

# NORTHERN SOUTHLAND COLLEGE

## ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

### School Directory

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### Members of the Board:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>How Position Gained</b>	<b>Term Expired/ Expires</b>
Jonathan Elder	Presiding Member	Elected October 22	Resigned Sept 2025
Kate Soper	Presiding Member / Finance Committee	Re-elected September 25	Sept-2028
Peter Wilkinson	Principal	Appointed April 20	
Paul Heslip	Parent Rep / Finance Committee	Re-elected September 25	Apr-2027
David Bullmore	Parent Rep / Property Committee	Elected October 22	Resigned Sept 2025
Toni Eyles	Parent Rep / Property Committee	Elected August 22	Aug-2025
Adam Taylor	Parent Rep / Property Committee	Elected September 25	Sept-2028
Amanda Thwaites	Parent Rep / Finance Committee	Elected September 25	Sept-2028
Hazel Baquita	Parent Rep / Property Committee	Elected September 25	Sept-2028
Sarah Stark	Parent Rep / Property Committee	Re-elected September 25	Sept-2028
Jesse McKenzie	Student Rep	Elected September 24	Oct-2025
Nyah Roy	Student Rep	Elected September 25	Sept-2026

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# Northern Southland College

## Statement of Responsibility

For the year ended 31 December 2025

The Board accepts responsibility for the preparation of the annual financial statements and the judgements used in these financial statements.

The management (including the Principal and others, as directed by the Board) accepts responsibility for establishing and maintaining a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance as to the integrity and reliability of the School's financial reporting.

It is the opinion of the Board and management that the annual financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 fairly reflects the financial position and operations of the School.

The School's 2025 financial statements are authorised for issue by the Board.

Kate Soper

Full Name of Presiding Member

Signed by:  
  
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Signature of Presiding Member

27/05/2026

Date

Peter Wilkinson

Full Name of Principal

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Signature of Principal

27/05/2026

Date

**Northern Southland College**  
**Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense**  
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget (Unaudited) \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>Revenue</b>				
Government Grants	2	3,921,123	4,283,929	4,034,842
Locally Raised Funds	3	345,732	207,358	345,450
Interest		52,726	15,500	71,141
Gain on Sale of Property, Plant and Equipment		-	-	187
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>4,319,581</b>	<b>4,506,787</b>	<b>4,451,620</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Locally Raised Funds	3	148,413	94,940	145,641
Learning Resources	4	2,827,682	3,103,264	2,885,845
Administration	5	321,734	293,284	296,227
Interest		3,598	3,744	1,951
Property	6	1,049,325	1,011,318	981,988
Loss on Disposal of Property, Plant and Equipment		108	-	-
<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>4,350,860</b>	<b>4,506,550</b>	<b>4,311,652</b>
<b>Net Surplus / (Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>(31,279)</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>139,968</b>
Other Comprehensive Revenue and Expense		-	-	-
<b>Total Comprehensive Revenue and Expense for the Year</b>		<b>(31,279)</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>139,968</b>

The above Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes which form part of these financial statements.

# Northern Southland College

## Statement of Changes in Net Assets/Equity

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget (Unaudited) \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>Equity at 1 January</b>		1,803,087	1,803,089	1,663,119
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year		(31,279)	237	139,968
Contribution - Te Mana Tūhono Grant		40,815	-	-
<b>Equity at 31 December</b>		1,812,623	1,803,326	1,803,087
Accumulated comprehensive revenue and expense		1,812,623	1,803,326	1,803,087
<b>Equity at 31 December</b>		1,812,623	1,803,326	1,803,087

The above Statement of Changes in Net Assets/Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes which form part of these financial statements.

# Northern Southland College

## Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget (Unaudited) \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	7	815,580	1,323,054	1,115,313
Accounts Receivable	8	189,557	247,068	246,785
GST Receivable		73,343	71,060	71,060
Prepayments		48,166	1,485	1,483
Investments	9	540,000	740,000	740,000
Funds Receivable for Capital Works Projects	16	-	1,014	1,014
		1,666,646	2,383,681	2,175,655
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Accounts Payable	11	504,606	809,847	809,847
Revenue Received in Advance	12	37,102	26,325	26,042
Provision for Cyclical Maintenance	13	80,790	-	-
Finance Lease Liability	14	14,377	11,099	11,099
Funds held in Trust	15	25,361	28,361	28,352
Funds held for Capital Works Projects	16	32,164	94,198	94,198
Funds held on behalf of School Cluster	17	43,876	51,840	51,840
Funds Held on Behalf of the Parent Teacher Association	18	5,974	11,549	11,558
		744,250	1,033,219	1,032,936
<b>Working Capital Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		922,396	1,350,462	1,142,719
<b>Non-current Assets</b>				
Investments	9	500	500	500
Property, Plant and Equipment	10	1,108,459	791,284	938,788
		1,108,959	791,784	939,288
<b>Non-current Liabilities</b>				
Provision for Cyclical Maintenance	13	189,821	328,906	268,906
Finance Lease Liability	14	28,911	10,014	10,014
		218,732	338,920	278,920
<b>Net Assets</b>		1,812,623	1,803,326	1,803,087
<b>Equity</b>		1,812,623	1,803,326	1,803,087

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes which form part of these financial statements.

