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# **Cover Memo**

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### Objective of this paper

The objective of this paper is to inform the Board about matters under Other Business – Public. No action is required from the Board on any of the items in this memo, they are included for noting only. Please refer to the tables below for details.

### **AASB SUBMISSIONS**

Paper No.	Title	Staff comment	Board action
N/A	AASB submission on IASB Exposure Draft/2024/1 Business Combinations — Disclosures, Goodwill and Impairment: Proposed amendments to IFRS 3 and IAS 36	The AASB submission to the IASB was lodged on 27 June 2024.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
N/A	AASB submission on IASB Exposure Draft/2024/3 Contracts for Renewable Electricity: Proposed amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7	The AASB submission to the IASB was lodged on 5 August 2024.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.

#### **IASB AND IFRS IC UPDATES**

Paper No.	Title	Staff comment	Board action
N/A	IASB Update July 2024	The IASB concluded the IFRS 15 PIR process. As a result, the IASB decided to consider in the next agenda consultation the following matters:	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
		(a) assessing control over services and intangible assets to	

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		determine whether an entity acts as a principal or an agent.	
		(b) reporting consideration payable to a customer.	
		(c) applying IFRS 15 with IFRIC 12 Service Concession Arrangements, IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements and IFRS 12 Disclosure of Interest in Other Entities.	
		The IASB also concluded its decision-making process on Rate-regulated Activities and the standard is expected to be issued in the second half of 2025.	
		Staff do not consider there are any other matters to raise in relation to the July 2024 IASB update.	
N/A	IASB and joint IASB-FASB Update June 2024	The IASB tentatively decided to propose amendments to IAS 37 <i>Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets</i> .	Included for noting only. No action is required
		The IASB plans to publish the exposure draft in Q4 2024 with a 120-day comment period.	at this meeting.
		Staff do not consider there are any other matters to raise in relation to the June 2024 IASB update.	
N/A	IASB Update May 2024	As a result of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments PIR, the IASB tentatively decided to add to its research pipeline a project to make targeted improvements to credit risk disclosure requirements in IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
		Staff do not consider there are any matters to raise in relation to the May 2024 IASB update.	
N/A	IFRIC Update June 2024	Staff do not consider there are any matters to raise in relation to IFRIC's agenda decisions.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
N/A	Addendum to the June 2024 IFRIC Update	Staff do not consider there are any matters to raise in relation to IFRIC's agenda decisions.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.

### **ISSB UPDATES**

Paper No.	Title	Staff comment	Board action
N/A	ISSB Update May 2024	Staff do not consider there are any matters to raise in relation to the April 2024 IASB update.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
N/A	ISSB Update June 2024	Staff do not consider there are any matters to raise in relation to the April 2024 IASB update.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
N/A	ISSB Update July 2024	The ISSB will begin preparing exposure drafts of proposed amendments to the priority SASB Standards, including:  - all eight SASB Standards in the Extractives & Minerals Processing sector;	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
		<ul> <li>the Electric Utilities &amp; Power</li> <li>Generators SASB Standard in the</li> <li>Infrastructure sector;</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>three SASB Standards in the Food &amp; Beverage sector—subject to assessing whether the ISSB and its stakeholders have the capacity to do so.</li> </ul>	
		The ISSB will also begin research to identify further priority enhancements to the SASB Standards and SICS.	

## **PUBLIC-SECTOR-SPECIFIC PROJECT UPDATES**

Paper No.	Title	Staff comment	Board action
9.2	Report on highlights of the IPSASB's June 2024 meeting	Report prepared by the New Zealand member of the IPSASB for the NZASB regarding the key decisions at the June 2024 IPSASB meeting. The main topics of discussion at that meeting are listed below; staff comments thereof are shown in blueshaded text.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
		The IPSASB approved one pronouncement and two Exposure Drafts, as described below.	
		Pronouncement on Concessionary Leases and Other Arrangements Conveying Rights over Assets (Amendments to IPSAS 43, IPSAS 47, and IPSAS 48) – The effective date for the amendments is 1 January 2027.	
		Staff plan to analyse this Standard in due course to assess whether any modifications or guidance might be needed on	

concessionary leases and arrangements conveying rights over assets for Australian public sector entities.

