

AUDIT AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

20 MARCH 2015

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REPORT OF THE AUDIT AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON ON FRIDAY 20 MARCH 2015 COMMENCING AT 10:12AM

1 OPENING

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow (Chairperson)
Councillor C E Smith
Professor D Low
Mr A MacLeod
Mr M Parkinson

Observers:

Mr H Maguma (Deloitte)

Ms M Rajdev (Deloitte) – via teleconference

Mr D Byram (Queensland Audit Office) - via teleconference

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer

Mr J Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

Mr R Cheesman – General Manager Corporate Services

Mr D Stevenson - Manager Corporate and Technology Services

Ms T Sweeney – Manager Workforce and Strategy

Ms A Cutler - Manager Finance

Mr M Clerc – Management and Treasury Supervisor

Mr T Hauenschild - Coordinator Safety and Training

Ms K Ramm - Risk Management Officer

Ms L Leeder - Senior Governance Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes of the Audit and Business Improvement Committee held on 10 September 2014 be taken as read and adopted as a correct record, with an amendment noting that Patrick Flemming is from Queensland Audit Office (QAO) not Deloitte.

Moved by: Councillor Smith Seconded by: Mr Parkinson

MOTION CARRIED

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

8 OFFICERS' REPORTS

8.1 SAFEPLAN AUDIT CONDUCTED BY LGW

File No: 5207 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Tracy Sweeney - Manager Workforce and Strategy

Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Tony Hauenschild - Coordinator Safety and Training

SUMMARY

Presentation of results from the External Safeplan2 Audit that was conducted in 2014 by Local Government Workcare.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on External Safeplan2 Audit be received.

Moved by: Mr MacLeod
Seconded by: Professor Low

8.2 AUDIT & BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE TRAINING ATTENDED

File No: 5207 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

SUMMARY

A brief commentary is provided in relation to Audit & Business Improvement Committee professional development activities.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on professional development activities be received.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

8.3 FRAUD AND CORRUPTION CONTROL

File No: 2562

Attachments: 1. Fraud and Corruption Control Policy

Fraud and Corruption Risk Checklist
 Fraud and Corruption Control Plan

Authorising Officer: Drew Stevenson - Manager Corporate and Technology

Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Kisane Ramm - Risk Management Officer

SUMMARY

Presenting the proposed Fraud and Corruption Control Policy, Guide to Fraud and Corruption Control (The Plan), and Fraud and Corruption Risk Checklists.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Committee receive the report and Council adopt the Fraud and Corruption Control Policy and the Fraud and Corruption Risk Checklists, as attached to this report.

Moved by: Mr MacLeod Seconded by: Mr Parkinson

9 STRATEGIC REPORTS

9.1 RISK REGISTERS - QUARTERLY UPDATE AS AT 30 JANUARY 2015

File No: 8780

Attachments: 1. Corporate Risk Register including Quarterly

Update as at 30 January 2015

2. Office of the CEO Risk Register - Quarterly

Update as at 30 January 2015

3. Community Services Risk Register - Quarterly Update as at 30 January 2015

4. Corporate Services Risk Register - Quarterly

Update as at 30 January 2015

5. Regional Services Risk Register - Quarterly

Update as at 30 January 2015

Authorising Officer: Drew Stevenson - Manager Corporate and Technology

Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Kisane Ramm - Risk Management Officer

SUMMARY

Presenting the quarterly departmental risk register updates as at 30 January 2015 and the Corporate Risk Register, which is being presented to this Committee for the first time post Council adoption.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the quarterly risk register updates as at 30 January 2015 and the Corporate Risk Register, as presented in the attachments to this report, be received.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

11 URGENT BUSINESS\QUESTIONS

12 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, for the reasons indicated.

13.1 Investigation and Legal Matters

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.2 Loss/Theft Items reported to Auditor General - May 2014 to February 2015

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.3 Business Improvement Activity - Action Progress Report

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.4 Update from Chief Executive Officer

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.5 Committee Annual Self-Assessment

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.6 C3 - Separation of Duties - Summary Report

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.7 C2 - Risk Register Content

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.8 E3 - Compliance Review of Internal Audit Function

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.9 Internal Audit Progress Report against Annual Audit Plan

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13.10 2013/2014 Financial Results

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

13.11 Finance Section Update

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13.12 Rockhampton Regional Council - Credit Review

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13.13 External Audit Client Strategy for the Year Ending 30 June 2015

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Moved by: Professor Low Seconded by: Mr MacLeod

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

10:44AM

THAT pursuant to s34(1)(k) and s44 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves into Closed Session and be closed to the public.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED

11:22AM Mr MacLeod left the meeting
11:25AM Mr MacLeod returned to the meeting
11:31AM Chief Executive Officer left the meeting
11:32AM Chief Executive Officer returned to the meeting
12:08PM Mr Low left the meeting
12:10PM Mr Low returned to the meeting

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

12:34PM

THAT pursuant to s34(1)(k) and s44 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves out of Closed Session and be opened to the public.

Moved by: Mr MacLeod Seconded by: Mr Parkinson

13 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

13.1 INVESTIGATION AND LEGAL MATTERS

File No: 5207

Attachments: 1. Legal Matters - November 2014 to 31 January

2015

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Tracy Sweeney - Manager Workforce and Strategy

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

Manager Workforce and Strategy presenting an update of year to date Investigative Matters and the current Legal Matters as at 31 January 2015.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the update of investigative and legal matters for Rockhampton Regional Council be received.