# Northern Southland College

## Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget (Unaudited) \$	2024 Actual \$
<b>Cash flows from Operating Activities</b>				
Government Grants		1,070,330	983,929	1,044,603
Locally Raised Funds		357,149	207,358	374,496
Goods and Services Tax (net)		(2,283)	-	32,093
Payments to Employees		(479,412)	(425,146)	(491,011)
Payments to Suppliers		(1,072,686)	(570,156)	(623,949)
Interest Paid		(3,598)	(3,744)	(1,950)
Interest Received		52,726	15,500	71,141
Net cash from/(to) Operating Activities		(77,774)	207,741	405,423
<b>Cash flows from Investing Activities</b>				
Proceeds from Sale of Property Plant & Equipment (and Intangibles)		143	-	187
Purchase of Property Plant & Equipment (and Intangibles)		(262,563)	-	(142,515)
Proceeds from Sale of Investments		200,000	-	200,000
Net cash from/(to) Investing Activities		(62,420)	-	57,672
<b>Cash flows from Financing Activities</b>				
Finance Lease Payments		(16,528)	-	(15,352)
Funds Administered on Behalf of Other Parties		(143,011)	-	411,336
Net cash from/(to) Financing Activities		(159,539)	-	395,984
<b>Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>(299,733)</b>	<b>207,741</b>	<b>859,079</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	7	1,115,313	1,115,313	256,234
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>	7	<b>815,580</b>	<b>1,323,054</b>	<b>1,115,313</b>

The Statement of Cash Flows records only those cash flows directly within the control of the School. This means centrally funded teachers' salaries, use of land and buildings grant and expense and other notional items have been excluded.

The above Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes which form part of these financial statements.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

#### 1. Statement of Accounting Policies

##### a) Reporting Entity

Northern Southland College (the School) is a Crown entity as specified in the Crown Entities Act 2004 and a School as described in the Education and Training Act 2020. The Board is of the view that the School is a public benefit entity for financial reporting purposes.

##### b) Basis of Preparation

###### **Reporting Period**

The financial statements have been prepared for the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025 and in accordance with the requirements of the Education and Training Act 2020.

###### **Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, and the accounting policies have been consistently applied throughout the period.

###### **Financial Reporting Standards Applied**

The Education and Training Act 2020 requires the School, as a Crown entity, to prepare financial statements with reference to generally accepted accounting practice. The financial statements have been prepared with reference to generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand, applying Public Sector Public Benefit Entity (PBE) Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime as appropriate to public benefit entities that qualify for Tier 2 reporting. The School is considered a Public Benefit Entity as it meets the criteria specified as 'having a primary objective to provide goods and/or services for community or social benefit and where any equity has been provided with a view to supporting that primary objective rather than for financial return to equity holders'.

###### **PBE Accounting Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime**

The School qualifies for Tier 2 as the School is not publicly accountable and is not considered large as it falls below the expense threshold of \$33 million per year. All relevant reduced disclosure concessions have been taken.

###### **Measurement Base**

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis unless otherwise noted in a specific accounting policy.

###### **Presentation Currency**

These financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar.

###### **Specific Accounting Policies**

The accounting policies used in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

###### **Critical Accounting Estimates And Assumptions**

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

#### *Cyclical maintenance*

The School recognises its obligation to maintain the Ministry's buildings in a good state of repair as a provision for cyclical maintenance. This provision relates mainly to the painting of the School buildings. The estimate is based on the School's best estimate of the cost of painting the School and when the School is required to be painted, based on an assessment of the School's condition. During the year, the Board assesses the reasonableness of its painting maintenance plan on which the provision is based. Cyclical maintenance is disclosed at note 13.

#### *Useful lives of property, plant and equipment*

The School reviews the estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment at the end of each reporting date. The School believes that the estimated useful lives of the property, plant and equipment, as disclosed in the significant accounting policies, are appropriate to the nature of the property, plant and equipment at reporting date. Property, plant and equipment is disclosed at note 10.

#### **Critical Judgements in applying accounting policies**

Management has exercised the following critical judgements in applying accounting policies:

#### *Classification of leases*

Determining whether a lease is a finance lease or an operating lease requires judgement as to whether the lease transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the School. A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset to the lessee. In contrast, an operating lease is a lease that does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset to the lessee.

Judgement is required on various aspects that include, but are not limited to, the fair value of the leased asset, the economic life of the leased asset, whether or not to include renewal options in the lease term, and determining an appropriate discount rate to calculate the present value of the minimum lease payments. Classification as a finance lease means the asset is recognised in the statement of financial position as property, plant, and equipment, whereas for an operating lease no such asset is recognised. Finance lease liability disclosures are contained in note 14. Future operating lease commitments are disclosed in note 23.

#### *Recognition of grants*

The School reviews the grants monies received at the end of each reporting period and whether any require a provision to carry forward amounts unspent. The School believes all grants received have been appropriately recognised as a liability if required. Government grants are disclosed at note 2.

### **c) Revenue Recognition**

#### **Government Grants**

The School receives funding from the Ministry of Education. The following are the main types of funding that the School receives:

Operational grants are recorded as revenue when the School has the rights to the funding, which is in the year that the funding is received.

