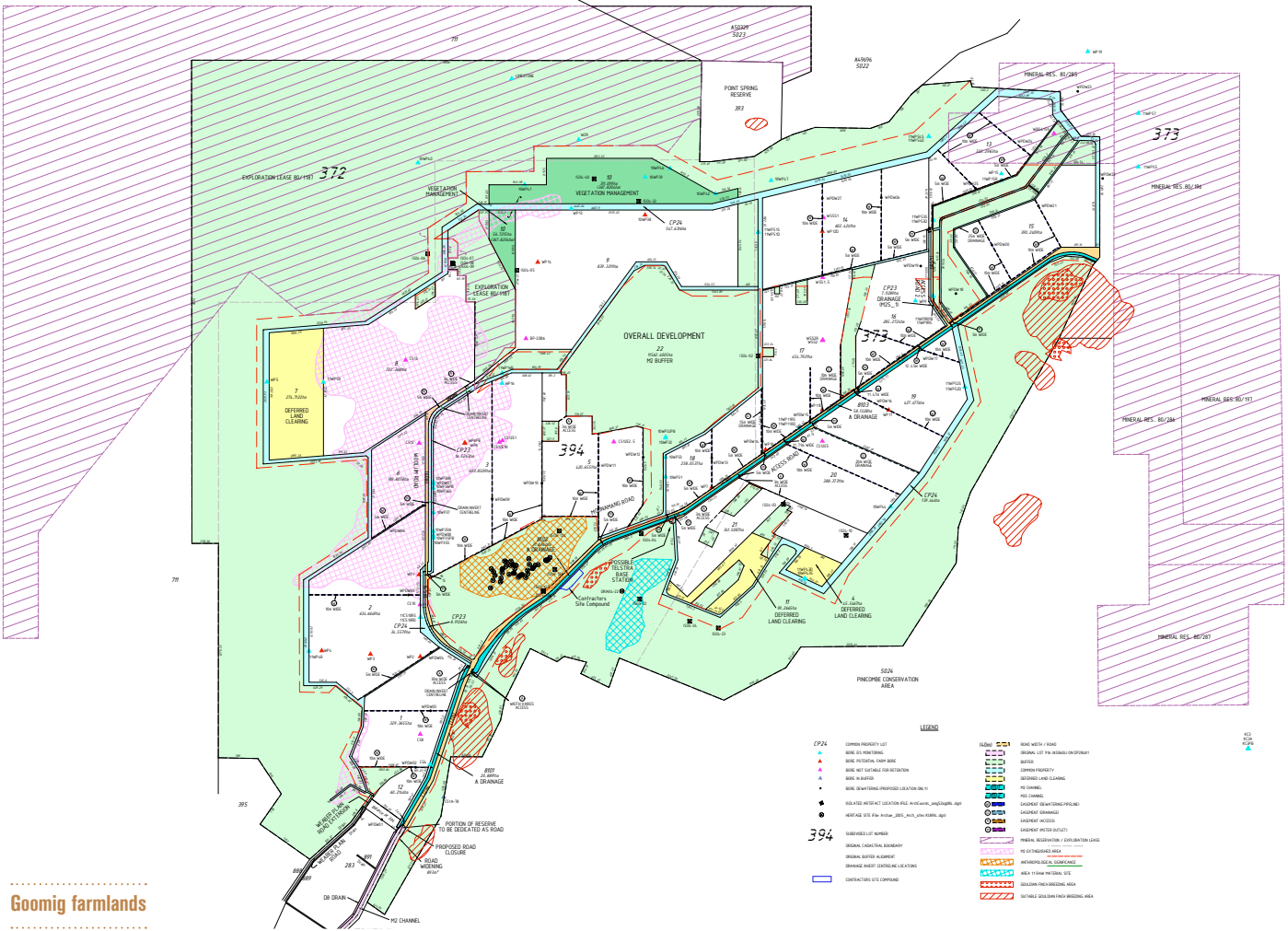
**Goomig:** Lots 15 and 16 within the Goomig development have been allocated for MG Corporation's use and the OFA entitles MG Corporation to the freehold interest in those lots. The lots have yet to be transferred to MG Corporation as the State is seeking to link the transfer with other environmental compliance and infrastructure management obligations. The organisation is working closely with the State to resolve this issue. In the meantime, KAI has continued to honour its Knox Plain ADP agreement to clear lots 15 and 16 for farming, notwithstanding that KAI's development of Knox Plain is in doubt at this time. This means that the lots will be ready for farming either by MG Corporation itself or via a third party farmer as soon as the freehold interest in those lots is transferred. KAI itself has agreed to lease one of the lots from MG Corporation at commercial

rates and MG Corporation is in discussions with another third party for the other.

**New Conservation Areas:** Under the OFA, MG Corporation has the right to the freehold interest in six conservation areas within its native title determination area. That right, however, is subject to a restriction that the areas may be used for the purposes of conservation only. Given its economic objectives, MG Corporation is seeking greater flexibility regarding the use of those areas and is working closely with the State Government to negotiate such a change to the OFA provisions.

#### **ADPs under the OFA**

The OFA also entitles MG Corporation to negotiate ADPs with parties awarded the right to develop agricultural areas within the Ord River Irrigation Area. ADPs are anticipated to include training and employment outcomes for MG and other Aboriginal people, money for the pursuit of charitable and other social outcomes and equity in the agricultural development by way of joint venture or land ownership.



Goomig farmlands

During the reporting period, TFS and KAI have been announced as the preferred developers of Ord West Bank and Mantinea respectively. Both parties are in the process of negotiating an ADP with MG Corporation in respect of those areas.

**Other proposals being pursued by MG**

**Knox Plain:** MG Corporation has already successfully negotiated a comprehensive ADP with KAI for the development of the Knox Plain area. Until such time as the State Government and KAI can reach agreement on the development of that area, MG Corporation's entitlements under the ADP will be frozen. The organisation supports KAI's development of the Knox Plain and hopes that the State will be able to resolve outstanding issues regarding that area in order that the ADP benefits may recommence.

**Ord West Bank:** In addition to its ADP negotiations regarding the Ord West Bank area, MG Corporation has submitted a proposal to the State Government regarding the agricultural development of surrounding areas. This proposal could open up new areas for farming in the region and third party developers have

already expressed an interest in working with MG Corporation to clear, develop and farm that land.

**Ord East Bank:** A proposal for the development of Ord East Bank and surrounding lands has been jointly submitted to the State Government by MG Corporation and the OIC. This represents a new phase of MG Corporation's development in terms of its relationship with Ord Stage 1 farmers and presents an exciting new opportunity in terms of economic growth in the region.

**Cockatoo Sands:** The Department of Agriculture has been working closely with MG Corporation to investigate the agricultural potential of Cockatoo and Pago Sands areas within the region.

**Seafarms:** Seafarms is pursuing a large-scale land based prawn aquaculture project (Project Sea Dragon) that will include a number of facilities in and around Kununurra, including a grow out facility on Legune Station and a processing plant and accommodation facilities in Kununurra.

MG Corporation is actively pursuing a number of economic development opportunities flowing



from Project Sea Dragon and has had positive preliminary discussions with Seafarms and other interested third parties.

### **Business Development**

MGCBM continues to succeed and grow, with comfortable profits shown for the year and an increasing number of contracts awarded.

Throughout the year, MG Corporation has investigated other potential business opportunities in the area including the purchase of a tourism resort and a civil contracting business, the provision of catering and cleaning services and

the operation of a waste water reuse scheme. Decisions regarding investment are made by the organisation following robust feasibility studies and strategic planning works.

### **Governance**

Given the corporate restructure currently being undertaken, work previously being conducted by the MG Developments Trust has throughout the reporting period been conducted primarily by the MG Corporation Board in collaboration with the remaining independent director, Yale Bolto, who has expertise in local development and economic activity.



# MGC BUILDING & MAINTENANCE

What a great year it has been for MGCBM, with the successful completion of many projects and the jewel being the refurbishment of the Balgo Police Station completed in May 2016.

The company has doubled in size since last year which has resulted in a more sustainable pipeline of work and the opportunity to employ two full time staff - a tradesman (Curt McCartney) and a trade assistant (Alex Ripps). Alex is an excellent worker who has shown real promise and could be a valuable future leader within the organisation.

This year MGCBM has taken on a worker from Kununurra District High School's KEFL program. The program is aimed at students in years 11 and 12 and incorporates part time employment with secondary schooling. MGCBM has also employed Rick Howard who participates in the Clontarf Program. Ricky has shown promising signs and could be a future prospect for employment in the business.



Mario Rapanaro – Building Manager

As Building Manager Mario is responsible for the running of MG Corporation's building company. The company has expanded and in the past year achieved many successful results. MGCBM has under Mario's guidance won the local Aboriginal Business Award and now has been selected as a finalist in the State Awards.

Mario is a registered builder and has a Diploma in Construction Science and a Diploma in Project Management. Mario is passionate about soccer and has been heavily involved with starting and running Kununurra Soccer Association. Mario is the current head coach of the current holders of the Men's Northwest Championship Trophy.







