



Australian Education Trust

Financial Results to
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▶ Return to Positive Operating Conditions

■ Trust Operating Performance

- Upgraded FY11 Net Operating Profit forecast of \$9.5-\$10.25m
- 1H11 Net Operating Profit of \$4.2 million up 68% compared to pcp
- New finance facility reduces the all-in-cost of debt from 10.7% to 8.9%
- Commencement of distributions for quarter ending 31 March 2011
- Saving of \$1.7m in interest from early repayment of US Noteholders
- Upgraded distribution guidance of 4.3 cpu for the 6 months to 30 June
- Reduced gearing to 49.3% through repayment of borrowings

■ Business Conditions Improving

- New 3 year banking facility to top tier domestic banks
- Prospect of strengthening property valuations
- Industry, but importantly GoodStart's financial performance on track & encouraging
- Recognition of social infrastructure by wider financial community as a resilient and specialist field



▶ Return to Positive Operating Conditions

■ Industry Conditions

- Childcare/Early Learning industry continues to strengthen
- Industry occupancy level 76%
- Clear evidence of a rebound in business profitability & business values
- Government policy on growing employment expected to be a stimulus for childcare/early learning
- Government support remains strong for sector
- Total spend on pre-school learning including childcare as a % of GDP, Australia ranks 24th.

■ Value Focus

- Unit price recovery, a validation of the de-risking program and improved confidence in AET
- Increasing new investor activity, including institutional investor interest
- Management focus on enhancing Unitholder value

Overview – Portfolio Summary



Table 1: Portfolio Summary

- 193 leases to GoodStart – Industry First ‘pooled’ bank guarantee of approx \$12.9 million extending to 2035
- Spread of risk – 26 tenants
- Proven book values based on recent valuations
- WALE of 10.3 years
- Vacancy of 1.2% (excluding development sites)
- Operating properties includes 31 leasehold properties with a value of \$19.3 million

	No of Properties	Carrying Value \$m's	Current Rent (pa) \$m's
Operating Properties			
GoodStart	193	219.3	21.2
ABC New Zealand (not in administration)	56	40.8	3.4 ¹
Other Tenants	77	82.5	8.5
	326	342.5	33.1
Development Sites – Available for sale			
Australia	3	1.6	-
New Zealand	1	0.1	-
Closed Properties			
Available for Sale/Lease	4	1.9	-
Operating Properties			
Contracted/Settled subsequent to 31 December 2010	1	1.0	-
Total Properties as at 31 December 2010	335	347.1	33.1
<small>¹: New Zealand dollar values are translated using the 31 December 2011 exchange rate of 1.32</small>			

Financial Results – Profit & Loss



Table 2: Consolidated Income Statement

Half year ending 31 Dec (\$m's)	2010	2009
Revenue		
Lease income	16.5	16.6
Property outgoings recoverable	2.5	2.2
Other income	0.4	0.3
	19.4	19.1
Expenses		
Finance costs	9.9	10.3
Property expenses	3.8	3.5
Responsible entity's remuneration	0.9	1.2
Legal expenses	0.1	1.0
Other expenses	0.5	0.6
	15.2	16.6
Net Operating Income	4.2	2.5

- Net operating income increased by \$1.7 million to \$4.2 million
- Improvement in performance driven through reduction in operating expenditure as fund returns to normal operations
- Reduction in finance costs reflects lower level of borrowings although this was offset by higher cost to Dec 2010
- No significant legal expense compared with \$1.0 million in prior period

Financial Results – Profit & Loss (Continued)



Table 3: Consolidated Income Statement

- Revaluations of 6 Australian and 14 New Zealand properties related in a \$1.4 million decrement largely driven by New Zealand currency movements

- Refinancing of foreign currency borrowings resulted in realised foreign exchange losses of \$2.7 million and realised losses on termination of derivative contracts of \$1.5m million. Only \$0.7 million was a cash loss

Half year ending 31 Dec (\$m's)	2010	2009
Net operating income	4.2	2.5
Realised gains / (losses) on sale of investment properties	(0.2)	(0.4)
Net revaluation decrement of investment properties	(1.4)	(6.1)
Waiver / Consent Fee on Debt Refinancing	-	(2.6)
Change in fair value of financial derivatives	-	(4.9)
Realised / unrealised foreign exchange gains / (losses)	(2.7)	11.1
Realised losses on early termination of derivative contracts	(1.5)	(5.5)
Lease incentive / straight line rental adjustments	-	1.0
Other	-	(0.1)
Net profit / (loss) attributable to Unitholders	(1.6)	(5.0)

