

# Independent auditor's review report

To the shareholders of The Warehouse Group Limited

## Report on the interim financial statements

#### Our conclusion

We have reviewed the interim financial statements of The Warehouse Group Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries (the Group), which comprise the consolidated balance sheet as at 30 January 2022, and the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the period ended on that date, and significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying interim financial statements of the Group do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Group as at 30 January 2022, and its financial performance and cash flows for the 26 weeks period then ended, in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting (IAS 34) and New Zealand Equivalent to International Accounting Standard 34 Interim Financial Reporting (NZ IAS 34).

#### **Basis for conclusion**

We conducted our review in accordance with the New Zealand Standard on Review Engagements 2410 (Revised) *Review of Financial Statements Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity* (NZ SRE 2410 (Revised)). Our responsibility is further described in the *Auditor's responsibility for the review of the interim financial statements* section of our report.

We are independent of the Group in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements in New Zealand relating to the audit of the annual financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these ethical requirements. In addition to our role as auditor, our firm carries out other services for the Group in the areas of executive remuneration and long-term incentive analysis, provision of the 2021 executive reward report, access to general training materials, agreed upon procedures at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting and over the calculations of the Negative Pledge Agreement and a tax audit for an overseas subsidiary. In addition, certain partners and employees of our firm may deal with the Group on normal terms within the ordinary course of trading activities of the Group. These relationships and other services have not impaired our independence.

### Directors' responsibility for the interim financial statements

The Directors of the Company are responsible on behalf of the Company for the preparation and fair presentation of these interim financial statements in accordance with IAS 34 and NZ IAS 34 and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of interim financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

## Auditor's responsibility for the review of the interim financial statements

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the interim financial statements based on our review. NZ SRE 2410 (Revised) requires us to conclude whether anything has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim financial statements, taken as a whole, are not prepared in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34 and NZ IAS 34.

A review of interim financial statements in accordance with NZ SRE 2410 (Revised) is a limited assurance engagement. We perform procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures.



The procedures performed in a review are substantially less than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we might identify in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these interim financial statements.

### Who we report to

This report is made solely to the Company's shareholders, as a body. Our review work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's shareholders those matters which we are required to state to them in our review report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the shareholders, as a body, for our review procedures, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

The engagement partner on the review resulting in this independent auditor's review report is Lisa Crooke.

For and on behalf of:

Chartered Accountants 21 March 2022

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