



#### **Important Notice**

The Charter Hall Long WALE REIT (REIT or CLW) consists of the securities of the two Australian registered schemes listed below (collectively referred to as the "Stapled Trusts"):

- Charter Hall Direct Industrial Fund ("DIF") and its controlled entities (ARSN 144 613 641); and
- LWR Finance Trust ("Finance Trust") and its controlled entity (ARSN 614 713 138).

Charter Hall WALE Limited ABN 20 610 772 202; AFSL 486721 (CHWALE) is the Responsible Entity of the Stapled Trusts and is a controlled entity of Charter Hall Limited ABN 57 113 531 150 (Charter Hall).

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#### **Directors' report**

The Directors of Charter Hall WALE Limited (CHWALE) present the consolidated interim financial report and other information of Charter Hall Direct Industrial Fund ("DIF") and its controlled entities (together "Charter Hall Long WALE REIT", "REIT" or "CLW") and the consolidated interim financial report and other information of LWR Finance Trust and its controlled entity (together "Finance Trust") for the half year ended 31 December 2019. DIF and Finance Trust are collectively referred to as "Stapled Trusts".

CHWALE is the Responsible Entity of the Stapled Trusts and is a controlled entity of Charter Hall Limited.

#### Principal activities

The principal activity of the REIT during the period was property investment. The principal activity of the Finance Trust during the period was financing the REIT through the Intra-Group Facility Agreement (IGFA). There were no significant changes in the nature of either the REIT's or Finance Trust's activities during the period.

#### **Directors**

The following persons have held office as directors of the Responsible Entity during the period and up to the date of this report:

Peeyush Gupta AM - Chairman and Non-Executive Director

Glenn Fraser - Non-Executive Director
 Ceinwen Kirk-Lennox - Non-Executive Director

David Harrison - Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer / Managing Director of Charter Hall Group

Adrian Taylor - Executive Director

#### **Distributions**

Distributions paid or declared for the half year ended 31 December 2019 are as follows:

	Number of	31 Dec 2	019		31 Dec 2	2018
	securities on issue	Cents		Number of	Cents	
	entitled to distribution	per security	\$'000	securities on issue pe	er security	\$'000
Ordinary securityholde	rs of DIF					
30 September	376,622,409	7.00	26,364	232,300,142	6.40	14,867
31 December*	421,606,411	7.00	29,512	280,706,919	6.50	18,246
Total distributions		14.00	55,876		12.90	33,113

<sup>\*</sup> Stapled securities issued under the December 2019 Equity Raising are not entitled to distributions for the quarter ended 31 December 2019. The distribution for the quarter ended 31 December 2018 includes \$2.0 million paid on stapled securities issued at cum-price under the December 2018 Entitlement Offer.

Finance Trust did not declare any distributions in its own right in the current or prior reporting periods.

#### Distribution Reinvestment Plan (DRP)

The REIT has established a Distribution Reinvestment Plan (DRP) under which securityholders may elect to have all or part of their distribution entitlements satisfied by the issues of new securities rather than being paid in cash.

The DRP issue price is determined at a discount of 1.0% to the daily volume weighted average price of all securities traded on the ASX during the 10 business days commencing on the third business day following the distribution record date. The REIT raised \$5.8 million from the DRP for 30 September 2019 allotted on 14 November 2019. An additional \$4.6 million is expected to be raised from the DRP for the 31 December 2019 distribution to be allotted on 14 February 2020.

#### **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Review and results of operations

The financial results of the REIT and LWR Finance Trust are summarised as follows:

	Charter Hall Long WALE REIT		LWI Finance	-
	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
Revenue (\$'000)	59,609	35,538	11,543	10,399
Statutory profit/(loss) for the half year (\$'000)	80,538	26,273	1,528	(3,312)
Basic earnings per stapled security (cents)	21.59	10.94	0.41	(1.38)
Operating earnings of the REIT (\$'000)	52,193	31,103	-	-
Operating earnings of the REIT per stapled security (cents)	13.99	12.94	-	-
Distributions (\$'000)	55,876	33,113	-	-
Distributions per stapled security (cents)	14.00	12.90	-	-

	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
Total assets (\$'000)	2,790,281	1,905,082	556,971	527,519
Total liabilities (\$'000)	616,416	583,627	574,969	547,045
Net assets attributable to securityholders (\$'000)	2,173,865	1,321,455	(17,998)	(19,526)
Stapled securities on issue ('000)	481,181	322,986	481,181	322,986
Net assets per stapled security (\$)	4.52	4.09	(0.04)	(0.06)
Balance sheet gearing - total debt (net of cash) to total assets (net of cash)	20.0%	27.5%		
Look through gearing - total debt (net of cash) to total assets (net of cash)	35.3%	34.3%		

The REIT recorded a statutory profit of \$80.5 million for the half year ended 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: \$26.3 million). Operating earnings amounted to \$52.2 million (14.0 cents per stapled security) for the half year ended 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: \$31.1 million) and distributions of \$55.9 million (14.0 cents per stapled security) were declared for the same period (31 December 2018: \$33.1 million or 12.9 cents per stapled security).