Financial Results



Table 4: Financial Comparison June 2010-December 2010

	Dec 2010	June 2010	Variance
Total Assets	\$353.5m	\$369.0m	(4.0%)
Investment Property	\$347.1m	\$352.3m	(1.3%)
Borrowings	\$171.0m	\$179.4m ¹	(1.9%)
Net Assets	\$180.8m	\$183.3m	(1.0%)
Number of Properties	335	340	(1.5%)
Gearing ²	49.3%	50.9%	(1.6%)
Units on Issue as at End of Period	134.9m	134.9m	No Change
NTA per unit	\$1.34	\$1.36	(1.5%)

¹ Based on conversion of foreign currency borrowings at hedged exchange rates

² Gearing is calculated by borrowings / investment properties.

- Stability returning to the balance sheet with no further debt amortisation targets
- Total assets decreased by \$15.5 million due to reduction in cash and sale of 5 properties
- Cash balance reduced as cash was used for debt repayments and re-financing payments
- Gearing reduced to 49%

Capital Management

▶ The key commercial terms of AET's facility are as follows:



Table 5: Debt Facility Key Commercial Terms

Facility Limit	\$180 million (reducible at AET's option)
Drawn Amount	\$171 million as at 31 December 2010
Facility Term	3 Years
Financiers	NAB & ANZ (50% equal share)
Security	First ranking mortgages over each freehold property
Margins	Scale of margins dependant upon AET's LVR position
Maximum Loan to Value Ratio	55% of Freehold & 50% of Leasehold Interests
Financial Charges Ratio	Not to be less than 1.4x for FY11 and 1.6x for FY12 and beyond measured on a six monthly basis
Alternate Use Ratio	Debt is not to exceed 100% of Alternate Use Values for portfolio
Interest Rate Hedging	Requirement to enter into interest rate hedging arrangements with the Lenders for a minimum 70% of facility limit

- **Key advantages include:**

- Significant cost reduction of debt funding
- Removal of non-cash foreign currency adjustments in financial statements
- Lenders familiar with childcare sector
- Security Trust Structure allows for cost effective introduction of new lenders

Portfolio Performance



Table 6: AET Portfolio Performance

	Dec 2010	June 2010
Value of Investment Property (Operating Properties)	\$342.5m	\$346.5m
Annualised Net Rental Income	\$33.1m	\$32.7m
Property Yield – Freehold Properties	9.1%	8.9%
Property Yield – Leasehold Properties	14.8%	13.6%
Total Property Yield	9.4%	9.2%
Vacancy Rate (excluding development sites)	1.0%	1.8%
% GoodStart Tenancy (by number of properties)	58.7%	58.7%
Gearing ¹	49.3%	50.9%
Weighted Average Lease Expiry (“WALE”)	10.3	10.8
Units on Issue	134.9m	134.9m
NTA per unit	\$1.34	\$1.36

