

HUGH VICTOR MCKAY FUND TRUST

**Annual Financial Report
For the year ended 30 June 2025**

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd (ABN 64 668 939 482), the Trustee company of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust ('the Fund'), present their report together with the financial statements on the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2025.

Directors

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

Ilona Charles (Chair)

Kate Cornick

Georgia McDonald - resigned 12 July 2024

Amanda Collins - appointed 26 August 2024

Shane Morris was the Company Secretary during the whole of the financial year and remains in this role as at the date of this report.

Ilona Charles was also a member of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Investment Committee during the whole of the financial year and remains in this role as at the date of this report.

Principal Activities

The Hugh Victor McKay Fund is a \$2 million sidecar fund for Victorian AgTech startups run by LaunchVic with funding from Agriculture Victoria. The Company was incorporated on 20 June 2023. On 5 July 2023, the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust ('the Fund') was established and the Company was appointed Trustee of the Fund. The Fund was launched in August 2023. LaunchVic Limited ('the parent company') is the sole shareholder in the Company and unit holder in the Fund. As a controlled entity of LaunchVic Limited, the financial results of the Company are included in the results of the consolidated entity for the financial period ended 30 June 2025. Investment into companies has been extended to be completed by 30 June 2026.

Purpose and Objectives of the Fund:

- Increase in early-stage investments (value and number of AgTech deals)
- Increased support for AgTech founders to scale, leading to an increased number of scaleups, jobs and export revenues
- Leveraging the Government's funding at a ratio of at least 2:1.

Review of operations

The Fund reported a net loss of \$60,000 (Period from 20 June 2023 to 30 June 2024: \$48,750), representing grants to investee companies. The establishment, management and operating costs of the Fund are paid by the parent company as part of service fee from Agriculture Victoria to administer the projects under the Grant Agreement between Agriculture Victoria and LaunchVic.

Significant changes in the state of affairs

There were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund during the financial year.

Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

The directors of the Trustee company are aware of the following significant events between the end of the financial year and the date of this report.

The Victorian Government is undergoing a comprehensive review of the innovation and commercialisation ecosystem. The review covers the Fund and is examining the efficiency and effectiveness of innovation and commercialisation supports. The outcome of the review may have implications for the Fund.

Aside from the above, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2025 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Funds operations, the results of those operations, or the Fund's state of affairs in future financial years.

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Likely Developments and Expected Results of Operations

The Fund will continue to pursue its strategic objectives as noted above in the Fund's 'Principal Activities'.

Environmental Regulation

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

Meetings of Directors

During the financial year, no in-person meetings were held. The directors considered and unanimously agreed to 3 circular resolutions.

Indemnity and insurance of officers

The directors of the Trustee company are indemnified by the parent company for costs incurred, in their capacity as a director or executive, for which they may be held personally liable, except where there is a lack of good faith.

During the financial year, the parent company paid a premium in respect of a contract to insure the directors and executives of the Trustee company against a liability to the extent permitted by the Corporations Act 2001. The contract of insurance prohibits disclosure of the nature of the liability and the amount of the premium.

Indemnity and insurance of auditors

The Fund has not, during or since the end of the financial year, indemnified or agreed to indemnify the auditor of the Fund or any related entity against a liability incurred by the auditor.

During the financial year, the Fund has not paid a premium in respect of a contract to insure the auditor of the Fund or any related entity.

Proceedings on Behalf of the Fund

No person has applied to the court under section 237 of the Corporations Act 2001 for leave to bring proceedings on behalf of the Fund or intervene in any proceedings to which the Fund is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the Fund for all or any part of those proceedings.

