

## APPENDIX 4D

### 1 Reporting Period

Report for the period ended:	Half-year ended 31 December 2025
Previous corresponding period:	Half-year ended 31 December 2024

### 2 Results for Announcement to the Market

	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2025 \$'000	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	Change %
2.1 Revenues from ordinary activities	45,661	46,592	(2.0%) decrease
2.2 Loss from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	(661)	(8,300)	92.0% improvement
2.3 Total comprehensive loss attributable to members of the parent entity	(746)	(8,343)	91.1% improvement

	Amount per security ¢	Franked amount per security %
2.4 Dividends		
Interim dividend	Nil	N/A
Final dividend	Nil	N/A
2.5 Record date for determining entitlements to the dividend	N/A	N/A

	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2025 \$'000	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000
3 Losses for the period attributable to owners of the parent entity	(661)	(8,300)
Net assets	20,007	26,303
Less: intangible assets	(30,739)	(33,742)
Add: deferred tax liabilities	2,362	2,655
Net tangible assets	(8,370)	(4,784)

	Number	Number
Fully paid ordinary shares	222,459,723	221,116,114

	\$	\$
Net tangible (liabilities) per share	(0.04)	(0.02)

4 Net tangible assets are defined as net assets less intangible assets and liabilities. For the purposes of the net tangible assets calculation, right-of-use assets are considered tangible assets.

5 The financial information provided in this Appendix 4D is based on the accompanying Interim Financial Report for the half-year ended 31 December 2025. This report is based on the consolidated financial statements and notes which have been reviewed by Pitcher Partners Sydney.

# NextEd Group

## NextEd Group Limited and its Controlled Entities

ABN 75 105 012 066

Interim Financial Report  
For the Half-Year Ended  
31 December 2025



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## CORPORATE DIRECTORY

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## DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report on the consolidated entity consisting of NextEd Group Limited (**NextEd** or **NextEd Group**) and its controlled entities for the half year ended 31 December 2025 (H1 FY26).

### Directors

The names of directors during the financial period and up to the date of this report are:

Sandra Hook – Independent non-executive chair

Simon Tolhurst – Independent non-executive director

William Deane – Independent non-executive director

Angus Johnson – Non-executive director

### Company secretary

Lisa Jones

### Principal activities

During the financial period, the consolidated entity's principal activities were:

- delivering high quality English language, hospitality, healthcare, creative digital technologies, managerial, marketing, technology and interior design and styling courses; and
- providing education recruitment agency services to international students.

There have been no significant changes in the nature of these activities during the period.

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

### H1 FY26 Financial Performance

	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2025 \$'000	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000
Revenue	45,661	46,592
EBITDA before significant items	6,728	5,765
EBIT before significant items	453	(1,451)
Net loss after tax	(661)	(8,300)
Cash flows from operations	3,025	963

### Non-IFRS information

The Company uses certain measures to manage and report on its business that are not recognised under Australian Accounting Standards ('AAS'). These measures are collectively referred to as non-IFRS financial measures. Although the Company believes these measures provide useful information about the financial performance of the Company, they should be considered as supplemental to the measures calculated in accordance with AAS and not as a replacement for them. Because these non-IFRS financial measures are not based on AAS, they do not have standard definitions, and the way the Company calculates these measures may differ from similarly titled measures used by other companies. These measures have not been independently audited or reviewed.

The non-IFRS measures used by the Company include EBITDA before significant items, Underlying EBITDA, EBIT before significant items and Underlying EBIT.

EBITDA and Underlying EBITDA is defined as earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation, before significant items and EBIT and Underlying EBIT is earnings before interest and tax before significant items.

Reconciliations between EBITDA / Underlying EBITDA before significant items, EBIT / Underlying EBIT before significant items and net profit after income tax for the period ended 31 December 2025 and the comparative period are noted below.

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONT)

### EBITDA reconciliation

	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2025 \$'000	Half-year ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000
<b>Net loss after tax</b>	<b>(661)</b>	<b>(8,300)</b>
Add back:		
Impairment of right of use assets and PPE	(364)	5,339
Finance costs net of interest income	1,479	1,818
Less:		
Income tax benefit	(1)	(308)
<b>EBIT before significant items</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>(1,451)</b>
Depreciation & amortisation	6,275	7,216
<b>EBITDA before significant items</b>	<b>6,728</b>	<b>5,765</b>

### Operating and financial performance

The half year ended 31 December 2025 represents an important period of execution and consolidation for NextEd Group, following the successful stabilisation and reset of the business during FY25 including key changes to the management team and Board that strengthened governance, leadership capability and strategic focus.

The Board and management entered FY26 with a clear focus on improving profitability, strengthening and rebalancing the Group's portfolio and selectively developing new business opportunities, while maintaining financial discipline and operational control. More stable policy settings for international education during the period have provided a level of improved visibility and supported the continued execution of these strategic priorities.

During the half, the Group continued to leverage its core strengths, including its premium national campus footprint, scaled delivery model, reputable brands and strong compliance capability. These strengths, together with a continued emphasis on quality student outcomes, supported stable operations and consistent delivery across the Group's education portfolio.