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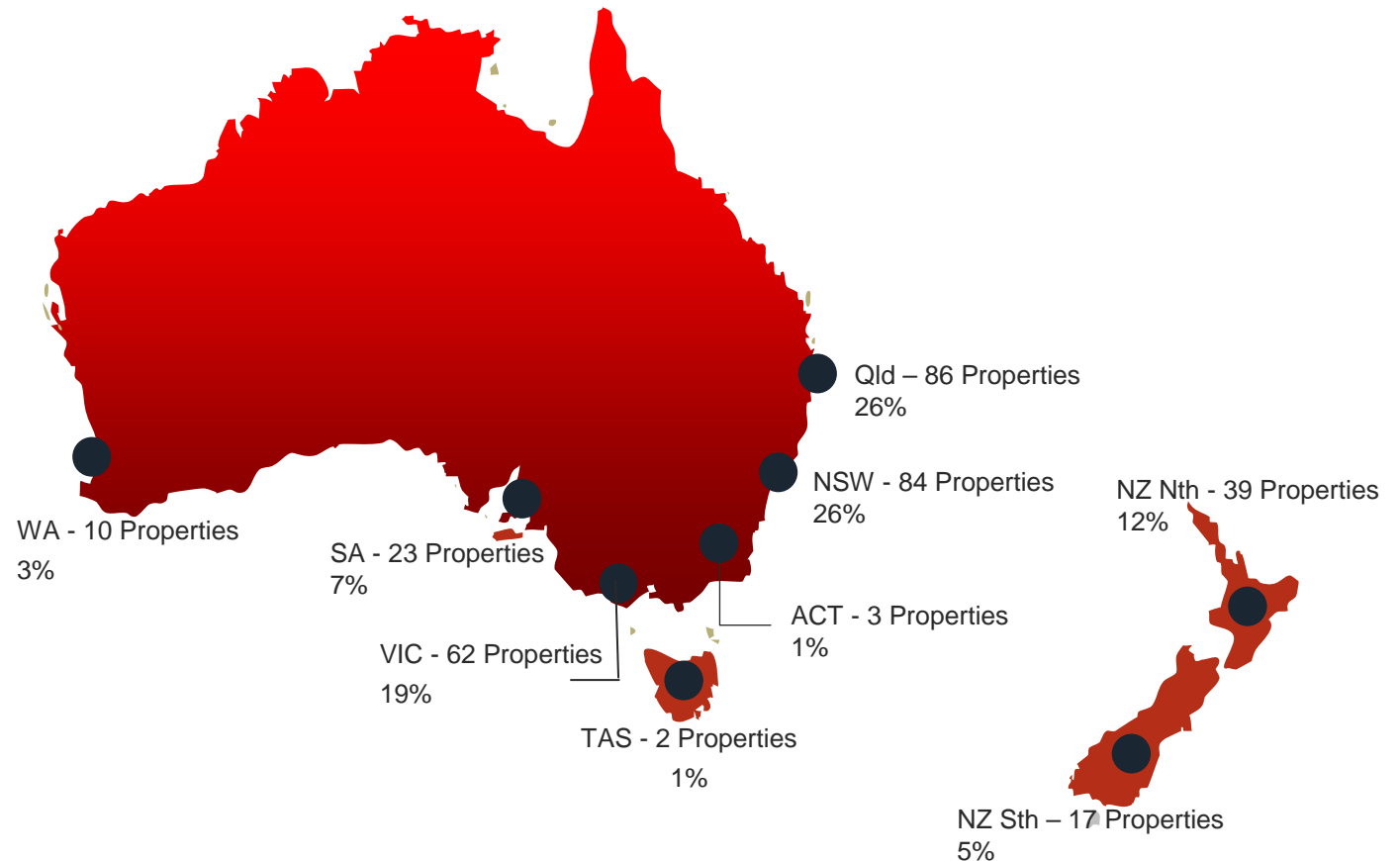
- Key performance criteria highlights stable nature of portfolio
- Decrease in Investment Properties due to the sale of 5 properties
- Minimal movement in property yields over the six months to December 2010

Geographic Distribution



Figure 1: Geographic Distribution

- 326 operating properties 270 in Australia and 56 New Zealand
- Broad geographic spread minimising risk
- Properties are typically standalone and purpose built childcare properties
- Properties located at high flow-through traffic locations primarily in metropolitan and major regional areas
- Real estate market strong as evidenced by recent property sales



