

RISK MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of Meeting held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield on Thursday 14 August 2025 at 9.30am

Present Greg Arnott Chairperson

Shane Smith Independent Member

Mayor Doug Barden Ex-Officio

Cr Kevin Harlan Committee Member

Staff Stephen Hoyne Chief Executive Officer

Geoff Thomas Director Infrastructure and Operations
Maxie Smith Director Corporate and Community
Rebecca Taylor Program Leader Policy and Governance

Deb Boyko Executive Assistant

Presenters Nil

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Chairperson, Greg Arnott opened the Meeting at 9:36am.

2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Moved: Chairperson Greg Arnott

Seconded: Independent Member Shane Smith

THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee accept an apology from Deputy Mayor Mark Sidey and Cr Rachael Wright.

CARRIED (3-0)

3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Harlan

Seconded: Independent Member Shane Smith

THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee confirm the full minutes, 5 pages of the open portion of the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held Thursday 29 May 2025.

CARRIED (3-0)

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Moved: Chairperson Greg Arnott

Seconded: Cr Harlan

THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee receives and notes the Action Sheet.

CARRIED (3-0)

6. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7. ACCEPTING OR DECLINING LATE ITEMS

Nil.

8. OFFICERS REPORTS

Nil.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

10. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved: Independent Member Shane Smith

Seconded: Chairperson Greg Arnott

THAT Pursuant to Section 93 of the *NT Local Government Act* 2019 and Regulation 51 of *Local Government (General) Regulations* the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Confidential Items:

10.01 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes

Regulation 51(1) for Section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

10.02 KPMG Audit Plan 2025

Regulation 51(1) for Section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

(e) subject to subregulation (3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

10.03 Work, Health and Safety Overview

Regulation 51(1) for Section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

- (c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:
- (iv) subject to subregulation (3) prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

10.04 Fraud Protection Policy

Regulation 51(1) for Section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

- (c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:
- (iii) prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.

10.05 Internal Audit Update

Regulation 51(1) for Section 293(1) of the Act, the following information is prescribed as confidential:

- (c) information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to:
- (iv) subject to subregulation (3) prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

CARRIED (3-0)

The meeting was closed to the public at 9:40am.

Moved: Chairperson Greg Arnott

Seconded: Cr Harlan

THAT Pursuant to Section 93(2) of the *NT Local Government Act* 2019 and Regulation 51(1) of *Local Government (General) Regulations* the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED (3-0)

The meeting returned to open session at 10:38am.

Items moved from Confidential:

10.01 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes

Moved: Chairperson Greg Arnott

Seconded: Cr Harlan

THAT the Risk Management and Audit Committee:

- 1. confirm the confidential minutes, 2 pages of the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held Thursday 29 May 2025; and
- 2. make public its resolution on this matter.

CARRIED (3-0)

11. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chair closed the meeting at 10:50am.

MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

Tuesday 28 October 2025

Chairperson
Greg Arnott