This directors' report is signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors, pursuant to Section 298(2)(a) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Director

Signed by:



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Ilona Charles

Dated this **9 October 2025**

Director

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Kate Cornick

Dated this **9 October 2025**

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COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025	20 June 2023 to 30 June 2024
		\$	\$
Other income		-	-
Total other income		-	-
Program costs - Grants to investee companies	3	(60,000)	(48,750)
Fair value gain/(loss) on investments		-	-
Realised gain/(loss) on investments		-	-
Total expenses		(60,000)	(48,750)
Net surplus/(deficit)		(60,000)	(48,750)
Other comprehensive income			
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total Comprehensive result		(60,000)	(48,750)

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025 \$	2024 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	1,275,005	1,670,130
Trade and other receivables		-	4,875
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>1,275,005</u>	<u>1,675,005</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Financial assets	6	616,246	276,246
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>616,246</u>	<u>276,246</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>1,891,251</u></u>	<u><u>1,951,251</u></u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables		-	-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNIT HOLDERS		<u><u>1,891,251</u></u>	<u><u>1,951,251</u></u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Contributed Capital \$	Accumulated Losses \$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2024	-	-	-
Net surplus/(deficit) for the period	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-
Balance at 30 June 2025	-	-	-

Under Australian Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the start or end of the financial year.

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	2025 \$	20 June 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for program activities		(55,125)	(53,625)
Interest received		-	-
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities		(55,125)	(53,625)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Payments for investment		(340,000)	(276,246)
Returned funds from closed investment		-	-
Net cash used in investing activities		(340,000)	(276,246)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from issuance of units to shareholder		-	2,000,001
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities		-	2,000,001
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		(395,125)	1,670,130
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the financial year		1,670,130	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial year	4	1,275,005	1,670,130

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 About this report

(a) Basis of preparation

These financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust Deed Rules and AASB 1060 *General Purpose Financial Statements – Simplified Disclosures for For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities* (AASB 1060).

These financial statements are in Australian dollars and the historical cost convention is used unless a different measurement basis is specifically disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

The accrual basis of accounting has been applied in preparing these financial statements, whereby assets, liabilities, equity, income and expenses are recognised in the reporting period to which they relate, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Consistent with the requirements of AASB 1004 Contributions, contributions by owners (that is, contributed capital) is treated as equity transactions and, therefore, do not form part of the income and expenses of the Fund.

Judgements, estimates and assumptions are required to be made about financial information being presented. The significant judgements made in the preparation of these financial statements are disclosed in the notes where amounts affected by those judgements are disclosed. Estimates and associated assumptions are based on professional judgements derived from historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and also in future periods that are affected by the revision. Judgements and assumptions made by management in applying AAS that have significant effects on the financial statements and estimates are disclosed in the notes under the heading: 'Material accounting judgement or estimates'.

The amounts presented in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

The Trustee company of Hugh Victor McKay Fund is Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd. The financial report of the Fund was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Trustee company on 3rd October 2025. This year will represent results for the year ended 2025, with comparative figures for the period from 20 June 2023, being the date of incorporation, to 30 June 2024.

(b) Compliance information

These general-purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards (AASs), which include Interpretations, issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

Where appropriate, those AASs paragraphs applicable to not-for-profit entities have been applied. Accounting policies selected and applied in these financial statements ensure that the resulting financial information satisfies the concepts of relevance and reliability, thereby ensuring that the substance of the underlying transactions or other events is reported. General-purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards (AASs), which include Interpretations, issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB).

(c) Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the Trustee company is exempt from income tax under 24AM of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

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Note 2 Material accounting judgements or estimates

(a) Impairment of non-financial assets

The Fund assesses impairment of non-financial assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the Fund and to the particular asset that may lead to impairment. If an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. This involves fair value less costs of disposal or value-in-use calculations, which incorporate a number of key estimates and assumptions.

(b) Fair value measurement of investments in startups

Through the Fund, direct equity investments are made into early stage startups. Startups are defined as tech-based companies, using innovation to access global markets. As an existing market for the product or services offered by early stage startups may yet be established, there is a significant degree of uncertainty with respect to the profitability and financial viability of these businesses. As a result, Venture Capital (VC) firms invest across a portfolio of companies, with the expectation of initial losses in the short term and potential gains in the longer term. The Company recognises investments in these business at fair value through the profit or loss ("FVTPL") however, given the uncertainties, management have deemed cost as fair value on initial recognition.

