



MINUTES OF THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN  
THE ALICE SPRINGS OFFICE, 1 BAGOT STREET ON MONDAY, 11  
JULY 2016 AT 10:00AM

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**PRESENT**

Leslie Manda (Chair)  
Cr Adrian Dixon  
Cr James Glenn

*Ex Officio*

Craig Catchlove (Acting CEO)  
Buke Ali Tunne (Finance Manager)

**APOLOGIES**

Cathryn Hutton (CEO)

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**4.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**SUMMARY:** The Audit and Risk committee is being asked to review the previous minutes to ensure they are a true and correct record of the meeting.

**AR001/2016 RESOLVED (Cr Dixon/Cr Glenn)**

**The Audit and Risk Committee confirm the draft minutes of the meeting on 3rd March 2016.**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**6.1 2015 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPLIANCE  
AUDIT**

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Local Government and Community Services has completed its compliance audit for the Council. The Council is being asked to note this report and refer the matter to the Audit and Risk Committee for monitoring.

**AR002/2016 RESOLVED (Cr Glenn/Cr Dixon)**

**The Committee:**

**1. Noted the report from the Department of Local Government on**

the compliance audit.

2. Noted the responses to the items identified and actions contained therein.
3. Reviewed the progress of actions at every future meeting until completed to the satisfaction of the Committee.

## **6.2 RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ARISING FROM 2014/15 FINANCIAL AUDIT**

**SUMMARY:** Deloitte, Council's auditors, wrote to Council providing comments on aspects of the 2015 audit process. Council has responded to the comments, and both the auditor's letter and Council's response are attached for information.

*AR003/2016* **RESOLVED (Cr Glenn / Cr Dixon)**  
**The Committee noted this report.**

## **6.3 ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR**

**SUMMARY:** The review of the audit process is an approach that helps optimise the performance of auditors and encourages good communication between the auditor and the audit committee.

The review evaluates the relationship between the auditor and executive management and aims to ensure that an appropriate balance exists.

*AR004/2016* **RESOLVED (Cr Dixon/Cr Glenn)**  
**The committee reviewed and approved the assessment of the external auditors and note any recommendations.**

## **6.4 AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE ACTION ITEMS**

### **SUMMARY:**

Attached is the running list of the Committee's action items as reported in previous meetings.

*AR005/2016* **RESOLVED (Cr Dixon/Cr Glenn)**  
**The Committee noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received and approve the closing of completed action items.**

The meeting terminated at 10.25 am.

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Chairperson