The revenue benefits of the International House student transition secured in FY25 continued to be realised in the period and accelerated the shift toward vocational education for international students. This change in student mix continued to partially offset lower English language student volumes and reinforced the Group's strategy of focusing on more resilient and higher-margin course offerings.

The Domestic business recorded lower student enrolments during the half, which impacted revenues and earnings. Performance during the period was also influenced by legacy operational and leadership issues, which limited the business's responsiveness to operating conditions. Leadership changes, including the appointment of a new General Manager, were implemented during the period as part of the broader organisational reset, with the Domestic team focused on stabilising operations and strengthening recruitment and delivery capability as the business transitions to the next stage of execution.

During the period, NextEd announced a strategic collaboration with OpenAI as part of a broader program to embed applied artificial intelligence capability across the Group. The initiative is designed to build long-term capability in AI-enabled education delivery, strengthening the relevance of curriculum, enhancing student employability and supporting more scalable delivery models. Embedding AI within selected programs, initially in technology disciplines, is expected to reinforce the Group's value proposition and differentiation, supporting demand durability and revenue quality over time.

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONT)

### Operating and financial performance (cont)

In parallel, the Group is piloting the controlled use of secure AI tools across teaching, administrative and support functions, with a focus on improving consistency, reducing manual effort and supporting enrolment growth without proportional increases in cost. The collaboration also creates optionality for future short-form credentials, workforce and corporate training offerings, while reducing the risk of curriculum obsolescence and unmanaged AI adoption. Implementation is being progressed in a disciplined, governed manner and complements management's continued focus on core operations, compliance and financial performance.

Financial performance for the half year reflects the ongoing impact of the cost reduction and cash preservation initiatives implemented during FY25, together with continued cost discipline during the current period. Structural savings achieved in the prior year flowed through the period, contributing to improved operating efficiency, positive operating cash flow and a significantly reduced statutory loss compared with the prior corresponding period ("pcp"). The Group maintained a disciplined approach to capital expenditure, working capital, and balance sheet management.

Financial results for the period ended 31 December 2025 included:

- Revenue of \$45.7 million, 2.0% lower than pcp (H1 FY25: \$46.6 million);
- Underlying EBITDA<sup>1</sup> of \$6.7 million, 16.7% higher than pcp (H1 FY25: \$5.8 million);
- Stable gross margin of 52.9% (\$24.1 million), compared with pcp 53.4% in H1 FY25 (\$24.9 million);
- Operating costs of \$17.4 million, 9.0% lower than pcp, reflecting continued benefits from structural cost reduction initiatives implemented in FY25 (H1 FY25: \$19.1 million);
- Underlying EBIT<sup>2</sup> of \$0.5 million, compared with a loss of \$1.5 million in H1 FY25;
- Net loss after tax of \$0.7 million, a significant improvement on pcp impacted by non-cash impairments (H1 FY25: net loss of \$8.3 million);
- Operating cash flows of \$3.0 million, \$2.0 million higher than pcp (H1 FY25: \$1.0 million);
- Cash at bank as at 31 December 2025 of \$16.0 million, lower than 30 June 2025 (\$18.9 million) reflecting expected seasonality in working capital;
- Contract liabilities (deferred revenue) balance at 31 December 2025 of \$30.0 million, a decrease of 19.3% from 30 June 2025 (\$37.2 million) which was impacted by International House student transfer; and
- An impairment reversal of \$0.4 million relating to right of use assets following the sub-leasing of surplus premises (H1 FY25: impairment charges of \$4.6 million).

### Revenue

Revenue for the half year ended 31 December 2025 was \$45.7 million, compared with \$46.6 million in the prior corresponding period, representing a 2% reduction.

International segment revenue of \$33.8 million was resilient during the period, with growth in international student enrolments across certain high-demand vocational courses offsetting lower English language enrolments.

The Technology & Design segment recorded revenue of \$4.9 million, down 12% from the prior corresponding period, driven by softer demand for the current technology and design course offering. During the period, the Group launched Greenwich Higher Education, expanding higher education offerings and supporting the strategy to strengthen future international student volumes at the Academy of Information Technology (AIT).

Domestic Vocational revenue declined 21% during the period, primarily due to state government funding reductions in South Australia, with the half also reflecting a period of operational stabilisation following leadership and structural changes implemented at the commencement of the period.

Go Study revenue increased 10% to \$3.5 million, supported by continued demand for student recruitment services and ongoing engagement across key source markets.

<sup>1</sup> Underlying EBITDA is defined as earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation, before significant items

<sup>2</sup> Underlying EBIT is earnings before interest and tax before significant items.

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONT)

### EBITDA

Underlying EBITDA for the half year ended 31 December 2025 was \$6.7 million, up from \$5.8 million in the prior corresponding period, reflecting the continued delivery of structural cost reductions across the Group. Gross margin of 52.9% remained strong during the period, supported by a favourable mix of higher margin vocational courses and ongoing focus on efficient delivery and utilisation across the campus network. Operating costs were reduced to \$17.4 million, a 9.0% improvement on the prior corresponding period (H1 FY25: \$19.1 million), reflecting disciplined expense management, organisational streamlining and the benefits of earlier property rationalisation initiatives.

### Cash flows and balance sheet

Operating cash flows for the half year ended 31 December 2025 were \$3.0 million (H1 FY25: \$1.0 million), reflecting continued improvements in working capital management and the ongoing benefits of cost reduction initiatives implemented during FY25, alongside further operating cost control during the period.