Subsequent to initial recognition, management makes an assessment as to whether the carrying amount of each investment approximates fair value. Where a gain or loss arises from a subsequent priced round, any change in value is considered sufficient to support an adjustment in fair value. Where there is no observable market or sufficient data, management will make an assessment on the performance of investee companies in line with the Group's Investment Policy. The assessment is based on evidence sourced from investee companies to support ongoing fair value of the investment with reference to impairment indicators such as cash runway, founder commitment and likelihood of future capital raise. Any adjustments to fair value from management's assessment will be recognised through the profit or loss.

Note 3 Expenses for the period

	2025	20 June 2023 to 30 June 2024
a. Expenses	\$	\$
Program costs		
— Grant expenses	60,000	48,750
Total program costs	60,000	48,750

b. Program Costs

These expenses are related to payments made and/or accrued for grant amounts paid to investee companies. The establishment, management and operating costs of the Fund are paid by the parent company as part of service fee from Agriculture Victoria to administer the projects under the Grant Agreement between Agriculture Victoria and LaunchVic.

Note 4 Cash and cash equivalents

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	1,275,005	1,670,130
Balance as per Cash flow Statement	1,275,005	1,670,130

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Note 5 Receivables

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Statutory		
GST receivable	-	4,875

Note 6 Financial Assets

Categories of financial assets	2025	2024
Financial assets measured at fair value through the profit or loss (FVTPL)	\$	\$
Investment in startups - at cost	616,246	276,246
Accumulated movement in fair value through profit or loss	-	-
Total Financial assets	616,246	276,246

Measurement

When an asset or liability, financial or non-financial, is measured at fair value for recognition or disclosure purposes, the fair value is based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date; and assumes that the transaction will take place either: in the principal market; or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market.

Fair value is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming they act in their economic best interests. For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement is based on its highest and best use. Valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, are used, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs. In certain circumstances, cost may be deemed to approximate fair value.

Refer note 2(b) for further details.

Derecognition

A financial asset is derecognised when the holder's contractual rights to its cash flows expire, or the asset is transferred in such a way that all the risks and rewards of ownership are substantially transferred.

Note 7 Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

There are no contingent assets or liabilities for the Fund as at 30 June 2025 (2024: Nil).

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Note 8 Other disclosures

This section includes additional material disclosures required by accounting standards or otherwise, for the understanding of this financial report.

8.1 Responsible Persons

The responsible persons during the financial year were as follows;

Name	Position	Period
Ilona Charles	Director and Chair - Trustee company	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025
Kate Cornick	Director - Trustee company	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025
Georgia McDonald	Director - Trustee company	1 July 2024 to 12 July 2024
Amanda Collins	Director - Trustee company	26 August 2024 to 30 June 2025

No director was entitled to remuneration to perform their duties as a director of the Trustee company.

As a member of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Investment Committee and while Ilona was not entitled to remuneration as a director of LaunchVic, Ilona was entitled to a fee for attendance of the Investment Committee meetings and participation in Circular Resolutions. The fee is in line with Victorian Government Board Remuneration guidelines and paid by LaunchVic Limited. Fees received or receivable by Ilona during the reporting period was nil (2024: \$2,292).

8.2 Remuneration of executives

The governing board of the trustee company did not receive any remuneration in connection with their roles. The Accountable Officer is the CEO of LaunchVic Limited who did not receive any remuneration in connection with this Board role.

8.3 Related Party Transactions

(a) Parent entity

LaunchVic Limited owns 100% of the shares issued in the Trustee company and holds 100% of the issued units in the Fund. It is the sole beneficiary of the Trustee. As such LaunchVic Limited is a related party.

During the period, the Company did not have any related party transactions.

(b) Key management personnel remuneration

Key Management Personnel's (KMP) are those persons with authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of that entity.

The total amount of remuneration paid or payable by the Fund to key management personnel for the financial year is nil (2024: nil).

