

MINUTES

of

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

TUESDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 5:00 PM

The meeting commenced at 5:02pm.

1 ATTENDANCE RECORD

BDO Representative

Present

MR MARK LABAZ - PRESIDING MEMBER

Mr Peter Brass Via Zoom Mayor Glenn Docherty Cr Shirley Halls Mr Martin White

Also in attendance for the meeting:

Chief Executive Officer Mr Sam Green **General Manager City Assets** Mr Dale Welsh General Manager Corporate Services Mr Luke Culhane Senior Manager Assets & Delivery Ms Janey Mitson Senior Manager City and Corporate Plans Ms Sam Grieve Senior Manager Financial Services Ms Trisca Price Senior Manager Information, Technology & Governance Ms Lara Matters Manager Governance Ms Zoey Squires Mr Ninad Sinkar Internal Auditor Senior Governance Officer Ms Sarah Schutz Governance Officer Ms Cheyanne Miller Minute Taker Ms Domenica Crisafi **ICT Support Officer** Mr Braden Hanberger

Mr Andrew Tickle

1.2 Apologies

Nil

1.3 Not Present

Nil

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5711

Moved: Cr Halls Seconded: Mr White

The Minutes of the Corporate Governance Committee Meeting held 5 December 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

CARRIED

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 DEPUTATION / REPRESENTATIONS

Nil

5 STAFF REPORTS

Matters to be considered by the Committee Only

Matters delegated to the Committee

Item 5.3 brought forward

5.3 EXTERNAL AUDITOR DRAFT AUDIT PLAN 2023/24

Responsible Executive Manager: Sam Green

Mr Peter Brass joined the meeting via Zoom at 5:05 pm

Mayor Glenn Docherty joined the meeting at 5:11 pm

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5712

Moved: Mr Brass Seconded: Cr Halls

The Corporate Governance Committee receive and endorse the 2023/24 External Audit Plan and scope.

CARRIED

5.1 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 2024 MEETING SCHEDULE AND WORK PLAN

Responsible Executive Manager: Luke Culhane

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5713

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mayor Docherty

The Corporate Governance Committee endorse the 2024 meeting schedule and work plan (Attachment 1) with the following amendments:

• The External Audit Interim Report be brought forward from August to either April or May Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

5.2 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE PROCEDURE - CONSULTATION Responsible Executive Manager: Luke Culhane

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5714

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Cr Halls

- 1. The Committee notes the updates to the Public Interest Disclosure Procedure.
- 2. The Corporate Governance Committee provided the following feedback to staff:
 - Investigate if relevant terms or positions as related in PID Act are referenced.
 - Investigate as per Section 4.4.4 and Section 4.7.3 the outcome, if the disclosure relates to the Chief Executive Officer, where is the disclosure to be made.
 - Section 4.8.4 suggest wording change to 'if possible Responsible Officer will provide information to newly appointed Responsible Officer.'

CARRIED

6 INFORMAL DISCUSSION

6.1 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE - INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

Presenter: Ms Zoey Squires, Manager Governance

Outcome: The Committee note the presentation on the Corporate

Governance Committee Internal Assessment.

Item 6.2 deferred to be considered after Item 8.3

7 INFORMAL ACTIONS

Nil

8 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

8.1 REVALUATION OF ASSETS

Responsible Executive Manager: Luke Culhane

A. COMMITTEE TO MOVE MOTION TO GO INTO CONFIDENCE FOR ITEM 8.1

Moved: Cr Halls Seconded: Mr White

Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* an order is made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting, with the exception of:

- Chief Executive Officer;
- General Manager Corporate Services;
- General Manager City Assets;
- Senior Manager Assets and Delivery:
- Senior Manager City and Corporate Plans;
- Senior Manager Financial Services;
- Senior Manager Information, Technology & Governance;
- Manager Governance;
- Minute Taker

in order to consider in confidence agenda item 8.1 under Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999* on the basis that:

- (b) information the disclosure of which
 - i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and
 - ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

This matter is Confidential because the report relates to investment of council money in the 2023/24 Annual Business Plan.

On the basis of this information, the principle that meetings should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in this instance; the Committee consider it necessary to consider this matter in confidence.