**ED 90** Amendments to IPSAS as a Result of the Application of IPSAS 46, Measurement – ED 90 introduces the new current value measurement basis, current operational value, across relevant IPSAS.

In Agenda Paper 8.1, staff ask the AASB to decide whether to comment on ED 90.

ED 91 Limited-scope Updates to First-time Adoption of Accrual Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) (Amendments to IPSAS 33) — ED 91 is open for comment until 13 December 2024.

In Agenda Paper 8.1, staff ask the AASB to decide whether to comment on the forthcoming ED 91.

Other key matters discussed by the IPSASB included discussions on the following projects.

**Tangible Natural Resources** – The IPSASB plans to approve the ED on tangible natural resources at its September 2024 meeting.

In Agenda Paper 8.1, staff ask the AASB to decide whether to comment on the forthcoming ED on tangible natural resources.

Climate-related Disclosures – The IPSASB clarified that the ED on climate-related disclosures will address public policy programs (such as regulations, taxation, subsidies and incentives) that are explicitly designed to address climate-related risks and opportunities. The IPSASB plans to approve the ED at its September 2024 meeting.

Subject to the timing of the publication of the ED, staff plan to present analysis of the IPSASB's proposals for Board discussion at the 7–8 November 2024 AASB meeting.

Presentation of Financial Statements – The IPSASB considered several important project issues, including agreeing to retain the current/non-current distinction as the primary method for classifying assets and liabilities on the statement of financial position. The IPSASB will continue its deliberations on this project in September 2024.

Staff will continue to monitor this project as	
part of the work on assessing whether any	
modifications or guidance might be needed	
on AASB 18 Presentation and Disclosure in	
Financial Statements for not-for-profit public	
sector entities.	

# **ARTICLES AND NEWS**

Paper No.	Title	Content of item	Board action
N/A			

## **OTHER**

Paper No.	Title	Content of item	Board action
N/A	Final report of philanthropy inquiry released	The Australian Government has tabled the final report of the Productivity Commission's inquiry into philanthropy in Australia: Future foundations for giving.  The report makes several recommendations to strengthen the foundations of philanthropy, supporting the Government's goal of doubling giving by 2030.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
		More details are discussed in Agenda Paper 7.1 of this meeting.	
N/A	Review shows charities' strong financial compliance with room for improvement in remuneration reporting	The findings from ACNC review of charities' 2022 reporting were that the majority provided accurate financial information.  However, a third of the large charities reviewed by ACNC made a material error in the information provided in their AIS about KMP remuneration.  More details are discussed in Agenda Paper 3.1 of this meeting.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
N/A	Australian Charities report – 10 <sup>th</sup> Edition	ACNC presented the Australian Charities Report 10th edition. Data shows that cost of living issues had an impact on charities in 2022, with increases in expenses and liabilities outpacing increases in revenue and assets.  Extra small charities – those with annual revenue of \$50,000 or less – are a focus for this report because they comprise nearly a third of all Australian charities.  More details are discussed in Agenda Paper 3.1 of this meeting.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.

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N/A	New financial reporting and audit obligations for superannuation funds commence	The ASIC declared that Superannuation trustees are now required to lodge audited financial reports for each fund within three months of the end of the fund's financial year. For most funds, the deadline will be 30 September 2024	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.
N/A	ASIC and APRA issue final rules and information for the Financial Accountability Regime	ASIC & APRA have published new information to help insurers and superannuation trustees prepare for the commencement of the Financial Accountability Regime (FAR). FAR, which already applies to the banking industry, will take effect for the insurance and superannuation industries from 15 March 2025.	Included for noting only. No action is required at this meeting.