

ACN 611 053 751

# WAM Leaders Limited Prospectus

Offer of Shares and Options to raise up to \$209,000,000 (with the ability to accept up to \$165,000,000 in oversubscriptions)

Joint Lead Managers:





Co-Managers:







Important Information: This Prospectus contains important information for you as a prospective investor and requires your immediate attention. It should be read in its entirety. If you have any questions as to its contents or the course you should follow, please consult your stockbroker, accountant, solicitor or other professional adviser immediately.

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## Highlights of the Offer

### Important dates

Lodgement of Original Prospectus with ASIC	4 April 2016
Lodgement of Replacement Prospectus with ASIC / Expiry of Exposure Period	18 April 2016
Offer to open	19 April 2016
Broker Firm Offer expected to close	5.00pm, 10 May 2016
WAM Priority Allocation expected to close	5.00pm, 17 May 2016
Offer expected to close	5.00pm, 17 May 2016
Expected date of allotment / date of dispatch of holding statements	24 May 2016
Shares and Options expected to commence trading on the ASX	30 May 2016
Options expiry date	17 November 2017

The above dates are subject to change and are indicative only and times are references to Sydney time. The Company reserves the right to amend this indicative timetable subject to the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules. In particular, the Company reserves the right to close the Offer early, extend the Closing Date or accept late Applications without notifying any recipients of this Prospectus or any Applicant.

### **Key Offer statistics**

Company	WAM Leaders Limited ACN 611 053 751
Proposed ASX codes	Shares: WLE Options: WLEO
Securities offered	Fully paid ordinary Shares 1 Option for every Share issued under the Offer
Minimum number of Securities available under the Offer	15,000,000 Shares 15,000,000 Options
Minimum proceeds from the Offer (before exercise of any Options)	\$16,500,000
Maximum number of Securities available under the Offer (before oversubscriptions and exercise of any Options)	190,000,000 Shares 190,000,000 Options
Maximum proceeds from the Offer (before oversubscriptions and the exercise of any Options)	\$209,000,000
Maximum number of Securities available under the Offer assuming oversubscriptions are fully subscribed (before the exercise of any Options)	340,000,000 Shares 340,000,000 Options
Maximum proceeds from the Offer assuming oversubscriptions are fully subscribed (before the exercise of any Options)	\$374,000,000
Application Price per Share	\$1.10
Option exercise price	\$1.10
Pro forma Net Asset Value (NAV) backing per Share if the Minimum Subscription amount is raised (based on pro-forma balance sheet set out in Section 6.2)	\$1.080
Pro forma NAV backing per Share if the Maximum Subscription amount (before oversubscriptions) is raised (based on pro-forma balance sheet set out in Section 6.2)	\$1.088
Pro forma NAV backing per Share if the Maximum Subscription amount and \$165,000,000 in oversubscriptions is raised (based on pro-forma balance sheet set out in Section 6.2)	\$1.086

#### Important notices

This document (Prospectus) is dated 18 April 2016 and was lodged with the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC) on that date. It is issued by WAM Leaders Limited (ACN 611 053 751) (Company) and is an invitation to apply for a minimum of 15,000,000 Shares and up to 190,000,000 Shares at an Application Price of \$1.10 per Share to raise up to \$209,000,000 (with the ability to accept oversubscriptions to raise a further \$165,000,000). For every one Share issued under the Offer, Applicants will receive an entitlement to one Option. Each Option is exercisable at \$1.10 at any time on or before 17 November 2017.

This is a Replacement Prospectus which replaces the prospectus dated 4 April 2016 that was lodged with ASIC on that date (Original Prospectus). This Prospectus differs from the Original Prospectus. This Replacement Prospectus has been issued to: increase the size of the Offer, update the past performance information contained in the Prospectus (to be the performance of WAM Capital Limited since inception); provide further details (including worked examples) of the Company's investment strategies, clarify certain risks associated with an investment in the Company and correct minor typographical errors.

None of ASIC, the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) or their respective officers take responsibility for the contents of this Prospectus.

This document is important and requires your immediate attention. It should be read in its entirety. You may wish to consult your professional adviser about its contents.

No Securities (other than Shares to be issued on the exercise of Options) will be issued on the basis of this Prospectus later than the expiry date of this Prospectus, being the date 13 months after the date of the Original Prospectus.

#### ASX Listing

The Company applied within seven days after the date of the Original Prospectus for admission to the official list of the ASX and for the Shares and Options to be quoted on the ASX.

The fact the ASX may admit the Company to the official list and quote the Securities is not to be taken in any way as an indication of the merits of the Company. Neither the ASX nor its officers take any responsibility for the contents of this Prospectus. If granted admission to the ASX, quotation of the Shares and Options will commence as soon as practicable after holding statements are dispatched.

The Company does not intend to issue any Securities unless and until the Minimum Subscription has been received and the Shares and Options have been granted permission to be quoted on the ASX on terms acceptable to the Company.

If permission is not granted for the Shares to be quoted before the end of three months after the date of the Original Prospectus or such longer period permitted by the Corporations Act or with the consent of ASIC, all Application Monies received under the Prospectus will be refunded without interest to Applicants in full within the time prescribed by the Corporations Act.

#### **Exposure Period**

Pursuant to the Corporations Act, this Prospectus is subject to an exposure period of seven days after the date of the Original Prospectus, which period may be extended by ASIC by a further period of seven days (Exposure Period).

The Exposure Period enables this Prospectus to be examined by market participants prior to the raising of funds. The examination may result in the identification of deficiencies in this Prospectus.

Application Forms received prior to the expiration of the Exposure Period will not be processed until after the Exposure Period. No preference will be conferred on Application Forms received during the Exposure Period and all Application Forms received during the Exposure Period will be treated as if they were simultaneously received on the Opening Date.

#### Intermediary Authorisation

The Company does not hold an Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL) under the Corporations Act. Accordingly, offers under this Prospectus will be made under an arrangement between the Company and Taylor Collison Limited, the holder of an AFSL (Authorised Intermediary) under Section 911A(2)(b) of the Corporations Act. The Company will only authorise the Authorised Intermediary to make offers to people to arrange for the issue of Shares and Options by the Company under the Prospectus and the Company will only issue Shares and Options in accordance with such offers if they are accepted.

The Joint Lead Managers and the Co-Managers will manage the Offer on behalf of the Company. The Joint Lead Managers are Taylor Collison Limited and Morgans

Financial Limited. The Co-Managers are Baillieu Holst Limited, Bell Potter Securities Limited, Macquarie Equities Limited, Ord Minnett Limited and Patersons Securities Limited.

The Joint Lead Managers, Co-Managers and the Authorised Intermediary's functions should not be considered as an endorsement of the Offer, nor a recommendation of the suitability of the Offer for any investor.

None of the Joint Lead Managers, Co-Managers or the Authorised Intermediary guarantee the success or performance of the Company or the returns (if any) to be received by investors. None of the Joint Lead Managers, Co-Managers or the Authorised Intermediary is responsible for, or has caused the issue of, this Prospectus.

#### Investment Decision

Applicants should read this Prospectus in its entirety before deciding to apply for Shares and Options. This Prospectus does not take into account your individual investment objectives, financial situation or any of your particular needs. You should seek independent legal, financial and taxation advice before making a decision whether to invest in the Company.

An investment in the Company carries risks. An outline of some of the risks that apply to an investment in the Company is set out in Section 5. Applicants are urged to consider this Section of the Prospectus carefully before deciding to apply for Securities.

No person is authorised to give any information or make any representation in connection with the Offer that is not contained in this Prospectus. Any information or representation not so contained or taken to be contained may not be relied on as having been authorised by the Company in connection with the Offer.

#### Forward Looking Statements

This Prospectus contains forward looking statements. Forward looking statements are not based on historical facts, but are based on current expectations of future results or events. These forward looking statements are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause actual results or events to differ materially from the expectations described in such forward looking statements. While the Company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward looking statements in this Prospectus are reasonable, no assurance can be given that such expectations will prove to be correct. The risk factors set out in Section 5, as well as other matters as yet not known to the Company or not currently considered material by the Company, may cause actual results or events to be materially different from those expressed, implied or projected in any forward looking statements. Any forward looking statement contained in this Prospectus is qualified by this cautionary statement.

#### Information About the Investment Manager

This Prospectus contains certain information about MAM Pty Limited (ACN 100 276 542) (Investment Manager) and Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Limited (WAMI) (together Wilson Asset Management), their senior executives and businesses. It also contains details of Wilson Asset Management's investment approach, strategy and philosophy.

To the extent that the Prospectus includes statements by the Investment Manager, WAMI or Wilson Asset Management or includes statements based on any statement of, or information provided by, the Investment Manager, WAMI or Wilson Asset Management, the Investment Manager and WAMI consent to each such statement being included in the Prospectus in the form and context in which it is included and has not withdrawn that consent at any time prior to the lodgement of this Prospectus.

#### Offer to New Zealand Investor Warning

- This Offer to New Zealand investors is a regulated offer made under Australian and New Zealand law. In Australia, this is Chapter 8 of the Corporations Act 2001 and Regulations. In New Zealand, this is Part 5 of the Securities Act 1978 and the Securities (Mutual Recognition of Securities Offerings-Australia) Regulations 2008."
- This Offer and the content of the offer document are principally governed by Australian rather than New Zealand law. In the main, the Corporations Act 2001 and Regulations (Australia) set out how the offer must be made.
- There are differences in how securities are regulated under Australian law. For example, the disclosure of fees for collective investment schemes is different under the Australian regime.
- The rights, remedies, and compensation arrangements available to New Zealand investors in Australian securities may differ from the rights, remedies, and compensation arrangements for New Zealand securities.
- Both the Australian and New Zealand securities regulators have enforcement responsibilities in relation to this offer. If you need to make a complaint about this offer, please contact the Financial Markets Authority, Wellington,

New Zealand. The Australian and New Zealand regulators will work together to settle your complaint.

- The taxation treatment of Australian securities is not the same as for New Zealand securities.
- If you are uncertain about whether this investment is appropriate for you, you should seek the advice of an appropriately qualified financial adviser.
- The offer may involve a currency exchange risk. The currency for the securities is not New Zealand dollars. The value of the securities will go up or down according to changes in the exchange rate between that currency and New Zealand dollars. These changes may be significant.
- If you expect the securities to pay any amounts in a currency that is not New Zealand dollars, you may incur significant fees in having the funds credited to a bank account in New Zealand in New Zealand dollars.
- If the securities are able to be traded on a securities market and you wish to trade the securities through that market, you will have to make arrangements for a participant in that market to sell the securities on your behalf. If the securities market does not operate in New Zealand, the way in which the market operates, the regulation of participants in that market, and the information available to you about the securities and trading may differ from securities markets that operate in New Zealand.

#### Prospectus

An electronic version of this Prospectus (Electronic Prospectus) can be downloaded from www.wamfunds. com.au. The Offer to which the Electronic Prospectus relates is only available to persons receiving the Electronic Prospectus in Australia or New Zealand.

The Company will also send a paper copy of the Prospectus and Application Form free of charge if requested before the Closing Date.

If you download the Electronic Prospectus, please ensure that you have received the entire Prospectus accompanied by copies of the Application Form. The Shares and Options to which the Electronic Prospectus relates will only be issued on receipt of a completed Application Form that has accompanied the Prospectus.

#### How to Apply

You can only make an Application for Shares and Options under the Offer by completing and submitting an Application Form.

You can find detailed instructions on completing an Application Form on the back of the paper Application Form. You will be provided with prompts and instructions to assist you to complete the electronic Application Form.

Applications must be for a minimum of 2,000 Shares at \$1.10 per Share (i.e. for a minimum subscription amount of \$2,200) and 2,000 Options. A larger number of Shares and Options may be applied for in multiples of 100 Shares and Options.

#### Application Monies

Applications must be accompanied by payment in Australian currency.

Cheques in respect of Applications should be made payable to "WAM Leaders Limited" and crossed "Not Negotiable".

No stamp duty or brokerage is payable by Applicants.

#### Online Application

Applicants can apply online at www.wamfunds.com.au and pay their Application Price by BPAY.

#### **Application Forms**

Completed paper Application Forms, together with Application Monies, should be forwarded to the following address:

#### By Mail

WAM Leaders Limited c/- Boardroom Pty Limited GPO Box 3993 Sydney NSW 2001

#### Hand Delivered

WAM Leaders Limited c/- Boardroom Pty Limited Level 12, 225 George St Sydney NSW 2000

#### When to Apply

Completed Applications and Application Monies under the Offer must be received by 5.00pm (Sydney time) on the Closing Date. The Directors may close the Offer at any time without prior notice or extend the period of the Offer in accordance with the Corporations Act.

#### Defined Terms

Defined terms, abbreviations and interpretations included in the text of this Prospectus are set out in Section 11.

## Chairman's letter



Geoff Wilson, Chairman WAM Leaders Limited

### Dear Investor,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to present this Prospectus and offer you the opportunity to become a Shareholder in WAM Leaders Limited (Company).

The Company aims to provide Shareholders with exposure to Large-cap, undervalued companies in the S&P/ASX 200 Index using Wilson Asset Management's Research Driven and Market Driven investment processes. The Company is seeking to raise up to \$209 million under the Offer, with the ability to accept an additional \$165 million in oversubscriptions. The Company will be listed on the ASX under the code WLE.

#### The offer

The issue price under the Offer is \$1.10 per Share. For every one Share issued under the Offer, Applicants receive an entitlement to one Option. Each Option is exercisable at \$1.10 at any time after issue on or before 17 November 2017. The Offer is open to new investors and a WAM Priority Allocation will be available for WAM Eligible Participants, details are set out within Section 2.2. The Offer will open on 19 April 2016 and is expected to close at 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 17 May 2016.

### The opportunity

At Wilson Asset Management, we believe Australian and New Zealand investors have limited access to research-driven, active and index unaware fund managers focused on Australia's Large-cap listed companies.

The Company, a listed investment company (LIC), will provide investors access to this opportunity by predominately investing in S&P/ASX 200 Index listed companies using Wilson Asset Management's absolute bias<sup>1</sup>, bottom-up<sup>3</sup>, benchmark unaware<sup>2</sup>, fundamental investment methodology with the flexibility to hold cash if investment opportunities are not identified within the investment process.

The Company's investment principles are:

- Focus on S&P/ASX 200 Index listed companies
- Preference for undervalued companies
- Portfolio based and index unaware investing
- Capital preservation

The Company has a broad mandate. While the Company intends to focus on large ASX listed companies, it is permitted to invest in any Australian and international securities and may also invest in bills of exchange, negotiable instruments, debentures and cash (see Sections 3.3, 3.5 and 3.6 for details).

#### **Investment objectives**

The Company's investment objectives are to deliver a stream of fully franked dividends, to provide capital growth over the medium-to-long term and to preserve capital.

## Chairman's Letter (cont.)

#### **Key risks**

Like all investments, an investment in the Company carries risk. The performance of the Company will be dependent on the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on the investment objectives and according to the mandate. As a LIC that invests in listed securities, the Company will always be subject to market risk as the market price of these listed securities can fluctuate.

It is particularly important for potential investors to review carefully the risks associated with an investment in the Company. These are detailed in Section 5. You are encouraged to read the Prospectus carefully as it contains detailed information about the Company and the Offer.

### About Wilson Asset Management

An experienced investment and management team, Wilson Asset Management's investment team has over 80 years' collective experience in the Australian share market. In addition, the Wilson Asset Management investment team has:

- a proprietary research rating process;
- an intensive investee company meeting schedule;
- $\cdot$  a total focus on managing money;
- a broad coverage of various industry sectors;
- an extensive network of contacts to provide insights, intelligence and opportunities to the investment team; and
- a flat management structure informed by the team's collective experience.

## Our rigorous investment strategy

The Company will utilise Wilson Asset Management's investment strategy, comprising two investment processes:

- The Research Driven investment process involves extensive research focusing on free cash flow, return on equity and the quality of the potential investee company. Each company is rated with respect to management, earnings growth potential, valuation and industry position. Under this process, Wilson Asset Management will only invest in a security once it can identify a catalyst or an event that it expects will change the market's valuation of that security. See Section 3.4(a) for further details.
- The Market Driven investment process takes advantage of short-term relative arbitrages and mispricings in the Australian equity market. This part of the investment portfolio is traded actively. Opportunities are derived from initial public offerings, placements, block trades, rights issues, corporate transactions (such as takeovers, mergers, schemes of arrangements, corporate spinoffs and restructurings), arbitrage opportunities, LIC discount arbitrages, relative value arbitrages, short selling and trading market themes and trends. See Section 3.4(b) for further details.

#### **Benefits of the LIC structure**

The LIC structure can provide a permanent and stable closed-end pool of capital. An investment team that manages capital on behalf of a LIC's shareholders can therefore make rational investment decisions based on sound investment principles. Importantly, the LIC structure can allow the opportunity to pay shareholders fully franked dividends over time. As a listed entity, a LIC must comply with rigorous corporate governance principles, providing investors with transparency and accountability.

## Engagement with shareholders

Wilson Asset Management takes an active approach to engaging with shareholders and communicating with them about activities and performance. Regular communications include weekly email updates, monthly investment updates and NTA announcements, yearly and half yearly profit announcements and semi-annual shareholder briefings. Access to all relevant information, such as independent research reports, is available on www.wamfunds.com.au. Wilson Asset Management conducts well attended shareholder briefings, with presentations held in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth and Canberra. The investment and management team greatly values the opportunity to meet with shareholders at the bi-annual events. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I look forward to welcoming you as a Shareholder of the Company.

Yours sincerely

Geoff Wilson, Chairman WAM Leaders Limited

1 Absolute bias (investment strategy) aims to produce a positive return over time, regardless of the prevailing market conditions.

<sup>2</sup> Index (benchmark) unaware describes an investment strategy based only on the manager's conviction without reference to a particular benchmark or index.

<sup>3</sup> Bottom-up describes an investment strategy that entails a thorough review of each potential investment and assumes that individual entities can do well even in an industry that is not performing very well.

## 1. Offer summary

This is a summary only. This Prospectus should be read in full before making any decision to apply for Shares and Options.

Question	Answer	More information
A. Key investr	nent highlights	
What are the key highlights of the Offer?	The Company aims to provide Shareholders with exposure to Large-cap, undervalued companies using Wilson Asset Management's Research Driven and Market Driven investment processes.	Section 3
	Taking up this Offer will provide Shareholders with access to:	
	<ol> <li>a highly experienced and active Investment Manager with expertise across the Australian equity market;</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Wilson Asset Management's research-driven, active and index unaware Investment Strategy focused on Australia's Large-cap listed companies;</li> </ol>	
	3. the LIC structure, which provides investors with a closed pool of capital, strong corporate governance and the ability to pay fully franked dividends; and	
	4. a Board of Directors and Investment Manager with significant experience and expertise in funds management, Australian listed equities and corporate governance.	
What is the business model of	The Company is a newly incorporated company which has not conducted business to date. Upon completion of the Offer, the Company will be a LIC.	Sections 3, 4 and 9.1
the Company?	The Company will provide investors access to:	
	<ul> <li>(a) an actively managed Portfolio, predominately comprised of Large-cap companies on the S&amp;P/ASX 200 Index; and</li> </ul>	
	(b) the investment management expertise of Wilson Asset Management.	
	The Company's Portfolio will be constructed using the Investment Manager's absolute bias, bottom-up, benchmark unaware, fundamental investment methodology with the flexibility to hold cash if investment opportunities are not identified within the investment process.	
What are the	The Company's investment objectives are to:	Section 3
investment objectives?	1. deliver a stream of fully franked dividends; 2. provide capital growth over the medium-to-long term; and 3. preserve capital	
Will the Company pay dividends?	One of the Company's stated investment objectives is to deliver a stream of fully franked dividends to Shareholders, provided the Company has sufficient profit reserves and franking credits available and it is within prudent business practices to do so.	Sections 3.7 and 10.5
	This is not intended to be a forecast, it is merely an investment objective of the Company. The Company may not be successful in meeting this objective.	
	The Company has established a dividend reinvestment plan for Shareholders. The terms of this dividend reinvestment plan are summarised at Section 10.5.	
B. Key informa	ation about the Company's Portfolio and the Investment Strategy	
What is the Company's investment strategy?	The Investment Manager will actively manage the Portfolio, using Wilson Asset Management's Research Driven and Market Driven investment processes. The Research Driven investment process involves extensive research focusing on free cash flow, return on equity and the quality of the potential investee company. Each company is rated with respect to management, earnings growth potential, valuation and industry position. The Market Driven investment process takes advantage of short term relative arbitrages and mispricings in the Australian equity market. See Section 3 for further details about the Research Driven and Market Driven investment processes.	Section 3

What are the key risks associated with the business model and the Offer? The Company's investment activities will expose it to a variety of risks. The key risks identified by the Company are:

- (a) Market risk: Share markets tend to move in cycles, and individual security prices may fluctuate and underperform other asset classes over extended periods of time. The value of securities listed on the ASX may rise or fall depending on a range of factors beyond the control of the Company. Although the Investment Manager will seek to manage market risk, unexpected market conditions could have a negative impact on the value of the Portfolio or the return of the Company's investments. Shareholders in the Company are exposed to this risk both through their holding in Shares and Options as well as through the Company's Portfolio.
- (b) Investment Strategy risk: The success and profitability of the Company will largely depend on the Investment Manager's continued ability to manage the Portfolio in a manner that complies with the Company's objectives, strategies, policies, guidelines and permitted investments. If the Investment Manager fails to do so, the Company may not perform well. There are risks inherent in the Investment Strategy that the Investment Manager will employ for the Company.
- (c) Investment Manager's performance risk: The past performance of portfolios managed by the Investment Manager, and persons associated with the Investment Manager, are not necessarily a guide to future performance of the Company. The success and profitability of the Company depends almost entirely on the ability of the Investment Manager to construct a Portfolio of investments, exposed to well managed businesses that have the ability to increase in value over time. The Investment Management Agreement is expected to have an initial term of 10 years. Even if the Company does not perform well, it may be difficult to remove the Investment Manager.
- (c) Economic risk: The Company's Portfolio will be exposed to economic risks that may have a negative impact on the value of the Portfolio or the return of the Company's investments. The value of the Portfolio may be impacted by numerous economic factors. The factors include changes in economic conditions (e.g. changes in interest rates or economic growth), legislative and political environment, as well as changes in investor sentiment.

