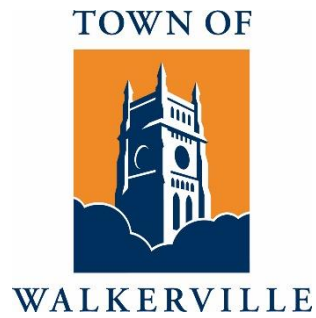




MINUTES

of

SPECIAL AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE MEETING

held in

ROOM 1855

On

MONDAY 9 DECEMBER 2024 AT 4.30PM

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9 DECEMBER 2024

The presiding member declared the meeting open at 4.31pm.

1. OPENING, WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Town of Walkerville would like to acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on today, and respect their spiritual relationship with their country.

We recognise the many generations of stewardship the Kurna people have provided to this land, and respect that their cultural heritage and beliefs are as important today as they were for their ancestors.

2. ATTENDANCE RECORD

2.1 Present

Mr Ross Haslam (Presiding Member)
Mayor Melissa Jones
Cr Liz Trotter
Ms Michele Bennetts

Darren Oemcke, Hydra Consulting

Staff in Attendance

Acting Chief Executive Officer, Muhammad Jawad
Team Leader People, Governance & Risk, Jim Dickens
Governance Officer, Yazmin King

2.2 Apologies

Mr Colin Scarlett

2.3 Not Present / Leave of Absence

Nil.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Nil.

4. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

4.1 ERA Water Sustainability Report

ARC053/12/24

Moved: Cr Trotter

Seconded: Mayor Jones

Pursuant to section 90(2) and 90(3)(d)

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the **Act**) the Audit & Risk Committee orders that all members of the public, except the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Muhammad Jawad; Team Leader, People, Governance & Risk, Jim Dickens; Governance Officer, Yazmin King; and Darren Oemcke from Hydra Consulting be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 4.1 ERA Water Sustainability Report.

The Audit & Risk Committee is satisfied that pursuant to section 90(3)(d) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed and considered in confidence as the information in relation to this agenda item includes information of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) the disclosure of which -

- (i) could reasonably be expected to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or to confer a commercial advantage on a third party; and
- (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

The Audit & Risk Committee is satisfied the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public, has been outweighed by the need to keep the information or discussion confidential.

CARRIED

The time being 4.33pm the meeting moved into confidence.

Darren Oemcke left the room at 5.37pm and did not return.

ARC054/12/24

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Moved: Cr Trotter
Seconded: Mayor Jones

That having considered Agenda Item 4.1 ERA Water Sustainability Report in confidence under section 90(2) & 90(3)(d) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Audit & Risk Committee, pursuant to section 91(7) of that Act orders that the report, minutes and all attachments to this Agenda Item be retained in confidence for a period of 5 years and that pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1999* the Audit & Risk Committee delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the review and power to revoke this Order.

The time being 6.00pm the meeting moved out of confidence.

ARC056/12/24

Moved: Michele Bennetts
Seconded: Cr Trotter

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the **Act**) the Committee orders that all members of the public, except the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Muhammad Jawad; Team Leader People, Governance and Risk, Jim Dickens and Governance Officer, Yazmin King be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Agenda Item 4.2 Independent Audit and Risk Committee Member recommendation.

The Committee is satisfied that pursuant to sections 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the Agenda Item is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead), being

information regarding suitability for the position of Independent Audit and Risk Committee Member.

Accordingly, on this basis, the Committee is satisfied that the principle that meetings of the Committee should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information or matter confidential.

CARRIED

The time being 6.01pm the meeting moved into confidence.

ARC057/12/24

Moved: Mayor Jones

Seconded: Michele Bennetts

That the Audit and Risk Committee recommend to Council that Mr Roberto Bria be appointed to the position of Audit and Risk Committee Independent Member for a term of three (3) years, commencing on 1 January 2025 until 31 December 2027.

CARRIED

ARC058/12/24

Moved: Cr Trotter

Seconded: Mayor Jones

Pursuant to section 91(7)

That having considered Agenda Item 4.2 Independent Audit and Risk Committee Member recommendation, in confidence under section 90(2) & 90(3)(a) of the Act, the Committee, pursuant to section 91(7) of that Act orders that the report and all attachments to this Agenda Item be retained in confidence for a period of five years and the minutes be retained until Council has made a determination on the matter, and that pursuant to section 91(9)(c) of the Act the Committee delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the review and power to revoke this Order.

CARRIED

The time being 6.10pm the meeting moved out of confidence.

5. MEETING CLOSE

The presiding member declared the meeting closed at 6.11pm.