Teachers salaries grants are recorded as revenue when the School has the rights to the funding in the salary period they relate to. The grants are not received in cash by the School and are paid directly to teachers by the Ministry of Education.

Other Ministry Grants for directly funded programs are recorded as revenue when the School has the rights to the funding in the period they relate to. The grants are not received in cash by the School and are paid directly by the Ministry of Education.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

The property from which the School operates is owned by the Crown and managed by the Ministry of Education on behalf of the Crown. Grants for the use of land and buildings are not received in cash by the School as they equate to the deemed expense for using the land and buildings which are owned by the Crown. The School's use of the land and buildings as occupant is based on a property occupancy document as gazetted by the Ministry. The expense is based on an assumed market rental yield on the value of land and buildings as used for rating purposes.

This is a non-cash revenue that is offset by a non-cash expense. The use of land and buildings grants and associated expenditure are recorded in the period the School uses the land and buildings.

#### ***Other Grants where conditions exist***

Other grants are recorded as revenue when the School has the rights to the funding, unless there are unfulfilled conditions attached to the grant, in which case the amount relating to the unfulfilled conditions is recognised as a liability and released to revenue as the conditions are fulfilled.

#### ***Donations, Gifts and Bequests***

Donations, gifts and bequests are recognised as an asset and revenue when the right to receive funding or the asset has been established unless there is an obligation to return funds if conditions are not met. If conditions are not met, funding is recognised as revenue in advance and recognised as revenue when conditions are satisfied.

#### ***Interest Revenue***

Interest Revenue earned on cash and cash equivalents and investments is recorded as revenue in the period it is earned.

#### **d) Operating Lease Payments**

Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense on a straight line basis over the term of the lease.

#### **e) Finance Lease Payments**

Finance lease payments are apportioned between the finance charge and the reduction of the outstanding liability. The finance charge is allocated to each period during the lease term on an effective interest basis.

#### **f) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, bank balances, deposits held at call with banks, and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of 90 days or less, and bank overdrafts. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents represent fair value.

#### **g) Accounts Receivable**

Short-term receivables are recorded at the amount due, less an allowance for expected credit losses (uncollectable debts). The School's receivables are largely made up of funding from the Ministry of Education. Therefore the level of uncollectable debts is not considered to be material. However, short-term receivables are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery.

#### **h) Investments**

Bank term deposits are initially measured at the amount invested. Interest is subsequently accrued and added to the investment balance. A loss allowance for expected credit losses is recognised if the estimated loss allowance is material.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

#### **i) Property, Plant and Equipment**

Land and buildings owned by the Crown are excluded from these financial statements. The Board's use of the land and buildings as 'occupant' is based on a property occupancy document.

Improvements (funded by the Board) to buildings owned by the Crown or directly by the Board are recorded at cost, less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost or, in the case of donated assets, fair value at the date of receipt, less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost or fair value, as the case may be, includes those costs that relate directly to bringing the asset to the location where it will be used and making sure it is in the appropriate condition for its intended use.

Gains and losses on disposals (i.e. sold or given away) are determined by comparing the proceeds received with the carrying amounts (i.e. the book value). The gain or loss arising from the disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

#### **Finance Leases**

A finance lease transfers to the lessee substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset, whether or not title is eventually transferred. At the start of the lease term, finance leases are recognised as assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position at the lower of the fair value of the leased asset or the present value of the minimum lease payments. The finance charge is charged to the surplus or deficit over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability. The amount recognised as an asset is depreciated over its useful life. If there is no reasonable certainty whether the School will obtain ownership at the end of the lease term, the asset is fully depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and its useful life.

#### **Depreciation**

Property, plant and equipment except for library resources are depreciated over their estimated useful lives on a straight line basis. Library resources are depreciated on a diminishing value basis. Depreciation of all assets is reported in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

The estimated useful lives of the assets are:

Building Improvements	10–20 years
Board-owned Buildings	5–40 years
Furniture and Equipment	3–20 years
Information and Communication Technology	3–10 years
Motor Vehicles	10 years
Leased Assets held under a Finance Lease	Term of Lease
Library Resources	12.5% Diminishing value

#### **j) Impairment of property, plant, and equipment**

The School does not hold any cash generating assets. Assets are considered cash generating where their primary objective is to generate a commercial return.

#### *Non cash generating assets*

Property, plant, and equipment held at cost that have a finite useful life are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. If such indication exists, the School estimates the asset's recoverable service amount. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable service amount. The recoverable service amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

Value in use is determined using an approach based on either a depreciated replacement cost approach, restoration cost approach, or a service units approach. The most appropriate approach used to measure value in use depends on the nature of the impairment and availability of information.

If an asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable service amount, the asset is regarded as impaired and the carrying amount is written down to the recoverable amount. The total impairment loss is recognised in surplus or deficit.