Balgo Police Station rebuild

MGCBM has completed various types of projects during the reporting period. The diversity of work means employees stay engaged and positions the company well within the business community. The company's growth has seen it carry out more work for Government agencies including the Department of Finance, the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the Department of Regional Development.

The highlight of the year was winning and completing the Balgo Police Station refurbishment. Valued at over \$1 million, this project was managed by the Department of Finance. MGCBM completed the project a month ahead of schedule and received a very high rating of 92% based on its performance of the contract.

Recent talks with various organisations have placed the company in a good position to secure work over the next twelve months. MGCBM will soon start work at the Garrjang Village for Seafarms and hopes to secure government contracts to build a number of houses over the next 4 years.

The future for MG people is looking good with increasing training and employment opportunities through MGCBM.



Kentia Way office block



# TERTIARY SCHOLARSHIPS

## Kirsty McLean

I am in my final year of a Bachelor of Science double majoring in Anatomy & Human Biology and Psychological Science. Last semester I took four units in cognitive neuroscience, psychological research methods, human structure and development and introduction to Indigenous heritage and knowledge.

On top of these four courses I also took one that ran through the winter break called Indigenous Ways of Knowing, it was an international exchange program held at Otago University in New Zealand, which involved a major research project looking at ways Indigenous knowledge can help solve issues my community faces today.

My research project is on the topic of high suicide rates in the community and how community lead initiatives focusing on culturally appropriate ways of addressing the issue could improve suicide rates. As part of a research project I undertook for the Indigenous exchange program, I have created a website which examines the causal mechanisms behind the high suicide rates in our communities which I have named Thelmang Goolarn (Miriwoong for Strong Brains/Minds): [www.thelmangoolarn.com](http://www.thelmangoolarn.com)

It has been a very busy semester with my workload increasing exponentially now that I'm in my third year. I am on track to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in mid-2017.

I'd like to thank MG Corporation and everyone there that has supported me this year, without this support I would not be able to participate in things such as the exchange program I went on.



Kirsty McLean with her certificate from the Otago University, New Zealand, after completing the Matariki Indigenous Exchange Programme







Jayla Davey Newry starring in a short film at the International Screen Academy

### Jayla Davey Newry

I am in my final year of an Advanced Diploma of Acting for Contemporary Screen Media at the International Screen Academy in Sydney. I am on track to graduate in mid-2017.

Last semester I worked intensely on scene work and writing skills. This semester the focus has shifted away from skills development toward putting those skills into practice.

I am currently in the middle of rehearsals for end of year performances. One half of the class is performing 'Punk Rock' by Simon Stevens and the other half of the class, including me, is performing 'A Bright Room Called Day' by American playwright Tony Kushner. This play is about a group of friends in 1930s Germany and how they deal with the uprising of the Nazi Party. The shows will run twice a day for 2 days at the start of November.

I recently wrote my own short film and I'm now involved in pre-production (i.e. before the shoot) for 2 films that were selected for production. I'm playing a supporting role in one of the films called 'Eat Me'. I've also been appointed as Script Supervisor and Editor for the other film, 'Turkey Time'. My role as Script Supervisor will involve working out how long each scene will be.

On the day of the shoot, on set, I will be working closely with the Director and the Director of Photography for the duration of the shoot to ensure that every frame of film will be usable for the Editor. After the shoot (i.e. in post-production) I will be editing the film. I'm looking forward to working on set so I can get a feel for what the industry is like. Filming will take place from 15–24 November.

Overall I've loved everything I've learned. Even though it's been challenging at times, the end result has been well worth it. Thank you to MG Corporation for supporting my studies.



Jayla Davey Newry, on set at the International Screen Academy

### Scott Wilson

Scott Wilson was a recipient of the MG Corporation Tertiary Scholarship for four years from 2009 to 2015. Scott was awarded with a Bachelor of Arts (Anthropology) from the University of Western Australia in late 2015 and currently lives and works in Broome.



Scott Wilson at his graduation ceremony

## KNOX ADP

In September 2015, Des Hill and Neil Fong attended a landmark signing ceremony in China for the formal Aboriginal Development Package between KAI and MG Corporation.

The signing marked the end of negotiations between the parties regarding the agricultural development of the Western Australia portion of the Knox Plain area and the beginning of a partnership between KAI and the MG people to proactively and sustainably participate in economic development in the region.

The ADP is intended to enable the MG people to

more fully participate in economic opportunities arising from the Ord-East Kimberley Expansion Project and other sustainable projects in the region by investing in:

- training and employment;
- tender opportunities for goods and services;
- development and support of MG businesses;
- community consultation;
- Aboriginal heritage and culture;
- strategic investments;
- joint venture opportunities; and
- the acquisition and development of farmland entitlements.



Mr Wu and Des Hill



The total quantifiable value of the ADP from MG's perspective is \$8,830,000, predominantly comprising land clearing costs, training and employment outcomes and the creation of commercial joint venture opportunities.

The agreement ensures that MG people are able to farm 680/ha of fully developed, freehold farmland in Stage 2 of the Ord-East Kimberley Expansion

Project, enabling them to participate in the growing agricultural economy.

Whilst facilitating the development of 6,000/ha at Knox Plain, the ADP also represents a new step towards similar agreements being reached between MG Corporation and the developing parties of the 5,000/ha of land at Ord West Bank and Mantinea.



Mr Yin and Neil Fong  
signing the ADP agreement



Mr Wu and Des Hill following  
execution of the ADP agreement



Mr Yin and Neil Fong following  
execution of the ADP agreement



# KAI MG WORKERS

**D**aniel Chulung, MG Corporation's alternate director commenced working fulltime with KAI in June 2016. An experienced heavy machinery operator, Daniel works with the earthmoving team building new roads, dams, tail drains and head ditches. Daniel is an integral and popular member of the KAI team.

Rhys Peart worked with MG Corporation as a Field Officer for approximately 10 months before commencing work with KAI. Rhys, also an experienced heavy machinery operator, works with the laser bucket crew that is preparing new farming lands on Goomig Plains.



Daniel Chulung about to commence work in a 450hp Caterpillar Elevating Motor scraper.



Rhys Peart in the cab of one of the Case 550 Steiger tractors during laser levelling farmland.



Daniel Chulung and Rhys Peart laser levelling farmland on Goomig Plains



# MG COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TRUST

Helen Gerrard  
Chairperson



Dora Griffiths, Director

Throughout the reporting period, the CFT continued to manage the investment assets of the MG people, overseeing the professional management of the portfolio and authorising distributions for the trust's cultural and charitable objectives.

## Portfolio

The 2015/16 financial year was another successful year of investing for the CFT. The CFT directors, under investment guidance from Macquarie Wealth Management, oversaw an investment gain of \$651,200. Whilst this return was lower than the three previous years, it reflected the lower interest rates that prevailed throughout the year. Almost 50% of the CFT investments are invested in the more defensive asset classes such as fixed income and cash and the portfolio is therefore quite reliant on interest income. As interest rates have fallen, so have the portfolio's income returns.

The investment year was marked by the Reserve Bank cutting official interest rates twice; key export commodities such as coal, iron ore, oil and gas all weakening; Basel III banking regulation forcing banks to raise capital; and political issues such as Brexit and Donald Trump. Whilst markets were generally stable for most of the year, it was not a year of strong returns.

It was also the final year the CFT received funding from the State Government, and in light of this, a decision was taken towards the end of the year to reduce the risks within the portfolio and hold more conservative assets. It was believed that global political and market risks were rising and it would be prudent to take a more cautious approach into the 2016/17 year. This has proven to be a good decision.

When the year closed on 30 June 2015, the MG CFT investments were worth \$17.4 million.

Portfolio vs State Government contributions



## Cultural

Continuing its policy of supporting the practise of law and culture by the MG people, the CFT contributed \$45,000 towards men's, women's and whaling funds in 2015.

## Distribution

For the first time ever, given that the restrictions on distribution imposed by the OFA have expired and in light of the fact that there had been no distribution to MG people made in the previous financial year, the CFT directors agreed in June 2016 to distribute 100% of the income of the trust for the 2015/2016 financial year.

In order to balance the long-term social and economic needs of the MG people with the short-term financial requirements of MG Corporation, the CFT directors resolved to split the distribution as follows:

- \$250,000 to the MG Developments Trust for economic development purposes; and
- \$310,000 for the MG people to be distributed per Dawang, taking into account the financial commitments which had previously been made for culture, administration and the payment of professional fees.

## OES

The CFT continues to manage remaining funds from the MG OES. The OES funds are currently ring-fenced whilst plans are made to create a larger social trust fund to leverage additional resources from third parties for improved social outcomes.

## Governance

Throughout the reporting period, the CFT Board has comprised Helen Gerrard (Chairperson), Dora Griffiths and Jennifer Wilson as MG directors, Yale Bolto as the MG-appointed independent director and Jeff Gooding as the State-appointed director.



Yale Bolto, Independent Director



Jeff Gooding, Independent Director

# MG PRESCRIBED BODIES CORPORATE

The MG PBCs manage MG people's native title rights over their determined areas and protect local Aboriginal heritage. Theirs is a dual role: preserving the past whilst looking to the future.

