



Minutes of a meeting of the Audit and Risk Subcommittee held in
the Council Chamber on Wednesday 21 September 2022,
commencing at 2:00 PM

Membership

Cr Hilary Calvert	<i>(Chairperson)</i>
Mr Andrew Douglas	<i>(Independent Member)</i>
Cr Kevin Malcolm	
Cr Andrew Noone	
Cr Kate Wilson	

Welcome

Subcommittee Chairperson Hilary Calvert welcomed Councillors, members of the public and staff to the meeting at 2:01 pm. Staff present included Pim Borren, (interim Chief Executive), Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services, via Zoom), Anita Dawe (GM Policy and Science), Gavin Palmer (GM Operations), Richard Saunders (GM Regulatory and Communications), Amanda Vercoe (GM Governance, Culture and Customer), Liz Spector (Governance Support). Also present from Deloitte were council auditors Heidi Rautjoki and Aveshin Govender.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

No public forum was held.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Resolution: Cr Calvert moved, Cr Wilson seconded:

That the agenda be confirmed as published.

MOTION CARRIED

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were advised.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: Cr Noone Moved, Cr Malcolm Seconded

That the minutes of the (public portion of the) meeting held on 11 August 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

MOTION CARRIED

6. ACTIONS (STATUS OF COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS)

Open actions from resolutions of the subcommittee were reviewed. Cr Calvert noted all actions would carryforward to the new triennium.

7. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7.1. CS2253 Budgeting for Operational Deficits

At the 12 May 2022 meeting the Audit and Risk Subcommittee requested a report be provided to the Finance Committee to provide clarity on steps to take to end the practice of budgeting for operational deficits. This report was provided in response to that request. Nick Donnelly (GM Corporate Services/CFO) was available to respond to questions about the report.

Following deliberations on possible actions to take to achieve a balanced budget, subcommittee members collaborated to resolve:

Resolution AR22-130: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded

That the Audit and Risk Subcommittee:

- 1) **Notes** this paper and refers it to the 28 September 2022 Council Meeting.
- 2) **Asks** that the Finance committee in place after the 8 October 2022 local election receives a report from the Chief Executive on how to achieve an annual balanced budget and how to achieve that budget when unanticipated expenditures arise.
- 3) **Notes** that work towards achieving a balanced budget will be monitored through regular reporting to Audit and Risk Subcommittee in the next triennium and included in the Actions Register.
- 4) **Requests** detailed information as to how public transport deficits have occurred be provided in a staff report to the next Audit and Risk Subcommittee meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

8. RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PUBLIC

Resolution: Cr Calvert Moved, Cr Wilson Seconded:

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely:

- *Confidential minutes of the 11 August 2022 subcommittee meeting*
- *Consideration of Draft Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2022*

I also move that Heidi Rautjoki and Aveshin Govender of Deloitte be permitted to remain at this meeting, after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge of the draft Annual Report for 30 June 2022.

MOTION CARRIED

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under [section 48\(1\)](#) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

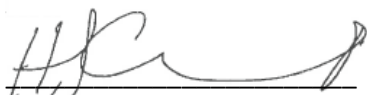
General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution
Confidential minutes of the 11 August 2022 Audit and Risk Subcommittee meeting	<p>To protect information where the making available of the information— would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information – Section 7(2)(b)(ii)</p> <p>To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information— would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied – Section 7(2)(c)(i)</p> <p>To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information— would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest – Section 7(2)(c)(ii)</p> <p>To avoid prejudice to measures that prevent or mitigate material loss to members of the public –</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) - Subject to subsection (3), a local authority may by resolution exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on 1 or more of the following grounds:</p> <p>(a) that the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.</p>

	<p>Section 7(2)(e) To maintain legal professional privilege – Section 7(2)(g) To enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities – Section 7(2)(h) To prevent the disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage – Section 7(2)(j)</p>	
Annual Report and Audit Management Letter	<p>To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information— would be likely to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied – Section 7(2)(c)(i)</p>	<p>Section 48(1)(a) - Subject to subsection (3), a local authority may by resolution exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on 1 or more of the following grounds: (a) that the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.</p>

This resolution was made in reliance on [section 48\(1\)\(a\)](#) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the particular interest or interests protected by [section 6](#) or [section 7](#) of that Act or [section 6](#) or [section 7](#) or [section 9](#) of the Official Information Act 1982, as the case may require, which would be prejudiced by the holding of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting in public.

9. CLOSURE

There was no further public business and Chairperson Calvert declared the meeting closed at 2:47 pm.



Chairperson Hilary Calvert

29 Sept 2022

Date



Int. Chief Executive Borren

29 Sept 2022

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