The table below sets out income and expenses that comprise operating earnings on a proportionate consolidation basis:

	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Net property income	74,862	48,094
Interest income	206	144
Fund management fees	(5,702)	(3,348)
Finance costs	(16,177)	(12,515)
Administration and other expenses	(996)	(1,272)
Operating earnings*	52,193	31,103

<sup>\*</sup> Further detail on Operating Earnings is contained in Note A1

Operating earnings is a financial measure which represents profit under Australian Accounting Standards adjusted for net fair value movements, non-cash accounting adjustments such as straight lining of rental income and amortisations and other unrealised or one-off items that are not in the ordinary course of business or are capital in nature.

The inclusion of operating earnings as a measure of the REIT's profitability provides investors with the same basis that is used internally for evaluating operating segment performance. Operating earnings is used by the Board to make strategic decisions and as a guide to assessing an appropriate distribution to declare.

#### **Directors' report (continued)**

Reconciliation of operating earnings to statutory profit is set out below:

	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Operating earnings	52,193	31,103
Net fair value gain on investment properties <sup>1</sup>	36,554	12,489
Net gains/(losses) on derivative financial instruments <sup>1</sup>	4,695	(2,849)
Net fair value gains on financial asset	35	84
Straightlining of rental income, amortisation of lease fees and incentives <sup>1</sup>	5,331	2,364
Acquisition related costs	(17,241)	(15,729)
Income support and development rebate	(1,029)	(1,189)
Statutory profit for the half year	80,538	26,273
Basic weighted average number of stapled securities ('000)	373,083	240,384
Basic earnings per stapled security (cents)	21.59	10.94
Operating earnings per stapled security (cents)	13.99	12.94

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes the REIT's proportionate share of non-operating items of equity accounted investments on a look through basis.

#### **Property valuation gains**

Valuation gains totalling \$83.3 million were recorded during the period (31 December 2018: \$30.7 million). These gains were partially offset by revaluation decrements attributable to acquisition costs of \$41.4 million (31 December 2018: \$15.8 million) and straightlining of rental income, amortisation of lease fees and incentives of \$5.3 million (31 December 2018: \$2.4 million).

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

#### **Equity Raising**

During August and September 2019, the REIT raised \$260.6 million of equity, issuing 50.1 million stapled securities at \$5.20 per stapled security to both institutional and retail investors. The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of an effective 24.5% interest in a national portfolio of 36 Telco Exchange Properties ("Telstra Portfolio") and a 100% interest in an A-grade office building in Upper Mount Gravatt, Brisbane QLD as well as associated transaction and capital raising costs.

In November 2019, the REIT raised \$241.9 million of equity, issuing 44.0 million stapled securities at \$5.50 per stapled security to both institutional and retail investors. The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of a 15% interest in the Global Headquarters of Telstra Corporation Limited at 242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne, a 50% interest in The Glasshouse 45-61 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park NSW and a 100% interest in Bunnings Palmerston, Darwin NT.

In December 2019, the REIT raised \$318.7 million of equity, issuing 59.6 million stapled securities at \$5.35 per stapled security to institutional investors. The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of an effective 24.5% interest in a national portfolio of 225 long WALE convenience retail properties leased to BP Australia Pty Ltd ("BP Portfolio") and a 50% interest in a property in Huntingwood, Sydney NSW leased to Arnott's Biscuits Pty Ltd.

#### **Acquisitions**

During the period, the REIT completed acquisition of the following assets:

	Acquisition date	Acquisition price \$'000
The Lee Harrack and Contract NOW	40/07/0040	
Thales, Homebush, Sydney NSW	10/07/2019	46,218
Telstra Portfolio (National) (24.5% interest) <sup>1</sup>	2/09/2019	348,885
ATO, Upper Mount Gravatt, Brisbane QLD	9/09/2019	63,597
Bunnings, Palmerston, Darwin NT <sup>2</sup>	14/11/2019	15,000
242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne VIC (15% interest) <sup>1</sup>	3/12/2019	124,500
BP Portfolio (National) (24.5% interest) <sup>1</sup>	19/12/2019	414,406
Arnott's, Huntingwood NSW (50% interest) <sup>3</sup>	27/12/2019	198,900
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Acquired interest in underlying property trust which holds the asset(s). Interest in 242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne VIC was acquired from related party.

In addition, the Fund paid \$8.3 million as a deposit under a Put and Call option agreement to complete the acquisition of a property under development at The Glasshouse 45-61 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park NSW for \$165.7 million. The Put and Call option agreement expires upon practical completion which is expected in March 2020.

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Asset under development, acquisition price relates to land only, total value on completion \$42.3 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This asset is held as a joint operation with a related party.

#### **Directors' report (continued)**

#### Debt arrangements and hedging

During the period, Finance Trust on behalf of the REIT, entered into a new unsecured \$100 million facility with an offshore lender maturing in November 2024. During the same period, Finance Trust on behalf of the REIT, restructured \$525 million interest rate swaps, reducing the fixed rate from a range between 1.35% - 2.54% p.a. to 1.10% p.a. - 1.79% p.a.

In September 2019, as part of the Telstra Portfolio transaction, a debt facility was established at the associate level with a total facility limit of \$385.0 million (CLW share \$192.5 million) and a three-year term, with an option to extend for an additional two years.

As part of the 242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne VIC transaction a debt facility was established at the joint venture level with a total facility limit of \$466.5 million (CLW share \$70.0 million) and a five-year term.