## Future Acts

The reporting period has seen a strong performance by the PBCs in considering a significant number of notifications from third parties wishing to conduct activities on MG land. They have responded effectively, transparently and in a timely way to external demands and worked proactively with third-party proponents to create economic and development opportunities. As in previous years, the subject of notifications include exploration and mining, construction programs, Indigenous Land Use Agreements, tenancy applications, clearance of native vegetation, public works and infrastructure, agricultural development and various environmental matters.

Applications have been received from private sector companies such as JSW Holdings, Kimberley Metals Group, Goldfields Consolidated, Sammy Resources, Ord River Mining, Canning Petroleum and Horizon Power. The MG PBCs have also worked collaboratively throughout the year with the public sector via SWEK, the Departments of Agriculture, Lands, Main Roads, Regional Development, Water and the Water Corporation. An increasing number of individuals have demonstrated an interest in exploration and mining activity in the region, such as Ian Lowrie and Matthew Perriot, Johan Pas and Tom Kapitany and Georgina Mary Inett Rockett.

The MG PBCs continue to work with the Aboriginal Lands Trust, the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and the Kimberley Land Council to deal with issues of native title in the region.



Clearance team members at Helispirit



**National Native Title Tribunal**

The Tribunal, an independent body established under the Native Title Act 1993, is responsible for determining native title claims and for resolving problems arising from the operation of the Act. It also has jurisdiction to determine whether a claimant is entitled to be recognised as a traditional owner of land. It is a court of law and its decisions are final and binding. It is not a court of appeal. It is a court of law and its decisions are final and binding. It is not a court of appeal.

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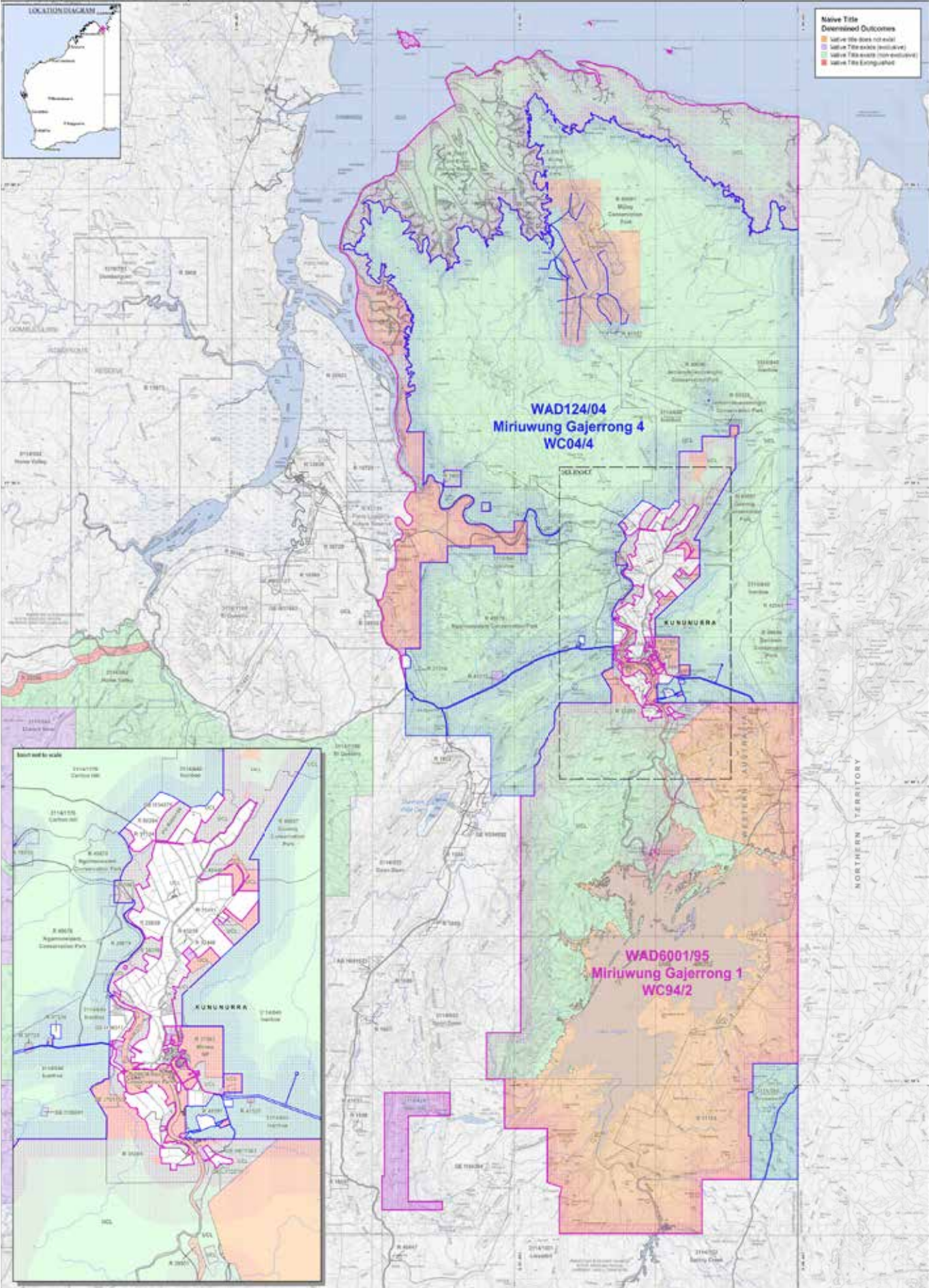
**NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION**

**WAD124/04 Miriwung Gajerrong #4 (WC04/04)**  
**WAD6001/95 Miriwung Gajerrong #1 (WC94/02)**

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- WAD124/04 as determined on the 24/11/2004  
Miriwung Gajerrong #4 (WC04/04)
- WAD6001/95 as determined on the 26/12/2005  
Miriwung Gajerrong #1 (WC94/02)

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MG determination area



## Aboriginal Heritage

The PBCs act on behalf of MG people to protect and preserve their Aboriginal heritage and culture throughout the year.

The MG PBCs have undertaken a number of heritage impact assessments, clearances and work surveys throughout the reporting period and continue to work diligently to prevent and address any site disturbances within MG country.

## Representation

PBC members are aware that the question of who speaks for country is a sensitive one. Issues of country, heritage, law, culture and family groups are always referred to the Garralyel. MG traditional owners are encouraged to speak to the Garralyel regarding any queries or comments they may have in relation to future acts, the preservation of heritage and culture, clearances or work surveys or any activity being undertaken on their country.

## Other

The PBCs have a strong reputation in the native title field for their representation of the MG people and their expertise is much sought after. PBC members continue to contribute towards surveys, workshops and papers for entities such as the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies and the Aurora Project.

## Governance

The PBC Boards comprise Ted Carlton (Chairperson), Carol Hapke, Button Jones, Agnes Armstrong and Joan Simon. As with previous years, an open invitation is extended to members of the Garralyel to attend PBCs in order to advise the Board on matters of tradition, law and culture.



Survey team (women)



### Dominique Reeves – Senior Legal Counsel

As Senior Legal Counsel, Dominique represents the Miriuwung and Gajerrong native title holders and is responsible for running the two MG prescribed bodies corporate, managing community consultation activities in relation to economic development proposals and native title matters, including Aboriginal heritage issues. Dominique also advises MG Corporation generally on governance, employment, property, commercial and other legal matters.

Prior to joining MG Corporation, Dominique was a Senior Associate at national firm, Clayton Utz, specialising in energy and resources, construction and major projects. She has a significant background of working within both public and private sectors on a wide range of commercial matters, having practised at Eversheds in the UK before relocating to Australia.

Dominique holds a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Wales and a Diploma in Law from the University of Sydney. She is admitted to practise in the Supreme Courts of England and Wales, New South Wales, the Northern Territory and Western Australia, as well as in the High Court of Australia.



Ronnie and Kathleen Carlton discussing work plans with Don Bennett



# CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY LAND

The OFA grants MG Corporation the right to the freehold interest in a number of cultural and community lands within the Ord River Irrigation Area, including Community Living Areas, the New Conservation Areas and buffer lands. Cultural and community lands are held by the MG DLT on behalf of the MG people. The MG DLT also owns other sites of significance for the protection of Aboriginal heritage and culture in the region.