Investing cash outflows of \$0.2 million reflected the Group's established campus footprint and the absence of acquisition activity during the period.

Financing cash outflows of \$5.7 million mainly related to campus lease principal and interest repayments, consistent with the Group's lease profile and following the earlier exit of surplus lease arrangements.

Cash at bank as at 31 December 2025 was \$16.0 million (31 December 2024: \$13.7 million; 30 June 2025: \$18.9 million), reflecting normal seasonal working capital movements during the half year. The cash balance included \$4.5 million held as restricted cash to support bank guarantees for leased premises and \$4.5 million held in respect of ESOS Act prepaid tuition obligations.

The Group remains operating cash flow positive, has no external borrowings, and is well positioned to fund operations and selective growth initiatives from existing resources.

Contract liabilities were \$30.0 million at 31 December 2025 (30 June 2025: \$37.2 million), reflecting the timing of student enrolments and the commencement of academic terms across the Group. The movement does not reflect a reduction in forward demand. Trade receivables were \$19.2 million (30 June 2025: \$21.4 million), primarily driven by the timing of invoicing and collections. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue as education services are delivered to students.

### Looking ahead

NextEd is now entering the next phase of its strategy, with a clear focus on disciplined growth, portfolio resilience and long-term value creation.

Following a period of leadership transition, stabilisation and rationalisation, the Board is confident that the reset strategy established during FY25 is well advanced and continuing to deliver the intended outcomes. The Group is now turning its attention to the next stage of development, in parallel with ongoing reset initiatives, with a focus on identifying and executing disciplined growth opportunities across both international and domestic education, with a deliberate emphasis on building a more balanced and resilient portfolio.

Near-term priorities include expanding course offerings aligned to future skills requirements, adapting learning environments to better meet the evolving student needs, and broadening delivery formats such as short courses, online and blended learning. The continued integration of artificial intelligence into education delivery is expected to be a key enabler across the sector, and NextEd's collaboration with OpenAI positions the Group as a leader in the practical application of AI in teaching and learning. Together with its premium national campus footprint, scaled delivery model, reputable brands, strong governance framework and focus on quality student outcomes, this differentiated position supports the Group's confidence in its ability to adapt, innovate and deliver long-term value to shareholders.

## OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW (CONT)

### Rounding of amounts

The Company is of a kind referred to in *Corporations Instrument 2016/191*, issued by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission, relating to 'rounding-off'. Amounts in this report have been rounded-off in accordance with that Corporations Instrument to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, to the nearest dollar.

### Auditors Independence Declaration

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

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 306 (3) of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

On behalf of the directors:



**Sandra Hook**

Chair

25 February 2026

**Auditor's Independence Declaration  
To the Directors of NextEd Group Limited  
ABN 75 105 012 066**

In relation to the independent auditor's review of NextEd Group Limited ("the Company") and its controlled entities ("the Group") for the half-year ended 31 December 2025, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief there have been:

- (i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*; and
- (ii) No contraventions of APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)*.

This declaration is in respect of NextEd Group Limited and the entities it controlled during the period.



**Rod Shanley**  
Partner

**Pitcher Partners**  
Sydney

25 February 2026

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the half-year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	31 December 2025 \$'000	31 December 2024 \$'000
Revenue	2a	45,661	46,592
Cost of sales		(21,519)	(21,693)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>24,142</b>	<b>24,899</b>
Other income	2b	-	37
Interest revenue	2b	266	232
Employee benefits expense	4	(11,185)	(12,109)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	4	(6,275)	(7,216)
Impairment expense	4	(156)	(5,765)
Property and occupancy costs		(1,946)	(2,233)
Finance costs		(1,745)	(2,050)
Marketing expenses		(1,089)	(1,498)
Information technology & communication costs		(586)	(566)
Professional and consulting fees		(547)	(508)
Listed company related costs		(477)	(524)
Other expenses		(1,064)	(1,307)
<b>Loss before tax</b>		<b>(662)</b>	<b>(8,608)</b>
Income tax benefit		1	308
<b>Net loss for the period attributable to members of the parent entity</b>		<b>(661)</b>	<b>(8,300)</b>
Other comprehensive loss for the period net of tax		(85)	(43)
<b>Total comprehensive loss attributable to members of the parent entity</b>		<b>(746)</b>	<b>(8,343)</b>
Earnings per share:			
Basic loss per share (cents per share)	14	(0.30)	(3.75)
Diluted loss per share (cents per share)	14	(0.30)	(3.75)

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2025

	Note	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
Cash and cash equivalents	5	15,959	18,895
Trade receivables	6a	18,326	19,852
Inventories		96	100
Prepayments and other assets		5,295	6,459
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>39,676</b>	<b>45,306</b>
Trade receivables	6b	892	1,587
Property, plant and equipment	7	12,439	14,034
Right-of-use asset	11	22,021	24,735
Intangible assets	8	30,739	32,177
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>66,091</b>	<b>72,533</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>105,767</b>	<b>117,839</b>
Trade and other payables	9	10,976	11,622
Contract liabilities	10a	29,116	35,598
Lease liabilities	11a	9,068	8,403
Employee benefits		2,122	2,264
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>51,282</b>	<b>57,887</b>
Contract liabilities	10b	892	1,587
Lease liabilities	11b	27,406	32,170
Deferred tax liabilities		2,362	2,362
Employee benefits		264	244
Provisions		3,554	3,411
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>34,478</b>	<b>39,774</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>85,760</b>	<b>97,661</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>20,007</b>	<b>20,178</b>
Issued capital	12	103,307	103,225
Reserves		464	56
Accumulated losses		(83,764)	(83,103)
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>20,007</b>	<b>20,178</b>