In December 2019, as part of the BP Portfolio transaction sale, a debt facility was established at the associate level with a total facility limit of \$450.0 million (CLW share \$225.0 million) and a five-year term.

There were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the REIT or Finance Trust that occurred during the period under review.

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

In January 2020, the REIT raised \$31.7 million of equity, issuing 5.9 million stapled securities at \$5.35 per stapled security to retail investors.

The Directors of the Responsible Entity are not aware of any other matter or circumstance not otherwise dealt with in this report or the annual consolidated financial statements that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the REIT or Finance Trust, the results of their operations or the state of affairs of the REIT or Finance Trust in future financial years.

#### Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out on page 8.

#### Rounding of Amounts

As permitted by ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 (as amended) issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the Directors' report and consolidated financial statements. Amounts in the Directors' report and consolidated financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

#### Directors' authorisation

The Directors' report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of Charter Hall WALE Limited. The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Directors on 10 February 2020. The Directors have the power to amend and re-issue the financial statements.

Peeyush Gupta AM Chairman

Sydney 10 February 2020



## Auditor's Independence Declaration

As lead auditor for the review of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and LWR Finance Trust for the half-year ended 31 December 2019, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- (a) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review; and
- (b) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT, which comprises Charter Hall Direct Industrial Fund and the entities it controlled during the period (DIF) and the LWR Finance Trust and its controlled entity (Finance Trust).

J A Dunning Partner

PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sydney 10 February 2020

## Consolidated statements of comprehensive income

For the half year ended 31 December 2019

		Charter Hall Long WALE REIT		LW Finance	
		6 months to	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to
		31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue					
Property income	A1	59,438	35,413	-	-
Interest income	A1	171	125	11,543	10,399
Total revenue		59,609	35,538	11,543	10,399
Other income					
Share of equity accounted profit		41,442	31,047	-	-
Net fair value gain on financial assets	В3	35	84	-	-
Net fair value gain on investment properties	B1	21,289	-	-	-
Total other income		62,766	31,131	-	-
Total revenue and other income		122,375	66,669	11,543	10,399
Expenses					
Property expenses		(9,021)	(5,664)	-	-
Fund management fees		(5,661)	(3,348)	(28)	(2)
Finance costs		(9,832)	(8,641)	(9,815)	(11,072)
Administration and other expenses		(926)	(1,223)	(13)	(9)
Net fair value loss on investment properties	B1	-	(3,163)	-	-
Net loss from derivative financial instruments		(159)	(2,628)	(159)	(2,628)
Acquisition related costs		(16,238)	(15,729)	-	-
Total expenses		(41,837)	(40,396)	(10,015)	(13,711)
Net profit / (loss) for the half year		80,538	26,273	1,528	(3,312)
Other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income / (loss)		80,538	26,273	1,528	(3,312)
Net profit / (loss) and Total comprehensive inco	me / (loss) a	ttributable to:			
DIF		79,010	27,678	-	-
Stapled Trusts other than DIF		1,528	(1,405)	1,528	(3,312)
		80,538	26,273	1,528	(3,312)
B					
Basic and diluted earnings / (loss) per ordinary startings per stapled security (cents)	securityholo A2	der 21.59	10.94	0.41	(1.38)
Earnings per unit of DIF / Finance Trust (cents)	A2	21.18	12.48		-
Lamings per unit of Dir 71 mance Trust (cents)	74	21.10	12.40	-	

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

## **Consolidated balance sheets**

As at 31 December 2019

		Charte		LW	
		Long WA		Finance	
	Notes	31 Dec 2019 \$'000	30 Jun 2019 \$'000	31 Dec 2019 \$'000	30 Jun 2019 \$'000
Assets					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents		10,115	6,413	1,471	1,053
Receivables		34,202	9,202	30	20
Other assets		9,722	3,120	-	-
Total current assets		54,039	18,735	1,501	1,073
Non-current assets					
Investment properties	B1	1,703,687	1,328,445	-	-
Investments accounted for using the equity method	B2	1,026,358	551,051	-	-
Intra-group facility receivable	C1	-	-	555,470	526,446
Investment in financial assets at fair value	В3	6,197	6,851	-	
Total non-current assets		2,736,242	1,886,347	555,470	526,446
Total assets		2,790,281	1,905,082	556,971	527,519
Liabilities					
Current liabilities					
Payables		5,509	12,154	323	385
Distribution payable	A2	29,512	22,932	-	-
Derivative financial instruments	C2	18	8,126	18	8,126
Other liabilities		6,871	2,033	-	
Total current liabilities		41,910	45,245	341	8,511
Non-current liabilities					
Borrowings	C1	563,829	525,017	563,951	525,169
Derivative financial instruments	C2	10,677	13,365	10,677	13,365
Total non-current liabilities		574,506	538,382	574,628	538,534
Total liabilities		616,416	583,627	574,969	547,045
Net assets / (liabilities)		2,173,865	1,321,455	(17,998)	(19,526
Equity					
Equity holders of DIF					
Contributed equity	C3	2,108,642	1,280,894	-	-
Retained profits		83,221	60,087	-	-
Parent entity interest		2,191,863	1,340,981	-	-
Equity holders of Finance Trust					
Contributed equity	C3	1,952	1,952	1,952	1,952
Retained profits / (losses)		(19,950)	(21,478)	(19,950)	(21,478
Equity holders of Finance Trust		(17,998)	(19,526)	(17,998)	(19,526