## Existing portfolio

Land management responsibilities have continued for the MG DLT throughout the year in respect of Geeboowama, Goose Hill, Janama Springs, Jimbilum, Munthanmar, Yirrallalem and Yuna Springs Community Living Areas. The MG DLT

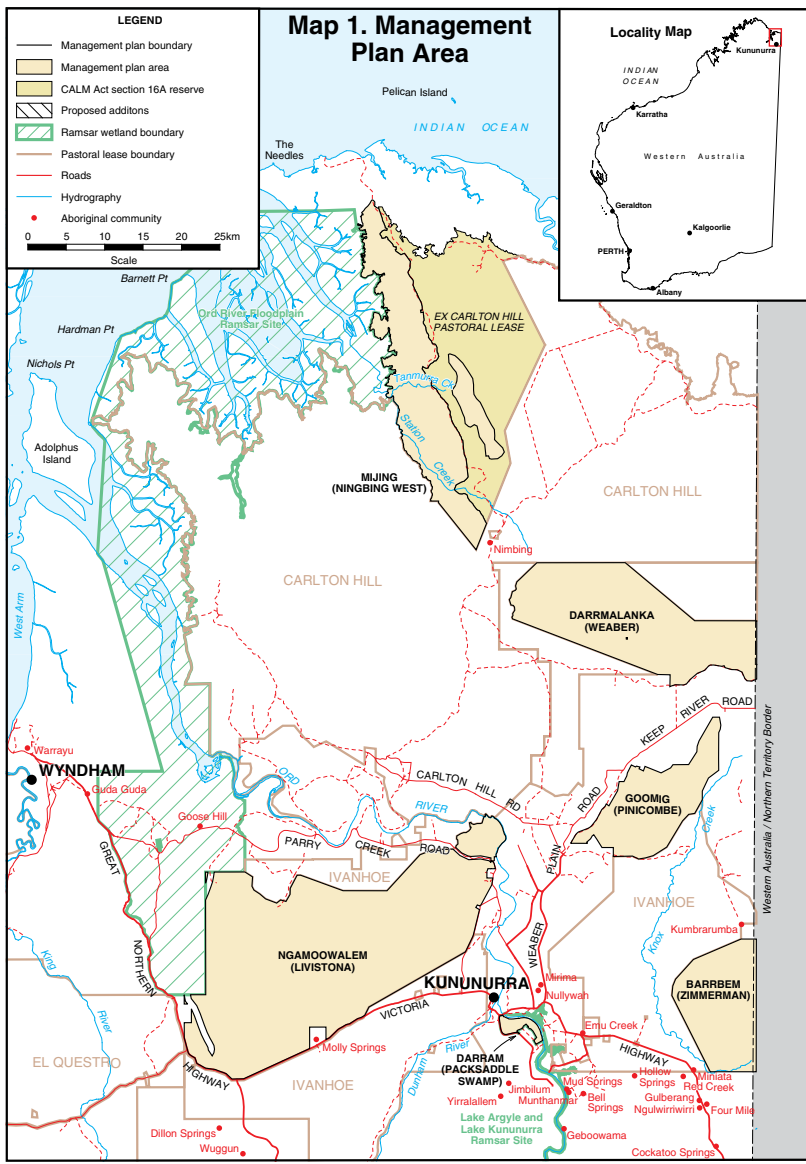


The Cox family in their Kurrajong home

also owns the Community Living Areas within the Yardungarrl boundary which include Alligator Hole, Dingo Springs, Four Mile, Gulberang, Ngunulum, Nulwirriwirri and Woolgergerberleng.

Responsibility for managing the new properties in Kurrajong Street have been passed from the MG DLT to MG Corporation.

## Land entitlements under the OFA



Throughout the year, the MG DLT has worked closely with the Department of Lands, the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the Department of Premier and Cabinet, as well as MG native title holders, to finalise land transfer obligations set out in the OFA.

The transfer documents for both the Packsaddle Freehold Area and the East Kununurra Freehold Area have now been signed by the Minister for Lands and are with the Office of State Revenue pending an application for exemption of stamp duty on the basis of the organisation's charitable status.

Given MG Corporation's focus on economic development, it has sought to revisit provisions in the OFA regarding cultural and community land which may have other economic uses for the benefit of MG people. The organisation will need to work closely with the MG native title holders to identify areas suitable for development.

## Governance

The MG DLT Board has enjoyed full participation throughout the year with Carol Hapke (Chairperson), Agnes Armstrong and Joan Simon as MG directors and Yale Bolto as the independent director.

# JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – RESERVE 31165

Reserve 31165 covers 125,000 hectares and is bordered on two sides by Lake Argyle. The reserve is jointly managed by MG Corporation and the Western Australian Department of Water through the JMC. The R31165 JMC comprises representatives from the Department of Water and each of the four Dawang groups within R31165, namely;

- Bilbildjing
- Yunurr
- No Name
- Mandangala

There have been some significant achievements in the management of R31165 during the reporting period. The R31165 JMC met four times during the year and continues to oversee both the ranger program and implementation of the R31165 interim management plan.

The R31165 ranger program is facilitated by the Department of Parks and Wildlife through a service

level agreement with MG Corporation and funded by the Commonwealth Government through its WOC program.

## Rangers

The WOC program provides funding for four full time rangers and a ranger supervisor to work on R31165, each of these rangers represent one of the four Dawang groups.

Eugene Park (No Name Dawang) is continuing to work through his Certificate III in CLM, he is currently employed as a ranger grade 2. Upon completion of his Cert III Eugene will be promoted to ranger grade 1.

Tristan Jessell (Yunurr Dawang) completed his Certificate II in CLM in late 2015. Tristan was then promoted to ranger grade 2 and he is now progressing through his Certificate III and is likely to finish this qualification by early 2017.



Peter Curtin carrying out controlled burn in Mirima National Park





Joowinyin R31165 rangers Eugene Park, Tristan Jessel and Peter Curtin with skipper Mat DeCadia on Lake Argyle

In January 2015 Peter Curtin joined the R31165 ranger team representing the Mandangala Dawang. Peter's previous work experience enabled him to rapidly complete his Certificate II CLM in less than 12 months, setting a new record time for the district. For his efforts Peter was awarded the "State Trainee of the Year Award". Peter is now employed as a ranger grade 2 and is progressing well through his Certificate III CLM. Peter was also the first ranger in the East Kimberley District to get his truck licence.

In January 2015 Lennard Ward joined the ranger team representing the Bilbildjing Dawang. Lennard proved to be an excellent addition to the ranger team and progressed well through his Certificate II. In late 2015 Lennard left the ranger program to move with his partner to the Northern Territory.

Over last year the rangers have been working towards their Coxswain Grade 2 qualification. This has involved eight days training at Kimberley Training Institute, and a number of days of boat operation, logging and recording of their sea time hours as well as the completions of sea service task books. It is envisaged that the R31165 rangers will all obtain their Coxswain Grade 2 qualification during 2016. Some of the other training the rangers have undertaken over the last 12 months outside of their normal CLM training include firefighter training, visitor risk management and forklift ticket. As each of the rangers has progressed through their training, they have started to take on leadership roles during on-country trips.

### Operations

The R31165 contains two Weeds of National Significance; *Mimosa pigra* and Rubbervine, both of which could have a devastating impact on the country around Lake Argyle and the Ord River if left unchecked. During this period, a 7,474sqkm

area of R31165 and Lake Argyle frontage has been traversed and searched for *Mimosa pigra* over 16 trips. During the wet season, the rangers are dropped off and picked up by a helicopter, and known infestations are traversed over a week. In December 2015 the rangers undertook a thorough search of 224km of Lake Argyle island shoreline for *Mimosa pigra*.

Each year the rangers work alongside Ord Land and Water and the Department of Agriculture and Food assisting with Rubbervine control on the southern end of the reserve. Six field trips per year are undertaken by the rangers to assist with Rubbervine eradication.

All of the R31165 rangers have received the Parks and Wildlife firefighting crew member training which is required to actively participate in both bushfire and prescribed burning operations. In the last 12 months all of the reserve rangers have been deployed to fight bushfires in the southern parts of Western Australia. In December 2015 Tristan was deployed to attend a fire in the Perth Hills. In January 2016 Eugene, Tristan and Peter were all deployed to assist with the Waroona fires south of Perth. As always all of the rangers were actively involved in fire operations within the East Kimberley district.

In late September the rangers met up with Mandangala Traditional Owners on-country and were shown art and other cultural sites in the local area. These sites have been logged and a management plan is being formulated to address ongoing maintenance of these areas.

A few of the other things the rangers have been involved with include attending the KLC ranger forum, assisting with the park opening at the Purnululu NP, crocodile management and snake and wildlife callouts in the East Kimberley district.

# YOORROOYANG DAWANG REGIONAL PARKS COUNCIL

## Chair's Report

It has been a busy year for both the YDRPC and the MG ranger team. We have been focused on implementing the Management Plan and our works program in the Yoorrooyang Dawang Regional Parks. Significant work has been done to improve access to visitor sites and better manage fire on our country. We have also been working on incorporating cultural knowledge into interpretive signage in our parks so that visitors get a better understanding of our country.

Our land and our culture is central to who we are and must be considered in everything we do. We have been working hard to make sure this knowledge is passed on to the MG rangers. Making sure that we are implementing our Cultural Planning Framework is important to us and we have spent time reviewing our performance to make sure we have been managing country the right way.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank the other members of the YDRPC, Dawang Groups, MG Rangers, Department of Parks and Wildlife staff, and MG Corporation for all their valuable support.

