

## **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES**

of

## CONFIDENTIAL CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 84(1) of the Local Government Act 1999

HELD IN

# COMMITTEE ROOM PLAYFORD CIVIC CENTRE 10 PLAYFORD BOULEVARD, ELIZABETH

ON

TUESDAY, 27 AUGUST 2019 AT 4:30PM

The meeting went into confidence at 5:45 pm.

#### ATTENDANCE RECORD

#### PRESIDING MEMBER - MR DAMIAN PULGIES

Mayor Glenn Docherty Ms Merridie Martin Mr Martin White

Cr Jane Onuzans

#### Also in attendance for the meeting:

Acting Chief Executive Officer

Acting General Manager – Strategic Projects and

**Assets** 

Acting General Manager - City Services

Acting General Manager – Str ategy and Corporate

Acting Senior Manager - Finance

Senior Manager - Corporate Services

Manager - Governance

Internal Auditor Minute Taker Mr Sam Green

Mr Greg Pattinson

Mr Andrew Nesbitt Ms Grace Pelle

Ms Samantha Grieve

Mrs Rosemary Munslow
Ms Susie Reichstein

Mr Ninad Sinkar Mr Owen Perry

#### 8.1 AUDIT REPORT

Responsible Executive Manager: Sam Green

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

3702

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Ms Martin

The Committee notes the reports and correspondence and supports the reinforcement of the feedback provided so far by management and recommends the following key points are included in the Council's interim response to the amended report:

- The response take the form of a succinct, brief letter that provides:
  - Clarification of language is required to differentiate fact and opinion.
  - Insist on the removal of individual transaction references throughout report in light of the fact that the report references the harm that sensitive expenditure has on the public and re-inforce that the intent of this report should be to inform positive improvements for the Local Government Sector.
  - The current practices and revised policies are clearly outlined to show continuous improvement.
- Further recommended actions:
  - That management consider where there may be a benefit to provide a response in the form of a re-write of the report from a more balanced and factual perspective. The response should also include the time and cost incurred in this process.
  - Provide productive feedback through the appropriate channels regarding the effectiveness of the Auditor-General department in conducting the review.

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### C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.1 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE

#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

3703

Moved: Mayor Docherty Seconded: Mr White

Pursuant to Section 90(2) and Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Committee orders that the following aspects of Item 8.1 be kept confidential in accordance with Committee's reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to Section 90 (3) (j) of the Local Government Act 1999:

- Report for Item 8.1
- Attachment(s) for Item 8.1
- Minutes for Item 8.1

This order shall operate until the State Government release the report to Parliament, or will be reviewed and determined as part of the annual review by Council in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999, whichever comes first.

The CEO is delegated the power to release information as necessary to provide a response to Parliament or other agencies as required.

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