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Results for announcement to the market for the half-year ended 30 June 2025

(previous corresponding period: half-year ended 30 June 2024)

Key financial information ¹	June 2025 \$'m	June 2024 (Restated) \$'m	Change \$	Change %
Revenue from continued operations	142.3	152.8	(10.5)	(7%)
Other income	1.9	1.6	0.4	23%
Revenue and other income from continuing operations	144.3	154.4	(10.1)	(7%)
Revenue from discontinued operations	39.1	15.2	23.9	157%
Net profit attributable to owners of the parent entity	(11.9)	5.4	(17.2)	(321%)

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding.

Dividends	Amount per share	Franked amount per share	Record date for determining entitlements to dividends	Date dividend payable
Final dividend	1.1 cents	1.1 cents	7 March 2025	28 March 2025
Interim 2025 dividend	1.2 cents	1.2 cents	5 September 2025	25 September 2025

Net tangible assets per share	June 2025 \$'m	December 2024 \$'m
Net tangible asset backing per ordinary share*	(1.11)	(1.22)

* Excludes the right-of-use asset recognised under AASB 16 *Leases*.

Additional Appendix 4D disclosure requirements can be found in the notes to the Interim Financial Report and the Directors' Report for the half-year ended 30 June 2025. Information should be read in conjunction with ARN Media Limited's 2024 Annual Report and the attached Interim Financial Report.

ARN Media Limited disposed of its investment in Emotive Pty Ltd on 30 May 2025.

This report is based on the Consolidated Interim Financial Report for the half-year ended 30 June 2025 which has been reviewed by Ernst & Young with the Independent Auditor's Review Report included in the Interim Financial Report.

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Directors' Report

Your Directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of ARN Media Limited and the entities it controlled at the end of, or during, the half-year ended 30 June 2025.

1. DIRECTORS

The Directors of the company at any time during the half-year ended 30 June 2025 or up to the date of this report are as follows. Directors held office for the entire period unless otherwise stated:

Hamish McLennan (Chairman)
Ciaran Davis (CEO & Managing Director)
Alison Cameron
Paul Connolly
Brent Cubis
Belinda Rowe

2. REVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Refer to the Operating and Financial Review included in this report for further information regarding the business impacts, underlying drivers of the results and financial position.

3. DIVIDENDS

The Directors have declared a dividend of 1.2 cents per ordinary share fully franked, to be paid for the half-year ended 30 June 2025. The record date for the dividend is 5 September 2025 and the dividend will be payable on 25 September 2025.

4. ROUNDING OF AMOUNTS

The Company is of a kind referred to in ASIC instrument, *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial / Directors' reports) Instrument 2016/191*, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to the rounding off of amounts in the financial report. Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off in accordance with that instrument to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, the nearest dollar.

5. AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration, as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001, follows immediately after the Directors' Report.

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

Hamish McLennan
Chairman

27 August 2025
Sydney

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Directors' Report (continued)

OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

This Operating and Financial Review is designed to support shareholders in understanding ARN Media's business performance, the key drivers behind its financial results, and its overall financial position. It is intended to complement the disclosures provided in the Interim Financial Report.

All financial figures are presented in Australian dollars, rounded to the nearest thousand unless otherwise stated.

In addition to statutory financial disclosures, ARN includes non-IFRS financial measures such as Underlying EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation, significant items and non-operating costs), EBITDA (earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation), and Free Cash Flow (cash flow from operations, including lease, tax and investments), Gross Margin (revenue less cost of sales expenses before significant items). These metrics are provided as ARN Media believes they offer valuable insights into the company's underlying financial performance. However, non-IFRS financial information should be considered supplementary and not as a substitute for measures reported in accordance with Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

ARN Media, listed on the Australian Securities Exchange is a leading media and entertainment company which operates Audio and Digital businesses in Australia as well as outdoor assets in Hong Kong. ARN Media owns Australian Radio Network (ARN), Australia's leading Metropolitan and Regional Radio Broadcaster and home to the national KIIS and GOLD networks and youth radio network CADA.

ARN operates digital music, streaming and podcasting distribution platform iHeartRadio, under a long-term licence agreement.

In line with our strategy to become the leading 'Total Audio' platform, we have made the strategic decision to sell Cody Outdoor (Cody). This enables sharper focus on our core audio assets and positions the business for long-term growth in high-value media segments. As a result, Cody is now presented as an asset held for sale and discontinued operations in the Financial Statements. Emotive was disposed in 2025 and is included as a discontinued operation in the Financial Statements.

GROUP PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL POSITION

In the first half of 2025, ARN delivered strong strategic and operational progress aligned with its ambition to build Australia's most profitable audio entertainment business. The company advanced its long-term growth strategy through disciplined cost out management, targeted investment, and a reshaping commercial operations to drive future growth. These changes are releasing funds that are being strategically reinvested into high-impact areas—content creation, audience growth, and the digital future of the business.

Key activities in the first of half of 2025 focused on the following:

- **Operating Model Simplification:** Whilst streamlining its operations, ARN made significant reductions in headcount and discretionary expenditure making progress in achieving the three-year \$40.0 million cost out target.
- **Strategic Divestment:** A sale process for the Cody business in Hong Kong is underway, with completion expected in H2 2025, further simplifying the business and enhancing strategic clarity.
- **Reset executive and commercial teams** to align with strategic objectives: ARN reset its executive and commercial teams during the first half of the year.
- **Talent Acquisition and Brand Building:** ARN secured top-tier creators, on-air talent and strengthened its brands, while refining its content strategy, reshaping its network plans and teams to align with future growth priorities. These changes have strengthened the company's capacity to innovate, engage and grow audiences.
- **Content and Audience Expansion:** Investment in original programming, fresh formats and a revived network plan will drive future audience growth across broadcast, streaming, and podcasting ensuring continued success of the Total Audio strategy.
- **Digital and Data-Led Innovation:** Expansion of our streaming inventory and capability to capitalise on growing digital demand. Strengthening our in-house data capabilities whilst leveraging strategic partnerships to drive deeper insights which will lead to future revenue growth.

Directors' Report (continued)

On a statutory basis, ARN Media Limited (ARN Media or the Group) reported revenue of \$142.3 million from continuing operations, representing a 7% decline compared to the prior corresponding period. Digital revenues grew strongly by 21%, offset by Radio decline of 9%. Metro radio revenues declined by 12%, while Regional radio revenues fell by 5%.

Digital revenue continues to grow above 20%, representing a greater share of the ARN business. Highlighting the accelerating momentum of our digital audio strategy. Metro revenue continues to represent the majority of the statutory revenue, the revenue decline of 12% reflects the transitional impact of ARN's Transformation program and the strategic reset aimed at positioning the business for sustainable growth and delivering enhanced long-term shareholder value.

Total group costs, excluding talent, decreased by 10% to \$105.7 million compared to the prior corresponding period, underscoring ARN's disciplined approach to cost management. The transformational cost out program will continue to deliver improvements in H2 2025 and future years. Notably, this reduction was achieved while increasing investment in talent demonstrating a commitment to providing audiences with great talent and content; supporting the execution of our long-term growth strategy. Gross margin also positively improved in the half by 200 basis points compared to the prior corresponding period.

The Group's underlying earnings before non-operating and significant items decreased by \$3.9 million to \$24.9 million (1H FY24: \$28.8 million) for its continued operations.

The net profit after tax attributable to ARN Media shareholders from continuing operations was \$0.8 million in the period being \$7.0 million lower than the prior corresponding period.