## Priorities

- Finalise and implement the joint management agreement for the YDRPs
- Complete a recreational masterplan for all of the YDRPs so we can identify and plan for tourism opportunities
- Implement our weed management strategy across the YDRPs
- Continue to implement bushfire mitigation and

suppression plans for the YDRPs and build capability in our ranger team to manage fire on our country

- Continue to manage cattle incursions in the conservation areas through the development of a boundary fence management strategy
- Continue to build capacity within the MG Ranger team to assume additional management and leadership responsibility
- Support existing community relation programs relating to YDRP management
- Working with MG Corporation on identifying and developing economic opportunities within the YDRPs
- Cultural site recording and management

## Joint Management Agreement and Management Plan

The Yoorrooyang Dawang Regional Parks Management Plan has been completed and is waiting on the finalisation of the JMA. There have been a number of issues with finalising the JMA. This has included securing permanent legal access to Mijing, Barrbem and Darramalanka Conservation Parks. MG Corporation and the Department of Parks and Wildlife are working closely to finalise the JMA.

## MG RANGER PROGRAM

### Training Update

Clay Peart is our newest ranger, having started work in July 2015. Clay has nearly finished his Certificate II in CLM. Keith Boombi is working on completing his Certificate III in CLM. Both Clay and Andy Reid have obtained their medium rigid (MR)



Shaded picnic area at Molly Springs





Keith Boombi on the flame thrower

truck learner's permits. They are both learning to drive our tippers and firetrucks.

Broome Kimberley Training Institute ran Coxswain Grade 2 training for the rangers. All of the rangers that attended the training passed all the required units and they now have to complete their task books so they can be issued their Coxswains Grade 2. The training culminated in the release of the final batch of Barramundi fingerlings for Lake Kununurra.

### Fire Management

The MG Rangers were integral to the success of the East Kimberley District's 2016 prescribed burning program. The rangers conducted ground burns at Darram, Mijing and Ngamoowalem conservation parks, as well as Parry Lagoon Nature Reserve and Mirima National Park. Both Gordon Reid and Wayne Winton spent a week at Purnululu National Park helping implement the park's prescribed burns.

The rangers were also involved in fighting bushfires. In an inter-agency effort the rangers worked long hours controlling a bushfire that was burning in Mirima National Park. Keith Boombi was deployed

to Perth for a week long stint working with crews from across the state fighting the Waroona bushfire in February.

### Weed Management

It was a busy wet season with a lot of time and effort spent controlling Bellyache along the Grotto Creek in Parry Lagoon Nature Reserve. While spraying the known infestation the rangers located a second infestation. Time and effort was spent to traverse the creek line and map the extent of the new infestation. The rangers managed to treat both infestations before they seeded, which will make their job easier in the coming years.

Keith Boombi started treating Hiptus at Goomig Conservation Park. Keith used the park's weed management plan and working with Dave Chemello, the district nature conservation coordinator, developed a plan that would result in the effective management of Hiptus within the park.

### Turtle Survey

Gordon Reid, Wayne Winton, Kyle Hill and Winston Gerrard were all involved in the flat-back turtle survey at Cape Domett. The survey involved



Honey Ants

measuring and tagging adult turtles and counting hatchlings as they emerged from the nest. The Cape Domett rookery is one of the most important flat-back turtle nesting sites in Western Australia.

### Marine Park Planning

In July of 2015 the rangers set up a camp at Cape Domett for an on country trip to discuss the proposed North Kimberley Marine Park. Over thirty people attended the camp which involved the Department of Parks and Wildlife, MG Corporation and Traditional Owners.

### Ngamoowalem Day Use Sites

Upgrades to visitor facilities and access tracks have now been completed at Molly and Middle Springs and Black Rock Falls in the Ngamoowalem Conservation Park. The Molly Springs upgrade was finished with the installation of a hybrid toilet system, a shade sail and new picnic benches. Blackrock and Middle Spring both had carpark upgrades, shade sails and new picnic benches. The rangers worked hard in conjunction with MGCMBM to finish the upgrades.

### KLC Ranger Forum

The rangers attended the annual ranger forum that was held at the Bungles Outstation in Purnululu National Park. It was a good opportunity to meet other ranger groups. The rangers also attended

trailer repair workshops and cyber tracker training while at the forum.

### Language Training

The language training trips this year were held at Cape Domett and on the Ord River near Valentines Creek. The Cape Domett trip involved the rangers learning Gajerrong which was a first for the language program. The second trip of the year was spent learning Miriwoong near Kirby's rapids. The language trips provide an opportunity for the rangers to incorporate language and culture in their working lives.



Wayne Winton and Winston Gerrard installing bollards at Black Rocks



# FINANCE REPORT

The role of the in-house Finance Manager for MG Corporation has changed during the reporting period, given the organisation's focus on economic development and the end of administrative funding under the OFA.

## Operations

The finance role continues to meet the day-to-day accounting requirements of the MG Group including annual budgeting, the payment of suppliers, distribution of royalties, and production of invoices for fee-for-service work completed. There are also many government and other grants to administer in terms of compliance with reporting obligations and payments. The finance role also includes the management of the group's property portfolio, the receipt of rental payments, the payment of land taxes and rates, water service fees, liaison with third party property managers and administration of repair and maintenance where necessary.

The Finance Manager works closely with the executive staff of MG Corporation to administer payroll, wages, sitting fees, travel allowance and other meeting-related expenses to directors and staff.

## CFT

Whilst operational requirements are largely those of MG Corporation, the CFT has its own financial obligations in terms of reinvestment, consideration of the financial portfolio, liaison with Macquarie Bank and management of term deposits. For the last time this financial year, \$1 million has been received from the Department of Premier and Cabinet in accordance with the provisions of the OFA and that sum has, once again, been invested with Macquarie. Given the cessation of administrative funding under the OFA for MG Corporation's operations, it is likely that the CFT and MG Corporation will need to align themselves together in the future to form a strategic plan that will work for the benefit for the MG Group as a whole.

## Governance

Financial reports are prepared regularly and presented to the CEO and directors of MG Corporation so that they are kept abreast of MG Corporation's financial position throughout the year.

The Finance Manager provides ongoing advice about expenditure and budgeting throughout the reporting period.

## Auditing

The Finance Manager also works closely with the auditing team to ensure that the MG Group's end-of-year financial statements are accurate and its governance obligations are met. This year's financial audit was undertaken by Crowe Horwath for the fourth successive year. As usual, the audit results are unqualified and demonstrate that the MG Group's financial position is robust and its reporting and other governance requirements have been met throughout the year.

### Joanne Tan – Finance Manager

Joanne is a Certified Practising Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Business (Majoring in Accountancy) from RMIT University. She joined MG Corporation in January 2016, having relocated to Kununurra from Sydney where she worked as a Senior Internal Audit Manager at ANZ.

As Finance Manager, Joanne is responsible for managing the day-to-day financial operations of MG Corporation and its related entities. She has also been heavily involved in economic and business development within the MG Group, contributing her expertise in project and wealth management, risk assessment and compliance.



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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016**

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Note	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Income</b>				
Grants revenue	6,470,753	10,677,150	5,470,753	9,677,150
Unexpended grants c/fwd	(3,249,758)	(4,447,801)	(3,249,758)	(4,447,801)
Contributed assets	-	8	-	-
Interest received	300,807	547,198	220,844	276,403
Dividends received	590,408	577,459	-	-
Change in market valuation of investments	12,227	(119,329)	-	-
Development income	500,000	-	500,000	-
Construction income	2,275,272	1,110,470	-	-
Rental income	134,953	132,130	144,861	132,130
Other revenue	326,866	761,887	285,511	346,804
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>7,361,529</b>	<b>9,239,173</b>	<b>3,372,212</b>	<b>5,984,686</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
ADP training and support expenditure	98,227	511,794	98,227	518,535
Consultants	294,279	248,846	294,279	1,561,386
Depreciation and amortisation	193,720	204,343	184,045	196,328
Employee benefits expense	1,458,211	1,710,940	1,268,254	1,523,084
Finance costs	191,407	160,334	-	-
Governance expenses	115,748	203,093	115,748	203,093
Independant directors fees	6,249	44,385	6,249	44,385
Operational expenses	2,761,366	2,223,643	856,763	1,368,892
Rental property expenses	76,456	39,090	76,456	39,090
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>5,195,664</b>	<b>5,346,468</b>	<b>2,900,022</b>	<b>5,454,793</b>
<b>Surplus before income tax</b>	<b>2,165,865</b>	<b>3,892,705</b>	<b>472,190</b>	<b>529,894</b>
Income tax expense	(8,591)	(14,825)	-	-
<b>Surplus after income tax</b>	<b>2,157,274</b>	<b>3,877,880</b>	<b>472,190</b>	<b>529,894</b>
<b>Other Comprehensive income</b>				
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>				
Unrealised gains on available-for-sale financial assets, net of tax	59,969	454,522	-	-
Gains on property revaluation	-	30,000	-	-
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	59,969	484,522	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	<b>2,217,244</b>	<b>4,362,402</b>	<b>472,190</b>	<b>529,894</b>
Total comprehensive income attributable as follows:-				
Distribution to beneficiaries	490,000	27,500	-	-
Surplus to Members' Funds	1,727,244	4,334,902	472,190	529,894
	<b>2,217,244</b>	<b>4,362,402</b>	<b>472,190</b>	<b>529,894</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2016