The above consolidated balance sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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## Consolidated statements of changes in equity

For the half year ended 31 December 2019

Balance at 31 December 2019

		Attributable to secu	rityholders of DIF	
		Contributed	Retained	
		equity	profits	Total
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2018		661,453	48,780	710,233
Total comprehensive income DIF's acquisition of Franklin Street		-	27,678	27,678
Property Trust ("FSPT")	C3	232,353	-	232,353
Contributions of equity, net of issue costs	C3	191,847	-	191,847
Distributions provided for or paid	A2	-	(33,113)	(33,113)
Balance at 31 December 2018		1,085,653	43,345	1,128,998
Balance at 1 July 2019		1,280,894	60,087	1,340,981
Total comprehensive income		-	79,010	79,010
Contributions of equity, net of issue costs	C3	827,748	-	827,748
Distributions provided for or paid	A2	· -	(55,876)	(55,876)
Balance at 31 December 2019		2,108,642	83,221	2,191,863
		Attributable to securityholders o	f Stapled Trusts o	ther than DIF
		Contributed	Retained	
		equity	profits	Total
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2018		174,175	56,012	230,187
Total comprehensive income		-	(1,405)	(1,405)
DIF's acquisition of FSPT		(172,223)	(60,187)	(232,410)
Balance at 31 December 2018		1,952	(5,580)	(3,628)
Balance at 1 July 2019		1,952	(21,478)	(19,526)
Total comprehensive income		-	1,528	1,528

		ers of LWR Finance	Trust	
		Contributed	Accumulated	
		equity	losses	Total
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at 1 July 2018		1,952	(2,318)	(366)
Total comprehensive income		-	(3,312)	(3,312)
Balance at 31 December 2018		1,952	(5,630)	(3,678)
Balance at 1 July 2019		1,952	(21,478)	(19,526)
Total comprehensive income		-	1,528	1,528
Balance at 31 December 2019		1,952	(19,950)	(17,998)

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

## **Consolidated cash flow statements**

For the half year ended 31 December 2019

	Charter Hall LWR		R	
	Long WA	LE REIT	Finance	Trust
	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities				
Property rental income received	65,543	34,802	-	-
Property expenses paid	(10,198)	(9,637)	-	-
Distributions received from investments accounted for using				
the equity method	18,430	14,795	-	-
Interest received	164	125	110	51
Finance costs paid	(9,434)	(8,265)	(9,434)	(8,264)
Fund management fees paid	(5,888)	(3,544)	(35)	(2)
Administration and other expenses paid	(1,416)	(1,929)	(50)	(29)
Net GST paid with respect to operating activities	(2,310)	(2,673)	-	17
Net cash flows from operating activities	54,891	23,674	(9,409)	(8,227)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Payments for investment properties	(383,162)	(447,654)	-	_
Payments for investments accounted for using the equity	, , ,	, , ,		
method	(471,657)	(28,965)	-	-
Settlement of interest rate swaps	(10,879)	-	(10,879)	-
Draws from income support fund	918	705	-	-
Repayment under Intra-Group Facility Agreement	-	-	(860,227)	(495,577)
Drawdowns under Intra-Group Facility Agreement	-	-	842,616	396,148
Receipts from sale of investments properties	-	173,730	-	-
Payments for disposal of income support fund	-	7,711	-	-
Acquisition and disposal related costs		(666)		(666)
Net cash flows from investing activities	(864,780)	(295,139)	(28,490)	(100,095)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from issue of securities, net of equity raising costs	812,791	192,227	-	-
Distributions paid to securityholders, net of DRP	(37,517)	(30,664)	-	-
Proceeds from borrowings (net of borrowing costs)	340,217	475,379	340,217	475,370
Repayment of borrowings	(301,900)	(365,500)	(301,900)	(365,500)
Net cash flows from financing activities	813,591	271,442	38,317	109,870
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,702	(23)	418	1,548
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the half year	6,413	5,515	1,053	175
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the half year	10,115	5,492	1,471	1,723

The above consolidated cash flow statements should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## **About this report**

The notes to these consolidated financial statements include additional information which is required to understand the operations, performance and financial position of the REIT. They are organised in four key sections:

- A. REIT performance provides key metrics used to measure financial performance.
- B. Property portfolio assets explains the investment property portfolio structure.
- **C.** Capital structure details of the REIT's structure.
- **D. Further information –** provides additional disclosures relevant in understanding the REIT's financial statements.

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#### A. REIT performance

This section provides additional information on the key financial metrics used to define the results and performance of the REIT, including: operating earnings by segment, distributions and earnings per stapled security.

Operating earnings is a financial measure which represents profit under Australian Accounting Standards adjusted for net fair value movements, non-cash accounting adjustments such as straight lining of rental income and amortisations and other unrealised or one-off items that are not in the ordinary course of business or are capital in nature.

The inclusion of operating earnings as a measure of the REIT's profitability provides investors with the same basis that is used internally for evaluating operating segment performance. Operating earnings is used by the Board to make strategic decisions and as a guide to assessing an appropriate distribution to declare.

#### A1. Segment information

#### (a) Description of segments

The Directors of the Responsible Entity have determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the chief operating decision maker, being the Board of the Responsible Entity. The REIT has one operating segment being its Australian operations.

