#### MINUTES OF THE AUDIT. RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JOHN STREET, COONABARABRAN ON TUESDAY 14 MARCH 2023 **COMMENCING AT 10:00AM**

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PRESENT: Grahame Marchant (Chair), Cr Kathryn Rindfleish (by videoconference)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Director Corporate and Community Services, Acting Accountant, Manager Corporate Services (minutes), Luke Malone (External Auditor – Prosperity Advisers; by videoconference), Igor Ivannikov (Council contractor; by videoconference), Unaib Jeoffrey (NSW Audit Office; by videoconference)

**APOLOGIES:** General Manager, Director Technical Services

## **ITEM 1 – MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

THE COMMITTEE resolved that the minutes of the Internal Audit Committee meeting held on 11 August 2022 are confirmed.

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

Nil

## **ITEM 2 – ACTION LIST PROGRESS REPORT**

**THE COMMITTEE** noted progress made against items contained in the task register.

## **ITEM 3 – EXTERNAL AUDIT UPDATE**

Luke Malone, Unaib Jeoffrey and Igor Ivannikov gave an update on preparations for the 2022/23 audit. Planning meetings have been held; external auditors presented the audit engagement plan for 2022/23.

THE COMMITTEE noted the report on progress to complete the 2021/22 Financial Statements for the Warrumbungle Shire Council.

Luke Malone, Igor Ivannikov and Unaib Jeoffrey left the meeting.

## **ITEM 4 – HIGH VALUE HIGH RISK REPORT**

**THE COMMITTEE** noted the information contained in the High Value High Risk report.

## **ITEM 5 – GUIDELINE ON THE USE AND MANAGEMENT OF CREDIT CARDS** THE COMMITTEE:

- 1. noted receipt of the Office of Local Government's 'Guideline on the use and management of credit cards'; and
- 2. will receive another report once the Credit Card Policy is adopted to be informed on implementation of the policy.

#### **ITEM 6 – UPDATE ON PROJECT MANAGEMENT** THE COMMITTEE:

- 1. noted the information contained in the project management report; and
- 2. will receive an update at the next meeting on implementation and the risk management framework including risk management plans.

#### **ITEM 7 – SERVICE REVIEW**

**THE COMMITTEE** noted the report on service review of public toilets.

## **ITEM 8 – PENETRATION TEST**

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## THE COMMITTEE:

- 1. noted the information contained in the penetration testing report; and
- 2. will receive another report on progress of implementing the recommendations in the penetration testing report.

# **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- TRRRC legal matter settled. •
- The committee is seeking an update on OLG guidelines for risk management; • needs to see a project plan on implementing guidelines.
- EOI advertised for independent member of ARIC, closing 31 March 2023. •

Next meeting August 2023, date to be advised.