The table below provides a reconciliation of the statutory results from continuing operations for the half year to non-IFRS measures of EBITDA. The results before non-operating items are useful to provide an understanding of the financial performance of the Group.

Summary of financial performance

AUD million ⁽³⁾	June 2025	June 2024
Underlying EBITDA	24.9	28.8
Non-operating costs		
System project abatement	–	1.1
Bad debt write-off ¹	(1.4)	–
Non-operating Legal fees ²	(0.4)	–
EBITDA before significant items	23.1	29.9
Significant items		
Restructuring costs ⁴	(6.4)	(0.6)
Sale of properties and property costs ⁵	(0.3)	(0.3)
Costs associated with proposed SXL acquisition ⁶	–	(4.3)
Software (SaaS) implementation costs ⁷	–	(0.9)
EBITDA	16.4	23.8
Depreciation and amortisation	(7.4)	(7.6)
Net interest expense	(5.3)	(4.8)
Profit for the period before income tax	3.8	11.4
Income tax expense	(2.0)	(2.5)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	1.9	8.8
Less: non-controlling interests	(1.0)	(1.1)
NPAT attributable to ARN Media shareholders from continuing operations	0.8	7.8

¹ One-off write-off relating to a significant debtor balance.

² Legal fees in relation defence of a legal matter.

³ Totals may not add due to rounding.

⁴ Restructuring costs relate to redundancies and termination costs associated with simplifying and standardising operations.

⁵ 2025 relates to the sale of regional properties and 2024 relates to exit from Macquarie Park premises.

⁶ Our share of transaction costs associated with the proposed acquisition of SCA \$4.3 million.

⁷ Relates to one off expenditure for new systems implemented \$0.9 million.

Directors' Report (continued)

FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2025, the Group reported net assets adjusted for continuing operations of \$272.2 million, representing a \$4.2 million (2%) decrease from December 2024. Despite this reduction, the Group achieved a \$10.5 million decrease in total liabilities, including the repayment of \$8.0 million in interest-bearing loans.

This reflects the Group's ongoing commitment to disciplined financial management, with a clear focus on cash generation and strengthening the balance sheet. This strategic positioning enhances the Group's capacity to pursue future investment and growth opportunities with confidence.

CASHFLOW AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

At 30 June 2025, the Group had net debt of \$77.5 million, a decrease of \$4.7 million (-6%) when compared to the net debt of \$82.2 million at 31 December 2024 (Net debt as at 31 December 2024 includes cash and cash equivalents relating to Cody Outdoor and Emotive Pty Ltd). Leverage of 2.10 x and Interest coverage of 5.36 x at 30 June 2025 before significant items is within the requirements of the Groups bank covenants. The Group maintains strong financial flexibility, with \$67.0 million in undrawn debt facilities most of which mature in 2027, providing sufficient headroom to support future growth and strategic initiatives. When including \$19.0 million of shares in Southern Cross Austereo, ARN's net debt reduces to \$58.5 million and leverage is improved to 1.56 x.

Operating cash flow from continuing operations, inclusive of lease payments, decreased by 25% during the half. This reduction includes \$5.4 million in cash payments related to significant items that underpin the Group's transformation strategy. These investments are expected to deliver cash flow benefits in the second half of 2025.

Free cash flow from continuing operations improved by \$4.5 million to \$19.5 million for the half year, compared to \$15.0 million in the prior corresponding period. This uplift was primarily driven by net proceeds from the sale of selected regional properties.

The company declared a half-year dividend of 1.2 cents per share.

Cash flow generation from continued operations

AUD million	June 2025	June 2024	Change %
Operating cash flows and lease payments ¹	17.1	22.7	(25%)
Tax payments	(4.5)	(4.7)	(5%)
Cash flow from operating activities and lease payments	12.6	18.0	(30%)
Investment cash flows	6.9	(3.0)	>100%
Free cash flow²	19.5	15.0	30%
Borrowings (Repayment) / drawdown	(8.0)	5.0	>100%
Dividends paid to shareholders	(3.4)	(11.3)	(69%)
Other financing cash flows ³	(5.2)	(9.9)	(48%)
Financing cash flows	(16.6)	(16.2)	3%
Cash at the beginning of the year	12.6	11.8	6%
Cash at end of the period	15.5	10.6	46%
Bank loans	(93.0)	(99.0)	(6%)
Net debt⁴	(77.5)	(88.4)	(12%)

¹ Includes principal repayments of \$1.1m and lease interest expense of \$2.1m, as presented in the statement of cash flows as per AASB 16

² Includes principal lease and interest payments

³ Includes interest on debt facility, net payments to non-controlling interests and funds received from treasury shares

⁴ Totals may not add due to rounding

Directors' Report (continued)

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

In Q4 2024, ARN launched a bold Transformation Program, a strategic initiative aimed at streamlining operations and delivering \$40.0 million in cost efficiencies by 2027, while reshaping the business for long-term, sustainable growth. The program is anchored by the core principles of simplification, enterprise-wide integration, technology-led automation, and right-sizing, each enabling reinvestment into high-impact strategic areas that support ARN's future-focused digital operating model.

More than a cost initiative, this transformation is ARN's launchpad to return to its position as the undisputed leader in the all-audio market in Australia. By aligning operational excellence with strategic ambition, ARN is building a future-ready organisation poised to capture market share, accelerate innovation, and deliver long-term shareholder value.

Progress is already underway. In 1HFY25, ARN actioned \$35.0 million in cost savings, marking strong early momentum in delivering on the program's objectives. Benefits will substantially improve the second half of the year and will continue to be realised progressively through to 2027.

This early success reinforces ARN's commitment to building a more agile, growth-focused organisation, and sets a strong foundation for continued margin expansion and long-term shareholder value.

UNDERLYING DRIVERS OF PERFORMANCE

In the Financial Report, the ARN segment comprises ARN Metro, ARN Regional, and Digital, representing the core of the continuing operations. Following the strategic decision to divest Cody Outdoor and the completed sale of Emotive in 1HFY25, both businesses are now classified as discontinued operations.

AUSTRALIAN RADIO NETWORK (ARN) BUSINESS OVERVIEW

ARN is one of Australia's leading total audio entertainment companies, connecting with an estimated 2 of every 3 Australians every month through a powerful mix of broadcast and on-demand content that spans every State and Territory¹. With ownership of 58 radio stations across 33 markets, plus 46 DAB+ stations, ARN commands a truly national radio footprint, with a potential audience of 77% of the population through radio alone and boasting monthly listenership of 11.8 million people through its sales representation network of stations². Complementing this is our robust podcast network and digital content slate which boasts 7.3 million and 1.6 million monthly listeners respectively³.

ARN's long-term licence to operate iHeartRadio, a premier digital entertainment platform that continues to benefit from the surge in podcast and digital radio listening. Offering audiences access to all forms of audio content including some of the world's best podcasts such as The New York Times, the BBC and The Daily Aus, the iHeart Podcast Network continues to grow listenership expanding advertisers' ability to leverage first party data to dynamically target their campaigns.

A GROWING INDUSTRY VIA DIVERSIFICATION

The Australian audio industry is undergoing rapid diversification, driven by shifting consumer preferences, platform innovation, and growing advertiser demand for measurable, targeted media. As audiences increasingly engage with digital formats such as streaming and podcasts, the market is evolving beyond traditional broadcast models.

The latest Infinite Dial research conducted by Edison Research⁴, and commissioned by the industry found:

- Radio reaches 78% of the population,
- Streaming radio amongst 25– 54-year-olds is now 33%, almost double from three years ago,
- Australian podcast listenership is one of the highest globally, doubling in the last five years,
- Radio is the top in-car content choice with 84% of drivers/passengers listening,
- Streaming radio listening in cars has risen by 33% in two years, and
- Smart speaker ownership has increased +43% in the past two years, overtaking the United States.