#### (b) Segment information provided to the Board

The operating earnings reported to the Board for the half year ended 31 December 2019 are as follows:

	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Property lease revenue	56,859	34,360
Services income	2,579	1,054
Property income	59,438	35,414
Income support and development rebate	1,029	1,189
Non-cash adjustments	(4,529)	(1,915)
Property expenses	(9,021)	(5,664)
Net property income from wholly owned properties (NPI)	46,917	29,024
Share of operating earnings from investments accounted for using equity method	21,524	15,166
Interest income	171	125
Fund management fees	(5,661)	(3,348)
Finance costs	(9,832)	(8,641)
Administration and other expenses	(926)	(1,223)
Operating earnings	52,193	31,103
Weighted average number of stapled securities	373,083	240,384
Operating earnings per stapled security (cents)	13.99	12.94

#### Services income

Services income principally includes non-lease income derived under lease agreements with tenants. Non-lease income relates to the proportion of property operating costs which are recoverable from tenants in accordance with lease agreements and relevant legislative acts.

The operating earnings on a proportionate consolidation basis are set out below:

	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Net property income	74,862	48,094
Interest income	206	144
Fund management fees	(5,702)	(3,348)
Finance costs	(16,177)	(12,515)
Administration and other expenses	(996)	(1,272)
Operating earnings	52,193	31,103

#### A. REIT performance (continued)

The reconciliation between operating earnings to statutory profit is set out below:

	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000
Operating earnings	52,193	31,103
Net fair value gain on investment properties <sup>1</sup>	36,554	12,489
Net gains/(losses) on derivative financial instruments <sup>1</sup>	4,695	(2,849)
Net fair value gains on financial asset	35	84
Straightlining of rental income, amortisation of lease fees and incentives <sup>1</sup>	5,331	2,364
Acquisition related costs	(17,241)	(15,729)
Income support and development rebate	(1,029)	(1,189)
Statutory profit for the half year	80,538	26,273

<sup>1</sup> Includes the REIT's proportionate share of non-operating items of equity accounted investments on a look through basis.

#### A2. Distributions and earnings per security

#### (a) Distributions paid and payable

		31 Dec 2	019		31 Dec 2	2018
	Number of	Cents		Number of	Cents	
	securities on issue	per security	\$'000	securities on issue	per security	\$'000
Ordinary securityholders	of DIF					
30 September	376,622,409	7.00	26,364	232,300,142	6.40	14,867
31 December*	421,606,411	7.00	29,512	280,706,919	6.50	18,246
Total distributions		14.00	55,876		12.90	33,113

<sup>\*</sup> Stapled securities issued under the December 2019 Equity Raising are not entitled to distributions for the quarter ended 31 December 2019. The distribution for the quarter ended 31 December 2018 includes \$2.0 million paid on stapled securities issued at cum-price under the December 2018 Entitlement Offer.

No distributions were paid or declared during the period by LWR Finance Trust.

Pursuant to the REIT's constitutions, the amount distributed to securityholders is at the discretion of the Responsible Entity. The Responsible Entity uses operating earnings as a guide to assessing an appropriate distribution to declare.

#### Earnings per stapled security

	Charter Hall Long WALE REIT		LW	LWR	
			Finance Trust		
	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to	
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	
Basic and diluted earnings					
Earnings/(loss) per stapled security (cents)	21.59	10.94	0.41	(1.38)	
Operating earnings of the REIT per stapled security (cents)	13.99	12.94	N/A	N/A	
Earnings of the parent entity (cents)^	21.18	12.48	-	-	
Earnings used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per stapled security					
Net profit/(loss) for the period (\$'000)	80,538	26,273	1,528	(3,312)	
Net profit/(loss) of the parent entity for the period (\$'000)	79,010	27,678	(41)	(12)	
Operating earnings of the REIT for the period (\$'000) Weighted average number of stapled securities used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per stapled security	52,193	31,103	N/A	N/A	
('000)	373,083	240,384	373,083	240,384	

<sup>^</sup> Takes into account conversion of each security issued by DIF into approximately 0.75 securities on 22 August 2018 .

Basic and diluted earnings per unit is determined by dividing statutory profit attributable to the stapled securityholders by the weighted average number of stapled securities on issue during the period.

Operating earnings per stapled security is determined by dividing operating earnings attributable to the stapled securityholders by the weighted average number of stapled securities on issue during the period.

## **B. Property portfolio assets**

The REIT's property portfolio assets comprise directly held investment properties, indirectly held interests in investment property held through joint ventures, associates and investments in financial assets at fair value. Investment properties comprise investment interests in land and buildings held for long term rental yields.

The following table summarises the property portfolio assets detailed in this section.

	Note	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
		\$'000	\$'000
Investment properties	B1	1,703,687	1,328,445
Investments accounted for using the equity method	B2	1,026,358	551,051
Investment in financial asset at fair value	B3	6,197	6,851
Total property portfolio assets		2,736,242	1,886,347

The valuation policies stated in B1 also apply to property held in joint operations (B1) and joint ventures and associates (B2).