In addition, exogenous shocks, natural disasters and acts of terrorism and financial market turmoil (such as the global financial crisis) can (and sometimes do) add to equity market volatility as well as impact directly on the Company or securities within the Company's Portfolio. As a result, no guarantee can be given in respect of the future earnings of the Company or the earnings and capital appreciation of the Company's Portfolio or appreciation of the price of the Company's Securities.

- d) **Financial market volatility:** A fall in global equity markets, global bond markets or the rate of change in the value of the Australian dollar against other major currencies may discourage investors from moving money into or out of equity markets. This may have a negative effect on the value of the Portfolio (for example if the price of securities within the Portfolio decreases and the Investment Manager is required to sell investments at a loss). This may also have a negative effect on the price at which the Company's Securities trade.
- (e) **Concentration risk:** There may be more volatility in the Portfolio as compared to the S&P/ASX 200 Index because the Portfolio will be comprised of a smaller number of securities than the broader market Index.
- (f) Short selling risk: There are inherent risks associated with short selling. Short selling involves borrowing securities which are then sold. If the price of the securities falls then the Company can buy those securities at a lower price to transfer back to the lender of the securities. Short sales can enlarge the fluctuations in the value of the Portfolio of the Company in a manner similar to a debt leveraged portfolio and exposes the Portfolio to the risk that investment flexibility could be restrained by the need to provide collateral to the securities lender and that positions may have to be liquidated at a loss and not at a time of the Investment Manager's choosing.

A more detailed list and explanation of risks associated with an investment in the Company are set out in Section 5. Investors should consider all risks before investing in the Company.

How will the Portfolio be constructed?	The Portfolio will be constructed by the Investment Manager in accordance with the Investment Strategy, investment guidelines and parameters as agreed with the Company from time-to-time.	Sections 3 and 3.6		
Can the Company	Yes, the Portfolio can include a cash component at any given time.			
hold cash?	The Investment Manager will invest only when it can identify appropriate investment opportunities and will otherwise default to cash. There is no limitation to the level of cash held in the Portfolio.			

Will the Company participate in short selling?	Short selling may be undertaken by the Company as part of the Investment Strategy to benefit from falling security prices. The Company is expected to engage in short selling by borrowing Securities and providing stock or cash collateral.	Sections 3.9 and 5.3
	Short selling can magnify gains in the Portfolio, but can also magnify losses. To manage this risk, the Company has adopted the short selling policy in Section 3.9.	
Will the Portfolio be leveraged?	No. The Investment Manager will not use leverage in the form of borrowings.	
What is the investment term?	The Company's investment objectives are to deliver a stream of fully franked dividends, to provide capital growth over the medium-to-long term and to preserve capital.	Section 5.6
	For this reason investors are strongly advised to regard any investment in the Company as a medium-to-long term proposition (more than five years) and to be aware that, as with any equity investment, substantial fluctuations in the value of their investment may occur over that period and beyond.	
C. Key Informat	ion about the Company and Investment Manager	
Who are the	The Directors of the Company are:	Section 8
Company's	• Geoff Wilson (Non-independent Chairman);	
Directors?	Lindsay Mann (Independent Director);	
	<ul> <li>Melinda Snowden (Independent Director);</li> <li>Kate Thorley (Non-independent Director); and</li> </ul>	
	Chris Stott (Non-independent Director)	
	See Section 8.2 for further details regarding the background of the Directors.	
What is the	The Company has no performance history as it is yet to commence trading.	Section 6.2
financial position of the Company?	Pro-forma statements of financial position are set out in Section 6.2.	
Who will manage the Portfolio?	The Investment Manager forms part of Wilson Asset Management, a boutique fund manager established in 1997. Wilson Asset Management is comprised of the Investment Manager and WAMI. The Investment Manager was established in 2002. The Investment Manager holds an Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL) 223231.	
	Wilson Asset Management is led by the Company's Chairman, Geoff Wilson. Wilson Asset Management manages approximately \$1.2 billion (as at 29 February 2016) on behalf of wholesale and retail investors across three LICs and one wholesale unit trust.	
	The Investment Manager and WAMI employ the same investment team (Wilson Asset Management Investment Team) to manage their respective portfolios (see Section 4.5 for further details of the team's experience and expertise).	
	The Wilson Asset Management Investment Team will dedicate its time to the management of the Company and the WAM Entities. Portfolio Manager Matthew Haupt and Senior Equity Analyst John Ayoub will predominantly dedicate their time to the Company. Geoff Wilson and Chris Stott will dedicate between 20% to 40% of their time to the Company. Other members of the Wilson Asset Management Investment Team will dedicate such time as required to the Company.	
Does the Board approve investments?	Board approval is not required for investments undertaken by the Investment Manager that are in accordance with the Company's investment objectives, Investment Strategy, guidelines and permitted investments agreed from time-to-time (initially being those summarised in this Prospectus). Any investments that the Investment Manager proposes outside of these parameters must be approved by the Board.	See Section 9.1
Will any related party have a significant interest	All Directors will be remunerated for their services. The annual salary of each Director (inclusive of superannuation) is summarised in Section 8.8. In addition to their annual salary, Directors are entitled to be reimbursed for certain costs and expenses.	Sections 8.8, 8.9, 9.3 and 8.11
in the Company or in connection with the Offer?	Currently, Chairman Geoff Wilson indirectly holds the sole Share on issue in the Company. Geoff Wilson is the sole director and indirect owner of the ordinary shares in the Investment Manager, the entity appointed to manage the investment portfolio of the Company. WAMI owns 15% of the issued capital of MAM Pty Limited (MAM). MAM will be paid management and performance fees by the Company. As the indirect owner of the ordinary shares in the Investment Manager, Geoff Wilson will benefit from any fees paid to MAM in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement.	

irect interest in the Company or the Offer. Investment Management Agreement has an initial term of 10 years (or as extended for iods of five years at the end of the initial term). Company has applied to the ASX for a waiver to allow this initial term period of 10 years. The ASX refuses the waiver application, the initial term of the Investment Management eement will be five years. Investment Manager will be responsible for managing the Portfolio in accordance with strategy set out in Section 4 (as amended from time-to-time by the Company). The turn for the performance of its duties the Investment Manager would be entitled to be d a monthly Management Fee equal to approximately 0.0833334% per month or 1% per from (plus GST) of the Value of the Portfolio (calculated on the last business day of each nth and paid at the end of each month in arrears). As a worked example, assuming an Ial Portfolio value of \$374,000,000 at 1 July 2016, and nil performance return on the tfolio each month, the Management Fee payable on the Portfolio value for the period Ily 2016 to 30 June 2017 would be approximately \$3,740,000 (plus GST) or 1% of the initial ue of the Portfolio for the period.	Sections 9.1 and 10.7 Section 9.1
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	June 2017, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$374,000,000, and a Value of the Portfolio he end of the Performance Calculation Period 15% higher than at the beginning of 10,00,000: If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is 10% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate outperformance of \$18,700,000; and In this instance, there would be a performance fee payable at 20% of this amount equating to \$3,740,000 (plus GST) for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has outperformed the benchmark. a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2017 to June 2018, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$430,100,000, and a Value of the Portfolio he end of the Performance Calculation Period that is 5% higher than at the beginning of 16,605,000: If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is 10% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate underperformance of \$21,505,000 In this instance, there would be no performance fee payable for the Performance

(cont.) As a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2018 to Section 9.1 30 June 2019, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$451,605,000, and a Value of the What fees will Portfolio at the end of the Performance Calculation Period that is 15% higher than at the Investment the beginning of \$519,345,750: Manager receive? (a) If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is 5% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate outperformance of \$45,160,500 (b) The aggregate underperformance of \$21,505,000 from prior Performance Calculation Period(s) is to be recouped in full against the current Portfolio performance, resulting in aggregate outperformance of \$23,655,500 for the Performance Calculation Period; and (c) In this instance, there would be a performance fee payable at 20% of this amount equating to \$4,731,100 (plus GST) for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has outperformed the benchmark, and prior underperformance has been recouped in full against current Portfolio performance. As a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$374,000,000, and a Value of the Portfolio at the end of the Performance Calculation Period that is 5% lower than at the beginning of \$355,300,000: (a) If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is negative 10% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate outperformance of \$18,700,000 (b) In this instance, there would be a performance fee payable at 20% of this amount equating to \$3,740,000 (plus GST) for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has outperformed the benchmark.

#### D. About the Offer

Who is the issuer of the Shares and Options under this Prospectus?	The issuer is WAM Leaders Limited (ACN 611 053 751).	Section 2
What is the Offer?	The Company is offering for subscription fully paid Shares at an Application Price of \$1.10 to raise a minimum of \$16,500,000 (Minimum Subscription) and up to \$209,000,000 (Maximum Subscription). However, the Company reserves the right to accept additional subscriptions for Shares to raise up to an additional \$165,000,000 over the Maximum Subscription. In addition, Applicants will receive, for no additional consideration, one Option for every Share issued under the Offer.	Section 2
	Each Option is exercisable at \$1.10 at any time after issue on or until 5.00pm (Sydney time) 17 November 2017.	
	The Offer is made up of the General Offer, the WAM Priority Allocation and the Broker Firm Offer.	
What is the purpose of the Offer?	The money raised under the Offer will be used by the Company for investments consistent with the Investment Strategy and objectives (refer Section 3 for details) and paying the costs of the Offer, including obtaining a listing on the ASX.	
Is there a Minimum Subscription?	Yes. For the Offer to proceed, valid Applications for no less than 15,000,000 Shares and Options must be received by the Company.	Section 2.5
Is the Offer underwritten?	The Offer is not underwritten.	Section 2.6
Is there a cooling off period?	There is no cooling off period.	
Who can participate in the Offer?	The Offer is open to members of the general public who have a registered address in Australia or New Zealand.	Section 2

How do I apply for Shares and Options?	The procedures for making an investment in the Company are described in Section 2.	Section 2
Who can participate in the Broker Firm Offer?	The Broker Firm Offer is open to persons who have received a firm allocation from their Broker and who have a registered address in Australia or New Zealand.	Section 2.3
How do I participate in the Broker Firm Offer?	Applicants under the Broker Firm Offer should contact their Broker for instructions on how to complete the Broker Firm Application Form accompanying this Prospectus.	Section 2.3
broker Firm Offer?	Shares and Options will be allotted under the Broker Firm Offer provided the Application Forms are received or commitments are given to the Joint Lead Managers to lodge the Broker Firm Application Form by 10 May 2016.	
Is there a minimum number of Shares and Options Applicants must apply for?	Yes. Each Applicant must subscribe for a minimum of 2,000 Shares and 2,000 Options for a total of \$2,200.	Section 2.3
What is the	Under the Offer, Applicants will pay an Application Price of \$1.10 per Share.	Section 2
Application Price payable by Applicants under the Offer?	Applicants do not have to pay to subscribe for Options under the Offer. The procedures for making an investment in the Company are described in Section 2.	
What are the fees and costs of the Offer?	The Company will pay the Joint Lead Managers a fee equal to 0.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds raised under the Offer. In addition, the Company will pay to each Joint Lead Manager a Broker Firm selling fee of 1.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds of the Broker Firm Offer raised by the relevant Joint Lead Manager. The Company will also pay to the Authorised Intermediary an amount equal to 1.5% (plus GST) of the value of the Offer Securities which the Co-Managers collectively subscribe for (or procure that their clients subscribe for).	
	The costs of the Offer, net of tax and GST, include legal, accounting, marketing and other costs associated with the preparation of the Prospectus and the issue of Shares and Options.	
	These costs are estimated to be:	
	<ul> <li>\$299,090, assuming the Minimum Subscription;</li> <li>\$2,360,967, assuming the Maximum Subscription; and</li> <li>\$4,828,638, assuming the Offer is fully subscribed and the Company accepts \$165,000,000 in oversubscriptions.</li> </ul>	
Who are the Joint Lead Managers?	Morgans Financial Limited and Taylor Collison Limited are Joint Lead Managers to the Offer.	
Who are the Co-Managers?	Baillieu Holst Limited, Bell Potter Securities Limited, Macquarie Equities Limited, Ord Minnett Limited and Patersons Securities Limited are Co-Managers to the Offer.	
Who is the Authorised Intermediary?	Taylor Collison Limited is the Authorised Intermediary.	
How can I obtain further information?	For further information or if you have any questions relating to the Offer, you can contact Wilson Asset Management on (02) 9247 6755 or email info@wamfunds.com.au or the Share Registry, Boardroom Pty Limited on 1300 737 760 (from within Australia) and (+612) 9290 9600 (from outside Australia).	
	If you are uncertain as to whether an investment in the Company is suitable for you, please contact your stockbroker, financial adviser, accountant, lawyer or other professional adviser.	

## 2. Details of the Offer

This Prospectus should be read in full before making any decision to apply for Shares and Options.

### 2.1. The Offer

The Company is offering for subscription a minimum of 15,000,000 and up to 190,000,000 fully paid ordinary Shares and Options to raise a minimum of \$16,500,000 (Minimum Subscription) and a maximum of \$209,000,000 (Maximum Subscription).

The Company reserves the right to accept additional subscriptions for Shares and Options under the Offer to raise up to an additional \$165,000,000 over the Maximum Subscription.

As the Options will be issued at no additional cost, no funds will be raised by the grant of the Options. If 190,000,000 Options are issued under this Prospectus and are subsequently exercised, the Company will raise a further \$209,000,000.

Under the Offer the Shares have an Application Price of \$1.10 per Share. The rights attaching to the Shares are set out in Section 10.3.

Each Option is exercisable at \$1.10 until 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 17 November 2017. The terms of the Options are set out in Section 10.4.

The Offer is made up of the WAM Priority Allocation (detailed in Section 2.2) and the Broker Firm Offer (detailed in Section 2.3) and the General Offer (detailed in Section 2.4).

To participate in the General Offer and the WAM Priority Allocation, your Application Form must be received by the Registry by 5.00pm (Sydney time) on the Closing Date. If you intend on participating through the Broker Firm Offer, the closing date for your application is expected to be 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 10 May 2016.

The Offer will be made to investors who have a registered address in Australia or New Zealand only.

Early lodgement of your Application is recommended as the Directors may close the Offer at any time after the expiry of the exposure period without prior notice. The Directors may extend the Offer in accordance with the Corporations Act.

The Directors reserve the right to terminate the Offer at any time.

### 2.2. WAM Priority Allocation

Up to 90,000,000 Shares and 90,000,000 Options have been set aside for the WAM Priority Allocation to WAM Eligible Participants. WAM Eligible Participants are shareholders of one or more of WAM Capital Limited (WAM Capital), WAM Research Limited (WAM Research) and WAM Active Limited (WAM Active) with registered addresses in Australia or New Zealand (WAM Eligible Participants).

The WAM Priority will be restricted to the WAM Eligible Participants and allocated at the Directors' discretion.

The WAM Eligible Participants should use the WAM Priority Application Form.

Early lodgement of your application is recommended as the Offer may be closed early at the Directors' discretion.

If the Company receives Applications from WAM Eligible Participants for more than 90,000,000 Shares and 90,000,000 Options, it intends to treat such additional Applications as being made under the General Offer on a General Offer Application Form.

Shares and Options offered under the WAM Priority Allocations that are not taken up will be allocated by the Company under the General Offer or Broker Firm Offer.

### 2.3. Broker Firm Offer

The Broker Firm Offer is open to persons who have received a firm allocation from their Broker and who have a registered address in Australia or New Zealand. Applicants should contact their Broker to determine whether they may be allocated Shares under the Broker Firm Offer.

Applicants who have been offered a firm allocation by a Broker will be treated as Applicants under the Broker Firm Offer in respect of that allocation.

By making an Application, you declare that you were given access to this Prospectus, together with a Broker Firm Application Form. The Corporations Act prohibits any person from passing an Application Form to another person unless it is attached to, or accompanied by, a copy of this Prospectus.

Applicants under the Broker Firm Offer must complete their Broker Firm Application Form and pay their Application Monies to their Broker in accordance with the relevant Broker's directions in order to receive their firm allocation. Applicants under the Broker Firm Offer must not send their Broker Firm Application Forms to the Company or Registry. The Broker Firm Offer is expected to close at 5.00pm (Sydney time) on 10 May 2016.

Applicants under the Broker Firm Offer must pay their Application Monies in accordance with instructions from their Broker. The allocation of Shares and Options to Brokers will be determined by the Joint Lead Managers and the Company. Shares and Options that are allocated to Brokers for allocation to their Australian and New Zealand resident clients will be issued or transferred to the Applicants who have received a valid allocation of Shares and Options from those Brokers.

It will be a matter for the Brokers how they allocate Shares and Options among their clients, and they (and not the Company) will be responsible for ensuring that clients who have received an allocation from them, receive the relevant Shares and Options.

The Company takes no responsibility for any acts or omissions by your Broker in connection with your Application, Broker Firm Application Form and Application Monies (including, without limitation, failure to submit Broker Firm Application Forms by the close of the Broker Firm Offer).

Delivery versus payment (**DvP**) settlement is available for Applicants under the Broker Firm Offer. Please contact your Broker or the Joint Lead Managers for further details.

Please contact your Broker if you have any questions.

#### 2.4. General Offer

The General Offer is open to all Applicants with a registered address in Australia or New Zealand.

The Application Form marked "General Offer" must be completed by Applicants that are not WAM Eligible Participants and who are not participating in the Broker Firm Offer.

To participate in the General Offer, your Application Form must be received by the Registry by 5.00pm Sydney time on the Closing Date.

Applications will be processed, and Shares and Options allocated under the General Offer as agreed by the Company and the Joint Lead Managers.

#### 2.5. Minimum subscription

The Minimum Subscription required for the Offer to proceed is \$16,500,000, being receipt of valid Applications for not less than 15,000,000 Shares and 15,000,000 Options.

If Applications for the minimum subscription are not received by the Company before the end of 3 months after the date of the Original Prospectus (or such longer period permitted by the Corporations Act with the consent of ASIC), all Application Monies received pursuant to the Prospectus will be refunded in full to Applicants, without interest, within the time prescribed by the Corporations Act.

In addition, the minimum Application Monies payable by an Applicant under the Offer is \$2,200.

#### 2.6. Offer not underwritten

The Offer is not underwritten.

#### 2.7. Applications

#### **Application Forms**

Applications under the Offer must be made and will only be accepted on the applicable Application Form that accompanies this Prospectus.

Application Forms will be accepted at any time after the Opening Date and until 5.00pm (Sydney time) on the Closing Date.

An Application Form must be completed in accordance with the instructions on the form (if using a paper Application Form, the instructions are on the reverse side of the Application Form, if using an electronic Application Form, follow the prompts).

Applications under the Offer must be for a minimum of 2,000 Shares and 2,000 Options for a total of \$2,200. Applications may be made for additional Shares and Options in multiples of \$110 in Application Monies for 100 Shares and 100 Options.

Applications under the WAM Priority Allocation and the General Offer must be accompanied by the payment of the Application Price in Australian currency of \$1.10 for each Share applied for (no Application Monies are required to be paid with respect to the Options).

Applications and Application Monies for Shares and Options under the Offer received after 5.00p.m. (Sydney time) on the Closing Date will not be accepted and will be returned to potential investors.

## 2. Details of the Offer (cont.)

The Directors may extend the Closing Date or close the Offer early any time after the expiry of the exposure period without prior notice. Accordingly, early lodgement of your Application is recommended. Applications must be accompanied by payment in Australian currency.

#### Payment by cheque or bank draft

Cheque(s) or bank draft(s) must be drawn on an Australian branch of a financial institution and made payable to "WAM Leaders Limited" and crossed "Not Negotiable".

Payments by cheque will be deemed to have been made when the cheque is honoured by the bank on which it is drawn. Accordingly, Applicants should ensure that sufficient funds are held in the relevant account(s) to cover your cheque(s).