¹ ARN estimate calculated on monthly reach and duplication across linear and digital audio channels

² ABS Census Data, p10+ years. GfK SMBAP S4-25, GC/Ca/Ne S2-25, Xtra Insights Latest Surveys; Mon-Sun 12am-12am, Cumulative Reach Over 4 Weeks

³ Triton Digital Metrics, Jan-Jun 2025, monthly average

⁴ The Infinite Dial Australia 2025, Edison Research, weekly listening, p10+

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Taking a closer look at the performance across the audio landscape:

BROADCAST METRO RADIO ¹	BROADCAST REGIONAL RADIO ¹	STREAMING RADIO ¹	PODCAST ¹	MUSIC STREAMING (Ad Supported) ¹
11.0 million people +2% vs CY24	7.1 million people +7% vs CY24	7.4 million people +11 vs CY24	9.6 million people +8 vs CY24	7.6 million people -4% vs CY24
72% OF P10+	71% OF P10+	30% OF P10+	39% OF P10+	31% OF P10+
More than half of the metro population listen to commercial breakfast radio ² .	Regional advertising revenue has nearly doubled over the past 5 years and is expected to double again as regional populations continue to grow.	The Radio format remains incredibly relevant as people migrate their means of accessing. For advertisers it's complementary.	Australians are amongst the world's most avid Podcast listeners.	4 times more Australians are listening to commercial radio than ad supported Spotify.

Source:
1. The Infinite Dial Australia 2025, Edison Research, weekly listening, p10+ (unless stated otherwise)
2. GfK 360 Radio Ratings, SMBAP S4 2025, Commercial Stations, p10+, Mon-Sun 12mn -12mn / Breakfast Mon-Fri 530am - 9am, Cume (000's)

ARN DIGITAL AUDIO

The advertising market in Australia is following the audience growth of digital audio, investing more heavily again this year. The Australian digital audio market continued its strong growth trajectory in 1HFY25, with digital audio revenue, comprising streaming and podcasting, rising to a market size of \$51.7m and is on track to reach an annual market size of +\$100m for the calendar year (compared with 2024 annual market \$88.9m). Since 2022 the market has expanded at a CAGR of 21%⁵.

This growth in digital audio underscores the sector’s increasing relevance and the opportunity for ARN to further expand its footprint. ARN creates and distributes content across all platforms on a daily basis; bridging content from radio to digital and digital to radio. ARN’s strategy is to continue expanding our digital footprint to meet audience preferences, maintaining our leadership position in all-audio, and capitalizing on the positive growth trajectory.

In H1FY25 ARN Digital revenues saw a 21% increase, reaching \$13.4 million, driven by ARN’s expansion of its owned Digital Audio Streaming inventory. Clients engaging with ARN’s Digital product suite increased by 33% in the first half of the year. Digital streaming operates with margin profiles comparable to traditional radio, providing ARN with a scalable platform to enhance gross margin performance. Digital YTD has increased its gross margin by 1400bps. This positions the business to continue delivering positive Digital EBITDA and strong cash generation before significant items.

⁵ Commercial Radio Australia Q1, Q2 market release

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Directors' Report (continued)

A key pillar of our Digital ecosystem is our strategic partnership with iHeartMedia. The Partnership leverages the iHeartRadio platform and broader ecosystem under a long-term licence investment with minimal Capex investment requirements. Platform usage continues to expand, with iHeartRadio having now accumulated more than three million registrations, up 9% year-on-year, reinforcing ARN's position in the growing digital audio market⁶. In addition, we are transforming our audience analytics, moving to a new platform, Amplitude; that will deliver deeper, more granular insights into audience behaviour, enabling more effective communication and increased engagement across our digital ecosystem.

Our digital ecosystem also includes a focused podcast strategy, with ARN's iHeart Podcast Network remaining the dominant player in the market, having achieved 61 consecutive times as the #1 Publisher on the Australian Podcast Ranker with the May 2025 results. International partnerships with New York Times, Global and iHeart as well as local partnerships with Life Uncut and She's on the Money extends ARN's digital footprint providing key genres for clients to engage with our listener community.

Programmatic audio continues to grow, with the iab reporting agency intention to buy digital audio programmatically in 2025 increasing to 78% in 2025 (up from 72% in 2024 and 63% in 2023)⁷. The iab also reported data and targeting was the most important factor in buying programmatic audio. Consequently, ARN is strengthening its digital capabilities by bringing data expertise in-house and focusing on first-party data partnerships to enrich audience understanding and expand data-matching capabilities. These efforts are designed to boost future digital revenue growth by offering agencies and clients deeper insights into audience segments, ultimately driving stronger programmatic revenue performance.

As part of ARN's transformation program, we are undertaking a comprehensive program to develop a data lake encompassing Commercial, Content, Financial, and Digital data. This initiative aims to streamline internal processes and enhance insights to enable real-time decision-making and drive long term profitability and growth.

ARN METROPOLITAN (METRO) PERFORMANCE⁸

Our network ranks #1 in Sydney, Adelaide and Perth. In Melbourne, GOLD 104.3 achieved the #1 overall station in the market in Survey 4 and has consistently been #1 FM station in the market across the period. KIIS Melbourne continues to make positive gains with time spent listening at its highest results since Survey 1-2022. Brisbane's KIIS97.3 has also made notable gains in cumulative audience numbers.

The metro broadcast radio market has demonstrated continued resilience, remaining steady in 1HFY25. Revenues for the period declined by 12%; impacted by the organisational reset and a decline in revenues across the KIIS brand for the period.

However, strong audience growth and improved commercial capabilities create a solid base for future progress, with better performance versus the market expected in H2 2025.

⁶ iHeart registration metrics, 30 June 2025

⁷ iab Audio Advertising State of the Nation Wave 9 2025

⁸ GfK SMBAP, S1-4 2025, Mon-Sun 530am – 12mn, Share, unless stated otherwise

Directors' Report (continued)

Sydney

Our network ranks #1 in Sydney, achieving a 21.2% share and an average weekly cumulative audience of 2.0 million across Surveys 1-4 in 2025.

KIIS regained the #1 position in the P25-54 demographic, driven by strong cumulative audience growth, including a +27,000 increase in breakfast listeners.

GOLD 101.7, anchored by the much-loved Jonesy & Amanda, continues to be a cornerstone of ARN's Sydney offering, securing the #4 position in the highly competitive Breakfast slot, consistent with FY24. The station plays a key role in extending ARN's reach across valuable demographics, reinforcing our stronghold in the market and supporting broader network performance.

Overall, 41% of the Sydney population tunes in to ARN stations on a weekly basis, and we dominate DAB+ listening with 473,000 listeners, more than any other network.

Melbourne

Our two stations in Melbourne combined have secured the #2 network position, capturing a 19.7% share and an average weekly cumulative audience of 2.1 million for Surveys 1-4 in 2025.

GOLD 104.3 leads as Melbourne's #1 FM station, consistently dominating the market. In the latest survey, GOLD 104.3 became the #1 overall station, the first time since 1992. For the year to date, GOLD 104.3 also holds the #1 FM spot in Melbourne for all day parts, including Breakfast with The Christian O'Connell Breakfast Show.

The launch of The Kyle & Jackie O Show in 2024 although taking longer than expected to gain traction, we have started to see positive signs with p25-54 share in the latest survey (S4-25) the highest it's been for the last eight surveys (7.9 share), driven by listener engagement to the show, with time spent listening the highest it's been since S1-2022.