The consolidated statement of financial position is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the half-year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Contributed equity \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Share-based payments reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2025		103,225	(83,103)	203	(147)	20,178
Loss for the year		-	(661)	-	-	(661)
Other comprehensive loss for the year		-	-	-	(85)	(85)
Total comprehensive loss for the year		-	(661)	-	(85)	(746)
Transactions with owners						
Share based payments	15	-	-	575	-	575
Performance rights exercised	15	82	-	(82)	-	-
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2025</b>		<b>103,307</b>	<b>(83,764)</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>(232)</b>	<b>20,007</b>

	Note	Contributed equity \$'000	Accumulated losses \$'000	Share-based payments reserve \$'000	Foreign currency translation reserve \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 July 2024		103,115	(68,531)	84	(44)	34,624
Loss for the half- year		-	(8,300)	-	-	(8,300)
Other comprehensive loss for the half-year		-	-	-	(43)	(43)
Total comprehensive loss for the half-year		-	(8,300)	-	(43)	(8,343)
Transactions with owners						
Share based payments	15	-	-	22	-	22
<b>Balance as at 31 December 2024</b>		<b>103,115</b>	<b>(76,831)</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>(87)</b>	<b>26,303</b>

The consolidated statement of changes in equity is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the half-year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	31 December 2025 \$'000	31 December 2024 \$'000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from customers		40,185	42,251
Receipts from government grants		-	37
Interest received		266	231
Payment to suppliers and employees		(37,426)	(41,556)
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>		<b>3,025</b>	<b>963</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(118)	(58)
Payments for intangibles		(103)	(806)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>(221)</b>	<b>(864)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Receipts from release of funds supporting bank guarantees		-	4
Repayment of lease liabilities – interest component		(1,613)	(2,049)
Repayment of lease liabilities – principal component		(4,127)	(3,660)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>(5,740)</b>	<b>(5,705)</b>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(2,936)	(5,606)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		18,895	19,343
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>	5	<b>15,959</b>	<b>13,737</b>

The consolidated statement of cash flows is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## NOTE 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

### 1.1 Reporting entity

NextEd Group Limited (**NextEd** or **the Company**) and its controlled entities (**the consolidated entity or the Group**) is a for profit company limited by shares that are publicly traded on the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX**). The Company is primarily involved in businesses which deliver accredited and non-accredited English language, vocational education and higher education courses. It also operates an education recruitment agency business providing services to international students seeking to undertake tertiary studies in Australia.

### 1.2 Basis of preparation

The Half Year Financial Report (the Report) is for the six months ended 31 December 2025 and has been prepared on the historical cost and accrual basis except where otherwise stated.

The Report is intended to provide users with an update on the Group. These financial statements do not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, these financial statements are to be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended 30 June 2025 and any public announcements made by NextEd during the interim reporting period in accordance with the continuous disclosure requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

The Interim Financial Report was authorised for issue on 25 February 2026 by the directors of the Company.

### 1.3 Going concern

The Report has been prepared on a going concern basis, which assumes continuity of normal business activities and the realisation of assets and the settlement of liabilities in the normal course of business.

As disclosed in the financial statements, the consolidated entity incurred losses of \$661,000 and had net cash inflows from operating activities of \$3,025,000 for the half-year ended 31 December 2025. As at 31 December 2025, the consolidated entity had net current liabilities of \$11,606,000, and \$15,959,000 in cash and cash equivalents on hand, of which \$4,512,000 is subject to restrictions resulting in available cash of \$11,447,000.

- Included within current liabilities is \$9,068,000 of lease liabilities which are payable monthly over a 12-month period;
- Included within current liabilities is \$29,116,000 of contract liabilities relating to tuition revenue which has been received or is receivable in advance of the tuition being provided to students;
- The Directors have considered cash flow forecasts that indicate the consolidated entity is expected to continue to operate within the limits of the available cash reserves; and
- If required, the Group has the ability to raise additional funds on a timely basis.

As a result, the Directors believe it is reasonable that the consolidated entity will continue as a going concern, and it is appropriate to present the financial report on a going concern basis after consideration.

## NOTE 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT)

### 1.4 Compliance with IFRS

These financial statements for the interim half-year reporting period ended 31 December 2025 have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standard Board (**AASB**) AASB 134 'Interim Financial Reporting' and the Corporations Act 2001, as appropriate for for-profit oriented entities. Compliance with AASB 134 ensures compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'.

### 1.5 Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The consolidated entity has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the AASB that are mandatory for the current reporting period. Any new, revised or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted, the impact of these has not yet been assessed.

The principal accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year and corresponding interim reporting period, unless otherwise stated. When the presentation or classification of items in the interim financial report is amended, comparative amounts are also reclassified.