If the amount of your cheque(s) or bank draft(s) for Application Monies (or the amount for which those cheques have cleared as at 5.00pm on the Closing Date) is insufficient to pay for the amount you have applied for in your Application Form, you may be taken to have applied for such lower amount as your cleared Application Monies will pay for (and to have specified that amount in your Application Form) or your Application may be rejected.

Completed Application Forms and accompanying cheques may be lodged with:

#### By Mail

WAM Leaders Limited c/- Boardroom Pty Limited GPO Box 3993 Sydney NSW 2001

#### Hand Delivered

WAM Leaders Limited c/- Boardroom Pty Limited Level 12, 225 George Street Sydney NSW 2000

#### Payment by BPAY

You may apply for Shares and Options online and pay your Application Monies by BPAY.

Applicants wishing to pay by BPAY should complete the online Application Form accompanying the electronic version of this Prospectus which is available at www.wamfunds.com.au and follow the instructions on the online Application Form (which includes the Biller Code and your unique Customer Reference Number (CRN)). You do not need to complete and return a paper Application Form if you pay by BPAY.

You should be aware that you will only be able to make a payment via BPAY if you are the holder of an account with an Australian financial institution that supports BPAY transactions. When completing your BPAY payment, please make sure you use the specific Biller Code and your unique CRN provided on the online Application Form. If you do not use the correct CRN your Application will not be recognised as valid.

It is your responsibility to ensure that payments are received by 5.00pm (Sydney time) on the Closing Date. Your bank, credit union or building society may impose a limit on the amount that you can transact on BPAY, and policies with respect to processing BPAY transactions may vary between banks, credit unions or building societies.

The Company accepts no responsibility for any failure to receive Application Monies or payments by BPAY before the Closing Date arising as a result of, among other things, processing of payments by financial institutions.

### 2.8. Exposure Period

The Corporations Act prohibits the Company from processing Applications in the seven day period after the date of lodgement of the Original Prospectus with ASIC (Exposure Period). This period may be extended by ASIC by up to a further seven days. Applications received during the Exposure Period will not be processed until after the expiry of that period.

No preference will be conferred on Applications received during the Exposure Period. No offer is being made to New Zealand investors during the Exposure Period.

### 2.9. Allotment

The Company will not allot Shares and Options until the Minimum Subscription has been received and the ASX has granted permission for quotation of the Shares and Options unconditionally or on terms acceptable to the Company.

It is expected that the issue of Shares and Options under the Offer will take place by 24 May 2016. Application Monies will be held on trust until allotment. The Company may retain any interest earned on the Application Monies held on trust pending the issue of Shares to successful Applicants.

The Application constitutes an offer by the Applicant to subscribe for Shares and Options on the terms and subject to the conditions set out in this Prospectus.

A binding contract to issue Shares and Options will only be formed at the time Shares and Options are allotted to Applicants.

The Board reserves the right to accept, reject or scale back any Application, in its absolute discretion.

Where the number of Shares and Options allotted is less than the number applied for or where no allotment is made, the surplus Application Monies will be returned to Applicants (without interest) as soon as reasonably practicable.

It is the responsibility of each Applicant to confirm their holding before trading in Securities. Applicants who sell Securities before they receive an initial statement of holding do so at their own risk. The Company, Registry and each Joint Lead Manager disclaim all liability, whether in negligence or otherwise, to persons who sell Securities before receiving their initial statement of holding, whether on the basis of a confirmation of allocation provided by any of them, by a Broker or otherwise.

### 2.10. ASX and CHESS

The Company applied within seven days after the date of the Original Prospectus for admission to the official list of the ASX and for the Shares and Options to be quoted on the ASX.

The Company will apply to participate in the ASX's CHESS and will comply with the ASX Listing Rules and the ASX Settlement Operating Rules. CHESS is an electronic transfer and settlement system for transactions in Securities quoted on the ASX under which transfers are effected in an electronic form.

When the Shares and Options become approved financial products (as defined in the ASX Settlement Operating Rules), holdings will be registered in 1 of 2 sub-registers, an electronic CHESS sub-register or an issuer sponsored sub-register.

Following completion of the Offer, Shareholders will be sent a holding statement that sets out the number of Shares that have been allocated to them. This statement will also provide details of a Shareholder's Holder Identification Number (HIN) for CHESS holders or, where applicable, the Security Reference Number (SRN) of issuer sponsored holders. Shareholders will subsequently receive statements showing any changes to their holding. Certificates will not be issued.

Shareholders will receive subsequent statements during the first week of the following month if there has been a change to their holding on the register and as otherwise required under the ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act. Additional statements may be requested at any other time either directly through the Shareholder's sponsoring broker in the case of a holding on the CHESS sub-register or through the Registry in the case of a holding on the issuer sponsored sub-register. The Company and the Registry may charge a fee for these additional issuer sponsored statements.

## 2.11. Brokerage, commission and stamp duty

No brokerage, commission or stamp duty is payable by Applicants on the acquisition of Shares and Options under the Offer.

See Sections 2.12 and 9.2 for details of fees that the Company will pay to the Joint Lead Managers.

### 2.12. Licensed dealers

Offers under this Prospectus will be made under an arrangement between the Company and Taylor Collison Limited, the holder of an AFSL (Authorised Intermediary), under Section 911A(2)(b) of the Corporations Act. The Company will only authorise the Authorised Intermediary to make offers to people to arrange for the issue of Shares and Options by the Company under the Prospectus and the Company will only issue Shares and Options in accordance with Applications made under such offers if they are accepted. The Company will pay the Authorised Intermediary a fee of \$1 with respect to this arrangement.

The Company will pay the Joint Lead Managers a fee equal to 0.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds raised under the Offer. In addition, the Company will pay to each Joint Lead Manager a Broker Firm selling fee of 1.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds of the Broker Firm Offer raised by the relevant Joint Lead Manager. The Company will also pay to the Authorised Intermediary an amount equal to 1.5% (plus GST) of the value of the Offer Securities which the Co-Managers collectively subscribe for (or procure that their clients subscribe for).

The Joint Lead Managers', the Co-Managers' and Authorised Intermediary's functions should not be considered as an endorsement of the Offer or a recommendation of the suitability of the Offer for any investor. Neither the Authorised Intermediary, the Co-Managers nor any Joint Lead Manager guarantees the success or performance of the Company or the returns (if any) to be received by the Shareholders.

Neither the Joint Lead Managers, the Co-Managers nor the Authorised Intermediary is responsible for or caused the issue of this Prospectus.

## 2. Details of the Offer (cont.)

#### 2.13. Overseas investors

The Offer is an offer to Australian and New Zealand investors. The Offer does not constitute an offer in any place in which, or to any person to whom, it would be unlawful to make such an offer.

#### **United States residents**

The Offer is not open to persons in the United States or U.S. Persons.

The Securities being offered pursuant to this Prospectus have not been registered under the U.S. Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from registration under the U.S. Securities Act and applicable state Securities laws. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell, or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these Securities in any state or other jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful. In addition, any hedging transactions involving these Securities may not be conducted unless in compliance with the U.S. Securities Act.

#### Overseas ownership and resale representation

It is your responsibility to ensure compliance with all laws of any country relevant to your Application. The return of a duly completed Application Form will be taken by the Company to constitute a representation and warranty made by you to the Company that there has been no breach of such laws and that all necessary consents and approvals have been obtained.

### 2.14. Privacy

When you apply to invest in the Company, you acknowledge and agree that:

- (a) you are required to provide the Company with certain personal information to:
  - (i) facilitate the assessment of an Application;
  - (ii) enable the Company to assess the needs of Applicants and provide appropriate facilities and services for Applicants; and
  - (iii) carry out appropriate administration.
- (b) the Company may be required to disclose this information to:
  - third parties who carry out functions on behalf of the Company, including marketing and administration functions, on a confidential basis;

- (ii) third parties if that disclosure is required by law; and
- (iii) related bodies corporate (as that term is defined in the Corporations Act) which carry out functions on behalf of the Company.

Under the *Privacy Act* 1988 (Cth), Applicants may request access to their personal information held by (or on behalf of) the Company. Applicants may request access to personal information by telephoning or writing to the Investment Manager.

## 2.15. Tax implications of investing in the Company

The taxation consequences of any investment in the Securities will depend on your particular circumstances. It is your responsibility to make your own enquiries concerning the taxation consequences of an investment in the Company. Applicants are urged to consider the possible tax consequences of participating in the Offer by consulting a professional tax adviser.

A general overview of the Australian taxation implications of investing in the Company are set out in Section 10.9 and are based on current tax law and Australian Tax Office tax rulings. The information in Section 10.9 is not intended as a substitute for investors obtaining independent tax advice in relation to their personal circumstances. We recommend you seek independent tax advice.

### 2.16. Anti-Money Laundering/ Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006

The Company, Investment Manager or any Joint Lead Manager may be required under the Anti-Money Laundering/Counter-Terrorism Financing Act 2006 (Cth) or any other law to obtain identification information from Applicants. The Company reserves the right to reject any Application from an Applicant who fails to provide identification information upon request.

## 3. About the Company

### 3.1. Overview of WAM Leaders Limited

The Company will provide investors access to:

- (a) an actively managed portfolio of Large-cap companies on the S&P/ASX 200 Index; and
- (b) the investment management expertise of Wilson Asset Management.

The Company's Portfolio will be constructed using the Investment Manager's absolute bias, bottomup, benchmark unaware, fundamental investment methodology with the flexibility to hold cash if investment opportunities are not identified within the investment process. At times, the Investment Manager may short sell. Based on the Investment Manager's investment history, this is not expected to be a substantial percentage of the Portfolio value. See Sections 3.3 to 3.10 for an overview of the investment methodology and Section 3.9 for the Investment Manager's policy on short selling.

### 3.2. Investment objectives

The Company's investment objectives are to:

- (a) deliver a stream of fully franked dividends;
- (b) provide capital growth over the medium-to-long term; and
- (c) preserve capital.

The Company aims to maximise total Shareholder returns with a combination of capital growth and income, allowing fully franked dividends to be paid to Shareholders provided the Company has sufficient profit reserves and franking credits available and it is within prudent business practices to do so.

The above is not intended to be a forecast, it is merely an investment objective of the Company. The Company may not be successful in meeting this objective.

### 3.3. Investment philosophy

The investment philosophy of the Company will follow these broad principles:

- (a) Focus on the S&P/ASX 200 Index: The universe of potential investments for the Company is focused on Large-cap companies included in the S&P/ASX 200 Index, however it may invest in all securities quoted on the ASX or other exchanges, hold cash, and invest in the other permitted investments identified in Section 3.5. Notwithstanding the broad universe of permitted investments, the Company's Portfolio will be predominantly comprised of Long Positions in Large-cap companies included in the S&P/ASX 200 Index and cash.
- (b) Preference for undervalued companies: The
  Company's preference is to invest in entities where the securities are trading below Wilson Asset
  Management's valuation and are the subject of a
  Catalyst that, in the Investment Manager's view, has not yet been factored into the value of the entity and is likely to change the market's valuation of that entity over time.
- (c) Portfolio based and index unaware investing: The Company's priority will be to undertake investments on a portfolio basis. The Investment Manager will be index and benchmark unaware when selecting investments. While all investments will be considered on a case-by-case basis, the Company will usually refrain from taking a majority position in investee entities. This will assist the Company to diversify its investments and so reduce its exposure to abnormal falls in the market price of any single investment. The Company will seek to manage investment risk by spreading investments over a range of companies and industry sectors.
- (d) Capital preservation: Capital preservation is a key investment objective. The Company will hold cash unless it can identify appropriate investment opportunities. This could lead to the Company holding high levels of cash in the Portfolio from time-to-time. To ensure capital preservation, the Company may also hold bills of exchange or negotiable instruments from time-to-time.

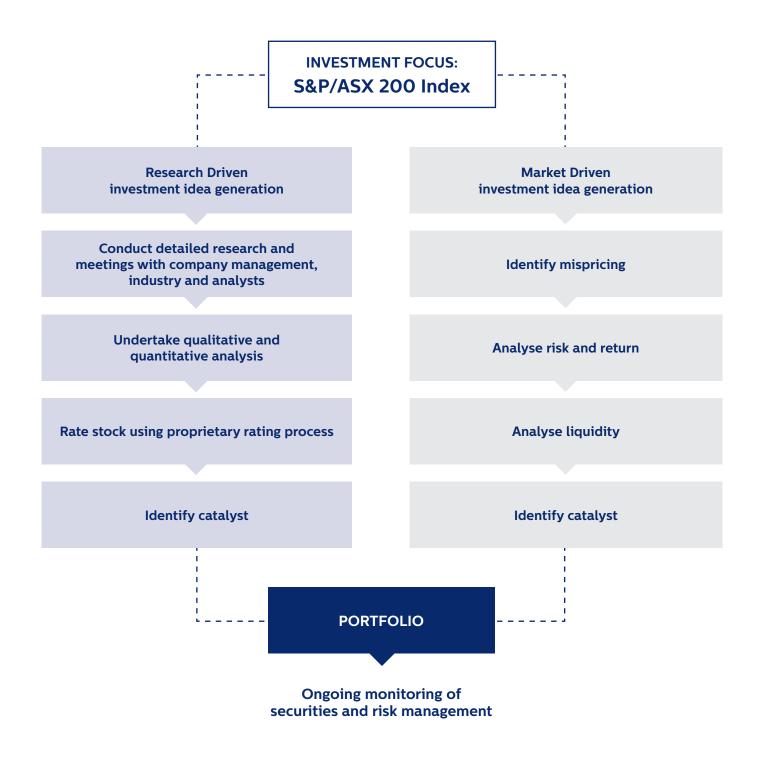
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### 3.4. Investment Strategy

To implement the Investment Strategy the Company will employ Wilson Asset Management's investment processes:

- Research Driven investing; and
- Market Driven investing.

These processes are detailed in the below chart.



#### (a) Research Driven investing

The Research Driven investment process involves extensive research focusing on free cash flow, return on equity and the quality of the potential investee company. Each company is rated with respect to management, earnings growth potential, valuation and industry position.

The Research Driven investment process potentially provides investors with exposure to undervalued companies. The Research Driven investment process is also centred on extensive company research, including meeting with senior executives of the potential investee companies.

Wilson Asset Management will only invest in a security identified by its Research Driven investment process if it can identify a catalyst that, in the Investment Manager's view, has not yet been factored into the value of that security and is likely to change the market's valuation of that security (Catalyst). A Catalyst can be information or news about the equity investment that the Investment Manager believes will have an impact on the valuation of the investment.

The Investment Manager will assess the potential effect and likelihood of a Catalyst impacting an entity, including whether the Catalyst could drive that entity's share price up or down. Potential Catalysts include:

- events, for example, earnings surprises, changes of management, acquisitions or strategy briefings; and
- liquidity events, for example, as a result of a share issue or sell down by an existing holder.

An example of a Research Driven investment opportunity is an investment in a company experiencing increased demand for its goods or services in circumstances where the Investment Manager has identified shortages in supply across the market as a Catalyst that it considers has the potential to create a large growth opportunity for the company.

In this example, the Research Driven investment process could generate returns if, after taking a stake in the company, the Catalyst identified by the Investment Manager (i.e. the shortages in supply across the market) does in fact result in the company experiencing continued growth, multiple profit upgrades (which in turn increases its capacity to meet an increased demand), driving the company's share price up.

This investment process could result in a loss if the Catalyst does not drive the share price up as the Investment Manager had expected. For example the example company's share price could drop due to regulatory change that causes a material increase to its cost of production, resulting in a profit downgrade.

#### (b) Market Driven investing

The Market Driven investment process takes advantage of short term relative arbitrages and mispricing opportunities in the Australian equity market, rather than investing in any individual companies or a portfolio of companies for a prolonged period of time.

Investment opportunities may be derived from:

- (a) Taking part in placements, Initial Public Offerings (IPOs), block trades and rights issues.
- (b) Trading securities based on market themes and trends. Themes or trends are used to screen and identify trading opportunities. Once an opportunity has been identified, the Investment Manager will undertake detailed research into the security before taking a position. Research may include meeting with the company, sell-side analysts and industry contacts as well as modelling of the relevant company's earnings drivers, sensitivities and operating leverage.
- (c) Taking advantage of financial transactions (such as takeovers, mergers, schemes of arrangements, corporate spin-offs and restructuring). Once a financial transaction opportunity is identified, detailed research is undertaken to assess the terms and conditions of the announced transaction and the liquidly of the underlying securities, to determine if the financial transactions presents a favourable risk/ reward opportunity. By way of example, company B (Bidder) announces an intention to make a takeover offer (Offer) of company T (Target) and the Investment Manager, following detailed research, forms the view that the proposed Offer is likely to cause the Target's share price to increase and the Bidder's share price to decrease. To take advantage of the transaction in this example, the Investment Manager could buy the Target's securities and short sell the Bidder's securities.
- (d) Taking advantage of other corporate transactions to identify arbitrage opportunities. This may include participation in share buy-backs. For example, if a company announces an off-market share buy-back and the company's share price is trading below the price announced in the buy-back this could generate an arbitrage opportunity. The Investment Manager would make a return by buying shares below the buyback price and then subsequently selling those shares into the buy-back at a higher price than they were purchased for.
- (e) Taking advantage of arbitrage opportunities involving hybrid securities including preference shares and convertible notes. For example, the Investment Manger may purchase hybrid securities that are approaching their conversion or repayment date. This strategy is utilised if the Investment Manger believes

## 3. About the Company (cont.)

there is a high probability that the securities will be repaid or converted in accordance with their terms and at a premium to the market price.

- (f) Buying securities in LICs, where they trade at a significant discount to underlying net assets. This is known as LIC discount arbitrage. For example, the Investment Manager may purchased shares in other listed investment companies when they are trading at a significant discount to their net tangible assets (NTA) and the Investment Manager believes that in the future the share price or performance could improve or the discount to NTA could reduce over time.
- (g) Participating in hybrid issues and convertible notes issues. For example, the Investment Manager may participate in new issues of hybrids or convertible notes if the Investment Manager believes the relevant securities are mispriced and could lead to a profit upon listing, or if the yield on the securities more than compensates for the risk involved in investing in the securities.
- (h) Short selling. For example, the Investment Manager may participate in short selling if the Investment Manager believes a security is mispriced and there is likely to be decline in the company's share price. This strategy would normally be applied with analysis undertaken around a market theme or trend as detailed above.

Once an investment opportunity has been identified, the Investment Manager will undertake a detailed assessment in order to identify any perceived mispricing in the relevant securities. The Investment Manager will then analyse risk and return potential and liquidity. Similar to its Research Driven investment process, Wilson Asset Management will, in most cases, seek to identify a Catalyst before investing in a security identified by its Market Driven investment process.

An example of a Market Driven investment opportunity is an investment in a company through a share placement to sophisticated and professional investors undertaken at a discount to the prevailing share price. This example placement is not available to retail investors and would allow the Company to purchase shares at a discount to where they are currently trading in the market.

The Investment Manager may become aware of opportunities, like the example placement, through its relationship with stock brokers. It will then undertake a detailed analysis of the relevant company and the proposed placement terms, including assessing the amount of capital being raised compared to the free float, the size of the discount to the current share price, the use of funds and the liquidly of the underlying stock.

In this example, the Market Driven investment process could generate returns if after the placement shares are allotted, the Investment Manager sells them at a higher price than what they were purchased at under the placement. The example investment would result in a loss if, after the allotment of the placement shares, the company's share price falls, and stays below, the price at which the shares were purchased in the placement.

An example of themes or trends that could be used in the Market Driven investment process are companies benefiting from increasing demand from overseas buyers for infant formula, vitamins and cosmetics, companies benefiting from a falling Australian dollar or companies that may benefit from media deregulation. In these examples if the theme or trend continued it would have the potential to lead to increases in company revenues or reduction in cost base leading to profit upgrades, increased sell-side coverage and interest in the stock or sector or increased demand from other investors leading to share price appreciation.

In this example, the Market Driven investment process could generate returns if, after taking a stake in the company, the theme identified continued to play out leading to the share price increasing for the reasons specified above. The investment would result in a loss if the market theme or trend stopped occurring, i.e. demand from overseas buyers for infant formula, vitamins and cosmetics decreased, the Australia dollar stopped falling and started appreciating or media de-regulation was delayed or cancelled.

#### 3.5. Permitted investments

The Investment Manager may invest in:

- (a) Australian and international securities;
- (b) bills of exchange, negotiable investments and debentures; and
- (c) cash.

## 3.6. Investment guidelines and parameters

The following investment guidelines and parameters apply to the Investment Manager's implementation of the Investment Strategy:

- (a) When fully invested, the Portfolio is expected to comprise an average of 20 to 50 securities and cash.
- (b) The Company's Portfolio will be predominantly comprised of Long Positions in Large-cap companies included in the S&P/ASX 200 Index and cash. The Company will identify potential investments using its Market and Research Driven processes and will invest in securities outside this investment focus based on the Investment Manager's level of conviction in each security, as well as market movements from time-totime. As an example, the Investment Manager may invest in securities that it considers are likely to become part of the S&P/ASX 200 Index over the short-tomedium term.