#### **B1. Investment properties**

Reconciliation of the carrying amount of investment properties at the beginning and end of the period

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		6 months to	Year to
		31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
	Notes	\$'000	\$'000
Carrying amount at the beginning of the period		1,328,445	855,564
Additions		326,554	565,299
Acquisition and disposal costs incurred		22,870	22,512
Disposals		-	(135,000)
Revaluation increment		48,688	42,582
Revaluation decrement attributable to acquisition costs, straightlining of rental income and amortisation of incentives and leasing fees		(27,399)	(27,803)
Straightlining of rental income and amortisation of incentives and leasing fees		4,529	5,291
Carrying amount at the end of the period		1,703,687	1,328,445

#### B. Property portfolio assets (continued)

#### B2. Investments accounted for using the equity method

The REIT accounts for investments in joint venture entities and associates using the equity method. The REIT exercises joint control over the joint venture entities, but neither the REIT nor its joint venture partners have control in their own right, irrespective of their ownership interest. An associate is an entity over which the REIT has significant influence. The principal activity of all joint venture entities and associates during the period was property investment.

Management regularly reviews equity accounted investments for impairment by reference to changes in circumstances or contractual arrangements, external independent property valuations and market conditions, using generally accepted market practices. When a recoverable amount is estimated through a value in use calculation, critical judgements and estimates are made regarding future cash flows and an appropriate discount rate.

Information relating to the investments accounted for using the equity method is detailed below:

		31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
Name of entity	Properties	Ownership %	Ownership %	\$'000	\$'000
Perth RDC Trust	Coles, Perth WA	49.9%	49.9%	141,645	124,199
LWIP	ALH (National Portfolio)	49.9%	49.9%	245,734	233,456
CH DC Fund	Woolworths, Dandenong VIC	26.0%	26.0%	63,687	61,742
Kogarah Trust	Westpac, Kogarah NSW	50.1%	50.1%	111,809	105,804
CH BBD Trust	Brisbane Bus Depot, Brisbane QLD	50.0%	50.0%	26,552	25,850
Charter Hall Exchange Wholesale Trust*	49% in Telstra Portfolio (National Portfolio)	50.0%	-	167,158	-
CH 242 Exhibition Street Holding Trust	242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne VIC	15.0%	-	61,445	-
CH Dartmoor Wholesale Fund*	49% in BP Portfolio (National Portfolio)	50.0%	-	208,328	-
				1,026,358	551,051

<sup>\*</sup> Investment in associate.

#### B3. Investments in financial assets at fair value

	6 months to	Year to
	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Balance at the beginning of the period	6,851	15,661
Withdrawals	(689)	(1,244)
Disposals	-	(7,711)
Net fair value gains on financial asset	35	145
Balance at the end of the period	6,197	6,851

In determining fair values of investments in financial assets at fair value, management has considered the nature, characteristics and risks of its investments in financial assets at fair value as well as the level of the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of the financial asset is the REIT's share of the fair value of the escrow account purchased in the acquisition of the property at ATO, Adelaide SA.

#### **B4. Commitments and contingent liabilities**

As at 31 December 2019, the REIT had a commitment of \$26.3 million to fund the development at Bunnings Palmerston, Darwin NT with expected practical completion in late 2020 and a further \$3.7 million of other capital commitments (31 December 2018: \$16.0 million of capital commitments).

In addition, the REIT entered into a Put and Call option agreement to complete the acquisition of a property under development at The Glasshouse 45-61 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park NSW for \$165.7 million. The Put and Call option agreement expires upon practical completion which is expected in March 2020.

The REIT's share in the commitments and contingent liabilities of joint venture and associate entities is \$7.9 million (31 December 2018: nil).

The Finance Trust had no commitments or contingent liabilities at 31 December 2019 (31 December 2018: nil).

#### C. Capital structure

#### C1. Borrowings and liquidity

#### (a) Borrowings

All borrowings are classified as non-current liabilities as they have maturities greater than 12 months.

	31 Dec 20	019	30 Jun 2019	
	Total carrying amount	Fair value	Total carrying amount	Fair value
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Bank loan - term debt	566,700	567,378	527,800	530,860
Unamortised borrowing cost	(2,871)	-	(2,783)	-
Total	563,829	567,378	525,017	530,860
Balance available for drawing	213.300		152,200	

#### **Bank loans**

	Maturity Date	Facility limit	Utilised amount	Facility limit	Utilised amount
		at 31 Dec 2019	at 31 Dec 2019	at 30 Jun 2019	at 30 Jun 2019
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Syndicated bank facility	February 2023	480,000	466,700	480,000	475,200
Bilateral facility	August 2023	100,000	-	100,000	25,100
Bilateral facility	July 2024	100,000	-	100,000	27,500
Bilateral facility	November 2024	100,000	100,000	-	<u>-</u> _
		780,000	566,700	680,000	527,800

#### **Intra-Group Facility Agreement**

	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Loans receivable under IGFA		
Charter Hall Direct Industrial Fund	555,470	526,446
	555,470	526,446

On 10 November 2016, Finance Trust entered an Intra-Group Facility Agreement (IGFA) with the other Stapled Trusts. This agreement expires in November 2021. On 28 December 2018, the Intra-Group Facility Agreement (IGFA) was amended to reflect the REIT's new simplified structure and the acquisition of the Ingham's portfolio on 28 December 2018 held by LWR AL Holding Trust, a subsidiary of DIF.

Interest rates under the IGFA are variable and reset periodically. As at 31 December 2019, the interest rate under the IGFA was 4.50% (30 June 2019: 4.50%) per annum.