### 1.6 Rounding of amounts

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

### 1.7 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Significant judgements and estimates used in this half-year report are consistent with those made in the 30 June 2025 annual financial statements.

## NOTE 2. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME

	31 December 2025 \$'000	31 December 2024 \$'000
<b>a. Revenue from contracts with customers</b>		
Tuition related revenue	42,852	44,082
Commission revenue	2,809	2,510
	<b>45,661</b>	<b>46,592</b>
<b>Geographical regions</b>		
Australia	44,698	45,747
Europe	753	672
South America	210	173
	<b>45,661</b>	<b>46,592</b>
<b>Timing of revenue recognition</b>		
Services transferred at a point in time	2,809	2,510
Services transferred over time	42,852	44,082
	<b>45,661</b>	<b>46,592</b>
<b>b. Other income</b>		
Export market development grant	-	37
Interest income	266	232
	<b>266</b>	<b>269</b>

During the current period, the Group changed its basis for recognising revenue earned from a third party to better reflect the nature of contract. Comparative revenue information has been restated accordingly.

## NOTE 3. OPERATING SEGMENTS

### Identification of reportable operating segments

The consolidated entity is organised into four operating segments: International, Technology & Design, Domestic Vocational and Go Study. These operating segments are based on the internal reports that are reviewed and used by the Chief Executive Officer who is identified as the Chief Operating Decision Maker ('CODM') in the assessing of performance and in determining the allocation of resources. There is no aggregation of operating segments.

The CODM assesses the performance of the operating segments based on measures of earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, and amortisation ('EBITDA') and earnings before interest and tax ('EBIT'). EBITDA and EBIT are presented on a continuing operations basis and exclude the effects of significant items such gains or losses on disposal of businesses and restructuring related costs. The information reported to the CODM is on at least a monthly basis.

### Types of products and services

The principal products and services of each of these operating segments are as follows:

<b>International</b>	A provider of English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students ('ELICOS'), and Vocational Education and Training ('VET') courses in Business, Leadership and Management, Project Management, Marketing and Communication, Commercial Cookery, Hospitality, Healthcare and Community Services for overseas students.
<b>Technology &amp; Design</b>	A provider of face-to-face and online courses in Information Technology, Digital Design, Interactive Multimedia, Computer Coding, Digital Marketing, Games and Apps Programming, and Digital Filmmaking.
<b>Domestic Vocational</b>	A provider of vocational courses to domestic students in Commercial Cookery, Hospitality, Business, Community Services, Healthcare, Construction, Information Technology and Interior Design.
<b>Go Study</b>	An international student advisory recruitment agency with offices in Australia (Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Perth), Europe (Spain, France, Italy) and South America (Chile, Mexico).

### Intersegment transactions

Intersegment transactions were made at market rates. Intersegment transactions are eliminated on consolidation.

### Intersegment receivables, payables and loans

Intersegment loans are initially recognised at the consideration received. Intersegment loans receivable and loans payable that earn or incur non-market interest are not adjusted to fair value based on market interest rates. Intersegment loans are eliminated on consolidation.

## NOTE 3. OPERATING SEGMENTS (CONT)

### Segments' assets and liabilities

The Chief Operating Decision Maker (CODM) does not receive segment asset or liability information; accordingly, such disclosures are not presented.

Consistent with the geographical regions' segmentation of revenue, the Group's non-current assets are primarily attributable to its operations in Australia, which account for over 99.9% of the total. The balance of \$3,018 relates to fixed assets supporting the Group's limited operations in Europe and South America. (FY25: \$4,172).

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## NOTE 3. OPERATING SEGMENTS (CONT)

	International \$'000	Technology & Design \$'000	Domestic Vocational \$'000	Go Study \$'000	Corporate / Unallocated \$'000	Total \$'000
6 months ended 31 December 2025						
Revenue from customers	34,464	4,913	3,474	2,809	1	45,661
Intersegment revenue	(638)	(14)	-	652	-	-
<b>Total sales revenue</b>	<b>33,826</b>	<b>4,899</b>	<b>3,474</b>	<b>3,461</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>45,661</b>
Cost of sales	(19,042)	(1,442)	(1,031)	-	(4)	(21,519)
<b>Gross margin</b>	<b>14,784</b>	<b>3,457</b>	<b>2,443</b>	<b>3,461</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>24,142</b>
Operating costs	(8,544)	(1,645)	(2,205)	(2,804)	(2,216)	(17,414)
<b>EBITDA before significant items</b>	<b>6,240</b>	<b>1,812</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>(2,219)</b>	<b>6,728</b>
Depreciation & amortisation (A)	(3,086)	(438)	(262)	(56)	(2,433)	(6,275)
<b>EBIT before significant items</b>	<b>3,154</b>	<b>1,374</b>	<b>(24)</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>(4,652)</b>	<b>453</b>
Net finance costs (B)						(1,479)
Impairment right-of-use assets (C)						364
<b>Net (loss) before income tax</b>						<b>(662)</b>
Gross margin %	43.7%	70.6%	70.3%	100.0%	n/m*	52.9%
EBITDA margin %	18.4%	37.0%	6.9%	19.0%	n/m*	14.7%