- (c) An investment within the Portfolio will be reviewed if it obtains a position weighting of greater than 20% of the Value of the Portfolio.
- (d) The Investment Manager expects that the average position weighting within the Portfolio for any one security will be 1% to 5% of the Value of the Portfolio. Actual weightings may be higher or lower and will be based on the Investment Manager's level of conviction in each security as well as market movements from time-to-time.
- (e) There are no limits on the investments that may be made by the Investment Manager of the Portfolio based on industry sectors.
- (f) The Company may from time-to-time seek to manage investment risk by taking short positions.
- (g) Short Positions will not exceed 50% of the Value of the Portfolio (see Section 3.9).

### 3.7. Dividend policy

The Board's intention is to pay fully franked dividends to Shareholders, provided the Company has sufficient profit reserves and franking credits, and it is within prudent business practices. The Company's ability to generate franking credits is dependent upon the receipt of franked dividends from investments and the payment of tax.

This is not intended to be a forecast. It is merely an indication of what the Company aims to achieve over the medium-to-long term. The Company may not be successful in meeting its objective. Any financial market turmoil or an inability by the Investment Manager to find and make profitable investments will likely have an adverse impact on achieving this objective. Returns are not guaranteed.

The Company has a dividend reinvestment plan available to Shareholders as set out in Section 10.5.

### 3.8. Capital management policy

The Company may undertake active capital management initiatives that may involve:

- (a) the issue of other Shares (through bonus option issues, placements, pro rata issues etc); and/or
- (b) the buy-back of its Shares.

### 3.9. Short selling policy

The Company may use short selling as a strategy to try to improve returns and to manage risk. The short sale of a security can involve much greater risk than buying a security, as losses on the securities purchased are restricted at most to the amount invested, whereas losses on a short position can be much greater than the initial value of the security.

Additionally, there can be no guarantee that the securities necessary to cover a short position will be available for purchase.

Short selling will also incur interest and other costs on the securities borrowed by the Company for sale. For a short sale to be profitable the return from the strategy must exceed these costs and, where losses are incurred on the strategy, these costs will increase the losses.

The following examples illustrate how short selling may result in a loss or a profit. Both examples assume the Investment Manger short sells 10,000 shares of ABC Limited (ABC Shares) at \$100 per ABC Share and later closes the position by entering into an equal and opposite trade. We have assumed that the costs associated the short sales in each example are also the same (i.e. borrowing costs and commissions totalling \$300 and \$250 in interest receivable).

In example 1, the Investment Manager closes the position when the ABC Share price has risen to \$120. This results in a loss of \$200,050. In example 2, the Investment Manager closes the position when the ABC Share price has fallen to \$80. This results in a profit of \$199,950.

With a view to managing the risks associated with short selling, the Portfolio's exposure to Short Positions will not exceed 50% of the Value of the Portfolio, without Board approval.

Based on the investment history of the WAM Entities, the expected short selling leverage will be less than 10%.

### 3.10. Allocation policy

The Wilson Asset Management Investment Team currently manages three LICs and one wholesale managed unit trust (see Section 4 for details).

The Wilson Asset Management Investment Team will apply the similar investment principles and processes in managing the WAM Entities that it intends to apply to the Portfolio, the primary difference being that the Company's Portfolio will focus on Large-cap companies in the S&P/ ASX 200 Index (see Sections 3.3, 4.3 and 4.4 for details).

The current expectation is that securities in the S&P/ASX 200 Index will be purchased primarily by the Company. If other WAM Entities also wish to purchase a particular S&P/ASX 200 Index security then the allocation across the WAM Entities and the Company will depend on the targeted weighting or level indicated by one or more of the entities and may take into account a number of factors including the relevant entities' gross asset values.

## 3. About the Company (cont.)

#### 3.11. Changes to the Investment Strategy

The Investment Strategy outlined in the Prospectus is expected to be implemented by the Investment Manager upon listing of the Company on the ASX.

No material changes to the Investment Strategy are presently contemplated. Any material changes would be made with the approval of the Board, after consultation with the Investment Manager. The Company will notify Shareholders of any material changes to the Company's Investment Strategy through the ASX and on the website.

### 3.12. Reports to Shareholders

Within 14 days after the end of each month, the Company will release to the ASX a statement of the NTA backing per Share as at the end of the month. The calculation of the NTA will be made in accordance with the Listing Rules.

The Company will provide to Shareholders on request, free of charge, a copy of statements released to the ASX of the net tangible asset backing of Shares.

The Company will also release reports to the ASX on the activities of the Company, the performance of the Company's Portfolio and the Investment Manager's investment outlook. These reports will also be available on the website.

## 3.13. Valuation, location and custody of assets

The Value of the Portfolio will be calculated daily (released to the ASX monthly) using a framework for the valuation of financial instruments that is consistent with current industry practice and regulatory requirements.

The assets of the Company will be valued using market accepted practices to accurately and independently price all securities and other assets within the Portfolio from timeto-time. The Company intends to delegate custody of its investments to an external custodian in accordance with the terms of a custodial services arrangement to be entered into.

The Company may also retain custody of some of its assets such as cash.

## 3.14. Risk management philosophy and approach

The Investment Manager will be primarily responsible for managing the risk of the Portfolio. The Investment Manager's risk policies and controls are designed to be robust and relevant to the Company's investment objectives and strategy.

The Investment Manager is committed to robust corporate governance practices to create value and provide accountability and a control system commensurate with the risk involved.

They ensure amongst other things that fair allocation of trades between all relevant entities.

The Investment Manager will monitor the Portfolio to ensure that compliance with the Investment Strategy and investment guidelines.

### 3.15. Status as a Listed Investment Company

It is intended that the Company will qualify as a LIC under Australian taxation laws.

The major requirements the Company must meet to be a LIC are:

- (a) the Company must be listed; and
- (b) 90% of the Portfolio value must comprise certain permitted investments as defined in section 115-290(4) of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Permitted investments include shares, options, units (provided the Company does not own more than 10% of the entity in which it holds the permitted investment), financial instruments and assets that generate passive income such as interest, rent and royalties.

It is expected that the Company will generally be considered to hold its investments on revenue account. Consequently, it is unlikely the Company will make capital gains and therefore, Shareholders may not be able to obtain a deduction in relation to dividends attributable to LIC capital gains under the LIC regime.

## 4. About the Investment Manager

#### 4.1. The Investment Manager

The Investment Manager forms part of Wilson Asset Management, a boutique fund manager established in 1997. Wilson Asset Management is comprised of the Investment Manager and WAMI. The Investment Manager was established in 2002. The Investment Manager holds an Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL) 223231. Entities associated with Geoff Wilson hold 100% of the ordinary shares in the Investment Manager.

Wilson Asset Management is led by the Company's Chairman, Geoff Wilson. Wilson Asset Management manages approximately \$1.2 billion (as at 29 February 2016) on behalf of wholesale and retail investors across three LICs and one wholesale unit trust.

The Investment Manager and WAMI employ the same investment team (Wilson Asset Management Investment Team) to manage the respective portfolios (see Section 4.6 for further details of the team's experience).

### 4.2. Role of the Investment Manager

The Investment Manager will manage the Portfolio of the Company in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement.

The Investment Manager will:

- (a) implement the Investment Strategy, including actively managing the Portfolio;
- (b) manage the Portfolio's exposure to markets;
- (c) calculate the Value of the Portfolio daily;
- (d) regularly update the Company regarding the Portfolio and provide all information necessary for the maintenance of the Company's financial accounts to be completed; and
- (e) provide administrative support to assist and ensure the maintenance of the Company's corporate and statutory records, compliance with the ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act.

See Section 9.1 for details of the Investment Management Agreement.

The Wilson Asset Management Investment Team will dedicate its time to the management of the Company and the WAM Entities. Matthew Haupt and John Ayoub will predominantly dedicate their time to the Company. Geoff Wilson and Chris Stott will dedicate between 20% to 40% of their time to the Company. Other members of the Wilson Asset Management Investment Team will dedicate such time as required to the Company. See Section 4.6 for detailed information regarding the experience and expertise of each of the investment team members.

### 4.3. Other WAM Entities

Wilson Asset Management provides investment management services to the WAM Entities described below:

#### WAM Capital Limited (ASX: WAM)

WAM Capital was listed on the ASX in 1999 and is a LIC primarily investing in Australian equities. WAM Capital is managed by WAMI using the Market Driven and Research Driven investment processes that will be employed by the Investment Manager to manage the Company's Portfolio. As at 29 February 2016, the total value of the WAM Capital portfolio of investments was \$892.9 million.

#### WAM Research Limited (ASX: WAX)

WAM Research was listed on ASX in 2003 (originally under the name Wilson Investment Fund Limited) and is a LIC primarily investing in Australian equities. WAM Research is managed by MAM, using the Research Driven investment process that will be employed by the Investment Manager to manage the Company's Portfolio. As at 29 February 2016, the total value of the WAM Research portfolio of investments was \$207.7 million.

#### WAM Active Limited (ASX: WAA)

WAM Active was listed on ASX in 2008 and is a LIC primarily investing in Australian equities. WAM Active is managed by MAM, using the Market Driven investment process that will be employed by the Investment Manager to manage the Company's Portfolio. As at 29 February 2016, the total value of the WAM Active portfolio of investments was \$35.8 million.

## Wilson Asset Management Equity Fund (WAMEF)

The Wilson Asset Management Equity Fund (WAMEF) is a wholesale unit trust established in December 1997. WAMEF is managed by WAMI under the Market Driven and Research Driven processes that will be employed by the Investment Manager to manage the Company's Portfolio. WAMEF units are not listed on the ASX. As at 29 February 2016, the total value of its portfolio of investments was \$40.0 million.

## 4. About the Investment Manager (cont.)

#### 4.4. Historical performance of WAM

Wilson Asset Management Investment Team has managed WAM Capital Limited since its inception in 1999. WAM Capital is a LIC with a broad Australian equities mandate and that employs the same investment strategies and processes as the Company. WAM Capital's long-term performance demonstrates the Wilson Asset Management Investment Team's general experience in managing investments in Australian equities as well as managing LICs.

The performance WAM Research, WAM Active and Wilson Asset Management Equity Fund is not directly relevant to the Company because of differences in investment strategies and processes compared with the Company's (i.e. WAM Research does not use the Market Driven investment process and WAM Active does not use the Research Driven investment process) and differences in legal structure (as a trust, Wilson Asset Management Equity Fund has a different tax and cost structure).

The investment returns of WAM Capital described in this Section 4.4 are historical and do not represent the

expected or actual future performance of the Company or its Investment Strategy. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. There can be no certainty that the performance of the Company will be similar to WAM Capital's historical performance. The performance of the Company could be significantly different to WAM Capital's historical performance. Importantly:

- (a) WAM Capital's focus on investing in undervalued growth companies has historically led to a significant exposure to small to medium companies listed on the ASX. The Investment Strategy for the Company is predominately focused on Large-cap listed companies in the S&P/ASX 200 Index; and
- (b) although the same investment policies and guidelines apply to WAM Capital and the Company their flexible nature allows for each entity to allocate investments as they see fit. As a result, the composition of each portfolio (including the percentage cash or the number of Short Positions held from time to time) will vary.

As a result, the Company's Portfolio and the Company's performance will not be the same as WAM Capital.

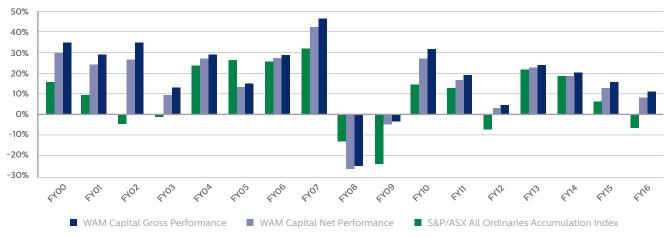
Source: WAM Capital Limited and IRESS

Performance at 29 February 2016							
	Funds under management	Commenced	1 Year	3 Years %pa	5 Years %pa	7 years %pa	Since inception %pa
WAM Capital Limited (ASX: WAM)	\$892.9m	August 1999	12.5%	13.9%	13.5%	19.3%	17.7%
S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index			-12.2%	3.2%	4.6%	10.6%	7.5%

1. The performance periods of 1 year, 3 years, 5 years and 7 years are calculated over the relevant period ending 29 February 2016.

2 The performance of WAM Capital is are based on the unaudited monthly returns and are calculated before expenses, fees and taxes.

3. The performance of the S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index is based on trading data prepared by IRESS. IRESS has not consented to the use of this data in this Prospectus. The S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index has been chosen for comparison purposes only. The above table is not intended to be an indication of future performance of any asset class, index or the Portfolio. Historically WAM Capital has compared its performance against the S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index. This is because WAM Capital is focused on small-mid cap securities, its broad investment mandate allows it to invest across all Australian equities, including Large-cap securities.



Annual historical performance since inception

Net performance is after all fees, but before taxes.

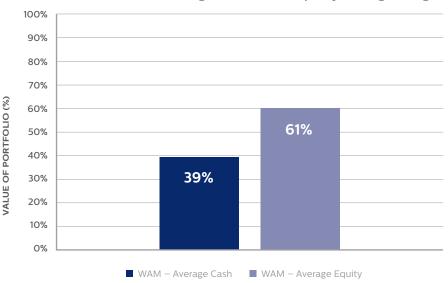
### 4.5. Historical cash and equity weightings

As capital preservation is a key investment objective for the Company, it may revert to holding cash once an investment has matured and if other opportunities cannot be identified. This could potentially lead to the Company holding up to 100% of the Portfolio in cash from time-to-time.

The tables and graphs below present the historical cash and equity weightings of WAM Capital Limited for the last seven years. The historical cash weightings have been included to provide some context to the investment environment that the historical investment performance returns have been generated in. The information is not intended to provide an indication of the cash holdings that the Company will hold from time-to-time in the future.



#### Historical cash exposure



### Historical average cash & equity weightings

Source: WAM Capital Limited

## 4. About the Investment Manager (cont.)

### 4.6. Investment Manager personnel

As Portfolio Managers, Geoff Wilson, Chris Stott and Matthew Haupt will be primarily responsible for all investment decisions for the Portfolio, while utilising the skill, experience and knowledge of the Wilson Asset Management Investment Team as a whole. The Wilson Asset Management Investment Team's experience and expertise is summarised below.



#### Geoff Wilson Chairman and Portfolio Manager B Sc GMQ FAICD FFinsia

Geoff has extensive direct experience in investment markets, holding a variety of senior investment roles in Australia, the UK and the US. Geoff founded Wilson Asset Management in 1997. Geoff has over 35 years' experience in the Australian and international securities industries. He holds a Bachelor of Science and a Graduate Management Qualification. He is also a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) and a Fellow of the Financial Services Institute of Australasia (FINSIA).

Geoff is currently Chairman of WAM Capital, WAM Research, WAM Active and the Australian Stockbrokers Foundation. He is a Director of Future Generation Investment Company Limited, Future Generation Global Investment Company Limited, Australian Leaders Fund Limited, Clime Capital Limited, Global Value Fund Limited, Century Australia Investments Limited, Incubator Capital Limited, Sporting Chance Cancer Foundation, Australian Fund Managers Foundation, Odyssey House McGrath Foundation, Australian Children's Music Foundation and he is a member of the Second Bite NSW Advisory Committee.

He is also a Director of the Investment Manager and WAMI.



#### Chris Stott Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager B Bus Grad Dip App Fin

Chris joined Wilson Asset Management in 2006 and has over 13 years' experience in the funds management industry. As Chief Investment Officer and Portfolio Manager, Chris is responsible for the research, management and construction of the investment portfolios. Chris is a Director of WAM Capital, WAM Active and WAM Research.

Previously, Chris was employed at Challenger Financial Services Group for four years in various research roles specialising in Australian equities. Chris holds a Bachelor of Business and a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment. Chris is a member of AICD and FINSIA.



Matthew Haupt Portfolio Manager CFA B Com Grad Dip App Fin

Matthew joined Wilson Asset Management in 2011 and is a Portfolio Manager focused on the Research Driven investment process. Matthew has more than 10 years' experience in the investment industry working both as a Portfolio Manager and Analyst. He gained extensive large-cap experience in his previous role with Australian Executor Trustees (now part of IOOF).

Matthew holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Adelaide, a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment, and has been awarded the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation and is a member of CFA Institute.



Martin Hickson Senior Equity Analyst and Dealer B Bus B Comp

Martin joined Wilson Asset Management in 2010 as an Equity Analyst/Dealer focused on the Market Driven investment process. In 2013, Martin became Senior Equity Analyst and Dealer. Prior to this, Martin worked at Challenger Financial Services Group for two years in various roles within the Funds Management division.

Martin holds a Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Computing and is undertaking a Master of Applied Finance from Kaplan Professional.



### **Tobias Yao Senior Equity Analyst** CFA B Com

Tobias joined Wilson Asset Management in 2014, and is a Senior Equity Analyst focused on the Research Driven investment process. Previously, Tobias worked for five years as an investment analyst at Pengana Capital; firstly in the Asian Equities Fund covering technology, media and industrial companies in Asia (including Japan); and more recently in the Australian Equities Fund covering telecommunications, IT, financial services, mining services and industrial companies. Prior to Pengana, he worked for two years as a consultant in the Transaction Advisory Services division of Ernst & Young.

Tobias holds a Bachelor of Commerce (with a Cooperative Scholarship). Tobias has been awarded the CFA designation and is a member of the CFA institute.



### **John Ayoub Senior Equity Analyst** BA LLB Grad Cert App Fin

John recently joined Wilson Asset Management as a Senior Equity Analyst focused on the Research Driven investment process. John has nine years' industry experience, most recently working at Credit Suisse as a Director in equity sales and trading focusing on both large and small caps. Prior to this, John worked as a research analyst and in corporate finance at Ord Minnett. John holds a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts.

#### Wilson Asset Management has:

- a proprietary research rating process;
- an intensive investee company meeting schedule (1,000+ meetings each year);
- a total focus on managing money;
- a broad coverage of various industry sectors;
- an extensive network of contacts to provide insights, intelligence and opportunities to the investment team;
- a flexible investment mandate, including the ability to hold cash and short sell; and
- a flat management structure informed by the team's collective experience.

Wilson Asset Management also employs a number of accountants, marketing, operations and administrative staff. The duties that Wilson Asset Management performs in addition to managing the investment portfolio can include the provision of financial and administrative support to ensure the maintenance of the corporate and statutory records, liaison with the ASX with respect to compliance with the ASX Listing Rules, liaison with ASIC with respect to compliance with the Corporations Act, liaison with the share registrar, shareholder engagement, marketing and the provision of information necessary for the maintenance of financial accounts.

### 4.7. Benefits of the LIC Structure

Wilson Asset Management's preferred LIC structure can provide a permanent and stable closed-end pool of capital. An investment team that manages capital on behalf of a LIC's shareholders can therefore make rational investment decisions based on sound investment principles. Importantly, the LIC structure can allow the opportunity to pay shareholders fully franked dividends over time. As a listed entity, an LIC must comply with rigorous corporate governance principles, providing investors with transparency and accountability.

### 4.8. Engagement with Shareholders

Wilson Asset Management takes an active approach in communicating with shareholders. Regular communications include weekly email updates, monthly investment updates and NTA announcements, yearly and half yearly profit announcements and semi-annual shareholder briefings. Access to all relevant information, such as independent research reports, is available on www.wamfunds.com.au. Wilson Asset Management's shareholder briefings, held in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth and Canberra, are well attended. The investment and management team greatly values the opportunity to meet with shareholders at these events.

Wilson Asset Management's investment team has over 80 years' collective experience in the Australian share market.

## 5. Risk factors

### 5.1. Introduction

Potential investors should be aware that subscribing for Shares and Options involves various risks. There are general risks associated with owning securities in publicly listed companies. The price of securities can go down as well as up due to factors outside the control of the company.

These factors include Australian and worldwide economic and political stability, natural disasters, performance of the domestic and global share markets, interest rates, foreign exchange, taxation and labour relations environments internationally.

Investors have choices that can reduce the impact of risk. Firstly, get professional advice suited to your investment objectives, financial situation and particular needs. Nothing in this Prospectus can replace or offer that. Secondly, invest for at least the time frame recommend by your professional adviser.

The Company should not be seen as a predictable, low risk investment. The Company's investments will be concentrated on ASX listed securities and the Company therefore is considered to have a higher risk profile than cash assets.

It is not possible to identify every risk associated with investing in the Company, however, the following provides a list of significant risks associated with the Company. There may be other risks associated with the Company.

### 5.2. Key investment strategy risk

The Company's investment activities will expose it to a variety of risks. The Company has identified some as being particularly relevant to its Investment Strategy, these include the risks in this Section.

#### **Investment Strategy risk**

The success and profitability of the Company will largely depend on the Investment Manager's continued ability to manage the Portfolio in a manner that complies with the Company's objectives, strategies, policies, guidelines and permitted investments. A failure to do so may negatively impact the Company and its Securities.

In addition, there are risks inherent in the investment strategy that the Investment Manager will employ for the Company. These risks include the risks identified in this Section 5.

