

[Platinum Accounting joins Crowe Horwath in Burnie, Tasmania](#)

Crowe Horwath strengthens support for businesses in Burnie and regional Tasmania.

Burnie, TAS - AUSTRALIA — 01 March, 2018 — Crowe Horwath, part of Findex, Australia's largest privately-owned accountancy and financial advisory firm, today announced that Platinum Accounting, a strong and established firm in Burnie, has joined its network. As part of the union, all current Platinum Accounting employees have now joined the local Crowe Horwath team.

Chivonne Hayes, the manager of an all-female leadership team of professional accountants at Platinum Accounting, has assisted businesses in Burnie and the surrounding region for the past 14 years. Chivonne says she sought a partner with the resources, passion and commitment to regional businesses to continue providing the best services to all existing clients.

"We love our clients and the work we do and we saw an opportunity to more readily assist our clients to meet their dreams by having access to greater resources. Crowe Horwath and Platinum had a meeting of the minds as it were and we jumped at the chance to continue to grow our expertise and what we could offer our clients" said Hayes.

Chivonne, with the support of an all-star, all-female team will continue to manage their current clients through the Crowe Horwath brand. The professional services already previously available to Burnie's businesses and residents through Platinum Accounting, will now be complemented by a much more comprehensive suite of financial and advisory services offered through the Findex and Crowe Horwath Family Office approach.

Commenting on the growing team in Tasmania, Drew Smith, Managing Partner at Crowe Horwath said: "We saw a real opportunity to add valuable skills and expertise to an already stellar team of financial professionals and it was an opportunity we couldn't miss. Chivonne and the Platinum team bring a wealth of experience to the Crowe Horwath business and we are very excited to have them join us."

Matt Games, Chief Financial Officer of Findex said: "We're always looking to grow as a business and grow our expertise on the ground, to ensure that each and every client has the best possible service available to them. Bringing the team from Platinum on board only strengthens our Family Office model in Burnie and regional Tasmania. We are excited to see the team reach new heights."

Platinum Accounting and Crowe Horwath Burnie have completed the merger with all employees now working from the Crowe Horwath Burnie office at 117 Wilson Street, supported by a team of 19 financial professionals.

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About Findex

Findex is a global leader in providing a wholly-integrated Family Office service to businesses and individuals. With 110 offices throughout Australasia, Findex has the diversity of skills and resources to identify with the local opportunities and challenges that clients face. Through its Family Office approach, Findex encourages teams to work collaboratively across different financial service lines to determine the gaps in client strategies, and establish viable solutions.

About Crowe Horwath

Crowe Horwath Australasia, part of Findex, which delivers the Family Office service across Australia is the largest provider of practical accounting, audit, tax, business and financial advice to individuals and businesses from a network of over 80 offices throughout the country.