	Note	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
		2016	2015	2016	2015
		\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>					
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	5	8,246,211	9,739,485	7,484,929	8,476,465
Trade and other receivables	6	339,046	326,699	552,337	107,713
Financial assets	7	18,020,004	15,772,840	-	-
Other current assets	8	19,089	18,993	7,250	18,993
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>26,624,350</b>	<b>25,858,017</b>	<b>8,044,516</b>	<b>8,603,171</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>					
Trade and other receivables	6	-	-	124,722	-
Property, plant and equipment	9	7,834,362	7,981,480	5,625,268	5,798,144
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>7,834,362</b>	<b>7,981,480</b>	<b>5,749,990</b>	<b>5,798,144</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>34,458,712</b>	<b>33,839,497</b>	<b>13,794,506</b>	<b>14,401,315</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>Current Liabilities</b>					
Trade and other payables	10	621,070	543,412	501,904	395,215
Unexpended grants	12	4,178,636	5,364,323	3,253,758	4,439,446
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>4,799,706</b>	<b>5,907,735</b>	<b>3,755,662</b>	<b>4,834,660</b>
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>					
Borrowings		-	-	-	-
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>4,799,706</b>	<b>5,907,735</b>	<b>3,755,662</b>	<b>4,834,660</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>29,659,006</b>	<b>27,931,762</b>	<b>10,038,844</b>	<b>9,566,655</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>					
Retained Earnings		29,659,006	27,931,762	10,038,844	9,566,655
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>29,659,006</b>	<b>27,931,762</b>	<b>10,038,844</b>	<b>9,566,655</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.



## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	Retained Earnings	OFA Reserve	Retained Earnings	OFA Reserve
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Balance at 1 July 2014</b>	22,530,776	1,066,082	7,970,679	1,066,082
Surplus attributable to the entity	529,921	-	529,894	-
Surplus attributable to MG Community Foundation	2,032,233	-	-	-
Surplus attributable to MG Dawang Land Trust	1,730,008	-	-	-
Surplus attributable to MG Developments Trust	-	-	-	-
Surplus attributable to MGC Building & Maintenance Co	70,269	-	-	-
Year 1 OFA Transfer	1,066,082	(1,066,082)	1,066,082	(1,066,082)
	5,428,513	(1,066,082)	9,566,655	(1,066,082)
Less: Distributions paid to beneficiaries	(27,500)	-	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2015</b>	27,931,789	-	9,566,655	-
Surplus attributable to the entity	472,190	-	472,190	-
Surplus attributable to MG Community Foundation	1,688,460	-	-	-
Surplus attributable to MG Dawang Land Trust	-	-	-	-
Surplus attributable to MG Developments Trust	-	-	-	-
Surplus attributable to MGC Building & Maintenance Co	56,567	-	-	-
	2,217,217	-	472,190	-
Less: Distributions paid to beneficiaries	(490,000)	-	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2016</b>	29,659,006	-	10,038,844	-

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016**

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Receipts from customers	3,899,875	3,656,994	1,588,374	2,296,982
Receipts from government grants	2,104,103	2,753,586	1,104,103	1,746,171
Interest received	293,849	355,893	214,744	276,403
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(6,230,135)	(6,723,494)	(3,762,866)	(5,389,068)
Income tax paid	(14,825)	-	-	-
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>52,867</b>	<b>42,979</b>	<b>(855,645)</b>	<b>(1,069,512)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Dividends received	590,408	577,459	-	-
Imputation credits received	129,992	191,306	-	-
Proceeds from disposals of investments	12,227	335,194	-	-
Payments for investments	(2,187,195)	(1,989,503)	(124,722)	-
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	-	45,546	-	45,546
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(46,601)	(274,064)	(11,169)	(269,973)
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<b>(1,501,170)</b>	<b>(1,114,062)</b>	<b>(135,891)</b>	<b>(224,427)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>				
Distributions paid	(45,000)	-	-	-
<b>Net cash provided by financing activities</b>	<b>(45,000)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net increase in cash held</b>	<b>(1,493,302)</b>	<b>(1,071,083)</b>	<b>(991,536)</b>	<b>(1,293,939)</b>
<b>Cash at beginning of financial year</b>	<b>9,739,513</b>	<b>10,810,596</b>	<b>8,476,465</b>	<b>9,770,404</b>
<b>Cash at end of financial year</b>	<b>8,246,211</b>	<b>9,739,513</b>	<b>7,484,929</b>	<b>8,476,465</b>



## 1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report includes the consolidated financial statements and notes of MG Corporation and controlled entities MG Community Foundation Trust, MG Dawang Land Trust and MG Developments Trust, and the separate financial statements and notes of MG Corporation as an individual entity ('parent entity').

### Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards reduced disclosure requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

### (a) Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the assets, liabilities and results of entities controlled by MG Corporation at the end of the reporting period. A controlled entity is any entity over which MG Corporation has the power to govern the financial and operating policies so as to obtain benefits from its activities. Control will generally exist when the parent owns, directly or indirectly through subsidiaries, more than half of the voting power of an entity. In assessing the power to govern, the existence and effect of holdings of actual and potential voting rights are also considered.

Where controlled entities have entered or left the Group during the year, the financial performance of those entities are included only for the period of the year that they were controlled. A list of controlled entities is contained in Note 17 to the financial statements. In preparing the consolidated financial statements, all inter-group balances and transactions between entities in the consolidated group have been eliminated on consolidation. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with those adopted by the parent entity.

Non-controlling interests, being the equity in a subsidiary not attributable, directly or indirectly, to a parent, are shown separately within the equity section of the consolidated statement of financial position and statement of comprehensive income. The non-controlling interests' interest in the net assets comprise their interests at the date of the original business combination and their share of changes in equity since that date.

### (b) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised for the parent entity as it is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. A provision has been made for MGC Building & Maintenance Pty Ltd.

### (c) Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair values as indicated, less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Property

Freehold land and buildings are shown at their fair value (being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction), based on periodic, but at least triennial, valuations by external independent valuers, less subsequent depreciation for buildings.

In the periods when the freehold land and buildings are not subject to an independent valuation, the directors conduct directors' valuations to ensure the land and buildings' carrying amount is not materially different to the fair value.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation surplus in other comprehensive income. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against revaluation surpluses directly in other comprehensive income; all other decreases are charged to the statement of comprehensive income.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

#### *Plant and Equipment*

Plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets' employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

The cost of fixed assets constructed within the consolidated group includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of comprehensive income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

#### *Depreciation*

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to the consolidated group commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. Depreciation is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

#### **Class of Fixed Asset**

Buildings	5%
Motor Vehicles	20%
Office equipment	33%
Plant and equipment	20%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

#### **(d) Leases**

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset (but not the legal ownership) are transferred to entities in the consolidated group, are classified as finance leases.

Finance leases are capitalised by recording an asset and a liability at the lower of the amounts equal to the fair value of the leased property or the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of their estimated useful lives or the lease term.

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are charged as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Lease incentives under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.



## (e) Financial Instruments

### *Initial Recognition and Measurement*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that the company commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted).

Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs, except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to the statement of comprehensive income immediately.

### *Classification and Subsequent Measurement*

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost. Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- less principal repayments;
- plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the effective interest method;
- less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in the statement of comprehensive income.

The Group does not designate any interests in subsidiaries, associates or joint venture entities as being subject to the requirements of Accounting Standards specifically applicable to financial instruments.

### *(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.

### *(ii) Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Loans and receivables are included in current assets, except for those which are not expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period, which will be classified as non-current assets.

### *(iii) Held-to-maturity investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is the Group's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Held-to-maturity investments are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period, which will be classified as current assets.

If during the period the Group sold or reclassified more than an insignificant amount of the held-to-maturity investments before maturity, the entire category of held-to-maturity investments would be tainted and would be reclassified as available-for-sale.

*(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets*

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

Available-for-sale financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to be disposed of within 12 months after the end of the reporting period, which will be classified as current assets.

*(v) Financial liabilities*

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

**Fair value**

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

**Impairment**

At the end of each reporting period, the Group assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a significant or prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

**Derecognition**

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expire or the asset is transferred to another party whereby the entity no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or expire. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability extinguished or transferred to another party and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

**(f) Impairment of Assets**

At the end of each reporting period, the Group assesses whether there is any indication that an asset may be impaired. The assessment will include considering external sources of information and internal sources of information including dividends received from subsidiaries, associates or jointly controlled entities deemed to be out of pre-acquisition profits. If such an indication exists, an impairment test is carried out on the asset by comparing the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the statement of comprehensive income.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Impairment testing is performed annually for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives.

**(g) Employee Benefits**

Provision is made for the company'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 flows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cash flows

**(h) Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.



**(i) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

**(j) Revenue**

Grant revenue is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when the entity obtains control of the grant and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to the entity and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

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

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.

Donations and bequests are recognised as revenue when received.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which for floating rate financial assets is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

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

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

**(k) Trade and Other Payables**

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Group during the reporting period, which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 60 days of recognition of the liability.

**(l) Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST components of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

**(m) Contributions**

The Corporation receives non-reciprocal contributions from the government and other parties for no or normal value. These contributions are recognised at the fair value on the date of acquisition upon which time an asset is taken up in the balance sheet and revenue in the income statement.