CARRIED

The meeting went into confidence at 6:06 pm.

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5716

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Cr Halls

The Committee:

1. Note the City of Playford Valuation of Council Building Assets.

CARRIED

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

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5717

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mayor Docherty

Pursuant to 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)(b)

of the Local Government Act 1999:

- Report for Item 8.1
- Presentation for Item 8.1

This order shall operate until the next scheduled annual review of confidential items by Council at which time this order will be reviewed and determined in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

CARRIED

The meeting reopened to the public at 6:37 pm.

8.2 KALARA RESERVE PRUDENTIAL REPORT Responsible Executive Manager: Luke Culhane

A. COMMITTEE TO MOVE MOTION TO GO INTO CONFIDENCE FOR ITEM 8.2

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5718

Moved: Mayor Docherty Seconded: Mr White

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- General Manager Corporate Services;
- General Manager City Assets;
- Senior Manager Assets and Delivery;
- Senior Manager City and Corporate Plans;
- Senior Manager Financial Services;
- Senior Manager Information, Technology & Governance;
- Manager Governance;
- Senior Governance Officer;
- Minute Taker

in order to consider in confidence agenda item 8.2 under Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999* on the basis that:

- (b) information the disclosure of which
 - i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and
 - ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

This matter is Confidential Subject to an order pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, this matter is confidential because it involves a commercial process in the open market and the disclosure of information may affect negotiations.

On the basis of this information, the principle that meetings should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in this instance; the Committee consider it necessary to consider this matter in confidence.

CARRIED

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5719

Moved: Cr Halls Seconded: Mr White

- 1. The Committee receives and notes the Prudential Report (Attachment 1).
- 2. The Committee provides feedback to the Administration that the Prudential Report (Attachment 1) addresses the prudential matters associated with the project.

CARRIED

C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - COMMITTEE TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.2 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5720

Moved: Mr Brass Seconded: Mayor Docherty

Pursuant to Section 91(7) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee orders that the following aspects of Item 8.2 be kept confidential in accordance with Committee's reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999*:

- Report for Item 8.2
- Attachment 1 for Item 8.2

This order shall operate until the next scheduled annual review of confidential items by Council at which time this order will be reviewed and determined in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

CARRIED

The meeting reopened to the public at 7:01 pm.

8.3 LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 24/25

A. COMMITTEE TO MOVE MOTION TO GO INTO CONFIDENCE FOR ITEM 8.3

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5721

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mr Brass

Pursuant to Section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* an order is made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting, with the exception of:

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- General Manager Corporate Services;
- General Manager City Assets;
- Senior Manager Assets & Delivery;
- Senior Manager City and Corporate Plans;
- Senior Manager Financial Services;
- Senior Manager Information, Technology & Governance;
- Manager Governance;
- Senior Governance Officer;
- Minute Taker

in order to consider in confidence agenda item 8.3 under Section 90(3)(b) of the Local

Government Act 1999 on the basis that:

- (b) information the disclosure of which
 - i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the council; and
 - ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest; and

This matter is confidential because the discussion relates to the potential investment of Council money in new services and projects over the coming financial year.

On the basis of this information, the principle that meetings should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in this instance; Committee consider it necessary to consider this matter in confidence.

CARRIED

The meeting went into confidence at 7:02 pm.

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER

Presenter: Ms Trisca Price, Senior Manager Financial Services

Outcome: The Committee were provided with an update on the process and

key assumptions being used in the Long Term Financial Plan

24/25.

C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - COMMITTEE TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.3 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

5722

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mr Brass

Pursuant to Section 91(7) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee orders that the following aspects of Item 8.3 be kept confidential in accordance with Committee's reasons to deal with this item in confidence pursuant to Section 90(3)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1999*:

- Presentation for Item 8.3

This order shall operate until the next annual review of confidential items by Council at which time this order will be reviewed and determined in accordance with Section 91(9)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*.

CARRIED

The meeting reopened to the public at 7:20 pm.

6.2 CONTENT FOR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE COMMUNIQUE

Presenter: Mr Luke Culhane, General Manager Corporate Services

Outcome: The Committee discussed the content to be included in the

Corporate Governance Committee Communique.

9 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 7:26 pm.