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8.3 Related Party Transactions (continued)

(c) Significant transactions with other related parties

Given the breadth and depth of State government activities, related parties transact with the Victorian public sector in a manner consistent with other members of the public e.g. stamp duty and other government fees and charges. Procurement and employment processes occur on terms and conditions consistent with LaunchVic Board approved policies.

Directors of the Trustee company did not own any units in the Fund.

Outside of normal citizen type transactions with the entity, there were no related party transactions that involved key management personnel, their close family members and their personal business interests.

No provision has been required, nor any expense recognised, for impairment of receivables from related parties.

8.4 Remuneration of auditors

During the financial year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditor of the Fund.

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
<i>Audit Service</i>		
Audit of the financial statements (paid by LaunchVic from a service fee provided by Agriculture Victoria)	11,700	10,000

8.5 Subsequent Events

The directors of the Fund are aware of the following significant event between the end of the financial year and the date of this report.

The Victorian Government is undergoing a comprehensive review of the innovation and commercialisation ecosystem. The review covers the Fund and is examining the efficiency and effectiveness of innovation and commercialisation supports. The outcome of the review may have implications for the Fund.

The Fund is not aware of any other events subsequent to the reporting date that will have a material effect on its operations.

8.6 Fund details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Fund is:

Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust
Level 1, 45-47 Wangaratta Street
Richmond VIC 3121

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

In accordance with a resolution of the directors of the Trustee Company, we state that:

In the opinion of the directors of the Trustee Company:

- (a) The Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust, has operated during the year ended 30 June 2025 in accordance with the provisions of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust Deed Rules;
- (b) The accompanying financial statements of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust as set out on pages 5 to 13 are properly drawn up in accordance with Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust Deed Rules, give a true and fair view of the results of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust for the year ended 30 June 2025 and its financial positions at that date;
- (c) As at 30 June 2025 the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust has sufficient liquidity to meet any redemption requests and pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (d) The register of unitholders has, during the year ended 30 June 2025 been properly drawn up and maintained so as to give a true account of the unitholders of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust.

The Financial Statements are in compliance with the *Corporations Act 2001* , the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and other mandatory professional reporting requirements.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors of the Trustee company made pursuant to section 295 (5) of the *Corporations Act 2001* .

Director

Signed by:



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Ilona Charles

Dated this **9 October 2025**

Director

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Kate Cornick

Dated this **9 October 2025**

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Trustees of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust

Opinion	I have audited the financial report of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust (the fund) which comprises the: - balance sheet as at 30 June 2025 - comprehensive operating statement for the year then ended - statement of changes in equity for the year then ended - cash flow statement for the year then ended - notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information - directors' declaration. In my opinion, the financial report is in accordance with the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> including: - giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the fund as at 30 June 2025 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended - complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the <i>Corporations Regulations 2001</i>.
Basis for Opinion	I have conducted my audit in accordance with the <i>Audit Act 1994</i> which incorporates the Australian Auditing Standards. I further describe my responsibilities under that Act and those standards in the <i>Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report</i> section of my report. My independence is established by the <i>Constitution Act 1975</i>. My staff and I are independent of the fund in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 <i>Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)</i> (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Victoria. My staff and I have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.
Other information	The Trustees are responsible for the "other information" included in the fund's Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2025. The other information in the Annual Report does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon. My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information included in the Annual Report. Accordingly, I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a materially misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.
Trustees' responsibilities for the financial report	The Trustees of the fund are responsible for the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i>, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial report, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is inappropriate to do so.

**Auditor's
responsibilities
for the audit of
the financial
report**

As required by the *Audit Act 1994*, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on the audit. My objectives for the audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

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

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

I communicate with the Trustees regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

MELBOURNE
16 October 2025



Paul Martin
as delegate for the Auditor-General of Victoria

HUGH VICTOR MCKAY FUND PTY LTD

ABN 64 668 939 482

Trustee of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust

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Auditor-General's Independence Declaration

To the Directors, Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd

The Auditor-General's independence is established by the *Constitution Act 1975*. The Auditor-General, an independent officer of parliament, is not subject to direction by any person about the way in which his powers and responsibilities are to be exercised.