ARN stations have a strong appeal for Melbournians with 42% of the population tuning in each week, and our DAB+ stations reaching a cumulative audience of 338,000.

Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth

KIIS 97.3FM is having its best average share for P25-54 since 2019 (13.1 for S1-4 2025). In the most recent survey (S4-25), KIIS 97.3FM share in Brisbane was 9.7% with Robin & Kip with Corey Oates for Breakfast, while the Will & Woody drive show sits at 10.5% share. KIIS 97.3FM reached a cumulative audience of 474,000, the stations best result in over a year.

MIX 102.3 is the #1 station in Adelaide with 13.6 share across Surveys 1-4 in 2025. The average cumulative audience reach for the last two years have been the highest (369,000 in CY24) and third highest ever (363,000 S1-4 2025) for any station in the Adelaide market. This year is also the highest p25-54 audience MIX 102.3 has had in ten years (since 2015). Complementing MIX 102.3 is Cruise1323, Adelaide's #2 Commercial AM Station with 6.7 share of P10+.

96FM remains Perth's #1 station overall with 15.4% share and 495,000 listeners each week. The breakfast show, Clairsy & Lisa, is now ranked #2, while 96FM dominates Mornings and Afternoons (9am-12pm, 12pm-4pm Monday to Friday), and weekends (12mn-12mn), with #1 share.

ARN REGIONAL PERFORMANCE

ARN Regional spans 46 stations across 26 markets with coverage across major regional populations including Wollongong, Canberra, Sunshine Coast and the Gold Coast. These cities account for four of the top ten most populated cities in Australia.

Regional advertising revenues totalled \$54 million in the period; revenues were marginally behind the market down 5% on the prior corresponding period; a result driven by a combination of market conditions and transformation works.

Our commitment to delivering live and local content that connects deeply with the communities we serve, is unwavering. We broadcast 147 localised shows across our regional network, more than any other Australian audio business. In addition, through 26 regional newsrooms, we distribute local news updates half hourly from 6am to 9am and hourly thereafter.

Directors' Report (continued)

In 1H FY25, ARN's local regional revenues remained resilient, contributing close to 70% of total regional revenues. Local regional revenue was \$37 million, down \$1 million or 2% from the prior corresponding period, a solid outcome given the backdrop of a highly competitive advertising market.

To date in 2025, ARN stations have featured in three regional surveys, achieving market leading results across the board. Hobart's 7HO (#1 for three years in a row)⁹, and Mackay's Star 101.9 (#1 for two years in a row) dominated as the most listened to stations in their markets¹⁰. Meanwhile, Hot Tomato, the Gold Coast's undisputed #1 station with leading share for 15 surveys in a row, since S3 2019. Hot Tomato is again #1 in both cumulative reach and share across every daypart¹¹.

OUTLOOK

ARN is focused on executing a digital-first, cross-platform Total Audio strategy that builds on its strong broadcast radio foundation while accelerating growth in digital formats such as streaming and podcasting. As audience and advertiser preferences shift toward digital platforms, ARN is positioning itself to capture this growth through targeted investment and strategic transformation. In 2025, the company is prioritising the foundational enablers of long-term success: simplifying its operating model, divesting non-core assets, resetting teams, acquiring top-tier talent, strengthening its brands, and advancing its data and digital capabilities. These initiatives are designed to create a leaner, more agile organisation capable of delivering sustainable growth, margin expansion, and enhanced shareholder value in a rapidly evolving media landscape.

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⁹ Xtra Insights, Hobart, S1 2025, Mon-Sun 530am - 12mn, Station Listened to Most Often, P10+.

¹⁰ Xtra Insights, Mackay, S1 2024-2025, Mon-Sun 530am - 12mn, Station Listened to Most Often, P10+.

¹¹ GfK Gold Coast, S3 2019 - S2 2025, Mon-Sun 0530am - 12mn, Share and Cumulative Reach, P10+.



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Auditor's independence declaration to the Directors of ARN Media Limited

As lead auditor for the review of the half-year financial report of ARN Media Limited for the half-year ended 30 June 2025, I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the review;
- b. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review; and
- c. No non-audit services provided that contravene any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the review.

This declaration is in respect of ARN Media Limited and the entities it controlled during the financial period.

Ernst & Young

Graham Leonard
Partner
27 August 2025

About Interim Financial Statements

The interim financial statements are for the consolidated entity consisting of ARN Media Limited ("Company") and its controlled entities (collectively the "Group"). The Company is a for profit company limited by ordinary shares, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. The ordinary shares are publicly traded on the Australian Securities Exchange ("ASX").

The interim financial report is a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting*. The interim financial report does not include all notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this report should be read in conjunction with the most recent annual report and any public announcements made by the Company, during the interim reporting period and up to the date of this report in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The Company is of a kind referred to in ASIC instrument, *ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial /Directors' reports) Instrument 2016/191*, issued by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, relating to the rounding off of amounts in the financial report. Amounts in the financial report have been rounded off in accordance with that instrument to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, the nearest dollar.

The Company presents reclassified comparative information, where required, for consistency with the current period's presentation.

The interim financial statements were approved for issue on 27 August 2025.

The financial statements have been reviewed, not audited.

All accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period, except for the adoption of the new or amended accounting standards set out in note 6.3.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS IN THE CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD

Cody Outdoor reclassified as asset held for sale

The Group made a decision to put up for sale its Hong Kong based outdoor business, Cody Outdoor. This decision to put Cody Outdoor up for sale follows the announcement at ARN Media's AGM held on 8 May 2025 that the Board had commenced a full strategic review of Cody, to assess optionality.

Cody Outdoor's position in the Hong Kong Outdoor advertising market has been rebuilt, having obtained two key contracts, being the bus body advertising contract with The Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited (as previously announced on 8 July 2024), and the Hong Kong Tramways Tram Body Advertising Contract (as previously announced on 22 February 2024).

Sale of Emotive

The Groups investment in Emotive Pty Ltd was sold on 30 May 2024. The Group received \$1 in cash proceeds and \$1.5 million in contingent consideration. The disposal of the Groups investment in Emotive Pty Ltd has been treated as a discontinued operation (note 6.1).

KEY JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities within the next six-month period and subsequent years are discussed below:

(1) Impairment

Goodwill and other non-amortising intangible assets

The Group tests annually, or when impairment indicators are identified, whether goodwill and other non-amortising intangible assets have suffered any impairment, in accordance with the Group accounting policy. The recoverable amounts of cash generating units have been determined based on the higher of fair value less costs to sell, or value in use calculations. These calculations require the use of assumptions.

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KEY JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (CONTINUED)

Tangible and intangible amortising assets

The Group assesses at the end of each period whether there is any indication that tangible and intangible assets may be impaired. If any such indication exists, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the net asset of the cash generating unit.

