



MINUTES

of

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 88(1) of the Local Government Act 1999

HELD IN

**COMMITTEE ROOM
PLAYFORD CIVIC CENTRE
10 PLAYFORD BOULEVARD, ELIZABETH**

ON

**TUESDAY, 5 MAY 2026
AT 5:00 PM**

The meeting commenced at 5:02 pm.

1 ATTENDANCE RECORD

1.1 Present

MR MARK LABAZ – PRESIDING MEMBER

Mayor Glenn Docherty Cr Shirley Halls *via Zoom*

Mr Martin White

Also in attendance for the meeting:

Chief Executive Officer
General Manager Corporate Services
General Manager City Assets
Executive Strategic Advisor
Senior Manager Financial Services
Senior Manager Organisational Development
Manager Risk & WHS
Manager Governance & Minute Taker
Internal Auditor
Environmental Planner
Senior Governance Officer
ICT Support Officer
External Auditor, Bentleys
Chairman, NAWMA Board
Chief Executive Officer, NAWMA
Chief Financial Officer, NAWMA

Mr Sam Green
Mr Luke Culhane
Mr Dale Welsh
Mr Greg Pattinson
Ms Iolanda Calabrese
Ms Emily Byrne
Ms Angie-Marie Ross
Mrs Skye Nitschke
Mr Ninad Sinkar
Ms Renae Williams
Mrs Sarah Schutz
Ms Dimity Burgess
Mr Matthew Brunato *via Zoom*
Mr Graham Dooley
Dr Craig Heidenreich
Mr Sid Jain

1.2 Apologies

Nil

1.3 Not Present

Mr Peter Brass

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION****6563**

Moved: Mayor Docherty Seconded: Cr Halls

The Minutes of the Corporate Governance Committee Meeting held 7 April 2026 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

CARRIED**3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Mr White informed the Corporate Governance Committee that he is a member of the NAWMA Audit Committee, and having given regard to conflict of interest matters associated with items 8.1 and 8.3, has determined that he does not have any material or general conflicts of interest in these items.

4 DEPUTATION / REPRESENTATIONS

Nil

5 STAFF REPORTS**Matters to be considered by the Committee Only***Matters for Information***5.1 INTERIM AUDIT MANAGEMENT LETTER**

Responsible Executive Manager: Sam Green

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**6564**

Moved: Mr White Seconded: Mayor Docherty

The Corporate Governance Committee receives Bentleys Interim Audit Management Letter on the 2025/26 External Audit (Attachment 1).

CARRIED

C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - COMMITTEE TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.3 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION****6566****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 8.3 be kept confidential in accordance with the 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 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*.

Pursuant to Section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Committee delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to revoke in whole or in part this order at any time, and the Chief Executive Officer must advise the Committee of the revocation of this order as soon as possible after such revocation has occurred.

CARRIED

The meeting re-opened to the public at 5:52 pm.

8.1 NAWMA PRUDENTIAL REPORT**Responsible Executive Manager: Sam Green****A. COMMITTEE TO MOVE MOTION TO GO INTO CONFIDENCE FOR ITEM 8.1****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION****6567****Moved: Mr White****Seconded: Mayor Docherty**

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 City Assets;
- General Manager Corporate Services;
- Manager Governance (Minute Taker);
- Executive Strategic Advisor;
- Environmental Planner;
- Senior Manager Financial Services;
- Graham Dooley, Chairman, NAWMA Board;
- Dr Craig Heidenreich, Chief Executive Officer, NAWMA;
- Sid Jain, Chief Financial Officer, NAWMA;
- Senior Governance Officer;
- ICT Support.

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

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- 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 update includes information that is commercially sensitive. Public disclosure could disadvantage Council in 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

The meeting went into confidence at 6:15 pm.

B. THE BUSINESS MATTER**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION****6574****Moved: Mayor Docherty****Seconded: Mr White**

The Corporate Governance Committee note the organisational update provided by the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED

C. PROCEDURAL DECISION - COMMITTEE TO DECIDE HOW LONG ITEM 8.2 IS TO BE KEPT IN CONFIDENCE**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION****6575****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 8.2 be kept confidential in accordance with the 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

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 re-opened to the public at 6:44 pm.

6 INFORMAL DISCUSSION**6.1 CONTENT FOR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE COMMUNIQUE**

Presenter: Mr Luke Culhane, General Manager Corporate Services

Outcome: The Committee provided input into the Corporate Governance Committee Communique for the May 2026 meeting.

9 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6:49 pm.