**(n) Comparative Figures**

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

**(o) Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments**

The directors evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the group.

*Key estimates – Impairment*

The entity assesses impairment at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the entity that may lead to impairment of assets. Where an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. Fair value less costs to sell or current replacement cost calculations performed in assessing recoverable amounts incorporate a number of key estimates.

**(p) Economic Dependence**

The Entity is dependent on the grants from Government for the majority of its revenue used to operate the business. At the date of this report the Board of Directors has no reason to believe the Government Departments will not continue to support the entity.

**2. INCOME TAX**

No provision for income tax has been raised for the parent entity as it is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*. A provision has been made for MGC Building & Maintenance Pty Ltd.

**3. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL COMPENSATION**

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Total short term benefit compensation	213,915	273,188	213,915	273,188
Post employment benefit compensation	-	-	-	-
	213,915	273,188	213,915	273,188

**4. RELATED PARTIES**

During the financial year the following related party transactions occurred:

MG Corporation provided bookkeeping services to MGC Building & Maintenance Pty Ltd.

MGC Building & Maintenance Pty Ltd did various maintenance and gardening works to MG Corporation properties

**5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Current</b>				
Cash at bank	8,246,211	9,739,485	7,484,929	8,476,465
Petty Cash	-	-	-	-
	8,246,211	9,739,485	7,484,929	8,476,465

Cash at Bank is a "restricted asset" in that amounts representing unexpended grants and funds held in trust may only be applied for the purposes specified in conditions of grants



## 6. TRADE &amp; OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Current</b>				
Trade receivables	245,046	163,349	668,185	78,373
Other sundry debtors	269,000	213,350	59,152	79,340
Provision for impairment of receivables	(175,000)	(50,000)	(175,000)	(50,000)
	339,046	326,699	552,337	107,713
<b>Non-Current</b>				
Receivables	-	-	124,722	-
	-	-	124,722	-

## a. Provision for impairment of receivables

Current trade receivables are generally on 30 day terms. These receivables are assessed for recoverability and a provision for impairment is recognised when there is objective evidence that an individual trade receivable is impaired. These amounts have been included in other expense items.

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>b. Financial assets classified as loans and receivables</b>				
Trade and other receivables:				
- Current	339,046	326,699	552,337	107,713
- Non Current	-	-	124,722	-
Financial assets	339,046	326,699	677,059	107,713

## 7. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Available for sale financial assets (i)	18,020,004	15,772,840	-	-
a. Available for sale financial assets comprise:				
Listed investments, managed by Macquarie bank, at fair value:				
- Australian & international equities, fixed interest securities, property, cash at market value	18,020,004	15,772,840	-	-
Total available for sale financial assets	18,020,004	15,772,840	-	-

(i) This is per market valuation at 30 June 2016. Readers should appraise themselves of the current fair value of the share portfolio before relying on these financial reports for making decisions.

**8. OTHER ASSETS**

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Current</b>				
Prepayments	19,089	18,993	7,250	18,993

**9. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>FREEHOLD LAND AND BUILDINGS</b>				
Freehold land and buildings				
At fair value (i), (ii), (iii), (iv),(v)	7,900,605	7,900,605	5,750,596	5,750,596
less: accumulated depreciation (buildings only)	(200,048)	(87,586)	(200,048)	(87,586)
	7,700,557	7,813,019	5,550,548	5,663,010
<b>PLANT &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>				
Motor Vehicles - at cost	333,664	317,573	295,990	295,990
less: accumulated depreciation	(263,001)	(210,610)	(252,091)	(205,281)
Total vehicles, net	70,664	106,964	43,899	90,709
Furniture, plant & equipment - at cost	203,693	173,182	163,136	151,967
less: accumulated depreciation	(140,552)	(111,685)	(132,315)	(107,541)
Total furniture & equipment, net	63,141	61,498	30,821	44,426
Total property, equipment & vehicles, net	7,834,362	7,981,480	5,625,268	5,798,144

- (i) Included in Freehold land is a property at 15 Pindan Avenue Kununurra. This block is conditional tenure land. The Minister's consent is required before the lot can be transferred. The Minister's consent is required to encumber the block.
- (ii) MG Corporation has an equitable interest in blocks in the Landcorp estate. Landcorp is withholding 5% of each block sold. The amounts withheld are either paid in cash or are accumulated and paid by way of land transfer to equal value.
- (iii) As party to the Ord Final Agreement, MG Corporation is required to arrange for any commercial projects, including related assets and liabilities, to be conducted in the MG Developments Trust. MG Corporation currently holds title to various commercial lots of land and has recorded certain assets and liabilities associated with these projects, that may be transferred to MG Developments Trust. Until these negotiations are completed, these assets remain on the balance sheet MG Corporation. The assets to be transferred may include, but are not limited to:
- Vacant land at Lot 3000 Bandicoot Drive
  - Shed on Land at Lot 108 (#6) Kentia Way
- (iv) Included in Freehold land and buildings are Lots 994, 995 and 996 known as "Yardungarrl". These blocks belong to the MG Dawang Land Trust. An independent valuation of these areas has not been performed. In the absence of such a valuation, they have been recorded at \$1.
- (v) Buildings constructed on Community Living Areas, for which title is held by Dawang Land Trust, have also not been independently valued, and therefore values have been recorded in this financial year at \$1.



**Movement in Carrying Amounts**

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant & equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year

	Land & Buildings	Motor Vehicles	Furniture, Plant & Equipment	Total
<b>Consolidated Group</b>				
<b>2015</b>				
Balance at the beginning of the year	6,142,251	232,472	99,463	6,474,186
Additions at cost	1,920,622	40,317	13,133	1,974,072
Disposals and adjustments at written down value	(162,268)	(97,093)	(3,075)	(262,436)
Depreciation expense	(87,586)	(68,732)	(48,025)	(204,343)
Carrying amount at the end of year	7,813,019	106,964	61,497	7,981,480
<b>2016</b>				
Balance at the beginning of the year	7,813,019	106,964	61,497	7,981,480
Additions at cost	-	12,000	34,602	46,602
Disposals and adjustments at written down value	-	4,091	(4,091)	-
Depreciation expense	(112,462)	(52,391)	(28,867)	(193,720)
Carrying amount at the end of year	7,700,557	70,664	63,140	7,834,361
<b>Parent Entity</b>				
<b>2015</b>				
Balance at the beginning of the year	5,722,250	211,900	82,784	6,016,934
Additions at cost	220,614	40,317	9,042	269,973
Disposals and adjustments at written down value	(192,268)	(97,093)	(3,075)	(292,436)
Depreciation expense	(87,586)	(64,415)	(44,326)	(196,327)
Carrying amount at the end of year	5,663,010	90,709	44,425	5,798,144
<b>2016</b>				
Balance at the beginning of the year	5,663,010	90,709	44,425	5,798,144
Additions at cost	-	-	11,169	11,169
Disposals and adjustments at written down value	-	-	-	-
Depreciation expense	(112,462)	(46,810)	(24,774)	(184,045)
Carrying amount at the end of year	5,550,548	43,899	30,820	5,625,268

## 10. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Current</b>				
Trade payables	88,320	137,131	50,015	31,487
Other current payables	181,551	298,614	107,409	262,986
Employee benefits	99,047	67,873	92,329	60,948
Distributions payable	252,152	39,794	252,152	39,794
	621,070	543,412	501,904	395,215
<b>a. Financial liabilities at amortised cost classified as trade and other payables</b>				
Trade and other payables:				
- Current	621,070	543,412	501,904	395,215
- Non Current	-	-	-	-
	621,070	543,412	501,904	395,215
Less annual leave entitlements	(99,047)	(67,873)	(92,329)	(60,948)
<b>Financial liabilities as trade and other payables</b>	522,023	475,539	409,575	334,267

## 11. CASH FLOW INFORMATION

	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Reconciliation of Cash Flow from Operations with Profit after Income Tax</b>				
Surplus after income tax	1,727,244	4,334,902	472,190	529,894
<i>Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities</i>				
Non-cash flows in profit				
- Depreciation	193,720	204,343	184,045	196,328
- Net (Gain) / Loss on disposal of assets	(747,624)	54,622	-	54,622
- Net (Gain) / Loss on sale of investments		(1,103,958)	-	-
- Contributed Assets		(1,700,008)	-	-
- Impairment of assets	-	162,268	-	192,268
Changes in assets and liabilities				
- (Increase)/decrease in trade and term debtors	(12,347)	1,730,495	(444,624)	1,705,273
- (Increase)/decrease in other current assets	(96)	2,663	11,743	2,663
- Increase in trade and other payables	77,658	(91,503)	106,689	(199,716)
- Increase/(decrease) in unexpended grants	(1,185,687)	(3,550,845)	(1,185,688)	(3,550,844)
Cash flow from operating activities	52,868	42,979	(855,645)	(1,069,512)



## 12. SCHEDULE OF GRANT FUNDS

	B/Fwd	Released /Other Income	Expended	C/Fwd
	2015	2016	2016	2016
ADP Gooming Funds	2,993,123	51,610	700,172	2,344,561
Dept of Water - Accommodation	80,545	-	-	80,545
Dept of Water - Working on Country Rangers	-	503,730	421,595	82,135
Education Fund - One Family at a Time	400,941	250,000	361,257	289,684
OES - Unallocated Funds - CFT	924,878	-	-	924,878
Ngamoowalem Conservation Development	5,653	-	-	5,653
CLA Housing Project	86,656	-	15,703	70,953
Kurrajong Housing Project	56,819	200	10,814	46,205
Cultural Funds	(2,636)	49,000	25,736	20,628
Packsaddle / Riverfarm / Lakeside Lot Payments*	754,952	-	-	-
Development Trust Distributions	63,393	250,000	-	313,393
<b>Unexpended grants at 30 June 2016</b>	<b>5,364,323</b>	<b>1,104,540</b>	<b>1,535,276</b>	<b>4,178,636</b>

\*Sale of Native Title land proceeds have been transferred to a reserve in equity.