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

As at 30 June 2025

	Note	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 (Restated) ¹ \$'000
Revenue from ordinary activities	1.1	142,330	152,839
Other revenue and income	1.1	1,948	1,580
Total revenue and other income		144,278	154,419
Expenses before impairment, finance costs, depreciation and amortisation	1.2	(121,204)	(127,564)
Restructuring costs	1.2, 1.3	(6,417)	(619)
Acquisition costs	1.2, 1.3	-	(4,303)
Impairment losses on trade receivables	1.2	(1,370)	-
Finance costs	1.2	(5,772)	(5,144)
Depreciation and amortisation	1.2	(7,385)	(7,632)
Share of profits of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method		1,678	2,198
Profit before income tax	1.3	3,808	11,355
Income tax expense		(1,951)	(2,526)
Profit from continuing operations		1,857	8,829
Loss from discontinued operations	6.1	(12,750)	(2,314)
Profit/(loss) for the period		(10,893)	6,515
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Net exchange difference on translation of foreign operations		21	(29)
Disposal of share of associate's other comprehensive income		-	-
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Changes in the fair value of equity investments recorded at fair value through other comprehensive income	3.2	(2,308)	(13,669)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		(2,287)	(13,698)
Total comprehensive income		(13,180)	(7,183)
Profit/(loss) for the period is attributable to:			
Owners of the parent entity		(11,865)	5,362
Non-controlling interests		972	1,153
Profit/(loss) for the period		(10,893)	6,515
Total comprehensive income is attributable to:			
Owners of the parent entity		(14,152)	(8,336)
Non-controlling interests		972	1,153
		(13,180)	(7,183)
Total comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent entity arises from:			
Continuing operations		(1,423)	(5,993)
Discontinued operations		(12,729)	(2,343)
		(14,152)	(8,336)
		Cents	Cents
Earnings per share from continuing operations			
Basic/diluted earnings per share	1.4	0.3	2.5
Earnings per share from continuing and discontinued operations			
Basic/diluted earnings per share	1.4	(3.9)	1.8

The above Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

¹Comparative figures have been restated to reflect the classification of Emotive and HK Outdoor as discontinued operations. Refer to Note 6.1.

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Consolidated Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2025

	Note	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		15,476	18,548
Short-term deposits		–	208
Receivables		50,963	77,820
Other current assets		3,459	2,725
Assets held for sale	6.1	255,619	2,595
Total current assets		325,517	101,896
Non-current assets			
Financial assets	3.2	26,429	27,299
Investments accounted for using the equity method		35,834	35,627
Property, plant and equipment	2.3	58,171	65,020
Intangible assets	2.1	329,871	331,242
Right-of-use assets	2.2	56,839	340,560
Other non-current assets		2,629	5,397
Total non-current assets		509,773	805,145
Total assets		835,290	907,041
Current liabilities			
Payables		22,426	34,699
Contract liabilities		6,175	8,812
Lease liabilities	2.2	3,373	50,987
Current tax liabilities		2,307	3,351
Provisions		11,156	9,940
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	6.1	255,006	–
Total current liabilities		300,443	107,789
Non-current liabilities			
Contract liabilities		2,013	–
Bank loans	3.1	92,738	100,647
Lease liabilities	2.2	64,559	302,886
Provisions		10,333	10,062
Deferred tax liabilities		92,417	94,268
Total non-current liabilities		262,060	507,863
Total liabilities		562,503	615,652
Net assets		272,787	291,389
Equity			
Contributed equity	3.3	1,544,039	1,544,039
Reserves		(65,100)	(63,206)
Accumulated losses		(1,240,963)	(1,225,697)
Total parent entity interest		237,976	255,136
Non-controlling interests		34,811	36,253
Total equity		272,787	291,389

Consolidated Balance Sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the period ended 30 June 2025

	Note	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST)		205,830	181,323
Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		(157,754)	(158,511)
Dividends received		–	355
Interest received		387	454
Interest paid – bank borrowings		(3,934)	(3,618)
Interest paid – lease liabilities		(8,703)	(2,937)
Income taxes paid		(4,691)	(4,882)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		31,135	12,184
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(1,216)	(8,838)
Payments for software		(13)	(345)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		6,567	40
Receipts from short-term deposit		202	–
Proceeds from sale of controlled entity (net of cash)		(1,665)	–
Receipts/(payments) for investments in associates and financial assets		49	(1,000)
Dividend received from associates		4,835	5,429
Loans to associates		(3,363)	(3,300)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities		5,396	(8,014)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings ¹	3.1	36,000	(52,000)
Repayments from borrowings ¹	3.1	(44,000)	57,000
Payments for borrowing costs		–	(100)
Principal elements of lease payments		(23,344)	(7,871)
Lease incentives received		–	4,902
Payments for treasury shares		(72)	(220)
Dividends paid to shareholders	3.4	(3,444)	(11,270)
Net payments to non-controlling interests		(1,620)	(1,335)
Net cash (outflow) from financing activities		(36,480)	(10,894)
Change in cash and cash equivalents		51	(6,724)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		18,548	18,862
Effect of exchange rate changes		(292)	111
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period		18,307	12,249

The above Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Comparative figures have not been restated to reflect the classification of Emotive and HK Outdoor as discontinued operations.

¹Debt facility has been repaid \$8.0 million. Refer to note 3.1.

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Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the period ended 30 June 2025

	Note	Contributed equity \$'000	Reserves \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Total \$'000	Non-controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 January 2024		1,544,039	(49,647)	(1,214,529)	279,863	36,504	316,367
Profit for the period		-	-	5,362	5,362	1,153	6,515
Other comprehensive income		-	(13,698)	-	(13,698)	-	(13,698)
Share-based payments		-	62	-	62	-	62
Dividends paid to shareholders	3.3	-	-	(11,270)	(11,270)	-	(11,270)
Acquisition of treasury shares	3.4	-	(220)	-	(220)	-	(220)
Transactions with non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	(1,335)	(1,335)
Balance at 30 June 2024		1,544,039	(63,503)	(1,220,437)	260,099	36,322	296,421
Balance at 1 January 2025		1,544,039	(63,206)	(1,225,697)	255,136	36,253	291,389
Loss for the period		-	-	(11,865)	(11,865)	972	(10,893)
Other comprehensive income		-	(2,287)	-	(2,287)	-	(2,287)
Share-based payments		-	(1,033)	-	(1,033)	-	(1,033)
Dividends paid to shareholders	3.4	-	-	(3,444)	(3,444)	-	(3,444)
Transfers within equity		-	(43)	43	-	-	-
Treasury shares vested to employees		-	1,541	-	1,541	-	1,541
Acquisition of treasury shares		-	(72)	-	(72)	-	(72)
Sale of Emotive	6.1	-	-	-	-	(794)	(794)
Transactions with non-controlling interests		-	-	-	-	(1,620)	(1,620)
Balance at 30 June 2025		1,544,039	(65,100)	(1,240,963)	237,976	34,811	272,787

The above Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

1 GROUP PERFORMANCE

1.1 REVENUES

		June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 (Restated) ¹ \$'000
Revenue and other income			
Revenue		142,330	152,839
Total Revenue		142,330	152,839
Other		1,427	1,203
Other income		1,427	1,203
Interest income		521	377
Total other revenue and income		1,948	1,580
Total revenue and other income		144,278	154,419
From discontinuing operations			
Total revenue and other income	6.1	39,168	15,291
Gain on sale of Emotive	6.1	103	–

¹Comparative figures have been restated to reflect the classification of Emotive and HK Outdoor as discontinued operations. Refer to Note 6.1.

Revenue recognised in the period ended 30 June 2025 that was included in the contract liabilities balance as at 1 January 2025 is \$4.6 million (2024: \$2.1 million).