The reversal of an impairment loss is recognised in surplus or deficit. A previously recognised impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the assumptions used to determine the asset's recoverable service amount since the last impairment loss was recognised.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

#### **k) Accounts Payable**

Accounts Payable represents liabilities for goods and services provided to the School prior to the end of the financial year which are unpaid. Accounts Payable are recorded at the amount of cash required to settle those liabilities. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

#### **l) Employee Entitlements**

##### *Short-term employee entitlements*

Employee entitlements that are expected to be settled within 12 months after the end of the reporting period in which the employees provide the related service are measured based on accrued entitlements at current rates of pay. These include salaries and wages accrued up to balance date and annual leave earned, by non teaching staff, but not yet taken at balance date.

##### *Long-term employee entitlements*

Employee benefits that are not expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the reporting period in which the employee provides the related service, such as retirement and long service leave, have been calculated on an actuarial basis.

The calculations are based on the likely future entitlements accruing to employees, based on years of service, years to entitlement, the likelihood that employees will reach the point of entitlement, and contractual entitlement information, and the present value of the estimated future cash flows. Remeasurements are recognised in surplus or deficit in the period in which they arise.

#### **m) Revenue Received in Advance**

Revenue received in advance relates to fees received from students and grants received where there are unfulfilled obligations for the School to provide services in the future. The fees or grants are recorded as revenue as the obligations are fulfilled and the fees or grants are earned.

The School holds sufficient funds to enable the refund of unearned fees in relation to international students, should the School be unable to provide the services to which they relate.

#### **n) Funds Held in Trust**

Funds are held in trust where they have been received by the School for a specified purpose, or are being held on behalf of a third party and these transactions are not recorded in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

The School holds sufficient funds to enable the funds to be used for their intended purpose at any time.

#### **o) Funds held for Capital works**

The School directly receives funding from the Ministry of Education for capital works projects that are included in the School five year capital works agreement. These funds are held on behalf and for a specified purpose. As such, these transactions are not recorded in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

The School holds sufficient funds to enable the funds to be used for their intended purpose at any time.

#### **p) Shared Funds**

Shared Funds are held on behalf of a cluster of participating schools as agreed with the Ministry of Education. In instances where funds are outside of the School's control, these amounts are not recorded in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense. The School holds sufficient funds to enable the funds to be used for their intended purpose.

#### **q) Provision for Cyclical Maintenance**

The property from which the School operates is owned by the Crown, and is vested in the Ministry. The Ministry has gazetted a property occupancy document that sets out the Board's property maintenance responsibilities. The Board is responsible for maintaining the land, buildings and other facilities on the School site in a state of good order and repair.

Cyclical maintenance, which involves painting the interior and exterior of the school, makes up the most significant part of the Board's responsibilities outside day-to-day maintenance. The provision is a reasonable estimate, based on the School's best estimate of the cost of painting the school and when the school is required to be painted, based on an assessment of the school's condition.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

The School carries out painting maintenance of the whole school over a 7 to 10 year period. The economic outflow of this is dependent on the plan established by the School to meet this obligation and is detailed in the notes and disclosures of these accounts.

#### **r) Financial Instruments**

The School's financial assets comprise cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and investments. All of these financial assets are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

The School's financial liabilities comprise accounts payable and finance lease liability. Financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense and any gain or loss on derecognition are recognised in surplus or deficit.

#### **s) Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

The financial statements have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis, with the exception of accounts receivable and accounts payable which are stated as GST inclusive.

The net amount of GST paid to, or received from, the IRD, including the GST relating to investing and financing activities, is classified as a net operating cash flow in the statement of cash flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed exclusive of GST.

#### **t) Budget Figures**

The budget figures are extracted from the School budget that was approved by the Board.

#### **u) Services received in-kind**

From time to time the School receives services in-kind, including the time of volunteers. The School has elected not to recognise services received in kind in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

#### 2. Government Grants

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Government Grants - Ministry of Education	948,519	932,161	1,033,903
Teachers' Salaries Grants	2,286,530	2,600,004	2,273,853
Use of Land and Buildings Grants	623,283	699,996	688,312
Other Government Grants	62,791	51,768	38,774
	<u>3,921,123</u>	<u>4,283,929</u>	<u>4,034,842</u>

#### 3. Locally Raised Funds

Local funds raised within the School's community are made up of:

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Revenue</b>			
Donations and Bequests	16,450	9,613	31,150
Curriculum related Activities - Purchase of goods and services	54,345	46,729	73,472
Fees for Extra Curricular Activities	82,455	38,564	95,990
Trading	11,599	2,300	2,661
Fundraising and Community Grants	8,965	5,591	5,744
Other Revenue	171,918	104,561	136,433
	<u>345,732</u>	<u>207,358</u>	<u>345,450</u>
<b>Expense</b>			
Extra Curricular Activities Costs	84,483	36,184	91,337
Trading	2,674	200	2,742
Other Locally Raised Funds Expenditure	61,256	58,556	51,562
	<u>148,413</u>	<u>94,940</u>	<u>145,641</u>
<i>Surplus for the year Locally Raised Funds</i>	<u>197,319</u>	<u>112,418</u>	<u>199,809</u>

#### 4. Learning Resources

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Curricular	164,100	151,526	153,219
Information and Communication Technology	22,312	22,682	25,769
Employee Benefits - Salaries	2,439,211	2,752,713	2,516,989
Staff Development	28,245	26,950	26,659
Depreciation	172,160	147,504	161,794
Other Learning Resources	1,654	1,889	1,415
	<u>2,827,682</u>	<u>3,103,264</u>	<u>2,885,845</u>

