

# Minutes

# **Audit Committee Meeting**

Monday 10 September 2012

# Council Chambers, Cnr Currie and Bury Streets, Nambour

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Councillor C Thompson Councillor T Dwyer Mr P Dowling AM Mr L Scanlan Division 4 Division 2

Independent Member (Chair) Independent Member

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#### 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Chair declared the meeting open at 9.05 am.

#### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mr P Dowling AM Independent Member (Chair)

Councillor T Dwyer Division 2

Mr L Scanlan Independent Member

#### **EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Chief Executive Officer

**Executive Director Finance and Business** 

**Executive Director Infrastructure Services** 

**Executive Director Community Services** 

**Executive Director Regional Strategy and Planning** 

#### **APOLOGIES**

Councillor C Thompson Division 4

#### **ATTENDEES**

Ms J Richards External Auditor (KPMG)

#### **COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Financial Accounting Manager Corporate Planning and Reporting Manager Health and Safety Manager Manager Audit and Assurance

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#### 3 RECEIPT AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### 3.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That the minutes of the Audit Committee held on 8 June 2012, be received and confirmed. (AC Att Pg 3)

#### 4 OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

# 4.1 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Section 172 (3) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, no declarations of material personal interest were made during this meeting.

# 4.2 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Section 173 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Peter Dowling declared his appointment to the Moreton Bay Regional Council Audit Committee.

Pursuant to Section 173 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Len Scanlan declared his appointment to the Toowoomba Regional Council Audit Committee.

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- 5 REPORTS
- 5.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S UPDATE
- 5.1.1 UPDATE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

File No: ECM 10 September 2012

Presenter: Chief Executive Officer

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCUSSION POINTS**

- Council announced the next phase of the Value and Success process with a review of efficiencies within the organisation by an external firm;
- Submission by the Noosa Independent Alliance to re-establish the Noosa Council; and
- Discussions have continued with the new State Government regarding the impacts of Caloundra South Urban Development Area.

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (ACM12/28)**

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Update - Chief Executive Officer" and the discussions held by committee.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Peter Dowling Seconded: Len Scanlan

That the Audit Committee acknowledge the support and valuable contribution by Councillor T Dwyer as a member of the Audit Committee.

Carried unanimously.

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#### 5.2 EXTERNAL AUDIT

#### 5.2.1 KPMG INTERIM AUDIT RESULTS

File No: ECM – 10 September 2012

Author: Financial Accounting Manager, Mark Taylor

**Finance and Business** 

Appendix: App A - KPMG Interim Audit Results (Att Pg 21)

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCUSSION POINTS**

- Items 2.1 to 2.6 are Moderate Risks;
- Items 2.7 and 2.8 are Low Risks; and
- Follow-up progress on IT and EFT control weaknesses in year end review.

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/29)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report "KPMG Interim Audit Report".

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#### **5.2.2 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENT REVIEW 2012**

File No: ECM

Author: Financial Accounting Manager Mark Taylor

**Finance and Business** 

Appendix: App A - 2011 2012 Draft Financial Statements (Att Pg 43)

Attachments: Att 1 - Aurecon Australia Pty Ltd\_Road and Bridge Unit Rate

Review Report (Att Pg 81)

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCUSSION POINTS**

- Notes to the Financial Statements to be finalised regarding Caloundra South, Clean Energy Legislation, Noosa De-amalgamation and further information regarding Controlled Entities; and
- Note 5 Contract Services to be expanded to provide further information relating to Waste Management.

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/30)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Draft Financial Statement Review 2012".

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#### 5.3 GOVERNANCE REPORTING

#### 5.3.1 GOVERNANCE AND RISK REPORT

File No: ECM 10/09/2012

Author: Manager, Corporate Governance - Kim Driver

Attachments: Att 1 - Risk Matrix Summary (Att Pg 239)

Att 2 - Risk Report (Att Pg 240)
Att 3 - Payroll Draft BCP (Att Pg 247)

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/31)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Governance and Risk Report".

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#### 5.3.2 SEPTEMBER 2012 WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

File No: ECM 100912

Author: Health and Safety Manager, Troy Mitchell

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM 12/32)

That Council receive and note the report titled "September 2012 Work Health and Safety Report".

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# 5.3.3 PROGRESS ON IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE QUEENSLAND FLOODS COMMISSION

File No: ECM

Author: Local Disaster Coordinator, Alan (Fox) Rogers

**Executive Office** 

Appendices: App A – Interim Report Recommendations (Att Pg 265)

App B – Actions on Final Recommendations (Att Pg 275)

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/33)

That the Audit Committee note the report titled "Progress on implementing the recommendations of the Queensland Floods Commission" and Appendices A and B to the report which outline actions taken and proposed in response to the Commission's recommendations.

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# 5.3.4 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES PURCHASING AND PANELS - PROGRESS UPDATE

File No: ECM

Authors: Executive Director Finance and Business, Greg Laverty

**Executive Director Infrastructure Services, Andrew Ryan** 

Attachments: Att 1 - IS Procurement Reporting (Att Pg 287)

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM 12/34)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Infrastructure Services Purchasing and Panels - Progress Update".

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#### 5.4 INTERNAL AUDIT

#### 5.4.1 AUDIT COMMITTEE AND INTERNAL AUDIT CHARTERS

File No: ECM

Author: Manager, Audit and Assurance

Appendices: App A - 2012 Audit Committee Charter (Att Pg 301)

App B - 2012 Internal Audit Charter (Att Pg 305)

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/35)

That the Audit Committee:

- (a) receive and note the "Audit Committee and Internal Audit Charters" report; and
- (b) recommend to Council that the attached Audit Committee Charter (Appendix A) and the Internal Audit Charter (Appendix B) be endorsed.

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#### 5.4.2 REGIONAL STRATEGY AND PLANNING - PURCHASING AND PANELS

File No: ECM July 2012

Author: Manager, Audit and Assurance

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/36)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Regional Strategy and Planning – Purchasing and Panels".

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# 5.4.3 TURF MAINTENANCE CONTRACT - INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, PARKS AND GARDENS

File No: ECM

Author: Principal Auditor, Audit and Assurance

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE DISCUSSION POINTS**

• The Committee noted the positive results of this review which had been achieved through synergies of the council amalgamations.

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/37)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Turf Maintenance Contract – Infrastructure Services, Parks and Gardens".

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#### 5.4.4 AUDIT AND ASSURANCE STATUS REPORT

File No: ECM

Author: Manager, Audit and Assurance

Attachment: Att 1 – Outstanding Management Actions (Att Pg 309)

#### **OFFICER/AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM12/38)

That the Audit Committee receive and note the report titled "Audit and Assurance Status Report".

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#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION** (ACM 12/39)

Moved: Peter Dowling Seconded: Len Scanlan

That the Audit Committee adopt the recommendations of the Audit Committee Meeting of 10 September 2012 and submit the recommendations to Council.

Carried unanimously.

#### **6 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil.

#### 7 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Audit Committee will be held on Friday, 1 February 2013, in the Council Chambers, corner Currie and Bury Streets, Nambour, commencing at 9.00 am.

#### **8 MEETING CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 10.47 am.