#### Investment Manager's performance risk

The past performance of portfolios managed by the Investment Manager, and persons associated with the Investment Manager, are not necessarily a guide to future performance of the Company. The success and profitability of the Company depends almost entirely on the ability of the Investment Manager to construct a Portfolio of investments, exposed to well managed businesses that have the ability to increase in value over time. The Investment Management Agreement is expected to have an initial term of 10 years. Even if the Company does not perform well, it may be difficult to remove the Investment Manager.

## 5.3. Significant risks of investing in the Company

The following risks should be carefully evaluated before making an investment in the Company. Consideration must also be given to the speculative nature of the Company's investments. The following is not an exhaustive list of the risks of investing in the Company. The Investment Management Agreement is expected to an initial term of 10 years. Even if the Company does not perform well, it may be difficult to remove the Investment Manager.

#### Market risk

Broad market risks include movements in domestic and international securities markets, movements in foreign exchange rates and interest rates, changes in taxation laws and other laws affecting investments and their value.

The Company's Portfolio will be constructed so as to minimise market risks. Certain events may have a negative effect on the price of all types of investments within a particular market. These events may include changes in economic, social, technological or political conditions, as well as market sentiment. The Investment Manager will seek to minimise market and economic risks but cannot eliminate them entirely.

#### **Equity risk**

There is a risk that Shares will fall in value over short or extended periods of time. Historically, shares have outperformed other traditional asset classes over the long term. Share markets tend to move in cycles, and individual share prices may fluctuate and underperform other asset classes over extended periods of time. Shareholders in the Company are exposed to this risk both through their holding in Shares and Options in the Company as well as through the Company's Portfolio.

#### Short selling risk

Short selling securities involves borrowing stock and selling these borrowed securities. Short selling is subject to the theoretically unlimited risk of loss because there is no limit on how much the price of a security may appreciate. Additionally, there is a risk that the securities lender may request return of the securities. These risks may give rise to the possibility that positions may have to be liquidated at a loss and not at a time of the Investment Manager's choosing.

#### **Industry risk**

There are a number of industry risk factors that may effect the future operation or performance of the Company. These factors are outside the control of the Company. Such factors include increased regulatory and compliance costs and variations in legislation and government policies generally.

#### **Operational costs**

Operational costs for the Company as a proportion of total assets will be affected by the level of total assets of the Company and by the level of acceptance of this Offer. Operational costs will represent a greater proportion of total assets and will reduce the operating results of the Company and accordingly the ability to make dividend payments if the Company only achieves the Minimum Subscription under the Offer than if it secures a greater level of acceptance.

#### Size of Portfolio

The size of the Portfolio may affect the risk profile of the Portfolio. The Company may not be able to diversify its investment and so manage its risks as efficiently if it achieves the Minimum Subscription under this Offer than if it secures a greater level of acceptance. However, the risk of loss of investments included in the Portfolio will not necessarily be reduced if the level of acceptance under the Offer exceeds the Minimum Subscription. Effective risk management depends on a range of factors including diversification of investments and other factors.

#### Leverage risk

While the Company and the Investment Manager do not currently intend to use debt to increase the scale of the Portfolio of the Company, the use of Short Selling does create leverage. Short Selling can enlarge the fluctuations in the Portfolio value of the Company in a manner similar to a debt leveraged portfolio. These risks give rise to the possibility that positions may have to be liquidated at a loss and not at a time of the Investment Manager's choosing.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate movements may adversely affect the value of the Company through their effect on the price of a security and the cost of borrowing.

#### Default risk

Investment in Securities and financial instruments generally involves third parties as custodial and counter parties to contracts. Use of third parties carries risk of default and failure to secure custody that could adversely affect the value of the Company.

The Company will outsource key operational functions including investment management, custody, execution, administration and valuation to a number of third party service providers. There is a risk that third party service providers may intentionally or unintentionally breach their obligations to the Company or provide services below standards that are expected by the Company, causing loss to the Company.

#### **Compensation fee structure risk**

The Investment Manager may receive compensation based on the Company's performance. Performance Fee arrangements may create an incentive for the Investment Manager to make more speculative or higher risk investments than might otherwise be the case.

#### **Regulatory risk**

All investments carry the risk that their value may be affected by changes in laws and regulations especially taxation laws. Regulatory risk includes risk associated with variations in the taxation laws of Australia or other jurisdictions in which the Company holds investments.

#### **Concentration risk**

There may be more volatility in the Portfolio as compared to the S&P/ASX 200 Index because the Portfolio will be comprised of a smaller number of securities than the broader market index.

#### **Company risk**

The Company is a new entity with no operating history and no proven track record.

## 5. Risk factors (cont.)

## 5.4. Risks associated with investments in Shares and Options

The prices at which Shares and Options will trade on the ASX are subject to a number of risks, including:

#### **Market risk**

Share markets tend to move in cycles, and individual security prices may fluctuate and underperform other asset classes over extended periods of time. The value of securities listed on the ASX may rise or fall depending on a range of factors beyond the control of the Company. Shareholders in the Company are exposed to this risk both through their holding in Shares and Options in the Company as well as through the Company's Portfolio.

#### Financial market volatility

A fall in global equity markets, global bond markets or the rate of change in the value of the Australian dollar against other major currencies may discourage investors from moving money into or out of equity markets. This may have a negative effect on the price at which the securities trade.

#### **Economic risk**

Investment returns are influenced by numerous economic factors. These factors include changes in economic conditions (e.g. changes in interest rates or economic growth), changes in the legislative and political environment, as well as changes in investor sentiment.

In addition, exogenous shocks, natural disasters, acts of terrorism and financial market turmoil (such as the global financial crisis) can (and sometimes do) add to equity market volatility as well as impact directly on individual entities. As a result, no guarantee can be given in respect of the future earnings of the Company or the earnings and capital appreciation of the Company's Portfolio or appreciation of the Company's Share price.

#### Liquidity risk

The Company will be a listed entity, therefore the ability to sell Shares and Options will be a function of the turnover of the Shares and Options at the time of sale. Turnover itself is a function of the size of the Company and also the cumulative investment intentions of all current and possible Shareholders in the Company at any one point in time.

#### **Discount to NTA**

The Company will be listed on the ASX. The Company Share price may trade at a discount or a premium to its NTA.

#### 5.5. Other risk factors

Before deciding to subscribe for Shares and Options, Applicants should consider whether Shares and Options are a suitable investment.

There may be tax implications arising from the application for Shares and Options, the receipt of dividends (both franked and unfranked) from the Company, participation in any dividend reinvestment plan of the Company, participation in any on market share buy-back and on the disposal of Shares or Options. Applicants should carefully consider these tax implications and obtain advice from an accountant or other professional tax adviser in relation to the application of tax legislation.

Investors are strongly advised to regard any investment in the Company as a medium-to-long term proposition and to be aware that, as with any equity investment, substantial fluctuations in the value of their investment may occur.

If you are in doubt as to whether you should subscribe for Shares and Options, you should seek advice on the matters contained in this Prospectus from a stockbroker, solicitor, accountant or other professional adviser immediately.

#### 5.6. Timeframe for investment

Applicants are strongly advised to regard any investment in the Company as a medium-to-long term proposition for at least five years and to be aware that, as with any investment, substantial fluctuations in the value of their investment may occur over that period.

## 6. Financial information

### 6.1. Proceeds of the Offer

The Board intends to use the funds raised from the Offer for investments consistent with the investment objectives and investment strategy set out in Section 3.

## 6.2. Unaudited pro-forma statement of financial position

The pro-forma statements of financial position set out below have been prepared to illustrate the effects of the pro-forma adjustments described below for the different subscription amounts as if they had occurred on 1 March 2016, being the incorporation date of the Company, including:

- completion of the Offer based on each of the amounts indicated being raised; and
- payment of expenses (which have been deducted from the cash amount) which consist of the Offer related expenses in accordance with Section 6.6 below.

It is intended to be illustrative only and it neither reflects the actual position of the Company as at the date of this Prospectus nor at the conclusion of the Offer.

The unaudited pro-forma statements of financial position have been prepared on the basis of the assumptions set out in Section 6.5.

#### WAM Leaders Limited Unaudited Pro Forma Statement of Financial Position Assumes Completion of the Offer

The unaudited pro-forma statements of financial position are presented in summary form only and do not comply with the presentation and disclosure requirements of Australian Accounting Standards.

The information in this Section should also be read in conjunction with the Risk Factors set out in Section 5 and other information contained in this Prospectus.

	Minimum Subscription \$16.5 million (\$'000)	Subscription \$110 million (\$'000)	Maximum Subscription \$209 million (\$'000)	Over Subscription \$374 million (\$'000)
ASSETS				
Cash Receivables Deferred Tax Asset	16,067 6 128	108,313 85 481	205,419 208 1,012	366,646 456 2,069
Total Assets	16,201	108,879	206,639	369,171
Total Liabilities	-	-	-	_
Net Assets	16,201	108,879	206,639	369,171
EQUITY				
Contributed Equity	16,500	110,000	209,000	374,000
Less: Capitalised costs of the Offer	(298)	(1,120)	(2,360)	(4,828)
_	16,202	108,880	206,640	369,172
Costs not Eligible to be Capitalised	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Total Equity	16,201	108,879	206,639	369,171
NAV Backing Per Share (\$)	1.080	1.089	1.088	1.086

## 6. Financial information (cont.)

### 6.3. Capital structure

The anticipated capital structure of the Company on completion of the Offer is set out below:

	Minimum Subscription \$16.5 million	Subscription \$110 million	Maximum Subscription \$209 million	Over Subscription \$374 million
Shares on issue	15,000,001	100,000,001	190,000,001	340,000,001
Options on issue	15,000,000	100,000,000	190,000,000	340,000,000

As at the date of this Prospectus, Geoff Wilson (Chairman) holds the sole Share on issue in the Company indirectly through an associated entity (GW Holdings Pty Limited).

### 6.4. Cash

A reconciliation of the pro-forma statements of financial position for cash is as below:

	Minimum Subscription \$16.5 million (\$)	Subscription \$110 million (\$)	Maximum Subscription \$209 million (\$)	Over Subscription \$374 million (\$)
Initial Subscriber Shares with the Application Amount of \$1.10 each	1	1	1	1
Proceeds of Prospectus offer – at the Application Amount of \$1.10 per Share	16,500,000	110,000,000	209,000,000	374,000,000
Expenses of Offer (net of tax)	299,090	1,122,028	2,360,967	4,828,638
Deferred Tax Asset	128,181	480,869	1,011,843	2,069,416
GST Receivable	6,188	84,562	207,694	455,813
Estimated Net Cash Position	16,066,542	108,312,542	205,419,497	366,646,134

### 6.5. Assumptions

These unaudited pro-forma statements of financial position and the information in Sections 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 have been prepared on the basis of the following assumptions:

- (a) Application of the proposed accounting policies and notes to the accounts set out in Section 6.7
- (b) In the unaudited pro-forma statement of financial position entitled "Minimum Subscription \$16,500,000", the reference is to issuing 15,000,000
   Shares and Options to Applicants under this Prospectus
- (c) In the unaudited pro-forma statement of financial position entitled "Subscription \$110,000,000", the reference is to issuing 100,000,000 Shares and Options to Applicants under this Prospectus

- (d) In the unaudited pro-forma statement of financial position entitled "Maximum Subscription \$209,000,000", the reference is to issuing 190,000,000 Shares and Options to Applicants under this Prospectus
- (e) In the unaudited pro-forma statement of financial position entitled "Over Subscription \$374,000,000", the reference is to issuing 340,000,000 Shares and Options to Applicants under this Prospectus
- (f) The Company will derive income of a sufficient nature and amount to enable recognition of a deferred tax asset for the costs incurred by the Company in respect of the Offer

- (g) The costs incurred by the Company in respect of the Offer referred to in this Section are net of deferred tax assets, in accordance with accounting standards and the accounting policy note in Section 6.7. This means that the tax benefit (a 30% tax deduction) is applied to these costs to reduce them by 30%. The cash outlay of an expense is gross of this tax benefit. For example, an outlay described in this Section as \$70 (net of tax) is a cash outlay of \$100 less the tax benefit of a \$30 income tax deduction
- (h) Expenses of the Offer have been paid and are recognised in equity net of tax (refer to Section 6.6)
- (i) The Company will pay a Broker Firm selling fee equal to 1.5% (plus GST) of the Application Amounts provided with valid Application Forms bearing a Licensee's stamp to the extent Shares and Options are allotted under the Broker Firm Offer and the Applications or commitments to lodge Application Forms (with respect to the Broker Firm Offer) are received before the Closing Date. No fee will be payable on General Offer Applications or on WAM Priority Allocations
- (j) For the purpose of the unaudited pro-forma statement of financial position, it has been assumed that the Broker Firm selling fee of 1.5% (plus GST) will be paid on:
  - (i) 0% of Applications in respect of the Minimum Subscription of \$16,500,000;
  - (ii) 35% of Applications in respect of the Subscription of \$110,000,000; and

- (iii) 55% of Applications in respect of the Maximum Subscription of \$209,000,000; and
- (iv) 75% of Applications in respect of the Over Subscription of \$374,000,000.
- (k) The Company will pay a fee equivalent to 0.5% (plus GST) of the total gross proceeds of the Offer to the Joint Lead Managers.

#### 6.6. Expenses of the Offer

The Company will pay from the proceeds of the Offer the expenses of the Offer including legal, accounting, taxation, printing and initial ASX listing fees. These expenses have been estimated at \$299,090 (net of tax) assuming the Minimum Subscription is achieved and \$2,360,967 (net of tax) assuming the Maximum Subscription is achieved and \$4,828,638 (net of tax) assuming the Over Subscription is achieved. A breakdown of these expenses (including GST), assuming the Minimum Subscription of Applications for \$16,500,000, Subscription of Applications for \$10,000,000, Maximum Subscription of Applications for \$209,000,000 and Over Subscription of Applications for \$374,000,000 is provided below.

	Minimum Subscription \$16.5 million (\$)	Subscription \$110 million (\$)	Maximum Subscription \$209 million (\$)	Over Subscription \$374 million (\$)
Joint Lead Manager fees	90,750	1,240,250	3,046,175	6,685,250
Legal fees	118,003	118,003	118,003	118,003
Investigating accountant & tax adviser fees	19,250	19,250	19,250	19,250
ASX fees	96,800	201,300	288,420	422,708
ASIC lodgement fees	2,320	2,320	2,320	2,320
Other expenses	106,336	106,336	106,336	106,336
Total estimated gross expenses of the Offer	433,459	1,687,459	3,580,504	7,353,867
Less: Deferred tax asset	(128,181)	(480,869)	(1,011,843)	(2,069,416)
Less: GST Receivable	(6,188)	(84,562)	(207,694)	(455,813)
Total estimated expenses of the Offer	299,090	1,122,028	2,360,967	4,828,638

## 6. Financial information (cont.)

## 6.7. Proposed significant accounting policies and notes to accounts

A summary of significant accounting policies that have been adopted in the preparation of the unaudited proforma statements of financial position set out in Section 6.2 or that will be adopted and applied in preparation of the financial statements of the Company for the period ended 30 June 2016 and subsequent periods is set out as follows:

#### (a) Basis of preparation

The pro-forma statement of financial position has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB), and the Corporations Act, as appropriate for for-profit oriented entities (as modified for inclusion in the Prospectus).

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations, set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions to which they apply. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below. They have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial information presented in the Prospectus is presented in an abbreviated form and does not contain all of the disclosures that are usually provided in an annual report prepared in accordance with the Corporations Act. The pro-forma statements of financial position have been prepared on the basis of assumptions outlined in Section 6.5.

The pro-forma statements of financial position have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs.

#### (b) Investments

#### (i) Classification

The category of financial assets and financial liabilities compromises:

#### Financial instruments held for trading

These include futures, forward contracts, options and interest rate swaps.

## Financial instruments designated at fair value through profit or loss upon initial recognition

These include financial assets that are not held for trading purposes and which may be sold. The fair value through profit or loss classification is available for the majority of the financial assets held by the Company and the financial liabilities arising from the units must be fair valued.

#### (ii) Recognition/derecognition

Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and available for sale. Financial assets are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Other financial assets and liabilities are recognised on the date they originated.

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets expire or it transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired.

#### (iii) Measurement

## Financial instruments designated at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets and liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss are measured initially at fair value, with transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition recognised in the statement of profit or loss. Subsequent to initial recognition, all instruments held at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value with changes in their fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

#### Listed equities

Shares that are listed or traded on an exchange are fair valued using last sale prices, as at the close of business on the day the shares are being valued. If a quoted market price is not available on a recognised stock exchange, the fair value of the instruments are estimated using valuation techniques, which include the use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation techniques that provide a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

#### Options

An option is a contractual arrangement under which the seller (writer) grants the purchaser (holder) the right, but not the obligation, either to buy (a call option) or sell (a put option) at or by a set date or during a set period, a specific amount of financial instruments at a predetermined price. Gains or losses are recorded in the relevant period as a change in the fair value of investments in the statement of profit or loss.

#### Futures

Futures are contractual obligations to buy or sell financial instruments on a future date at a specified price established in an organised market. Futures over listed equities and indices are accounted for on the same basis as the underlying investment exposure. Gains or losses are recorded in the relevant period as a change in the fair value of investments in the statement of profit or loss.

If a quoted market price is not available on a recognised securities exchange or from the brokers/dealers for nonexchange-traded financial instruments, the fair value of the instrument is estimated using the last available quoted market price or valuation techniques, which include use of recent arm's length market transactions, reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions.

#### Income and expenditure

Interest income and expenses, including interest income and expenses from non-derivative financial assets, are recognised in the statement of profit or loss as they accrue, using the effective interest method of the instrument calculated at the acquisition date. Interest income includes the amortisation of any discount or premium, transaction costs or other differences between the initial carrying amount of an interest-bearing instrument and its amount at maturity calculated on an effective interest rate basis. Interest income is recognised on a gross basis, including any withholding tax, if any.

Dividend income relating to exchange-traded equity instruments is recognised in the statement of profit or loss on the ex-dividend date with any related foreign withholding tax recorded as an expense.

Trust distributions (including distributions from cash management trusts) are recognised on a present entitlements basis and recognised in the statement of profit or loss on the day the distributions are announced.

All expenses, including Performance Fees and Investment Management Fees, are recognised in the statement of profit or loss on an accrual basis.

### (c) Fair value measurement

When a financial asset 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 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, assuming they act in their economic best interests. 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.

Assets measured at fair value are classified, into three levels, using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. Classifications are reviewed at each reporting date and transfers between levels are determined based on a reassessment of the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

## (d) Income tax

The income tax expense or benefit for the period is the tax payable on that period's taxable income based on the applicable income tax rate for each jurisdiction, adjusted by changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities attributable to temporary differences, unused tax losses and the adjustment recognised for prior periods, where applicable.

The Company may incur withholding tax imposed by certain countries on investment income. Such income will be recorded net of withholding tax in the statement of profit or loss.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised for temporary differences at the tax rates expected to apply when the assets are recovered or liabilities are settled, based on those tax rates that are enacted or substantively enacted for each jurisdiction.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise those temporary differences and losses.

The carrying amount of recognised and unrecognised deferred tax assets are reviewed each reporting date. Deferred tax assets recognised are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that future taxable profits will be available for the carrying amount to be recovered. Previously unrecognised deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that there are future taxable profits available to recover the asset.

# 6. Financial information (cont.)

## (e) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), unless GST incurred is not recoverable from the ATO. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included in other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

## (f) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other shortterm, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

## (g) Share capital

Ordinary shares will be classified as equity. Costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares will be recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

# 7. Investigating Accountant's Report



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Board of Directors WAM Leaders Limited Level 11, 139 Macquarie Street Sydney NSW 2000

## Dear Directors,

## Part 1: Independent Limited Assurance Report on WAM Leaders Limited Pro Forma historical financial information

# 7.1 Introduction

The Directors of WAM Leaders Limited (the "Company") have engaged Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Ltd ("*Pitcher Partners*") to report on the pro-forma historical financial information of the Company as at 1 March 2016.

We have prepared this Independent Limited Assurance Report (*"Report"*) to be included in a Replacement Prospectus dated 18 April 2016 (replacing in full the Original Prospectus dated 4 April 2016) and relating to the offer of up to 340,000,000 fully paid ordinary Shares at an offer price of \$1.10 per share to raise up to \$374,000,000 should the Maximum Subscription be raised and all over subscriptions be accepted.

The Minimum Subscription is 15,000,000 fully paid ordinary Shares. The Offer is not underwritten.

Unless stated otherwise, expressions defined in the Prospectus have the same meaning in this Report and section references are to sections of the Prospectus.

The nature of this report is such that it can only be issued by an entity which holds an Australian Financial Services Licence (*"AFSL"*) under the Corporations Act. Pitcher Partners holds the appropriate AFSL authority under the Corporations Act. Refer to our Financial Services Guide included as Part 2 of this Report.

# 7.2. Background

The Company was incorporated on 1 March 2016 and has not traded. As at the date of this Report, the Company has one Share and no Options on issue and has net assets of one Australian dollar.

# 7.3. Scope

This Report deals with the pro-forma financial information included in Section 6 of the Prospectus (*"Financial Information"*). The Financial Information consists of the pro-forma statements of financial positions as at 1 March 2016 and related notes as set out on page 33 of the Prospectus.