# Northern Southland College

## Notes to the Financial Statements

### For the year ended 31 December 2025

#### 5. Administration

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Audit Fees	15,274	7,463	14,700
Board Fees and Expenses	10,019	8,948	10,441
Operating Leases	759	3,972	2,407
Legal Fees	16,460	3,040	3,992
Other Administration Expenses	24,066	21,811	20,156
Employee Benefits - Salaries	236,879	230,989	224,941
Insurance	6,442	4,761	4,761
Service Providers, Contractors and Consultancy	11,835	12,300	14,829
	<u>321,734</u>	<u>293,284</u>	<u>296,227</u>

#### 6. Property

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Consultancy and Contract Services	78,691	78,480	78,100
Cyclical Maintenance	74,599	60,000	34,217
Heat, Light and Water	67,431	67,680	60,223
Rates	18,481	17,720	16,096
Repairs and Maintenance	101,399	28,960	38,871
Use of Land and Buildings	623,283	699,996	688,312
Employee Benefits - Salaries	43,465	41,448	39,467
Other Property Expenses	41,976	17,034	26,702
	<u>1,049,325</u>	<u>1,011,318</u>	<u>981,988</u>

The use of land and buildings figure represents 5% of the school's total property value. Property values are established as part of the nation-wide revaluation exercise that is conducted every 30 June for the Ministry of Education's year-end reporting purposes.

#### 7. Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Bank Accounts	815,580	1,323,054	1,115,313
Cash and cash equivalents for Statement of Cash Flows	<u>815,580</u>	<u>1,323,054</u>	<u>1,115,313</u>

The carrying value of short-term deposits with original maturity dates of 90 days or less approximates their fair value.

Of the \$815,580 Cash and Cash Equivalents \$32,164 is held by the School on behalf of the Ministry of Education. These funds have been provided by the Ministry as part of the school's 5 Year Agreement funding for upgrades to the school's buildings and include retentions on the projects, if applicable. The funds are required to be spent in 2025 on Crown owned school buildings.

Of the \$815,580 Cash and Cash Equivalents, \$37,102 of Revenue Received in Advance and \$25,361 Funds Held in Trust on Behalf of Third Parties is held by the School, as disclosed in note 12 & 15 respectively.

Of the \$815,580 Cash and Cash Equivalents, \$43,876 is held by the School on behalf of a School Cluster. See note 17 for details of how the funding received for the cluster has been spent in the year.

Of the \$815,580 Cash and Cash Equivalents, \$5,974 is held by the School on behalf of the Parent Teacher Association. See note 18 for details of this bank account.

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#### 8. Accounts Receivable

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Receivables	4,224	13,024	12,741
Receivables from the Ministry of Education	66	11,785	11,785
Teacher Salaries Grant Receivable	185,267	222,259	222,259
	<u>189,557</u>	<u>247,068</u>	<u>246,785</u>
Receivables from Exchange Transactions	4,224	13,024	12,741
Receivables from Non-Exchange Transactions	185,333	234,044	234,044
	<u>189,557</u>	<u>247,068</u>	<u>246,785</u>

#### 9. Investments

The School's investment activities are classified as follows:

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Current Asset			
Short-term Bank Deposits	540,000	740,000	740,000
Non-current Asset			
Long-term Bank Deposits	500	500	500
Total Investments	<u>540,500</u>	<u>740,500</u>	<u>740,500</u>

#### 10. Property, Plant and Equipment

	Opening Balance (NBV)	Additions	Disposals	Impairment	Depreciation	Total (NBV)
2025	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings	281,723	50,503			(23,327)	308,898
Building Improvements	160,038	-	-	-	(13,994)	146,044
Furniture and Equipment	350,245	149,090	(142)	-	(73,660)	425,533
Information and Communication Technology	88,499	58,468	-	-	(34,116)	112,851
Motor Vehicles	29,566	45,210	-	-	(8,375)	66,400
Leased Assets	20,509	38,703	-	-	(17,659)	41,553
Library Resources	8,208	-	-	-	(1,028)	7,180
	<u>938,788</u>	<u>341,973</u>	<u>(142)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(172,160)</u>	<u>1,108,459</u>

The net carrying value of computers and other ICT equipment held under a finance lease is \$41,553 (2024: \$20,509)

#### Restrictions

With the exception of the contractual restrictions related to the above noted finance leases, there are no restrictions over the title of the school's property, plant and equipment, nor are any property, plant and equipment pledged as security for liabilities.