\*n/m – not meaningful

### Explanation of statutory adjustments

(A) Consists of depreciation of \$4,734,000 and amortisation of \$1,541,000 for training/course materials, agency & customer contracts

(B) Interest expense on right-of-use assets \$1,747,000 less interest income \$266,000

(C) Reversal of impairment of right-of-use assets as a result of sublease of underutilised Sydney campus

## NOTE 3. OPERATING SEGMENTS (CONT)

	International \$'000	Technology & Design \$'000	Domestic Vocational \$'000	Go Study \$'000	Corporate / Unallocated \$'000	Total \$'000
6 months ended 31 December 2024						
Revenue from customers (A)	34,098	5,602	4,382	2,510	-	46,592
Intersegment revenue	(597)	(35)	-	632	-	-
<b>Total sales revenue</b>	<b>33,501</b>	<b>5,567</b>	<b>4,382</b>	<b>3,142</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>46,592</b>
Cost of sales	(18,645)	(1,895)	(1,153)	-	-	(21,693)
<b>Gross margin</b>	<b>14,856</b>	<b>3,672</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>3,142</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,899</b>
Operating costs	(8,288)	(3,463)	(2,482)	(2,803)	(2,135)	(19,171)
Government grants	-	-	-	37	-	37
<b>EBITDA before significant items</b>	<b>6,568</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>(2,135)</b>	<b>5,765</b>
Depreciation & amortisation (B)	(3,515)	(815)	(244)	(76)	(2,566)	(7,216)
<b>EBIT before significant items</b>	<b>3,053</b>	<b>(606)</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>(4,701)</b>	<b>(1,451)</b>
Net finance costs (C)						(1,818)
Impairment of intangible assets (D)						(5,339)
<b>Net (loss) before income tax</b>						<b>(8,608)</b>
Gross margin %	44.3%	65.9%	73.7%	100.0%	n/m*	53.4%
EBITDA margin %	19.6%	3.8%	17.1%	11.9%	n/m*	12.4%

\*n/m – not meaningful

### Explanation of statutory adjustments

(A) During the current period, the Group changed its basis for recognising revenue earned from a third party, comparative segment revenue has been adjusted in line with revenue as per Note 2

(B) Consist of depreciation of \$5,975,000 & amortisation of \$1,241,000 for training/course materials, agency & customer contracts

(C) Interest expense on right-of-use assets \$2,050,000 less interest income \$232,000

(D) Impairment of right-of-use assets related to underutilisation of corporate head office and intangibles attributable to Technology & Design segment

## NOTE 4. EXPENSES

	31 December 2025 \$'000	31 December 2024 \$'000
Profit / (loss) before tax includes the following specific expenses:		
Employee benefits	-	
Salary and wages non-academic staff	9,997	10,664
Defined contribution superannuation expense	809	1,021
Other employee benefits	379	424
<b>Total employee benefits expense</b>	<b>11,185</b>	<b>12,109</b>
Depreciation		
Leasehold improvements	1,219	1,227
Plant and equipment	419	437
Land and buildings right-of-use assets	3,096	4,311
Amortisation		
Licensed operations	-	308
Course materials	317	196
Training materials	408	317
Agent relationships	212	408
Student relationships	604	12
<b>Total depreciation and amortisation</b>	<b>6,275</b>	<b>7,216</b>
Impairment		
Right-of-use assets	(364)	4,594
Leasehold improvement	-	227
Intangible assets	-	518
Receivables	520	426
<b>Total impairment</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>5,765</b>
Share-based payment	493	22

**NOTE 5. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
Cash at bank	9,528	12,537
Term deposits with less than 90-day maturities	6,431	6,358
	<b>15,959</b>	<b>18,895</b>

As at 31 December 2025, the Cash and cash equivalents balance at the end of the period includes \$4,512,000 of 'restricted cash', being amounts held by CBA in relation to bank guarantees issued on behalf of the Group in respect of its leases.

In accordance with the *Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000* (ESOS Act), the Group ensures that sufficient funds are maintained to meet its obligations to international students under the ESOS Act Prepaid Tuition Obligations. At all times, the Group must hold adequate cash reserves to repay any prepaid tuition fees related to students who have not yet commenced their courses. As at 31 December 2025, the Group held \$4,521,000 in respect of ESOS Act Prepaid Tuition Obligations. (FY25: \$4,500,000).

**NOTE 6. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
Trade receivables	20,741	22,596
Less: allowance for expected credit losses	(1,523)	(1,157)
<b>Total trade receivables</b>	<b>19,218</b>	<b>21,439</b>
a. Current	18,326	19,852
b. Non-current	892	1,587
<b>Total trade receivables</b>	<b>19,218</b>	<b>21,439</b>

## NOTE 7. PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT

	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
Leasehold improvements – at cost	19,001	18,978
Accumulated depreciation	(7,927)	(6,708)
Accumulated impairment	(208)	(208)
	10,866	12,062
Plant and equipment – at cost	3,402	3,387
Accumulated depreciation	(2,073)	(1,900)
	1,329	1,487
Computer equipment – at cost	2,277	2,277
Accumulated depreciation	(2,065)	(1,820)
	212	457
Motor vehicles – at cost	50	138
Accumulated depreciation	(44)	(110)
	6	28
Assets under construction – at cost	26	-
<b>Total property, plant, and equipment</b>	<b>12,439</b>	<b>14,034</b>