The unaudited pro-forma statements of financial position in Section 6.2 have been prepared to illustrate the financial position of the Company on completion of the Offer and have been prepared on the basis of the recognition and measurement principles contained in Australian Accounting Standards applied to the historical financial information and the events to which the pro-forma assumptions relate, as described in Section 6.5 of the Prospectus, as if those events had occurred as at 1 March 2016. Due to its nature, the pro-forma historical financial information does not represent the Company's actual or prospective financial position.

The pro-forma statements of financial position are presented in an abbreviated form insofar as it does not include all the presentation and disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards applicable to general purpose financial reports.

Pitcher Partners disclaims any responsibility for any reliance on this Report or the financial information to which it relates for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared. This Report should be read in conjunction with the full Prospectus and has been prepared for inclusion in the Prospectus.

# 7.4. Director's responsibilities

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the pro-forma statements of financial position including the selection and determination of pro-forma assumptions, accounting policies and the notes included in the pro-forma historical financial information. This includes responsibility for such internal controls as the Directors determine are necessary to enable the preparation of the pro-forma historical financial information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Ltd, ABN 77 122 561 184, is an authorised representative of Pitcher Partners Sydney. Wealth Management Pty Ltd, AFS License No. 336950, ABN 85 135 817 766. A member of Pitcher Partners, a national association of independent firms. Liability limited by a scheme approved under Professional Standards Legislation.





# 7.5. Our responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express a limited assurance conclusion on the pro-forma historical financial information included in Section 6 of the Prospectus based on the procedures performed and the evidence we have obtained. We have conducted our engagement in accordance with the Standard on Assurance Engagement ASAE 3450 Assurance Engagements involving Corporate Fundraisings and/or Prospective Financial Information.

A review 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 reasonable 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 on the pro-forma historical financial information of the Company.

Our engagement did not involve updating or re issuing any previously issued audit or review report on any financial information used as a source of the financial information.

# 7.6. Conclusion

Based on our review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to our attention which causes us to believe that the pro-forma historical financial information being the pro-forma statements of financial position of the Company are not presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the assumptions described in Section 6.5 of the Prospectus and the stated basis of preparation as described in Section 6.7 of the Prospectus.

# 7.7. Restriction on use

Without modifying our conclusions, we draw attention to Section 6 of the Prospectus, which describes the purpose of the financial information, being for inclusion in the Prospectus. As a result, the financial information may not be suitable for use for another purpose.

Investors should consider the statement of investment risks set out in Section 5 of the Prospectus.

# 7.8. Legal proceedings

To the best of our knowledge and belief, there are no material legal proceedings outstanding or currently being undertaken, not otherwise disclosed in this Report, which would cause the information included in the Report to be misleading.

# 7.9. Subsequent events

Apart from the matters dealt with in this Report, and having regard to the scope of our Report, to the best of our knowledge and belief no other material transactions or events outside of the ordinary business of the Company have come to our attention, that would require comment on, or adjustment to the information referred to in our Report, or that would cause such information to be misleading or deceptive.

# 7.10. Sources of information

Pitcher Partners has made enquiries of the Directors, the Investment Manager and other parties as considered necessary during the course of our analysis of the pro-forma historical financial information of the Company. We have also referred to the Prospectus and material documents which relate to the proposed operations of the Company.

We have no reason to believe the information supplied is not reliable.

# 7.11. Independence or disclosure of interest

Pitcher Partners has no financial or other interest that could reasonably be regarded as being capable of affecting its ability to give an unbiased conclusion on the matters that are subject of this Report for which normal professional fees will be received.

Neither Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Ltd, Pitcher Partners Sydney Wealth Management Pty Ltd, any Director thereof, nor any individual involved in the preparation of the Report have any financial interest in the outcome of this Offer, other than a fee payable to Pitcher Partners in connection with the preparation of our Report for which normal professional fees will be received.

# 7.12. Liability

Pitcher Partners has consented to the inclusion of this Report in the Prospectus in the form and context in which it is included. At the date of this Report, this consent has not been withdrawn.

The liability of Pitcher Partners is limited to the inclusion of this Report in the Prospectus. Pitcher Partners has not authorised the issue of the Prospectus. Accordingly, Pitcher Partners makes no representation regarding, and takes no responsibility for, any other statements or material in or omissions from, the Prospectus.

# 7.13. Financial Services Guide

We have included our Financial Services Guide as Part 2 of this.

Yours faithfully

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Scott Whiddett, Director Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Ltd



## Part 2: Financial Services Guide

### 1. Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Ltd

Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Ltd (*"Pitcher Partners"*) is an authorised representative of Pitcher Partners Sydney Wealth Management Pty Ltd (*"Licence Holder"*) in relation to Australian Financial Services Licence No. 336950.

Pitcher Partners may provide the following financial services to wholesale and retail clients as an authorised representative of the Licence Holder:

- Financial product advice in relation to securities, interests in managed investment schemes, government debentures, stocks or bonds, deposit and payment products, life products, retirement savings accounts and superannuation (collectively *"Authorised Financial Products"*); and
- Applying for, varying or disposing of a financial product on behalf of another person in respect of Authorised Financial Products.

### 2. Financial Services Guide

The Corporations Act 2001 requires Pitcher Partners to provide this Financial Services Guide ("FSG") in connection with its provision of an Investigating Accountant's Report (*"Report"*) which is included in the Prospectus provided by WAM Leaders Limited (the *"Entity"*).

#### 3. General financial product advice

The financial product advice provided in our Report is known as "general advice" because it does not take into account your personal objectives, financial situation or needs. You should consider whether the general advice contained in our Report is appropriate for you, having regard to your own personal objectives, financial situation or needs. You may wish to obtain personal financial product advice from the holder of an Australian Financial Services Licence ("*AFSL*") to assist you in this assessment.

#### 4. Remuneration

Pitcher Partners' client is the Entity to which it provides the Report. Pitcher Partners receives its remuneration from the Entity. Our fee for the Report is based on a time cost or fixed fee basis. This fee has been agreed in writing with the party who engaged us. Neither Pitcher Partners nor its Directors and employees, nor any related bodies corporate (including the Licence Holder) receive any commissions or other benefits in connection with the preparation of this Report, except for the fees referred to above.

All our employees receive a salary. Employees may be eligible for bonuses based on overall productivity and contribution to the operation of Pitcher Partners or related entities but any bonuses are not directly connected with any assignment and in particular not directly related to the engagement for which our Report was provided.

We do not pay commissions or provide any other benefits to any parties or person for referring customers to us in connection with the reports that we are licensed to provide.

#### 5. Independence

Pitcher Partners is required to be independent of the Entity.

Neither Pitcher Partners, Pitcher Partners Sydney Wealth Management Pty Ltd, any Director thereof, nor any individual involved in the preparation of the Report have any financial interest in the outcome of this Offer, other than a fee in connection with the preparation of our Report for which professional fees in the order of \$17,500 (excluding GST) will be received. No pecuniary or other benefit, direct or indirect, has been received by Pitcher Partners, their Directors or employees, or related bodies corporate for or in connection with the preparation of this Report.

Pitcher Partners Sydney, a chartered accounting partnership associated with Pitcher Partners has been nominated to be the appointed auditor of the Company, for which it will receive fees.

### 6. Complaints resolution

Pitcher Partners is only responsible for its Report and this FSG. Complaints or questions about the Prospectus should not be directed to Pitcher Partners which is not responsible for that document.

Both Pitcher Partners and the Licence Holder may be contacted as follows:

 By phone:
 (02) 9221 2099

 By fax:
 (02) 9223 1762

 By mail:
 GPO Box 1615, Sydney NSW 2001

If you have a complaint about Pitcher Partners' Report or this FSG you should take the following steps:

- Contact the Enquiries and Complaints Officer of the Licence Holder on (02) 9221 2099 or send a written complaint to the Licence Holder at Level 22, MLC Centre 19 Martin Place, Sydney NSW 2000. We will try and resolve your complaint quickly and fairly.
- 2. If you still do not get a satisfactory outcome, you have the right to complain to the Financial Industry Complaints Service at PO Box 579 Collins St West, Melbourne, Victoria 8007 or call on 1300 78 08 08. We are a member of this scheme.
- 3. The Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC) also has a freecall Infoline on 1300 300 630 which you may use to make a complaint and obtain information about your rights.

The Licence Holder, as holder of the AFSL, gives authority to Pitcher Partners to distribute this FSG.

# 8. Directors of WAM Leaders Limited

# 8.1. Introduction

The Company believes that the Investment Manager has the skill, depth of knowledge and history of achieving results through the Investment Strategy to manage this Portfolio.

The Investment Manager will be overseen by the Board of Directors who have a broad range of experience in investment management combined with financial and commercial expertise.

The following table provides information regarding the Directors, including their positions:

<b>Director Position</b>	Position	Committee
Geoff Wilson	Non-independent Chairman	
Lindsay Mann	Independent Director	Audit & Risk Committee Member
Melinda Snowden	Independent Director	Audit & Risk Committee Chair
Kate Thorley	Non-independent Director	Audit & Risk Committee Member
Chris Stott	Non-independent Director	

# 8.2. Background of the Directors

## Geoff Wilson (Non-independent Chairman)

See Section 4.6 for details of Geoff's experience.

## Lindsay Mann (Independent Director)

Lindsay has more than 40 years' financial services experience and held a number of senior executive positions in funds management, wealth management and life insurance across Asia, Australia and New Zealand. He was formerly Chairman of Premium Investors Pty Limited (formerly Premium Investors Limited). Prior to that Lindsay was CEO (Singapore) and Regional Head Asia for First State Investments, the Asian business of Colonial First State Global Asset Management. Prior to this, Lindsay was CEO of AXA Investment Managers in Hong Kong.

He is a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries of Australia and a Graduate member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Since retiring as Regional Head, Asia, of First State Investments in 2010, Lindsay has been a Nonexecutive Director for a number of investment companies and funds. Lindsay is currently an independent director of UCA Funds Management Limited and an independent director of WAM Capital Limited.

## Melinda Snowden (Independent Director)

Melinda is a Non-executive Director of Kennards Self Storage Pty Limited, SANE Australia and a Council member of Newington College. Melinda was a Non-executive Director of MLC Limited, the wealth management division of NAB and a number of its associated boards between 2009 and 2014 and is a former Non-executive Director of Vita Group Limited, an ASX listed electronics and telecommunications retailer (between 2008 and 2011). Melinda is an advisory board member of Hardtofind.com.au Pty Limited, an online retailer.

In her executive career Melinda was an investment banker with Grant Samuel, Merrill Lynch and Goldman Sachs in Australia and New York. Melinda's qualifications and accreditations include: Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Laws, Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment, GAICD, and Fellow of FINSIA.

## Kate Thorley (Non-independent Director)

Kate has over 10 years' experience in the funds management industry and more than 15 years of financial accounting and corporate governance experience.

Kate is the Chief Executive Officer of Wilson Asset Management. Previously, Kate held the positions of Chief Financial Officer and Financial Accountant for Wilson Asset Management. Kate holds a Bachelor of Commerce, a Graduate Diploma in Applied Finance and Investment, a Graduate Diploma of Applied Corporate Governance and is a fully qualified CPA.

Kate is a Director of WAM Active, WAM Research, Future Generation Investment Company Limited and is a Non-executive Director of Sandon Capital Opportunities Pty Limited. Kate is the Company Secretary of Future Generation Global Investment Company Limited, WAM Capital and WAM Research. Kate is a member of AICD and FINSIA.

## Chris Stott (Non-independent Director)

See Section 4.6 for details of Chris' experience.

# 8.3. Independent Directors

Lindsay Mann and Melinda Snowden, being the Independent Directors, are free from any business or other relationship that could materially interfere with, or reasonably be perceived to materially interfere with, the independent exercise of the person's judgement.

# 8.4. Director disclosures

No Director has been the subject of any disciplinary action, criminal conviction, personal bankruptcy or disqualification in Australia or elsewhere in the last 10 years which is relevant or material to the performance of their duties as a Director.

No Director has been an officer of a company that has entered into any form of external administration as a result of insolvency during the time that they were an officer or within a 12 month period after they ceased to be an officer.

# 8.5. The role of the Directors

The Directors will ensure the Company has Corporate Governance procedures and that those procedures are followed. In addition, the Board will be responsible for reviewing the Investment Manager's performance and ensuring that compliance with the Investment Management Agreement terms. Together, the members of the Board may implement capital management strategies (in line with the policy set out in Section 3.8) from timeto-time.

It is expected that Board meetings will be held at least quarterly and more frequently as required. The Directors commitment of time to these activities will depend on a number of factors including the size of the Portfolio.

The Company has outsourced its investment management and administrative support function to the Investment Manager in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement. The accounting, custody, valuation and share registry functions have been outsourced to various service providers. The Board will oversee the performance of the Investment Manager and other service providers.

Each Director has confirmed that, notwithstanding his other commitments, he will be available to spend the required amount of time on the Company's affairs including attending Board meetings of the Company.

# 8.6. Participation by the Directors

GW Holdings Pty Limited (an entity associated with Geoff Wilson) currently holds one Share in the Company, which was issued on incorporation.

The Directors, and entities associated with them, are permitted to participate in the Offer. At completion of the Offer the Directors are expected to have a relevant interest in the following Securities:

Director	Shares	Options
Geoff Wilson	2,000,000	2,000,000
Lindsay Mann	25,000	25,000
Melinda Snowden	4,600	4,600
Kate Thorley	25,000	25,000
Chris Stott	200,000	200,000

## 8.7. No other interests

Except as set out in this Prospectus, there are no interests that exist at the date of this Prospectus and there were no interests that existed within two years before the date of this Prospectus that are, or were respectively, interests of a Director, a proposed Director of the Company or a promoter of the Company or in any property proposed to be acquired by the Company in connection with its formation or promotion of the Offer.

Further, there have been no amounts paid or agreed to be paid to a Director in cash or Securities or otherwise by any persons either to induce him to become or to qualify him as a Director or otherwise, for services rendered by him in connection with the promotion or formation of the Company.

# 8.8. Directors' remuneration

The Company's non-executive Directors are entitled to receive Directors fees of up to \$90,000 per annum.

Additional remuneration will be paid in accordance with the Company's Constitution. As at the date of the Prospectus, the Company has agreed to pay the Directors the following annual fees.

Director	Director's Fees
Geoff Wilson	\$10,000
Lindsay Mann	\$30,000
Melinda Snowden	\$30,000
Kate Thorley	\$10,000
Chris Stott	\$10,000

# 8. Directors of WAM Leaders Limited (cont.)

For the year ending 30 June 2016 Directors will be paid a pro rata amount calculated by reference to the date the Company is admitted to the Official List.

The remuneration for Directors will be reviewed by the Board on a periodic basis as the Company develops its business and, subject to the Listing Rules, may be increased.

## 8.9. Indemnity for Directors

The Company has agreed to provide an indemnity to the Directors in limited circumstances. See Section 9.3 for details.

## 8.10. Corporate governance policies

The Board has the responsibility of ensuring the Company is properly managed so as to protect and enhance Shareholders' interests in a manner that is consistent with the Company's responsibility to meet its obligations to all parties with which it interacts. To this end, the Board has adopted what it believes to be appropriate corporate governance policies and practices having regard to its size and the nature of activities.

The Board has established an Audit and Risk Committee.

The Board endorses the Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (ASX Recommendations) published by the ASX Corporate Governance Council and has adopted corporate governance charters and policies reflecting those ASX Recommendations (to the extent that such principles and recommendations are applicable to an entity of the size and structure of the Company). These will be available on the Company's website at www.wamfunds.com.au from the date of admission to the Official List.

The Board will review the corporate governance policies and structures that the Company has in place on an ongoing basis to ensure that these are appropriate for the size of the Company and nature of its activities, and that these policies and structures continue to meet the corporate governance standards to which the Board is committed.

# 8.11. Related party disclosures

Other than as set out below or elsewhere in this Prospectus, there are no existing agreements or arrangements and there are no currently proposed transactions in which the Company was, or is to be, a participant, and in which any related party had or will have a direct or indirect material interest:

 (a) each Director has entered into a director protection deed with the Company (see Section 9.3); (b) the non-independent Directors, Geoff Wilson, Kate Thorley and Chris Stott as directors, senior managers or shareholders of the Investment Manager and WAMI, will benefit from the entry by the Investment Manager into the Investment Management Agreement through the payment of fees under the Investment Management Agreement. Details of the financial benefit payable under the Investment Management Agreement are included in Section 9.1.

The Company has outsourced the management of its day-to-day operations to the Investment Manager under the Investment Management Agreement. Under the direction of the Board, the Investment Manager will provide administrative support services reasonably required by the Company to conduct its business. These services may include:

- (a) maintenance of the corporate and statutory records of the Company;
- (b) liaison with ASIC with respect to compliance with the Corporations Act;
- (c) liaison with the ASX with respect to compliance with the Listing Rules; and
- (d) liaison with the Company's service providers (including the Share Registry). See Section 9.1.

WAMI employs accounting personnel to provide accounting services to the Company. Under the direction of the board, these services are provided on commercial terms and amount to \$42,000 per annum (plus GST). WAMI employs Linda Vo who is the Company Secretary of the Company. WAMI will be remunerated \$15,000 per annum (plus GST) for these Company Secretarial services.

Geoff Wilson is the sole director and indirect owner of the ordinary shares in the Investment Manager, the entity appointed to manage the investment portfolio of the Company. WAMI owns 15% of the issued capital of MAM. MAM will be paid management and performance fees by the Company. As the indirect owner of the ordinary shares in the Investment Manager, Geoff Wilson will benefit from any fees paid to MAM in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement.

Kate Thorley and Chris Stott hold preference shares issued by WAMI. As preference shareholders of WAMI, the indirect owner of the ordinary shares in the Investment Manager, Kate Thorley and Chris Stott will benefit from any fees paid to MAM in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement.

# 9. Material contracts

The Directors consider that the material contracts described below and elsewhere in this Prospectus are those which an investor would reasonably regard as material and which investors and their professional advisers would reasonably expect to find described in this Prospectus for the purpose of making an informed assessment of the Offer.

This Section contains a summary of the material contracts and their substantive terms.

## 9.1. Investment Management Agreement

The Company has entered into the Investment Management Agreement with the Investment Manager on 4 April 2016 with respect to the investment management of the Company's Portfolio. Set out below is a summary of the material terms of the Investment Management Agreement.

### **Services**

The Investment Manager must manage and supervise the Portfolio and all investments within the Portfolio.

The Investment Manager will also provide or procure the provision of administrative support services reasonably required by the Company to conduct its business.

## **Permitted investments**

The Investment Manager is permitted to undertake investments on behalf of the Company without Board approval. However, if the proposed investment is not in accordance with the approved investment strategies, Board approval for the investment is required. The Board may approve changes to the approved investment strategies from time-to-time.

To the extent the Investment Manager's AFSL does not include the authorisations required for the Investment Manager to provide advice or deal in certain investments, the Investment Manager will engage external advisors with the appropriate AFSL authorisations.

#### Powers of the Investment Manager

Subject to the Corporations Act, the Listing Rules and any written guidelines issued by the Company from time-totime, the Investment Manager has the powers necessary to, on behalf of the Company, invest money constituted in or available to the Portfolio, and make, hold, realise and dispose of investments within the Portfolio. Any investment outside the written guidelines of the Board requires Board approval.

Subject to an obligation to liquidate the Portfolio to meet the Company's operating costs, dividend payments, capital returns, buybacks or other distributions the Investment Manager has absolute and unfettered discretion to manage the Portfolio and to do all things considered necessary or desirable in relation to the Portfolio, including:

- (a) investigation, negotiation, acquisition, or disposal of every investment;
- (b) to sell, realise or deal with all or any of the investments or to vary, convert, exchange or add other investments;
- (c) if any investments are redeemed or the capital paid on it is wholly or partly repaid by the entity by which that investment was created or issued:
  - (i) to convert that investment into some other investment;
  - (ii) to accept repayment of the capital paid or advance on the investment and any other monies payable in connection with that redemption or repayment;
  - (iii) to re-invest any of those monies;
- (d) retain or sell any shares, debentures or other property received by the Company by way of bonus, or in satisfaction of a dividend in respect of any investments or from the amalgamation or reconstruction of any entity; and
- (e) to sell all or some of the rights to subscribe for new securities in an investment, to use all or part of the proceeds of the sale of such rights for the subscription for securities or to subscribe for securities pursuant to those rights.

#### Valuations

The Investment Manager must arrange for calculation of the Value of the Portfolio at least monthly or at such more frequent times as may be agreed between the Investment Manager and the Company. All costs incurred by the Investment Manager in arranging this calculation are to be paid by the Company.

#### Delegation

The Investment Manager may, with the prior approval of the Company (not to be unreasonably withheld), appoint or employ any person, including any related body corporate of the Investment Manager, to be a sub-contractor for the Investment Manager to perform any or all of the duties and obligations imposed on the Investment Manager by the Investment Management Agreement.