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#### 10. Property, Plant and Equipment (continued)

	2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
	Cost or	Accumulated	Net Book	Cost or	Accumulated	Net Book
	Valuation	Depreciation	Value	Valuation	Depreciation	Value
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings	546,696	(237,798)	308,898	496,194	(214,471)	281,723
Building Improvements	309,997	(163,953)	146,044	309,997	(149,959)	160,038
Furniture and Equipment	1,058,563	(633,030)	425,533	909,808	(559,563)	350,245
Information and Communication Technology	329,044	(216,193)	112,851	270,577	(182,078)	88,499
Motor Vehicles	123,026	(56,626)	66,400	77,817	(48,251)	29,566
Leased Assets	126,889	(85,336)	41,553	88,186	(67,677)	20,509
Library Resources	77,253	(70,073)	7,180	77,253	(69,045)	8,208
	<u>2,571,468</u>	<u>(1,463,009)</u>	<u>1,108,459</u>	<u>2,229,832</u>	<u>(1,291,044)</u>	<u>938,788</u>

#### 11. Accounts Payable

	2025	2025	2024
	Actual	Budget (Unaudited)	Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Creditors	242,842	517,118	517,118
Accruals	41,557	28,569	22,071
Banking Staffing Overuse	-	-	6,498
Employee Entitlements - Salaries	186,555	236,126	236,126
Employee Entitlements - Leave Accrual	33,652	28,034	28,034
	<u>504,606</u>	<u>809,847</u>	<u>809,847</u>
Payables for Exchange Transactions	504,606	809,847	809,847
	<u>504,606</u>	<u>809,847</u>	<u>809,847</u>

The carrying value of payables approximates their fair value.

#### 12. Revenue Received in Advance

	2025	2025	2024
	Actual	Budget (Unaudited)	Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Other revenue in advance	37,102	26,325	26,042
	<u>37,102</u>	<u>26,325</u>	<u>26,042</u>

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#### 13. Provision for Cyclical Maintenance

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Provision at the Start of the Year	268,906	268,906	249,325
Increase to the Provision During the Year	74,599	60,000	34,217
Use of the Provision During the Year	(72,894)	-	(14,636)
Provision at the End of the Year	<u>270,611</u>	<u>328,906</u>	<u>268,906</u>
Cyclical Maintenance - Current	80,790	-	-
Cyclical Maintenance - Non current	189,821	328,906	268,906
	<u>270,611</u>	<u>328,906</u>	<u>268,906</u>

The School's cyclical maintenance schedule details annual painting to be undertaken. The costs associated with this annual work will vary depending on the requirements during the year. This plan is based on the School's 10 Year Property Plan.

#### 14. Finance Lease Liability

The School has entered into a number of finance lease agreements for computers and other ICT equipment. Minimum lease payments payable:

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
No Later than One Year	17,216	11,100	11,100
Later than One Year	32,078	10,315	10,315
Future Finance Charges	(6,006)	(302)	(302)
	<u>43,288</u>	<u>21,113</u>	<u>21,113</u>
<b>Represented by</b>			
Finance lease liability - Current	14,377	11,099	11,099
Finance lease liability - Non current	28,911	10,014	10,014
	<u>43,288</u>	<u>21,113</u>	<u>21,113</u>

#### 15. Funds held in Trust

	2025 Actual	2025 Budget (Unaudited)	2024 Actual
	\$	\$	\$
Funds Held in Trust on Behalf of Third Parties - Current	25,361	28,361	28,352
	<u>25,361</u>	<u>28,361</u>	<u>28,352</u>

These funds relate to arrangements where the school is acting as an agent. These amounts are not revenue or expense of the school and therefore are not included in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expense.

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#### 16. Funds Held for Capital Works Projects

During the year the School received and applied funding from the Ministry of Education for the following capital works projects. The amount of cash held on behalf of the Ministry for capital works project is included under cash and cash equivalents in note 7, and includes retentions on the projects, if applicable.

2025	Opening Balances \$	Receipts from MOE \$	Payments \$	Board Contributions / Transfers \$	Closing Balances \$
Boiler: Temporary Replacement and Decarbonisation - Project number 225980	1,927	-	(1,927)	-	-
F: Toilet Remodel - Project number 223393	(1,014)	20,782	(19,768)	-	-
MOE 5YA - Essential Infrastructure - Project number 243720	89,599	660,879	(718,314)	-	32,164
A: Remediation of Water Damage - Project number 242322	2,672	-	(2,672)	-	-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>93,184</b>	<b>681,661</b>	<b>(742,681)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,164</b>

#### Represented by:

Funds Held on Behalf of the Ministry of Education	32,164
Funds Receivable from the Ministry of Education	-

2024	Opening Balances \$	Receipts from MOE \$	Payments \$	Board Contributions / Transfers \$	Closing Balances \$
Boiler: Temporary Replacement and Decarbonisation - Project number 225980	7,292	-	(5,365)	-	1,927
F: Toilet Remodel - Project number 223393	(2,216)	14,000	(12,798)	-	(1,014)
MOE 5YA - Essential Infrastructure - Project number 243720	95,158	250,000	(255,559)	-	89,599
A: Remediation of Water Damage - Project number 242322	2,472	8,739	(8,539)	-	2,672
<b>Totals</b>	<b>102,706</b>	<b>272,739</b>	<b>(282,261)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>93,184</b>

#### Represented by:

Funds Held on Behalf of the Ministry of Education	94,198
Funds Receivable from the Ministry of Education	(1,014)

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#### 17. Funds Held on Behalf of Cluster / Transport Network

##### a) Transport Network

Northern Southland College is the lead school funded by the Ministry of Education to hold funds on behalf of the Dome Transport network. The network provides school bus transport for pupils of Northern Southland College, Balfour School, Lumsden School and Mossburn School.