## 13. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the opinion of the Directors, the Corporation did not have any commitments or contingencies at 30 June 2016

## 14. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

### a) Financial Risk Management Policies

The group's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, funds held on investment with Macquarie Bank, accounts receivable and payable and loans to and from subsidiaries. The group does not have any derivative instruments at 30 June 2016. The totals of each category of financial instruments, measured in accordance with AASB 139 as detailed in the accounts.

	Note	Consolidated Group		Parent Entity	
		2016	2015	2016	2015
		\$	\$	\$	\$
<b>Financial assets</b>					
Cash and cash equivalents	5	8,246,211	9,739,485	7,484,929	8,476,465
Loans and receivables	6	339,046	326,699	677,059	107,713
Available-for-sale financial assets					
- Managed funds with Macquarie bank	7	18,020,004	15,772,840	-	-
		26,605,262	25,839,024	8,161,988	8,584,178
<b>Financial liabilities</b>					
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:					
- Trade and other payables	10	522,023	475,538	409,575	334,267
		522,023	475,538	409,575	334,267

## 15. CORPORATION DETAILS

The registered office and principal place of business of the corporation is:  
 Yawoorrong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgab Noong Dawang Aboriginal Corporation  
 19 Chestnut Avenue  
 Kununurra WA 6743

## 16. MIRIUWUNG AND GAJERRONG PBC#1 AND PBC#4, AND MG CORPORATION RELATED TRUSTS

MG Corporation has incurred legal, consulting and other administrative costs on behalf of Miriuwung and Gajerrong #1 (native title prescribed body corporate) Aboriginal Corporation, Miriuwung and Gajerrong #4 (native title prescribed body corporate) Aboriginal Corporation, MG Community Foundation Trust, MG Developments Trust and MG Dawang Land Trust. These costs have not been recovered.

## 17. ECONOMIC ENTITY CONCEPT

These financial reports combine the transactions of MG Corporation [this is called the 'Parent Entity'], its three related Trusts being MG Community Foundation, MG Developments Trust and MG Dawang Land Trust and the MGC Building and Maintenance Co, whose sole shareholder is MG Developments Trust. When all these are added together we arrive at the 'Consolidated Group'. However, in this combination, we also remove all transactions between the entities so the 'Consolidated Group' is the net result.



**YAWOORROONG MIRIUWUNG GAJERRONG YIRRGEB NOONG DAWANG ABORIGINAL CORPORATION**

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

30 JUNE 2016

The directors of the Corporation declare that:

- (1) The financial statements and notes of The Corporation are in accordance with the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*; and
  - a. comply with Australian Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Requirements; and
  - b. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2015 and of the performance for the year ended on that date.
- (2) in the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Corporation 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.



Director's signature

Desmond Hill

Print name

Dated this 13 December 2016.



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**TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF YAWOORROONG MIRIUWUNG GAJERRONG  
YIRRGEB NOONG DAWANG ABORIGINAL CORPORATION**

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit for the financial year ended 30 June 2016, there have been:

- i. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* in relation to the audit; and
- ii. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

**CROWE HORWATH NQ**

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J Taylor", written over a light blue horizontal line.

**JASON TAYLOR**

Partner

13 December 2016



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**TO THE MEMBERS OF YAWOORROONG MIRIUWUNG GAJERRONG YIRRGEB NOONG DAWANG  
 ABORIGINAL CORPORATION (MG CORP)**

**Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Yawoorroong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgeb Noong Dawang Aboriginal Corporation (MG Corp) (the Corporation), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2016, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration.

**Director's Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The directors of the Corporation are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

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

**Independence**

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*, which has been given to the directors of Yawoorroong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgeb Noong Dawang Aboriginal Corporation (MG Corp), would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of the auditor's report.

**Auditor's Opinion**

In our opinion the financial report of Yawoorroong Miriuwung Gajerrong Yirrgeb Noong Dawang Aboriginal Corporation (MG Corp) is in accordance with the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006, including:

- i. Giving a true and fair view of the Corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2016 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. Complying with Australia Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006*.

**CROWE HORWATH NQ**

**CROWE HORWATH NQ**

**JASON TAYLOR**

Principal

Cairns, 16 December 2016



**DIRECTOR'S REPORT CORPORATIONS (ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER) ACT 2006  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016**

**YAWOORROONG MIRIUWUNG GAJERRONG YIRRGEB NOONG DAWANG ABORIGINAL CORPORATION  
(MG CORPORATION): ICN 4597**

The directors present this report on MG Corporation for the financial year ended 30 June 2016.

**Directors**

The names of each person who has been a director during the 2015-2016 financial year are:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Number of Meetings Attended (out of 20)</b>
Des Hill	Chairperson	11 Board meetings, 1 AGM
Helen Gerrard	Deputy Chairperson	10 Board meetings
Ted Hall Junior	Director to Nov 2015	3 Board meetings
Merle Carter	Director to Nov 2015	1 Board meetings
Henry Park	Director to Nov 2015	4 Board meetings
Ahmuth Bin Omar	Alternate Director to April 2016	8 Board meetings
	Director	
Zainel Bin Busu	Director from Dec 2015	5 Board meetings
Donald Chulung	Director from Dec 2015	7 Board meetings
Daniel Chulung	Alternate Director from Dec 2015	6 Board meetings
Haelema Ward	Appointed Director from Dec 2015, only attended 2 meetings prior to being removed.	2 Board meetings

**Company Secretary**

The role of Company Secretary at MG Corporation has been performed by Jo-Ann Langford throughout the reporting period.

**Principal Activities**

The corporation's principal activities during the year were the delivery of support services under the Ord Final Agreement. There were no significant changes in the nature of those activities during the year.

**Operating Results**

The operations of the corporation resulted in a net surplus to members funds of \$472,190. The significant change in the corporation's state of affairs during the year was the finalization of State Government funding of \$1,000,000.

**Review of Operations**

A review of the operations of the entity during the financial year indicated that:

During the previous reporting period, work was finalised on four properties under a grant agreement with Kimberley Development Commission for an Aboriginal community housing project. These homes are now being property managed and rented to Aboriginal families.

**Distribution to members**

Under the entity's Rule Book, members do not have the right to share in the profits of the corporation. There have been no distributions paid, recommended or declared to members during the year.

**After Balance Date Events**

The directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance that has arisen since the end of the year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect;

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

**Future Developments**

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the entity, the result of those operations, or the state of affairs of the entity in future financial years.

#### **Environmental Issues**

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

#### **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 entity apart from the standard directors' indemnity insurance policy.

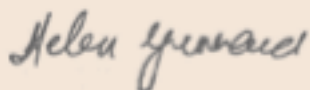
#### **Proceedings on behalf of the entity**

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

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

The Auditor's Independence declaration for the year ended 30 June 2016 has been received.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of directors



Director's Signature

HELEN GERRARD

Print name

20 December 2016

## CORPORATION CONTACT DETAILS

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Zainel Bin Busu  
Donald Chulung  
Ahmuth Bin Omar  
Daniel Chulung (Alternate  
Director)

**Dawang Council Representatives**

<b>Dawang</b>	<b>Representative</b>	<b>Proxies</b>
Balaburr	Marlene Gundari	Anna Ningamarra Janelle Ningamarra
Bigainybeng	Stephanie Boombi	Rita Boombi Jimmy Paddy
Bilbildjing	Rica Ward	
Djanaiwan	Rowena Griffiths	Colleen Calwat
Djandami	Dora Griffiths	Aaron Griffiths Robert Lumai
Dulbung	Gailene Chulung	Angelena Greddon
Dundun	Lucilla Martin	
Kalamanda	Tanya Hill	Margaret Moore
Mandangala/Tiltiwam	Bernadette Simon-Hall	Jodie Hall
Nyawanyawam	Nicky Carlton	Kristara Carlton Marlene Carlton
Tjigulmirri	David Newry Snr	Agnes Armstrong Joanie Simon
Waidanybeng	Clive Morton	
Wirram	Ainsley Meeway	Georgina Wilson
Yardungarrl	Erica Ward	Dennis Ward
Yirralalem	Jason Reid	Melissa McLean
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