Under the *Audit Act 1994*, the Auditor-General is the auditor of each public body and for the purposes of conducting an audit has access to all documents and property, and may report to parliament matters which the Auditor-General considers appropriate.

Independence Declaration

As auditor for Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd for the year ended 30 June 2025, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- no contraventions of auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit.
- no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

MELBOURNE
16 October 2025



Paul Martin
as delegate for the Auditor-General of Victoria

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COMPREHENSIVE OPERATING STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

The Company did not trade in the current financial year or the prior financial year. Therefore, the profit/loss from ordinary activities was nil (2024: nil).

This statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes on pages 8 to 10.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

The Company did not trade in the current financial year or the prior financial year. Therefore, there is no contributed share capital as at 30 June 2025 (2024: nil).

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
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CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

The Company did not trade in the current financial year or the prior financial year. Therefore, the cash flow from activities was nil (2024: nil).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1 About this report

(a) Basis of preparation

These annual financial statements represent the audited general purpose financial statements for the Company for the year ended 30 June 2025. The financial statements provide users with information about the Company's stewardship of resources entrusted to it, in its capacity as corporate trustee.

These financial statements are general purpose financial statements prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), Interpretations and other mandatory professional requirements on an accrual basis.

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The Company is the sole trustee of the Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust ('the Fund'). The financial report of the Company was authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution by the Company on 3rd October 2025. This year will represent results for the year ended 2025, with comparative figures for the period from 20 June 2023, being the date of incorporation, to 30 June 2024.

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Note 2 Trust, liabilities and right of indemnity

The Company acts solely as trustee of the Fund and liabilities have been incurred on behalf of the Fund in the Company’s capacity as corporate trustee.

Liabilities incurred on behalf of the Fund are recognised in the financial report of the Company when it is probable that the Company will have to meet some trust liabilities, a liability for the Deficiency in the Fund's Right of Indemnity is then brought to account. Details of the Fund's liabilities, the offsetting right of indemnity, and any deficiency in the right of indemnity are:

	2025	2024
	\$	\$
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,275,005	1,670,130
Trade and other receivables - GST receivable	-	4,875
Total Current Assets	1,275,005	1,675,005
Non-current Assets		
Other financial assets	616,246	276,246
Total non-current assets	616,246	276,246
Total Assets	1,891,251	1,951,251
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	-	-
Total Liabilities	-	-
Net Assets	1,891,251	1,951,251

The assets of the Fund as at 30 June 2025 and 30 June 2024 were sufficient to discharge all liabilities of the Fund as at 30 June 2025 and as at 30 June 2024, respectively.

Note 3 Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

There are no contingent assets or liabilities for the Company as at 30 June 2025 (2024: Nil).

Note 4 Other disclosures

This section includes additional material disclosures required by accounting standards or otherwise, for the understanding of this financial report.

4.1 Responsible Persons

The trustee of the Fund is the Company. The following persons were Board Members of the Trustee during the reporting period, unless otherwise stated:

Name	Position	Period
Ilona Charles	Director - Chair	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025
Kate Cornick (CEO LaunchVic)	Director	1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025
Georgia McDonald	Director	1 July 2024 to 12 July 2024
Amanda Collins	Director	26 August 2024 to 30 June 2025

No director was entitled to remuneration to perform their duties as a director of the Company.

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4.2 Remuneration of executives

The governing board did not receive any remuneration in connection with their roles. The Accountable Officer is the CEO of LaunchVic who did not receive any remuneration in connection with this Board role.

4.3 Related Party Transactions

(a) Parent entity

LaunchVic Limited owns 100% of the shares issued in the Trustee company and holds 100% of the issued units in the Fund. It is the sole beneficiary of the Trustee. As such LaunchVic Limited is a related party.