	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget (Unaudited) \$	2024 Actual \$
Funds Held at Beginning of the Year	40,000	40,283	40,283
Funds Received from MOE	1,147,807	1,115,826	1,115,826
Funds received from paying students	3,108	4,628	4,628
Interest received	1,470	1,765	1,765
Total funds received	<u>1,192,384</u>	<u>1,162,502</u>	<u>1,162,502</u>
Funds Spent on Behalf of the Cluster	986,323	1,029,880	1,029,880
Funds remaining	<u>206,061</u>	<u>132,622</u>	<u>132,622</u>
Distribution of Funds			
Northern Southland College	69,652	38,665	38,665
Balfour School	34,990	20,582	20,582
Lumsden School	31,302	17,565	17,565
Mossburn School	29,922	15,810	15,810
Funds Held at Year End	<u><u>40,196</u></u>	<u><u>40,000</u></u>	<u><u>40,000</u></u>

##### b) Awheawhe Karupa Attendance and Engagement Project

Northern Southland College is the lead school funded by the Ministry of Education to provide services to its cluster schools.

	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget \$	2024 Actual \$
Funds held at beginning of the year	11,840	11,840	-
Funds received from the Ministry of Education	-	-	20,000
Total funds received	<u>11,840</u>	<u>11,840</u>	<u>20,000</u>
<i>Distribution to Schools:</i>			
Northern Southland College	4,080	-	4,080
Balfour School	4,080	-	-
Lumsden School	-	-	-
Mossburn School	-	-	4,080
Total Distributions	<u>8,160</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,160</u>
Funds Held at Year End	<u><u>3,680</u></u>	<u><u>11,840</u></u>	<u><u>11,840</u></u>
Total Funds Held on Behalf of School Cluster	<u><u>43,876</u></u>	<u><u>51,840</u></u>	<u><u>51,840</u></u>

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#### 18. Funds Held on Behalf of the Parent Teacher Association

Northern Southland College Parent Teacher Association is a committee tasked with encouraging parental involvement with the College. This involves arranging educational evenings and fundraising for specific initiatives.

	<b>2025 Actual</b>	<b>2025 Budget</b>	<b>2024 Actual</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Funds Held at Beginning of the Year	11,558	12,972	12,972
Funds Received from			
Fundraising	5,113	11,789	11,789
Field Days	-	8,495	8,495
Total Funds Received	<u>5,113</u>	<u>20,285</u>	<u>20,285</u>
Funds Spent on Behalf of the Association			
Fundraising / School Donations	10,697	14,421	14,421
Field Days	-	7,288	7,278
Total Expenses	<u>10,697</u>	<u>21,709</u>	<u>21,699</u>
Funds Held at Year End	<u><u>5,974</u></u>	<u><u>11,549</u></u>	<u><u>11,558</u></u>

#### 19. Related Party Transactions

The School is a controlled entity of the Crown, and the Crown provides the major source of revenue to the School. The School enters into transactions with other entities also controlled by the Crown, such as government departments, state-owned enterprises and other Crown entities. Transactions with these entities are not disclosed as they occur on terms and conditions no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the school would have adopted if dealing with that entity at arm's length.

Related party disclosures have not been made for transactions with related parties that are within a normal supplier or client/recipient relationship on terms and condition no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the School would have adopted in dealing with the party at arm's length in the same circumstances. Further, transactions with other government agencies (for example, Government departments and Crown entities) are not disclosed as related party transactions when they are consistent with the normal operating arrangements between government agencies and undertaken on the normal terms and conditions for such transactions.

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#### 20. Remuneration

##### *Key management personnel compensation*

Key management personnel of the School include all Board members, Principal, Deputy Principals and Heads of Departments.

	<b>2025 Actual \$</b>	<b>2024 Actual \$</b>
<i>Board Members</i>		
Remuneration	4,028	3,350
 <i>Leadership Team</i>		
Remuneration	1,449,725	1,503,318
Full-time equivalent members	12	13
 Total key management personnel remuneration	1,453,753	1,506,668

There are 9 members of the Board excluding the Principal. The Board has held 9 full meetings of the Board in the year. The Board also has Finance (3 members) and Property (3 members) committees that meet monthly and quarterly respectively. As well as these regular meetings, including preparation time, the Presiding member and other Board members have also been involved in ad hoc meetings to consider student welfare matters including stand downs, suspensions, and other disciplinary matters.

##### *Principal*

The total value of remuneration paid or payable to the Principal was in the following bands:

	<b>2025 Actual \$000</b>	<b>2024 Actual \$000</b>
Salaries and Other Short-term Employee Benefits:		
Salary and Other Payments	160-170	160-170
Benefits and Other Emoluments	4-5	4-5
Termination Benefits	-	-

##### *Other Employees*

The number of other employees with remuneration greater than \$100,000 was in the following bands:

<b>Remuneration \$000</b>	<b>2025 FTE Number</b>	<b>2024 FTE Number</b>
100 - 110	4.00	5.00
110 - 120	5.00	3.00
120 - 130	4.00	4.00
130 - 140	1.00	1.00
	14.00	13.00

The disclosure for 'Other Employees' does not include remuneration of the Principal.

