



## **ASX** ANNOUNCEMENT

6 May 2024

### **Acquisitions**

Propel Funeral Partners Limited (ASX: PFP) (Propel or Company) is pleased to announce it has executed binding legal documentation to acquire four long established businesses operating in the funeral industry and related assets, infrastructure and real estate, which will expand and broaden Propel's network in Australia and in New Zealand.

The total consideration payable on completion of the acquisitions is ~A\$12.0 million¹.

### Overview

The new business acquisitions relate to:

- Brunswick Valley Funerals, which has provided funeral and related services in and around Mullumbimby, NSW for over 18 years;
- Gladstone Valley Funerals, which has provided funeral and related services in and around Gladstone, QLD for over 25 years;
- Osbornes Funeral Directors<sup>2</sup>, which has provided funeral and related services in and around Rotorua, NZ for over 40 years; and
- **Decra**, which has supplied headstones and monuments in NZ for over 40 years.

Together, the businesses:

- generated ~A\$6.0 million of revenue in their last financial year3;
- conducted ~350 funerals in their last financial year3; and
- operate from five locations (over multiple titles), of which Propel will:
  - acquire two of the properties on settlement; and
  - lease three of the properties, with options to acquire two of those properties.

### Consideration

The total consideration payable on completion of the acquisitions is ~A\$12.0 million¹, comprising:

- A\$11.5 million1 in cash; and
- A\$0.5 million<sup>1</sup> via the issue of 84,534 Propel ordinary shares<sup>4</sup> on completion of the relevant acquisition.

In addition, up to A\$1.5 million<sup>1</sup> in cash will be payable if certain financial milestones are achieved during the three years following completion of the relevant acquisitions.

The cash required to complete the acquisitions will be funded from the Company's debt facilities, following which Propel's estimated available funding capacity is expected to be ~A\$155 million.

### **Expected Timing**

Subject to satisfaction (or waiver) of customary conditions (e.g. due diligence, third party lessor consent, consent to assignment of key contracts, etc.), the above acquisitions are expected to be:

- completed during Q4 FY24 and Q1 FY25; and
- earnings accretive in year one.

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Estimate, excluding completion adjustments and transaction costs and subject to NZD/AUD exchange rate movements.

Propel will acquire 100% of the property from which the business operates and 49.99% of the issued shares of the company that owns and operates the business. Excluding Osbornes Funeral Directors which will be equity accounted.

Subject to certain exceptions, the escrowed shares will be released three years after completion of the relevant acquisition. Assuming no other shares are issued prior to completion of the relevant acquisition, once the escrowed shares are issued, Propel's total number of shares on issue will increase from 137,873,797 to 137,958,331. Once issued, the escrowed shares will rank pari passu with Propel's ordinary shares currently on issue. Shareholder approval is not required in connection with the issue of these ordinary shares.





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### **About Propel:**

Propel is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange and is the second largest provider of death care services in Australia and New Zealand. Propel currently operates from 194 locations, including 38 cremation facilities and 9 cemeteries.

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#### Authority to release:

This document has been authorised for release by the Company's board of directors.

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