Lease Structure & Vacancy Profile



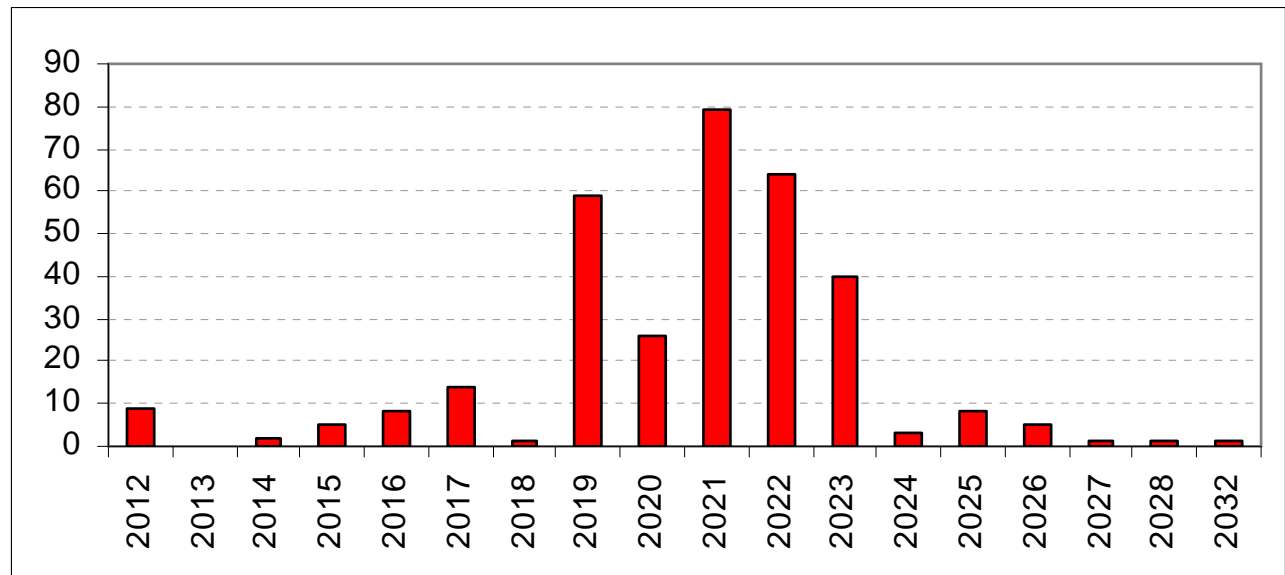
Lease Structure

- Triple Net Lease Structure
- Average Lease Term 15 Years
- Rental growth indexed annually to CPI
- Almost all leases have a 5 year notice period regarding option take-up
- Refurbishment provision every 5 years
- Operating properties – 295 Freehold, 31 Leasehold

Occupancy Profile

- Existing vacancy of 1%
- 2012 potential vacancy includes rent flow to 2014
- No significant vacancy until 2019
- Weighted Average Lease Expiry of 10.3 years at 31 December 2010

Figure 2: Lease Expiry Schedule



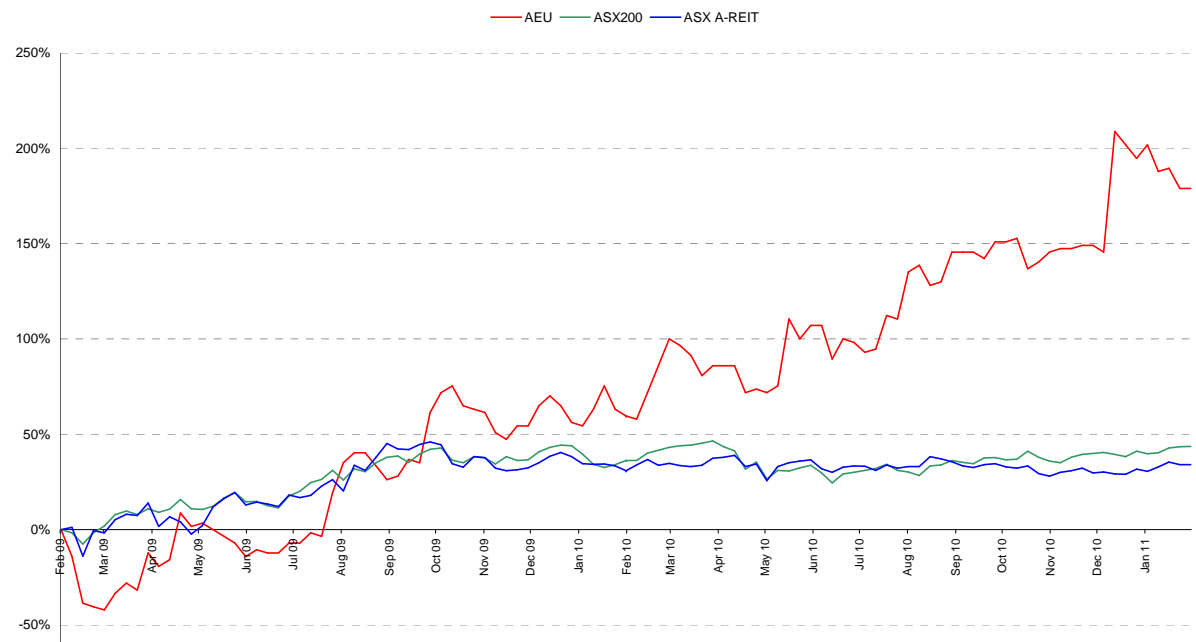
Outlook – The Way Forward



What has been achieved this financial year to date:

- New 3 year specialist debt facility on more favorable terms
- Gearing reduced to 49%
- 99% of properties are now income producing
- Commencement of distributions from 1 January 2011 estimated to be 4.3 cents per unit to 30 June 2011
- Reduction of non-recoverable expenses and a return to normalised operating costs
- Unit price recovery over the last two years as evidenced in the graph opposite compared to the ASX 200 and A-REIT index

Figure 3: AET unit price v S&P/ASX 200 and A-REIT index





Enhancing Unitholder Value

A return to a stabilised environment and predictable distribution stream allows management to explore Unitholder value opportunities that are suitable and consistent with the current asset class and wider social infrastructure sector.

- Minimising the discount between unit price and NTA per unit
- Ensuring continued efficiency at management level
- Exploring appropriate new opportunities that add long term value
- Focusing on maintaining sector participation and linkages that add significant value
- Improving industry knowledge and acceptance of social infrastructure asset classes

AET has returned to a relatively stable, significantly de-risked and predictable property trust which is now positioned for future growth



Q&A

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