(b) Key management personnel remuneration

Key Management Personnel's (KMP) are those persons with authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of that entity.

The total amount of remuneration paid or payable by the Company to key management personnel for the financial year is nil (2024: nil).

(c) Significant transactions with other related parties

Given the breadth and depth of State government activities, related parties transact with the Victorian public sector in a manner consistent with other members of the public e.g. stamp duty and other government fees and charges. Procurement and employment processes occur on terms and conditions consistent with LaunchVic Board approved policies.

Directors of the Trustee company did not own any units in the Fund.

Outside of normal citizen type transactions with the entity, there were no related party transactions that involved key management personnel, their close family members and their personal business interests.

No provision has been required, nor any expense recognised, for impairment of receivables from related parties.

4.4 Remuneration of auditors

Audit fees are paid by LaunchVic from a service fee provided by Agriculture Victoria.

4.5 Subsequent events

The directors of the Fund are aware of the following significant event between the end of the financial year and the date of this report.

The Victorian Government is undergoing a comprehensive review of the innovation and commercialisation ecosystem. The review covers the Fund and is examining the efficiency and effectiveness of innovation and commercialisation supports. The outcome of the review may have implications for the Fund.

The Fund is not aware of any other events subsequent to the reporting date that will have a material effect on its operations.

4.6 Company details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Company is:

Hugh Victor McKay Fund Trust
Level 1, 45-47 Wangaratta Street
Richmond VIC 3121

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The Directors declare that the financial statements and notes:

- (a) Comply with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
- (b) Give a true and fair view of the financial position of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd as at 30 June 2025 and its performance for the year, as represented by the results of its operations and its cash flows for the financial year ended at that date.

In the opinion of the Directors:

- (c) The financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2025 and the notes are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* ; and
- (d) There are reasonable grounds to believe that Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

The Directors declare that the Company does not have any controlled entities and therefore s295(3A) (a) of the *Corporations Act 2001* does not apply as the Company is not required to prepare consolidated financial statements under the Australian Accounting Standards.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors of the Company made pursuant to section 295 (5) of the *Corporations Act 2001* .

Director

Signed by:



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Ilona Charles

Dated this **6 October 2025**

Director

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Kate Cornick

Dated this **6 October 2025**

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Directors of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd

Opinion	I have audited the financial report of Hugh Victor McKay Fund Pty Ltd (the company) which comprises the: - balance sheet as at 30 June 2025 - comprehensive operating statement for the year then ended - statement of changes in equity for the year then ended - cash flow statement for the year then ended - notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information - directors' declaration. In my opinion, the financial report is in accordance with the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> including: - giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the company as at 30 June 2025 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended - complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the <i>Corporations Regulations 2001</i>.
Basis for Opinion	I have conducted my audit in accordance with the <i>Audit Act 1994</i> which incorporates the Australian Auditing Standards. I further describe my responsibilities under that Act and those standards in the <i>Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report</i> section of my report. My independence is established by the <i>Constitution Act 1975</i>. My staff and I are independent of the company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 <i>Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)</i> (the Code) that are relevant to my audit of the financial report in Victoria. My staff and I have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my opinion.
Other information	The Directors are responsible for the "other information" included in the company's Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2025. The other information in the Annual Report does not include the financial report and my auditor's report thereon. My opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information included in the Annual Report. Accordingly, I do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with my audit of the financial report, my responsibility is to read the other information when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work I have performed, I conclude that there is a materially misstatement of this other information, I am required to report that fact. I have nothing to report in this regard.
Directors' responsibilities for the financial report	The Directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures and the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i>, and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless it is inappropriate to do so.

**Auditor's
responsibilities
for the audit of
the financial
report**

As required by the *Audit Act 1994*, my responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on the audit. My objectives for the audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

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

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

I communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I identify during my audit.

I also provide the Directors with a statement that I have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on my independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

MELBOURNE
16 October 2025



Paul Martin
as delegate for the Auditor-General of Victoria