## **Non-exclusivity**

The Investment Manager may from time-to-time perform similar investment and management services for itself and other persons similar to the services performed for the Company under the Investment Management Agreement, provided the Investment Manager does not prejudice or otherwise derogate its responsibilities specified in the Investment Management Agreement.

# 9. Material contracts (cont.)

To manage potential conflicts of interest, the Investment Manager must comply with the allocation policy set out in Section 3.10 (as amended by the Company from time-totime) and will ensure appropriate procedures are in place to protect the Company's confidential information.

#### **Related party protocols**

If the Investment Manager proposes that the Company acquire assets from or dispose of assets to a related party of the Investment Manager, the Company must approve the acquisition or disposal of the asset to the extent required by the Corporations Act or the Listing Rules.

## Amendment

The Investment Management Agreement may only be altered by the agreement of the Company and the Investment Manager. The Company and the Investment Manager have agreed that they will only make material changes to the Investment Management Agreement if the Company has obtained shareholder approval for these material changes.

### Change of control provisions

The Investment Manager has no right to terminate the Investment Management Agreement in the event of a change of control of the Company.

Similarly, the Company has no right to terminate the Investment Management Agreement in the event of a change of control of the Investment Manager.

The Investment Management Agreement does not contain any pre-emptive rights over the Portfolio which are exercisable by either the Company, the Investment Manager or a related entity of the Investment Manager in the event of a change of control of either the Company or the Investment Manager.

## **Company indemnity**

The Company must indemnify the Investment Manager against any losses or liabilities reasonably incurred by the Investment Manager arising out of, or in connection with, and any costs, charges and expenses (including legal expenses) incurred in connection with the Investment Manager or any of its officers, employees or agents acting under the Investment Management Agreement or on account of any bona fide investment decision made by the Investment Manager or its officers or agents except insofar as any loss, liability, cost, charge or expense is caused by the negligence, default, fraud or dishonesty of the Investment Manager or its officers or employees. This obligation continues after the termination of the Investment Management Agreement.

### **Investment Manager's liability**

Subject to the Corporations Act, the Listing Rules and the Investment Management Agreement, the Investment Manager will, in relation to all the powers, authorities and discretions vested in it, have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to:

(a) whether or not to exercise them; and

(b) the manner or mode of, and time for, their exercise.

In the absence of negligence, default, fraud or dishonesty, the Investment Manager will not be in any way whatsoever responsible for any loss, costs, damages or inconvenience that may result from the exercise or failure to exercise those powers, authorities and discretions.

### **Investment Manager indemnity**

The Investment Manager must indemnify the Company against any losses or liabilities reasonably incurred by the Company arising out of, or in connection with, and any costs, charges and expenses incurred in connection with, any negligence, default, fraud or dishonesty of the Investment Manager or its officers. This obligation continues after the termination of the Investment Management Agreement.

#### **Management Fee**

In return for the performance of its duties as Investment Manager of the Portfolio, the Investment Manager is entitled to be paid monthly a Management Fee equal to 0.0833334% per month or 1% per annum (plus GST) of the Value of the Portfolio (calculated on the last business day of each month and paid at the end of each month in arrears).

As a worked example, assuming an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$374,000,000 at 1 July 2016, and nil performance on the Portfolio each month, the Management Fee payable on the Portfolio for the 12-month period from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 would be approximately \$3,740,000 (plus GST) or 1% of the initial Value of the Portfolio for the period.

Management Fees would increase if the Value of the Portfolio increases, and decrease if the Value of the Portfolio decreases, over the month.

## **Performance Fee**

The Investment Manager is entitled to be paid by the Company a fee (Performance Fee) equal to 20% (plus GST) of the base amount (BA). BA for a Performance Calculation Period is calculated in accordance with the following formula, subject to the recoupment of prior underperformance:

$$\mathsf{BA} = (\mathsf{FV} - \mathsf{IV}) - \left[\mathsf{IV} \times (\underline{\mathsf{FI} - \mathsf{II}})\right]$$

#### Where:

**BA** is the base amount to be used in calculating the Performance Fee outlined above;

**FV** is the Value of the Portfolio, before corporate expenses and taxes, but after payment of Management Fees, calculated on the last Business Day of the relevant Performance Calculation Period;

**IV** is the Value of the Portfolio, before corporate expenses and taxes, but after payment of Management Fees, calculated on the last Business Day of the preceding Performance Calculation Period;

**FI** is the level of the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index published by the ASX on the last Business Day of that Performance Calculation Period; and

**II** is the level of the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index published by the ASX on the last Business Day of the preceding Performance Calculation Period.

If the amount calculated for BA above is a negative number, no Performance Fee is payable in respect of that Performance Calculation Period.

Where the amount calculated is a negative, it is to be carried forward to the following Performance Calculation Period(s) until it has been recouped in full against future positive performance. No performance fees will be payable until the full recoupment of prior underperformance.

In calculating the Performance Fee for a Performance Calculation Period, changes in the Value of the Portfolio as a result of the issue of securities, capital reductions or share buybacks undertaken, payment of tax and dividend distributions made by the Company will be disregarded or adjusted for in a manner determined by the Company's auditor at the conclusion of that Performance Calculation Period.

For the purpose of this calculation, the Value of the Portfolio is defined in the Investment Management Agreement as the aggregate sum of the gross value of each investment less any liability directly or indirectly attributable to the acquisition, maintenance or disposal of any investment or the management and administration of the Portfolio incurred or accrued on or before the date of the calculation (including but not limited to any unpaid purchase consideration, accrued legal or other expenses, brokerage, stamp duty, borrowings or other liabilities).

As a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$374,000,000, and a Value of the Portfolio at the end of the Performance Calculation Period 15% higher than at the beginning of \$430,100,000:

- (a) If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is 10% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate outperformance of \$18,700,000; and
- (b) In this instance, there would be a performance fee payable at 20% of this amount equating to \$3,740,000 (plus GST) for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has outperformed the benchmark.

As a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$430,100,000, and a Value of the Portfolio at the end of the Performance Calculation Period that is 5% higher than at the beginning of \$451,605,000:

- (a) If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is 10% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate underperformance of \$21,505,000;
- (b) In this instance, there would be no performance fee payable for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has underperformed the benchmark; and
- (c) The aggregate underperformance of \$21,505,000 is to be carried forward to the following Performance Calculation Period(s) until it has been recouped in full against future Portfolio performance.

As a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$451,605,000, and a Value of the Portfolio at the end of the Performance Calculation Period that is 15% higher than at the beginning of \$519,345,750:

 (a) If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is 5% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate outperformance of \$45,160,500;

# 9. Material contracts (cont.)

- (b) The aggregate underperformance of \$21,505,000 from prior Performance Calculation Period(s) is to be recouped in full against the current Portfolio performance, resulting in aggregate outperformance of \$23,655,500 for the Performance Calculation Period; and
- (c) In this instance, there would be a performance fee payable at 20% of this amount equating to \$4,731,100 (plus GST) for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has outperformed the benchmark, and prior underperformance has been recouped in full against current Portfolio performance.

As a worked example, assuming a Performance Calculation Period of 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017, an initial Value of the Portfolio of \$374,000,000, and a Value of the Portfolio at the end of the Performance Calculation Period that is 5% lower than at the beginning of \$355,300,000:

- (a) If the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index return is negative 10% per annum for the Performance Calculation Period, there would be an aggregate outperformance of \$18,700,000
- (b) In this instance, there would be a performance fee payable at 20% of this amount equating to \$3,740,000 (plus GST) for the Performance Calculation Period as the Portfolio has outperformed the benchmark.

#### Expenses

The Company is liable for and must pay out of the Portfolio or reimburse the Investment Manager for the fees, costs and expenses approved by the Board provided they were properly incurred in connection with the investment and management of the Portfolio of the Company or the acquisition, disposal or maintenance of any investment, including:

- (a) fees payable to any securities exchange, ASIC or other regulatory body; and
- (b) all costs, custody fees, stamp duties, financial institutions duties, bank account debits tax, legal fees and other duties, taxes, fees, disbursements and expenses, commissions and brokerage incurred by the Company or the Investment Manager in connection with:
  - (i) the acquisition and negotiation of any investment or proposed investment;
  - (ii) any sale or proposed sale, transfer, exchange, replacement or other dealing or proposed dealing with or disposal or proposed disposal of any investment;

- (iii) the receipt of income or other entitlements from the investments within the Portfolio;
- (iv) the engagement of a custodian to hold an investment on behalf of the Company;
- (vii) outgoings in relation to the Portfolio such as rates, levies, duties, taxes and insurance premiums; and
- (viii) marketing expenses including website and research reports.

Notwithstanding the above, the Investment Manager is solely responsible for payment of the fees of any investment manager engaged by the Investment Manager to assist it in undertaking its duties under the Investment Management Agreement.

#### Assignment

The Investment Manager may assign the Investment Management Agreement to a third party with the prior consent in writing of the Company, which must not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

#### **Term of Agreement**

The term of the Investment Management Agreement is currently five years, with automatic five year extensions, unless terminated earlier in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement. However, the Company has applied to the ASX for a waiver to extend this initial term to 10 years with automatic extensions of five year periods unless terminated earlier in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement. If the waiver application is refused, the initial term of the Investment Management Agreement will remain five years.

The Investment Management Agreement gives the Company certain termination rights including the right to immediately terminate if the Investment Manager becomes insolvent or breaches its obligations under the Investment Management Agreement in a material respect and such breach cannot be rectified or is not remedied within 30 days after receiving notice of that breach.

The Company may also terminate the Investment Management Agreement following the initial term:

- (a) by giving the Investment Manager six months' prior written notice; or
- (b) on three months' notice if Shareholders pass an ordinary resolution directing the Company to terminate the Investment Manager's appointment.

If the Company terminates the Investment Management Agreement in accordance with any of these rights, it must pay to the Investment Manager a fee equal to the aggregate Management and Performance Fees paid to the Investment Manager in the 12-month period up to the date of termination. The Investment Manager may terminate the Investment Management Agreement at any time after the Initial Term by giving the Company at least six months' written notice.

### **Removal of Investment Manager**

The Company may remove the Investment Manager by not less than six months' notice on the occurrence of any one of the following events:

- (a) the Investment Manager persistently fails to ensure that Investments made on behalf of the Company are consistent with the Investment Strategy applicable at the time the investment is made;
- (b) the Investment Manager is in default or breach of its obligations under the Investment Management Agreement in a material respect, such default or breach is rectifiable and is not rectified within 30 days after the Company has notified the Investment Manager in writing to rectify the default or breach; or
- (c) the Investment Manager's AFSL is suspended for a period of no less than three months or cancelled at any time in accordance with Subdivision C, Division 4 of Part 7.6 of the Corporations Act.

If the Investment Manager is so removed the Investment Manager may appoint a replacement manager provided such appointment takes place within the six-month notice period referred to above. The Investment Manager must assign all its rights, title and interest in and to the Investment Management Agreement to the replacement manager provided the replacement manager:

- (a) holds a valid and current AFSL;
- (b) undertakes to the Company to comply with all the obligations imposed on the Investment Manager under the Investment Management Agreement; and
- (c) if appointed as a result of a breach by the Investment Manager, rectifies the breach or default within the 30 day notice period.

The effect of this assignment is the novation of the Investment Management Agreement for the benefit of the replacement manager and the Company is deemed to have consented to that assignment.

The Company may terminate the Investment Management Agreement if a replacement manager has not been appointed within the six month notice period referred to above.

If the replacement manager, having been so appointed is itself removed in the circumstances outlined above:

- (i) it has no right to in turn appoint a replacement manager; and
- (ii) the Company may terminate the Investment Management Agreement at the expiry of the 6 month notice period referred to above.

# 9.2. Offer Management Agreement

The Company and the Investment Manager have entered into an offer management agreement dated 4 April 2016 (Offer Management Agreement) with the Joint Lead Managers pursuant to which the Joint Lead Managers will manage the Offer. Under the Offer Management Agreement, the Company also appoints the Authorised Intermediary as its Authorised intermediary to make offers to arrange for the issue of the Shares and Options under the Offer and distribute the Prospectus.

In return for providing the services under the Offer Management Agreement, the Company will pay the Joint Lead Managers a fee of 0.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds raised under the Offer. Morgans Finance Limited will be apportioned 40% of this fee and Taylor Collison Limited will be apportioned the remaining 60%. The Company will also pay the Authorised Intermediary \$1 for providing services as the authorised intermediary.

In addition, the Company will pay to each Joint Lead Manager a Broker Firm selling fee of 1.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds of the Broker Firm Offer raised by the relevant Joint Lead Manager. The Company will also pay to the Authorised Intermediary an amount equal to 1.5% (plus GST) of the value of the Offer Securities which the Co-Managers collectively subscribe for (or procure that their clients subscribe for). The Joint Leader Mangers will have sole responsibility to pay any commissions and fees payable to a Co-Manager or Broker.

The Company has agreed to pay or reimburse the Joint Lead Managers for all reasonable legal costs and expenses incurred by them in connection with the Offer, of up to \$30,000 (plus GST and disbursements), as well as other additional out-of-pocket expenses.

The Offer Management Agreement is conditional on a number of things including the Company obtaining any ASX Waivers in in-principle form and any ASIC modifications (in a form and substance acceptable to the Joint Lead Managers) to enable the Offer to proceed in accordance with the timetable in the Offer Management Agreement and Prospectus prior to 10:00am AEST on 4 April 2016.

In accordance with the Offer Management Agreement and as is customary with these types of arrangements:

(a) the Company and the Investment Manager have
(subject to certain usual limitations) agreed to
indemnify the Authorised Intermediary, the Joint
Lead Managers, their related bodies corporate, their
directors, officers, advisers and employees against any
losses arising directly or indirectly in connection with
the Offer (including for publicity, regulatory reviews
or non-compliance of the Prospectus), or a breach
by the Company and the Investment Manager of any
provision, including representation or warranty of,
the Offer Management Agreement;

# 9. Material contracts (cont.)

- (b) the Company, the Investment Manager and the Joint Lead Managers have given representations, warranties and undertakings in connection with (among other things) the conduct of the Offer and content of the Prospectus;
- (c) the Joint Lead Managers are entitled to appoint co-lead managers, Co-Managers and Brokers to the Offer; and
- (d) the Joint Lead Managers may (in certain circumstances, including having regard to the materiality of the relevant event) terminate the Offer Management Agreement and be released from their obligations under it on the occurrence of certain events on or prior to the final settlement date of the Offer, including (but not limited to) where:
  - (i) in a material respect a statement contained in the offer materials is or becomes misleading or deceptive or likely to mislead or deceive or the Offer materials omit any information they are required to contain (having regard to the relevant Corporations Act requirements);
  - (ii) the ASX does not approve the listing of the Company;
  - (iii) there are changes in senior management or Board of Directors of the Company;
  - (iv) material adverse changes to the financial markets, political or economic conditions of key countries, including a 10% fall in the S&P/ASX 200 Index, trading halts on all stock listed on certain stock exchanges, banking moratoriums, hostilities commence or escalate in key countries or a major terrorist act is perpetrated in key countries;
  - subject to a materiality threshold, the Company or the Investment Manager breaches any law or regulatory requirements or the Company fails to conduct the Offer in accordance with the law;
  - (vi) in the Joint Leader Manager's reasonable opinion, the Prospectus or any aspect of the Offer does not comply with the law;
  - (vii) there is a material adverse change, or event involving a prospective material adverse change, in the assets, liabilities, financial position or performance, profits, losses or prospects of the Company or its corporate group;

- (viii) there is a material change arising out of a regulatory investigation or legal actions are commenced against the Company or members of its corporate group; or
- (ix) a breach of the representations, warranties and undertakings or default of the Offer Management Agreement.

Please note that the above is not an exhaustive list of the termination events in the Offer Management Agreement.

## 9.3. Director protection deeds

The Company has entered into director protection deeds with each Director. Under these deeds, the Company has agreed to indemnify, to the extent permitted by the Corporations Act, each Director in respect of certain liabilities which the Director may incur as a result of, or by reason of (whether solely of in part), being or acting as an Director of the Company.

The Company has also agreed to maintain in favour of each Director a directors' and officers' policy of insurance for the period that they are Directors and for seven years after they cease to act as Directors.

# 10. Additional information

## **10.1. Incorporation**

The Company was incorporated in Victoria on 1 March 2016.

## 10.2. Balance date and tax status

The accounts for the Company will be prepared up to 30 June annually.

The Company will be taxed as a public company.

# 10.3. Rights attaching to the Shares

The following information is a summary of the Company Constitution. Investors have the right to acquire a copy of the Company Constitution, free of charge, from the Company until the expiry of this Prospectus.

Each Share confers on its holder:

- (i) the right to vote at a general meeting of Shareholders (whether present in person or by any representative, proxy or attorney) on a show of hands (1 vote per Shareholder) and on a poll (1 vote per Share on which there is no money due and payable) subject to the rights and restrictions on voting which may attach to or be imposed on Shares (at present there are none);
- (ii) the right to receive dividends, according to the amount paid up on the Share;
- (iii) the right to receive, in kind, the whole or any part of the Company's property in a winding up, subject to priority given to holders of Shares that have not been classified by the ASX as "restricted securities" and the rights of a liquidator to distribute surplus assets of the Company with the consent of members by special resolution; and
- (iv) subject to the Corporations Act and the Listing Rules, Shares are fully transferable.

The rights attaching to Shares may be varied with the approval of Shareholders in a general meeting by special resolution.

# 10.4. Rights attaching to the Options

The terms and conditions of the Options are as follows:

#### Register

The Company will maintain a register of holders of Options in accordance with Section 168(1)(b) of the Corporations Act.

#### Transfer/transmission

Options may be transferred or transmitted in any manner approved by the ASX.

## Exercise

On exercise, the Company will issue a Share for each Option exercised. An Option may be exercised by delivery to the Company of a duly completed Notice of Exercise of Options, signed by the registered holder of the Option, together with payment to the Company of \$1.10 per Option being exercised.

An Option may be exercised on any Business Day from issue to 17 November 2017 but not thereafter.

A Notice of Exercise of Options is only effective when the Company has received the full amount of the exercise price in cash or cleared funds.

## **Dividend entitlement**

Options do not carry any dividend entitlement. Shares issued on exercise of Options rank equally with other issued Shares of the Company on and from issue.

## **Participating rights**

For determining entitlements to the issue, Option holders may only participate in new issues of Securities to holders of Shares in the Company if the Option has been exercised and Shares allotted in respect of the Option before the record date. The Company must give at least 6 business days' notice to Option holders of any new issue before the record date for determining entitlements to the issue in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules.

If, between the date of issue and the date of exercise of an Option, the Company makes one or more rights issues (being a pro rata issue of Shares in the capital of the Company that is not a bonus issue), the exercise price of Options on issue will be reduced in respect of each rights issue according to the following formula:

NE = OE - 
$$\frac{E [P - (S + D)]}{(N + 1)}$$

#### Where:

NE is the new exercise price of the Option;

**OE** is the old exercise price of the Option;

**E** is the number of underlying Shares into which 1 Option is exercisable;

**P** is the average closing sale price per Share (weighted by reference to volume) during the five trading days ending on the day before the ex rights date or ex entitlements date (excluding special crossings and overnight sales);

**S** is the subscription price for a Share under the rights issue;

**D** is the dividend due but not yet paid on each Share at the relevant time; and

**N** is the number of Shares that must be held to entitle holders to receive a new Share in the rights issue.

# 10. Additional information (cont.)

If there is a bonus issue to the holders of Shares in the capital of the Company, the number of Shares over which the Option is exercisable will be increased by the number of Shares which the holder of the Option would have received if the Option had been exercised before the record date for the bonus issue.

## **Reconstructions and alteration of capital**

Any adjustment to the number of outstanding Options and the exercise price under a re-organisation of the Company's share capital must be made in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules.

## **ASX listing**

Options are expected to be quoted on the ASX.

The Company must make application for quotation of Shares issued on exercise of the Options on the ASX in accordance with the Listing Rules. Shares so issued will rank equally with other issued Shares of the Company.

# 10.5. Dividend reinvestment plan

## **Eligible members**

Shareholders who may participate in the dividend reinvestment plan (Plan) comprise shareholders:

- (a) whose address, as it appears in the register of members of the Company, is situated in Australia; or
- (b) whose address, as it appears in the register of members of the Company, is situated outside Australia, and who have produced to the Company such evidence as the Company may require to satisfy the Company that any necessary approvals of any government or governmental authority in relation to participation in the Plan have been obtained and that such participation is not contrary to any applicable laws of Australia or any other relevant jurisdiction.

## Application

Eligible Members may elect to participate in the Plan in respect of all or part of their Shares, which will comprise that member's Plan Shares. The Directors may in their absolute discretion accept or refuse any application to participate.

## **Subscription price**

Shares allotted to participants will be allotted at a price determined in accordance with the Corporations Act and the Listing Rules equal to the volume weighted average market price of Shares sold on the ASX over the four trading days commencing on the ex-dividend date for the relevant dividend, less any discount determined by the Directors (at their discretion).