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1.2 EXPENSES

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 (Restated) ⁽ⁱ⁾ \$'000
Employee benefits expense ¹	63,893	69,089
Production and distribution expense	9,822	11,561
Selling and marketing expense	17,224	19,647
Rental and occupancy expense	4,435	4,836
Professional fees ²	1,592	2,489
Software and maintenance costs	3,320	2,865
Travel and entertainment costs	938	1,683
Talent costs	15,501	9,937
Other expenses	4,479	5,457
Total expenses before impairment, finance costs, depreciation and amortisation	121,204	127,564
Interest on lease liabilities	2,064	1,672
Interest and finance charges	3,625	3,392
Borrowing costs amortisation	83	80
Total finance costs	5,772	5,144
Depreciation on right-of-use assets	2,756	3,235
Depreciation on other assets	3,735	3,488
Amortisation	894	909
Total depreciation and amortisation	7,385	7,632
From discontinued operations		
Total expenses	6.1 52,021	17,605

⁽ⁱ⁾Comparative figures have been restated to reflect the classification of Emotive and HK Outdoor as discontinued operations. Refer to Note 6.1.

¹Employee benefit costs were included in restructuring costs in 2025 (\$4.6 million) and restructuring and acquisition costs in 2024 (\$0.6 million and \$0.2 million respectively).

²Professional fees were included in restructuring costs in 2025 (\$1.7million) and restructuring and acquisition costs in 2024 (\$0.1 million and \$4.1 million respectively).

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1.3 SEGMENT INFORMATION

(I) DESCRIPTION OF SEGMENTS

The Group has identified its operating segments based on the internal reports reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM", determined to be the Board of Directors) in assessing performance and determining the allocation of resources. The Group has determined there was a single operating segment being ARN.

Reportable segment	Principal activities
ARN	Metropolitan and Regional radio networks, on-demand radio, streaming and podcasting (Australia), equity accounted investments including Nova Entertainment (Perth) Pty Ltd and investment in Southern Cross Austereo Media Group Limited (SCA).

The CODM assesses the performance of the operating segment based on a measure of earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA) from continuing operations which excludes the effects of significant items such as gains or losses on disposals of businesses and restructuring related costs.

As at 30 June 2025 HK Outdoor was classified as an asset held for sale. Additionally, Emotive which formed part of the investments segment, was sold on 30 May 2025. These are presented as discontinued operations in note 6.1 and have been excluded from the operating segment disclosure below. The Group's remaining investment in SCA and Corporate segment have subsequently been assumed into the ARN segment. Comparatives have been restated to reflect this change.

(II) RESULTS BY OPERATING SEGMENT

The segment information provided to the CODM for the period ended 30 June 2025 is as follows:

June 2025 \$'000	ARN
Revenue	
Metro	75,256
Regional	53,663
Digital	13,410
Revenue from contracts with customers	142,330
Share of profits of associates	1,678
Segment result	23,141
Reconciliation of segment result to profit before income tax	
Segment result	
Depreciation and amortisation ^A	(7,385)
Net finance costs	(5,251)
Restructuring costs ^B	(6,417)
Sale of regional properties	(280)
Profit before income tax from continuing operations	3,808

Explanation of statutory adjustments

(A) Consists of depreciation of \$6.5 million and amortisation of \$0.9 million (refer to note 1.2).

(B) Redundancies and termination costs associated with simplifying and standardising operations.

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1.3 SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

(II) RESULTS BY OPERATING SEGMENT (CONTINUED)

June 2024 \$'000	ARN
Revenue	
Metro	85,236
Regional	56,565
Digital	11,038
Revenue from contracts with customers	152,839
Share of profits of associates	2,198
Segment result	29,909
Reconciliation of segment result to profit before income tax	
Segment result	
Depreciation and amortisation ^A	(7,632)
Net finance costs	(4,767)
Acquisition costs ^B	(4,303)
Implementation of software as a service (SAAS) costs ^C	(887)
Restructuring costs ^D	(619)
Property sale ^E	(346)
Profit before income tax from continuing operations	11,355

Explanation of statutory adjustments

- (A) Consists of depreciation of \$6.7 million and amortisation of \$0.9 million (refer to note 1.2).
 (B) Our share of SCA acquisition transaction costs associated with the proposed acquisition of SCA.
 (C) Relates to one off expenditure for new systems implemented.
 (D) Redundancies associated with simplifying and standardising the radio operations.
 (E) Expenses related to exit from Macquarie Park premises.

1.4 EARNINGS PER SHARE

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000 (Restated) ^a
(a) Reconciliation of earnings used in calculating earnings per share (EPS)		
Profit from continuing operations attributable to owners of the parent entity	818	7,773
Loss from discontinued operations attributable to owners of the parent entity	(12,683)	(2,411)
Profit/(loss) attributable to owners of the parent entity used in calculating basic/diluted EPS	(11,865)	5,362
^a Comparative figures have been restated to reflect the classification of Emotive and HK Outdoor as discontinued operations. Refer to Note 6.1.		
	June 2025 Number	June 2024 Number
(b) Weighted average number of shares		
Weighted average number of shares used as the denominator in calculating basic EPS	305,418,862	305,335,962
Adjusted for calculation of diluted EPS		
Unvested/unexercised rights	938,141	(411,283)
Weighted average number of shares used as the denominator in calculating diluted EPS	306,357,003	304,924,679

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2 OPERATING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

2.1 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Goodwill	-	490
Software – net of accumulated amortisation	1,412	1,656
Radio Licenses – net of accumulated amortisation and impairment	302,149	302,266
Customer relationships – net of accumulated amortisation	6,752	7,272
Brands	19,558	19,558
Total intangible assets	329,871	331,242

IMPAIRMENT TEST OF CASH GENERATING UNITS INCLUDING INDEFINITE LIFE INTANGIBLE ASSETS

As at 30 June 2025, management determined that the Group now consists of a single cash-generating unit (CGU), following the sale of the Emotive CGU during the half-year.

At the reporting date, the Group assessed if there were any indicators of impairment taking into consideration the current and forecast changes in the size of the various markets and market shares that the CGU operates in compared to those previously forecast, as well as its previous assumptions for long term growth and other operating environment changes. This assessment did not note any indicators as at 30 June 2025.

Below is the allocation of goodwill and other non-amortising intangible assets to CGUs as at period-end:

Name of CGU	June 2025 Goodwill \$'000	June 2025 Other non- amortising intangible assets \$'000	Dec 2024 Goodwill \$'000	Dec 2024 Other non- amortising intangible assets \$'000
ARN	-	319,161	-	319,161
Emotive	-	-	490	-
Total goodwill and other non-amortising intangible assets	-	319,161	490	319,161

The ARN CGU incorporates metropolitan and regional radio networks, on-demand radio, streaming and podcasting in Australia which includes indefinite life intangible assets.

Emotive was disposed of on 30 May 2025 and goodwill was de-recognised on disposal.

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2.2 LEASES

As a lessee, the Group leases several assets including property, advertising spaces, motor vehicles and other equipment. The weighted average lease term is 6.8 years (2024: 8.1 years).

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Property	55,821	62,681
Advertising concession agreements	-	276,468
Motor vehicle and other	1,018	1,411
Total right-of-use assets	56,839	340,560
Current	3,373	50,987
Non-current	64,559	302,886
Total lease liabilities	67,932	353,873

Additions to right-of-use assets amounted to \$2.5 million and a decrease due to modifications amounted to \$1.0 million for the period ending 30 June 2025 (additions for 30 June 2024: \$136.2 million). Additionally, the Group disposed of its investment in Emotive Pty Ltd which contributed to a \$1.8 million decrease in right of use assets and classified HK Outdoor as held for sale and the right of use assets of \$233.8 million were reclassified to assets held for sale.

2.3 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Freehold land	8,405	10,024
Buildings	4,419	5,918
Plant and equipment	45,347	49,078
Total property, plant and equipment	58,171	65,020

The Group sold and leased back regional properties that resulted in a \$1.6 million decrease in land, \$1.4 million decrease in building. Additionally, the Group disposed of its investment in Emotive Pty Ltd with contributed to a \$1.0 million decrease in property, plant and equipment.