#### **Borrowing in Joint Ventures and Associates**

As at balance date, LWIP has a \$170.0 million syndicated debt facility and \$200.0 million US Private Placement (USPP) notes. The syndicated debt facility matures in December 2023 and USPP notes mature in May 2027.

As part of the BCC Bus Network Terminal, Eagle Farm, Brisbane, QLD transaction, a debt facility was established at the joint venture level with a total facility limit of \$51.3 million (CLW share \$25.6 million) and a 5 year term maturing in May 2024.

Charter Hall Exchange Wholesale Trust has a \$385.0 million (CLW share \$192.5 million) debt facility with a 3 year term maturing in September 2022, with an option to extend by additional 2 years.

CH 242 Exhibition Street Holding Trust has a \$466.5 million (CLW share \$70.0 million) syndicated debt facility with a 5 year term maturing in August 2024.

CH Dartmoor Wholesale Fund has a \$450.0 million (CLW share \$225.0 million) syndicated debt facility with a 5 year term maturing in December 2024.

## **C.** Capital structure (continued)

#### (b) Finance costs

	Charter Hall Long WALE REIT		LWR	
			Finance Trust	
	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to	6 months to
	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Finance costs incurred on financial instruments:				
- At amortised cost	8,500	8,383	8,483	9,365
- At amortised cost - related party*	-	-	-	1,449
- Fair value through profit and loss	1,332	258	1,332	258
	9,832	8,641	9,815	11,072

<sup>\*</sup> Relates to costs incurred under IGFA.

#### **C2.** Derivative financial instruments

Amounts reflected in the financial statements are as follows:

Balance Sheet	31 Dec 2019		30 Jun 2019	
	Asset \$'000	Liability \$'000	Asset \$'000	Liability \$'000
Interest rate swaps	-	18	-	8,126
Total current derivative financial instruments	-	18	-	8,126
Non-current				
Interest rate swaps	-	10,677	-	13,365
Total non-current derivative financial instruments	-	10,677	-	13,365
Total derivative financial assets/liabilities	-	10,695	-	21,491

#### (a) Valuation techniques used to derive level 2 fair values

Derivatives are classified as level 2 on the fair value hierarchy as the inputs used to determine fair value are observable market data but not quoted prices.

The fair value of interest rate swaps is calculated as the present value of the estimated future cash flows.

Credit value adjustments are calculated based on the counterparty's credit risk using the counterparty's credit default swap curve as a benchmark. Debit value adjustments are calculated based on the REIT's credit risk using debt financing available to the REIT as a benchmark.

#### C. Capital structure (continued)

#### C3. Contributed equity

		Charter Hall Long WALE REIT		LWR Finance Trust	
		6 months to	Year to	6 months to	Year to
		31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019	31 Dec 2019	30 Jun 2019
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Details	No. of				
	Securities				
Securities on issue - 1 July 2018	232,300,142		661,453		1,952
Securities issued to fund acquisition of FSPT	75,618,617		232,409	-	-
Change in number of securities after	(75,618,617)		-	-	-
Securities issued via equity raise, net of issue costs	88,491,166		377,542	-	-
Securities issued via DRP	2,195,112		9,490	-	-
Securities on issue - 30 June 2019	322,986,420	1,280,894	1,280,894	1,952	1,952
Securities issued via equity raise, net of issue costs	156,017,380	815,970		-	
Securities issued via DRP	2,176,874	11,778		-	
Securities on issue - 31 December 2019	481,180,674	2,108,642		1,952	
Balance at the end of the period attributable					
DIF	481,180,674	2,108,642	1,278,942	-	-
Finance Trust	481,180,674	1,952	1,952	1,952	1,952

As stipulated in the REIT's constitutions, each security represents a right to an individual share in the REIT and does not extend to a right to the underlying assets of the REIT. There are no separate classes of securities and each unit has the same rights attaching to it as all other units in the REIT.

Each stapled security confers the right to vote at meetings of securityholders, subject to any voting restrictions imposed on a securityholder under the *Corporations Act 2001* and the Australian Securities Exchange Listing Rules.

#### Distribution reinvestment plan (DRP)

The REIT has established a Distribution Reinvestment Plan (DRP) under which securityholders may elect to have all or part of their distribution entitlements satisfied by the issues of new securities rather than being paid in cash.

The DRP issue price is determined at a discount of 1.0% to the daily volume weighted average price of all securities traded on the ASX during the 10 business days commencing on the third business day following the distribution record date. The REIT raised \$5.8 million from the DRP for 30 September 2019 allotted on 14 November 2019. An additional \$4.6 million is expected to be raised from the DRP for the 31 December 2019 distribution to be allotted on 14 February 2020.

#### Equity raising

During August and September 2019, the REIT raised \$260.6 million of equity, issuing 50.1 million stapled securities at \$5.20 per stapled security to both institutional and retail investors. The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of an effective 24.5% interest in a national portfolio of 36 Telco Exchange Properties ("Telstra Portfolio") and a 100% interest in an A-grade office building in Upper Mount Gravatt, Brisbane QLD as well as associated transaction and capital raising costs.