### **Investment of dividends**

In respect of each cash dividend from time-to-time due and payable to a Shareholder in respect of the member's Plan Shares, the Directors will on behalf of and in the name of the Shareholder subscribe for Shares being the maximum number of Shares which could be acquired by subscription by the application of that participant's entitlement to dividends in respect of the Plan Shares to the subscription for Shares at the subscription price.

### **Ranking of Shares**

All Shares allotted and issued under the Plan will rank equally in all respects with existing Shares.

## **ASX Listing**

The Company will make application promptly after each allotment of Shares for quotation of such Shares on the official list of the ASX.

## Variation or termination of participation

A participant may apply to increase or decrease the number of Plan Shares which the Company may in its absolute discretion approve or refuse. A participant may at any time terminate participation in the Plan by notice in writing to the Company.

# 10.6. ASIC relief

The Company's first financial year will end on 30 June 2017.

The Corporations Act normally requires that the half year be the first 6 months of each financial year and imposes certain reporting requirements with respect to that period.

The Company's first half year therefore commences on 1 March 2016 and ends around 1 September 2016. Without relief, the Corporations Act would require the Company to prepare and lodge half year accounts for the half year ending 1 September 2016 and the ASX Listing Rules would require the Company to also provide half year accounts for the period from incorporation to 31 December 2016.

The Company has been granted ASIC relief to align the reporting periods for the Company's first half year imposed by the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules. Pursuant to the relief granted, the Company will prepare audit reviewed "half yearly" accounts for the period from incorporation to 31 December 2016.

# 10.7. ASX waiver

Listing Rule 15.16 sets a maximum term of five years for an Investment Management Agreement. The Company has applied for a waiver of Listing Rule 15.16 to allow an initial term of 10 years under the Investment Management Agreement. The waiver is expected to be granted prior to the inclusion of the Company in the ASX's Official List.

# 10.8. Investor considerations

Before deciding to participate in this Offer, you should consider whether the Shares and Options to be issued are a suitable investment for you. There are general risks associated with any investment in the share market. The value of Securities listed on the ASX may rise or fall depending on a range of factors beyond the control of the Company.

If you are in doubt as to the course you should follow, you should seek advice on the matters contained in this Prospectus from a stockbroker, solicitor, accountant or other professional adviser immediately.

The potential tax effects relating to the Offer will vary between individuals. Investors are urged to consider the possible tax consequences of participating in the Offer by consulting a professional tax adviser.

# 10.9. Australian taxation implications of investing under the Offer

## Introduction

The tax implications provided below only relate to Australian Shareholders who hold their Securities on capital account. Different tax implications apply to non-resident Shareholders or Shareholders whose Securities are held on revenue account.

The comments in this Section 10.9 are general in nature on the basis that the tax implications for each Shareholder may vary depending on their particular circumstances.

Accordingly, it is recommended that each Shareholder seek their own professional advice regarding the taxation implications associated with the Offer.

The comments in this Section 10.9 are based on the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936, and the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997, A New Tax System* (Goods and *Services Tax*) Act 1999 and the relevant stamp duties legislation as at the date of this Prospectus.

This Section 10.9 provides a general overview of the Australian income tax implications of investing in the Company, based on current tax law. As such, it is not intended as a substitute for investors obtaining independent tax advice in relation to their personal circumstances.

If you are in doubt as to the course you should follow, you should seek independent tax advice.

## Income tax position of the Company

The Company will be taxed as a company at the prevailing company tax rate (currently 30% for businesses with an aggregate turnover of more than \$2,000,000).

The Company will be required to maintain a franking account and may declare franked dividends to

Shareholders. The Directors intend to frank dividends at 100%, or to the maximum extent possible.

# Income tax position of Australian resident Shareholders

A general outline of the tax implications associated with the Offer for Australian resident Shareholders who hold their Securities on capital account is set out below.

## **Issue of Shares and Options**

The Offer comprises the issue of Shares and an entitlement or right (Right) to receive Options in the Company. To determine the Capital Gains Tax (CGT) cost base of each asset, an investor's subscription price may need to be apportioned between the Shares and Right based on their respective value.

The issue of Shares and Options involves the acquisition of two CGT assets, a Share and an Option (excluding incidental costs) but should not give rise to a taxing event at the time of issue for Shareholders.

Fees incurred for broker service, and other incidental acquisition costs borne by investors, will be included in the tax cost base of the relevant Shares and Options issued. Accordingly, these expenses will be included in the tax cost base of those Shares and Options and will decrease (or increase) any subsequent gain (or loss) realised for capital gains tax purposes upon the event of any disposal of those Shares at a later date.

## **Disposal of Shares**

The disposal of Shares will be a taxing event for Shareholders. Shareholders should derive a taxable capital gain where the capital proceeds that are received as a result of the disposal exceed the cost base of the Shares.

Likewise, Shareholders should generally incur a capital loss where the reduced cost base of the Shares exceeds the capital proceeds.

Generally, the capital proceeds that are received as a result of the disposal of the Shares will be equal to the consideration received on disposal. The cost base of the Shares will generally be equal to the amount paid in respect of the acquisition of the Shares plus any incidental costs of acquisition or disposal.

Provided Shareholders (other than corporate Shareholders) have held their Shares for 12 months prior to the disposal, the CGT discount concession may be available in relation to any capital gain arising as a result of the disposal.

Where this concession applies, any such capital gain will be reduced (after applying capital losses) by the following percentages:

- (a) 50% for an individual or trust; or
- (b) 33.33% for a complying superannuation fund.

# 10. Additional Information (cont.)

## **Exercise of Options**

The exercise of an Option should not give rise to a tax liability for the Option holder. The cost base of the Shares acquired by the Option holders on exercising their Options will have a cost base equal to the consideration paid to exercise the Options plus any incidental costs.

## **Disposal of Options**

The disposal of the Options will give rise to a taxing event. An Option holder should derive a capital gain where the capital proceeds that are received as a result of the disposal exceed the cost base of the Options. Likewise, an Option holder should generally incur a capital loss where the reduced cost base of the Options exceeds the capital proceeds.

Provided an Option holder (other than a corporate Option holder) has held their Options for 12 months prior to the disposal, the CGT discount concession may be available in relation to any capital gain arising as a result of the disposal. Where this concession applies, any such capital gain will be reduced (after applying capital losses) by the following discount percentages:

- (a) 50% for an individual or trust; or
- (b) 33.33% for a complying superannuation fund.

If ownership of the Options ends by the Options being redeemed, cancelled or by expiring, an Option holder may derive a capital gain if the capital proceeds from the cancellation or expiration of the Option is greater than the cost base of the Option. An Option holder may derive a loss if the capital proceeds from the cancellation or expiration of the Option is less than the reduced cost base of the Option.

## Dividends

Dividends received by Shareholders should be included in the assessable income of Shareholders. Generally, Shareholders will be taxed on the dividends at their relevant marginal rate. If the Shareholder is a company, the Shareholder will be taxed at the prevailing company tax rate (currently 30% for companies with an annual turnover of \$2,000,000 or more and 28.5% for companies with an annual turnover of less than \$2,000,000).

Generally, to the extent that the dividends are franked, an amount equal to the franking credits attaching to the dividends will be included in the assessable income of the Shareholder. Further, Shareholders will generally be entitled to a tax offset equal to the amount of the franking credits on the dividend (i.e. Shareholders will effectively get a tax credit for the corporate tax paid in respect of the dividends).

Certain Shareholders (including individuals and complying superannuation funds) may be entitled to a refund of 'excess franking credits' where their tax offset in respect of the franked dividends exceeds their tax liability. The income tax rate for complying superannuation funds is 15%. Complying superannuation funds generally obtain a tax offset from franked dividends against the fund's income tax liability, and any excess franking credits may be fully refunded.

A complying superannuation fund in pension phase would be entitled to a full refund of franking credits, as all income of the fund would be attributable to the fund's liability to pay current pensions, and are therefore exempt from income tax.

## Status as a Listed Investment Company (LIC)

It is intended that the Company will qualify as a LIC under Australian taxation laws.

The major requirements the Company must meet to be a LIC are:

- (a) the Company must be listed; and
- (b) 90% of the Portfolio value must comprise certain permitted investments as defined in section 115-290(4) of the *Income Tax Assessment Act* 1997 (Cth).

Permitted investments include shares, options, units (provided the Company does not own more than 10% of the entity in which it holds the permitted investment), financial instruments, derivatives and assets that generate passive income such as interest, rent and royalties.

It is expected that the Company will generally be considered to hold its investments on revenue account. Consequently, it is likely that the Company will generally not make capital gains and therefore, Shareholders may not be able to obtain a deduction in relation to dividends attributable to LIC capital gains under the LIC regime.

## Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Shareholders should not be liable to GST in Australia in respect of the acquisition of Securities under the Offer. Shareholders may not be entitled to input tax credits (GST credits) for GST incurred on costs associated with the acquisition of Securities under the Offer.

## Stamp duty

Shareholders should not be liable to stamp duty in Australia in respect of the acquisition of Securities under the Offer.

# 10.10. Legal proceedings

The Company is not and has not been, in the 12 months preceding the date of this Prospectus, involved in any legal or arbitration proceedings that have had a significant effect on the financial position of the Company. As far as the Directors are aware, no such proceedings are threatened against the Company.

# 10.11. Consents and responsibility statements

Each of the following parties has given and, before lodgement of the paper Prospectus with ASIC and the issue of the Electronic Prospectus, has not withdrawn its written consent to be named as performing the below role in the form and context in which it is so named. Each of the following parties has also consented to the inclusion, in the form and context in which it is included, of any information described below.

Name	Role/responsible
MAM Pty Limited	Investment Manager All information about it, including, its performance history, in Section 6 and elsewhere in this Prospectus
Watson Mangioni Lawyers Pty Limited	Solicitor to the Offer
Webb Henderson	New Zealand lawyers to the Offer
Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Limited	Investigating accountant for the Company The Investigating Accountant's Report on Pro Forma Financial Information in Section 8
Boardroom Pty Limited	Share Registrar for the Company
Each of Taylor Collison Limited and Morgans Financial Limited	Joint Lead Managers to the Offer
Taylor Collison Limited	Authorised Intermediary to the Offer
Baillieu Holst Limited, Bell Potter Securities Limited, Macquarie Equities Limited, Ord Minnett Limited and Patersons Securities Limited	Co-Managers to the Offer
Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Limited	Accounting and Company Secretarial services
	All information about it, including, its performance history, in Section 4 and elsewhere in this Prospectus
WAM Capital Limited	All information about it, including, its performance history, in Section 4 and elsewhere in this Prospectus

Each of the above parties has only been involved in the preparation of that part of the Prospectus where they are named. Except to the extent indicated above, none of the above parties has authorised or caused the issue of the Prospectus and takes no responsibility for its contents.

## 10.12. Offer expenses

The Company will pay all of the costs associated with the Offer. These costs are fully descripted in Section 6.

# 10.13. Interest of experts

Other than as set out below, no expert nor any firm in which such expert is a partner or employee has any interest in the promotion of or any property proposed to be acquired by the Company.

Watson Mangioni Lawyers Pty Limited has acted as solicitors to the Offer and have performed work in relation to preparing the due diligence program and performing due diligence enquiries on legal matters. In respect of this Prospectus, the Company estimates that it will pay amounts totalling approximately \$80,000 (plus GST and disbursements) to Watson Mangioni Lawyers Pty Limited.

Webb Henderson has provided New Zealand legal advice in relation to the Offer and provide the Company with an address for service in New Zealand. In respect of this Offer, the Company estimates that it will pay amounts totalling approximately NZD\$7,000 (plus GST and disbursements) to Webb Henderson.

Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporate Finance Pty Limited has prepared the investigating accountant's report included in this Prospectus and has also performed work in relation to the due diligence enquiries on financial matters. In respect of this work, the Company estimates that it will pay amounts totalling approximately \$17,500 (plus GST and disbursements) to Pitcher Partners Sydney Corporation Finance Pty Limited.

Authorised Intermediary will be paid a fee of \$1 in accordance with the Offer Management Agreement.

Baillieu Holst Limited, Bell Potter Securities Limited, Macquarie Equities Limited, Ord Minnett Limited and Patersons Securities Limited will act as Co-Managers to the Offer and the Company will not pay or give a benefit to those companies for those services.

In accordance with the Offer Management Agreement, the Company will pay the Joint Lead Managers a fee of 0.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds raised under the Offer. In addition, the Company will pay to each Joint Lead Manager a Broker Firm selling fee of 1.5% (plus GST) of the total proceeds of the Broker Firm Offer raised by the relevant Joint Lead Manager. The Company will also pay to the Authorised Intermediary an amount equal to 1.5% (plus GST) of the value of the Offer Securities which the Co-Managers collectively subscribe for (or procure that their clients subscribe for).

Certain partners and employees of the above firms may subscribe for Shares and Options in the context of the Offer.

# 11. Definitions & interpretation

## 11.1. Defined terms

## In this Prospectus:

Absolute bias (investment strategy) aims to produce a positive return over time, regardless of the prevailing market conditions.

**AFSL** means Australian Financial Services Licence.

Applicant means an applicant for Shares and Options under this Prospectus.

**Application** means an application for Shares and Options under this Prospectus.

Application Form means the WAM Priority Application Form, General Offer Application Form or Broker Firm Application Form (as applicable) each in the form attached to this Prospectus.

**Application Monies** means the Application Price of \$1.10 multiplied by the number of Shares applied for.

**Application Price** means \$1.10 per Share.

**ASIC** means the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

ASX or Australian Securities Exchange means the ASX Limited or the Securities exchange operated by ASX Limited.

ASX Recommendations means the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations (third edition, March 2014).

Authorised Intermediary means Taylor Collison Limited (ABN 51 008 172 450 (AFSL 247083)).

**Bottom-up** describes an investment strategy that entails a thorough review of each potential investment and assumes that individual entities can do well even in an industry that is not performing very well. **Broker** means any ASX participating organisation selected by the Joint Lead Managers in consultation with the Company to act as a broker to the Offer.

**Broker Firm Offe**r means the broker firm offer referred to in Section 2.3.

**Catalyst(s)** are events, catalysts, information or news about an equity investment that the Investment Manager considers is likely to have an impact on the valuation of the investment.

**Co-Managers** means each of Baillieu Holst Limited (AFSL 245421), Bell Potter Securities Limited (AFSL 243480), Macquarie Equities Limited (AFSL 237504), Ord Minnett Limited (AFSL 237121) and Patersons Securities Limited (AFSL 239052).

**Closing Date** means the date by which valid Application Forms must be received being 5.00pm 17 May 2016 or such other dates as the Company may determine in its discretion.

**Company** means WAM Leaders Limited (ACN 611 053 751).

**Corporations Act** means Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

**Directors** or **Board** means the Board of Directors of the Company.

**Electronic Prospectus** means the electronic copy of the Prospectus, a copy of which can be downloaded at www.wamfunds.com.au.

**Exposure Period** means the period of seven days after the date of lodgement of the Prospectus with ASIC, which period may be extended by ASIC by not more than seven days pursuant to Section 727(3) of the Corporations Act.

**General Offer** means the offer referred to in Section 2.4.

General Offer Application Form means the Application Form to be used by Applicants who are not participating in the WAM Priority or the Broker Firm Offer. **GST** means Goods and Services Tax and has the same meaning as contained in *A New Tax System* (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Cth).

#### HIN or Holding Identification

**Number** means the unique identifier of holders of shares on the CHESS subregister issued by ASX Settlement.

Index (benchmark) unaware

describes an investment strategy based only on the manager's conviction without reference to a particular benchmark or index.

**Investment Manager** means the investment manager of the Portfolio appointed under the terms of the Investment Management Agreement, being MAM Pty Limited (AFSL 223231).

**Investment Management Agreement** means the investment management agreement between the Investment Manager and the Company, the terms of which are summarised in Section 9.1.

**Investment Strategy** means the strategy to be used by the Investment Manager in relation to the Portfolio, involving actively managing the Portfolio in accordance with the guidelines set out in Section 3 (as amended from time-to-time).

Joint Lead Managers means the joint lead managers to the Offer, being Taylor Collison Limited and Morgans Financial Limited.

Large-cap means large listed companies measured by market capitalisation.

**Listing Rules** means the listing rules of the ASX.

**LIC** means a listed investment company.

Long Position means holding a positive amount of an asset in the expectation that the value of that asset will appreciate.

MAM means MAM Pty Limited (ACN 100 276 542).

Management Fee means the Management Fee payable to the Investment Manager in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement.

Maximum Subscription means the maximum subscription being sought by the Company (before oversubscriptions and the exercise of any Options) under the Offer, being \$209,000,000.

Minimum Subscription means the minimum subscription being sought by the Company under the Offer, being \$16,500,000.

NAV or Net Asset Value means the value of the Company's total assets less the value of any liabilities.

NTA or Net Tangible Assets means the value of the Company's total assets less the value of the intangible assets and less the value of the liabilities.

Offer means the offer of up to 190,000,000 fully paid ordinary Shares (at an Application Price of \$1.10 per Share) and 190,000,000 Options (exercisable at \$1.10 on or before 17 November 2017) to raise up to \$209,000,000 (with the ability to accept oversubscriptions to raise up to a further \$165,000,000).

Offer Management Agreement means the offer management agreement between the Joint Lead Managers and the Company, the terms of which are summarised in Section 9.2.

Official List means the official list of the ASX.

Opening Date means the date the Offer opens, expected to be 19 April 2016.

Option means an option to be issued a Share with an exercise price of \$1.10 expiring on 17 November 2017 and otherwise on the terms set out in Section 10.4.

Original Prospectus means the prospectus issued by the Company and dated 4 April 2016, replaced in full by this Replacement Prospectus.

#### Performance Calculation Period means.

- (a) for the first Performance Calculation Period, the period commencing on the date of issue of shares ending on the following 30 June:
- (b) in all other circumstances, the 12 month period ending on 30 June each year.

Performance Fee means the performance fee payable to the Investment Manager in accordance with the Investment Management Agreement.

**Plan** means the Company's dividend reinvestment plan summarised in Section 10.5.

Portfolio means the portfolio of investments of the Company.

**Prospectus** means this Replacement Prospectus as modified or varied by any supplementary document issued by the Company and lodged with ASIC from time-to-time.

Related Body Corporate has the meaning given to that term under Section 50 of the Corporations Act.

S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index means the index comprised of the 200 largest index-eligible securities listed on the ASX by float adjusted market capitalisation, assuming dividends reinvested.

S&P/ASX All Ordinaries Accumulation Index means the index comprised of the 500 largest ASX listed stocks by market capitalisation.

S&P/ASX 200 Index means the index comprised of the 200 largest indexeligible securities listed on the ASX by float adjusted market capitalisation.

Securities mean the Shares and Options the subject of the Offer or, if the context requires, has the meaning given in Section 92 of the Corporations Act.

Share means a fully paid ordinary share in the Company.

Shareholder means a registered holder of a Share.

Shareholder Reference Number or SRN is the unique identifier of holders of shares on the issuer sponsored sub-register.

Share Registrar or Registry means Boardroom Pty Limited (ACN 003 209 836).

Short Position means borrowing an asset (security) and then immediately selling it in the expectation that the value of the relevant security will depreciate. The short position is covered by buying back the asset, theoretically at a lower price thereby locking in a profit. The borrowed relevant security is then returned.

Short Selling means selling an investment (which has been borrowed from another party) with the intention of buying it back at a later date.

Value of the Portfolio means the gross assets of the Company.

WAM Entities means each of WAM Capital Limited, WAM Research Limited, WAM Active Limited and Wilson Asset Management Equity Fund.

WAMI means Wilson Asset Management (International) Pty Limited (ACN 081 047 118).

Wilson Asset Management means WAMI and MAM.

Wilson Asset Management Investment Team means the investment personnel detailed in Section 4.

WAM Eligible Participant means a person eligible to participate in the WAM Priority Allocation, being a shareholder of WAM Capital Limited, WAM Research Limited and WAM Active Limited with a registered address in Australia or New Zealand.

WAM Priority Allocation means the allocation of up to 90,000,000 Shares and 90,000,000 Options to WAM Eligible Participants on the terms set out in Section 2.2.

WAM Priority Application Form means the Application Form to be used by a WAM Eligible Participant who is not participating in the Broker Firm Offer.

# 11. Definitions & interpretation (cont.)

# 11.2. Interpretation

In this Prospectus the following rules of interpretation apply unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) Words and phrases not specifically defined in this Prospectus have the same meaning that is given to them in the Corporations Act and a reference to a statutory provision is to the Corporations Act unless otherwise specified;
- (b) The singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- (c) A reference to an individual or person includes a corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, authority, company, state or government and vice versa;
- (d) A reference to any gender includes both genders;
- (e) A reference to clause, section, annexure or paragraph is to a clause, section, annexure or paragraph of or to this Prospectus, unless the context otherwise requires;
- (f) A reference to "dollars" or "\$" is to Australian currency;
- (g) In this document, headings are for ease of reference only and do not affect its interpretation; and
- (h) Except where specifically defined in the Prospectus, terms defined in the Corporations Act have the same meaning in this Prospectus.

## 11.3. Governing law

This Prospectus is governed by the laws of New South Wales.

# 11.4. Approval

This Prospectus has been approved by a resolution of the Directors of the Company.

Dated: 18 April 2016

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