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#### 21. Compensation and Other Benefits Upon Leaving

The total value of compensation or other benefits paid or payable to persons who ceased to be board members, committee members, or employees during the financial year in relation to that cessation and number of persons to whom all or part of that total was payable was as follows:

	<b>2025 Actual</b>	<b>2024 Actual</b>
Total	-	-
Number of People	-	-

#### 22. Contingencies

There are no contingent liabilities (except as noted below) and no contingent assets as at 31 December 2025 (Contingent liabilities and assets at 31 December 2024: nil).

##### **Holidays Act Compliance – Schools Payroll**

The Ministry of Education performs payroll processing and payments on behalf of boards, through payroll service provider, Education Payroll Limited.

The Ministry continues to review the Schools Sector Payroll to ensure compliance with the Holidays Act 2003. An initial remediation payment has been made to some current school employees. The Ministry is continuing to perform detailed analysis to finalise calculations and the potential impacts for specific individuals. As such, this is expected to resolve the liability for school boards.

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#### 23. Commitments

##### (a) Capital Commitments

At 31 December 2025, the Board had capital commitments of \$104,498 (2024:\$896,372) as a result of entering the following contracts:

Contract Name	Remaining Capital Commitment \$
F: Toilet Remodel - Project number 223393	13,531
MOE 5YA - Essential Infrastructure - Project number 243720	90,967
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>104,498</u></b>

The Board receives funding from the Ministry of Education for Capital Works which is disclosed in note 16.

##### (b) Operating Commitments

As at 31 December 2025, the Board has entered into the following contracts:

(a) operating lease for the service portion of the photocopier;

	2025 Actual \$	2024 Actual \$
No later than One Year	-	447
	<u>-</u>	<u>447</u>

The total lease payments incurred during the period were \$nil (2024: \$447).

#### 24. Financial Instruments

The carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities in each of the financial instrument categories are as follows:

##### Financial assets measured at amortised cost

	2025 Actual \$	2025 Budget (Unaudited) \$	2024 Actual \$
Cash and Cash Equivalents	815,580	1,323,054	1,115,313
Receivables	189,557	247,068	246,785
Investments - Term Deposits	540,500	740,500	740,500
Total financial assets measured at amortised cost	<u>1,545,637</u>	<u>2,310,622</u>	<u>2,102,598</u>

##### Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

Payables	504,606	809,847	809,847
Finance Leases	43,288	21,113	21,113
Total financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	<u>547,894</u>	<u>830,960</u>	<u>830,960</u>

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#### **25. Events After Balance Date**

There were no significant events after the balance date that impact these financial statements.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### TO THE READERS OF NORTHERN SOUTHLAND COLLEGE'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Auditor-General is the auditor of Northern Southland College (the School). The Auditor-General has appointed me, Aaron Higham, using the staff and resources of BDO Invercargill, to carry out the audit of the financial statements of the School on pages 2 to 23, that comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2025, the statement of comprehensive revenue and expense, statement of changes in net assets/equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, and the notes to the financial statements that include accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements:

- present fairly, in all material respects:
  - the School's financial position as at 31 December 2025; and
  - the financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended; and
- comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand in accordance with Public Sector - Public Benefit Entity Standards, Reduced Disclosure Regime.

Our audit was completed on 27 May 2026. This is the date at which our opinion is expressed.

#### Basis for our opinion

We carried out our audit in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the Professional and Ethical Standards and the International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Responsibilities of the auditor* section of our report.

We have fulfilled our responsibilities in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards.

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

#### Responsibilities of the Board for the financial statements

The Board is responsible on behalf of the School for preparing financial statements that are fairly presented and that comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

The Board is responsible for such internal control as it determines is necessary to enable it to prepare financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Board is responsible for assessing the School's ability to continue as a going concern. The Board is also responsible for disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting, unless the Board intends to close or merge the School, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Board's responsibilities arise from section 134 of the Education and Training Act 2020.

## Responsibilities of the auditor for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements, as a whole, are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit carried out in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements are differences or omissions of amounts or disclosures, and can arise from fraud or error. Misstatements are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of readers taken on the basis of these financial statements.

For the budget information reported in the financial statements, our procedures were limited to checking that the information agreed to the School's approved budget.

We did not evaluate the security and controls over the electronic publication of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Also:

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

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

Our responsibilities arise from the Public Audit Act 2001.

### Other information included in the Board's annual report

The Board is required to prepare an annual report which includes the annual financial statements and the audit report, as well as a Statement of Variance, an Evaluation of the School's Students' Progress and Achievement, a Statement of Compliance with Employment Policy, and a Statement of KiwiSport funding. The Board is responsible for the other information that it presents alongside its annual financial statements.

The other information obtained at the date of our audit report includes copies of the Statement of Variance, Evaluation of the School's Students' Progress and Achievement, Statement of Compliance with Employment Policy, Statement of KiwiSport funding and Members of the Board.

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information. In doing so, we consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on our work, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### Independence

We are independent of the School in accordance with the Auditor-General's Auditing Standards, which incorporate the independence requirements of Professional and Ethical Standard 1 *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand)* issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with, or interests in, the School.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. Higham'.

Aaron Higham  
BDO Invercargill  
On behalf of the Auditor-General  
Invercargill, New Zealand