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3 CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

3.1 BANK LOANS

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Non-current bank loans		
Bank loans – unsecured	93,000	101,000
Total non-current bank loans ⁱ	93,000	101,000
Deduct:		
Borrowing costs	2,505	2,515
Accumulated amortisation	(2,243)	(2,162)
Net borrowing costs	262	353
Total non-current interest-bearing liabilities	92,738	100,647
Net debt		
Non-current bank loans	92,738	100,647
Net borrowing costs	262	353
Cash and cash equivalents	(15,476)	(18,548)
Short-term deposits	–	(208)
Net debt	77,524	82,244⁽ⁱⁱ⁾

(i) The Group's debt facilities do not expire until January 2027.

(ii) Net debt as at 31 December 2024 includes cash and cash equivalents relating to Cody Outdoor and Emotive Pty Ltd.

The Group's debt agreements require leverage to remain below 3.25 times and interest cover to stay above 3.0 times, based on financial results from the previous 12 months at each reporting date. As at 30 June 2025 the leverage ratio was 2.10 times and the interest cover ratio was 5.36 times.

(A) STANDBY ARRANGEMENTS AND CREDIT FACILITIES

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Entities in the Group have access to:		
Loan facilities ⁱ		
Unsecured bank loan facilities	200,500	200,698
Amount of facility utilised ⁱⁱ	(126,495)	(136,538)
Amount of available facility	74,005	64,160
Overdraft facilities		
Unsecured bank overdraft facilities	1,000	1,000
Amount of credit utilised	–	–
Amount of available credit	1,000	1,000

(i) Pertaining to the revolving cash advance facility and multi-option facility.

(ii) Relating to bank loans and guarantees drawn.

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3.2 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

AASB 13 *Fair Value Measurement* requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The following table presents the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities measured and recognised at fair value at 30 June 2025 and 31 December 2024:

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
June 2025				
<i>Recurring fair value measurements</i>				
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	–	5,292	2,142 ⁽ⁱ⁾	7,434
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	18,995	–	–	18,995
Total financial assets	18,995	5,292	2,142	26,429
Dec 2024				
<i>Recurring fair value measurements</i>				
Financial assets				
Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	–	5,144	849	5,993
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	21,306	–	–	21,306
Total financial assets	21,306	5,144	849	27,299

⁽ⁱ⁾ included in financial assets at fair value through profit and loss in contingent consideration receivable of \$1.3 million, refer to note 6.1 for more information.

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3.2 FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Group holds a convertible note arrangement for \$5.0 million with Airtasker Limited (ASX: ART). The Group has designated the financial asset as fair value through profit and loss. As the convertible note will be settled in cash or equity at the discretion of Airtasker, the fair value of the noted is determined by reference to the initial finance asset recognised and finance income earned.

The Group holds shares in Southern Cross Media Limited (SCA) for \$19.0 million. The shares are held at fair value through other comprehensive income. As SCA is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange (ASX), the fair value of the shares is determined by reference to the quoted price. The investment in SCA was revalued as at 30 June 2025, and a \$2.3 million fair value loss, was recognised in other comprehensive income.

The group disposed of Emotive on 30 May 2025 and as part of the proceeds of this sale, Emotive has contingent consideration of \$1.5 million to ARN between 1 July 2025 to 31 December 2028. This has been measured at the present value of the expected future payments totalling \$1.3 million and forms part of the Level 3 assets.

The Group also has a number of assets and liabilities which are not measured at fair value, but for which fair values are disclosed in the notes. The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature. The fair value of bank loans approximates the carrying amount.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is classified as a level 3 asset.

The level 3 inputs used by the Group are derived and evaluated as follows:

The fair value of lease liabilities disclosed in note 2.2 is estimated by discounting the minimum lease payments at the Group's incremental borrowing rate. For the period ended 30 June 2025, the borrowing rates were determined to be between 3.3% and 8.0% per annum, depending on the type of lease.

There were no other material level 3 fair value movements during the year.

3.3 CONTRIBUTED EQUITY

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Issued and paid-up share capital	1,544,039	1,544,039

(A) MOVEMENTS IN CONTRIBUTED EQUITY DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR

	June 2025 Number of shares	Dec 2024 Number of shares	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Balance at beginning/end of the period	313,050,373	313,050,373	1,544,039	1,544,039

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3.4 DIVIDENDS

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000
An ordinary dividend of 1.1 cents per share, fully franked paid on 28 March 2025 (2023 final dividend: 3.6 cents per share, paid on 22 March 2024)	3,444	11,270
Paid in cash	3,444	11,270
Total dividends	3,444	11,270
Dividends not recognised at the end of half-year		
Since the end of the half-year, the Directors have declared a fully franked interim dividend of 1.2 cents per share (2024: 1.2 cents per share). The aggregate amount of the proposed dividend expected to be paid on 25 September 2025, but not recognised as a liability at the end of the half-year, is:	3,757	3,757

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4 TAXATION

CAPITAL LOSSES

The Group is carrying forward \$180.1 million for Australian tax capital losses. During the 2025 year these were impacted by the sale of properties and the sale of Emotive. These are subject to the usual loss carry forward rules regarding change of ownership and same business test. Assuming various rules are met, these capital losses should be available to shelter future capital gains. No deferred tax asset is recorded for these capital losses as they may only be utilised in the event of a capital gains arising and it is not currently probable there will be capital gain event against which the losses will be utilised.

The Group holds franking credits of \$97.3 million, available to offset future dividend distributions to shareholders.

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5 GROUP STRUCTURE

5.1 INTERESTS IN OTHER ENTITIES

Set out below are the Group's principal subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests. Unless otherwise stated, the subsidiaries as listed below have share capital consisting solely of ordinary shares, which are held directly by the Group, and the proportion of ownership interests held equals to the voting rights held by the Group.

Name of entity	Place of business	Country of incorporation	Ownership interest held by the Group		Ownership interest held by non-controlling interests		Principal activities
			June 2025	Dec 2024	June 2025	Dec 2024	
Brisbane FM Radio Pty Ltd	Australia	Australia	50%	50%	50%	50%	Commercial radio

5.2 FINANCIAL ASSETS

	June 2025 \$'000	Dec 2024 \$'000
Financial assets recognised through other comprehensive income	18,995	21,306
Financial assets recognised through profit and loss	7,434	5,993
Total financial assets	26,429	27,299

It was announced on 4 July 2024 that ARN Media had entered into a convertible note arrangement with Airtasker Limited (ASX: ART) in exchange for ARN Media's advertising services. The arrangement is over a two-year period for \$5.0 million at a 5.8% coupon rate. At maturity, Airtasker has the option to settle the outstanding convertible note into ordinary shares at a 10% discount to Airtasker's 30-trading day volume weighted average share price or repay the outstanding note, including interest in cash. ARN Media has designated the financial asset as fair value through profit and loss. During the period the Group recognised \$0.1 million in finance income in relation to the coupon (30 June 2024: nil).

The Group has a 14.8% share in Southern Cross Media Group Limited (SCA) and designated the investment as fair value through other comprehensive income. The investment in SCA was revalued as at 30 June 2025, with the resulting \$2.3 million fair value loss recognised in other comprehensive income (30 June 2024: \$13.7 million). Refer to note 3.2 for more information on determining the fair value.

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6 OTHER

6.1 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

The Group made a decision to put up for sale its Hong Kong based outdoor business, Cody Outdoor. This decision to put Cody Outdoor up for sale follows the announcement at ARN Media's AGM held on 8 May 2025 that the Board had commenced a full strategic review of Cody, to assess optionality.