In November 2019, the REIT raised \$241.9 million of equity, issuing 44.0 million stapled securities at \$5.50 per stapled security to both institutional and retail investors. The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of a 15% interest in the Global Headquarters of Telstra Corporation Limited at 242 Exhibition Street, Melbourne, a 50% interest in The Glasshouse 45-61 Waterloo Road, Macquarie Park NSW and a 100% interest in Bunnings Palmerston, Darwin NT.

In December 2019, the REIT raised \$318.7 million of equity, issuing 59.6 million stapled securities at \$5.35 per stapled security to institutional investors. The proceeds were used to fund the acquisition of an effective 24.5% interest a national portfolio of 225 long WALE convenience retail properties leased to BP Australia Pty Ltd ("BP Portfolio") and a 50% interest in a property in Huntingwood, Sydney leased to Arnott's Biscuits Pty Ltd.

#### D. Further Information

#### D1. Events occurring after balance date

In January 2020, the REIT raised \$31.7 million of equity, issuing 5.9 million stapled securities at \$5.35 per stapled security to retail investors.

The Directors of the Responsible Entity are not aware of any other matter or circumstance not otherwise dealt with in this report or the annual consolidated financial statements that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the REIT or Finance Trust, the results of their operations or the state of affairs of the REIT or Finance Trust in future financial years.

#### D2. Other significant accounting policies

#### (a) Basis of preparation

The interim financial report of the Charter Hall Long WALE REIT comprises Charter Hall Direct Industrial Fund, LWR Finance Trust and their respective controlled entities.

These general purpose consolidated financial statements for the half year ended 31 December 2019 have been prepared in accordance with the REIT's and Finance Trust's constitutions, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Act 2001*. The REIT is a for-profit entity for the purpose of preparing the consolidated financial statements. The consolidated financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the REIT's functional and presentation currency.

The interim financial report does not include all notes normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report should be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2019 and any public announcements made by the Charter Hall Long WALE REIT during the half year ended 31 December 2019 in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim financial report are consistent with those of the previous financial year.

#### (b) Net asset deficiency in Finance Trust

At 31 December 2019, the Finance Trust has a net deficiency of total assets over total liabilities of \$18.0 million (30 June 2019: \$19.5 million). The Finance Trust will be able to meet their day-to-day working capital requirements from readily accessible credit facilities of \$213.3 million and operating cashflows.

Based on the facts set out above, the results and cash flows, there are reasonable grounds for the Finance Trust to believe they will be able to meet their debts as and when they become due and payable and accordingly the financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

#### (c) Comparative information

Where necessary, comparative information has been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation in the current period.

#### (d) Rounding of amounts

Under the option provided by ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 (as amended) issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission relating to the 'rounding off' of amounts in the financial statements, amounts in the REIT's and Finance Trust's consolidated financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with that Class Order, unless otherwise indicated.

#### (e) Impact of new standards and interpretations issued and adopted by the REIT and Finance Trust

The REIT and Finance Trust adopted AASB 16 *Leases* from 1 July 2019. The REIT and Finance Trust have elected to utilise the retrospective transitional concessions. There is no material impact on the REIT's or Finance Trust's financial statements upon adopting the new standard.

#### Directors' declaration to stapled securityholders

In the opinion of the Directors of Charter Hall WALE Limited, the Responsible Entity of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and LWR Finance Trust:

- a the consolidated financial statements and notes set out on pages 9 to 22 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act* 2001, including:
  - i complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - ii giving a true and fair view of the REIT's and LWR Finance Trust's financial position as at 31 December 2019 and of its performance for the half year ended on that date; and
- b there are reasonable grounds to believe that the REIT and LWR Finance Trust will be able to pay their debts as and when they become due and payable.

Note D3(a) confirms that the consolidated financial statements also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The Directors have been given declarations by the Fund Manager, who performs the Chief Executive Officer function, and the Head of Finance, who performs the Chief Financial Officer function, required by section 295A of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors.

Peeyush Gupta AM

Director

Sydney

10 February 2020



# Independent auditor's review report to the stapled securityholders of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and LWR Finance Trust

#### Report on the half-year financial reports

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial reports of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and LWR Finance Trust, which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as at 31 December 2019, the consolidated statements of comprehensive income, consolidated statements of changes in equity and consolidated cash flow statements for the half-year ended on that date, selected other explanatory notes and the directors' declaration to stapled securityholders.

The Charter Hall Long WALE REIT (the REIT) comprises Charter Hall Direct Industrial Fund and the entities it controlled during the period (DIF) and LWR Finance Trust and its controlled entity (Finance Trust).

## Directors of the Responsible Entity's responsibility for the half-year financial reports

The directors of the Responsible Entity of the Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and LWR Finance Trust are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial reports that give a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors of the Responsible Entity determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial reports that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial reports based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Australian Auditing Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity*, in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial reports are not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the REIT's and Finance Trust's financial position as at 31 December 2019 and their performance for the half-year ended on that date; and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*. As the auditor of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and the LWR Finance Trust, ASRE 2410 requires that we comply with the ethical requirements relevant to the audit of the annual financial reports.

A review of a half-year financial report consists of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

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#### Independence

In conducting our review, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

#### Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial reports of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT and LWR Finance Trust are not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including:

- 1. giving a true and fair view of Charter Hall Long WALE REIT's and LWR Finance Trust's financial position as at 31 December 2019 and of their performance for the half-year ended on that date;
- 2. complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

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J A Dunning Partner Sydney 10 February 2020