## NOTE 8. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
Non-current		
Goodwill	38,747	38,747
Less: accumulated impairment	(22,900)	(22,900)
	15,847	15,847
Licenced operations – at cost	4,670	4,670
Less: accumulated amortisation	(4,670)	(4,670)
	-	-
Course materials		
Copyrights – at cost	2,257	2,154
Less: accumulated amortisation	(1,567)	(1,355)
Less: accumulated impairment	(518)	(518)
	172	281
Brand names – at cost	9,562	9,562
Less: accumulated impairment	(3,676)	(3,676)
	5,886	5,886
Training materials – at cost	7,993	7,993
Less: accumulated amortisation	(4,092)	(3,775)
Less: accumulated impairment	(2,155)	(2,155)
	1,746	2,063
Agent relationships – at cost	8,432	8,432
Less: accumulated amortisation	(3,542)	(3,134)
Less: accumulated impairment	(194)	(194)
	4,696	5,104
Student Relationships – at cost	3,613	3,613
Less: accumulated amortisation	(1,221)	(617)
	2,392	2,996
<b>Total intangible assets</b>	<b>30,739</b>	<b>32,177</b>

**NOTE 9. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

	<b>31 December 2025 \$'000</b>	<b>30 June 2025 \$'000</b>
Current		
Trade payables	4,018	2,756
Payroll accruals	1,335	2,033
Accrued expenses	5,232	6,185
Customer advances	311	325
Other payables	80	323
<b>Total trade and other payables</b>	<b>10,976</b>	<b>11,622</b>

**NOTE 10. CONTRACT LIABILITIES**

	<b>31 December 2025 \$'000</b>	<b>30 June 2025 \$'000</b>
<b>Contract liabilities from contracts with customers</b>		
a. Current	29,116	35,598
b. Non-current	892	1,587
<b>Total contract liabilities</b>	<b>30,008</b>	<b>37,185</b>

**Tuition related performance obligations**

The aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to tuition related services, which are paid in advance or due for payment and are yet to be delivered at balance date was \$30,008,000 as at 31 December 2025 (30 June 2025: \$37,185,000) and is expected to be recognised as revenue in future periods.

The duration of study is used to measure the progress of the performance obligation to determine how much revenue should be recognised, and that revenue is recognised as the performance obligation is satisfied.

Contract liabilities relate to tuition fees in relation to domestic and international students where an agreement has been signed and a payment plan is in place with students for studies which are expected to be undertaken after the balance date. The Group has determined that there is no significant financing component in these arrangements, as the period between payment and delivery of services is generally less than 12 months at contract inception.

Future tuition fees for students currently enrolled in a course and with a contract in place totals \$40,406,000 (30 June 2025: \$41,625,000) and will be invoiced and become payable by the students in future periods. These amounts represent tuition fees that are contractually committed but not yet due or invoiced at balance date.

**NOTE 11. LEASES**

	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
<b>Right of use assets</b>		
Non-current assets		
Land and buildings – right-of-use	62,801	63,208
Less: accumulated depreciation	(32,805)	(29,709)
Less: impairment	(7,993)	(8,357)
Less: modifications/disposals	18	(407)
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>22,021</b>	<b>24,735</b>

During the current period, the Group reversed impairment losses of \$364,000 on right-of-use assets following the successful sublease of an underutilised leased property. In prior year, an impairment of \$3,765,000 was recognised on right-of-use assets associated with these underutilised leased properties.

	31 December 2025 \$'000	30 June 2025 \$'000
<b>Lease liabilities</b>		
a. Current	9,068	8,403
b. Non-current	27,406	32,170
<b>Total lease liabilities</b>	<b>36,474</b>	<b>40,573</b>

**NOTE 12. ISSUED CAPITAL**

	6 months to 31 December 2025 No.	12 months to 30 June 2025 No.	6 months to 31 December 2025 \$'000	12 months to 30 June 2025 \$'000
Fully paid ordinary shares at no par value	222,459,723	222,116,114	103,225	103,225
Ordinary shares				
At the beginning of the period	222,116,114	221,116,114	103,225	103,115
Shares issued during the period:				
Issued to CEO 26 May 2025	-	1,000,000	-	110
Issued to CEO 7 October 2025*	343,609	-	82	-
<b>At reporting date</b>	<b>222,459,723</b>	<b>222,116,114</b>	<b>103,307</b>	<b>103,225</b>

\*Ordinary shares issued to Chief Executive Officer for nil consideration as part of his short-term incentive remuneration in respect of FY25.

## NOTE 13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Balances and transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries, which are related parties of the Company, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note.

The Group leases commercial premises at 56-58 Nerang Street, Southport QLD 4125 from Clark Property Partners associated by Director Angus Johnson, who qualifies as a related party under AASB 124. The lease commenced on 1 September 2023, with annual payments of \$1,000,776 (FY25: \$962,176). The lease terms are based on independent market benchmarking and are at arm's-length. The transaction was entered into before Angus Johnson was appointed a director of the Group. Outstanding rent as at 31 December 2025 was \$94,429 (30 June 25: \$91,194), with future undiscounted commitments of \$8,929,304 (FY25: \$9,426,430) over the next eight years.