Cody Outdoor's position in the Hong Kong Outdoor advertising market has been rebuilt, having obtained two key contracts, being the bus body advertising contract with The Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited (as previously announced on 8 July 2024), and the Hong Kong Tramways Tram Body Advertising Contract (as previously announced on 22 February 2024).

The Groups investment in Emotive Pty Ltd was sold on 30 May 2025. The Group received \$1 in cash proceeds and \$1.5 million in contingent consideration. The Group has determined the disposal of the Groups investment in Emotive Pty Ltd meets the definition of a discontinued operation for the period.

Financial information relating to the discontinued operations is set out below.

ASSETS HELD FOR SALE – HONG KONG OUTDOOR

(a) Assets held for sale

Hong Kong Outdoor

At 30 June 2025, the Hong Kong disposal group was stated at fair value less costs to sell and comprised of the following assets;

	June 2025 \$'000
Disposal group held for sale	
Receivables	18,708
Cash and cash equivalents	2,831
Property, plant and equipment	103
Right-of-use assets	233,811
Other assets	166
Total assets of disposal group held for sale	255,619

(b) Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale

Hong Kong Outdoor

	June 2025 \$'000
Disposal group held for sale	
Payables	8,846
Contract liabilities	2,465
Provisions	359
Lease liabilities	243,336
Total liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	255,006

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6.1 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

(c) Financial performance and cash flow information

Hong Kong Outdoor

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000
Disposal group held for sale		
Revenue and other income	35,471	9,706
Expenses before depreciation and amortisation	(12,956)	(4,574)
Depreciation and amortisation	(28,452)	(6,364)
Finance costs	(6,780)	(1,276)
Loss before income tax	(12,717)	(2,508)
Income tax credit	-	-
Loss after income tax from discontinued operations attributable to owners of the parent entity	(12,717)	(2,508)

Hong Kong Outdoor

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000
Net cash inflows/(outflows) from operating activities	20,984	(5,337)
Net cash outflows from investing activities	(12)	(38)
Net cash outflows from financing activities	(22,115)	(5,536)
Net decrease in cash generated by the division	(1,143)	(10,911)

EMOTIVE - DISCONTINUED OPERATION

(a) Financial performance and cash flow information

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000
Revenue and other income	3,697	5,585
Expenses before depreciation and amortisation	(3,632)	(5,012)
Depreciation and amortisation	(203)	(240)
Finance costs	(55)	(53)
Profit/(loss) before income tax	(193)	280
Income tax (expense)/credit	57	(86)
Profit/(loss) from operations	(136)	194
Net gain on disposal ^a	103	-
Profit/(loss) after income tax from discontinued operations	(33)	194
Total profit/(loss) attributable to		
Owners of the parent entity	34	97
Non-controlling interest	(67)	97

Explanation of items related to discontinued operations.

(a) Profit from the sale of Emotive as detailed in section (b) below.

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6.1 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)

Emotive

	June 2025 \$'000	June 2024 \$'000
Net cash inflows from operating activities	(148)	(220)
Net cash outflows from investing activities	(15)	(26)
Net cash outflows from financing activities	(149)	(157)
Net increase in cash generated by the division	(312)	(403)

(b) Gain on disposal of Emotive

Emotive

	June 2025 \$'000
Total sale consideration	1,342
Less: Emotive assets and liabilities at date of sale	(2,033)
Non-controlling interest at date of sale	794
Gain on sale before income tax	103
Income tax expense on gain	-
Gain on sale after income tax	103

\$1 was received as initial consideration for the sale with the remainder relating to contingent consideration to be received over 30 months which has been measured at the present value totalling \$1.3 million.

(c) Assets and liabilities at the date of sale

Emotive

The carrying amount of the assets and liabilities as at the date of sale (30 May 2025) were:

	30 May 2025 \$'000
Receivables	1,537
Cash and cash equivalents	1,665
Property, plant and equipment	1,002
Right-of-use assets	1,835
Deferred tax assets	813
Goodwill	490
Other assets	132
Total assets of disposal group	7,474
Payables	1,939
Contract liabilities	695
Provisions	206
Deferred tax liabilities	550
Lease liabilities	2,051
Total liabilities of disposal group	5,441
Assets and liabilities at date of sale	2,033

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6.2 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The parent entity and all wholly owned controlled entities have provided guarantees in respect of banking facilities. As at 30 June 2025, the facilities had been drawn to the extent of \$126.5 million (2024: \$136.5 million), of which \$33.5 million of the balance pertains to bank guarantees (2024: \$35.5 million), primarily relating to HK Outdoor.

The Group did not have any other contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2025 (2024: \$nil).

COMMITMENTS

As at 30 June 2025, the Group had committed \$2.5 million to contracted capital expenditure, including to upgrade advertising concession spaces for Tram Body advertising license agreements and South Australian office upgrade. (2024: \$0.6 million).

CLAIMS

Claims for damages are made against the Group from time to time in the ordinary course of business. The Directors are not aware of any claim that is expected to result in material costs or damages.

6.3 OTHER SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A) NEW AND AMENDED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ADOPTED BY THE GROUP

The accounting policies applied in these interim financial statements are the same as those applied in the Group's consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2024. There are no new and amended standards and interpretations issued during the year that have had a material impact on the Group in the current and prior period.

B) STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE

Certain new accounting standards and amendments to accounting standards have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2025 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the group.

Management is currently assessing the detailed implications of applying the new standards and interpretations on the group's consolidated financial statements including:

- AASB 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027)
- AASB 2024-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments (effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2026)

Other than those mentioned above, there are no standards and interpretations that are not yet effective and that are expected to have a material impact on the Company in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

6.4 RELATED PARTIES

The Group paid \$205,232 (30 June 2024: \$368,000) in property rental to entities associated with Alison Cameron (Director) on commercial arm's length terms.

6.5 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Since the end of the period, the Directors have declared the payment of a fully franked interim dividend of 1.2 cents per share, to be paid on 25 September 2025 (refer to note 3.4).

The Directors are not aware of any matter or circumstance that has arisen since 30 June 2025 that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the Group's operations, the results of those operations or the Group's state of affairs in future financial years.

Directors' Declaration

In the Directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 15 to 34 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
 - (i) complying with Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the consolidated entity's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of its performance for the financial half year ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

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



Hamish McLennan
Chairman

Sydney
27 August 2025

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Independent auditor's review report to the members of ARN Media Limited

Conclusion

We have reviewed the accompanying half-year financial report of ARN Media Limited (the Company) and its subsidiaries (collectively the Group), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the half-year ended on that date, explanatory notes and the directors' declaration.

Based on our review, which is not an audit, we have not become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report of the Group does not comply with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a. Giving a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 30 June 2025 and of its consolidated financial performance for the half-year ended on that date; and
- b. Complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for conclusion

We conducted our review in accordance with ASRE 2410 *Review of a Financial Report Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity* (ASRE 2410). Our responsibilities are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the review of the half-year financial report* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the annual financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Directors' responsibilities for the half-year financial report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the half-year financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibilities for the review of the half-year financial report

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the half-year financial report based on our review. ASRE 2410 requires us to conclude whether we have become aware of any matter that makes us believe that the half-year financial report is not in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* including giving a true and fair view of the Group's financial position as at 30 June 2025 and its performance for the half-year ended on that date, and complying with Accounting Standard AASB 134 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.



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

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Ernst & Young

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graham Leonard'.

Graham Leonard
Partner
Sydney
27 August 2025