### AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee Meeting held Tuesday 12 November 2013 at 7.00pm in the Unley Civic Centre 181 Unley Road Unley

### **PRESENT**

Mr John Rawson (Presiding Member)
Mr Shaun Matters
Mr Ed Parker
Councillor Michael Saies
Councillor Rob Sangster

### **OFFICERS PRESENT**

Mr S Faulkner, General Manager People & Governance Mr M Carey, Finance Manager Ms R Box, Executive Assistant to GM People & Governance

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Presiding Member opened the meeting with the aboriginal acknowledgement and welcomed Members to the meeting.

### **APOLOGIES**

Nil

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Nil

### **REPORT TO COUNCIL**

25 November 2013

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

MOVED Shaun Matters SECONDED Michael Saies

That

1. The minutes of the Audit and Governance Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 1 October 2013, as printed and circulated, be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### **BUSINESS ADJOURNED**

Nil

### **DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### ITEM 72

### **CONFIDENTIALITY MOTION FOR ITEM 73 – EXTERNAL AUDIT APPOINTMENT**

MOVED Michael Saies SECONDED Shaun Matters

That:

1. Pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 the Committee orders the public be excluded, with the exception of the following:

Mr S Faulkner, General Manager People and Governance

Mr M Carey, Manager Finance and ICT

Ms R Box, Executive Assistant to GM People and Governance

Representatives from Company A arrived at 7:05pm and left at 7:32pm

Representatives from Company B arrived at 7:34pm and left at 7:57pm

on the basis that it will receive and consider the report on Evaluation of Audit Tender, and that the Committee is satisfied that the meeting should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in relation to this matter because:

(a) the disclosure of the commercial information which is of a confidential nature (not being a trade secret) could reasonably be expected to

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prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or confer a commercial advantage on a third party, without losing its element of confidentiality.

The report recommends that the Audit and Governance Committee makes a recommendation to Council in regards to the external auditor contract.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The doors to the meeting room were closed at 7:04pm

## CONFIDENTIAL

ITEM 73
EXTERNAL AUDITOR APPOINTMENT

## ITEM 74 CONFIDENTIALITY MOTION TO REMAIN IN CONFIDENCE ITEM – 73 EXTERNAL AUDITOR APPOINTMENT

MOVED Michael Saies SECONDED Rob Sangster

#### That:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 91(7) and (9) of the Local Government Act:
  - 2.1 The:
    - ☑ Minutes
    - ☑ Report

remain confidential until the tender has been issued, and

2.2 The minutes and report will be kept confidential until the item is revoked by the Chief Executive Officer.

### **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

The doors to the meeting room were opened at 8:38pm

### ITEM 75 FRAUD AND CORRUPTION POLICY – DRAFT

MOVED Michael Saies SECONDED Shaun Matters

#### That:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. The Fraud and Corruption Prevention Policy as attached (*Attachment 1 to Item 75/13*) be recommended to Council.

MOVED Rob Sangster SECONDED Ed Parker

### That:

The Committee agreed that *Item 75 Fraud and Corruption Policy – Draft*, be adjourned to the next meeting to allow time for Administration to provide clarification of Part 7 of the Fraud and Corruption Policy.

### CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### ITEM 76 AMENDMENTS TO WHISTLBLOWERS' PROTECTION POLICY

MOVED Rob Sangster SECONDED Michael Saies

That:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. The updated Whistleblowers' Protection Policy as attached (*Attachment 1 to Item 76/13*) be recommended to Council.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

## ITEM 77 AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 2013 – WORKPLAN

MOVED Michael Saies SECONDED Ed Parker

That:

- 1. The report be received.
- 2. The Audit and Governance Committee 2013-2014 Work Plan as attached (*Attachment 1 to Item 77/13*) be endorsed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# ITEM 78 MANAGEMENT RESPONSE TO COMPLETION OF BALANCE DATE AUDIT LETTER FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

MOVED Shaun Matters SECONDED Ed Parker

That:

1. The report be received.

CARRIED UNANINIMOUSLY

### ITEM 79 CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED Rob Sangster SECONDED Michael Saies

That:

The correspondence from:

- 1. Councillor D Tipper Resignation
- 2. Dean Newbery & Partners
  - a. Letter 16 October 2013
     Completion of external audit provision of 2012/13 financial auditor's report to council
  - b. Letter 17 October 2013

    Completion of balance date audit financial year ended 30 June 2013

be received.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Councillor Saies raised the issue of Meeting Procedures.

### **CLOSURE**

The Presiding Member closed the meeting at 9:30pm

### **NEXT MEETING**

11 February 2014

PRESIDING MEMBER
<u>DATE</u>