Moved by: Professor Low Seconded by: Councillor Smith

13.2 LOSS/THEFT ITEMS REPORTED TO AUDITOR GENERAL - MAY 2014 TO FEBRUARY 2015

File No: 3911

Attachments: 1. Loss/Theft Report - 1 May 2014 to 28

February 2015

Authorising Officer: Drew Stevenson - Manager Corporate and Technology

Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Kellie Anderson - Coordinator Property and Insurance

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

Coordinator Property & Insurance reporting on Loss/Theft items including those reported to the Auditor General for the period 1 May 2014 to 28 February 2015.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the committee 'receives' the Loss/Theft Report for the period 1 May 2014 to 28 February 2015.

Moved by: Mr MacLeod Seconded by: Mr Parkinson

13.3 BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITY - ACTION PROGRESS REPORT

File No: 5207

Attachments: 1. Business Improvement Activity - Action

Progress Report

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

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SUMMARY

The Business Improvement Activity report is a requirement of the Local Government Regulation and the Internal Audit Standards and is provided for the information and action by the Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Improvement Activity Report – Action Progress Report be received.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Professor Low

13.4 UPDATE FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

File No: 5207 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

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SUMMARY

The Chief Executive Officer will provide a verbal update on matters of importance.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Chief Executive Officer's update be received.

Moved by: Councillor Smith Seconded by: Professor Low

13.5 COMMITTEE ANNUAL SELF-ASSESSMENT

File No: 5207

Attachments: 1. Assessment Questionnaire

2. Customer Needs Survey 2015

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

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SUMMARY

The Committee is required to self-assess annually.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- (1) THAT the committee considers the short 2-page template attached to this report for completion of its 2014 self-assessment. This is the same template used previously for this purpose; and
- (2) THAT the Key Customer Needs Survey attached to the report be completed for feedback to IA of the Committee's priorities, as input to the 2015 (next) Annual Audit Planning process.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson Seconded by: Mr MacLeod

13.6 C3 - SEPARATION OF DUTIES - SUMMARY REPORT

File No: 5207

Attachments: 1. Separation of Duties - Summary Report

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

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SUMMARY

The Business Improvement Review for Separation of Duties (Pathway Systems Security) is presented for the information of the Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report Business Improvement Review for Separation of Duties (Pathway Systems Security) be received.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Professor Low

13.7 C2 - RISK REGISTER CONTENT

File No: 5207

Attachments:

1. C2 - Risk Register Content Report

Authorising Officer:

Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author:

John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

The planned business improvement review for Risk Register is provided for the information of the Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on Risk Register Content - C2 be received.

Moved by: Mr MacLeod
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

13.8 E3 - COMPLIANCE REVIEW OF INTERNAL AUDIT FUNCTION

File No: 5207

Attachments: 1. Compliance Review - Internal Audit Function

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

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SUMMARY

The attached Compliance Review of Internal Audit Function report is provided for the information of the Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Compliance Review of the Internal Audit Function (E3) be received.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow Seconded by: Mr Parkinson

13.9 INTERNAL AUDIT PROGRESS REPORT AGAINST ANNUAL AUDIT PLAN

File No: 5207

Attachments: 1. Progress of Reviews at 9 March 2015

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

Author: John Wallace - Chief Audit Executive

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

The attached report is provided for the information of the Committee on the progress against the Annual Audit Plan. This report is a requirement of the Local Government Regulation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on the progress of the planned Business Improvement Reviews be received.

Moved by: Mr MacLeod
Seconded by: Professor Low

13.10 2013/2014 FINANCIAL RESULTS

File No: 9509, 8151

Attachments: 1. 2013-2014 Financial Statements

 Report to Audit & Business Improvement Committee for year ended 30 June 2014 -

Deloitte

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Alicia Cutler - Manager Finance

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

Finance Manager presenting the Audited Financial Statements as at 30 June 2014 for Committee to be received. The Final Management Letter as well as a report to this Committee was circulated to members via email on 1^h December 2014 but is attached again for members to read in conjunction with the Final Statements.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the 2013/2014 Financial Result Report be received.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Councillor Smith

13.11 FINANCE SECTION UPDATE

File No: 8151 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Alicia Cutler - Manager Finance

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SUMMARY

Finance Manager providing information around the production of Audited Financial Statement preparation and other aspects of Financial Management.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report containing an update on the Finance Section be received.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow Seconded by: Mr MacLeod

13.12 ROCKHAMPTON REGIONAL COUNCIL - CREDIT REVIEW

File No: 2114

Attachments: 1. Rockhampton Regional Council Credit

Review

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Alicia Cutler - Manager Finance

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

The results of the Credit Review process by Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) on behalf of The Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience (DLGCRR) has been received and rated Council with a Moderate Rating (Neutral Outlook).

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Credit Review Report received from Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) be received.

Moved by: Mr Parkinson
Seconded by: Professor Low

13.13 EXTERNAL AUDIT CLIENT STRATEGY FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2015

File No: 8151

Attachments: 1. Client Strategy - Rockhampton Regional

Council 2015

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Alicia Cutler - Manager Finance

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

SUMMARY

The External Audit Strategy for the year ended 30 June 2015, as supplied by Deloitte's, is provided for Council's consideration.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Client Strategy between Rockhampton Regional Council and Deloitte be received.

Moved by: Professor Low Seconded by: Councillor Smith

14 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 12:42pm.				
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CHAIRPERSON	_			
DATE	-			