During the current period, the Group issued 4,578,553 performance rights to key management personnel (KMP). Refer to Note 15 for further information.

## NOTE 14. EARNINGS PER SHARE (EPS)

	31 December 2025 \$'000	31 December 2024 \$'000
Reconciliation of earnings to profit or loss		
Loss for the year	(661)	(8,300)
<b>Loss used in the calculation of basic and diluted EPS</b>	<b>(661)</b>	<b>(8,300)</b>
	31 December 2025 Weighted Average Number of Ordinary Shares	31 December 2024 Weighted Average Number of Ordinary Shares
Outstanding during the year used in calculation of basic EPS	222,459,723	221,116,114
Outstanding during the year used in calculation of diluted EPS	222,459,723	221,116,114
	31 December 2025 Cents per Share	31 December 2024 Cents per Share
Loss per share		
Basic EPS	(0.30)	(3.75)
Diluted EPS	(0.30)	(3.75)

As at 31 December 2025, the consolidated entity has unissued shares under option and performance rights totalling 9,092,663 (31 December 2024: 310,717). During the half-year ended 31 December 2025, the consolidated entity's unissued shares under option were anti-dilutive.

**NOTE 15. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS**

	6 months to 31 December 2025 No.	12 months to 30 June 2025 No.	6 months to 31 December 2025 \$'000	12 months to 30 June 2025 \$'000
Options and performance rights	9,092,663	1,475,002	696	203
At the beginning of the period	1,475,002	310,717	203	84
Options and performance rights issued during the period:				
Options issued in prior years	-	-	-	124
Performance rights issued to CEO	-	-	-	110
Performance rights converted to shares	-	-	(82)	(110)
Options forfeited	-	(35,715)	-	(14)
Options issued to CEO 10 April 2025	-	1,200,000	8	9
Performance rights issued to CFO 4 July 2025	1,000,000	-	159	-
Performance rights Issued to CEO/CFO/ELT 10 November 2025	6,617,661	-	408	-
<b>At reporting date</b>	<b>9,092,663</b>	<b>1,475,002</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>203</b>

**Fair value of performance rights granted**

The Company issued 1,000,000 performance rights to the incoming CFO as a sign-on bonus, which will vest at the completion of his 6-month probation period and will be converted into ordinary shares in NextEd Group, which has yet to occur at the date of this report.

The fair value of the performance rights is determined to be the share price as at the grant date, which was \$0.159.

The Company also issued 6,617,661 performance rights to the management team (4,578,553 performance rights to the KMP and 2,039,108 performance rights to the Executive Leadership Team (ELT)). The fair values of the performance rights at grant date were \$0.275 for Long Term Incentive (LTI) Scheme Tranche 1 and \$0.339 for LTI Tranche 2. (Tranche 1: Vesting over three years if the EBITDA vesting condition achieved for FY26 performance period – Year 1. One-half will vest at the end of Year 2 and one-half will vest at the end of Year 3; Tranche 2: Vesting over three years if the Total Shareholder Return (TSR) vesting condition achieved for FY26 performance period – Year 1. One-half will vest at the end of Year 2 and one-half will vest at the end of Year 3).

The fair value for Tranche 1 is determined to be the share price as at the grant date. The fair value for Tranche 2 is determined using the Monte Carlo method. The following inputs were utilised:

- Grant date: 10/11/2025
- Share price at grant date: \$0.275
- Expected price volatility of the Company's shares: 83.5%. Volatility has been assessed based on last 5 years historical volatility to maintain consistency
- Expected dividend yield: 0%
- Risk-free interest rate: 3.6%

## **NOTE 16. EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO REPORTING DATE**

No matter or circumstance has occurred subsequent to 31 December 2025 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in subsequent years.

## **NOTE 17. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Group did not have any contingent assets or liabilities at 31 December 2025 (31 December 2024: Nil).

## **NOTE 18. FAIR VALUE**

The net value of the current assets and liabilities approximates their carrying value, due to their nature. The aggregate net fair values and carrying amount of financial assets and financial liabilities are disclosed in the Statement of Financial Position and notes to the financial statements.

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## DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The Directors of the Group declare that:

1. The consolidated financial statements and notes, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)* and:
  - (a) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the Corporations Regulations 2001, professional reporting requirements and other mandatory requirements;
  - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of the performance for the half-year ended on that date of the Group; and
2. In the Directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Group 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 Board of Directors pursuant to s303(5) of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)* and is signed for and on behalf of the directors by:



**Sandra Hook**  
Chair  
25 February 2026

**Independent Auditor's Review Report  
To the Members of NextEd Group Limited  
ABN 75 105 012 066**

**Report on the Half-Year Financial Report**

**Conclusion**

We have reviewed the half-year financial report of NextEd Group Limited ("the Company") and its controlled entities ("the Group"), which comprises the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 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, a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information, 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 accompanying 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 Group's financial position as at 31 December 2025 and of its 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*. Our responsibilities are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Review of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company 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.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001* which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's review report.

**Responsibility of the Directors for the 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 Responsibility for the Review of the 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 31 December 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*.

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.



**Rod Shanley**  
Partner

25 February 2026



**Pitcher Partners**  
Sydney

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